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Twin Falls council votes itself raise

By William Brock
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It died last week, but a proposal to boost salaries for City Council members swept to a 5-2 approval Monday over objections from two city residents.

In other financial matters, council members approved the city's 1997-98 budget — but wriggled out of awarding a worm-collection contract at the municipal golf course.

Turnaround nets approval by 5-2 vote

The pay raise will boost monthly salaries for council members from \$640 a month to \$750; the mayor's salary will increase from \$890 to \$1,000. Councilmen Chris Talkington and Gale Kleinkopf voted against the increase.

Due to a mixup at City Hall, Kleinkopf and councilman Art Franz, Tom

Mikesell and Howard Alden have been paid more than \$600 per month for the past 19 months. They will not repay the excess — estimated at \$460.

Last week, the salary hike proposal died on a 2-2 vote. Franz voted against it then, but he rescinded it Monday so the entire seven-member council could decide the issue.

Franz's proposal eclipsed a somewhat more modest proposal advanced by Mayor Jeff Gooding, who suggested \$700 a month for council members and \$950 for the mayor. His rationale was that council members hadn't been earning that much if salaries hadn't been frozen last year.

A pair of city residents, neither of whom spoke at last week's meeting, blasted the pay raise proposal Monday.

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LINES, LINES EVERYWHERE



Senate Eskridge, a business and computer science major from Twin Falls, and Katrina Spitz, a Twin Falls liberal arts student, leave the College of Southern Idaho campus bookstore while a long line of other students wait their turn for the first day of school.

Displaced Simplot workers enter CSI



Mary Johnson of Jerome finds a quiet spot to study on the CSI grounds, as she continues pursuing her nursing degree.

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Monica Ortega, a displaced J.R. Simplot Co. employee, was one of the students on line Monday, buying books during the College of Southern Idaho's first day of school.

Ortega, 23, of Burley, is taking a computerized bookkeeping course, a two-year program. She works at Simplot's Heyburn potato processing plant for five years until layoffs hit this summer, affecting Ortega and nearly 400 other employees.

Ortega had been taking computer classes at CSI part-time while working at Simplot. Now she is enrolled as a full-time student. As a displaced worker, she has received a Job

Training Partnership Act grant that pays for her tuition and books. She must provide her own living expenses.

"I've always wanted to go full-time and get a job, so this will help," Ortega said.

About 60 Simplot workers have applied for the grants, said Deanna Feather, grant representative for Job Services in Burley.

Laidoff workers are eligible for grants for up to two years if they don't accept a permanent job elsewhere.

Many Simplot workers have been picketed and harassed, worried about missing school enrollment deadlines while working, said Deanna Paak, office manager.

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Residents give railyard big red light

By Pat Marcantonio
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It is a proposal which part of a proposed rezoning southeast of Twin Falls was more onerous — the development of an intermodal train center on the city's plan to spend \$3.1 billion on it.

"We don't want to be on a track to 'no-bidder,'" commented opponents at a Denton at a Monday meeting attended by more than 65 people.

The gathering was sponsored by a group called Citizens for Common Sense Growth, which opposes a 13-acre rezoning from rural residential to heavy industrial between 3200 East and 3300 East and Kimberly Road.

The rezoning would allow the Eastern Idaho Railroad to move its 24-acre switching yard from Old Fwyne to property owned by developers Todd Brass and Joe Russell, otherwise known as Panhandle Land and Investments.

With \$3.1 million in tax increment bonds repaid by higher property tax assessments within the city's rail yard area, the city would buy the land down town so the railroad company could buy the Panhandle land and move its yard. The money also would pay to develop an intermodal center, where truck shipments would be loaded onto railcars. The rezoning would allow industry to move in.

The City Urban Renewal Agency has supported the move as part of its campaign to revitalize Old Town.

The city Planning and Zoning Commission has split on the rezoning issue, sending it to the City Council without recommendation.

Meeting coordinator and business man Blaine Billman of Kimberly encouraged opponents to attend City Council hearings on the proposal Sept. 2.

Petitions also were being circulated, opposing the rezoning, intermodal center and moving the switching yard.

"Denton warned that if we city put a tremendous bill on cleanup of hazardous wastes accumulated over 90 years."

"Who's going to pay for this, guys?" he asked. "The city of Twin Falls is going to inherit the bill. Why? Twin Falls is so quick to jump into bed with Eastern Idaho Railroad I have no idea."

One company said it would cost \$1 million an acre to clean up oil and other

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Tobacco firms snuff Florida suit for \$1.1 billion

Terms protect state's children

The Associated Press

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — The \$1.1 billion settlement Florida reached with the tobacco industry Monday is double-barreled.

It includes some of the toughest prohibitions on advertising and marketing to children, yet gives the industry some breathing room not in the proposed national deal.

Some critics contend the state's landmark pact highlights the need for Congress to approve the \$368 billion national pact so the federal government can regulate nicotine and set penalties for failing to clamp down on smoking by children.

Others, however, suggest Florida has shown individual states can earn more on their own than as part of a national deal, which would supersede Florida's deal if approved.



A tobacco repapers a break outside the county courthouse in West Palm Beach, Fla., as reporters and camera crews swarm around Florida Gov. Lawton Chiles and other officials going to a news conference.

Gov. Lawton Chiles helped negotiate the 17-page agreement, which he said includes provisions to protect children, reimburse the state for Medicaid money spent treating sick smokers and "blows away the smoke screen of lies."

"We wanted acknowledgment of the havoc they had caused in the past and some indication that would change in the future," Chiles said. "There is a debt long past due for big tobacco to pay."

The state had been seeking \$12.3 billion based on claims the industry manufactured a defective product and deceived the public about smoking's dangers. Jury selection began Aug. 1.

Florida will receive an annual payment of about \$1 billion within one year and at least another \$10.3 billion to be paid out over 25 years.

Scares lead processors, government to seek fix

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Alfalfa growers contaminated by E. coli.

Hazardous-painted slawbers in school lunches.

Children sick from unpasteurized apple juice, and 140 people struck by bacteria-laden raw cysters.

The recall of 25 million pounds of hamburger is merely the latest scare about food safety.

Florida will receive an annual payment of about \$1 billion within one year and at least another \$10.3 billion to be paid out over 25 years.

Keeping hamburger safe makes common sense — cook meat thoroughly.

But consumer advocates say a larger threat may come from germs lurking in unexpected places — such as raspberries or fresh basil — that slip through the government's patchwork of safety rules.

"Almost monthly we are seeing new causes for concern based on food problems," said Caroline Smith DeWaal of the advocacy group Center for Science in the Public Interest.

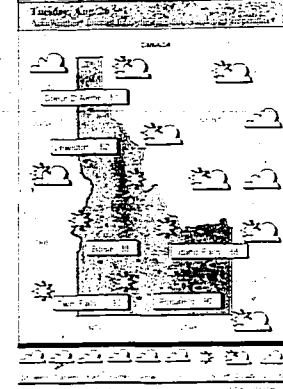
"We don't have a government system to fix those problems."

But the government and food makers are preparing to fight back. The Food and Drug Administration is considering putting warning labels on unpasteurized apple juices and ciders — perhaps as early as this week, after dozens of children were sickened by E. coli that got into one trendy brand. Pasteurization kills potentially deadly E. coli bacteria.

Scientists are investigating beef powder irradiating beef could kill E. coli and other disease-causing microorganisms, and whether irradiating fresh berries would kill cyclospora.

WEATHER

IDAHO Weather



FORECAST

Source: National Weather Service

Magic Valley: Mostly sunny today. Highs 90 to 95. East winds 5 to 10 mph...

Extended regional forecast: Thursday mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms...

Camas Prairie: Mostly sunny and warmer today. Highs from the upper 70s to the mid 80s...

Treasure Valley: Sunny today. High near 90. Southeast winds 5 to 15 mph...

Sawtooth Mountains, Wood River Valley: Mostly sunny and warmer today. Highs from the mid 70s to the mid 80s...

Eastern Idaho: Mostly sunny today. Highs 85 to 90. Southwest wind 5 to 15 mph...

Northern Idaho: Increasing clouds today. Highs in the mid to upper 70s...

Northern Nevada: Mostly sunny today. Afternoon southwest winds 10 to 20 mph...

Northern Utah: Mostly sunny today. South winds 10 to 20 mph. Highs 90-95...

ALMANAC

Table with columns for Idaho, Max, Min, Precip, and Twin Falls weather data.

SEASONAL

Sunset today 8:23 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 6:07 a.m.

ACROSS THE NATION

Showers, thunderstorms scattered across wide stretches of U.S.

The Associated Press

Severe thunderstorms rumbled across Kentucky Monday. Clouds darkened parts of New England...

A cold front produced showers and thunderstorms throughout the northern Plains. Monsoon conditions continued across much of the West...

Light showers drizzled Washington and Oregon. Hot and dry conditions prevailed across much of Nevada and California.

A warm front in the Ohio Valley was to trigger showers and thunderstorms from Illinois to West Virginia. Some will be severe...

Showers and thunderstorms were forecast across the Northeast and New England as well. Several cities in the South set records Monday...

Temperatures Monday ranged from an early-morning low of 32 at South Lake Tahoe, Calif., to an early-afternoon high of 100 in Thruway, Calif.

Monday's lowest windchill of 27 was recorded in Lakeview, Ore.; the highest heat index was 101 in Marathon, Fla.

In Idaho, conditions were generally seasonal with temperatures rising into the 80s and low 90s in the southern portions of the state...

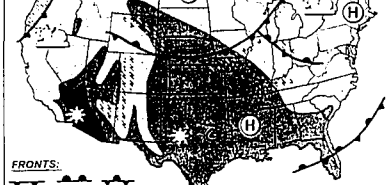
A few showers developed over southeastern parts of the state but rainfall was scattered and light. Winds were generally light.

NATIONAL Weather

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Tuesday, Aug. 26

10s 20s 30s 40s 50s 60s 70s 80s 90s 100s 110s

Labels separate high temperature zones for the day



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HIGHS & LOWS

Idaho: High, 96 degrees at Burley. Low, 32 degrees at Stanley. Nation: High, 114 at Bullhead City, Ariz. Low, 28 degrees at Wislump, Mont.

