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Search continues for missing boy



Officers search the murky waters of the Little Wood River Tuesday for the body of a boy who officers believe fell into the river from the bank at right.

State investigators, prosecutor on scene along Little Wood River

By Karen Metzler Fitzgerald
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE — Lincoln County's prosecuting attorney and two state investigators were on the scene Tuesday as crews continued their search for a 2-year-old Gooding boy missing since Sunday. A county prosecutor or a state investigator usually is called to a search scene only if there is evidence of criminal activity. Deputies, meanwhile, said they are investigating all leads in the disappearance of the boy.

"What we have here is an accident," said sheriff's deputy Kevin Ellis. "And like all accidents it has to be investigated. We are investigating all aspects of

the case. That's not to say we feel like it's anything more than what it appears to be."

The search is centering on the Little Wood River, which flows near a home where the boy was last seen.

Lincoln County Prosecutor Brit Groom declined comment on the search, and on his reasons for being at the search site.

Meanwhile, Ellis said investigators were interviewing neighbors and rela-

tives throughout the day Tuesday, in an attempt to gather information about the disappearance.

The boy — still not identified by local authorities — apparently was staying at a house on the Tenupa Ranch west of Shoshone, near the Little Wood River. He went from the house to a nearby shed, and Ellis said he believes the toddler then made his way across a corrugated potato field, up a grave-digger embankment, across railroad tracks and

down to the banks of the river.

One tiny footprint is left on a patch of ice at the river's edge.

Ellis estimated the child covered a distance of two football fields.

A volunteer diver spent several hours in the river Tuesday. Bill Arkoski, owner of a nearby power plant, lowered the water level for two hours to help the search effort.

"The divers search by feel. Their visibility is only about six inches," Ellis said. "There are a lot of snags and debris in the water."

A search dog was brought to the scene Tuesday. The "air dog" is specifically trained to pick up scents above the

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Newcomb pushes bill to establish Gem ethics panel



Plan would use laws on books

By Karen Tokkinnen
Times-News writer

BOISE — Amid a flood of campaign finance reform proposals, a novel one comes from House Majority Leader Bruce Newcomb,



R-Burley. Why not enforce laws already on the books?

The House Ways-and-Means Committee Tuesday introduced his

bill to establish the Political and Campaign Finance and Ethics Commission, a panel to review campaign complaints and decide whether they merit prosecution.

"This is based on the premise that the Sunshine Law, if fully enforced, is sufficient to watch out for problems with misuse of public funds or campaign funds," he told committee members, who voted unanimously to introduce it.

Idaho's Sunshine Law — whose

best-known function requires disclosure of campaign contributions — also contains esoteric items; Newcomb said.

For instance, notes sent from lobbyists to legislators on the House or Senate floor must be filed with the Secretary of State's office.

"I know a lobbyist who said, 'I've been breaking the law for 15 years,'" he said.

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White House Press Secretary Mike McCurry considers a reporter's question on White House fund raising Tuesday. Larry Davis of the White House counsel's office is at right.

Lincoln Bedroom opened to donors

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In the worried days after the Democrats' 1994 election losses, President Clinton scrawled his personal approval on a plan to invite big party donors into the White House and suggested some be given overnight stays "right away."

For the first time, internal White House memos released Tuesday placed Clinton at the front-end planning of a Democratic fund-raising blitz that headed some major donors a night in the Lincoln Bedroom and eventually

Notable guests — A4

ensured the party in controversy.

The White House also released the identities of 938 overnight guests during Clinton's first term, ranging from entertainer Barbra Streisand and evangelist Billy Graham to six-figure donors and obscure family friends.

"Ready to start overnights right away," the president wrote in a January 1995 note that specified he be given the

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Budget amendment in balance

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The balanced budget amendment to the Constitution teetered on the brink Tuesday as a pivotal Democratic freshman endorsed the measure and one final uncommitted senator weighed a make-or-break decision.

"It's the right thing to do," Sen. Mary Landrieu, D-La., said in announcing she would vote for the Republican-crafted measure despite reservations.

Barring any last-minute switches, Landrieu's decision appeared to leave the fate of the amendment in the hands of Sen. Bob Torricelli, D-N.J., who pledged to disclose his decision today.

Torricelli supported the measure two years ago in the House. He has been uncommitted since



Mary Landrieu

his election to the Senate in November, even as the White House and Democratic leaders have lobbied him to oppose the measure now.

And at day's end, the White House addressed one of Torricelli's concerns when it quietly announced creation of a presidential commission to study capital budgeting.

"I understand the enormity of the moment," Torricelli said as he pondered his decision.

With a final vote expected next week, the party's leaders seemed locked in a war of nerves.

Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle, leading the opposition, conceded, "our momentum has lost a couple of wheels" with Landrieu's announcement. He added, though, "I think it is entirely possible we could win this."

Majority Leader Trent Lott told reporters he could count "about 66" votes for the measure, one shy of the two-thirds needed to prevail, but suggested there may be a surprise or two.

"There's more than one senator who is still considering how to vote on final passage," he said with an air of mystery.

Privately, though, GOP aides said Republicans were prepared to let the measure fail rather than bow to Democratic demands for changes. These aides noted that all 55 Senate Republicans are lined up to vote for the measure.

Comp-time issue creates concerns

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Football games, school plays, doctors' appointments.

When both Mom and Dad work, time off can be priceless. But for some parents, overtime work and the cash it brings are a matter of survival.

It's those competing needs — and business interests, too — that Congress and President Clinton must balance as they get set to reconsider making comp time, or earned time off, an alternative to overtime pay.

The idea, supporters say, is that with a choice between cash and time off, every worker could get what he or she most needs.

The risk, caution labor unions and other detractors, is that profit-driven firms would be tempted to exploit the availability of cheaper overtime labor.

"We'd be entering a huge unknown," said Martin Malin, director of the Institute of Law and the Workplace at Chicago-Kent College of Law. "This is an area that offers a lot of promise, but the concerns raised ... should be taken seriously."

About 67 percent of American workers are "now" covered by the Fair Labor Standards Act, which guarantees one-and-a-half times regular wages for every hour worked beyond a 40-hour week. Most blue-collar factory, food service, construction and clerical workers are covered, along with less obvious folks such as computer analysts.

Such workers currently can't waive their right to overtime pay, or trade it for another benefit, such as paid vacation. If a worker needs emergency time off to take

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WEATHER

IDAHO Weather

Forecast for Idaho, Feb. 26-27

Source: National Weather Service

City	Temp
Coeur d'Alene	42°
Lewiston	42°
Boise	48°
Idaho Falls	38°
Twin Falls	40°
Pocatello	38°

Weather icons: Sun, Partly Cloudy, Cloudy, Snow, Rain, Wind, Fog, Ice, Storm, Hail, Thunder, Tornado.

FORECAST

Source: National Weather Service

Magic Valley
Mostly cloudy with a chance of rain today. Highs near 40. West wind 5 to 15 mph. Tonight mostly cloudy with a chance of snow. Lows in the mid 20s. Thursday snow or rain likely. Highs 35 to 40. The ultraviolet index forecast is 2, a minimal exposure level.

Extended regional forecast
Friday mostly cloudy brisk and cool with rain or snow showers likely. Lows 25 to 35. Highs 35 to 45. Saturday mostly cloudy with a chance of snow. Cool with lows 15 to 25. Highs 30 to 40. Sunday mostly cloudy with a chance of snow. Lows in the 20s. Highs around 40.

Camas Prairie, Wood River Valley
Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of snow or rain today. Highs in the mid 30s to the lower 40s. Tonight and Thursday snow likely possibly mixed with rain. Lows 10 to 20. Highs in the 30s.

Treasure Valley
Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of rain today. Highs in the mid 40s. Northwest wind 5 to 15 mph. Tonight cloudy with a chance of snow. Lows near 30.

Sawtooth Mountains
Partly cloudy with a chance of snow or rain today. Highs 40 to 50. Tonight mostly cloudy with a chance of snow. Lows from 10 above to the lower 20s. Thursday snow likely. Highs in the 30s.

Eastern Idaho
Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of snow showers today and tonight. Highs in the mid to upper 30s. Lows tonight in the upper teens to near 20. Southwest winds 5 to 10 mph Wednesday. Thursday mostly cloudy with a chance of snow showers. Highs in the mid 30s.

Northern Idaho
Partly cloudy with a slight chance of rain today. Highs in the 40s. Variable wind 5 to 10 mph. Tonight cloudy with a chance of snow. Lows from the upper 20s to mid 30s. Thursday mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Highs 40 to 45.

Northern Nevada
Mostly cloudy today with isolated morning snow showers. Partly cloudy after afternoon. Southwest winds 5-15 mph. Highs 35-40. Tonight mostly cloudy with scattered snow showers. Highs 35-40.

Northern Utah
Cloudy today with flurries possible by afternoon. Highs near 40. Tonight cloudy with flurries possible. Lows 25-30. Thursday cloudy and windy. Snow likely. Highs 40-45.

The ultraviolet index forecast is 2, a minimal exposure level.

ACROSS THE NATION

Rain extends from Arizona to Atlanta; snow falls in northern states

The Associated Press

Rain was scattered across the South all the way from Arizona to the East Coast Tuesday, with more than 2 inches falling on Louisiana.

A band of light to moderate rain stretched from north-central Texas to southern South Carolina during the afternoon.

Areas of heavier rain developed across central Texas and Louisiana, where Alexandria had collected 2.64 inches in 24 hours and Baton Rouge measured 2.19 inches. McComb, Miss., reported 2.24 inches in 24 hours.

Parts of Texas had freezing rain and snow, and snow showers also spread through the mountains of northern Arizona and New Mexico. Locally heavy snow was reported in the mountains of eastern Arizona.

To the north, snow also developed in western Montana as moist air flowed into the region from the Pacific Ocean.

A few light snow showers were scattered over the eastern Dakotas; western Minnesota and extreme northern Michigan.

Tuesday's lowest wind chill was 35 below zero at Greenville, Maine, and Fossum, Minn.

In Idaho, an upper level disturbance brought cloudy conditions to the state. The cloud cover, which was over northern and central sections throughout the day, slowly spread over southern Idaho in the afternoon.

Satellite photos indicated cloudy skies over most of the state with a few areas of light snow in northern Idaho. Surface reports indicated only trace amounts of precipitation at Mullan Pass and Grande River in the afternoon.

ALMANAC

Idaho

Max	Min	Pcp	Year	Min	Pcp		
Boise	51	27	.....	Yesterday	42	22	.....
Burley	47	20	.....	Last year	57	35	.....
Fairfield	29	5	.....	Normal	46	25	.03
Gooding	45	18	.....	Normal	46	25	.03
Hagerman	49	17	.....	Month to date:	..	..	..
Idaho Falls	38	14	.....	Normal mo. to date:	..	..	..
Jerome	42	23	.....	Water year to date:	9.40	.....	.....
Lewiston	47	30	.....	Normal year to date:	4.57	.....	.....
Malad	40	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Malta	40	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
McCall	39	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pocatello	41	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Salmon	32	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stanley	34	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sun Valley	38	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Twin Falls

Humidity at noon: 53 pct.
Dewpoint at noon: 30.15 F
Pollen count: Reports ended until next season.

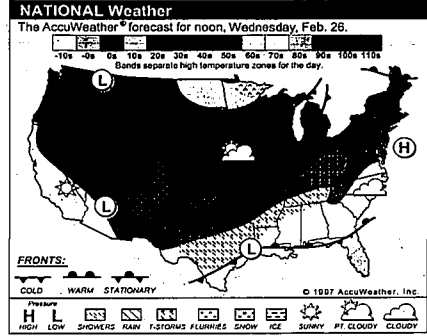
Courtesy Astoria and Albany of Idaho.

SKYWATCH

Sunset today 6:24 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:17 a.m.
Lunar phase: Full, Feb. 22; last quarter, March 2; new, March 6; first quarter, March 15.
Visible planets: Morning: Mars, Evening: Saturn, Mars.
Comet Hale-Bopp visible: NE, 8:30-6:30 a.m.

TEMPERATURES

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	42	24	.....
Atlanta	60	45	.....
Boston	29	15	.....
Chicago	41	18	.....
Dallas	48	44	.....
Denver	44	13	.....
Des Moines	42	11	.....
Detroit	34	13	.....
Honolulu	78	68	.....
Houston	52	47	.....
Indianapolis	43	19	.....
Kansas City	47	34	.....
Las Vegas	52	41	.....
Los Angeles	72	55	.....
Memphis	62	47	.....
Miami Beach	74	61	.....
Milwaukee	35	14	.....
Minneapolis	39	0	.....
New Orleans	61	51	.....
New York	34	20	.....
Oklahoma City	40	34	.....
Omaha	42	18	.....
Phoenix	60	50	.....
Pittsburgh	39	14	.....
Portland, Me.	24	8	.....
Portland, Ore.	52	38	.....
Reno	57	15	.....
San Antonio	61	51	.....
Salt Lake City	41	21	.....
San Francisco	66	44	.....
Seattle	47	39	.....
Spokane	47	28	.....
Washington	46	29	.....



HIGHS & LOWS

Idaho: High, 51 degrees at Parma and Boise. Low, 16 below zero at Stanley.
Nation: High, 87 at Fort Myers, Fla. Low, 18 below at W. Yellowstone, Mont.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Lincoln

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names of the party's \$50,000 and \$100,000-plus donors.

Clinton also sanctioned a top campaign aide's memo to use coffee to bring big donors into the White House. That memo identified "our top 10 supporters" — four of whom got overnight stays.

Hours before the release of the papers, Clinton acknowledged he encouraged the overnight stays but insisted most of the guests were personal friends.

"I didn't have any strangers here. The Lincoln Bureau was never sold," Clinton told reporters.

When the controversy first began growing, Clinton placed most of the blame on a wayward Democratic Party, but in recent weeks he has said he deserved some for not better supervising White House participation in fund raising.

The White House said that

despite all of the discussion of fund raising in the documents, there is no evidence that anyone was ever asked for a donation at the executive mansion or that anyone was given a set price for a visit.

In all, the White House released 500 pages of documents that former deputy chief of staff Harold Ickes took with him when he left his job but recently turned over to House investigators.

The documents show that both Democratic fund-raisers and White House staff members say the bringing of donors to the White House for coffees was an integral tool for raising fresh money.

A July 1996 memo from Clinton-Gore campaign manager Peter S. Knight projected in a chart that one presidential coffee would raise \$350,000 and if another coffee scheduled it could

Ethics

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The governor would appoint two members from different parties to the panel, the Supreme Court would appoint two panels, also of different parties, and the four would elect a fifth candidate-to-break-geeklock. No more than three candidates could be from one party.

"On the face of it, I do think it's a good first step," said David Bobzien, lobbyist for United Vision for Idaho, which tracks campaign funding. "I think it's a lot better than other proposals that have been forwarded."

However, he disagrees with Newcomb that enforcing the existing campaign finance laws will cure the problem.

His group is first pushing for full disclosure — including Internet access.

"Then we can talk about where to go from there," he said.

Questions remain about whether a commission could rise above the politically charged atmosphere of campaign season.

The appointment process bothered House Minority Caucus

Chairwoman Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum.

"Gov. (Cecil) Andrus was always able to find Republicans who said they were Democrats and Democrats who said they were Republicans, and I think this governor does-not, a little bit," Jaquet said.

She preferred to have the majority and minority legislative leaders appoint members.

Other states have had campaign and ethics panels for years.

Newcomb said his bill is patterned after Washington state's panel.

However, that panel runs on a two-year budget of about \$1.8 million, does in-house investigations, has 18 staff members, and reviews lobbying activity and funding of initiatives, state and local campaigns and school bond levies. It also investigates complaints about false political advertising.

Tuesday, it fined an eastern Washington man \$52,500 for exceeding campaign funding limits by funneling money through three corporate subsidiaries, said a commission staff member.

Idaho's commission would run on a budget of \$5,000, not look at advertising, hold information private until it decided whether to send the case for prosecution, and get staff assistance and compensation from the Secretary of State's office.

Other states with campaign finance commissions include Alaska, which fined a businessman \$69,000 for misleading campaign contributions through his employees, said Ed Bender, research director of the Money in Western Politics Project of the non-profit, non-partisan Western States Center.

Montana also has a commission, but it hasn't prosecuted cases to the extent that Washington and Alaska have, he said.

"For the most part, very few of the campaign finance laws in our states have real teeth, so most of these people are getting slaps on the wrist anyway," Bender said. "If they want to make significant changes in the tenor of campaigns, it seems they need to put more teeth into their laws."

Comp

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a child to the doctor, the employee can only grant a day off.

The case is much different for professionals, managers and administrative employees who exercise independent judgment on the job. Because they are exempt from the law, they earn a fixed annual salary and don't get paid extra for long hours. But firms can offer them an increasingly popular benefit: flexible work schedules.

About 22 percent of such professionals are allowed to vary their hours, according to Labor Department figures. Some work long hours early in the week and take Friday off. Others pull a marathon stretch of work, then take a vacation.

A bill near the top of the Republican congressional agenda would allow companies to offer

more of that scheduling flexibility to hourly workers, too.

It seems to me that to allow working people to do good things and Dads is a laudable objective," said Sen. John Ashcroft, R-Mo., the bill's author.

Although he vetoed a similar bill last year, Clinton promised to do something to help overworked Americans in his second term.

Ashcroft's bill would allow, but not require, companies to offer compensatory time off as an alternative to overtime pay. Workers would earn comp time at a rate of 1 1/2 hours for every hour of overtime work, and could "bank" up to 40 hours.

Use of banked comp time would be at the worker's discretion, unless an absence would "unduly disrupt the operations of the employer."

Banked comp time also could be traded for cash.

Ashcroft says stiff penalties would discourage firms from coercing workers to take comp time instead of overtime pay. And big and small companies, and their trade groups, are lobbying hard for the bill.

But labor unions worry that making overtime work cheaper will help nothing but corporate profits.

The fear is that companies, to save money, would assign most overtime hours to people who want comp time, Reuther said. Workers who depend on overtime cash would be out of luck.

Because it costs nothing up front, comp time has encouraged government managers to ask workers to put in longer hours. Heavy workloads then make it hard for people to use time off they've banked.

Tough DUI bill advances in Utah

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A bill that would make it easier to convict repeat drunk drivers passed the House Tuesday, even though prosecutors and police find the measure unworkable.

Worse, prosecutors say the compromise provision could give an edge to defense attorneys, resulting in more acquittals in Twin Falls, Gooding and Lincoln counties.

The bill would cut in half the blood-alcohol measurement needed for a drunk driving conviction for repeat offenders. The bill is patterned after a similar law on the books in Maine.

Search

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More than 50 volunteers have helped in the search since the boy was reported missing Sunday night.

The Gooding Police Department was first on the scene and began the search. Gooding and Lincoln county search and rescue teams have taken part in the search, along with divers from Twin Falls, Gooding and Lincoln counties.

Bloodhounds from Rupert were used to trace the scent Sunday night, and pilots searched from the air Monday.

Neither the Gooding nor Lincoln county sheriff's departments have released the missing boy's name, or any details about who he was with before his disappearance.

Lincoln County authorities said Monday that they believe the boy was with a babysitter at the Tenopus Ranch Sunday.

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BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Department of Transportation

closed several major highways across the state Tuesday.

Conditions:

U.S. 95 — Plummer-Coeur d'Alene, dry, wet; Coeur d'Alene-Canadian border, dry; Riggins-Whitebird Hill, dry; Whitebird Hill, dry; Grangeville-Moscow, dry; Weiser-New Meadows, dry; Marsing-Oregon line, dry.

Interstate 90 — Fourth of July Canyon, icy spots; Lookout Pass, icy spots.

U.S. 12 — Lewiston-Oronofu, dry; Orofino-Lowell, icy spots; Lowell-Louisville, icy spots, snowing.

Interstate 84 — Oregon line-Utah line, dry.

Idaho 55 — Horseshoe Bend-Donnelly, dry; Donnelly-New Meadows, wet.

Idaho 21 — Boise-Idaho City, dry;

Idaho City-Lewman, icy spots, broken snow floor, rocks; Lowman-Banner Summit, closed by slides.

U.S. 20 — Mountain Home-Carey, dry; Arco-Ashton, dry; Ashton-Mountain line, dry, icy spots.

U.S. 26 — Idaho Falls-Wyoming line, dry; Blackfoot-Arco, dry.

Idaho 51 — Dry.

U.S. 93 — Nevada line-Arco, dry; Arco-Salmon, dry, icy spots; Lost Trail Pass, dry, icy spots, broken snow floor, snow floor.

Interstate 80 — Shoshone-Ketchum, dry; Galena Summit, icy spots.

Interstate 86 — Dry.

Interstate 15 — Utah line-Pocatello, dry; Malad, dry; Pocatello-Dubois, dry; Monda Pass, dry.

U.S. 30 — McCammon-Wyoming line, dry.

U.S. 91 — Dry, icy spots.

Idaho 28 — Dry, icy spots.

NATION

NATION IN BRIEF

CIA warned Army of likely gas exposure

WASHINGTON — The CIA warned the Army in 1991 that U.S. soldiers may have been exposed to nerve gas when they blew up an Iraqi weapons dump, but the Army failed to follow up, the Pentagon acknowledged Tuesday.

A mistake in identifying the Gulf War unit involved caused the matter to be forgotten for four years, the Pentagon said. United Nations investigators found evidence that American troops may have been contaminated by chemical weapons during the destruction of an Iraqi weapons dump called Kumayyah in southern Iraq in March 1991. The information was relayed to the Army by the CIA in November 1991, a Pentagon report said.

FBI finds U-Haul, cancels threat advisory

DALLAS — The FBI dropped a nationwide terrorist-threat advisory after tracking down a suspect U-Haul truck and finding it wasn't being used to carry the makings of a huge bomb.

The advisory was posted after a witness said two men loaded 30 gallons of diesel fuel into containers in a truck that already held what appeared to be thousands of pounds of fertilizer, enough material for a bomb similar to the one that killed 168 people at the Oklahoma City federal building in April 1995.

The FBI advisory had noted that Friday is the fourth anniversary of the raid on the Branch Davidian compound near Waco in which six cult members and four agents of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms were killed.

However, the truck and its two occupants were located in Atlanta, and the advisory was canceled Monday night.

Study: Preschooler ear infections rising

CHICAGO — Recurring middle-ear infections among preschoolers rose sharply during the 1980s, in part because more children were in day-care centers than before, a study suggests.

Also contributing to the problem was a rise in allergies among children under 6, researchers said in a report based on government surveys of parents in 1981 and 1988.

During that period, the rate of recurrent otitis media shot up from 18.7 percent of all preschoolers to 26 percent, said researchers led by Dr. Robert L. Langham, a professor of pediatrics at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry.

The number of preschoolers with repeat ear infections rose by 1.8 million in seven years, to 5.9 million in 1988, the latest year for which figures are available, the researchers reported in a study released Monday.

Immunization rates up in creative clinics

CHICAGO — The number of kids getting immunized against childhood diseases soared in Georgia after public health clinics began competing for plaques and barbecues.

Other states report that coupons for diapers and ice cream work pretty well, too. In Georgia, the childhood immunization rate at the state's public health clinics jumped from 53 percent to 89 percent in six years.

"This was a very low-cost program," said Dr. Charles W. LeBaron, an epidemiologist with the National Immunization Program at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. "And this is the kind of thing that just sort of cranks out vaccinated kids like a machine."

Trial begins for leader of polygamous cult

HOUSTON — Prosecutors say the leader of a polygamous cult directed the 1988 slaying of a teenage defector and an 8-year-old witness as part of the sect's belief in blood atonement.

Aaron LeBaron, 28, is charged with conspiracy to commit murder in the deaths of Ed Marston, brothers Mark and Duane Chynoweth, and Duane Chynoweth's young daughter, Jenny.

The charges are part of a lawsuit filed in suburban Dallas and at two sites in Houston.

In opening statements of LeBaron's trial Monday, Assistant U.S. Attorney Terry Clark portrayed him as a powerful leader who even told members whom they should marry.

Clinton pushes for vote on Pena

WASHINGTON — President Clinton dispatched chief of staff Eric Fehrlinger to Capitol Hill Tuesday to try to break the logjam over Federico Pena's nomination to be energy secretary.

A Senate Energy Committee vote on Pena's confirmation has been delayed while the panel battles the White House over a proposed interim storage site for nuclear waste in Nevada.

Family sues Iran, leaders in bombing death

WASHINGTON — The family of a New Jersey woman killed in a Middle East bus bombing wants \$150 million from the Iranian government and its leadership, alleging they are to blame for the death.

The lawsuit to be filed today by Alisa Flatow's family said Iran backed the suicide bomber who struck an Israeli bus traveling through the Palestinian-run Gaza Strip in April 1995.

Flatow, a 20-year-old West Orange woman studying at a Jerusalem seminary, and seven Israeli soldiers were killed in the attack by an Islamic Jihad militant.

Compiled from wire reports

Internet groups prepare for tax war at capitol

WASHINGTON (AP) — To hear Internet and technology executives talk, new state and local taxes rank up there with computer viruses and 14-year-old hackers as a threat to the global computer future.

"It defeats the purpose of seamless interstate commerce," argues Scott Cooper, technology director at the American Electronics Association. A proliferation of state and local taxes will "degrade and demean the technology," he adds.

The Clinton administration opposes federal taxation of the Internet, where business desings could rise to as much as \$150 billion in the next few years by some estimates. So the battleground is shifting to the state and local level, and the industry is working hard to halt piecemeal taxation.

The emerging market for electronic commerce could be crushed, industry leaders say, if cities and counties begin approving taxes for telecommunications, data processing services or even sales.

They say Internet service providers could be driven out of business if local governments get the right to tax an electronic transaction that just happens to be routed through a local computer server en route to its final destination.