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TEMPERATURES

Table of temperatures for various cities: Albuquerque, Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, Des Moines, Detroit, Honolulu, Houston, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Miami, Miami Beach, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, New Orleans, New York, Oklahoma City, Omaha, Salt Lake City, San Antonio, San Francisco, Seattle, St. Louis, Springfield, Tampa, Toronto, Vancouver, Montreal.

FIRE DANGER INDEX

The fire hazard index for Southern Idaho lands today is: For forest lands: Moderate. For range lands: Very high.

Council

Continued from A1: 'I don't think parents deserve more money to bring in because their quality of work...'

'Speaking in a more deliberate tone, Gooding explained there is more to council work than meets the eye.'

'I'm just showing up for a meeting on Monday,' he said. 'It's 10 to 15 hours a week to keep up on paperwork...'

'Last week, for instance, Gooding said he spent 25 hours on city business.'

'I hardly consider assisting babies and changing nappies essential to the management of city government,' Takemoto replied.

The ranges of salaries offered in these council seats are decided in November. These seats are held by Gooding, Takemoto and Councilman Lance Cox.

CSI

Continued from A1: manager for CSI's Center for New Directions. If they can't work to start school rather than waiting to be laid off, they will probably drop out of school.'

'Eli's where in example, more traditional students settled in on the first day of the school year. Students filled the Taylor administration building with books and purchased for classes. They dotted campus building to class, studying on the shade or visiting with friends.'

In Eagle Hill dorm resident and freshman Josh Smith, 14, of Loveland, Nev., carried a load of laundry down the hall. Dorm life is not new to Smith, who attended boarding school in California for three years. This time, however, his parents didn't call the first day of classes to remind him not to be late.

'I've met a lot of people. People are great here. They're really friendly,' Smith said. Mary Johnson, 21, of Jerome, cracked open a nursing textbook in the shade to study between classes. Johnson is returning to school after a two-year hiatus she took to care of her son Jeremy, 2. 'I feel out of practice, but I'm glad to be back in school,' Johnson said.

Sharee Eccles, 21, of Buhl, said the average payment would be around \$1,000 a month during worm collection season... 'If it was really good, it could be up to \$1,800 a month,' Murphy said.

Antiterrorism law produces 1st conviction

WHEELING, W.Va. (AP) — A firefighter who gave a militia leader photographs of blueprints of an FBI complex was found guilty Monday, the first person to be convicted under a new federal antiterrorism law.

Prosecutors have said they were preparations but no active plot to carry out an attack on the FBI's Criminal Justice Information Services office in Clarksburg. About 3,000 people work there.

Rogers took three days to find Lt. James 'Rich' Rogers guilty of sneaking into the fire hall basement and taking 34 photos of the blueprints of the FBI facility.

Rogers, 41, could get up to 10 years in prison when sentenced. He was acquitted of a conspiracy charge.

Rogers was accused of providing the photographs that Moutainair Militia leader Floyd 'Blaz' Looker sold for \$50,000 to what he believed was the middleman for a terrorist group. He was actually an undercover agent.

Looker, 57, was also charged under the same law.

Prosecutors challenge exam

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Government lawyers on Monday challenged defense contentions that forcing Unabomber suspect Theodore Kaczynski to undergo a mental examination would violate his Fifth Amendment rights.

Prosecutors on Monday also reiterated that the defense should be forced to provide additional information about any insanity defense they may be contemplating.

Mir loses both oxygen generators aboard ship

The Associated Press

The three men aboard Russia's run-down Mir space station were left without any way to generate oxygen Monday after both their primary and backup systems failed, at least temporarily.

The primary Elektron generator, which had been turned off since last week to conserve power, had shut itself down Monday after it began overheating, Campion said.

'Before they went to bed, they may have gotten things fixed. We just don't know,' Campion said.

In a Russian call to a Mission Control for comment around midnight Moscow time went unanswered after NASA disclosed the problem.

But CNN reported that an unidentified official, while acknowledging the problem, played down its seriousness.

Railyard

Continued from A1

Old Towne was being used as a justification for this expansion, said Matt Smith of Twin Falls.

'Never had I heard anyone say they'd not go to Old Towne unless the rails were removed,' he said.

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CORRECTION

Twin Falls businesswoman Kenneth Edmunds' wife, Jane, is an interior designer and mother. A Times-News story Monday on Edmunds' possible run for the Legislature misidentified his wife. The Times-News regrets the error.

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After 17 years living on lam, woman helps others turn their lives around



Karlene Keyes

Keyes ended up in the state penitentiary in Canon City in 1976. Over the next four years, she was in and out of prison.

Keyes arrived at a Denver halfway house in 1980. She had been there a month when she heard rumors she was being sent back to Canon.

"I knew if I went back to Canon something very, very bad might happen. And if I walked away from the halfway house, my life would never, ever be right," she says.

A family in a book she read on the way to California was named Winthrop, and she took the name.

"They had alcohol groups for women, drug groups," but none for battered women, she says. "I went to my parole officer and said, 'If I have to stay here, I want to do something worthwhile.'"

"She opened the doors by corresponding and developing an interest for a battered women's program," says Stephen Rodgers, who was Keyes' parole officer in the 1970s and is now a case manager at the DRDC.

By giving women counseling and help in becoming independent, "at least it's a chance they can turn their lives around," Keyes says.

Keyes also has been writing a book, "Holding on to Kerry" is for all the women who may be suffering as she did, she says.

She is 45 and living in St. Louis, and is becoming reacquainted with her sons, now ages 20 to 24. She's been hired as a preschool teacher. And she's able to breathe easily like she never could before.

"It's over with, it's all over with. I don't have to worry about the doorbell ringing, nothing," she says. "I can do anything I want. I can get a library card. I can get a driver's license. There are so many things that people take for granted."

Keyes arrived in San Francisco in 1980 and "I did anything that was honest. Anything to survive."

In 1985, she became a nanny. She found a place and a family.

"Birthdays and Christmas and all of that were really hard," she says through tears. "I would just pray that somebody was looking out for the boys."

In 1990, she took a chance. She returned to St. Louis. By that time, she had mended her relationship with her family, and she contacted her sons, who were raised by their father. She quickly landed a job as a nanny for the son of two doctors.

Then, at 5:30 a.m. on March 8 of this year, the doorbell rang. Kerry Winthrop threw on some sweatpants and slippers and answered the door. An officer said her car had been vandalized.

When she walked out of her house, the St. Charles County sheriff appeared from behind a building and put her in handcuffs.

"Here we go," she thought. "Somebody close to her had given her up, she was told."

Karlene Keyes was wanted on a warrant 17 years old. She was back in the Colorado system by April, as she waited extradition. "I thought, 'It can't be happening, but it had.'"

But what seemed to be misfortune turned out to be good luck.

She was paroled in July. And while she sat in the Detention Reception and Diagnostic Center, waiting for her release, Keyes saw something she didn't like.

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Army Sgt. Maj. Gene McKinney arrives at Fort McNair in Washington, D.C., with his wife, Wilhemina, and attorney Charles Gittens on Monday for his hearing to determine if he will face a court-martial on harassment charges.

Hearing in Army sexual misconduct case winds up

WASHINGTON (AP) — The six women who brought sexual misconduct allegations against the Army's top enlisted man were described Monday by prosecutors as heroes and attacked by the defense as opportunists.

"Don't let them down," lead prosecutor Lt. Col. Michael Child said of the women, as he urged that Sgt. Maj. of the Army Gene McKinney be ordered to stand trial.

But defense lawyer Lt. Col. James Gerstenlauer said McKinney is "an outstanding soldier who has served this country proudly" and is confronted by "baseless allegations."

Charles Gittens, McKinney's civilian defense lawyer, said his client didn't get to be the Army's top enlisted man "because he's a leech. To become sergeant major of the Army he had to undergo an extensive background check."

To Child, McKinney was a manipulative man using his powerful position to prey on vulnerable women. "He used even the death of his son as part of this manipulation," the prosecutor said. McKinney's son was killed in an automobile accident.

The Fort McNair hearing ended with both sides summing up their cases. Now a hearing officer must consider whether McKinney should be court-martialed or can return to his Pentagon post.

Col. Robert Jarvis, the presiding officer, has 15 days to make his recommendation. But given the length of the hearing, which began two months ago and included testimony from more than 30 witnesses, Jarvis could get an extension. The transcript runs thousands of pages.

Jarvis' recommendation would go to Col. Owen Powell,

the next senior officer in the chain of command. The final decision on whether the case should go forward would be made by Maj. Gen. Robert F. Foley, commander of the Military District of Washington.

Gittens has said repeatedly that he expects the Army to order McKinney to stand trial on sexual misconduct charges.

Jarvis also can recommend revising the charges, and Child urged him to add rape to the list.

The first of two women to testify against McKinney, Sgt. Christine Roy, said she reluctantly had sex with McKinney when she was nearly eight months pregnant. The prosecutor said that incident amounted to rape.

Gerstenlauer said the recommendation by Child was "offensive." He said there was "no credible evidence to corroborate the charges by Sgt. Roy."

Harassment case pushes Army into a corner

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Flooding along in a usually obscure corner of Washington, the Army proceeding has made history.

None like it has ever gone nearly so long, including the 1971 inquiry into 1st Lt. William Calley's involvement in Vietnam's My Lai massacre.

Yet as the pretrial inquiry into the alleged sexual misconduct of Sgt. Maj. of the Army Gene C. McKinney stretches into its ninth and probably final week, the case may turn out on any factual detail but on more intangible factors: the military's fear of embarrassment vs. its concern that it not appear too lenient.

Facing allegations from six servicewomen, McKinney and his lawyers are betting that their best chance lies in convincing the Army that it can even less afford to proceed with a court-martial than can the decorated 25-year veteran, legal observers say.

To drive home its point, the defense has worked to extend the painful spectacle of the hearing as long as possible, sought to mobilize political support from McKinney's fellow black service members and other sympathizers, and even threatened to expose the sexual misbehavior of generals.

It has, in a word, put the Army on the spot once more, in a year when the military already has seen its fair share of bad publicity — from the sexual assault scandals at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., to the sexual misconduct allegations

against top-ranking generals — causing one to drop his bid to be chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff — in the audiology-related case involving the nation's first female B-52 pilot, Air Force Lt. Kelly Finn.

But while senior officers have privately acknowledged that they would prefer to dispose of the McKinney case quietly outside of a court-martial, they also understand that any move that seems to tread lightly the infractions he is accused of would meet a storm of protest from women in Congress and elsewhere.