For example, someone in Atlanta who's buying clothes from L.L. Bean over the Internet might have his connection routed through Maryland and Connecticut before reaching Maine. Or the connection could be routed overseas. Also, Internet service providers might use multiple computer servers in different cities so they could stay in business if one crashed — again creating confusion over

when taxes should be applied.

For the estimated 30 million individual Internet users, state and local taxes would make it more expensive to use their home computers to buy clothes or check on stock prices as Internet service providers pass these taxes onto the customer's monthly bill.

"Clearly, you talking about a potential increase in both the costs and complexity of Internet transactions," said Kenneth Cisek, a tax expert for Oracle Corp., a major database company.

This argument is gaining support in Congress.

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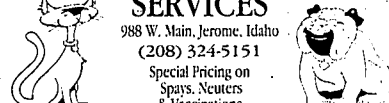


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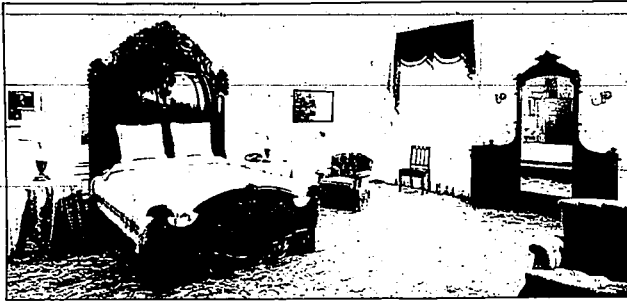
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But members said the issue was too complex to surface in the eighth week of the legislative session. After reading Miller's long list of services to be taxed, Rep. Golden-Linford-Rexburg noted, "I suspect you're getting into some areas where you are going to get into trouble with an awful lot of people." Because so many groups and

individuals would be subjected to the tax for the first time, Rep. Mark Stubbs predicted lawmakers would get a careful. "Everybody is going to be lined up to testify on the bill," the Twin Falls Republican said. Idaho does not impose the sales tax on services. Miller proposed raising the rate by a half-cent to 3.5 percent and to tax some services.

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BOISE (AP) — Members of the House tax committee wanted nothing to do Tuesday with a plan to boost the state sales tax by one-half cent and extend it to services. The Revenue and Taxation Committee voted unanimously to reject legislation from Rep. Maynard Miller. But Miller said after the meeting he would try again, pre-filing the 23-page bill for the 1998 session.

"I'd like the people to know we

are trying to answer their desires for property-tax relief," he said. "At least we got a good hearing on it."

Miller said despite the defeat of a tax-limiting initiative in the last election, people still are clamoring for property tax relief. His plan to extend sales tax to most services would have provided enough money to sharply cut local property taxes for school operations.

But members said the issue was too complex to surface in the eighth week of the legislative session.

After reading Miller's long list of services to be taxed, Rep. Golden Linford, R-Redmond, noted, "I suspect you're getting into some areas where you are going to get into trouble with an awful lot of people."

Because so many groups and

individuals would be subjected to the tax for the first time, Rep. Mark Stubbs predicted lawmakers would get an earful.

"Everybody is going to be lined up to testify on the bill," the Twin Falls Republican said.

Idaho does not impose the sales tax on services. Miller proposed raising the rate by a half-cent to 5.5 percent and to tax some services.

—LEGISLATIVE LOG—

By The Associated Press

For Monday, Feb. 24

HB99 (Revenue and Taxation) — Authorizes State Tax Commission to require rounding to the nearest dollar any amount reported to the commission.

HB102 (Agricultural Affairs) — Clarifies authority of Department of Agriculture to respond quickly to situations involving potential zoonotic diseases in livestock and other animals.

SB1035 (Health and Welfare) — Corrects references to pharmaceuticals by changing Idaho State Pharmaceutical Association, Inc., to Idaho State Pharmacy Association, Inc.

Killed by House: HB178 (Local Government) — Declared the Western Rattlesnake as the official state reptile.

Killed by Senate: SB1033 (State Affairs) — Amends the constitution to allow bonding for disaster payments.

SB1167 (Education) — Allows districts with supplemental levies in effect for seven or more years to renew them for five years instead of one.

Introduced in House: HB102 (State Affairs) — Proposes constitutional amendment to give Legislature authority to regulate hunting, fishing and trapping seasons and methods of take established by the Fish and Game Commission and Department of Fish and Game.

HB346 (Revenue and Taxation) — Makes permanent the division between juvenile justice and schools from revenue created by 10 percent increase in tobacco taxes.

HB347 (Revenue and Taxation) — Imposes state income taxes on lottery winnings.

HB348 (Revenue and Taxation) — Allows voters in a regional public transportation authority to approve a public transportation fee up to \$5 per vehicle to be collected when vehicle is registered.

HB349 (Revenue and Taxation) — Clarifies that media measurement services such as Nielsen Rating and Arbitron are exempt from state sales tax.

HB350 (Revenue and Taxation) — Exempts from state sales tax dry cleaning machines that meet environmental standards.

HB351 (Revenue and Taxation) — Repeals section which allows Department of Transportation to regulate motor clubs offering services such as emergency road services.

HB352 (Revenue and Taxation) — Prohibits conversion of campaign funds to personal use.

HB353 (State Affairs) — Allows cities and counties to pass ordinances to control the sale of tobacco products to minors.

HB354 (State Affairs) — Provides that if

a family business is held in a family trust or by a family held corporation, members of the employer's family are exempt from workers compensation coverage.

SCR115 (State Affairs) — Revisits all nonbinding requests to Congress asking for a constitutional convention on any number of issues.

SCR116 (State Affairs) — Approves the rules of the Division of Environmental Quality and the Department of Parks and Recreation.

SCR117 (State Affairs) — Rejects rules of the Transportation Department on outside advertising, of the Juvenile Corrections Department on staffing, ratios and inmate exercise requirements and of the Division of Building Safety on electrical specialty licensing.

SCR118 (State Affairs) — Approves all requests to Congress for a charter.

SB1236 (Judiciary and Rules) — Allows deposit in medical savings accounts up to \$2,000 to be deducted only once on state income tax returns.

SB1237 (Judiciary and Rules) — Requires rules to be issued to coordinate income benefits with Social Security benefits.

SB1238 (State Affairs) — Allows payments to tribes from state Lottery receipts.

SB1239 (State Affairs) — Eliminates snow removal responsibility for highway districts outside their jurisdictions.

SB1240 (State Affairs) — Revises pay scheme for members of the state Potato Commission.

SB1241 (State Affairs) — Compromise on transfer of the Soil Conservation Commission to the Agriculture Department.

SB1242 (State Affairs) — Creates the Idaho Hall of Fame Advisory Board.

SB1243 (State Affairs) — Updates the Idaho Food Quality Assurance Laboratory law to reflect the new status of the facility.

SB1244 (State Affairs) — Reorganizes the Western Governors' University council.

Attention College Students

Applications for paid summer internships are now being taken at The Times-News. Internships are expected to be offered in news reporting, advertising sales and design, classified sales and, perhaps, photography and agricultural reporting.

Interested students should send a current resume, a list of references, a current college or high school transcript and a cover letter. Applications should be sent to Mary Karren, The Times-News, Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303. Applications will be accepted until March 15 with decisions expected by April 15.



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EDITORIAL

Tougher fines won't rid road of uninsured drivers

If you've ever been hit by an uninsured motorist, you know how frustrating the experience can be. You can sue, but can you collect? Not even Dracula can get blood from a turnip truck.

So it's easy to understand why state lawmakers want to lean on uninsured drivers. The question is, will the effort work?

Probably not. According to a discouraging report by the Insurance Information Institute (a public-relations bureau for the insurance industry), attempts to rid roads of uninsured drivers are failing nationwide. Although 42 states require liability insurance, the laws generally don't work. There's a simple, practical reason. Uninsured motorists tend to be young, and they tend to have low incomes. They skimp on insurance coverage because they can't afford it - and state legislatures can't do much to change that.

Idaho's current proposal would raise the penalty for uninsured driving, from the current \$75 to \$150. It also would elevate the charge from an infraction to a misdemeanor, and it would enforce the seizure of uninsured motorists' registration and plates.

Like much of what emanates from politicians, this proposal is mainly sound and fury. Experience elsewhere gives little hope that it would reduce

the number of uninsured drivers. What it would do is penalize people who already are impoverished. If these people couldn't afford insurance to begin with, they probably can't afford insurance plus a fine. So, in a rural state lacking public transportation, some people will simply drive unregistered cars. Thus the Legislature, in a vain quest for improved public safety, transforms poor people into criminals. Are there alternatives? Sure. Lots. But they mostly don't work.

Logic says the only way to guarantee insurance coverage is to require proof of insurance at the time of registration - a year's insurance for a year's registration. But how many people can afford a year's premiums in one pop? Utah has a promising system. That state uses a database to cross-reference insurance records with auto registrations. Drop your insurance, and the state soon finds out. Despite annoying errors caused by faulty data on the year-old system is credited with reducing the number of uninsured drivers.

If Idaho lawmakers really want to protect law-abiding motorists, they ought to explore all the options. If Utah's system works out, it might be worth copying.

On the other hand, if the Legislature's only goal is to look tough and make a pretense of helping, the current proposal is probably ideal.



Public financing could end campaign sleaze

So, it wasn't the Bob Bullock Memorial Award (given each session to the first member of the Texas Legislature charged with drunken driving, in honor of our late gov's long-gone drinking days, but there was an interesting legislative arrest last week. State Sen. Drew Nixon got himself busted on charges of soliciting a prostitute who turned out to be an undercover cop. Scholars will recall that ere he was ever elected, Nixon was found by the Dallas police in the company of three prostitutes - but, he explained, he was only asking for directions. I find this an entirely credible defense; those who have observed Nixon in the Senate know that he frequently seems completely lost.

On the other hand, there are days when Nixon looks positively bright compared with the rest of folks in politics. My favorite current example is U.S. Sen. Fred Thompson of Tennessee, now leading the Republican charge to investigate sleazy campaign financing. Reminds me of the scene in "Blazing Saddles" where the guy puts a gun to his own head and threatens to off himself if the guys who are trying to kill him don't drop their guns.

Suppose Thompson does a good job on this investigation and exposes the entire system of legalized bribery we politely call campaign financing:

(a) The cynicism about and disgust with our political system will soar to new heights, making it ever more likely that we will turn away from both political parties and elect someone like Ross Perot.

(b) Demands for reform will mount, but Thompson is one of exactly two Republicans in the entire Senate - the other being the estimable John McCain - who actually favor campaign finance reform. Republicans have a 2-to-1 funding edge over Democrats under the



MOLLY IVINS

current system and are not about to throw it away. Having raised the issue to new visibility, the Republicans will then have to kill it, making their electoral lives rather more difficult.

(c) Although having Thompson - a former lobbyist for major corporations and the Teamsters union pension fund - head this investigation is not quite as egregious as putting Sen. Al D'Amato in charge of an ethics investigation, it ain't that far, either. According to The Wall Street Journal, Thompson himself has profited from hot initial public stock offerings made available to him through a politically friendly brokerage firm in Tennessee. In addition, he has a long association with Farhad Azima, a Kansas City, Mo., businessman who was a guest at the same White House coffees we are now told were extremely sinister.

David Rogers of the Journal noted, "Lawmakers know their true foe is the same home-grown, corrupting, fundraising system of which they are part. Like Pogo, they have met the enemy and it is themselves."

Meanwhile, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott was spending three days at a luxurious, ocean-front Palm Beach resort mingling and schmoozing with fat-cat donors to the Republican Party who have given at least \$175,000 over four years. The majority leader said the big donors should be allowed to give even more because "it's the American way."

Good grief, at least President Clinton has enough sense to denounce the system while he plays it for all it's

worth. Giving good sound bite, Lott added: "I support people being involved in the political process. We're not for food stamps for politicians; we don't think public financing of campaigns is a good idea." And there he stood, surrounded by oilmen, insurance reps, pharmaceutical manufacturers, bankers, etc., etc.

Great green gobbs of greasy, grimy go-phers guts - "We're not for food stamps for politicians; we don't think public financing of campaigns is a good idea." And there he stood, surrounded by oilmen, insurance reps, pharmaceutical manufacturers, bankers, etc., etc.

I am for public financing of ALL campaigns, and if there were a politician in Washington with half a brain, he or she would be jumping to the head of that parade right now. I'll tell you how you sell it in a New York minute: combine public financing with election reform. No paid political advertising, period. Time and space in the news media to be provided gratis by the media. If you take the cost of television out of campaigning, the public could finance the whole deal at pennies per person through the income tax. Frequent candidate debates during a limited time span, as in the British model.

And here's how you score political points off it. "My opponent is afraid to let our ideas and proposals contest on a level playing field. He knows perfectly well that without the advantage of special-interest money, he could never sell his pernicious notions to the American public. I don't want to go to luxurious resorts in Florida to meet my campaign contributors; I want to go to Luby's and Taco Bell and the Char'n'-Chev Cafe." Sheesh, where's a demagogue when you need one?

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LETTERS

Jerome shelter doing its best

This letter is in response to a recent letter concerning conditions at the Jerome Animal Shelter. The city of Jerome takes its responsibilities toward the treatment and custody of animals entrusted to its care very seriously. The city of Jerome has developed a plan to address the needs of the animal shelter. Some of the planned improvements include a new ceiling, improved animal cages and the construction of a dog run outside our current facility.

The money currently budgeted by the city of Jerome is inadequate to fully fund all of the needed improvements. Without adequate funds to complete the animal shelter renovations, it would be inappropriate to spend public tax dollars knowing that we could not complete the project.

State laws allow municipalities such as the city of Jerome to establish restricted funds to be used for a specific purpose such as "donations" or "animal shelter renovation." However, if these funds are not spent in that budget year, they are rolled over into the city's general fund account. Unless the City Council appropriates the necessary funding levels or increases them the funds are not available to be used.

I would like to assure the public that the city of Jerome is doing all it can, within its current budgetary constraints, to make sure that the animal shelter is in adequate condition. If anyone wishes to see or receive a copy of the city's animal shelter plan, they should call me directly at the Jerome City Hall at 234-9189. Donations made specifically toward the planned improvements will be used solely for that purpose. When adequate funds are available, the council will appropriate the expenditure of those funds to complete the project.

There are many generous people within Jerome who have expressed an

interest in donating cash and offering in-kind donations to the city. The city is also fortunate to have a part-time volunteer, Grady Wilson, who is a member of Jerome High School's Work Experience Program. He works at the shelter with the city's animal control officer to ensure that the animals are properly cared for and fed on a regular basis. We welcome any and all donations and offers of volunteer assistance to improve the animal shelter.

Any questions about the Jerome Animal Shelter should be directed to the Jerome City administrator's office at 324-8189.

JON CECIL
City Administrator
Jerome

Harder returns to local radio

Chuck Harder from "For the People" has returned to KBKB, 970 AM radio in Rupert from 1 to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Call the station at 436-4757 to thank them.

GERRY FLETCHER
Fairfield

City golf course claims no prizes

Having recently read a letter to The Times-News by Mr. Amende regarding the municipal golf course, I can certainly ascertain he is a staunch Democrat (or else missed a great opportunity to be one) and can likewise surmise that he has not frequented very many city-run municipal golf courses.

Futility, inefficiency, lack of enthusiasm, lack of courtesy and general disrepair are all redundant terms for city-run businesses of this nature. Mr. Amende would probably be quite happy to see the postal service back under federal control.

HERBERT KOKANE
Kailua, Hawaii

Looking at O.J. from a fresh angle

Answering Philip Bare's Feb. 18 letter regarding O.J.:

Double jeopardy springs from the Fifth Amendment of the United States Constitution - the key phrase "...nor shall any person be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb ...". The solution, Philip, is to understand that the words "same offense" and "life or limb" have very strict legal meanings.

First trial, O.J. was charged with murder, a criminal offense. Second trial, O.J. was charged with wrongful death, a civil offense. In the criminal trial, life and limb were at stake. In the civil trial, money was at stake. In legalese, wrongful death means "he killed them; but it

wasn't murder, so you owe me money!"

Take a hypothetical to expand the picture of what the term "offense" means in lawyer talk.

Say someone grabs you one day (God forbid), stuffs you in the trunk of your car, drives to Elko, steals a gun from Kmart, shoots you dead and dumps your corpse into the Humboldt River. Say, the perpetrator got caught and was brought into the limelight of the criminal court system.

What we have here are several offenses, namely: robbery, kidnapping, homicide and burglary, perhaps others hidden away in law books. Not only did the villain commit several offenses but each offense could be tried separately and by at least three different jurisdictions, namely: Idaho, Nevada and fed-

eral court systems. But the perpetrator can only be judged once for each criminal offense. No double jeopardy involved.

I know, I know, it sounds crazy, but this is the way American Justice Disorder and Silly Sentence Syndrome afflict the system.

Insofar as race relations are concerned because of black/white jury problem, this is another sickness bearing symptoms of Media Hoax Complex and Talk Show Host Syndrome. Not to say there is not some evidence of racial divide in America, but I would wager that it is a worldwide consensus that O.J.'s gully as hell - even among people of color.

BERT EAMES
Burley

Doonesbury



By Garry Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

OPINION

LETTER

Choose 'The Natural River Option' to save fish

Les's consider "The Natural River Option" for saving our salmon and steelhead. This option (proposed by the Army Corps of Engineers) involved removing part of the earthen embankments of the four Lower Snake River dams in Washington. The concrete structure and hydroelectric facilities remain intact and are moth-balled until technology exists that would allow operation without killing our fish. The cost is \$500 million.

Currently the federal government spends \$435 million each year in mitigation funds aimed at restoring our runs of salmon and steelhead. These mitigation funds total \$1.3 billion to date and would total more than \$5.3 billion if the fish last another 10 years. It is projected that annual fishing seasons for salmon and steelhead would generate \$150 million and 4,500 jobs for Idaho.

So, for the one-time cost of \$500 million to breach, and some additional funds for mitigating the Port of Lewiston, we could save \$435 million a year in mitigation and generate \$150 million a year from fishing seasons.

These four dams provide 0.175 percent of Idaho's electricity, an average of \$1.23 for each Idaho Power customer. We have a surplus of electricity in the Pacific Northwest. We do not need these four dams.

Through conservation measures and sensible pricing of electricity sold to the aluminum industry, we can maintain reasonably priced electricity for residences and businesses.

These four dams provide no flood control and irrigation storage. The Port of Lewiston is not even self-sustaining and taxpayers spend \$43 million annually for building (\$18 million to pay off the debt), maintenance and operation costs (\$25 million) associated with the navigational locks. The hydropower

system kills more than 90 percent of all Idaho salmon and steelhead smolts.

You may hear that barging fish downstream is the answer; well, for 20 years the Army Corps has tried barging smolts downstream and the wild fish runs continue to decline. Currently, we the taxpayers get to see our money wasted, our wild fish go extinct, and the aluminum and navigation industries laugh all the way to the bank.

The next time our politicians and media tell you "The Natural River Option" is a bad idea, weigh the facts and you decide. Please write or call our politicians and support saving our fish. The figures in this letter are courtesy of Idaho Rivers United (208) 343-7481 and the Idaho Wildlife Federation (208) 342-7055.

ERIC ANDERSON
Wendell

Write to us

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Tax deferral for elderly

BOISE (AP) — Dramatic growth in property values over the past decade in key areas of the state has pushed taxes on the homes of long-time residents out of sight, and the state Senate moved in on Tuesday with some help.

By nearly five to one, the Senate voted to let county commissions to indefinitely defer property taxes for middle- and low-income senior citizens, who have seen annual taxes on homes they bought 30 or 40 years ago exceed the original purchase price.

Democrat Clint Stennett of Ketchum called it an "attempt to protect the most vulnerable segment of our society — senior citizens, who through no fault of their own are being taxed out of their homes ... by wealthy urban refugees who are willing to pay sky-high prices for property."

"It's a travesty to force these pioneers to sell their property," he said.

Angry state workers consider sick-out

BOISE (AP) — After watching silently as legislative leaders decided to scrap Gov. Phil Batt's proposed 2 percent pay increase for next year, state employees are contemplating a work interruption in protest.

"Better late than never," Warren Lundquist of the Idaho Service Employees Union said on Tuesday. "I've never seen state employees mad as they are now," Lundquist said. "There is a lot of talk about doing a sick out."

He told reporters there was no systematic attempt to organize a work stoppage, and that individual employees would have to make that decision themselves. "I'm not telling them any thing," Lundquist said. "I'm just telling me."

Two weeks ago, legislative budget writers adopted the first part of a leadership plan to reduce Batt's already pared-down general tax budget by \$10 million as a hedge against a weakening economy and potential spring flood damage.

That involved rejecting the governor's modest pay increase, which would have cost \$8 million in general tax money and twice that much in federal and other funds. It has been a tried and true approach lawmakers used three times in four years during the mid-1980s to cope with financial problems.



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AROUND THE VALLEY

Committee approves Batt's water issue bill

BOISE - The Senate Agriculture Affairs Committee unanimously approved Gov. Phil Batt's bill to move the Soil Conservation Commission into the Department of Agriculture to better address water quality issues in Idaho.

The bill is a reworked version of controversial earlier legislation opposed by some farm groups and members of local soil conservation districts as a move to weaken the commission's and districts' autonomy.

The new legislation was proposed Tuesday. "We support SB 1241 as a compromise we believe is workable," said the Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts in a statement to the committee Tuesday.

"If this bill becomes law, we encourage the continuation of the governor's task force to evaluate how this new relationship is working and to find resolutions to any problems encountered."

The new bill allows the commission hiring and firing authority over its employees with the exception of the director, who would be under the supervision of the Department of Agriculture's director.

Bounty hunter tips off police in drug case

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls police arrested a woman on a warrant Tuesday after she was stalked out and reported by a bounty hunter.

Kathy Blamires, 38, was arrested at about 7:30 a.m. during a traffic stop, a Twin Falls police report said. The report said Blamires was being tracked by a local bond-enforcement agent, who reported her to officers.

Twin Falls police officers, acting on a tip from the bounty hunter, chased down a car, in which Blamires was riding and stopped it in front of United Oil, police said.

Blamires was taken on a warrant for charges of violation of a court order on a Gooding County sentencing. The sentence was on drug charges, said Gooding County Sheriff's Department officials.

The agent was tracking her because the had jumped bail on a \$50,000 bond, the report said. Blamires was booked into the Twin Falls County Jail and taken to the Gooding County Jail, where she is being held without bail, the Gooding sheriff's office said.

Teacher put on probation in Blaine County school

HAILEY - An employee of the Blaine County School District was placed on probation at the School Board in a special meeting Monday.

Director of Human Resources Katie Henderson would not identify the employee by name or school, but did say that the person is a certified teacher with a continuing contract.

Henderson also would not give a reason for the probation, saying only that the probation period was an opportunity for the employee to improve.

The probation period will last for at least two months, Henderson said, and will end when the board decides to continue or deny the employee's contract.

National Weather Service seeks storm spotters

JEROME - The National Weather Service is looking for volunteers to join about 500 people participating in the storm spotter program in southwestern Idaho and eastern Oregon.

The NWS will hold a one-hour storm spotters training session in the conference room at the Jerome County Courthouse at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

"Radar, satellite equipment, computers and instruments all provide a lot of important information. None is as valuable as a ground truth report from a storm spotter," said NWS warning coordination meteorologist Carl Weinbrecht.

For more information, call the weather service at 334-9850.

Jerome courthouse will tighten security measures

JEROME - The doors at the Jerome County Courthouse will start locking at the end of the business day as part of a stricter security policy.

Lawsuit may change caregiver status

By Karen Tolkinen
Times-News writer

BOISE - For a cash-strapped Legislature, it's a nightmare. An additional \$8 million in insurance benefits, sick pay and vacation pay?

It could happen, if a lawsuit successfully forces Idaho to treat as employees those who care for the elderly or disabled at home. And lawmakers find themselves in the unenviable position of trying to avert such a threat in the last few weeks of the 1997 legislative session.

At issue are 1,400 personal care service providers, who receive state and



federal dollars to care for the disabled who are able to remain in their homes in lieu of more expensive nursing homes or other care facilities. Three years ago, the Internal Revenue Service ordered the state to withhold Social Security from checks to the independent care providers, said Tresa Newman, administrator of the

state's Division of Medicaid. Eleven months ago, independent providers began to claim unemployment benefits. And four months ago, an injured worker successfully gained worker's compensation coverage from the state, forcing the state to pay worker's compensation for all independent care providers. "I have one clerk who does nothing but paperwork on unemployment compensation claims because the problem has grown so large," Newman said. "I have lost time from not arguing this."

It carries a fiscal impact of \$1.8 million because of the difference in compensation awarded to independent providers and agency providers. The state pays independent providers \$7.92 an hour, and agency providers \$10.84 an hour. However, the measure has run into opposition because independent providers don't like the idea of being forced to change their current status or work through a separate agency. "There's another layer of people that

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ALL IN THE FAMILY . . .



Ruel Ledbetter, flanked by grandson Andy, left, and son Randy, smiles following a profile of mud holes coming falls Tuesday. The Ledbetters of Kimberly wanted to cover the west side of the duplex on Fliter Avenue East in Twin Falls in case had weather hit. Ruel Ledbetter said he has been in the building business for 48 years and it has grown into a family affair with two sons and a grandson at work at his side.

Mountain goats weather tough Idaho winter

By Julie Casey Lynn
Times-News correspondent

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can mean the difference between life and death. That's especially true for kids and yearlings, according to Robin Garwood, wildlife biologist for the Sawtooth National Recreation Area's Ketchum and Fairfield range districts.

But backcountry adventurers, snowmobilers, alpine and cross country skiers are using the goats' wintering

ground, in increasing numbers. SNRA staff are looking at ways to avoid disturbing wintering mountain goats while providing maximum opportunities for people to enjoy a winter backcountry experience, said Ed Cannady, SNRA backcountry ranger.

Servicing the winter can be a difficult proposition for goats, like most other big game.

"The goats enter the winter season in a maintenance mode. Their metabolisms slow and they move as little as

possible to conserve energy," Garwood said. The animals try to live on fat reserves and scant forage. If they are disturbed, that decreases their chance of survival, Cannady said.

"This is the furthest latitude south where you'll find native mountain goat populations. I want to educate people to the value of this natural resource. You don't find them in a lot of places,"

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Donations pour in for family of accident victim

The Times-News

Shack to LaBarbara's funeral, which is to be held Friday in Archchison, Kan.

TWIN FALLS - The family of the man killed Sunday in a fall in the Snake River Canyon is planning to attend his funeral in Kansas, thanks to the generosity of Times-News readers.

A story in Tuesday's Times-News about an effort to get Eileen Shack to Kansas for the funeral of her son, John LaBarbara, drew an amazing response, according to Shelly Winkelman, who organized the fund-raising drive.

More than \$200 had been contributed by Tuesday afternoon, and more had been promised, she said.

"It's awesome that people still have a heart, with society the way it is today," said Shelly Winkelman. "I think it's wonderful the way people have helped out complete strangers. They're not really even residents of the community yet."

Shuck and her family are living in the Holiday Motel in Twin Falls, which Winkelman and her husband manage. Winkelman asked for help in raising enough money to send

Shuck to LaBarbara's funeral, which is to be held Friday in Archchison, Kan. Winkelman said the help started arriving at 8 a.m. Tuesday, with people calling on the phone and dropping off donations in person. Calls came from people in the Wood River Valley and the Magic Valley.

The family should get \$1,200 to \$1,500 by the time the donations come in by mail, Winkelman said. Not only will Eileen Shuck now be able to attend, Winkelman said, the family will attend, along with LaBarbara's aunts, uncle, and fiancée.

The family plans to leave this morning for the drive to Kansas.

Donations weren't just cash, Winkelman said. A woman dropped off a suit for Shuck to wear at the funeral, a florist combined flowers, and others donated food and clothing for Shuck's young grandson.

"The community did it, not me," Winkelman said. "The community deserves a big pat on the back."

Ketchum planners send developers back to board

By Marty Kenzie
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM - Despite overwhelming public support for a proposed renovation of the old Alpenglow Hotel just north of town, the Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission sent California developers back to the drawing board Monday night.

The commission also heard concerns over a proposed rezoning of the parcel of city-owned land known as the Park and Ride.

Several neighbors of a proposed redevelopment of the quarter-century-old building ran past off Saddle Road praised the developer for what they called his responsiveness to their concerns.

Since a Dec. 13 special meeting, the design of the proposed Thunder Spring development was changed in response to commission concerns that the style was "hill" and "Southwestern" looking.

Drawings of the new design showed a style which architect Kelly Vincent of Elsiech and Bluminger of Boise, a member of the development team, said was more compatible with Ketchum.

Materials, he said, would include the popular heavy timber and river rock prevalent in Ketchum architecture.

The new plan reduces the number of residential units from the original 75 or 85 to a maximum of 70, but increases the size from 150,000 to 237,000 total square feet.

"I think we've dealt with the bulkiness in an effective way," Rich Robbins said.

Robbins, principal of the Bay Area development company Wareham LLC, said the proposed project was based on public comment in an attempt to "revitalize (the site) and orient it to people who live here year-round."

"We're losing a little here and there," neighbor Edward Stokes said, "but we're gaining a lot."

Ketchum resident Mary Jane Conger said the development would be "a very good thing for the community," adding that the developer was addressing some overlooked problems associated with city planning, including a tendency to cater to automobiles.

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Activists dog Wood River animal shelter with criticism

By Kristan Kennedy
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - The Animal Shelter of Wood River Valley's board is being attacked for mismanaging the non-profit organization, following an unofficial meeting last week orchestrated by animal rights activists.

Current board members dismiss the criticisms as extreme - a case of all bark, no bite. Past board members acknowledge the 12-member board has had its problems, but they have nothing to do with the claims made by critics.

"The first question is, where's the beef?" said Chris Haugh, a six-year member of the board. "Where did these people come from, who are they, what is their vantage point, and what angle are they operating from?"

The group leading the movement is an unorganized body which includes animal rights activists Marilyn M. Martin and Ryan Craig. He got involved in criticizing the shelter when he volunteered to walk dogs at the Crox Canyon shelter. Martin is a member of the Idaho Animal Advocates.

Craig said the current board is out-of-

sync with the shelter's mission, and should resign. He makes the following claims:

- Board members Lira West and Dianne Amend should resign because they are child care workers. West resigned two months ago.

- Board member Leslie Williams should resign because her Leslie's Pet World in Hatley sells pets that have not been spayed or neutered. She recently resigned because of the controversy, said funding and current board member Lynn Schell.
- Members Al Lurray and Leslie

Lurray should step down because of nepotism. Stallard said related couples have served on the board in the past with no repercussions.

- Two members should resign because they refused to sign Proposition 2, a failed initiative which would have outlawed bear, baiting and spring bear hunting.

Former board President Gile Williams and former board member Ruth Lieder, a former Sun Valley mayor, said Craig's arguments are ludicrous. "The shelter, is a shelter, not a

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DEATH NOTICES

John Weber FUNERAL - John Weber, 52, of Rupert, died Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1997. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Hansen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel.

Anna Marie Anderson FUNERAL - Anna Marie Anderson, 67, of Rupert, died Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1997. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Hansen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel.

Winona Tolman Gee OAKLEY - Winona Tolman Gee, 83, of Verning, Nev., and formerly of Oakley, died Saturday, Feb. 22, 1997, in Verning. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Oakley LDS Stake Center with Bishop Noland Couchfield officiating. Burial will follow at the Oakley Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the Hansen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel and one hour before the funeral on Saturday at the church.

June Roberts ECEL - June Roberts, 75, of Buhl, died Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1997, at the Cedar Dew Living Center in Foley. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Fehrer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Eva Dee Otis JEROME - Eva Dee Otis, of Jerome, died Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1997, at the Hillcrest Center in Boise. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the

Hove-Robertson FUNERAL Chapel in Jerome.

Winifred Jean Coon Brown TWIN FALLS - Winifred Jean Coon Brown, 76, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1997, at her home in Twin Falls. Funeral services will take place under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Calvin Clark Johnson SPRINGVILLE, Utah - Calvin

Clark Johnson, 74, of Springville, Utah, died Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1997, at his home, after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Springville LDS Stake Center, 245 S. 600 E., Springville. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Wheeler Mortuary, 211 E. 200 S., Springville, and one hour before the funeral on Friday at the church. Interment will be at the Springville Evergreen Cemetery. A complete obituary will appear at a later date.

SERVICES

Ursula Barbara Nutsch, of Jerome, funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. today, St. Jerome's Catholic Chapel, (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel) in Jerome.

Dorlene Paoli Zampedri, of Rupert, Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. today, St. Michael's Catholic Church. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Thursday at the church. Friends may call from noon until 5 p.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel, and one hour prior to Rosary and one hour prior to Mass at the church.

James Edward Gladowski, of Jerome, vigil service, 7:30 p.m. today, Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel, Jerome. Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. today, St. Jerome's Catholic Church. Friends may call one hour before the vigil service today at the funeral chapel.

Lucille Dee Waggoner, of Twin

Falls and formerly of Buhl, 11 a.m. Thursday, Farmer Funeral Chapel, Buhl.

Vera Criddle Yorgensen, of Grant, Idaho, 1 p.m. Thursday, Grant 1st and 2nd Ward LDS Chapel. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today and from noon until 4:45 p.m. on Thursday at the St. Paul's church, (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Henry William "Hank" Jones, of Quincy, Calif., and formerly of Twin Falls, following cremation at Fehrer Crematory, Quincy, a celebration of his life will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Quincy Community United Methodist Church, (Fehrer Mortuary in Quincy).

Ardella Buschhorn Allen, of Twin Falls, 1:30 p.m. Friday, Wheeler Mortuary, Twin Falls. 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.

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Fox's opponent withdraws Voc-Ed cuts, wins study funds



Ron Black

BOISE (AP) - Rep. Ron Black Tuesday said his failed attempt to slash State Schools Superintendent Anne Fox's office budget and his aborted plan to cut vocational education are not linked to his 1998 Republican primary challenge of Fox. Despite his disclaimer, the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee came within one vote of refusing to set aside \$50,000 for the State Board of Education. The money would finance an independent review of the administrative structure of the superintendent's office and vocational education programs. "I'm concerned about initiating that study, especially since we are very close to an election year," Republican Sen. Dean Cameron of Rupert said. "If the committee feels this is somehow politically motivated, I will be glad to put this in the next year's budget or the year after that," Black said. "But it has to be done." The Twin Falls Republican mentioned that reorganization of the educational agencies to eliminate what he

claims "is duplicate or excessive" administration would save \$500,000 to \$1 million a year. Budget writers agreed to give the state board the extra cash for the evaluation that will be done by its independent accountant, Deloitte & Touche. There was no indication when the results would be in. Other budget writers rebuffed Black last week when he tried to slash \$500,000 and 10 employees from Fox's office budget. The move was called extreme and irresponsible. And Monday, he declined to offer a proposal to slash "several hundred thousand" dollars from the vocational-education budget and cut its employees. "He said the savings could be directed to school and college aid. It is evidence from the response of this body that perhaps these changes would be better addressed in a different forum," Black told his colleagues. "I'm not sure when other budget writers suggested the administrative evaluation Black wanted could be performed by the Legislature's Office of Performance Evaluation, he expressed doubt that we can do it in-house impartially." The need for reorganization "better and more economically serve the schools, colleges and universities is an issue that needs to be addressed exclusively of campaign rhetoric," he said. Cameron suggested that the study was part of an overall strategy to essentially strip as much authority as possible from Fox, who has run afoul of the education interests and lawmakers for her sometimes unconventional views. "There's been an ongoing battle between the state board and the superintendent, ... a power grab by the state board," Cameron said. "I'm concerned that we've got a conclusion of this study before the study is done."

Court says U.S. owns Nevada lands

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - The federal government, not the state, owns public lands in Nevada and legally grazed a rebellious rancher on grazing cattle on national forest land, a federal appeals court ruled Tuesday. The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals decision was the latest in a series of legal setbacks for the so-called sagebrush rebellion, a movement to contest federal authority over land in

Western states. Last year a federal judge rejected another challenge by Nye County, Nev., which captured national attention in 1994 when one of its commissioners bulldozed a road that had been closed by the Forest Service. Federal land makes up 93 percent of Nye County and more than \$7,000 and prohibited him from grazing cattle in an area of the Humboldt National Forest.

rights. But Nevada Attorney General Frankie Sue Del Papa sided with the federal government in the case decided Tuesday, joining legal arguments much authority as possible from Fox, who has run afoul of the education interests and lawmakers for her sometimes unconventional views. "There's been an ongoing battle between the state board and the superintendent, ... a power grab by the state board," Cameron said. "I'm concerned that we've got a conclusion of this study before the study is done."

Meeting set on proposed Route 46

WENDELL - The Wendell Highway District is sponsoring a meeting today on a proposed extension of State Route 46 from Wendell to U.S. Highway 30 at Buhl. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. at the Wendell American

Legion Hall, 610 W. Main. Increasing traffic on the farm-to-market roads between Wendell and Buhl is creating problems for local highway districts, and officials want to discuss the issue with the public. The public is encouraged to

attend and express opinions on the matter. People can pick up copies of three engineers' project reports, a map and cost sheet on the proposed routes at the Wendell Highway District office, 132 S. Shoshone St.

Gooding police investigate BB shootings

By Laura Huber Times-News correspondent GOODING - A Gooding house window and 18 vehicle windows were shot out by a BB gun Monday, Police Chief Paul Brown said. At this time there appears to be no motive - just indiscriminate vandalism, he said. However, Brown said he suspects older children may be at fault, and reminds parents that there is a midnight curfew for adolescents under 18. Areas hit include: the 500 to

700 block of Wyoming; 300 block of Nevada; 300 block of Utah; 100 and 200 blocks of 12th Avenue West; 200 block of 13th Avenue West; 500 block of Idaho Street; 900 block of Idaho; 900 block of Main; 1300 block of Colorado; 1400 block of Idaho; 700 block of Idaho; 700 block of Nevada; the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Big campus and a house in the 1100 block of Idaho. "It's random, and could have been done by someone mad at someone or it could be someone just out of a wrong mood. Gooding or someone right here

in town," Gooding police Lt. Rick Cowell said. Brown said all the vehicles hit were parked on the street, and he advised residents to park in driveways. It is really tough to solve this type of crime, Brown said. Anyone with information or who might have seen a strange vehicle or a pedestrian out walking is asked to call the Gooding Police Department at 934-8435.

Wendell addresses building compliance with ADA laws

WENDELL - Kathy Uker of Region IV Development Association will apprise the City Council tonight of steps it must take toward bringing city buildings into compliance with the federal Americans With Disabilities Act. The action stems from the city's acceptance of a \$500,000 federal grant last year for improving its water system. Also, the council will temporarily suspend the city's zoning planning and zoning commission and conduct a hearing on Tony

Rest's special-use permit for his Internet business, North Rim Communications. Also Wednesday, the council will: • Hear the latest on the city's water project. • Deal with the resignation of city crewman John Gies. • Declare certain city property - parts and equipment - surplus to be sold at a community auction. • Consider offers on the city's old grader. • Review requests for two catering permits from the Wendell American Legion.

Flex-A-Bed advertisement featuring a bed image and text: 'WATCH TV, RELAX, READ OR JUST SLEEP... VIDEO'. Price: \$899. Magic Valley Mattress contact info: 287 N. Washington • 734-5881.

OBITUARIES



Pearl Ames Mitchell, 88, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1997, at the Hospice House in Twin Falls. Pearl was a devoted member of the Twin Falls community, serving on the board of the Twin Falls School District and the Twin Falls Teachers Association. She was married to Vern D. Mitchell in 1935. They moved to Burley where they lived until 1953. Pearl was a private investigator and was head of the Lambda Chi Alpha chapter at Burley. She was a member of the Twin Falls Teachers Association and the Burley School District. She was married to Vern D. Mitchell in 1935. They moved to Burley where they lived until 1953. Pearl was a private investigator and was head of the Lambda Chi Alpha chapter at Burley. She was a member of the Twin Falls Teachers Association and the Burley School District. She was married to Vern D. Mitchell in 1935. They moved to Burley where they lived until 1953. Pearl was a private investigator and was head of the Lambda Chi Alpha chapter at Burley. She was a member of the Twin Falls Teachers Association and the Burley School District.

which was a lifetime membership in the PTA presented to her by the Washington School PTA. Pearl began her own education in Silver Cliff, Kan., where she spent most of her childhood. She attended high school in Bayard, and attended Nebraska Wesleyan in Lincoln, Neb., where she majored in early childhood education. She later received a B.S. degree from the University in Pocatello. She continued to take numerous postgraduate courses, following her own belief that education was a lifelong pursuit. After her retirement in 1973, she continued an active life spending her summers in Twin Falls and her winters with the "snowbirds" in Quartzite, Ariz. She enjoyed the company of many people from the Northern United States and Canada. She took an active part in her family and spent time with them in Wood County, Washington, and Idaho. She will forever be remembered for the support she gave them, her wonderful cookies, beautiful handmade quilts, and the loving, caring atmosphere of her home. Pearl is survived by her husband of 63 years, Vern D. Mitchell, her daughter and son-in-law, Ardis and John Gonzales of Fremont, Calif.; her sons and daughters-in-law, Larry and Jane Mitchell of Pueblo, Wash.; Gary and Jeanne Mitchell of Jerome and Vern and Gloria Mitchell of Burley; a sister, Ruth Ames Johnson of Rupert; and numerous nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be held at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, March 1, 1997, at White Mortuary in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral chapel. She is also survived by a sister, Ruth Ames Johnson of Rupert; and numerous nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be held at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, March 1, 1997, at White Mortuary in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral chapel. She is also survived by a sister, Ruth Ames Johnson of Rupert; and numerous nieces and nephews.

HAGERMAN Joseph Edward Brooks Joseph Edward Brooks, 81, of Pocatello and formerly of Hagerman and Gooding, passed away at his home on Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1997. He was born Oct. 6, 1915, in Calvert, Kan., to Edward Brooks and Florence Tealord Brooks, the second of three boys. He was raised and educated in Calvert. On June 3, 1939, he married Alice Mae Cair in Norton, Kan. They came to Idaho in 1949, and settled in the Hagerman area where he began farming. They moved to Gooding in 1955, where he was a patrolman for the city, later becoming the Chief of Police. Finally, he was employed by Big Wood Canal Company as a ditch master. Joseph was a member of the Tuttle Grange. He enjoyed baseball, fishing, hunting, woodworking, and helping his family members. He is survived by his wife, Alice of Pocatello; one son, Ron (Shirley) Brooks; and one daughter, Marilyn (Harold) Bower, all of Pocatello; one brother, Roy (Dorothy) Brooks of Colorado Springs, Colo.; two granddaughters, Gina (Jay) Call and Tracy (Bill) Beaton; one grandson, Dale (Dorothy) Beaton; two great-grandsons, David Joseph West, Tyler Lee West, Joshua Aaron Winslow, Alan Call, and Anthony Ridley, all of Pocatello; and Nick (Sharon) Call of Salt Lake City, and one great-granddaughter, Carrie (Eric) Rogers of Pocatello. He was preceded in death by his parents; and a brother, Leland Brooks. The family will receive friends at a viewing to be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27, 1997, at Colonial Funeral Home, 2005 S. Fourth Ave., Pocatello. The family would like a private service. The family wishes to express a special thanks to Southeast Idaho Hospice for the special care given to Joe.

White Mortuary & Cemetery advertisement: Pre-Planning Services, Funeral Services, Cremation Services. 287 N. Washington • 734-5881.

Edwards Pancake & Steak House advertisement: Lunch Specials Monday-Friday \$4.95. 1824 Blue Lakes Blvd N. 12 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Mon-Fri.

Reynolds Funeral Chapel advertisement: Pre-planning... Your Wishes On Record. Your Choice is Our Commitment! 2466 Addison Ave. E. • Twin Falls 733-4900.

Say hay: Farmers discuss growing cash crop

By Jacquelin Buch
Times-Journal writer

BURLEY—Idaho's hay growers are in town this week talking about a cash crop as hot as how much a ton of it is fetching.

The Idaho Hay Association, a 2-year-old group devoted to promoting the hay industry, is holding its annual convention at the Best Western Burley Inn.

Association members, who include representatives from all facets of the industry, are attending seminars on hay quality and market conditions during the two-day convention that ends today.

Ask growers about market trends, and they say hay is turning into a staple crop for their farms.

It no longer is thought of simply as a rotation crop to enhance soil between food plantings.

Last year, Idaho growers might have produced a record hay crop per acre, said Thomas Bruce, association president and Mountain Home hay grower.

That means farmers are learning how to better grow the crop. The latest figures available put the 1996 figure at 4.2 tons of hay produced an acre, compared to 4.1 tons an acre in 1995.

While Idaho growers continued to produce more hay per acre, growing demand created strong prices in 1996, Bruce said. In 1995, a ton of hay fetched \$85 to

\$95 a ton, and last year that increased to \$95 to \$105 a ton.

"The hay business is going to be fantastic the next couple years," Bruce said. "With the relatively low prices of other commodities, hay will be a great opportunity for farmers to look at."

Dairies moving into Idaho can be credited for spurring hay demand, said Don Hale, the association's secretary and a hay and dairy farmer in Blackfoot.

The fiber in alfalfa makes it an ideal crop for dairy cows, he said. California dairies and Pacific Rim countries also are demanding more hay. Equestrian in Florida are another big market, and Idaho growers shipped hay to

Atlanta during the 1996 Olympics for equine feed, Hale said.

Steve Sabo, a Lewiston grower and association director, said he has had five different Japanese exporting companies inquire about locating in the Lewiston area.

Idaho Sen. Larry Craig addressed the association at a banquet Tuesday evening via a conference telephone. Craig had been scheduled to appear at the banquet, but was in Washington, D.C., and was not able to make it back to Idaho.

Craig was in Idaho last week for Republican fund-raisers; his Magic Valley representative, Mike Matthes, attended the banquet in his place.

Ketchum

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"I hope this is a microcosm of what people in Ketchum will think of in the future," Conger said.

But disparities between project plans and established city ordinances halted planning commissioners.

"The size is overwhelming," commissioner Peter Ripston said, adding that he estimated the project was as high as 50 feet in some places, while the parcel's zoning allows buildings to be only 35 feet in height.

Rob Robbins and his team of architects contended that the height ordinance was unclear on whether the natural or existing grade of the land should be used for measurement, and whether roofs were considered in the measurement.

"To me the top of the thing is the top of thing," commissioner Robert Fallowfield said.

Goats

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said Nappy Neaman, nature enthusiast and local champion of mountain goats.

Native goats can be viewed from state Highway 75 with a high powered spotting scope. Five mountain goats were spotted Tuesday on the granite faces of the Boulder Mountains across from the Prairie Creek trailhead about 14 miles north of Ketchum.

"Right now we have some choices. We have a healthy population of goats with lots of kids," Cannady said. "We're asking people to stay out of posted areas. If you proceed, it is highly likely you will disturb wintering mountain goats. Show you care by recreating elsewhere."

The Sawtooth National Forest, Sawtooth Wildlife Council and the Idaho State Snowmobile Association are cooperating in a study of local mountain goat populations. They have been mapping exactly where goats spend the winter.

The SNRA has a crew of three University of Montana interns and local volunteers who are mapping and tagging where goats are wintering. With the help of area snowmobile and ski clubs, they have mapped out

Planning Administrator Lisa Majdiak cited the height ordinance which says that height measurements are to be taken from either the natural or existing grade - whichever is lower. Exempt from the height restriction are flag poles, lightning rods, weather vanes, antennas or chimneys, but not - as the applicants suggested - mansards, or porches.

Ed Lawson, legal counsel for the project, said that another questionable ordinance was one restricting retail on the project to 2,500 square feet. The way he reads the ordinance, he said, the restriction is based per store and not for the whole project.

Again Fallowfield disagreed. "That's not the way I read it," he said.

Robbins pressed the commission to consider the relative increase in retail in a 10,000 square feet of retail in a

project of this size. He said the intention was not to detract from downtown Ketchum retail.

In other business Monday night, the proposed rezoning of the Ketchum Park and Ride from low to high-density residential had some residents up in arms.

Several letters were read from Ketchum residents who said the rezoning was a ploy to turn the lot into an affordable-housing site.

But City Administrator Jim Jaquet said that a master plan for the site has been drawn, with half already set aside under an agreement to lease by an organization preparing to develop a recreational facility called the Janss Center. Other portions of the lot were set aside - without lease agreements - for a performing arts center, a swimming pool and parking.

City planner Kathy Grotto said the public may have been misinformed about the use permitted under the current low-density zon-

ing ordinances.

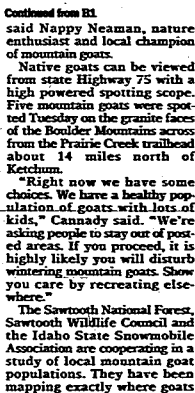
"The proposed recreational center would not be allowed under current ordinances," she said.

But residents worried that the city would use the zoning change to renege on a commitment to use the land for recreation and parking, which was established when the land was purchased through a revenue bond issue in 1989.

"The city is committed to keeping this parcel available for recreational uses for the term of the bond," Grotto said.

But the commission did not want to consider rezoning the property without first investigating the possibility of restricting the deed on the land to recreational uses, and continued the action until March 24 to give the city time-time to review the case.

Times-Journal correspondent Marty Krouis, in Ketchum, can be reached at 725-0211.



Native mountain goats can be spotted in winter on the Sawtooth National Recreation Area, but SNRA rangers suggest you keep your distance from them during the winter.

Areas where goats and backcountry travelers uses overlap.

Signs recommend backcountry travelers stay out of these areas.

Shelter

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humane society," said Williams, who served 11 years on the board, five as president. "It was built as a place to take care of lost and homeless animals. That's where the energies need to be directed, not toward politics. The shelter is and remains a place for homeless animals, extreme political views have no place there."

Stallard said the critics baffle her, and she said political agendas don't mix with board bylaws.

The shelter was established in the early 1970s, and its board

hasn't been free from conflict.

In recent years, several board members have resigned. Relations between shelter employees have been strained as well. Another bone of contention has been the recent hiring of an executive director from Nebraska to run fund-raising and public relations.

Meanwhile, the current board defends its policies, and says it's adhering to its goals, and the critics are extremists.

"The biggest problem is the staff isn't happy with the decisions

of the board," said Stallard. "But we've finally reached the point where no longer an organization that can be run by volunteers."

But Martin and Craig disagreed, and have scheduled a March 11 meeting to meet with officials and pitch their protests. Hough said it is an open meeting.

"They (the board) have lost touch with the public," Martin said.

She criticized a board decision last summer to host a fund-raising raffle at the Northern Rockies Folk Festival where a

side of beef was awarded as the prize.

"Including a vegetarian isn't and shouldn't be required for board shelter involvement," Stallard said.

The facility was started in the early 1970s. And former board members say the group has a tough assignment.

"This is a very hard volunteer job," Lieder said. "It's not like leaving an art center and closing the door behind you. You're dealing with living creatures, and that's always emotional."

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Shoshone passes building moratorium

By Karma Metzler Fitzgerald
Times-Journal correspondent

SHOSHONE—Developers considering subdividing land in Shoshone's area of impact will have to wait.