The Army leadership "knows this is a hot potato," said Michael Gaffney, who practices military justice law in Washington. "They're damned if they do and damned if they don't."

For its part, the defense is in a hot spot as well.

In efforts to crank up political pressure are countervailing even among other military justice lawyers, and some believe its chances of forcing the Army to cave in are slight. Yet many also agree that from the defense's point of view, it is a big gamble worth taking.

McKinney, the first black to hold the prestigious post of the Army's top enlisted man, faces accusations that could put him in jail for more than 57 years, though the penalty would likely be far less than that.

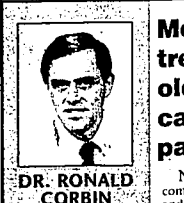
The pretrial hearing is aimed at deciding whether there is enough evidence to send the case to a court-martial.

McKinney has denied all wrongdoing. He is insisting on an honorable discharge that would preserve his rank and retirement pay.

In lengthy cross-examinations, McKinney's defense team has sought to bring out inconsistencies in the accusers' stories in hopes of hurting their credibility.

Yet the defense does not want to rely on narrow factual arguments alone, as it has demonstrated in its defense of McKinney, a victim of a racist double standard in military justice.

Such accusations have a political potency. While some black leaders have conspicuously hesitated to embrace McKinney as a cause, in other quarters — including among some senior officers at the Pentagon — support for him is strong.



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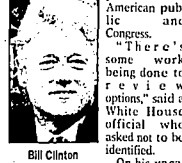
NATION

Target: Social Security

Clinton, advisers silently lay groundwork for possible changes

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton's top advisers have quietly started laying the groundwork for major repairs to the nation's 62-year-old Social Security program.

Early preparations have included informal consultations with senior citizens' advocates and tax lawyers. The main topic so far has been to broaden the tax base subject with the American public and Congress.



Bill Clinton

On his vacation, Clinton took papers prepared by White House staff suggesting ways he could open a national dialogue. Ideas include a series of presidential speeches across the country, or a bipartisan commission that would involve Republicans in public forums.

"The key recommendation that I carried into the White House is that we need to spend some time bringing the American people into this discussion," said John Rother of the American Association of Retired Persons, among those consulted by Clinton's staff.

Such an overture also would be important because Republican congressional leaders say a clear, public show of leadership from Clinton is imperative if they are to consider changing Social Security while congressional elections loom in 1998.

Without Clinton in front, "precious little will happen," said Ari Fleischer, spokesman for House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas. That's because Republicans want to ensure Democrats are equally exposed to any voter backlash.

The nation's pension plan is projected to have to start spending reserves in 2012 to keep ahead of more than 70 million baby boomer retirements expected about then. By 2029 the reserves will be gone, and Social Security payroll taxes won't bring in enough each year to cover retirement checks.

Last January, a panel of economic advisers appointed by the Clinton administration suggested investing Social Security money in the stock market rather than in comparatively low-yield government bonds, as now required.

Panel members, however, disagreed on whether the government should invest on workers' behalf, or whether people should be allowed to invest mandatory savings themselves.

Other suggestions made recently by Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., a key lawmaker on Social Security issues — include adjusting annual cost of living increases received by retirees, and basing people's benefits on their 38 best earning years instead of 35. Both likely would reduce retirement checks.

Congress has held numerous hearings on the subject this year with more scheduled this fall, but Social Security was barely broached during the summer's balanced budget debates.

As those negotiations drew to a close in July, though, Clinton advisers — including economic coordinator Gene Sperling, chief of staff Erskine Bowles and Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin — began meeting with lobbyists and lawmakers such as Moynihan to seek advice and let them know Social Security would be a Clinton priority.

Politically, Clinton has said he wants to duplicate the budget deal's bipartisan spirit to reach consensus. "I believe that we cannot make changes in Social Security... that are significant unless there is bipartisan support. And I believe there is strong bipartisan support, you can do it in an election year," Clinton said at an Aug. 6 news conference.

White House pollster Mark Penn included detailed questions about Social Security in a survey released that same day by the moderate Democratic Leadership Council.

U.S. Postal Service on track to post another \$1 billion profit

WASHINGTON (AP) — Another billion-dollar profit may be in the post office's future. Postmaster General Marvin Runyon said Monday the U.S. Postal Service "may earn another billion dollars in net income this year."

That would make it the third straight year for such profits at the agency.

Surpluses in 1995 and 1996 totaled \$3.4 billion, allowing the Postal Service to reduce its outstanding debt from \$6 billion to \$2.7 billion.

The past 36 months were "the finest three years in postal history," Runyon told a meeting of the National Association of Postmasters in Philadelphia.

Runyon's remarks did not include any comment on the possibility of delaying a proposed 1-cent increase in the current 32-cent first class rate.

The complex process of increasing postal prices means that an increase could not be imposed before next May at any rate, but no official date has been set for the change.

Del Junco said he would "like to push the (increase) date back" because the profit the agency expects to make from handling extra mail during the 15-day UPS strike.

During the UPS strike the Postal Service handled between 1.8 million and 2.4 million extra items per day.

"We delivered 9 billion pieces of mail during the strike, as much as we handle at the height of the holidays. The bottom line is, we delivered," Runyon said.

Rescue underway to save famous steamboat

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — In its 83 years, the Belle of Louisville went from freighter to excursion boat to beloved landmark. Now, the city's sweetheart is in trouble.

"To Louisvillians, it's a lot like the Titanic sinking," said Dennis Stengel, one of hundreds who came to the Ohio River wharf Sunday to see the partially sunken Belle, its tall stacks leaning.

A major rescue mission continued Monday to help the sinking steamboat, including towboats, divers, pumps, a huge crane and a nationally known salvage expert.

The boat, which was unoccupied, remained stabilized Monday with one side of its stern and its bright red paddlewheel resting on river mud under 10 feet of water.

NASA solar observatory rockets toward sun

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — One of NASA's cheapest spacecraft ever rocketed toward the sun Monday on a five-year mission to study atomic particles and provide advance warning of solar storms.

The \$10 million solar observatory, called Ace, was hoisted by an unmanned Delta rocket. On-board cameras provided spectacular views of Earth and the burning boosters as the rocket sped out over the Atlantic Ocean.

The launch was delayed one day after shrimp fishermen lingered Sunday in the launch-danger zone offshore. Ace, short for Advanced Composition Explorer, will spend the next four months hurtling toward a point 1 million miles from Earth and 92 million miles from the Sun, a spot where the gravity of Earth and the gravity of the sun balance each other. It is the fourth NASA spacecraft to be launched to that spot.

Ace will orbit there for as long as five years, analyzing particles streaming from the sun as well as the far reaches of the Milky Way. Scientists hope to learn more about the origin and evolution of the sun as well as galactic matter.

Legals lose stamp benefits

10 states reach out to help the 1 million affected

WASHINGTON (AP) — Faced with the removal of nearly 1 million legal immigrants from the federal food stamp program, some states are moving to fill the gap.

So far, 10 states have taken steps to extend benefits to some of the 935,000 noncitizens cut off as part of the federal welfare changes enacted a year ago. By month's end, the last of them will have received their final federal food stamps, which average \$172 a month per household.

The cuts hit particularly hard in four states — California, Florida, New York and Texas — which account for three-quarters of all noncitizens on food stamps. Of the four, only Texas has been able to provide relief to its 68,000 immigrants there who were receiving food stamps earlier this year.

While welcoming the states' actions, immigrant advocates worry the federal food stamp cuts — estimated at \$22 billion over five years, including \$3.7 billion for immigrants.

"The law really is harsh on most legal immigrants," said Sister Christine Vladimiroff, a Benedictine nun who is president of Second Harvest, the nation's largest charitable emergency food provider.

Not all of the 14 million noncitizens who were receiving federal food stamps earlier this year are losing them.

Exempted from the cuts are legal immigrants with U.S. military service, their spouses and dependents; those who can prove they worked at least 10 years in the United States; and refugees and those granted asylum for their first five years in the country.

A Lutus University study commissioned by Second Harvest estimates the food stamp cuts for citizens and noncitizens are equivalent to taking away 24 million pounds of food from the poor over five years.

Second Harvest, which provided 1 billion pounds of food last year, would have to increase its output by 425 percent to make up the difference, the study estimated.

Authors of the 1996 welfare overhaul turned their attention to noncitizens while looking for ways to curb growth in programs such as food stamps, Supplemental Security Income and Medicaid.

The cutbacks in noncitizens' benefits accounted for nearly half of the \$55 billion in savings envisioned over five years under that law.

Proponents of the cuts noted that immigrants must sign a pledge to increase their earnings not to become public charges. Those who sponsor immigrants into the United States — often family members — must be the first recourse for needy new arrivals, they said.

But advocates for immigrants contend the cuts are unfair, both in their size and because they amount to a mid-gang change in rules for people who came to the United States legally, work and pay taxes. The working poor comprise most of the immigrants on food stamps, they say.

"These are good economic times for us, and I would think that we would want to share that bounty with those who are being cut off," said Ms. Vladimiroff of Chicago-based Second Harvest. "Fresh from a successful campaign to restore SSI and Medicaid for noncitizens, immigrant-rights lobbyists are pressing Washington to revive their food stamp eligibility. Several proposals have been introduced in Congress that would restore at least some of the aid. Just as they prevailed on SSI by bringing forward elderly and disabled immigrants quavering over the imminent loss of their major source of income, immigrant-support groups are conducting a public relations blitz over food stamps. "We have no other choice but to demonstrate the human cost of these policies," said Cecilia Munoz of the National Council of La Raza, a Hispanic advocacy group. "And the human cost is extraordinary."

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Missouri sues Texas jail where inmates were allegedly abused

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — Missouri officials who sent prisoners to live in a Texas jail, where some of them were videotaped being bitten by a dog and shocked by a stun gun, Monday sued the county, saying it covered up the abuse.

The state accused Brazoria County, Texas, of breach of contract, asserting that officials there deliberately withheld information about what happened to the Missouri prisoners last September in

renited cells in the Brazoria jail.

"County officials are continuing to perpetrate a coverup, and it must be stopped," said Attorney General Jay Nixon, who filed the lawsuit in Cole County Circuit Court in Missouri's capital.

"They have refused to turn over information, including inmate requests for medical attention, officer reports and medical records even though they are

required to do so under the contract with the state of Missouri. We are asking the court to order them to turn this information over immediately to aid in the investigation," Nixon said.

No hearing date was set.

The videotape taken at the Brazoria County Detention Center near Houston last September surfaced earlier this month. It showed deputies forcing the newly arrived Missouri inmates to crawl

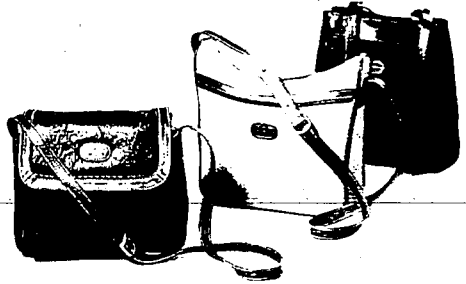
on their stomachs, zapping them with stun guns and letting an attack dog bite them.

It prompted Missouri Corrections chief Dora Schirio to pull hundreds of inmates from Brazoria and two other Texas jails and cancel \$12 million worth of contracts. State officials say they had been unaware of the existence of the videotape, which was made by deputies for training purposes.

Brazoria County Sheriff Joe King and County Judge John Wiley are named as co-defendants in the lawsuit, which seeks unspecified monetary damages. Wiley, the county's chief administrator, said he could not comment because the matter was in litigation. King could not immediately be reached.

Nixon said the state's contract with Brazoria County stipulated that any legal actions would be filed in Missouri courts.

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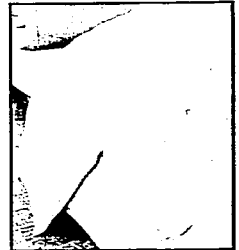
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Israeli troops, Palestinians face off

BETHLEHEM, West Bank (AP) — Palestinian policemen crouching behind barricades aimed their assault rifles at Israeli troops Monday during a tense stone-throwing protest against Israel's 26-day closure of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The showdown, which lasted about 30 minutes, was the most serious between Israeli and Palestinian police in nearly a year. It reflected the growing Palestinian frustration over Israeli restrictions imposed last month when two suicide bombers killed 16 people at a Jerusalem market.

"We are living in a big prison," Khaled Takafah, an 18-year-old protester, said. "The Israelis haven't left us with any hope for peace. They force us to fight to lift the closure on our city."

In a separate confrontation near Bethlehem earlier Monday, some 40 Palestinians, including priests in black robes, tore down part of a barrier of rocks, gravel and cinder blocks that had been set up by Israeli troops to block cars during the closure.

The protesters eventually withdrew, but said they would be back Tuesday unless the restrictions were lifted.

The Bethlehem area has been hardest hit by the Israel travel ban.

Immediately after the bombing, Israel not only barred Palestinians from entering Israel, but confined them to their towns and villages. The internal closure was lifted gradually, but the residents of Bethlehem and the smaller towns of Beit Sahour and Beit Jalla remain restricted to their towns. Most tourists also are barred from the biblical birthplace of Jesus.



An Israeli soldier aims his weapon while taking cover behind a fellow soldier who calls out to Palestinian youths during clashes near Bethlehem Monday.

Israel reportedly suspects that two masterminds of the Jerusalem bombing, leaders of the Islamic militant group Hamas, are hiding in Bethlehem.

China executes record 4,367 in 1996

BEIJING (AP) — Chinese authorities pressing ahead with a campaign against crime executed at least 4,367 people in 1996, Amnesty International said in a report released Tuesday.

The figures were the highest

since 1983 when a similar crackdown resulted in thousands of executions in less than three months. They far surpassed executions in the Ukraine, which Amnesty said recorded the second highest figure for 1996.

The London-based human rights group said it had recorded 4,367 death sentences, of which 4,367 were known to have been carried out. Actual figures were believed to be even higher, it said.

Israel's Russian mafia inquiry could embarrass Yeltsin

JERUSALEM (AP) — Information gathered in an Israeli investigation of a suspected Russian mafia member could embarrass Boris Yeltsin's govern-

ment, a newspaper reported Monday. Gregory Lerner, arrested three months ago in Israel, has been tied to shady deals

involving associates of the Russian president and an unnamed possible successor to him, according to the Yediot Achronot daily.

N. Korean envoy to Egypt defects

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — North Korea's ambassador to Egypt has defected, South Korean media reported Monday, in the first case of a top envoy fleeing the communist state.

North Korea's embassy in Cairo denied Ambassador Chang Sung Gil had defected, but gave conflicting accounts on his whereabouts.

One official said Chang was in the embassy in Cairo. Another said he was in North Korea on private business.

Both spoke to The Associated

Press on condition of anonymity.

However, the Egyptian Foreign Ministry said Monday Chang has been missing for three days.

Said Ragab, head of the ministry's Asia desk, said the North Korean Embassy notified Egyptian officials Saturday that Chang left his home in Cairo at noon Friday and had not been seen since.

The embassy asked the ministry to investigate, Ragab told the AP.

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Cecil is a handsome gentleman of about four years with a deep orange coat and a white vest. He is not happy being a shelter cat and is anxious for a family. He is a good outdoor/indoor kitty and likes being the only cat in the family. The animal shelter, at 139 1/2 Ave. W., 736-2399, has many adorable kittens of all sizes and colors. Staffers report that area veterinarians are seeing more than usual cases of kennel cough, a very contagious virus infection. Dogs that have not been vaccinated should make an immediate trip to their veterinarian.

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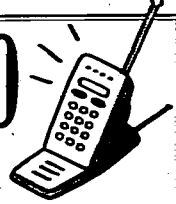
KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — Muslim religious leaders have followed up on a ban against women entering beauty contests by prohibiting men from taking part in body-building competitions.

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




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911 agency must fix service problems now

Reasons for concern about the regional emergency-dispatch center are compounding. On top of the budget crisis that was reported three weeks ago, now come disturbing complaints about the service itself.

The Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center's leadership needs to act on these complaints, promptly and decisively.

SIRCOMM's debut last fall was a long-awaited payoff for the citizens of Latah, Jerome, Gooding, and Twin Falls counties. Citizens have paid a \$1 monthly phone surcharge to finance SIRCOMM ever since they approved the joint venture way back in 1990.

The six-year wait should have ensured a smooth start-up, but it did not. People at a meeting last week aired various gripes about slow responses and communication lapses. Lee DeVore, Twin Falls police chief, said his officers have filed 74 complaints about SIRCOMM since the dispatch center opened. Twenty of those involved officers or civilians in danger.

That's an intolerable situation. It has to change, and soon. Local citizens need to know that when they call for help, the message will get to the proper agency promptly.

Al Simunek, SIRCOMM manager, has refused to comment on the problems. But Morton Eschpieman, the Twin Falls County commissioner who chairs the SIRCOMM board, says the board abstract is "in a mode of doing something about the problems."

That's good to hear, though we'd be happier if we knew exactly what the board is doing. A lot of reasons could be behind the problems. They could relate to technology, staffing levels, training or procedures. They might result from misunderstandings or performance failures by the agencies that SIRCOMM serves. Reluctance by emergency personnel to accept a new dispatch system might even be a factor.

Whatever the reasons may be, SIRCOMM's leadership needs to track them down and fix them, pronto. And it needs to let its member agencies—and the public—know what is being done.

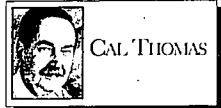
Music Valley residents have placed their full trust in SIRCOMM, relying on its dispatchers to deliver speedily and in a spirit of peace. SIRCOMM's board and manager are responsible for making sure that trust is not misplaced.

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The kiss seen around the world

If a picture is worth a thousand words, the photograph of Palestinian Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat kissing a leader of the Hamas resistance movement speaks volumes about the familiarity of so-called Middle East "peace efforts" pursued by the United States. At a meeting of several Palestinian factions in Gaza, Arafat applauded leaders of Hamas and Islamic Holy War, defied American demands that he crack down on terrorism and said that Palestinians are prepared to resume their violent uprising against Israel.



Cal Thomas is a Las Angeles Times columnist.

The U.S. government seems ignorant of religiously motivated people because it thinks from a secular mind-set. The State Department acts as if militant Islam fundamentalists can be persuaded to make peace with people they believe are the enemy of God.

As to those who believe that negotiations, compromise and "land for peace" have the right answer for the Middle East, Article Eleven says, "The Islamic Resistance Movement believes the land of Palestine has been an Islamic Waqf throughout the generations and until the Day of Resurrection, no one can renounce it or part of it, or abandon it or part of it. No Arab country nor the aggregate of all Arab countries, and no Arab King or President nor all of them in the aggregate, have the right, nor has that right any organization or the aggregate of all organizations, to be they Palestinian or Arab..."

The peace conferences "are no more than a means to appoint the nonbelievers as arbitrators in the lands of Islam. Since when did Unbelievers do justice to Believers?"

For those who still cling to the "peace process," there is this in Article Thirteen: "There is no solution to the Palestinian problems except by Jihad. The initiatives, proposals and International Conferences are but a waste of time, an exercise in futility..."

The charter calls the Jews "Nazis," which is ironic since many Arab nations supported the Nazis and their attempt to exterminate Jews during World War II. In case there is doubt about the relationship between Hamas and the PLO, Article Twenty-Seven says, "The PLO is among the closest to the Hamas, for it constitutes a father, a brother, a relative, a friend..."

The kiss seen around the world between Arafat and the Hamas leader is proof that these two organizations are not merely "dating" but are married with the goal of destroying and completely occupying all of Israel, killing Jews in the process as a favor to Allah. To proceed as if Hamas' beliefs, actions and objectives do not matter is to abdicate in denial and puts not only U.S. interests at risk but also the survival of Israel and the Jewish people.

Cal Thomas is a Las Angeles Times columnist.

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LETTERS

Prison plan is unhealthy for Idaho

I am not the most knowledgeable person on this subject, but I have at least done some homework before sounding off in the newspaper. I became angry at first when I started hearing comments about the conditions that the inmates were living in because I, too, felt that they had done something wrong and needed to be punished. Then I started to investigate these so-called allegations of mistreatment.

What an eye-opener to the unknown. First of all, as a taxpayer of the state of Idaho, I do not appreciate my tax dollars being spent in another state. There is a financial formula that states how much a single dollar of investment generates in a community. It is something like five or seven times the initial amount. That means five times the original sum we are generating, \$30 million for the state of Louisiana, not mentioning what is being spent in Texas and Minnesota.