Shoshone's City Council has passed a four-month moratorium on subdivisions in the area. The area of impact is land that is technically in the county, but comes under the city's zoning jurisdiction because of its proximity to the city's borders.

City Attorney Brit Groom said the moratorium will give him time to go over the city's zoning ordinances to determine which apply to the impact area.

The area was established several years ago, and city officials

had assumed the county's zoning ordinances applied. But Groom said it turns out the city's policies are applicable.

"There could be a question as to whether or not there is zoning in the area of impact," Groom said.

He said he and council members will spend the next few weeks going over existing regulations to see which, if any, apply to the impact area. He doesn't think it will take the full four months, he said.

"I don't think it's an insurmountable problem," Groom said.

Groom emphasized that the moratorium does not apply to those subdivisions already "in the works."

Washington man wanted in Ohio on federal charges

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP)—One of the two brothers sought on charges that they fired at Ohio police officers in a botched shootout was indicted here Tuesday on federal firearms counts.

Two of the three counts allege Chevie O'Brien Kehoe possessed firearms stolen from an Arkansas gun dealer who was slain last year along with his wife and daughter, said Robert L. Harper, Spokane agent-in-charge for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

The serial numbers of the weapons, a semiautomatic pistol and a 223-caliber assault-style rifle, match those stolen from William Mueller, Harper said.

The indictment alleges Kehoe possessed the guns between April 1 and Aug. 1, 1996.

Harper said he was unaware of any other links Kehoe may have to the Mueller's deaths and added it was premature to call Kehoe a suspect in the unsolved slayings, which are being investigated by Arkansas authorities.

A U.S. District Court jury returned a three-count indictment against the 24-year-old former Colville man on Tuesday.

The third count charges him with possessing an unregistered machine gun. Agents allege

Kehoe illegally converted a 223-caliber AR-15 rifle into an assault-style machine gun, Harper said.

Investigators believe the pistol and rifle that were registered to Mueller somehow ended up in the possession of a Spokane-area gun dealer and were stolen from the dealer by Kehoe, Harper said.

Agents recovered the stolen guns within the past three months and are continuing to investigate the recent theft of other firearms from local gun dealers, Harper said.

At least 20 firearms remain unaccounted for. Some of them may have been sold at gun shows in Tulsa, Okla., Washington and northern Idaho, Harper said.

Agents are unsure if Kehoe was involved in those thefts, Harper said.

In two clashes Feb. 15 near Clinton County, Ohio, grand jury has indicted Kehoe and his 20-year-old brother Cheyne C. Kehoe on charges that they shot at law enforcement officers during the Washington slayings.

Both shootouts were filmed, and videotapes of the clashes have been aired on television news programs.

Caregivers

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has to be paid," said Bettie Phillips, a certified nursing assistant who receives Medicaid dollars to care for two sons disabled in separate motor vehicle accidents in the 1980s. If she becomes part of an agency, the state will have to pay her more to care for her sons at home, and she fears that her sons could be shuffled off to less expensive care in an institution.

She wasn't notified of the legislation before Friday, she said. And she still hasn't had a chance to read it. But she testified at a hearing on the issue Tuesday.

"They should let the public in on this a little more instead of pushing this through," she said.

She was one of 23 people who attended Tuesday hearings on the bill, SB 1226, and one of five who opposed it. Eight supported the measure, and 10 indicated no position.

Lawmakers put off a decision on the issue Tuesday to take time to debate it more fully at

today's meeting.

But something must be done soon, said committee Chairman Grant Ipsen of Boise.

"The state is just standing out there unaddressed," he said. "It's not a question of whether we will have to do this. It's a question of when, and whether we'll get by for another year."

Interested parties tried to reach a compromise on the bill late Tuesday afternoon. Amendments include establishing a committee of at least half personal care service recipients, as well as representatives of independent providers and the state to work on transition. It would have to start meeting April 1, and the bill, if it passes, is scheduled to go into effect by Dec. 31.

The group will try to work a provision into the bill to allow the Department of Health and Welfare director to extend the effective date by six months if the sides haven't reached an agreement, Ipsen said.

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New Forest Service chief says health of land priority

WASHINGTON (AP) — Forest Service Chief Mike Dombeck told Congress Tuesday that logging, mining and livestock grazing must take a back seat to the "health of the land" during a lengthy, expensive effort to restore tattered forest lands.



Larry Craig Mike Dombeck

"Clearly, we must develop sustainable supplies of wood fiber for American homes, forage for livestock and minerals and energy that help support healthy economies," Dombeck said in his first testimony in his new role as chief.

"But... the health of the land must be our first priority. Failing this, nothing else we do really matters," he said.

Dombeck, appointed chief in December, said past policies of clear cutting and fire suppression helped lead to the current unhealthy state of the national forest system.

In his testimony for the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, he defended a series of environmental laws under assault in the Republican-led Congress, including the National Forest Management Act, National Environmental Policy Act, and Endangered Species Act.

ural resources in the long run. "Restoration will not be quick. And in fact, it will be very expensive. But we must look at these sorts of activities as investments in the land... investments that will often not pay dividends until our children's children are born," he said.

"It took decades for today's unhealthy forest conditions to develop. It will take an equally long time to reverse them," he said.

Dombeck acknowledged the Forest Service suffers a credibility gap with the public in part because of past logging policies. "The unfortunate reality is that many people presently do not trust us to do the right thing. Until we rebuild that trust and strengthen those relationships, it is simply common sense that we avoid... old-growth and roadless areas," he said.

Most of the committee members had left by the time Dombeck appeared to read his testimony, having spent nearly three hours questioning Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt about his budget request.

Sen. Frank Murkowski, R-Alaska, chairman of the committee, said President Clinton's new \$7.5 billion budget request for the department represents an unacceptable \$462 million increase over the current fiscal year that ends Sept. 30.

"Other federal departments are taking hits in the overall government downsizing, but yours seems to be soaking up all the gravy," Murkowski told Babbitt.

Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, said he was concerned that politics are more at play than science as the department completes a study on management of the Eastside Columbia River Basin that could lead to restrictions on commercial activity.

Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., said he was supportive of forest restoration efforts. "Even in a time like this of scarce resources and balancing the budget, we ought to try to make a handful of investments in key areas that pay-off in the 21st century. I think one of those areas is forestry," Wyden said.

High court overturns ruling for IPC

BOISE (AP) — A former Idaho Potato Commission employee raised a genuine legal issue when she alleged she was the victim of a hostile workplace environment, the Idaho Supreme Court has ruled.

The high court on Tuesday unanimously overturned 4th District Judge Deborah Ball's summary judgment dismissing Sharyl Strongman's claim against the Potato Commission, where she worked for three years.

Justice Byron Johnson wrote that the claim should not have been dismissed because there was a "genuine issue of material fact" involved — whether there was conduct severe or pervasive enough to create a hostile or abu-

sive work environment based on Strongman's gender.

Johnson wrote that the evidence "indicates that not only was the employee treated differently than her male counterparts in the amount of traveling she was required to do, but that her job was relocated to a city to which the director knew the employee would not move, and that she was criticized for taking sick leave."

Strongman was hired in 1990. After she was fired in 1993 when she declined to relocate to Denver or Kansas City, Strongman filed grievances and then sued the Potato Commission, Executive Director Mel Anderson and her immediate

supervisor, Don Odiorne, alleging sex discrimination, violation of due process and breach of her employment contract. Ball dismissed the hostile work environment, breach of contract and due process claims, and a jury rejected the sex discrimination allegations. Odiorne appealed only the hostile work environment and breach of contract issues.

AUCTION CALENDAR THROUGH APRIL 5th

Table listing various auctions from Wednesday, February 28th to Saturday, March 15th, including items like farm equipment, vehicles, and real estate.

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Deal could let company offer better coverage

BOISE (AP) — Blue Cross of Idaho is hammering out a deal with one of the largest for-profit managed-care companies in the nation.

The deal will allow Blue Cross to offer better health-insurance coverage to Idaho-based employers with plants in other states, spokeswoman Tracy Andrus said Monday.

"It's a major benefit for our customers," she said. By early March, Blue Cross expects to sign a contract with Calif.-based WellPoint Health Networks Inc.

WellPoint serves more than 4.4 million customers nationwide through health-maintenance organizations and other managed-care networks.

If a contract is signed, Andrus said it will allow both companies to take advantage of each others' contracts with physicians and hospitals. Blue Cross would be able to take advantage of WellPoint's contracts outside Idaho, and Wellpoint would be able to use Blue Cross' contracts inside the state.

If Blue Cross makes a profit on the deal, Andrus said the money will be used to pay overhead and hold down customers' premiums.

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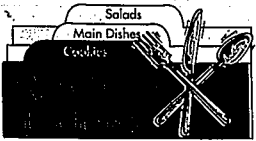
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Section C



Macaroni and cheese from pioneers

By Denise Turner
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS—A reader requested an old-fashioned macaroni and cheese recipe. Here's one from Joy Staples of Twin Falls. She found it in the second edition of the "Betsy Crocker Cookbook."

PIONEER MACARONI AND CHEESE
Place in alternating layers in buttered 11-by-7-inch oblong baking dish: 4 cups hot drained boiled macaroni (8 ounces uncooked), dots of butter (2 tablespoons in all), 1 1/4 cups cut-up sharp cheese (1/2-inch cubes) (1/3 pound), 1 teaspoon salt. Combine and pour over above ingredients 2 eggs beaten, 3 cups milk. Sprinkle with paprika. Bake in a 350-degree oven for 40 to 45 minutes until golden brown on top. Serves 6 to 8.

Fern Hard of Bull sent in another version. "I am submitting the following recipe for Baked Macaroni and Cheese, which I found in one of my old cookbooks," she wrote. "One of your readers has been searching, and I hope this may be what she needs."

BAKED MACARONI AND CHEESE
1 cup cooked macaroni
1 cup soft bread crumbs
1 teaspoon chopped onion
1 cup grated cheese
1 1/2 cups milk
2 eggs, well beaten
1 teaspoon chopped green pepper
1 tablespoon butter
Salt, pepper and paprika
Combine all ingredients. Season to taste. Pour into well-oiled baking dish. Set in pan of warm water. Bake in moderate oven (375 degrees) about 45 minutes.

Another reader requested a non-foed recipe—for lye soap. This one's from Jeanne and Don Dean of Kimberly. "This recipe was taken off an old lye can and is no longer on cans of lye," they wrote. "We have been using this recipe for over five years, making it usually twice a year for organizations."

HOMEMADE LYE SOAP
Use one can of lye and 2 1/2 pints of cold water and six pounds clean fat, tallow, lard or a combination. This makes 9 pounds of soap. Slowly add lye to cold water. Stir to dissolve. Melt fat and let it cool to correct temperature (sweet lard or soft fat 85 with lye solution 75 degrees. Half lard and half tallow 110 with lye solution 85 degrees. All tallow 130 with lye 95 degrees). Pour lye solution into melted fat in a thin stream with slow stirring. Too rapid pouring or stirring causes separation. Stir slowly 10 to 20 minutes, until it becomes thick as honey. Pour into wood or cardboard boxes lined with a damp cloth. Cover with an old blanket to retain heat. Let stand 24 hours. Remove and cut into bars. Allow air to reach it. Keep dry in even temperature to age for 2 weeks. Then wrap into individual bars.

Here's one of Jell-O gelatin's oldest recipes, in celebration of the 100-year anniversary of Jell-O.

CROWN JEWEL DESSERT
1 package (small) lime gelatin
1 package (small) orange gelatin
2 packages (small) strawberry gelatin
2 cups cold water
8 ounces Cool Whip, thawed
Prepare lime, orange and 1 package strawberry gelatin separately as directed on package, using 1 cup boiling water and 1/2 cup cold water for each. Pour each flavor into separate 8-inch square pans. Refrigerate 4 hours or until firm. Cut into 1/2-inch cubes; measure 1 1/2 cups of each flavor. (Use remaining gelatin cubes for garnish or for smacking.)

Stir remaining 1 cup boiling water into remaining package of strawberry gelatin in medium bowl at least 2 minutes until completely dissolved. Stir in remaining 1/2 cup cold water. Refrigerate 45 minutes or until slightly thickened (consistency of unbeatn egg whites).

Stir in 1/2 of the whipped topping. Gently stir in measured gelatin cubes. Pour into 9-by-5-inch pan. Refrigerate 4 hours or overnight until firm. Pour each flavor with remaining whipped topping and gelatin cubes, if desired. Store leftover dessert in refrigerator. Makes 16 servings.
Unmolding: Dip mold in water for about 15 minutes. Gently pull gelatin from around edges with top of fingers. Place moistened serving plate on top of mold. Invert mold and plate; holding mold and plate together, shake slightly to loosen. Gently remove mold and center gelatin on plate.

Requests
A reader is looking for a good recipe for potato soup. She loves potato soup, but has trouble finding really delicious potato soup. Help!

Send recipes to share or requests for recipes Denise Turner, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0548.

Gourmet in all styles

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS—Mary Cory collects recipes and is often characterized as a gourmet cook. Orphaned at an early age, Cory and her sister were raised by their grandparents.

Cory grew up in Kentucky, then later Ohio. She remembers an old gentleman, a neighbor who lived down the road, walking up the lane to her grandparents' house with two little red rocking chairs, one tucked under each arm, for her sister and her for Christmas.

In those days, friends and neighbors pitched in to help raise children, particularly the orphaned ones.
Today, Cory is raising children of her own. She has two daughters from a previous marriage and four step-children from her current marriage. She met her

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current husband, Vic, at a church genealogy study group.

Genealogy is one of Cory's favorite pastimes. Gourmet cooking, perfecting recipes and collecting cookbooks are others.

Cory said, "In the '60s and '70s, everyone was learning to cook continental dishes. Now, with apartments renting for \$600 to \$700 a month, people can hardly afford to buy food, let alone cook continental."

Cory has compiled a theory about gourmet cooking. "This gourmet cooking art has as its prerequisite a refinement of all senses, and it is almost axiomatic that such refinement comes only with a high level of culture, where living has passed the level of mere subsistence—where the intellectual climate is attuned to creativity and pleasurable pursuits and pure spiritual living. Man has always been curious about food and

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Mary Cory possesses a treasury of recipes, some of which she perfects through experimentation. Light fruitcake and cranberry cal-sap are a couple of her favorites.

Special dinners made healthy and easy

Company's coming? What to make? If you're overwhelmed, thinking you've got to produce something that's elaborately time-consuming and sinfully calorie-rich, don't! Cooking for company can be both easy and guilt-free if you keep a few tips in mind.

Start with foods everybody loves, such as salmon, potatoes and citrus fruits. These ingredients represent high quality, and they're equally at home in a four-star restaurant as in your own kitchen. And while they guarantee you can produce a menu of dishes that taste good, these foods are good for you, too.
Serve baked salmon with a touch of citrus and herbs. Accompany with delicious potato pancakes made by simply smashing seasoned potatoes into shapal for delectable Cooking for company can be both easy and guilt-free if you keep a few tips in mind.

Elegant, yet simple, this recipe is perfect for entertaining.

HERB AND CITRUS SALMON POCKETS
20 fresh sage, mint or basil leaves
4 salmon fillets (4 ounces each)
2 oranges or lemons or limes (1 sliced, 1 zested and juiced only)
2 tablespoons butter
1 garlic clove, minced

Mince a few herb leaves for butter sauces. Cut 2 deep bites, about 3 inches across width of each fillet. Stuff each slit with 1 citrus slice and herbs. Heat oven to 425 degrees. Combine butter, garlic, citrus zest, juice and minced herbs in small pan over high heat; boil 1 minute. Place fillets in baking dish and pour butter sauce over. Bake for 8 to 12 minutes depending on thickness.
Serves 4.

"A fusion" recipe, this stir-fry blends flavors from the Southwest and Asia.

SHANGHAI SALMON
1 lemon, zested and juiced
2 tablespoons soy sauce
2 tablespoons grated ginger
2 tablespoons warm water
2 tablespoons oil
1 pound salmon, cubed
1/2 red onion, sliced thin
2 sweet peppers, sliced thin

Stir together lemon zest, juice, honey, sesame oil, soy sauce and warm water; reserve. Heat oil in large skillet over medium-high heat. Sear salmon cubes in hot oil on all sides for 3 minutes. Remove to plate; reserve. Add onion to pan and stir-fry 1 minute. Add peppers and stir-fry 5 more minutes. Add salmon and sauce, bring to boil and cook 1 minute. Garnish with sliced green onions and toasted sesame seeds, if desired.
Serves 5.

A new twist on an old favorite, these pancakes are low fat, easy and delicious!

SMASHED POTATO PANCAKES
Flowers have the power to transform a room with life and color. While a vase filled with flowers may seem like an indulgence when they come from your cutting garden, you're simply enjoying the results of your own hard work.

Make arrangements of all shapes and sizes, and keep them on bedside tables, the kitchen counter, in the guest room and family room and on your desk. Flowers do not have to be reserved for the dining-room table—or for the arrival for visitors.
Considering the price of cut flowers today, it certainly makes sense to turn part of your garden or yard into a cutting garden.

For the cost of an average bouquet, you can purchase seeds that will provide you with flowers for months.



Company's coming! You're counting calories...Laugh! What to cook that all will like? Try beginning with foods that everyone likes. Serve baked salmon with a touch of citrus and herbs accompanied with delicious potato pancakes. For a beautiful dessert, lemon sorbet in lemon boats is impressive yet takes only minutes to make. All are low in calories.

8 potatoes, uniform in size, about 3 ounces each
2 tablespoons olive oil, divided
Salt
Garlic pepper or lemon pepper
1/3 cup nonfat sour cream
1 tablespoon snipped chives or thinly sliced green onions

Prick each potato with tines of fork; arrange in microwave oven in a circle. Microwave on high 10 to 12 minutes until tender, turning over halfway through cooking. Place on cutting surface. While hot, with bottom of plate, gently press down on each potato until 1/2 inch thick. In 12-inch nonstick skillet over medium heat, heat 1 tablespoon of the oil. With spatula, carefully transfer potatoes to skillet. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Sauté about 3 minutes until golden brown on bottoms. Add another tablespoon oil to skillet. Turn potatoes over and brown other sides. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Meanwhile, in

small bowl, mix sour cream, chives, and a dash salt. Accompany pancakes with sour cream mixture.

LEMON SORBET
2 cups water
1/2 cup sugar
Grated peel of 1/2 Sunburst lemon
Juice of 2 Sunburst lemons (1/3 cup)

In saucepan, combine water and sugar. Heat, stirring to dissolve sugar. Add lemon peel and juice. Pour into shallow dish or bowl; freeze, stirring occasionally, until almost firm, about 2 hours. Break up with a spoon. In food processor (in 2 batches) or with electric mixer, mix until smooth but icy. Refreeze. Remove from freezer a few

minutes before serving. Serve in dessert glasses or scoop into lemon boats (recipe follows).

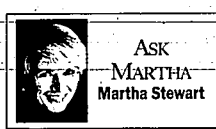
Serves 5 (about 2 1/2 cups).
Lemon Boats
Cut large lemons in half lengthwise. Carefully ream out juice; reserve for Lemon Sorbet. Scrape shells "clean" with spoon. To prevent tipping, cut thin slice from bottom of shells. Lemon boats may be made ahead and frozen until ready to use.

Simple to make, these fries are so tasty that you'll never know they are low in fat!

FESTIVE FRIES
1/4 cup grated Romano cheese
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 tablespoon dried basil
1/2 teaspoon garlic salt
1 1/3 pounds (4 medium) potatoes, halved lengthwise and cut into 1/2-inch wide strips

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Flower power: Liven, brighten those dreary rooms



ASK
MARTHA
Martha Stewart

Choosing flowers

The flowers you grow and the care they need will depend greatly on your climate and soil conditions, as well as your own favorite flowers and colors. Here are some general guidelines to help you plan a productive cutting garden.

Choose carefully so you'll have flowers throughout the growing season; calendula, China asters, scabiosa, sunflower

and torch flowers (Tithonia). I also like delphinium, lavender, Lavatera, Aster frikartii and Japanese anemones.

Tulips, daffodils, alliums, lilies and other flowering bulbs will be welcome in the spring.

If you like fragrant flowers, consider lilies, hyacinths, peonies, lilies-of-the-valley, and of course, roses. If you like dry flowers, plant some specifically for that purpose.

Don't forget foliage, such as scented geraniums, nasturtium and ivy. It looks beautiful in the garden, and in arrangements, too. Herbs are another excellent addition—fragrant and leafy, some even develop sweet little flowers.

Try to achieve a mix of colors, textures, and sizes; this will enable you to create the most interesting and varied arrangements.
Traditionally, a gardener was advised

to plant flowers that coordinated with the colors of the house. I think it's more important to plant flowers you love, in colors you love. You will find a place for them in your home—and you may even discover some wonderful new color combinations.

Planting a cutting garden

Unlike traditional flower beds, which are part of a well-planned landscape, a cutting garden is meant to be purely productive. For this reason, these were often placed in an out-of-the-way spot, out of sight.

Even if you don't have the luxury of this sort of space, you can still have a cutting garden. It doesn't require a lot of room, and it doesn't have to be hidden—a cutting garden in bloom is beautiful, and you won't deplete its supply all at

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HOME & GARDEN

Remedies: Time to stop the wilting

For some people, it seems that keeping a plant alive is akin to an act of Congress. That need not be the way things go. Houseplants are almost always killed by pretty much the same things everywhere. Let's round up the usual suspects and see if we can't fix what's ailing your plants.



GREEN THUMBPRINTS
Cathy Walworth

Lack of water over watering

This one can be corrected with one finger. Choose a finger. Stick it in the soil. Feel dry? Give the plant water until water comes out of the bottom of the pot. Throw away the extra water after a half hour. Still feels moist? Don't water yet.

Wrong water

Got a water softener? Don't use it on your plants. Water softeners use salt. Salt kills plants. Use the drinking water you drink. But use it at room temperature or a tad warmer. To take the chill off a pitcher of water, try adding a splash from the tea kettle.

More salt

Salts build up on the pot rims because of salts in the fertilizers we use, in addition to the natural minerals in our water. This is not good. Take the pot to the kitchen sink and sink it in lukewarm water. Bring it up out of the water and remove the crust. Let the pot drain before you put it back.

Spider mites

They appear like magic in winter months. Maybe they crawl through microscopic openings in the window casings. Maybe they're really made of fairy dust. They do love dust, and we've got plenty of that in our dry climate. Regularly wash plant leaves and stems with soapy water, rinse

with a tea solution. Also, use Amway LOC or Palmolive dish-washing soap in your watering can. About a half teaspoon will do it. Give spider mites this one punch and they'll be gone before Congress passes their next bill.

Root rot

If these plants were growing on some jungle floor, as they think they should, they'd have plenty of everything. But they don't. Stick into pots, plant roots gasp for air. Check the bottom of the pot. Got air holes? If not, drill some. If so, get a MUCH bigger plastic saucer than the pot looks like it needs, and some wood scraps. At our house, if plants wilt for no apparent reason, they get a saucer twice as big as the pot and "sillits." I go into my husband's woodshop and run a two-by-two under the bandsaw in lengths that will fit inside the saucer. A big pot will need two or three. I lay the wood sideways in the saucer, under the pot where the holes are not. The extra air space allows the roots to breathe so

much better that improvement is usually seen in a day or so. Works every time.

Wrong plant, wrong place

Every plant we've tried in our sunroom-breakfast nook has died. Although most houseplants starve for light, our nook gets so much sun that we have yet to find a plant that can take it. Fake, silk plants are starting to look good.

Lack of light

Hold your hand over the plant. See a shadow? If not, your plant is squinting in the dark. Move it closer to a window. Don't let it touch the window, though. Cold windows can give a leaf frostbite; hot glass can scize a leaf tip.

Plants want the same things you do: light, air and water. Buy a new plant today. You deserve it.

What's bugging your garden? Send your garden questions to Cathy Walworth, in care of The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303.

Some plants can move with you, some remain

By Charles Feynest
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Handing over a garden to new owners can be as tricky a business as any other transfer of a cherished possession.

A friend tells the story of having bought a home with a nice garden one fine Monday. But when driving by the house on Tuesday, he was astonished to observe the seller digging up bulbs, perennials and bushes, putting them in bags and hauling them into his van.

Reluctant to confront him, the new owner drove right over to his real-estate agent and had her call the seller's agent to stop the former owner from taking plants from a yard that was no longer his property.

The reply that reached the buyer the following day shocked him as much as missing the incident. The former owner categorically denied having been near the property.

The new owner then suggested a joint inspection but was reminded that missing plants do not automatically indict the former owner.

Also, the garden was not specifically mentioned in the contract. The buyer's agent suggested that the new homeowner swallow hard and forget the whole episode.

The moral of the story is clear: Someone buying a house with valuable landscape plants should determine before the sale is consummated if those plants convey with the property.

If there is a significant plant collection, the new buyer will take photographs and compile an inventory.

The shrewd seller will leave the plants behind, to serve as a selling point. It is hard for someone who has toiled for years to create a garden to walk away from such a creation. But many mature trees and shrubs do not transplant well (even assuming an ideal new site for them), while perennials, annuals and bulbs are easily replaced.

It also makes sense for the buyer to be understanding and generous should the seller want to remove a plant with sentimental value — an azalea bush that was received as a wedding present, for example.

If the seller insists on removing more than a few specimens, the value of those plants should be negotiated and reflected in the sale price.

In any case, the usual "walk-through" before the deal is closed should include a careful inspection of the grounds.

Plants change owners in other ways, and shrub transfers need sensitivity and forethought too. Another friend tells the story of her grandmother, a knowledgeable gardener and a lifelong col-

lector and hybridizer of choice plants, whose treasures were ripped out by new owners after she died.