Now hold on a minute, folks. I think our own state could use this amount of money invested into our local economies. Further, did you know that the state of Louisiana only pays \$23 per day per prisoner at Basile? Then why did the state of Idaho so generously offer \$36.75 per day to the detention center in Louisiana? I quote from a newspaper article in Baton Rouge, La., "Stalder said the state could have used the 300 beds made available when the Basile facility expanded. But the private prison made an 'economic decision' to contract with Idaho because it offered to pay more per day for housing the inmates." Stalder is the secretary of the state Department of Public Safety and Corrections for Louisiana.

I am not appalled at the monies being spent to house prisoners out of state. There is a recall letter circulating throughout the state asking for the removal of certain officials in the prison system. Remember, each of these inmates is a potential financial liability to taxpayers because of the poor conditions. Lawsuits are being prepared by many. We need to step forward and protect our pocketbooks and the reputation of our state.

Being treated like animals will bring about animals. Now is the time to

speak up if you are angry, serve your time, but at least serve it as a human being, punished, not as an animal, seek revenge. JANEY DOLLEY Burley

Lance's 'help' is disastrous

Attorney General Lance has finally learned a lesson. He has learned that he is obligated to provide assistance to local prosecutors upon their request. He is not allowed to take the case over himself. Such is Lance's claim regarding the Ruby Zima decision to assist, upon request, the local prosecuting attorney. This was not an easy lesson for Mr. Lance to grasp. Not too long ago in Minidoka County, Mr. Lance insisted on taking full charge of a case. Mr. Bond had to appeal his posture that he can take over any prosecutor's case that he wants to. The resulting lawsuit cost Minidoka County in excess of \$40,000.

The value of Mr. Lance's assistance is also suspect in that he cost Twin Falls County more than \$80,000 in prosecuting a case in which he could not obtain a conviction. The defense counsel in that case was demanding that \$80,000 in attorney fees from the county. After Mr. Lance cost Twin Falls and Minidoka counties more than \$125,000 due to his inexperience, he has learned a lesson. The next lesson he needs to learn is to be humble. The nature of limitations on some of these purportedly caused by the agents at Ruby Ridge, expires this week of August. The statute of limitations is five years. What attorney did Mr. Lance take during his tenure on this case? It has been there for almost three years. About the first of August, Mr. Lance finally had an opportunity to discuss getting together with the local prosecutor.

The attorney general is to provide support, that means support in time for it to be of benefit. 3 day late and a dollar short? Three, three years late and \$125,000 short? It's time this state had a competent attorney general. M. ANNENBURG Twin Falls

Smell will accompany hog farm

Haloo Malta, A lovely community—been there a couple of times. Well, now, I understand you might be in hog heaven soon. Hope everything goes your way!

Let's see, the prevailing winds are west to east and sometimes east to west, depending on the high-low pressure ridges, etc.

Having driven fast by hog farms in the past, hoosaw! The nose knows. I guarantee ya, the hog farm will make the sugar factory smell like a rose garden. You might be in hog heaven soon.

Hey, Pete, let's you an me lease 500,000 acres, west of the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory and raise 100,000 hogs. Think we could raise a stink? You betcha! Wouldn't take INEEL long to get the dirt. Maybe they'll love it.

On the other hand, does INEEL have enough land to build all that sweet? Go figure. Malta and Twin Falls County. Hey, Nevada, wanna make bacon? R.W. "DICK" KNACK Twin Falls

Development sacrifices city's looks I read with great accord Grace Coas

solo's Aug. 22 letter to the editor regarding the hog-wild spread of commercial development and the lack of city aesthetics along the south canyon rim here in Twin Falls. I'm mostly concerned.

I remember not so long ago, the Bote farm and the wheat fields and those lofty poplar trees greeted visitors and newcomers to our once fair city. Nothing was more handsome than a summer sunset semi-beked by those towering trees and watching the swallows hover above the golden wheat. Then what happened? Our city and county leaders sold out to big business.

Now a mall, several shopping centers, car dealerships and a Taco Bell wave the friendly hand of city hospitality as if to say, "To heck with your beauty and a good quality of life; go shopping!"

Now I do not type with clean hands myself. I am employed by one of the businesses now located on the south canyon rim who used to be down town. I decided that it would be more profitable to move. It was right, and I don't blame any existing business for wanting to move to make more money— that's the American way. I blame our city and coun-

ty officials and planning and zoning committees for such a short-sighted plan and foresight for the future. And it's getting worse. What's next, a Walmart in City Park?

I know, I know. You don't have to tell me. The new businesses are good for the economy, and I cannot dispute that. It's the sacrifice of our natural treasures and the lack of community pride for such that disgusts me. Instead of paving everything and erecting discount stores and car lots, why not renovate the downtown warehouse districts which are now eyesores and bring some prosperity back to the heart of Twin Falls?

I applaud the downtown businesses that have not sold out and left vacant store windows but instead have decided to stay and bring some dignity back to downtown.

And I implore our local leaders and planning and zoning officials to aim with the future in mind. Instead of another discount store or car lot (whose lights light up the world at night), why not create a park with your trees and some trees and give the citizens of this community something to be proud of?

ERIK HEIDEMANN Twin Falls

Doonesbury



By Garry Trudeau



Mallard Fillmore



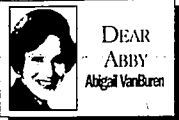
By Bruce Tinsley

Reunion of mother and child may be only a registry away

DEAR ABBY: Several years ago you published the address for International Soundex Reunion Registry in Carson City, Nev. Please print it again and again.

When I was 17, I gave birth to a baby girl and put her up for adoption. I had no choice about it.

I wanted her to have a good life. I always wanted to know my daughter and wanted her to know how much I loved her, so when she reached 18, I registered with ISRR. I faced a lot of criticism when I decided to let



DEAR ABBY
Abigail VanBuren

her find me. Yesterday, she found me! It is the most wonderful, amazing thing that has ever happened to me. I've waited 33 years to know her and it was well worth the wait. She's beautiful

inside and out, articulate and a college graduate. Never a day went by that her parents didn't let her know how loved she was.

When she walked in, she handed me a gift and said, "Happy Mother's Day." I have no other children and have waited all my life to hear those words.

She had been searching for me since 1996, and had sent her registration to ISRR last week. At 4:30 Tuesday afternoon they called her and told her they had found her mother.

I'd like to offer a huge thank-you to the Websters for taking such good care of Laura Marie, and for guiding her and raising her. Her mother died last July of lung cancer, and I am heartbroken that I could not know her.

Another huge thank you to International Soundex Reunion Registry. They made it all possible! To birth parents and adoptees: Register with Soundex. You have nothing to lose and everything to gain.

Abby, please feel free to publish any or all of my letter, and our names. I want the world to

know how happy we are.

— KATHLEEN KOEHLER,
SANTA ANA, CALIF.

DEAR KATHLEEN AND LAURA MARIE: I'm pleased that your search ended so happily. It's gratifying to know I was able to help you find each other. Congratulations to you both.

The International Soundex Reunion Registry is a group I have recommended for many years. They are efficient, honest, and operate with the philosophy that neither the identity of the

birth parents nor the adopted child shall be disclosed unless all parties are agreeable to a reunion. Birth parents and children can register, and when the children reach legal age — if both parties are registered and want to find each other — a match is made.

The address is: International Soundex Reunion Registry (ISRR), P.O. Box 2312, Carson City, Nev. 89702. Send a long (business size), stamped, self-addressed envelope to the registry and request Soundex forms.

Hollywood loves to portray teachers as both tough, ridiculous

The Dallas Morning News

One of the most savvy things a filmmaker can do is tap into our fantasies. And most of us, at one time or another, nurtured fantasies about our schoolteachers.

In early school years, we always wanted to know our teachers' first names and if they had children. Many young girls professed "crushes" on the boys' gym teachers, while their male counterparts entertained mischievous thoughts regarding other young teachers.

However, the despondent "187" stars Samuel L. Jackson as a dedicated teacher who goes fiercely over the edge. Jackson, best known as the grieving father who feels he has "A Time to Kill" and as the hit man who finds religion in "Pulp Fiction," gives a surprisingly one-note performance, and the entire movie is on that same feverish pitch.

It's needless to deny that both classrooms and movies have changed since 1955, when "Blackboard Jungle" was released. It was one of the first Hollywood films to deal directly with juvenile delinquency. Glenn Ford played the earnest urban teacher, and "Rock Around the Clock" was the movie's theme song.

Political doyenne Clare Boothe Luce was not entertained. Horrified that it would give overseas audiences the wrong impression of American schools, she insisted that Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer add a disclaimer stating that the movie was not intended to reflect all of our public schools. The studio complied.

For Sidney Poitier, his "Blackboard Jungle" delinquent marked the first curve in a cinematic circle. A dozen years later, at the height of his celluloid sainthood, Poitier would be at the blackboard, conquering insolence and lack of interest and emerging as the "Sir" of "To Sir, With Love."

Disorder, particularly in a regimented situation, always lends itself to the camera. Even in a film as heavy-handed as "Indecent Proposal," the scene in which Demi Moore dutifully teaches citizenship to immigrants, only to be disrupted by the "indecent" bookking of Robert Redford, was recognizable as just another play to seduce the audience.

For some students, teachers exist as objects of ridicule. You can't blame the movies for this; the concept goes back even further than Washington Irving's Ichabod Crane. Still, Hollywood supplied such varied comedies as "Teacher's Pet" with Doris Day, "High School High" with Jon



Perhaps Hollywood's classic teacher was Robert Donat, with Greer Garson in 1937's 'Goodbye Mr. Chips.'

Lovitz, "The Absent-Minded Professor" with Fred MacMurray (now being remade with Robin Williams), "The Nutty Professor," first with Jerry Lewis and then with Eddie Murphy, and "Wildcats" with Goldie Hawn. And Ronald Reagan's authoritative, avuncular air was put to use portraying professors in two campus comedies, "Bedtime for Bonzo" and "She's Working Her Way Through College."