During the last two years of her life, she no longer could take care of the garden and it would have been appropriate for family members visiting her to dig and divide a few perennials to take home. But her children were embarrassed to request any of her precious plants while she was still alive.

The grandchildren, some with spouses, were interested in saving certain choice plants but deferred to their parents.

Eventually, the house was sold to someone who had no appreciation of the garden and turned it into a lawn. No one had saved a single plant. The episode left family members, the grandchildren in particular, disappointed.

At least one granddaughter feels that the family lawyer should have told the heirs that the plants represented an aesthetically and emotionally important legacy by which the grandmother could be remembered.

As the granddaughter I know said, "That garden was my grandmother, and we all loved it. I would have gladly taken some of the plants or had someone else take them for me."

The lawyer then could have asked the grandmother if she had thought of bequeathing some of her favorite plants. Assuring their continuation with successive generations might have made the grandmother recognize more fully her achievement of creating a great garden.

Most perennials are easy to dig up and move to another town in plastic bags.

In the case of large shrubs such as mature viburnums or rhododendrons, cuttings might be taken.

This is an option too if a venerable old tree or shrub with great sentimental value must be cut down to make way for an addition or is simply at the end of its life.

In the case of the grandmother, the thought of leaving behind a living legacy could have brightened her last days.

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SENSIBLE HOME
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Timber-framed buildings, many centuries old, are still used in Europe and are as sound as the day they were built. Combining this proven construction method with new technology, creates a very efficient house. You can expect utility bills to be about half those of a conventional stud-framed house.

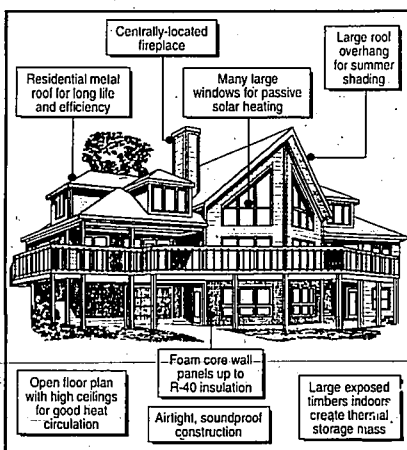
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This produces a wall with insulation as high as R-40. Another plus is the low air leaks. With panels as long as 20 feet, there are few leaky air gaps. Outdoor noise is virtually eliminated and indoor dust is reduced. It is a good idea to install a heat recovery ventilator for good air quality.

Timber-framed houses are a natural fit with passive solar heating. The high ceilings allow for many large south-facing windows. The massive interior timbers provide natural thermal storage mass. This saves and stores heat in the winter and moderates midday temperature peaks in the summer.

With the strong timber framing, no interior supporting walls are needed. This allows you to locate interior walls wherever you wish and easily change room layouts as your family grows. When utilizing solar, wood, or space heating, an open floor plan improves the distribution of heat.

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Timber-framed houses prove to be efficient, quiet and beautiful.

elaborate floor plans and styles. A crew from the manufacturer erects the framing at your building site.

What makes timber frames unique from other post and beam construction is that all of the joints are hand-fitted by craftsmen. The mortise and tenon joints are carefully carved and connected with wood dowels. This produces very strong and beautiful framing exposed indoors.

From the exterior, a timber-framed house looks like any other house. The exterior surface of the foam core panels can be finished with siding, brick or stucco. Consider using one of the new types of residential metal roofing.

Write for Update Bulletin No. 627 listing 18 manufacturers of timber-framed houses, exterior diagrams and floor plan layouts of seven typical houses and specifications. Please include \$2 and a business-size SASE. To rush bulletin delivery or read 150 previous columns, visit <http://www.dulley.com>.

Write to: James Dulley, 6906 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45244.

Q: We have a small study that we don't use often. It is at the northwest corner of the house

and it is always colder than the rest of the house. What is the best type of heating system to get for it? - B. J.

A: Since you do not use the study very often, it would be wasteful to keep it warm all the time. An electric radiant

heating system would probably be your best choice. It warms people in the room quickly, like standing under the sun, without having to wait for the entire room to warm up.

In contrast, if you use the room often, try to balance the air flow from your furnace to move more heated air to keep the study warm continuously.

Spring into easy sewing this season

By Barbara Gash
Knight-Ridder News Service

It's not too early to start sewing for spring and summer. Here are a few reasons why an early start this might be a better idea over this:

The new streamlined silhouettes lend themselves to easy sewing — even for novices. Designers are favoring simple and narrow shapes, especially in dresses. Make a sheath, short dress, T-shirt dress or straight jumper, and you'll be right in style. Try pairing dresses with simple cover-ups, including very light tunics, coats and jackets. Asymmetrical cuts are also popular, including wrap styles and one-shoulder dresses.

Pant suits are still hot; the jackets are longer and the pants narrower. Casual layered ensembles for black and white or color-coordinated separate pieces: loose tunics, pants, shell tops, sarong skirts and loose-fitting shirt jackets.

What also find a wonderful variety of fabrics this season, and that is where home sewers really have the advantage.

Designers such as Mary McFadden and Ralph Lauren are offering playful batik prints and hand-painted African fabrics in rich dark colors.

Or sew some bold optic prints in black and white, or stripes in classic navy and white.

This is the year to mix colors in one garment, with banding, piecing or blocking, as several designers, including wrap styles, are popular. It's also fun to mix compatible prints.

And try creating your own fabrics by painting, stenciling, dyeing or tie-dyeing.

The Sewing Fashion Council in New York reminds us that good quality fabric "yields a high return on the investment. This spring, natural fibers such as silk, linen and cotton are popular, along with blends of naturals with synthetics. The blends usually offer better drape, they stretch for comfort and resist fading and wrinkling."

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It takes time to learn infatuation isn't love

DEAR ABBY: I am 15 years old and my boyfriend just told me that he loves me. He has opened his heart to me, and I'm afraid that I have nothing to say to him in return.

I know what I feel for him is more than a crush. My emotions are too strong to just "like" him. I love to be around him. I love to talk to him, and I love it when we embrace. I just don't know if I love him.



DEAR ABBY
Abby Cadabby

I know he's not saying this to get me into bed. We were long-time friends before we went on a date. Besides, he's way too shy for that. It took us two months before we actually kissed.

All I know is I cannot concentrate on my school work. I want to talk with him 24 hours a day. When I am with him I feel like I am on cloud nine, and he can pull me out of my darkest moods. Please help me. Do you think that what I'm feeling could be love?

-CUPID-CRAZED IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR CUPID-CRAZED: You are not the first teen-ager to ask this question. As I explain in my booklet, "What Every Teen Should Know," the crazy, mixed-up feelings you are experiencing are better known as infatuation. Infatuation can possibly be the first step toward love, but is not, in itself, love.

During your teens, you will have a number of infatuations. Through a few of these — and experience — you will acquire a better sense of what love is.

DEAR ABBY: Your response to "Sitting on the Sidelines in New York," whose husband leaves her sitting at the table and dances with every other woman in the room, disregards the fact that she is upset. The reason she is upset — jealousy, insecurity or whatever — is unimportant.

If her husband loves her, he'll

recognize that his behavior bothers her and change it, or compromise. Otherwise, he is being selfish and having his fun at her expense. If doesn't realize how good he is otherwise, what other people say, or even if his wife's complaints are unjustified. She is upset — and it needs to be dealt with affectionately and attentively.

Yes, "Sitting on the Sidelines" should learn to dance if she doesn't know how. Maybe she also needs to work on her self-esteem. But when a partner in a relationship fails to change harmful behavior, the couple is heading for trouble. I know. I've been there, and the woman I still love is no longer with me because I didn't act on it.

You men out there (and women), please listen to me: If it's hurting your partner and you truly love that person, then stop what you're doing. Discuss it with him or her and solve the problems to your mutual satisfaction. Otherwise, you may find yourself alone!

-LOST MY LADY

DEAR LOST MY LADY: "Sitting on the Sidelines" indicated that her husband is an overbearing, egotistical and attentive partner. As you point out, however, he is not perfect. If he were, he would have done exactly as you recommended. You have learned a very valuable lesson, and I thank you for posting it on.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 79-year-old woman and I'm in pretty good shape for my age. Even so, I tire

more easily these days, and shopping in department stores has become harder than it used to be because there is no place to sit down and rest for a few minutes. My feet and legs get tired, and if I could just sit and rest, I would be able to continue shopping. As it is, I end up taking a catalog and leaving, because I can't walk or stand that long.

With department stores competing so heavily for business, wouldn't you think they could put a chair or two near the cash register for us older folks?

-MAXINE, LONG BEACH, CALIF.

DEAR MAXINE: I would think they could — and should — even though space in department stores is very valuable.

What teens need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS, and getting along with peers and parents is in "What Every Teen Should Know." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

HOME REMODELING Q&A

The Orlando Sentinel

Q. A few years ago, we bought an older home. Now we want to remodel. How can we give our home's exterior a more contemporary appearance?

A. Today there are a wide variety of exterior treatments available including stucco, cultured stone, brick, wood and sidings. Each product has its own unique characteristics, look, feel and application.

Here's a sampling of choices:

- **Stucco.** Stucco has been popular in Florida designs for many years because it can be used effectively over concrete block walls, giving the appearance of a smooth, solid finish. Stucco also can be prepared with different textures, and it can be painted to match any color scheme. For a more contemporary look, stucco is used to create bands around the home's exterior, windows and doors. It also is used for decorative accents such as keystones or quoins. A skilled stucco technician can match existing exterior finishes.

- **Cultured stone.** This faux stone is a manufactured product that offers many benefits of a stone veneer. The stone can be made into any size, shape, style, color, type and configuration. It can be applied to any type of construction or surface and, because it is lightweight, it does not require a foundation. Cultured stone is durable, colorfast and

maintenance-free.

- **Brick.** Brick is one of the oldest exteriors, yet it remains one of the most popular. It is available in hundreds of different sizes, shapes, textures and colors. From frosted whites to pinks to deep reds, burgundies, chocolates, buffs, grays and charcoals, the choices offer tremendous design latitude. The choice is broadened further with intermixed colors and with firing techniques that produce tonal variety within a given color range. Textures range from the sand mold finish of Colonial times to vertically grooved styles or silky finishes. Each texture can make its own contribution to the visual impact you seek.

- **Sidings.** Wood and fiber-cement sidings, while not as versatile as other products, provide unique opportunities for exterior design. (Fiber cement looks like wood but is composed of Portland

cement, sand and wood fibers.) They can be used for the entire exterior, or they can be applied to certain areas of the home as accents or design enhancements. There is a limit to textures, styles and shapes. With the wood products, maintenance must be a consideration. However, fiber cement does not decay and offers some fire protection.

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The Times-News

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HOME & GARDEN

Full circle: Pantries are back in style

THE ARGENT

The Baltimore Sun

It may be the smallest specifically designated space in the house, but — just as it was 150 years ago — it's one of the most helpful, convenient and comfortable.

The space is the pantry — the very name conjures images of plenty — and it's back, both in newly constructed houses and in kitchen renovations. After decades on the out list, when refrigerators and built-in cabinetry filled the old food-keeping role of the pantry and butlers who polished the silver vanished, pantries have again come into favor in the past few years. This time around they're used for dry storage, such as canned goods and pet food, as well as small appliances, and as staging areas for entertaining.

A study of design trends for the National Kitchen and Bath Association found that more than half of the kitchen designs sold in 1995 included a pantry unit, while 87 percent included pull-out shelves.

Pantries are so popular that IKEA is getting ready to remodel its kitchen display area to install a "pantry studio" that will display all the options, the Swedish home furnishings store's small appliances, and as staging areas for entertaining.

"Almost everybody who comes in wants a pantry," she said. Her theory is that a proliferated, streamlined, modern kitchen is putting pressure on kitchen storage space. The pasta makers, bread machines, food processors and mixers have to go somewhere, and most people don't have enough counter space to leave them all out, she said.

There's almost certainly a solution, but you can find space in virtually any kitchen design for a pantry — whether it's a walk-in closet-type space or a few pull-out shelves in a base cabinet.

The New York Times recently devoted a page and a half in its Home section to pantries, noting, "Designers are putting these relics into the mainstream of small-apartment life in minimalist apartments, but within scale. In old houses, pantries could measure



Good things come in small packages. Even though pantries aren't the biggest thing in the house, they are designed for plenty of storage.

hundreds of square feet; in modern apartments they can be as simple as a wall of floor-to-ceiling shelves."

"Pantries are highly requested," said Alan Caplan, a designer at Smart Kitchens. "In new construction it's an excellent way to give a lot of storage inexpensively." It may be more difficult to find space for a pantry in a renovation, but Caplan said designers often make use of odd spaces, such as nooks or offsets, that are perfect for a shallow pantry.

Especially in older houses, there is often an offset in the kitchen from a fireplace in an adjoining room, he said, and that's a perfect place to tuck a pantry — or even a few shelves

that can hold cookbooks and jars of pasta.

Randy's working on a kitchen that has a pantry closet 22 inches deep and 8 1/2 feet wide. To make the space more convenient to get into, it's being fitted with two sets of adjustable shelf units and 2-foot-wide double-track sliding doors, two to a side. It's a fairly inexpensive system — \$20 for the track and about \$120 for all the doors — that is sturdier and can be better-looking than standard bi-fold doors.

If you don't have an existing pantry space, you can use cabinets. IKEA has pantry units that go anywhere you can fit a base unit.

"We sell pantry units that are 15 or 24 inches wide, and 24 inch-

es deep," Baily said. "We also have shallower ones that are 12 inches deep." The 24-inch deep units have rollout wire baskets, so you can just grab one, the cereal or whatever you want, and pull it out.

There's also a tall unit with adjustable wire shelves that pull out of the unit all at once. Units range from standard cabinet height, 7 feet, to ceiling height. "Pantry cabinets are natural space-savers because they don't require walls," she said.

"You lose 8 inches (in studs and drywall) every time you try to put walls around something. On the other hand, if you can eke out 15 inches of space all the way to the ceiling, you can have a lot of storage," she said.

How do you fit in Kitchens Concepts of Columbia, said she's been finding space for "pantries that don't look like pantries." She may use a wide base unit with doors and pullout shelves topped with a hutch-type 12-inch deep unit.

"It looks great," she said, "and it's not a big kitchen thing."

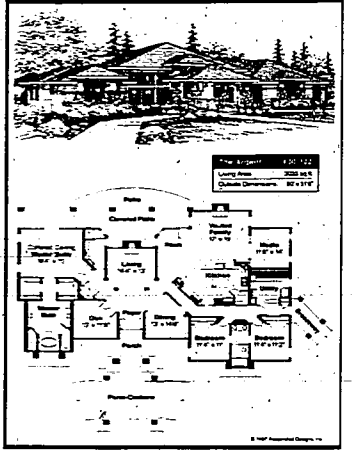
She identifies this type of storage with the "kitchen furniture," or "unfitted kitchen" look associated with English kitchen designers. The look is less formal — but still elegant — than the "fitted" kitchen common in most contemporary houses.

Houck also uses 24-inch-deep tall cabinets with pullout shelves. "If you make the shelves that lower, you can install can racks on the inside of the doors," she said.

Cindy McAuliffe, sales and marketing director for Ryland Homes' Washington Division, said pantries are the rule, not the exception, in new construction.

"Every townhome or single-family house I build now has a pantry or pantry cabinet," she said.

In single-family homes, the pantry is likely to be a walk-in unit, or some sort of storage space with a door. In townhomes, the pantry is part of the cabinet. Some Ryland models combine a pantry with an odd room and laundry room — a solution that might work in an older house as well, given the right configuration.



Argent gives space, light

Luxurious. Spacious. Luxurios, even. These words don't even begin to describe the attractions of the Argent, a rambling contemporary home boasting more than 3,000 square feet of living space. Its regal porte-cochere entrance is designed to extend past over a driveway.

Two heavy doors swing open into a 13-foot-high foyer. Straight ahead, two sets of columns frame the entrance to a living room with a wide-beamed fireplace. Den and dining room are to the left and right. All three of these rooms also have 13-foot ceilings, and windows fill most of their exterior walls.

Well-buffered from the family living areas, the sumptuous master suite serves as a quiet adult retreat. Luxury amenities here include a 10-foot covered ceiling, two large walk-in closets, and a skylit master bath with twin vanities, oversized shower, private toilet, and elevated soaking tub. Double doors at the rear open onto a colonnaded covered patio.

Everyday life centers on the skylit kitchen and vaulted family room. A long eating counter provides partial separation and a fireplace adds cheer and warmth when the skies turn dark. Other kitchen amenities include: a huge work island, walk-in pantry, built-in desk, and a plant shelf over the eating bar. A nook with built-in booth nestles into a sunny corner overlooking the Argent's patio, and a media room with an entertainment center is to the right. Utilities are close to both the kitchen and the secondary bedrooms, which share a two-section bathroom.

For a review plan, including scaled floor plans, elevations, section and artist's conception, send \$15 to Associated Designs, 1100 Jacobs Dr., Eugene, Ore. 97402. Please specify the Argent 30-122 and include a return address when ordering. A catalog featuring more than 170 home plans is available for \$12. For more information call (800) 634-0123.

The frugal guru says she'll practice alone

By Julia Koculis
The Washington Post

The nation's proudest cheapskate has had enough. Amy Dacyzyn, editor of the Tighwad Gazette and a woman once dubbed the Cheapest Person Alive, says she has decided all she can do to push thriftiness as an alternative lifestyle.

She is retiring from the business to be a stay-at-home mom in her farmhouse in Mainz, Md. Here, on she'll be rinsing out her zip-top plastic bags in private.

Dacyzyn, who rose to national prominence in the recession of the early 1990s, penned her final newsletter in December. She has just released her last penny-pinching book. Spendthrift never will be privy to her secrets of saving, whether it's recycling coffee grounds or replacing missing pot lid handles with wine corks.

One of the most frugal families in America — Amy, her husband, Tim, and their six kids ages 3 through 13 — will clinch in their secondhand belts yet again. She says she finds "fun" in the challenge of cutting back. Her ultimate goal, she says, always has been to spend more time at home with the kids.

"We're hoping to take this up another notch in terms of saving," says Dacyzyn in her final decision, "who zipped into Washington for a farewell tour recently in a previously owned \$150 dark-green suit. "It's exciting now because she feels she has covered just about every aspect of the frugal lifestyle during her six years of publishing. Dacyzyn wants the ultimate luxury: no job, always has been to spend more time at home with the kids.

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Are Americans still frugal? She

How low will you go?

- How to get by on less has been the focus of Amy Dacyzyn's career.
- From *The Tighwad Gazette III*, "the book being billed as the final edition of her cheapskate wisdom, Dacyzyn and her readers leave us with these tips:
 - Limit showers to two minutes.
 - Lightly sand the edges of worn windshield wipers with sandpaper to make them last longer.
 - Rather than throwing away a soiled lining board cover, use the unscrubbed parts to make oven mitts and potholders.
 - Ban long-distance phone calls.
 - Search for previously owned VCRs or television sets abandoned at repair shops by former owners. Generally, the book claims, they can be purchased for the cost of the repair.
 - Fasten an old chain belt to a wall with cup hooks to create a paper towel dispenser.
 - If you find life of thrifting life in shopping in bulk at warehouse stores, sanitize your cart.

By The Washington Post

says there's no way to measure, unless it's by analyzing the use of cloth diapers or canning jars.

Being cheap has paid off for her. Dacyzyn is retiring as a million-dollar mom.

Her impressive net worth comes not so much from shopping at yard sales or cutting her family's hair at home, but from her savvy peddling of her gospel of thrift in newsletter and book form to an overspending public grasping for help.

She received thousands of letters; some communities even started "tighwad clubs" to share ideas on saving and saving.

more. Her now-infamous method of washing out and reusing plastic food-storage bags may be her most enduring tip to a wasteful America.

Dacyzyn, 41, already has sold 475,000 copies of her first two books. Now the third one, "The Tighwad Gazette III" (Villard Books; 1996; 272 pp.; \$12.99), extends her mantra by providing

hints on how to save partial cartons of deodorant (spray with water after finished grilling) and how to spend less on septic-tank pumping (dig it up yourself). It is this latest work that brought her to Washington, and we treated her to a bowl of soup (cabbage, 54) in a downtown hotel for a brief chat.

Since we visited at her rural \$125,000 farmhouse in Leeds, Maine about 4 1/2 years ago, Dacyzyn says she has continued to practice what she preaches while cashing in on her novel outlook.

Amy Dacyzyn had a six-figure income for six years, allowing the Dacyzyns to save thousands, they say, including setting up funds for educating their kids. Their five-bedroom, Victorian home is paid for. Jim Dacyzyn, 47, draws a \$14,000 annual military pension — he retired after 21 years of service. With that and investment income, the family's annual income this year will be about \$30,000. Dacyzyn considers herself part of a "middle-income family."

Although she has signed off from preaching tighwadwaddery monthly to her subscribers, she's not retiring from baking bread from scratch (with dough not

knaded in a bread machine) or from molding kids' Halloween masks out of dryer lint.

She's also planning an annual family-oriented newsletter for readers who want to keep up with her world. She will charge \$1 for

it. Being a stay-at-home mom will be more than a full-time job, especially with her stringent standards. After all, she spends a total of \$30 a year on clothing (that's less than \$10 a year per kid) and her food bill for a family of eight is \$196 a month. She doesn't own a dishwasher.

She began her newsletter dubbing herself FZ (the Frugal Zealot) in June 1990 with an investment of a few thousand dollars. When appearing on the cover of Parade Magazine and as a guest on the Phil Donahue show, subscriptions soared.

Luxuries? She will spend money on big cars — Cheryl Suburbans — to hold her large family, on dental care and braces or on an occasional piece of antique furniture.

Restaurants are not part of the picture. "This soup is good," she comments. "Not that it's different from good soup or home soup. This is about 10 cents worth of soup."

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PETS

Owners should get new pups, kittens properly vaccinated

Knight-Ridder News Service

One of the primary responsibilities of every new puppy and kitten owner is to ensure that their new pet is properly vaccinated against the viral diseases that are especially life threatening to young animals.

To confer the appropriate protection requires a series of vaccinations, not just one trip to the veterinarian.

The vaccination series should start at 6 to 8 weeks of age. Many people ask why start then, why not sooner or later? The reason is that up to the six- to eight-week period, the young animals are protected from the antibodies that they received through their mother's colostrum and milk. Therefore, at around six to eight weeks is when the protection they received from their mothers begins to decline and the animals

become susceptible to disease.

Vaccinations begin at 6 to 8 weeks of age. Boosters are administered at three- to four-week intervals until the puppy or kitten has received a minimum of four sets of shots until it is at least 16 and preferably 18 weeks old. The entire series is required to reduce the chance of disease. "This is because there can be a period when the protection from the mother while declining is still in fact too high and interferes with the vaccination being effective. This period is referred to as the "window of susceptibility."

The exact time of this susceptibility varies from animal to animal. Therefore, by giving a series of vaccinations, we hope to lessen the chance of this occurring.

Besides the life protecting vaccinations, your pet will receive at each visit a thorough physical examination. This is important so

that the young animal is checked for any congenital or other physical abnormalities, such as cleft palates, umbilical or inguinal hernias, or serious heart problems. Also, every puppy or kitten will be checked for intestinal parasites (stomach worms), which can also greatly hamper the proper development of the young animal.

Immunization is the most generally applicable way of preventing viral diseases. In fact, the control of so many viral diseases of animals by immunization is probably the outstanding achievement of veterinary medicine in the 20th century.

So, do yourself and your pet a favor by having him properly vaccinated as a puppy/kitten, followed by annual examinations. Remember, prevention is the key to having a happy and healthy pet.

Chilly nights? Wrap a home in warm, romantic fuzzies

The Orange County Register

Cool, gray, rainy days. Chilly to downright bone-cold nights. Makes us want to snuggle up like a bunch of bummed-out bears in hibernation.

That's the reason we're so interested in what the January edition of Romantic Homes magazine has to say about making our homes into cozy dens perfect for hibernating on a particularly wintry winter's day or night.

Romantic Homes editors call their winterized spaces "rooms that hug you."

Soft, warm and cozy. That's what it's all about. Here's how. Chilled-out wood and tile floors can be a genuine shock to warm feet. Add soft chenille, plush or Oriental area rugs to spots where bare feet hit the floor — beside a bed, in the bathroom, at the foot of a favorite chair.

Add a down comforter to your bed. It doesn't have to be arctic weight. Stores carry plenty of lightweight comforters. If you really want to get down and toasty, add flannel sheets.

Drape a soft throw over a sofa, chair or ottoman. Makes for a yummy warm look, and should you actually wrap up in the thing with a cup of hot tea and a ravishingly good book, well, you do know how to live right.

Replace cold-appearing crystal and glass accessories with richer, warmer golden brass. Try candlesticks, planters, decorative boxes. If you've got a fireplace, you might consider brass andirons.

Still on the fireplace front — literally — take a stab at trimming the mantel with an undulating dash of fringe. The Norman Rockwell/home-sweet-home

approach. No fireplace? Applying fringe to a shelf should work just as well.

Layering fabrics on tabletops is like wrapping your home in a big sweater. Combine various textures, colors and shapes — a square cloth over a rectangle over a round, for example.

Add lighting to a cabinet, piece of art, or shelf display to create a glowing focal point on winter evenings. Dress a chandelier in filmy fabric brought up from the bottom and tied at the top with ribbons. Use incandescent or tinted lightbulbs to cast a magical spell at night.

If you'd like to get artsy-craftsy about the deal, cover chandeliers and sconce candlelight bulbs with shades you've decoupaged with fabric florals and coated with a crackle medium to give the patina of age. Patina, almost by definition, spells w-a-r-m-t-h.

Pillows invite cuddling up. Stack 'em and plump 'em on beds, chairs, sofa, even on the floor.