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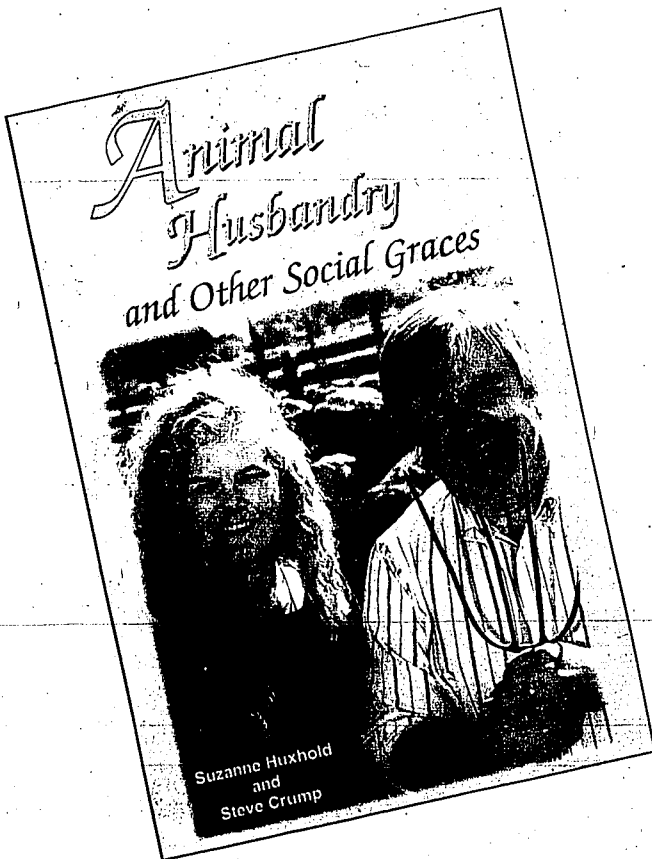
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COMING EVENTS

•The final orientation session of the Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers will be held at 9 a.m. Wednesday at the Church of the Brethren, 461 River Avenue in Twin Falls. Judy Ulrich of Mental Health Services and Maggie Michala of the South Central District Health Department will be the speakers. The public is invited. For more information, call Maya Lemmon at 735-0936.

•J.T. Waters will perform original songs from 8 to 10 p.m. Wednesday on the free stage at the Twin Falls County Fair. Songs include "One Man," "Upon the Wall" and "Ain't it Time."

•The Twin Falls Gun Club fall league will start Thursday at the gun club on North Washington. For more information, call Gary Cooper at 733-5578.

•The first day of school in the Twin Falls School District is Sept. 2.

In order to provide incoming sophomores at the high school with a student orientation session, the following schedule will be followed the first day of school:

Sophomores will report to the high school at 8:09 a.m. Sept. 2 for orientation and lunch on campus (in the school cafeteria or a sack lunch).

Juniors and seniors will report to their first period classes at 12:15 p.m. Sept. 2.

For more information, call the high school at 733-6551.

•The Gooding High School Booster Club will hold its annual kick-off and membership drive at 6:30 p.m. today in the multipurpose room at the high school. All coaches will be in attendance to give updates on their sports. The membership fee is \$5. For more information, call Brenda Rico at 934-4017.

•The Gooding Community Soup Kitchen opens at 5:30 p.m. every Tuesday in the basement at the St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, 1515 California St.

Food is donated through church organizations, and the meal is provided by community organizations. Feel free to come and eat. Admission is free.

Anyone who would like to donate or help prepare meals is encouraged to contact Jack Woodland at 934-5634.

•A Tri-Gooding Cub Scout Pack meeting for boys in first through sixth grades and their parents is planned for 7 p.m. Wednesday near the swings (across from the round building) at the Idaho School for the Deaf and Blind.

Be prepared to get wet. For more information, call David Chaney at 934-4118.

•A Red Cross blood drive will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday at the War Memorial Hall on the corner of Third and Idaho streets.

Type O blood is needed. For an appointment or more information, call Carolyn Dvitz at 934-5409.

•The West Magic Lake Recreation Club has planned a Labor Day barbecue for 3 p.m. Sunday at the West Magic Lake Resort. A boat parade is scheduled for noon.

Ham, beef and salads will be served. Cost is \$5 per person. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Johnny Bubbs at (208) 487-2037.

Kids find animal shelter dog-gone good

By Susan Bailey
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - The Animal Shelter of Wood River Valley is known for keeping strays and lost pets until they find homes, and now it's known for educating children on the care of pets.

This summer, the organization started a program called Humane Hikes to bring children through the maze of cats, rabbits, dogs and other pets housed in the facility up Croy Canyon outside Hailey. Staff members take groups to meet furry residents by appointment, and tell them about the work of the shelter.

"They can go home and tell their parents, 'We went to the shelter today,'" said animal shelter employee Dana Gloor. "A lot of people don't even know we're here."

On the other hand, many people do know they are around, and some bring stray pets from other towns where animals are destroyed if homes are not found within a certain length of time. "It's probably why we get animals brought to us from Twin Falls or Burley or Buhl," said Gloor. "They know we're trying to be a no kill shelter and we don't turn animals away, either."

Unlike shelters run by cities, the Wood River Valley facility is a non-profit organization supported by donations. The generosity of residents allows animals to stay on site until a family takes them home. The facility currently has several cats that arrived in February and March. Gloor said one shelter dog lived in the Croy Canyon dog runs for 19 months until a family wanted him.

"He's of a great family," said Gloor. "Gloor is one of three full-time employees who take turns leading Humane Hikes to introduce shelter animals to younger people. Last week, 10 Preschool in Hailey visited, petting cats, watching wild cats grow accustomed to people, touching rabbits and letting dogs sniff their faces."

Children are taught kindness to animals, and the importance of regular feed, exercise and attention. Although many Wood River Valley children already own pets, the Humane Hikes tells them about lost, fortunate animals and the necessary for spay and neuter surgeries to keep pet populations under control.

"Overpopulation is a problem, and we want kids to understand that," said Gloor.

Tiny Lago, director of the Little River Preschool, said children needed to see that some pets were not taken care of, and that was to see there are people that don't take care of their animals, and this is where they come," Lago said.

Increased awareness of the animal shelter activities helps the shelter gain greater recognition in the community, and also educates children about the consequences of owning an animal. On Aug. 13, 4- and 5-year-olds watched a shy black Labrador being trained, and learned how a purebred German shepherd and a cocker spaniel came to the shelter. Nineteen dogs, three rabbits, five cats and 11 cats are presently living in Hailey and waiting for homes.



Little River Preschool visits the Animal Shelter of Wood River Valley to learn about its programs and the pets awaiting adoption. The shelter keeps animals until they find homes. Dana Gloor, a staff member seated at the left, leads children through the Croy Canyon facility last week. Tours can be arranged by calling (208) 788-4351.



Petting a bunny on a Humane Hike are, left to right, Walker Royston, 4, with Dana Gloor of the Animal Shelter of Wood River Valley, and Harlan Collins, 4.



Brian Boyle, 3, of Hailey checks out one of 19 animal shelter dogs getting fresh air in pens behind the Croy Canyon facility.

Some are being held until an owner claims them, some were found-in-the-backcountry and some were given away by owners that could no longer keep them. An awareness of proper pet care is fostered by the Humane Hikes. "I know to be nice to my dog," said Colt Seely, 4, of Hailey.

Seeing the variety of animals brought home another point to one young visitor last week. "Dogs are different from cats," said Tommy Smythe, 4, another Hailey resident. Gloor said children are welcome to participate in a Humane Hike by call-

ing for a reservation, (208) 788-4351. The Animal Shelter of Wood River Valley is open seven days a week from 10-6 Monday-Friday and 10-4 on Saturday and Sunday. Potential pet owners can drop in for a look at the available animals during regular hours.

Jerome man returns from Israel with knowledge

U of I student body president meets with Palestinian leaders

By H.R. Welton
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - The University of Idaho student body president, Jim Dalton, has returned from an action-packed adventure in Israel.

Dalton, a graduate of Jerome High School, was selected as a future American leader to participate in meetings with Palestinian leaders, the Supreme Court, labor party members, rabbis, educators and to tour the country. Eleven other U.S. student body presidents accompanied the young man under a program sponsored by the Project Interchange organization.

"Throughout the travel seminar we were presented with the multiple sides of issues pertaining to Israeli politics, society, religion, archeology, and their culture. It was very objective. I had no idea of the complexity of the situation over there and how difficult it will be to have peace in that country. They told us if we left with more questions than we had when we went over there, they had done their job of giving us information, and they were right," Dalton said. "The group of student body presidents led a wreath at the Yad Vashem Holocaust Martyrs and Heroes memorial. In a ceremony the group read this poem written by Martin Niemoller who had spent 8 1/2 years in a German concentration camp: "First they came for the communists and I did not speak out - the socialist and I did not speak out - because I was not a socialist. Then they came for the trade unionists and I did not speak out - because I was not a trade

unionist. Then they came for the Jews and I did not speak out - because I was not a Jew. Then they came for me - and there was no one left to speak out for me."

Dalton said it "was shocking" to see Pizzat Hut, McDonald's and Kentucky Fried Chicken in Israel, especially when he was standing in line at McDonald's and a soldier dressed in green and carrying an M16 rifle stood beside him.

"Swimming in the Dead Sea was something I hope to tell my grandkids about. It was saltier than the Great Salt Lake and completely absent of life. We recalled the famous Jordan River and planted a tree on the outskirts of Jerusalem. That was a moment I cherish as I remembered my roots because I dedicated the tree to the memory of my grandfather, Bert Dalton," he said.

"I met a girl there named Sari - she is the daughter of a British father and Swiss mother, both Jews. She was incredible in her maturity, but more awesome was her ability to speak more than six languages at the age of 20," Dalton recalled.

"As far as politics go, I learned that the situation in the Middle East is complicated to say the least. There are no easy answers, and really no easy questions. There is a saying in Israel, 'three Jews, four opinions.' I would say that applies to the Palestinians there as well and only indicates another level of the complexity to the situation," he said.

Dalton is majoring in civil engineering at the University and said he hopes to return to school and obtain a masters degree in business administration or law. "After this trip I plan to ultimately be in public service. I want to end up doing things for my community. As far as going into politics, people have said I should do that, but if it means lowering my standards and morals I would never be a politician," Dalton said.



Jim Dalton wears an Israeli hat he acquired while on a tour of the country with the Project Interchange organization.

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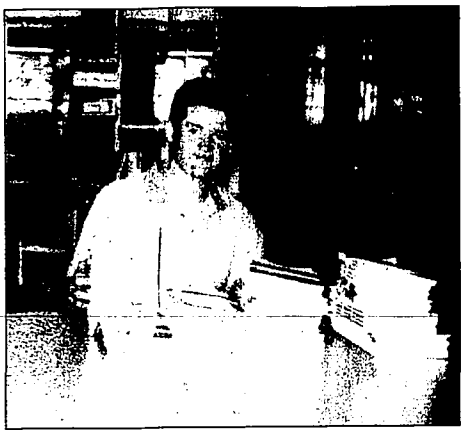
Gun club to gather

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TF high school begins

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IN WITH THE NEW



Ben Harney displays the new books that have been donated to the Twin Falls Public Library as part of his Eagle Scout project.

and confirmation retreats and other helpful retreats. Harney has attended the College of Southern Idaho, worked at St. Edward's School, and was involved in a life teen program in Jerome.

Winners announced

Crossing Assisted Living Center has announced the top winners in bridge and pinhole at the party held July 23. Two hundred people accepted their invitation to a complimentary dinner and a lovely social evening of cards.

Bennett passes exam

The University of Idaho College of Engineering announced that John Bennett of Hansen has passed a recent engineer-in-training exam.

Aguilar represents ISU

Marcela Aguilar of Twin Falls will represent the Idaho State University College of Pharmacy in a fellowship program entitled, "Future Pharmacy Leaders: Building the New Foundation," for graduating pharmacy students.

Aguilar, who will enter her fourth year in the ISU pharmacy program this fall, is one of 77 pharmacy students from across the nation who will attend the three-day program to be held in Philadelphia, Pa.

Aguilar's parents, Jose and Beatriz, migrated from Mexico 30 years ago. She is completing a pharmacy internship in Boise this summer. She has completed 186 credits with a 3.93 cumulative grade-point average and is required to successfully complete 224 credits to graduate with the Pharm.D. degree.

Griff attends festival

Rachael Griff, 16-year-old daughter of Richard and Jackie Griff of Twin Falls, recently attended the Master Works Festival at Houghton College in Houghton, N.Y.

recipient of the Idaho State Festival Summer Music Camp Scholarship. Griff participated as a violinist. She has studied piano for nine years and has been home educated since third grade.

The four-week event required the participants to practice six to 10 hours per day. Some of the works performed by the students included Brahms Symphony 2, Firebird Suite by Stravinsky, and Finlandia composed by Sibelius.

Griff named to dean's list

Kandis Griff, daughter of Ron and Janie Griff of Twin Falls, has been named to the dean's list at the University of Washington in Seattle.

McBride earns honors

Jonathan James McBride of Twin Falls has been named to the honor roll for the spring quarter at Western Washington University in Bellingham, Wash.

Harney goes to Japan

Caitlin Harney 15, of Filer, received a scholarship as a foreign exchange student in Japan for six weeks. She departed June 18 and stayed in host homes.

Scholarship awarded

Emily Redman, a 1995 graduate of Twin Falls High School, was recently awarded a \$750 scholarship for the 1997-98 school year from the Supreme Guardian Council of the International Order of Job's Daughters.

White at TFHS. Redman was in the National Honor Society and active in other school activities. She recently graduated from Cottey College in Nevada, Mo., where she received associate of arts and associate of science degrees.

Wiseman nominated

Andrew David Wiseman has been

CLUB PROFILE

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS RELIEF SOCIETY



Members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Relief Society gather for an afternoon of quilting. Pictured are, from left, Sandy Croft, Karen Story, Leslie Corth and Ametta Bennett.

Purpose: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Relief Society was organized in March of 1842. Each local chapter focuses on the central mission to build faith in God by scripture study and personal prayer, develop and share personal talents and abilities, teach how to serve and give benevolent service to those who are in need, strengthen home and family ties and give friendship and support to each of the women in the society.

As a resource for women, the group, comprised mainly of LDS members, welcomes diversity and is open to women of any religion who are 18 years of age or older.

The Relief Society members support each other using a network system known as visiting teaching. Every woman in the group is contacted monthly by a pair of women who visit and give a spiritual message and will respond to provide help when a crisis occurs providing meals when a birth, death or sickness happens, giving a shoulder to cry on or words of encouragement for loneliness or despair.

For more information about dates, times and locations of meetings, call one of the following Relief Society Presidents: Julie Ann Hemsley, Rupert Stake, at 523-4800 or Ann Clark, Burley Stake, at 678-8235.

Profile your club

The Times-News would like to profile your organization. Send your information along with your name, a photo and your phone number to: Kristi Smith, Community Editor, P.O. Box 548 Twin Falls, ID 83401.

EVENTS

ELSEWHERE

Barbecue planned

SHOSHONE - The West Magic Lake Recreation Club has planned a Labor Day barbecue for 2 p.m. Sunday at the West Magic Lake Resort. A boat parade is scheduled for noon.

SERVICE NEWS

Hamey joins program

Alkha Harney, 18, of Filer, has been accepted in the Reach Program for 11 months. She departed Aug. 16 with two teams of eight to 12 people who are attending the program. They stayed in host homes and traveled in vans.

We want your news

Advertisement for a news service. It includes contact information for Kristi Smith, Community Editor, and a list of services offered such as community meetings, obituaries, and school achievement news.

SENIOR CALENDAR

A detailed calendar listing events for various senior centers including Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center, West End Senior Citizens Inc., Ageless Senior Citizens, and Filer Senior Haven. Events include dinners, exercises, and social gatherings.

nominated to receive the National Future Farmers of America Organization's Honorary American FFA Degree. Wiseman was nominated for the degree by the Idaho FFA Association, and the nomination was approved by the National FFA Board of Directors at its recent meeting in Alexandria, Va.

that time, Wiseman has been the ag teacher/FA Advisor at Buhl for two years and at Castelford for 12 years as teacher/advisor and now as principal. Wiseman will receive the degree during the 70th National FFA Convention Nov. 13-15 in Kansas City, Mo., pending final approval of the nomination by the student FFA delegates who must vote on all honorary presentations of the National FFA Organization.

Robertson graduates

Sam Robertson, of Twin Falls, graduated May 4 from Lewis & Clark College in Portland, Ore., with a bachelor of arts degree in history.

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STOCKS

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STOCKS

The markets were particularly volatile over the last two weeks amid scattered hints of weaker company profits and mild inflationary pressures that could prompt the Federal Reserve to raise interest rates in the coming months.

STOCKS

Although the Dow did move slightly more than 100 points from high to low on Monday, it was the first time in seven sessions that the blue-chip barometer didn't swing 100 points in either direction from the previous session's close.

STOCKS

The most volatile of those seven sessions came Friday, when the Dow wiped out all its gains from the previous Friday, when it tumbled 247 points.

STOCKS

"It was overdue that we would have a quiet day," said Robert Freedman, chief investment officer for the Hancock Funds in Boston. "I'd guess that this week will be fairly quiet as we approach the (Labor-Day) holiday. A lot of people are still away on vacation."

STOCKS

Although the economic calendar is relatively light this week, there was some concern ahead of Tuesday's reports on durable goods orders, existing home sales and next week's retail activity, Freedman said.

STOCKS

Consumer product shares were the Dow's weakest issues on Monday. Procter & Gamble fell 2 1/4 to 136 1/4. Coca-Cola fell 1 1/16 to 59 5/8, and Johnson & Johnson, down 1 1/2 to 57 1/4. General Motors was among the Dow's strongest components, rising 1 7/16 to 66 1/4.

TREASURY

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TREASURY

The new discount rates understate the actual return to investors — 5.26 percent for three-month bills with a \$10,000 bill selling for \$9,869.20, and 5.6 percent for a six-month bill selling for \$9,400.10.

TREASURY

In a separate report, the Federal Reserve said Monday that the average yield for one-year Treasury bills, the most popular for individuals, changed very little in adjustable rate mortgages, fell to 5.54 percent last week from 5.59 percent the previous week.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Sex offender to enter prison treatment program

TWIN FALLS - A Twin Falls man once acquitted of murdering a child by abuse will enter a state prison sex-offender treatment program in May.

Donnell "Bud" Stradley, 33, was sentenced Monday to the North Idaho Correctional Institute in Cottonwood for 180 days. Stradley pleaded guilty July 12 to one of two counts of police and conscious conduct with two young girls he was baby-sitting.

Stradley and former Twin Falls County Prosecutor Rich Bevan agreed on the sentence at the time of the plea. District Judge Daniel Mechl accepted the agreement, which calls for three to seven years in prison, with the judge retaining jurisdiction for 180 days.

At the end of the treatment program, Mechl can either send Stradley into prison or, more likely, to a long probation term.

Trustees set open house for faculty, administrators

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls School Board will hold an open house from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Twin Falls High School to meet administrators and teachers new to the district.

The School Board is scheduled to take action on a proposal to create a new full-time attendance officer at Twin Falls High School, to free the vice principal's time for other responsibilities. An attendance officer would be responsible for issuing absences and tardy slips to students, filing attendance records, recommending cases for expulsion or suspension, and other attendance duties.

The School Board could not agree at its Aug. 12 meeting on a starting salary for the position. Board members asked to compare it with registrar and secretarial job duties. The starting annual salary difference between the two positions is about \$1,500.

Today's meeting will be held in the technology room at the high school, 1615 Filer Ave. E.

Filer phone company goes toll-free on Friday

FILER - One minute after midnight Friday morning, 2,100 Filer Mutual Telephone customers will join the rest of the Magic Valley in toll-free calling.

"We see light at the end of the tunnel," said general manager John Gunn about the change instituted with the cooperation of U S West.

Filer telephone users will see rates go up from \$6 to \$15.50 for residential lines and from \$7 to \$33.50 for businesses for the service.

About \$12,000 was spent on the toll-free project, but it was a commitment made by the cooperative, Gunn said.

U S West began working with the Filer system at the end of May, said U S West spokesman Clint Berry of Boise. U S West filed notices in August with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission seeking approval to add Filer to the larger extended calling area in the Magic Valley.

Meanwhile, technicians looked at long-distance routes between the Filer and Hollister areas served by Filer Mutual and the rest of the valley.

"We needed to reinforce the network to handle the increased calls," Berry said. "It happened pretty quickly."