Top a windowsill with glass bottles in rich colors such as deep green, brown, gold or cobalt blue. When the sun shines through them, they'll cast warm reflections across the room.



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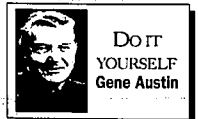
Unclog drains with no chemicals

Q. Our bathtub drains very slowly, and I hesitate to use strong chemicals to open it. How should I proceed?

A. The first step should be to try and clear the drain of hair or other debris that could be clogging it. If the drain has a perforated strainer plate, which is usually held in place by a screw, remove the plate. If the drain has a pop-up stopper, carefully lift out the stopper and the lever attached to it. Clean the strainer or stopper, and fish around in the open drain with a piece of coat-hanger wire that has a small, U-shaped hook on the end. Accumulations of hair that are blocking the drain can sometimes be pulled out with the wire.

If this doesn't open the drain, try using a plunger or force-cup, which resembles a large suction cup with a broomstick handle. To make the plunger effective, the tub that has a small, U-shaped hook on the end, near the rim of the tub at the faucet end, is concealed by a metal plate that generally holds the drain plug's trip lever. The trip lever must be closed. The hole, near the rim of the tub at the faucet end, is concealed by a metal plate that generally holds the drain plug's trip lever. The trip lever must be closed. The hole, near the rim of the tub at the faucet end, is concealed by a metal plate that generally holds the drain plug's trip lever. The trip lever must be closed.

Place the cup of the plunger over the drain and run about three inches of water into the tub. Work the plunger up and down forcefully. Try to create enough suction so the plunger lit-



DO IT YOURSELF
Gene Austin

erally pulls debris out of the drain. One session doesn't open the drain, try again. In many cases, the drain will eventually open and flow freely.

If several sessions with a plunger don't open a drain, the tub could have a broken or defective drain-plug mechanism or a stubborn blockage farther down in the tub's drain pipes. Unfortunately, there isn't space to discuss treatments for these problems in this column.

I don't recommend using any strong chemical cleaner in a severely clogged drain. The chemicals are often hazardous and, if they fail to open the drain, can make it dangerous to do follow-up work. If a drain has only a partial clog (drains slowly but completely), using one of the new biological drain openers can help. Examples are Liquid-Plumr Build-Up Remover and Drain Care. They're offered in more user-harmless enzymes instead of strong chemicals to attack and remove grease and other debris in a drain.

Q. My wooden garage door has a number of unsightly cracks and splits in it that I'd like to fill. I have been using a semitransparent stain on the door. What can I use to fill the cracks so I can keep using the stained finish?

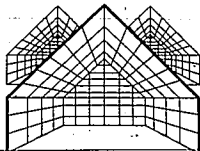
A. Wood putties or patchers are generally difficult to stain because they do not absorb stain as easily as wood. For this reason, if you patch the cracks with wood putty, it will be more practical to paint the putty to stain it.

Some patchers that would be suitable to fill the cracks are Elmer's Carpenter's Wood Filler, Plastic Wood and Minwax High-Performance Wood Filler. All are sold at home centers and hardware stores. If you want to see how stain would look on the patches, try patching a piece of scrap wood and then staining it. Some woodworkers get a better appearance with stained patches by mixing stain with the wood putty before applying the putty, but this is a tricky procedure and requires some experimenting to get a good match.

Q. Our windows are drafty and I want to caulk around the outside where the window frames meet the house siding. What kind of caulk should I use?

A. A high-quality acrylic-latex caulk is excellent for this purpose and, for many other general caulking jobs. This type of caulk is sold in caulking-gun cartridges, under many brand names, at most home centers. Be sure to read the directions on the container before doing any caulking, however. Caulk should usually not be applied unless the temperature is above 50 degrees.

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Don't ditch that fuselage

Home, sweet sio! A new breed of scavengers is converting old silos and other unlikely objects into homes, the Wall Street Journal reports. Across the country, builders have turned old freighters, railroad cars, airplane fuselages, fish-net-drying sheds and silos (with grain and missile) into luxury living spaces.

Anatural progression

Also from the Wall Street Journal: You don't have to buy a house on the water to end up with a beachfront home. All along the Eastern Seaboard, from New York to Florida, and on California's Pacific coastline, natural forces have created a whole new class of homeowners by destroying homes directly on the beach and moving the shore closer to people whose houses are behind the destroyed structures.

A bathroom fixture

Happy 100th birthday, medi-

cine cabinet.

The Washington Post says this indispensable item made its first appearance in 1897, when the Sears, Roebuck & Co. catalog offered two models: One was an inexpensive "toilet cabinet" made of oak, the other a more "handsomely finished" model with an "elaborate hand-carved top" and beveled mirror.

Might as well be spring

New that the groundhog has not seen its shadow — which supposedly means an early spring — clean and check your garden tools. Sharpen pruners, hand saws, hoes and other blades; replace or repair broken handles, the Washington Post says. Wipe metal surfaces with a lightly oiled rag.

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FOOD & HOME

Small batches of fruit key to making good jam

By Russ Parsons
Los Angeles Times

One of the real pleasures of going on vacation is the ability to pretend — if only for a little while and if only in small ways — that you are rich. So, during a week in San Francisco, staying with a friend on blustery Fortrero Hill, I made it a point to stop each day for breakfast at Zuni Cafe.

At first, I splurged on the likes of waffles and egg dishes. But eventually I settled into simpler indulgences: a great cup of cafe latte, toast made from good bread, sweet butter and some of the best jams I've eaten — barely sweet, full of fresh fruit flavor and only lightly set, more of a fruit spread than a normal, firm jam. Eaten in the quiet of the early morning, this breakfast was enough to warm up even a San Francisco summer.

The jam was the most noticeable thing for me. I've played with making jams and preserves for the last five years, and the frustrating years they've been. Not that nothing worked — my Meyer lemon marmalade is much sought after in certain circles, and my version of Sunshine Strawberry Jam likewise has its fans.

Rather, the frustration was from never feeling that I was quite on top of the process. Each batch felt like an experiment. I'd gather the fruit, mix it with the sugar, let it macerate, fill my preserving pan (actually a battered nonstick spaghetti pot, the sole survivor of the cookware set my mom gave me when I went to college almost 25 years ago), set it over high heat and cook the jam until it reached 220 degrees, just like the books said.

The process sometimes took nearly an hour, and those last five minutes always felt like I'd sprint to the finish at the end of a long race: 216, 217, come on, come on, 218, almost there, 219, you can do it, keep going, 220! I'd pull the pan from the heat and



Nectarine and rose geranium jam can tempt even the most reallent. The simple pleasure of a soft-set jam filled with fruit, not lots of sugar will be considered a treat even for children.

sag against the counter in relief.

Usually, the results were just fine, but they were never consistent. Sometimes the jam would be set and firm, sometimes it would be dark and hard — overcooked for reasons I couldn't explain. Every once in a while, I'd hit the jammer's wall — a batch that didn't set. Then I'd have to empty everything out of the jars back into the pan and start from scratch.

Of course, I had good scientific explanations why preserving was so difficult. Making a good jam requires a careful balancing of sugar, pectin, acidity and heat. Stray too far from the ideal in any of those elements and you've got a mess. Right. And aerodynamically speaking, the flight of the bumble bee is an impossibility.

A couple of things cleared the way for me. The first was a case

of nectarines I bought in Dinuba, Calif., earlier this year. There's nothing like a big box of good fruit sitting on the counter, threatening to go bad, to bring out the preserver in me.

But I'd never made nectarine jam before. So I went scouring through my books to figure out a basic recipe. I found one in Jeanne Lesem's "Preserving Today." She calls for an initial cooking of the fruit, followed by

overnight cooling, then a second cooking in small batches.

I sliced the nectarines and started adding the sugar. About halfway through measuring the sugar, it occurred to me that this seemed like an awful lot of sweetener and not many nectarines, so I added only a bit more sugar and said enough. After all, if this batch didn't turn out, there was plenty more fruit to play with.

I put the barely filled pan over the heat and cooked, stirring. The sugar cleared, dissolving into the fruit juice, and I kept stirring. Strangely, after only about five minutes, I thought I could actually feel the jam start to thicken.

By the time the 10-minute first cooking was done, I had the feeling something strange was going on. I set the pan aside to cool and when I came back about an hour later, sure enough, it had settled into a lovely, lightly set jam. Almost exactly the consistency of the great jams at Zuni. I let it sit overnight, then the next day hurriedly reheated it all in one batch, just enough to bring it to the boil so I could safely can it.

Especially after it ripened for a couple of days, this jam was wonderful. But a gift like that is always a mixed blessing for me. It wasn't enough that I had made good jam. I knew it was on to something but I didn't understand what.

Then in a long conversation with Sylvia Thompson, a dear friend and a wonderfully commonsensical home cook who is writing the chapter on preserving in the upcoming revision of "Joy of Cooking," she mentioned that she had found that small batches were the key to making good jam.

Of course! My usual Meyer lemon marmalade batch is about 6 cups. That nectarine jam couldn't have been much more than 2 or 3 cups. With the smaller amount, the fruit cooked more quickly and kept a fresher taste.

And with less bulk in the pan, it was much easier to detect changes in the product as it cooked.

But the most important thing is that in the end, you've got a soft, almost limp preserve that fairly sparkles with fruit flavor. That's enough to make you feel like a rich man, even at home.

NECTARINE AND ROSE GERANIUM JAM

- 2 pounds sliced nectarines
- 1 3/4 cups sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon lemon juice
- 3 sprigs rose geranium

This, if I do say so myself, is a great jam. The addition of rose geranium came about because the red-skinned nectarines turned a blushing rose color when cooked. Rose color ... rose geraniums. It doesn't make logical sense, but boy does it work. The sprigs of leaf add just a hint of flowery rose flavor to the nectarines.

Bring nectarines and sugar to boil in large, flat pan, stirring constantly. Cook over medium-high heat until sugar is transparent and fruit is softened. Add lemon juice and stir well. Pour into jars, flat dish and cool overnight.

Next day, ladle nectarine mixture into large saucepan and bring rapidly to boil, stirring frequently. Cook until liquid begins to fall away from metal spoon in thin sheet, rather than steady stream, about 5 minutes.

Place rose geranium sprig in bottom of each of 3 sterilized, flat glass canning jars. Fill jars with jam, leaving about 1/2-inch head space.

Fasten with new lids and place in boiling water bath for 10 minutes. Remove and cool. Check lids by pressing down in center. Lid should not spring back; if lid springs back, return to water bath for 5 more minutes. Tighten lids and wipe clean. Store in cool, dark place.

Makes about 2 cups or 2 to 3 (1/2-pint jars).

From rocks to fresh lemons, cook whips up a delight

I recently went to Quartzsite, Ariz., with a friend for a few days. On our way down, we drove through Utah. On the other side of Sweetzer Pass, about halfway down the mountain in the snow, a bald eagle feasting on his kill (a small deer), right beside the freeway. I only saw him for a brief moment as we drove by, but his image — wild, free, and powerful — is vivid in my mind.

I had never seen a bald eagle up close and was amazed at how huge and beautiful he was. He must have been 5 feet tall. There was something fierce about his gaze. I could tell he was a creature not to fool with. I can see where our founding fathers would have concluded that bird as the symbol of the United States. His image still haunts me.

At Quartzsite, I saw more rocks gathered into one place than I believed possible. I admired a few rocks, bought a few, and sold a few rocks. I soaked up as much sun as possible, got a nice tan. Sunshine in the middle of the winter sure feels good. I think I can make it till spring now.

While I was in Arizona, some friends who always winter there gave me a bag of freshly picked lemons from their yard. On the way home, I was determined that the California State Agricultural Check Station not buy my lemons. That sack was buried so deep under a pile of rocks that — if I happened and couldn't have found them — I would have found them, just in case. The check station was mobbed when we got there; traffic backed up onto the freeway. The attendant just waved me on through. Didn't ask one question. My lemons survived intact, and I didn't even have to drag out my alibi. I tried my recipe file when I got home and found this lemon pie recipe.



Valley Cooking
Dixie Thomas Reale

LEMON PUDDING PIE

- Crust:
- 1 1/2 cups graham, cracker crumbs
- 1/4 cup butter
- Melt butter. Stir the crumbs and butter together till the crumbs are moistened. Press into the bottom and sides of a 9 1/2-inch pie pan.
- Pie filling:
- 2 packages white chocolate flavored instant pie filling.
- 2 1/2 cups cold milk
- 1 cup lemon juice (particularly good with fresh squeezed lemons)
- 3 tablespoons granulated sugar
- 2 cups mini marshmallows
- For garnish: Lemon slices, orange slices, strawberries or mint leaves.
- Put pudding mix, milk and sugar into a bowl. Mix with electric mixer at medium speed for about a minute, until it is well mixed. With the mixer running slowly, pour in the lemon juice.

Mix for another minute or so. Gently fold in 1 1/2 cups of the mini marshmallows. Spoon into the prepared crust. Sprinkle the remaining 1/2 cup of marshmallows over the top. Refrigerate for several hours. About 1 hour before serving, arrange lemon and orange slices, strawberries and mint leaves on the top of the pie.

After the pie sets for several hours the flavor of the marshmallows blends into the flavor of the lemon in the pie. You will get a sweet and tart taste all at once with every bite.

I recently rediscovered cooking bags. It had been a few years since I last used them and I'd forgotten how nice they are. **SALSA CHICKEN**

- 2 chicken breasts
- 1 cup salsa (can substitute spaghetti sauce)
- 1 medium onion chopped
- 1 bell pepper chopped (save 2 nice slices for garnish)
- A sprinkle of garlic powder
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Place the chicken breasts in (4- to 6-pound size) oven bag. Pour salsa over breasts; sprinkle onion and peppers over top. Secure with tie. Bake until tender, about 35 to 40 minutes.
- After arranging chicken breasts smothered with sauce on

the plate, garnish with the two bell pepper slices. Serves 2.

This is a taste treat I discovered in and Italian restaurant in Needles, Calif., on the way to Quartzsite. Once I got home, I tried to recreate the dish in my own kitchen and came pretty close. The only difference between mine and the restaurant's is that the ground beef in my cantelloni shrunk away from the sides of the manicotti noodles. I haven't figured out how to fix that yet. The flavor was awfully close.

CANTELLONI

- 1 (8 ounce) package manicotti noodles
- 2 pounds extra lean ground beef
- 1 tablespoon oregano
- 1 tablespoon basil
- 1 teaspoon rosemary
- 1 teaspoon anise
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- Salt and pepper as desired
- 1 can or jar prepared spaghetti sauce (over 1 pound size)
- Cook noodles in water until

they are just starting to soften, but are not done. Remove from heat and cool in cold water. Then drain. Mix the spices into the ground beef. Use your hands and knead till the spices are well blended. Stuff the inside of the noodles with the ground beef. Place into a pan-sprayed casserole dish. Cover the stuffed nood-

les with the spaghetti sauce and bake at 350 degrees for about 30 to 45 minutes. Until the ground beef in the noodles is done. Makes about 4 servings

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One-pot meals make cents for many busy people in the '90's

The Baltimore Sun

It seems likely that the first meal ever mixed in a pot was a one-dish meal — these fried-and-true favorites are economical, pretty simple and easy to clean up.

Staples of the '50 and '60s, one-pot meals took a little dip in popularity during the gourmet '80s. But there's been a resurgence of interest in the last few years, because one-dish meals make a lot of sense in the busy '90s.

Today's one-dish meals, however, are not your mother's casserole. They're far more likely to be an experiment on the current edge of cuisine. Look in the pot and you might find cassoulet from France, tagine from Morocco, or pho tai from Vietnam.

Cookbook author Kelly McCune, whose latest book is "One Bowl: One-

Dish Meals From Around the World" (Chronicle Books; \$14.95), says "casseroles" did fall out of favor for a while. "There was certainly a long period when grilling was the big thing — and then everybody discovered Northern Italian food, and it just dominated everything."

A spate of cookbooks the last couple of years offers plenty of help for people who would like to expand on their one-pot repertoire. Introducing "Easy One-Dish Meals," from the food editors of Prevention magazine (Rodaie, \$12.95). Jean Rogers says the book "preserves our interest in regional and traditional American fare, but also reflects our desire to experience different ethnic cuisines."

And, according to the editors of "Low-Fat Ways to Cook One-Dish Meals" (Oxmoor House, \$18.95), "For years, peo-

ple across the world have depended on one-dish meals to stretch protein foods that were not always plentiful."

Economy also gets a nod in one of the newest one-pot books, "Chicken Dinners in One Pot" by Peggy Fallon (HarperCollins, \$17.50).

Here's a sample recipe from catering and cooking teacher Martha Royall. "The longer you cook it the better it gets," she says, "so it's perfect for a dinner party."

CASSOULET

- 5 cups (2 pounds) Great Northern beans
- 1 1/2 pounds thick sliced bacon, diced (divided use)
- 3 large yellow onions, peeled and diced (divided use)
- 4 quarts chicken broth (divided use)
- 1 large herb bouquet (see note)
- 1 1/2-2 pounds kielbasa

- 2 pounds lamb, cubed
- 2 pounds pork, cubed
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 3 cloves garlic
- 1 head celery
- 1 large can of tomatoes, or 5 table-spoons tomato paste
- 2 cups white bread crumbs
- 1/2 cup minced parsley

Rinse the beans and soak overnight. Drain and rinse again. Sauté 1 pound of bacon until crispy. Add 2 onions and saute until limp. (Drain some of the bacon fat, if desired.) Combine 1 quart of chicken broth with the beans and add the bacon, onions and herb bouquet. Cook beans for 45 minutes, adding more stock if necessary. Prick sausage and add to beans. Cook until beans are tender, about 45 minutes. Remove sausage, slice and reserve.

Saute the remaining 1/2-pound bacon until crispy. Add the lamb and pork and

cook until golden brown. (Drain bacon fat if desired.) Sauté the remaining onion, garlic and celery in the olive oil until limp. Add the tomatoes and cook 5 minutes.

Heat the oven to 350 degrees. In a large casserole, place 1/2 of the beans and add the onion mixture. Next add the reserved sausage, lamb and pork and top with beans. Pour the stock to the top of the beans. Spread the bread crumbs and parsley on top of the cassoulet and bake uncovered for 1 hour and 15 minutes. If desired, you can push the bread crumbs into the cassoulet and cook until another crust forms. If the beans start to dry out, add more stock. Serve the cassoulet from the casserole.

Note: For the herb bouquet, tie several parsley sprigs, 4 cloves garlic, several thyme sprigs and 3 bay leaves in cheese-cloth. Serves 12.

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Roasted Red Pepper Dip (recipe follows)

Heat oven to 475 degrees. Coat large baking sheet with vegetable cooking spray. In large bowl, combine oil, butter and garlic salt. Add potatoes; toss to coat. Arrange in single layer on baking sheet. Bake in center of oven 15 minutes. Turn potato strips over and continue to bake about 15 minutes until tender and golden brown. Serve immedi-

ately with Roasted Red Pepper Dip.

Serves 8 as an appetizer.

- Roasted Red Pepper Dip
- In blender, puree 1/2 cup drained, prepared roasted red peppers. Transfer to bowl; mix in 1/4 cup nonfat sour cream to blend thoroughly. Mix in 1/2 to 1 teaspoon sugar to balance flavors.

Makes about 3/4 cup. This colorful salad is especially

beautiful with Moro (blood)

MIXED GREENS WITH ORANGE-RASPBERRY VINAIGRETTE

- Vinaigrette: Grated peel of 1/2 Sunkist orange (1 teaspoon)
- Juice of 1 1/2 Sunkist oranges (1/3 cup)
- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
- 3 tablespoons raspberry vinaigrette
- 1 tablespoon finely minced

shallots

- 1 teaspoon Dijon-style mustard
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 1 teaspoon honey (optional)
- 6 cups mixed salad greens, rinsed, dried and torn into bite-size pieces
- 1 orange, peeled and sectioned; use Sunkist Moro (blood) oranges, if available
- 1/2 cup raspberries

Into blender, measure peel, juice, oil, vinegar, shallots and

mustard; blend 1 minute. Season with salt and pepper. Mix in honey, if desired. In bowl, toss greens with enough vinaigrette to coat; garnish with orange sections (recipe follows) and raspberries. Serve immediately.

Serves 4 to 6.

Orange Sections: With sharp knife, peel orange. Working over a bowl to reserve juice, cut along both sides of each dividing membrane and lift sections from center.

Gourmet

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flavors: 4000 B.C. in Pakistan, they were discussing meat preservation and flavors. Egypt also was raising mushrooms exclusively for pharaohs. Ancient Greece had gourmet chefs. The gourmet today is not called "your highness," but rather "chef" or "chefs." He is still curious about food, its sauces, flavors and preparation. He delights in the tables of many lands and sharing food with friends."

PAIN DE ME SANDWICH BREAD (a Julia Child recipe)

- 3 1/2 cups flour
 - 2 teaspoons salt
 - 1 1/2 cup warm water
 - 1 package dry yeast
 - 3 tablespoons water to proof it
 - 1/2 stick butter, softened, cut into cubes, to knead in later
- Mix dough, use scraper to push and slap dough roughly; hit it with hands. Let it rest 10 minutes. Knead in the butter cubes, place in a buttered bowl to rise for 2 hours, at 75 degrees. Punch it down and place in a buttered loaf pan. Let it rise just to the top of the pan. Put a lid on it and place a brick on top of the lid. Set in a 400-degree oven. Bake for 30 to 35 minutes. The lid makes the flat top on the sandwich bread. This is very tasty and you can weather the sugar and some raisins if you want to use the recipe for rolls.

CANDIED ORANGE PEEL ("Gifts From Your Kitchen—Easter, Valentines Day or Christmas")

- 6 navel oranges
- Wash oranges, remove ends, cut each into six sections, peel, then slice the peel into 1/4-inch pieces. Place peel in a saucepan, cover with water, boil 10 minutes and drain. Add 3 cups sugar and 1 cup water. Simmer about 40 minutes until almost all the syrup is absorbed and the peel is translucent. Lift the peel out onto waxed paper. Roll in sugar. Place on racks to dry overnight or longer. Store for gifts in jars with tight lids.

This is especially good with wild game, poultry and pork.

CRANBERRY CATSUP

- 4 cups cranberries
- 2 cups chopped onion
- 2 cups water
- Cook 10 minutes covered. Then puree in a blender.
- Add the following to the pureed mixture in a 4-quart saucepan:
 - 4 cups sugar
 - 1/2 cup white vinegar
 - 1 tablespoon salt
 - 1 tablespoon cinnamon
 - 1 teaspoon allspice
 - 1 tablespoon celery seed
 - 1 teaspoon ground cloves
 - 1/2 teaspoon pepper

Simmer 30 to 35 minutes.

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- Batter:
 - 1/4 cup corn syrup
 - 3 cups flour (use 1 cup for fruits and nuts)
 - 1 cup butter
 - 1 cup sugar
 - 4 eggs
 - 1/4 cup orange juice
 - 1/4 cup sherry or orange liqueur (You can substitute all orange juice with 1 teaspoon brandy extract.)
- Fruits and Nuts:
 - 1 cup candied pineapple
 - 1 cup candied cherries (cut in smaller pieces)
 - 1 cup citron
 - 2 cups light raisins
 - 2 cups pecans or walnuts. Toss with 1 cup flour and set aside.
- Cream butter and sugar, add eggs, corn syrup orange juice. Alternate with 2 cups of the flour. Fold in fruits and nuts. Pour into a pan-sprayed tube pan or a 5 1/2-cup ring mold, which has been foil-lined and the-foil-pan sprayed. Bake in a 275-degree oven for 1 hour and 15 minutes. If you make cupcakes, bake for 45 minutes.
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FOOD & HOME

Why are Irish smilin'? They leave out the green on St. Pat's Day

North West Florida Daily News

Green cookies? Egad, green beer?

Folks in Ireland wouldn't consider buying green food coloring to dress up their food on St. Patrick's Day, a national holiday.

It's just Americans who take on that practice, folks from the Emerald Isle say.

"I think you're more Irish than the Irish," said Maureen Denner, in a telephone interview from her home in Dublin.

No, if the Irish cook a special meal on St. Patrick's Day, it's more standard Irish fare, she said. A nice plate of bacon and cabbage with a side order of mashed potatoes and butter, for instance.

The bacon is boiled and then cooled. Then, cabbage leaves are placed in the bacon-flavored water for about 15 minutes. When cooked, the leaves are diced and buttered.

Desserts aren't a big item for the Irish, but Denner will sometimes make green gelatin and pair it with a side of peaches and vanilla ice cream, for the green, orange and white colors of the nation's flag.

Denner's friend Patricia Coleman has a different take on the St. Patrick's Day meal.

"We don't always have Irish food on St. Patrick's Day." One year they had Chinese take-out food.

But she did think of a few traditional dishes such as Irish stew with lamb chops, carrots, onions and barley. Boiled pigs' feet with vegetables, or corn beef and cabbage also came to mind.

For Americans who like their St. Patrick's Day food green, here are a few ideas for dessert. The perfect end to meal is a table covered with green treats, as if a leprechaun had sprinkled emerald dust across the goodies.

Sandy Duh, owner of the Cake Box in Fort Walton Beach, Fla., is making several desserts for St. Patrick's Day, including cookies with green icing and items decorated with sugar shamrocks, pipes and hats. She offered the following recipe to try at home. The meringue powder in the icing is good because it "hardens really quickly," she said. "People can stack (the cookies) and they won't interfere with anything." Duh suggests home bakers mix their own sugar cookie dough, cut the dough into shamrock-shaped pieces, bake and cool. Then make and apply this icing.

ROYAL ICING
(Makes 3 cups)
3 tablespoons meringue powder
4 cups confectioners sugar, sifted
5 teaspoons water
Green food coloring
Meringue powder can be found at bakery supply stores and other gourmet specialty shops.
Beat all ingredients together for 10 minutes with a hand mixer. Fill a pastry bag, fitted with a star tip. Pipe stars to cover top of cookie. Let dry. Icing dries hard.

Red Velvet Cake is a specialty of Jan Funk, owner of Cakes by Jan in Fort Walton Beach. But through the magic of food coloring, that dessert changes to Green Velvet Cake at St. Patrick's Day. Funk recommends paste food coloring for deep rich colors such as green, red or even blue. "You can do all types of things with it," Funk said. "The paste is very concentrated and will give you a very good green, as opposed to the liquid" which waters down anything it's added to. Another tip for St. Patrick's Day bakers: To make a shamrock cake, bake three heart-shaped cakes and place the points together to form a three-leaf clover. Add a stem of frosting and you're set.

GREEN VELVET CAKE
1/2 cup butter, softened
1 1/2 cups sugar
2 eggs
2 tablespoons cocoa
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 tablespoon green food coloring
1 cup buttermilk
2 cups all-purpose flour

1/2 teaspoon salt
Green Cream Cheese Icing (recipe follows)
Cream butter and sugar. Add eggs. Mix well. Dissolve baking soda in buttermilk. Alternately add flour, cocoa, salt and buttermilk, beginning and ending with the flour. Gently stir in green food coloring. Pour into two 8-inch pans, greased and floured. Bake at 325 for about 30 minutes, or until tested done.
Green Cream Cheese Icing:

1/2 cup butter-flavored shortening
8-ounce package cream cheese, softened
Four cups confectioners sugar
1 tablespoon milk
2 teaspoons green liquid food coloring (or 1/4 teaspoon of paste food coloring)
Mix butter, cream cheese and food coloring together very well with an electric mixer. Add sugar and milk, blend for 1-1 1/2 minutes on medium until very smooth. Spread on cooled cake.

Rebekah Miller, who co-owns Sugar Mill Sweets in Fort Walton Beach, says her Brownie Mint Sundae Squares are popular this time of year.

BROWNIE MINT SUNDAE SQUARES
2/3 cup margarine, melted
1 1/2 cup sugar
1 1/2 cup unsifted flour
2/3 cup unsweetened cocoa
1/2 cup milk
2 eggs
2 teaspoons vanilla extract

1/2 teaspoon baking powder
3/4 cup chopped nuts
1 1/4-ounce can Eagle brand sweetened condensed milk
2 teaspoons peppermint extract
Green food coloring (optional)
2 cups whipping cream, whipped
1/2 cup semi-sweet mini chocolate chips
Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a large mixer bowl, combine margarine, sugar, flour, cocoa, milk, eggs, vanilla and baking powder. Mix well. Stir in nuts if desired.

Spread in aluminum foil-lined and greased 13-by-9-inch baking pan. Bake 30-40 minutes or until set. Cool thoroughly. In a large bowl, combine sweetened condensed milk, peppermint extract and food coloring, if desired.
Fold in whipped cream and chips. Pour evenly over brownie layer. Cover and freeze six hours or until firm.
To serve, lift from pan with foil, cut into squares. Garnish as desired.

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But as further penalty, Parcels has to coach Neil O'Donnell.

— Steve Rosenbloom of the Chicago Tribune, further analyzing the deal to let Bill Parcels coach the New York Jets

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- Men's college basketball: Treasure Valley at CSI, 8 p.m.
- Women's college basketball: Treasure Valley at CSI, 6 p.m.
- Boys' high school basketball: A-3 Canyon Conference championship, Gooding; Declo vs. Wendell, 7 p.m. (championship); A-1 Northside-Southside playoffs, Wendell; Murrough vs. Diemich, 4:30 p.m. (winner to state); Hagerman vs. Carey, 6 p.m.; Hagerman vs. Shoshone, 8 p.m.
- High school bowling: District 4 singles at Jerome, 7 p.m.

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Boys' high school basketball: Jerome 55 vs. NV River 45; Wendell 47 vs. Gooding 45. Men's college basketball: Top 10: 3. Kentucky 74 vs. Tennessee 64; 5. Wake Forest 71 vs. Ga. Tech 55; 9. Cincinnati 63 vs. S. Miss. 49. Pro basketball: New Jersey 97 vs. Sacramento 90; Washington 108 vs. Indiana 87; Seattle 72 vs. Cleveland 66; Houston 100 vs. LA Lakers 96; Utah 110 vs. New York 99; Dallas 96 vs. Charlotte 84; Toronto 124 vs. Denver 122(OT)

IN BRIEF: After 48 years, Brown nails 1st hole-in-one

GLENNIS FERRY — Gordon Brown has been playing golf for 48 years, but waited until Tuesday to record his first hole-in-one. The 75-year-old former high school basketball coach (his teams won 500-plus games while he was on the bench) aceed the first hole at Vineyard Greens. He used a pitching wedge to get up and down on the 120-yard, par 3 hole. Witnesses were Gary Severson, Rick Traudt, and Brent Taylor.

Local drag racers fare well at national competition

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Twin Falls drag racer Mark Kidd helped several southern Idaho racers enter the victory column Sunday at the NHRA ATSCO Nationals drag race competition. Kidd, engine builder, tuner and one of the drivers for the Meridian-based D.A.M. six race team, watched teammate Aaron Marcum of Meridian, beat more than 100 racers in the super gas category in his Chevy-powered roadster. Marcum took home \$15,000 for his winning time of 10 seconds flat at 142 mph in the quarter mile. Dan Lafferty of Wendell made it to the semifinal round in the super comp field, losing to 52 mph in 8.5 seconds with his rear-engine Chevy-powered dragster. Kidd, the team's crew chief, made it to the quarterfinal round of the super comp field in his own Chevy dragster. A year ago, he became the first Idaho driver to win this event. Pro driver Mitch McDowell of Jerome narrowly missed Sunday's nationally televised funny-car quarterfinals. McDowell, driving his new 16,000 horsepower Dodge Avenger, qualified 17th in the 25-car field. His time of 5.44 seconds (275 mph) was .01 of a second off the qualifying time.

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Eagles gear up for final home games

By Brad Bonline Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS — There are no "rimones" in this league. That's what the College of Southern Idaho basketball coaches have been trying to impress upon their players this week as the Golden Eagles prepare for tonight's final home games with Treasure Valley Community College. "I thought the players had good intensity and good enthusiasm," men's coach Jim Thrash said Tuesday after watching practice from the stands. Thrash is nursing a nasty cold and his doctor advised him to stay away from the players lest they catch it, too.

Tonight's games: Tre Vally 8 p.m. vs. Treasure Valley (2:35, 1D:19) Radio: KZTI, 95.7 FM. Treasure Valley 6 p.m. vs. Treasure Valley (0:17, 0:25)

going to the tournament, this is their final game. They have a chance to come over and play well against CSI." The Cougars will finish ninth in the 19-team league. Thrash again to make their first ever Senior West Athletic Conference tournament. They didn't come to Twin Falls unprepared, however. Shooting guard Jeremy Kilian averages 17 points per game fifth in the league. Stone College found itself down 40-14 in the first half at Treasure Valley last weekend before rallying from a 35-point halftime deficit to win, so Thrash knows tonight's game is no walkover. "Our players are aware of that," Thrash said. "Treasure Valley has good

personnel. They have good inside people and they have good outside people." Kilian, in particular, is a good shooter who can burn opponents from behind the 19-foot, 9-inch mark if defenders back off. Travon Broadway, Jonathan Packer and Jarvis Mullholland will try to limit Kilian to the 11 points he scored against CSI in the league season-opener. That game, a 75-49 CSI win on Dec. 3, was the last game the Cougars played at home. A fixer after the game started TVCC on the road for the remainder of the season, playing "home" games at places like Nyssa, Ore., and Middleton and Kama high schools. Tonight will be the final home game. Please see EAGLES, Page D2

Tigers earn trip to state toumney

By John Derr Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS — With Jerome trailing by one midway through the final period, a couple of three-year starters stepped up with big baskets to send the Tigers back to the state boys' basketball tournament. Brad Thompson and Brian Williams led a late charge as the Tigers topped Wood River, 55-45, in the championship of the Class A-2, District 4 boys' basketball tournament Tuesday at the College of Southern Idaho. The Tigers will open play at the state tournament at 8 p.m. March 6 at Meridian High School against the runner up from District 1/2.



Wood River's Josh Hays bats a fade from Vince Walker of Jerome and pays for it with a foul.

"We didn't want to give Wood River any confidence," said Williams, who led the Tigers with 15 points and scored a pair of key rebounds late. "This has been a dream of mine and I couldn't wait for my senior year. The hard work pays off. We had 15 guys mentally ready."

The Tigers came out like it would be a rout, charging to a 14-5 lead behind two straight treys by Vince Walter. Wood River didn't fall apart, however, rallying near the end of the quarter as Hank Doane's steal and layup cut the lead to two.

Wood River, with its patient offense working to perfection, went on a 10-point run early in the second period, taking a five-point lead with five minutes left in the quarter. Preston Smith came off the bench to toss in six and Zach Upham had the other four.

Jerome, with Thompson and post Dan Dirksen on the bench in foul trouble, committed eight turnovers and seven fouls during the Wolverine rally. Dirksen came back and quickly hit a pair, and Dan Garcia completed the three-point play as Jerome regained a one point lead at the half. The teams combined for nearly as many turnovers (15) as points (18) in the third quarter and hit just 7-22 from the field.

Four players hit shots during an 8-2 Wood River run that gave the Wolverines a one point lead with five minutes left in the game. It was time for the Jerome seniors to step up. Williams connected on a long jumper as Jerome regained the lead then Thompson sent up a 3-pointer. The Tigers would go on a 9-0 run over the next six minutes. It wasn't over yet. Jerome hit just 3-6 from the free throw line in the final minute and Smith hit a bomb for Wood River to cut the lead to six with 17 seconds. An intentional foul sent Walter to

the line and he sunk the pair to put the game out of reach. "They gave us a scare," said Thompson, who finished with 10 points after scoring just one the last time the teams met. "Our defense stepped it up."

Although the team was happy after the victory, one got the sense that the Tigers are not finished yet. "District is a goal, but we aren't satisfied until we get the next trophy," said Thompson.

"Wood River came out and played as tough," said Jerome coach Brent Clark.

"Our kids stepped it up when they had to. We knew we could pull it out if it was a close game."

The loss ends a undefeated season for first year coach Dave Zamora. Five seniors quit midweek through the season, but three returned near the end.

Wendell boys knock off Gooding

GOODING — In high school sports, rivalry often matters more than rankings, and Gooding's boys' basketball team nearly proved that again Tuesday night. The Senators, seeded sixth in the Canyon Conference tournament, led second-seeded Wendell through most of the game before the Trojans pulled out a 47-45 win to keep their state tournament hopes alive.

Ray Infinger hit a couple of 3-pointers in the second period to help Gooding to a 24-18 halftime lead. Nick Kelsey scored seven of his game-high 23 points in the third period to help trim the Senator lead to four, then added seven more in the decisive final period.

Brian Sears nailed a pair of threes, and teammate Zach King hit four of his free throws in that quarter to win it for Wendell. The Trojans, ranked third in the state, face No. 1 Declo in the championship game here tonight. A Wendell win forces a second tie game, to be held Thursday.

The tournament champ gets an automatic berth in the state tournament March 6-8, while the runner up must win a playoff Saturday to qualify.

Wendell 47, Gooding 45. Gooding: 10 14 11 46. Wendell: 10 14 11 45. Score by quarter: 18-14, 23-18, 25-24, 48-45. Rea: 100 2 2, King 9 7 4 7. Gooding: 22 12 12, 55. Wendell: 22 11 19, 54. Rea: 50 2 5. Gooding: 2 1 1 10, 40. Wendell: 2 1 1 10, 40. Rea: 50 2 5. Gooding: 2 1 1 10, 40. Wendell: 2 1 1 10, 40.

Kentucky wins game, but loses sophomore star

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Ron Mercer scored 19 points the night before he planned to announce he was turning pro to help No. 3 Kentucky to a 74-64 victory over Tennessee on Tuesday.

Kentucky (27-3-12) tied a school record for regular-season victories accomplished twice in the 1940s. It was the Wildcats' ninth straight victory over Tennessee (11-14, 4-11).

Mercer, a sophomore from Nashville, has a news conference scheduled for today at which he is expected to announce he will apply for the NBA draft after this season. Scott Padgett led the Wildcats with 24 points, including a 3-pointer with 4:15 left that gave Kentucky some momentum and a 67-60 lead after Tennessee had recovered from a big deficit. Tennessee was led by C.J. Black with 22 points, while Brandon Wharton had 13 and Vegas Davis 12. The Wildcats forced 33 turnovers that they turned into 41 points. Kentucky led 53-34 with 17:30 left to go which he is expected to announce when Tennessee made a comeback.

A stuff by Charles Hathaway made it 61-54 after a Kentucky miss, Hathaway fed Black for another stuff to make it 61-55 with 7:46 left. The Vols got as close as three points on two occasions before Kentucky forced Tennessee into its 29th turnover and Padgett banged in the 3 that made it 67-62.

After Black worked inside for a basket, Padgett hit a floating 10-footer in the lane to make it 69-62 with 3:30 left. It was 69-64 when Jared Prickett made a perfect lob that Padgett dropped in for a 71-64 lead with 2:13 left.

Local wrestlers prepare for state toumney

By Kevin Miller Times-News writer

POCATELLO — Magic Valley teams have the numbers to be a force at the state wrestling tournament, but dethroning the reigning champions is probably out of reach. Defending champions Sandpoint, A-1, Sugar-Salem, A-2, and North Fremont, A-3, all appear poised to keep their titles. The 97 wrestlers from local schools should be in a position to bring home more individual titles than the three they captured last year at Idaho State University's Holt Arena. Jerome junior Justin Madson took his first title as a sophomore wrestling at 112-pounds. Now seven-pounds heavier, Madson can complete a two-year unbeaten streak by winning the Class A-2 115-pound title. Madson is one of four Magic Valley grapplers saddled with top seeds in their weight divisions this weekend. Minico's Austin Artus, wrestling at 175 pounds in A-1, Dusty Mars of Glenns Ferry, at 119, and Declo's Lonnie Osterhout at 171, both from A-3

Tournament facts: What: 1997 Idaho State Wrestling Championships. Where: Idaho State University's Holt Arena in Pocatello. When: Magic Valley teams begin Thursday at 8 p.m. and continue through Saturday. Championship matches begin Saturday at 3:30 p.m. Who's there: 97 wrestlers from Magic Valley High Schools, including Austin Madson, who won the A-2 title at 112-pounds last year.



Tanner Deak of Bluff makes for his win over Wood River's Brad McClain in the 200-pound division of the A-2 District IV tournament last week. Deak is among 97 Magic Valley wrestlers who have qualified for the state tournament, which begins Thursday in Pocatello.

schools, are favored for state titles. Twenty-three wrestlers from local schools are seeded in the top four of their divisions.

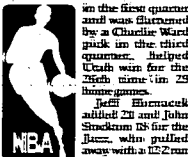
Solid seeding carries no guarantees, though.

"I think this is the toughest state tournament I have ever been involved in," said Minico coach Brad Cooper, whose Spartans finished fourth last year after consecutive third-place finishes. "The competition level this year is the highest I've ever seen." Please see WRESTLERS, Page D2

SPORTS

Sonics outlast Cavs, 72-66; Jazz trip Knicks Eagles

CLEVELAND (AP) — Seattle outscored Cleveland by 14 points at the foul line to beat the Cavaliers 72-66...



in the first quarter and was flustered by Charles Barkley...

throws and a pair of jumpers to help Houston maintain the lead...

Nets 97, Kings 90

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Sam Cassell had two baskets and two assists in an early fourth-quarter run...

cruised past the Indiana Pacers to end a three-game losing streak...

Mavs 86, Hornets 84

DALLAS — Rookie Erick Strickland scored a career-high 17 points...

Continued from D1 for CSI Sophomores (Travon Broadway, Chad Harding, Cameron Evans and Francis Junger).

The men, 7-10 in the SWAC, 17-12 overall and winners of four of their last five games...

The women's team beat the Chukars 66-47 in December...

Former Twin Falls High School player Tina Westbrook scored eight points in that game for TUCS.

The Chukars were led by Tera Watt's nine points.

Covington will join fellow sophomores Courtney Scott, Casey Murdock, Lillie Robinson and Lawanda Johnson...

They will do so against an 0-25 Treasure Valley team that would like nothing more to erase that goose-egg with a win over fifth-place CSI.

"They played people close all year, and they are coming in with nothing to lose," coach Joel Bate said.

"It's a big honor for our sophomores," Bate added. "I can't say enough about what this group and the group last year have done for our program."

The Eagles come in at 107 in league play, 20-8 overall after two impressive wins last weekend.

"I felt like we played some of our best basketball of the season last weekend," Bate said. "We shot the ball well and played good defense."

CSI is locked into the No. 5 spot and a first-round matchup with Ricks at the Regional 18 tournament in Coeur d'Alene March 6.

Tonight's game is an opportunity to maintain the momentum started last week and solidify good habits for the regional tournament, Bate said.

They will do so against an 0-25 Treasure Valley team that would like nothing more to erase that goose-egg with a win over fifth-place CSI.

Jazz 110, Knicks 99

SALT LAKE CITY — Karl Malone scored 33 points, including four in a row late in the fourth quarter...

Wrestlers

Class A-1

Sandpoint, with 13 wrestlers qualifying for state, may be at its weakest in four years...

Mimico and Meridian both take 16 wrestles to the tournament...

The Sportsman has a trio of potential stars in addition to Arthur, who wrestled to a 34-3 record...

Arthur, who wrestled to a 34-3 record at 171 last year, Jesse Penzler is seeded third at 132 pounds...

Class A-2

Combine any two of the three Magic Valley teams and they may challenge defending champion Sugar Valley for the title...

Buckets 100, Lakers 96

HOUSTON — Elmore Olmstead scored eight straight points for Rockets in the final 4:08...

Bullets 108, Pacers 87

LANDOVER, Md. — Juwah Howard scored 20 of his 28 points in the first half...

The battle for second place will be interesting, with Buhl and Williams able to make a run at a top-three finish.

The Tigers have the advantage in numbers with 13 wrestlers. The Bulldogs have scored impressively in tournaments this season...

The A-2 bracket could be a gold mine for Magic Valley individual championships...

Teammates Reggie McIntyre at 105-pounds and Ty Matthews at 189-pounds both are in positions to win.

All three are juniors. The Indians don't sit as well in terms of seeding...

Big Boe Rashon of Wood River should get a chance to average in only loss of the season...

The pair are seeded one and two in the heavyweight division.

Class A-3

North Fremont is expected to win its fourth title in five years. Declo, which finished fifth last season...

Declo brothers Brent Clark, at 112-pounds, and Kevin Clark, at 125-pounds, both are seeded at this point...

File's Lonnie Edwards is seeded second at 130-pounds with a 31-

3 record, the best in his weight class.

At 160-pounds, Wendell's Justin Cutler lost only once this season and has a better record than Jonathan Oldham of North Fremont...

The best match of tournament for Magic Valley rivals will be in the A-3 heavyweight bout...

1997 Idaho Wrestling State Championships Magic Valley qualifiers

- A-1: Mike Anderson, Micron, Simon Archer, Tom Falls, 112 lbs...

101: Kevin McIntyre, Jerome, Buster Precourt, Jerome, 115 lbs...

103: Bob Southwell, Jerry, Lance Collier, George, 112 lbs...

105: Jason Jones, Gary, 115 lbs...

107: Jason Jones, Gary, 115 lbs...

109: Jason Jones, Gary, 115 lbs...

SCORES AND STATS

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Hale Irwin takes Senior Slam golf toumeuy.

SAN JOSE DEL CABO, Mexico — Hale Irwin shot a 6-under-par 66 on Tuesday and won the two-day, four-man PGA Seniors Slam by nine shots over Dave Stockton.

Irwin, the Senior Masters champion, finished with a 13-under, 131 total over the par-72 Palmilla golf course and collected \$250,000. The event features the winners of the four major events on the PGA Senior Tour.

Stockton, the U.S. Senior Open winner, had a 4-under 68 Tuesday and a 140 total. He won \$125,000. Senior Flyers champ Raymond Floyd finished at 141 after a second-round 71 and won \$75,000.

Tradition champion Jack Nicklaus, who designed the course, had rounds of 73-70 and won \$50,000 despite finishing last in the field.

"It was just an unbelievable two days of golf for me," said Irwin, who started the day with a five-shot lead and birdied two of the first three holes. "I got the minimum mileage out of my game."

In last year's Senior's Slam, Floyd beat Nicklaus by three strokes.

BYU interested in Colorado State coach

FORT COLLINS, Colo. — Colorado State coach Steve Morrill has agreed to meet with Brigham Young officials about their head coaching job.

BYU athletic director Rondo Fehlbeg on Monday asked CSU for permission to interview Morrill, who is aiming for his 100th-CSU career win Thursday in a game against Air Force.

Morrill said he will meet with Cougars officials after his season ends. Other candidates to replace Reid include interim coach Tony Ingle, former UCLA coach Jim Harlick and San Diego State coach Fred Trezkle, who coached the College of Southern Idaho from 1983-1993.

Clinton to attend Robinson ceremonies

WASHINGTON — President Clinton will mark the 50th anniversary of Jackie Robinson's major league debut by attending ceremonies during the game between the Los Angeles Dodgers and the New York Mets on April 15.

Clinton will speak from the field during the fifth inning at Shea Stadium, baseball officials said. Robinson, who played for the Brooklyn Dodgers from 1947-56, broke the major leagues' color barrier when he played his first game on April 15, 1947, against the Boston Braves at Ebbets Field in Brooklyn.

NFL may bring back use of instant replay

Instant replay has moved a step closer to returning for the NFL's 1997 season with two proposals on the table one submitted to teams last week by the league office, the other by the Washington Redskins.

But before any replay system is implemented, it must be approved by a three-quarters vote of the league's 30 owners, or 23 votes in favor. The owners will convene in Palm Springs, Calif., at their annual meeting March 9-14, and they are expected to vote on the replay issue that week.

The league plan was tested in 10 nationally televised 1996 pre-season games. It would be used only during the 1997 season and would involve three categories of reviewable plays: those in the end zone (all questions on correct, those on the sidelines (in or out of bounds as a player runs, attempts to catch a pass or attempts to recover a fumble) and all questions regarding the number of players on the field.

Ex-ambassador to assess Nike factories

BEAVERTON, Ore. — Nike has hired former U.N. Ambassador Andrew Young as part of an effort to counter criticism that working conditions at some of the company's Asian factories are inhumane.

Young said his GoodWorks International group are to review a new code of conduct for the shoe and apparel companies overseas factories. "As an advocate for human rights, I am involved because Nike has expressed its determination to be a leader for positive corporate change," Young said in a statement. "My commitment can result in growth and opportunity for the communities around the world where they operate."

Nike said Young will evaluate the code of conduct and determine if subcontractors are complying with it.

Mariners' fans flock to ticket window

SEATTLE — Opening day is still more than a month away, but Seattle Mariners fans are already snapping up season tickets in record-breaking numbers.

Despite a \$1 to \$3 increase for most Kingdome seats, sales have topped 14,000, beating last year's figure of 13,466, according to team officials. The boost in sales comes in the wake of back-to-back winning seasons and prospects of a new baseball stadium.

The Mariners expect the number of pre-season sales to soar even higher with the introduction of 20-game partial season packages.

College hoops award finalists announced

ATLANTA — Tim Duncan of Wake Forest and Kase Starnbird of Stanford are among the finalists for the 1997 Bob Cousy Award as the best basketball player of the year awards, the Atlanta Tipoff Club said Tuesday.

The finalists were selected by a national advisory board of coaches, journalists and administrators. The winners will be announced on CBS 120 p.m. Wednesday, March 23.

In addition to Duncan, the finalists for the men's award are Chucky Billups, Colorado; Danny Fortson, Cincinnati; Jerold Hooyenga, Tulane; Brevin Knight, Stanford; Raf LaFrance, Kansas; Ron Mercer, Kentucky; Shea Seals, Tulsa; Maurice Taylor, Michigan; Keith Van Horn, Utah; Jacques Vaughn, Kansas; and DeJuan White, Louisville.

The other finalists for the women's award are Shalonda Ewin, Alabama; La Keshia Frett, Georgia; Tracy Henderson, Georgia; Chamique Holderslaw, Tennessee; Marion Jones, North Carolina; Clarisse Machugansu, Trinidad; Ticha Penicheiro, Old Dominion; Nykesha Sales, Connecticut; Tera Salter, Virginia; Tina Thorpe, Southern California; and Kara Wolters, Connecticut.

Tennis' Martin undergoes elbow surgery

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — Todd Martin, the No. 15-ranked player on the ATP Tour, underwent successful arthroscopic right elbow surgery Tuesday in Birmingham, Ala.

Dr. James Andrews performed the 45-minute procedure, removing loose spur on the tip of Martin's elbow, which had been causing recent pain. "I expect Todd to return to his high level of competitive play and have a full recovery," said Andrews, who anticipates Martin will be back on court training in four to six weeks.

Martin will begin undergirding rehabilitation at his Ponte Vedra Beach home almost immediately.

Spunky Sanders, Chris Frank join MSU

BOZEMAN, Mont. — Former Montana Tech assistant Spunky Sanders and Chris Frank of Georgia Tech have joined the Montana State football coaching staff, coach Cliff Hysell announced Tuesday.

Sanders will become secondary coach and Frank will concentrate on strength and conditioning.

In Butte, Sanders served as secondary coach since 1993 and also coached outside linebackers. He previously served as an assistant prep coach at high schools in Pasco and Kennewick, Wash.

Sanders replaces Al Simmons, who is now defensive coordinator at Idaho State.

Frank has been a graduate assistant strength and conditioning coach at Georgia Tech since 1995. He played football at Washington State from 1991-93.

Compiled from wire reports

Wake Forest trounces Georgia Tech

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (AP) — No. 5 Wake Forest kept the heat on Duke in the Atlantic Coast Conference regular-season race, scoring within one-half game of the league-leading Blue Devils with a 71-55 victory over Georgia Tech on Tuesday night.

Tim Duncan, playing in front of his father William and the governor of the Virgin Islands, scored 10 points, grabbed 12 rebounds and dished out nine assists on the night he had his No. 21 jersey retired by the Demon Deacons (22-4, 11-4).

It was Duncan's 24th double-double this season and the 81st in 123 career games.

Tony Rutland led the Demon Deacons with 16 points, while Matt Harpring led Georgia Tech (9-16, 3-12) with 20 points and 11 rebounds.

No. 7 Duke, 11-3 in the ACC, played host to No. 16 Maryland on Thursday night and travels to No. 8 North Carolina on Sunday, while the Demon Deacons close the ACC regular season at Florida State on Saturday.

Georgia Tech lost its fifth straight game and fell to 0-10 against ranked teams one season after winning the ACC regular-season title. The 16 losses tie the worst mark in 16 seasons since coach Bobby Cremins and the 12 league defeats are the most in one year under him.

No. 9 Cincinnati 63, Southern Mississippi 49

CINCINNATI — Ruben Patterson scored 20 points off the bench Tuesday night, helping No. 9 Cincinnati rally for a 63-49 victory over Southern Mississippi that clinched at least a share of the Conference USA regular-season championship.

Cincinnati (23-5, 11-1) also earned the top seed for the conference tournament which it won last year.

College basketball

Southern Miss (12-13, 6-7) suffered its second tough loss to a nationally ranked team and a setback to its hopes of finishing the season with a winning record and a chance for an NIT berth. The Eagles lost to Louisville in overtime Saturday.

The Eagles overcame a nine-point first-half deficit and went ahead 33-31 early in the second half, but got sloppy with the ball. Darrell Burton had seven points in a 9-2 spurt fueled by three consecutive turnovers, and Cincinnati led by at least five points the rest of the way.

Burton finished with 15 points. Georgia State led Southern Miss with 15.

No. 21 Illinois 87, Penn St. 65

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Kwane Garris had 37 points as No. 21 Illinois handed Penn State its second-worst loss of the season, 87-65 Tuesday night.

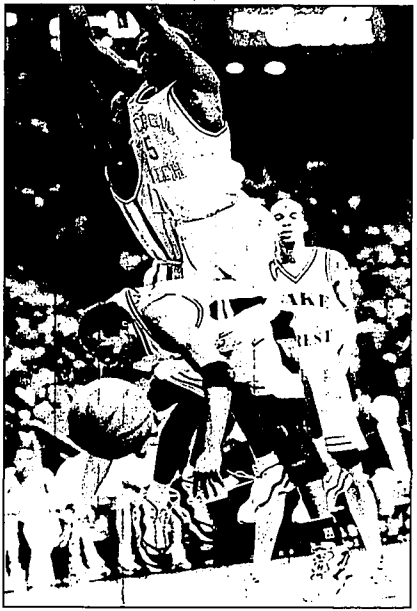
Illinois (18-9, 9-6 Big Ten) led by 21 points at halftime and by 29 with four minutes remaining.

Keani Farmer added 12 points for the Illini and Chris Gandy had 11. Penn State (9-16, 2-14) never was in the game as the Illini picked off passes and pressured turnovers. Pete Lisicky, the Nittany Lions' top scorer, didn't have a field goal until 2:12 minutes into the second half.

Women No. 14 Notre Dame 80, W. Virginia 67

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. — Kara Goucher had 21 points and 16 rebounds Tuesday night to lead No. 14 Notre Dame to an 80-67 win over West Virginia.

Notre Dame (23-5, 17-1 Big East) also got 24 points and seven rebounds from Beth Morgan in beating the Mountaineers for the second time this season.



Wake Forest's Steven Goolbsy goes to the floor after being fouled by Georgia Tech's Eddie Ellims (5) during first-half Atlantic Coast Conference action at Joel Coliseum in Winston-Salem, N.C., Tuesday.

Despite ranking, 'Cats unsure of NCAA berth

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — With two weeks left in the regular season, No. 15 Arizona considers itself a "bubble" team to make the NCAA tournament.

"It is critical we keep winning," coach Lou Olson said Tuesday. "We talk about going into the tournament, but we are not in the tournament yet."

On the surface, making the field of 64 should be no concern for the Wildcats, who have been ranked all season. But there is talk about Arizona not playing in the National Invitation Tournament if it does not finish well.

The 178-72 loss to Oregon on Thursday raised legitimate concern about the team's postseason possibilities.

"This is very serious," Arizona's Michael Dickerson said. "Push has to come to shove. I am telling the team that we have four more games to play. We can't afford to lose any more."

The Wildcats, 17-7 overall and 9-5 in the Pac-10, host Washington State on Thursday, Washington on Sunday and travel next week to the Bay Area to wind up against Stanford, currently No. 25, and California, which is just two spots out of the Top 25.

It would take a major collapse by UCLA for Arizona to have any chance at the Pac-10 title and an automatic berth in the NCAA tournament. That leaves the Wildcats looking for an at-large berth.

The NCAA selection committee always looks at factors such as record, strength of schedule and conference ranking.

By winning the last four, the Wildcats would finish 21-7. So far, they have beaten five of eight ranked opponents.

But they are tied for third in the conference, a precarious situation because of the game's parity. Regardless of rankings, observers see a logjam below the elite teams.

"I'm not sure anybody is secure with 17 or 18 wins. Our strength of schedule is in our favor," Olson said. "I don't think there would be anyone that could feel real uneasy unless they are winning their league or are the top, top teams."

Arizona has made the NCAA field every year since 1985 and is used to a high seed in the region, still a possibility but only if the Wildcats improve from a seven-game slow spell in which they are 4-3.

Runnin' Rebels have shot at 1st post-Tark tournament slot

LAS VEGAS (AP) — First, there was the matter of Jerry Tarkanian to settle.

Now UNLV's Runnin' Rebels have something else in mind — making the NCAA tournament for the first time since Tarkanian's powerhouse 1991 team was upset by Duke in the national semifinals.

Having finally exorcised the ghost of Tarkanian with a win over Fresno State last week, UNLV finds itself on a roll as it goes on the road for its final two regular-season games.

Not only are the Rebels running again, they're riding a five-game winning streak that has put a 20-win season in sight in Bill Bayno's second year as head coach.

If UNLV can beat Wyoming and Colorado State to finish the regular season, all the Rebels might need is a decent showing in the Western Athletic Conference tournament for a ticket to the NCAA tournament.

"We've got our work cut out for us," Bayno said. "But I think we're firmly on the bubble."

UNLV has not lost since a last-second shot that didn't fall cost

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Kansas coach Roy Williams, left, and player Jacques Vaughn leave the court after a brutal tilt to Jayhawk seniors who played their last home game Saturday in Lawrence, Kan.

At Kansas, Williams does things his way

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — Word reached Roy Williams that Jacques Vaughn finally had made a decision.

It would be the finest high school point guard in the nation come to Kansas, or grace UCLA with the playing magic that spells the difference between a pretty good team and a champion?

Taking a deep breath, Williams dialed Vaughn's name. "But he also says a lot about the man who leads the program that's been ranked No. 1 for 13 straight weeks and will probably go into the NCAA tournament as the overall No. 1 seed."

Vaughn had yet to play one game for Williams. Yet, he felt close enough to the coach to be playful at a moment of high tension, and confident enough to continue to lead his college career.

What I've learned from him goes far beyond the basketball court," Vaughn says now as he nears the end of a career that's eclipsed the all-time Big Eight record for assists.

Williams' players do not just win. They also go to class, stay out of trouble and vow undying devotion to the high-energy, iron-willed

coach who constantly fights a craving for sweets and whose strongest curse word is "dadgummit."

"Coach Williams is like a father to us, but he's really more than that," said senior guard Jerod Hooyenga, who is also a close friend. He tries very hard to maintain a family-like bond to the entire program. I know that for the rest of my life, wherever I am, coach Williams will be there for me."

There are six seniors on this 1996-97 team that stands 28-1 heading into Sunday's regular season final at Nebraska, including Vaughn and Hooyenga, who are both academic all-Americans.

In May, barring some unforeseen classroom catastrophe, all six will get their degrees in an era when some coaches go years without having six players graduate.

"They're just a great bunch of kids," said Williams. "That's the kind we try to recruit here."

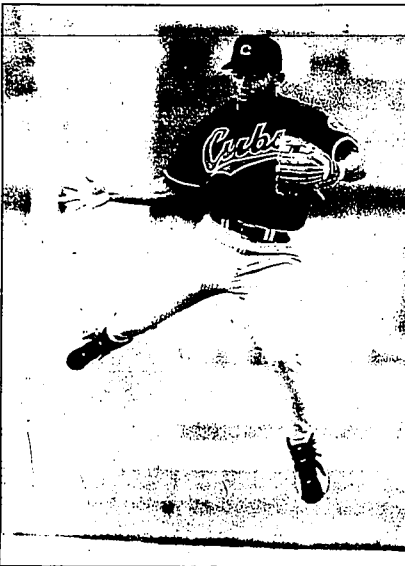
Under the Williams system, there have been high-talent prospects turned down after showing signs of academic or behavioral problems.

That scholarship was used on youngsters whose talent may have been less impressive, but who exhibited stronger character traits.

Once he gets them, Williams molds players into a team-oriented, fast-breaking squad that plays ferocious man-to-man defense, never seems to come out flat, and wins, wins, wins.

Since Williams was hired off Dean Smith's North Carolina staff, right after Larry Brown coached the 1988 Jayhawks to the NCAA championship, Kansas has failed to win fewer than 25 games only once, in his first season.

SPORTS



The ball squirts away from Chicago Cubs infielder Miguel Cairo during drills Tuesday at the Cubs' spring training facility in Mesa, Ariz.

Bonds, Gutierrez hurt; O'Neill's progress slow

The Associated Press

Less than a week after signing a record \$22.9 million, two-year extension, Barry Bonds (left) down a flight of stairs at his spring training home and injured his right hip — perhaps seriously.

The Giants said MRI results of the outfielder's hip were inconclusive, and doctors planned to continue studying the results in hopes of having a more definitive diagnosis by Wednesday.

"I just slipped down the steps. I just fell and hit the marble floor," Bonds said. "I hit the floor with my hip and went straight down."

Bonds, a three-time NL MVP, tumbled down 7-8 carpeted steps, and still was experiencing some soreness, even after a chiropractic session.



Astros

Infielder Ricky Gutierrez fractured his right thumb while working out Tuesday at Kissimmee, Fla. He will undergo arthroscopic surgery in Houston on Wednesday, general manager Gerry Hunsicker said, adding Gutierrez likely will be sidelined for six-to-eight weeks.

The 26-year-old infielder was injured when he charged and dived for a low hopper hit by the mound, jamming his thumb into the turf.

Yankees

Slowed by the same left hamstring injury that bothered him at the end of last season, right fielder Paul O'Neill still hasn't tested his leg by running full speed in workouts.

"I'm concerned and curious if it will get any better by what he's doing right now," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "We'll have to see what the first few ballgames bring us."

O'Neill has been participating in batting practice and outfield sessions. He also took part in on-field conditioning Monday for the first time.

"I still know it's there," O'Neill said of the injury. "It doesn't hurt, but I'll feel better once I play a game and it doesn't bother me."

Royals

Kevin Appier had soreness in the upper part of his arm, and Doug Linton had elbow stiffness and will have an MRI.

Appier, who missed time last July with soreness in his arm and shoulder, did not have his normal velocity.

Clock runs out on Hoosier tourney

ARGOS, Ind. (AP) — Tipoff for the junior varsity game was still a half-hour away, and the parking lot at Argos Junior-Senior High School was full. Parking spaces on nearby side streets were already taken, and the ticket line snaked through the lobby.

For years, teen-agers, parents, young couples and the elderly have turned out for the Argos games, no matter what the team's record.

Like hundreds of other small towns throughout the state, high school basketball is everything. But many in this northern Indiana town of 1,642 are angry.

After 87 years, this is the last of Indiana's storied one-class basketball tournament, a competition in which small schools play big schools, and every so often, the small school comes out a winner.

Like in 1954, when Milan, with just 161 students, won the state title by beating powerhouse Muncie Central. More than 40 years later, the multiple still talk about Bobby Plump's winning shot, immortalized by Hollywood in the movie "Hoosiers."

Where else could a high school game draw a crowd like the 40,000 — a national record — that packed the Hoosier Dome in 1990 to watch Damon Bailey lead Bedford North Lawrence to the state championship?

"It's our game and it's always been our game," said Peter Connolly, an Argos resident.

"That's what we like to do, go to a high school basketball game."

The one-class tournament — featuring 382 schools, virtually every high school in the state — began Tuesday night and ends with the championship game in Indianapolis on March 22.

Next year there will be four separate tournaments, based on school enrollment. Some people think the change is overdue.

"I really am mixed. I think with class basketball, we're going to go further in the tournament, but is the tournament going to mean as much?"

Since Milan, only eight schools with enrollments under 500 have reached the Final Four, the last being Southridge in 1986. Of the eight, only Logansport reached the championship game, losing to Marion in 1975.

Argos also was one of the eight small schools to make it to the Final Four, losing in the semifinals in 1979 to another big-school power, Anderson. After that, the Dragons didn't lose in the regular season until 1982, and their 76-game winning streak still stands as an Indiana regular-season record.

"It was chaos. I think the whole town went down there," said Bill Stults, who was in junior high in 1979. "It's something you'll never forget."

Argos residents are so proud of that team today as they were in 1979, maybe more so. A faded pic-

ture of the squad sits in the center of the school's trophy case, flanked by trophies. Another group of photos hangs in the gym.

The Dragons won their last sectional title in 1981. But the town still remembers, and dreams of glory every year at tournament time.

"It adds a little pressure," said Bill Redinger, a junior forward for Argos. "When they start talking about it, they get you believing. When you don't, you think about what could have been."

Surrounded by farmland and located about 45 minutes south of South Bend, Argos still has its sleepy, small-town charm. The downtown consists of a barber shop, a bank, a gas station, a few stores and two taverns. There is no movie theater.

The neighborhoods are neat and quiet, with well-worn basketball hoops in most driveways. It is the kind of town where everyone knows each other, and the regulars at Louie's Tavern great newcomers by offering to buy them a beer.

Inevitably, conversations turn to basketball. Sure, everyone follows Indiana and Purdue, but as tournament time nears, all the talk is of the Dragons. Store windows are painted black and gold, Argos' colors, and the town follows the team as far as it goes.

"Sectional time comes and it's a holiday," Nita Baker said. "No matter where you're from, kids are all excited about it. This is their school and they're there to back it up. And the town people are the same way."

Those opposed to the multiclass tournaments fear there won't be the same enthusiasm in the next year.

"There is one best team, just one. There is one winner, not five," Baker said. "If you have four or five classes and you get to the Final Four, you're not one of the four best teams in Indiana."

"I really am mixed. I think with class basketball, we're going to go further in the tournament, but is the tournament going to mean as much?"

—Argos fan John Haste

MSU quarterback foregoing senior season

BOZEMAN, Mont. (AP) — Quarterback Jeff Tuss will not play football for Montana State during his senior season because of various injuries that have plagued him since transferring from Fresno State two years ago. Tuss started nine games as

quarterback for Montana State over the previous two seasons. Tuss, who originally signed at Washington before a five-year minor league baseball career with the Montreal Expos organization, redshirted in 1993 and played in 1994 at Fresno State.

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A trillion charged in '76

The Associated Press WASHINGTON — Americans charged more than \$1 trillion on credit cards in 1976, and about one-third of the total was being paid off in installments, a consumer group said. The Consumer Federation of America released a study Tuesday estimating that 60 million households were carrying credit cards averaging \$6,000. The federation said credit card debt reached \$374 billion to \$396 billion by the end of the year. The group chided consumers for increasing...

The Associated Press WASHINGTON — As many as 250,000 homeowners are paying for unneeded private mortgage insurance because they either don't know it can be canceled or can't persuade lenders to cancel it, two lawmakers said Tuesday. "Some consumers are unknowingly paying from \$240 to \$1,200 a year for absolutely nothing. We are talking about nothing less than a fleecing of the American homeowner," Sen. Alfonso D'Amato, R-N.Y., said during a Senate Banking Committee hearing. D'Amato, committee chairman, and Rep. James V. Hansen, R-Utah, have introduced bills that would make it easier for some homeowners to stop making the payments. Private mortgage insurance, commonly called PMI, protects lenders from losses should owners default. Lenders usually require it from homeowners making down payments of less than 20 percent, D'Amato and Hansen said. As a homeowner builds equity, the risk of default usually goes down, and the insurance becomes unnecessary at a certain point, they said. Many owners are unaware that they can apply for cancellation of the insurance after they have reached a certain level of equity, usually 20 percent, they said. And many of those who do apply are rejected by their insurance companies, which aren't required to cancel it, they added. About 5 million U.S. homeowners are paying mortgages that are covered by private mortgage insurance, and nearly 5 percent of them could be eligible for cancellation, said Bill Lacy, chairman of the Mortgage Companies of America, a trade group for private mortgage insurance companies. "Now you may not think \$20 a month is a lot, but when it's paid by millions of homeowners we start talking about real money," Hansen said. Hansen's bill would require insurance companies to tell homeowners their insurance can be canceled after they have built up enough equity. D'Amato's bill goes a step further, requiring automatic cancellation unless private equity plummet, the mortgage has a poor repayment record or if some other factor presents a greater risk to the lender. The Consumers Union, publisher of Consumer Reports magazine, endorsed D'Amato's bill during Tuesday's hearing. "First, borrowers are extremely unlikely to walk away from their mortgage loan after building a 20 percent ownership stake in their homes," said Michelle Meier, the group's counsel for government affairs. "Second, if borrowers have a 20 percent or greater equity stake run into unexpected financial problems, they can't sell their homes and generate proceeds that will be used to help them repay the outstanding mortgage debt." Lacy said his group supports notifying homeowners of their rights. But he said some long-time homeowners do default on their loans, with 20 percent of losses coming after the 10th year of ownership. "Senators, my business is risky," he said. "Losses come in large blocks during difficult economic times and they are concentrated in regions even in good economic times." The bills are S318 and HR607.

DOW-JONES

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COMICS

Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

1. I WENT OVER TO SEE CHARLES YESTERDAY. YOU DID WHAT?

2. YOU DID WHAT? I JUST TOLD YOU! WHY DO YOU ASK ME AGAIN?!

3. DOESN'T ANYONE TALK ANYMORE? "COOL!" "NO PROBLEM!" "HATEEVER!" "HOW Y' DOIN'?"

4. I'M SO DEPRESSED YOU'RE WHAT?

Dilbert By Scott Adams

1. HAVE YOU SET UP OUR OFF-SITE MEETING SO WE CAN TALK ABOUT HOW OVERWORKED YOU ARE?

2. I WAS THINKING WE SHOULD INVITE THE REST OF THE STAFF, TOO. WE CAN DISCUSS OUR MISSION STATEMENT, MAYBE HAVE A SACK RACE.

3. DID YOU KNOW THAT IF YOU'RE A STATE TROOPER, YOU CAN SHOOT ANY ANIMAL THAT'S BEEN HIT BY A CAR?

B.C. By Johnny Hart

1. SPEED ZONE AHEAD.

2. WHOA!

Garfield By Jim Davis

1. AREN'T YOU GOING TO EAT ME?

2. NO, YOU'RE A WALKING VITAMIN.

3. THIS DIET IS MAKING ME NUTS! WHAT DO YOU THINK OF JUST... WHOOD'S WUNGRY?!

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

1. YOU KNOW HOW MUCH YOU LOVE STRAINED TURNIPS, DEAR?

2. I DO?

3. AND YOU KNOW HOW MUCH TRIXIE LOVES TO DO EVERYTHING JUST LIKE HER DADDY DOES!

4. I DO.

The Wizard of Id By Brent Parker & Johnny Hart

1. STAMP OUT PODIATRY.

2. WHAT WITH?

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

1. DADDY, THIS IS DUDLEY.

2. TELL ME ABOUT YOURSELF, BOY!

3. I'M JUST THE IDLE, NEERD-WELL SON OF A RICH BARON.

4. DON'T BE SO HARD ON YOURSELF, SON! THERE'S NOTHING FOR EVERYBODY!

Bette Bailey By Mort Walker

1. WHO WOULD USE A HAIR COLOR CALLED "DUMB-BLONDE"?

2. A BRAINY BRUNETTE.

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

1. ...AND SO, WILL THIS WOODEN HORSE TRICK WORK, OR WILL IT BE JUST ANOTHER OF ODYSSEUS' MANY FAILURES? ONLY TIME WILL TELL. THIS IS BLIND HOMER FOR CNN...THE CLASSICAL NEWS NETWORK.

The Bom Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

1. DOCTOR GLOWGOLD, I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU PSYCHIATRISTS DO IT...

2. HOW CAN YOU SIT HERE DAY AFTER DAY WHILE PEOPLE TELL YOU ALL THEIR PROBLEMS?

3. WHO LISTENS?!

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

1. I'M INVOLVED IN A SUIT TELLING US ABOUT YOUR TALKING TO A GUY AT THE YOUR TURN!

2. WELL, I WAS SPOKE TO BRING MY TURTLE, BUT I LET BOBBY MY DADDY LUNCH BY MISTAKE!

3. SO, WHAT HAPPENED AT SHOW MY TELL?!

4. I HAD TO SHOW BOBBY MY LUNCH!

5. DID THEY LAUGH?!

6. UH... MORE PUT IN LOVE. SURELY IN MY BIG DATE LOVE.

Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

1. OHMIGOSH! MY FOOT'S ASLEEP!

2. I'LL GET HIS ALARM CLOCK!!

3. THAT OUGHT TO DO IT!

Pickles By Brian Crane

1. WHAT IS AN OLDER CAT TO DO WHEN A CUTE YOUNG WITEN HAS STOLEN THE AFFECTION OF HER HUMAN?

2. OPTION A: GET HERE AND FIGHT IT. I DON'T THINK SO.

3. OPTION B: FIGHT TO WIN SO YOU DON'T TOO MUCH TROUBLE.

4. OR OPTION C: REVERSE YOUR OWN FEELINGS AND SAY "I LOVE YOU!"

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketcham

1. ...AND I AM NOT A NOVING! I'M A COWBOY!

The Family Circus By Bil Keane

1. "It's dusk. That's when God hits the dimmer switch."

Straitjackets aren't selling like crazy

Q. What was the first toy advertised on TV?

A. Mr. Potato Head in 1952. Straitjackets last report were selling for about \$190 apiece. The market isn't too lively, I gather, despite the great need.

The Italian "antipasto" does not allude to "pasta" - it's literal translation is "before the food."

Our Love and War man's raggedy old copy of Roger's Thesaurus lists 408 synonyms for "love" but only 107 synonyms for "hate." It's content with that ratio.

The only letter on a standard computer keyboard that has no letter above or below it is the "Y."

Not all pipe tobaccos smell bad, but those that do can be called "mudmunks."

Q. What happened to change the official name of the Executive Mansion to "The White House"?

A. Nothing grandiose. President Theodore Roosevelt just printed the

WHAT'S WHAT? L.M. Boyd

White House nickname on his letterhead. It had been so called since 1814 when it was repainted white to "before the British burnt it."

Q. What felony is least likely to be reported?

A. Wife battering, according to FBI reports.

Q. When asked to jot down the names of any color, any flower and any piece of furniture, most people write the same three items. What are they?

A. Red, rose, chair.

One out of four American groomsmen sets the alarm clock to go off before 6 a.m.

People who have asthma generally have more acute hearing than others, says one medical specialist.

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CANCER (June 21-July 22): You're released from duty. You're free from practical issues, ability to look beyond the immediate. Scorpio native talks of your attraction in transit. Give full play to intellectual curiosity - ask questions, insist on answers, not evasions. Virgo plays role.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Mercurial side looms large - don't be discouraged by those who claim you're too inquisitive. Gift adds to wardrobe, beauty surroundings, complete major domestic adjustment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): People talk about you and you love it! Be discerning, know when to say "Enough is enough!" Define terms; nip ugly rumor in bud. Trust judgment, cycle high, take charge of one's life.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Emphasis on organization, time limitation, focus on responsibility, acceptance to his financial jackpot. Secret conference enables you to know exactly where you stand! Cancer native involved.

ROUND OUT PROJECT (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Round out project, the loose ends, don't permit past mistake in arena of love department. Emphasis on organization, time limitation, focus on responsibility, acceptance to his financial jackpot. Secret conference enables you to know exactly where you stand! Cancer native involved.

YOU'RE RELIED UPON (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You're relied upon to lead rather than follow. Imprint style, accent originality, display pioneering spirit. You're measured love is not unrequited. Leo, Aquarius involved.

FEELING UNLIVED (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Respond to pulse of the public. Sales ability heightened, your presence signals start of something big. You are main character in exciting drama. Diner with philosopher exciting.

FEELING UNLIVED (Feb. 19-March 20): Serious discussion - member of display sex wants to travel. By not ready. By who you wish, emphasize from. From diversity, news of fashion trends. Gemini in picture.

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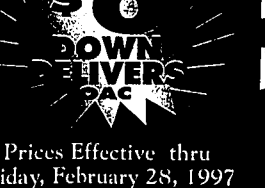
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