County offices will close early Friday for fair

TWIN FALLS - County employees are going to the Twin Falls County Fair Friday afternoon.

Anyone who has business with the county this afternoon should note that all county offices will close at noon Friday.

All except, that is, court services, the sheriff's office-civil division, and Clerk Auditor Recorder's office will be open until 5 p.m.

Compiled from staff reports

No more subdivisions

Blaine County slaps 120-day moratorium on ag land construction

By Kristan Kennedy
Times-News correspondent

HAILLEY - Citing an onslaught of subdivision requests, Blaine County commissioners Monday slapped an emergency moratorium on building on agricultural lands.

The 120-day moratorium starts immediately.

At issue are county lands zoned A-10, allowing one housing unit per 10 acres, and A-20, allowing one unit per 20 acres. Commissioners say subdivision requests, fueled by a January court

decision, have gotten out of hand.

Commissioner Len Haring said the moratorium comes as commissioners and county planners are concerned about potential abuses in subdivision plans.

One of the main players in the drama, more than two years in the making, is Dean Rogers III, a family farmer in the Belle River area. He has battled Blaine County trying to keep two of his neighbors from subdividing their property.

Present Monday for the vote, Rogers said he was pleased with the moratorium, the second such freeze in two years.

Two of Rogers' neighbors won approval in late 1995 for a request to build houses on agricultural land. The Rogers family sued.

"I don't think anybody has the right to do anything that will hurt everybody else," Rogers said.

His main contention has been that farming and subdivisions don't mix.

A January court decision, however, went against a trial ban on subdividing agricultural acreage. County planner Linda Haavik said the decision fueled

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Kate Homan of Boise consoles a Labrador retriever, a passenger of the van which crashed into an overturned trailer on Interstate 84 near Eden. Homan, a passer-by, stopped to assist at the accident and was waiting for an animal control officer to pick up the dog.

Sticky situation: Road oil wreck closes Interstate 84 for 8 hours

By Kent McClary
Times-News writer

HAZELTON - Gunk. Goopy, sticky, smelly black gunk.

That's about the best description of the full tanker truckload of road base oil spilled over the westbound lanes of Interstate 84, on the Valley Road overpass Monday morning.

The mess closed the freeway for about eight hours.

A semi truck and trailer loaded with the thick oil rolled on the approach to the overpass, rupturing the tank and sending the trailer tank careening down the embankment, across Valley Road below, and to a rest on the west side of the underlying road. A minivan following the tanker ran into the wreckage, according to Idaho State Police reports.

The driver of the semi, Carol J. Eves-Schies, 56, of Springville, Utah, was thrown from the cab, and suffered a broken leg and extensive cuts and scrapes, the report said. She was listed in stable condition Monday at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

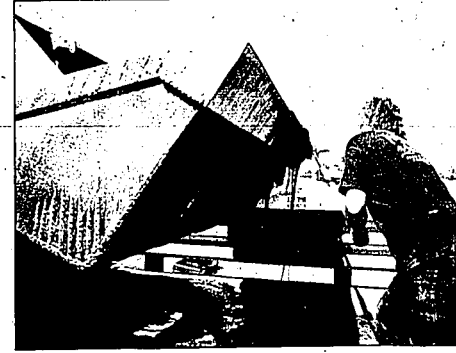
The driver of the van, Terry L. Lemmon of Hagerman, was wearing a seat belt and suffered bruises and cuts. Lemmon was treated and released Monday from Magic Valley Regional.

A dog, riding with Lemmon got tar on its paws and was taken to a veterinarian for treatment, the report said.

The rolling semi spread crumpled sheets of aluminum and torn chunks of insulation along the road, and obliterated a guardrail on the north side of the road. While freeway was closed, westbound traffic used the Valley Road exit as a quick bypass.

The tandem truck was carrying 103,500 pounds of the oil, and most of it ended up on the ground, the ISP report said.

Oil from the main tank spilled along the bridge's northern curb, dripped through expansion joints, and coated the top half of the bridge embankment. Oil from the trailer marked the landing pad on the west side of Valley Road, and a puddle stretching to the onramp.



Don Reynolds of DW Underground scrapes oil off the scoop of a tractor driven by company owner Dan Fairbanks. The company had a contract to clean up the mess left by a semi truck full of paving oil rolled over Wednesday morning on Interstate 84 above the Valley Road exit. Two people were injured in the wreck.

The oil layered the shoes of wrecker crews, sticking to their hands as they tried to clear the wreckage.

"It's gunky," said Idaho Transportation Department maintenance foreman Rod Draper, watching sheets of the oil slowly stretch over the lip of a cleanup contractor's loader

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It's a dirty job: Cleanup of gas station dirt pile begins

By N.S. Nokkentved
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - After nearly two years of promises, a pile of dirt at a former gas station on Washington Street North may soon disappear.

The hole and dirt pile at the Super Quik date from 1995 when a suspected gasoline leak led to the removal of underground tanks. The pile and the hole have been awaiting further action since.

The U.S. District Court in Boise has approved an agreement among former owners and operators of the gas station at 408 Washington St. N., clearing the way to begin cleanup.

Groundwater samples were drawn last week. This week soil tests will be done to ensure all contaminated soil will be removed.

And a contractor has started moving dirt, beginning a long-awaited removal of a dirt pile that has confounded officials and begrimed neighbors for nearly two years.

This week a Boise contractor will begin to haul away the pile. Contaminated dirt also will be removed. To make sure all contaminated dirt is removed, the contractor will dig down, to bedrock if necessary, until field tests show no more contamination, said Patrick O'Rourke, water quality science officer with the state Division of Environmental Quality's Twin Falls regional office.

Lab tests on samples from the pit will back up the field tests, he said. Once all the contaminated dirt has been removed, clean fill dirt will fill the hole.

"Another contractor last week drilled two additional test wells; a total of 10 will monitor groundwater contamination. The results of water samples taken last week are not yet available.

The results will help officials determine how much risk - if any - the contamination presents, and determine any necessary treatment. Area groundwater is not used as drinking water, O'Rourke said.

Complaints about gasoline in the

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Woman's death ruled accidental

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

JEROME - The Jerome County Sheriff's Department has ruled on final play in the death of an elderly Joanne woman whose body was found in a pasture near her home Friday evening.

Investigators have concluded that Opal Howell, 82, died from head injuries after being accidentally run over by her own pickup, Sheriff's detective Sgt. Dan Chatterton said.

Chatterton said investigators were called to the scene at 100 W. 100 N. at about 7 p.m. Friday after Howell's son found the body.

"They found the pickup stuck on a woodpile about 50 to 75 feet from Howell's body. The truck's ignition was on, the automatic transmission was in reverse, and the gas tank was empty," he said.

Tire tracks on the victim's part leg match the pattern on the truck's tires, and some of the victim's blood was also found on one tire, Chatterton said.

Howell's grandson had loaded the truck with firewood, he said, and she probably intended to back it up to the woodpile, so her grandson could unload the wood later that day.

Howell probably went out to the pickup sometime between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Friday, when she was alone on her small ranch, Chatterton said.

Apparently she was trying to get into or out of the cab while the engine was running, but didn't realize the truck was still in gear until it was too late, Chatterton said.

After the accident, the truck continued backing up on its own, he said. It went through an open gate, struck a fence and then got hung up on the woodpile, where the engine ran itself out of fuel, Chatterton said.

Times-News staff writer Mark Heinz can be reached in Jerome at 324-6962.

Blight strikes area tomatoes

By Gregory Hahn
Times-News writer

RUPERT - The tomato plants in Duhay Stoller's backyard garden grew so big this summer they broke their own stems.

But about two weeks ago, his wife noticed a few brown spots on the stems. Soon, similar lesions appeared on the plant's leaves and the green tomatoes themselves.

Now, almost all of his 60 plants are dying.

"On Monday, he took a few infected tomatoes to the University of Idaho extension office in Rupert. The diagnosis is late blight."

"A couple of weeks ago, we thought they were real healthy plants," he said, standing near the garden he will have to destroy.

Stoller's garden is not the only one infested with the scourge of the Idaho potato industry. Connie Smith from the Mendocino County extension office and four others brought blighted tomatoes on Monday alone.

"Late blight is moving into the gardens," she said. "And they've never seen it."

The higher winds and rain have probably aided the spread of the late blight spores, said S. Krishna Mohan of the UF's Parma Research and Extension Center. But though the disease can kill a tomato plant in two weeks, it poses no real danger if accidentally eaten.

"The fungus is not toxic to humans or animals," he said.

The spores can infect a plant within three hours of landing on it, and spread quickly from one plant to the next. Mohan said spraying the garden every seven to 10 days with a copper-based fungicide or a dilute bleach solution can hinder the fungus, but once a gardener sees the brown lesions on the plant, it is

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Audit: Chemical plant running safely

By Kurt Friedemann
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Some fears about the operating practices at the chemical plant southwest of town may have finally been laid to rest Monday.

Cassia County commissioners met with officials from Sundance Ag Inc., formerly Rainbow Farm Products, to review the compliance audit conducted by independent inspector David Einolf and to amend their decision for Sundance's special-use permit.

"I think what you guys did was a good thing," said Don Dean,

Sundance's president and chief executive officer. "I hope this gives people some comfort."

Commissioners decided unanimously to approve an amended version of the chemical plant's special-use permit. The county must conduct another audit in three months and again every September, and submit an summary of each to commissioners.

If they have doubts about the reports, commissioners reserved the right to ask for an additional audit at any time.

In a July 6 hearing to determine if the plant had violated its first special-use permit, commis-

sioners decided the April 3 explosion that killed one Albion man had not violated county permit regulations.

"I still think the plant can operate safely," Commissioner Paul Christensen said after the hearing.

Einolf's report came after commissioners were not satisfied with chemical engineer Allen Bierle's analysis and asked Sundance to pay for an outside audit.

The second audit was a good one, County Prosecutor Stephen Bywater said. Einolf praised Bierle's work and the company's safety and operational practices.

His company, Boise-based Dames and Moore, had 12 specific recommendations, including changing the hot-work permit forms, reviewing operating procedures at the next audit and holding documented training evaluations for the plant's operators.

Commissioner Lyle Woodbury said people told him they appreciated the independent audit.

"We realized that no one was watching the chicken coop," Woodbury said.

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Cash box thefts reported elsewhere

By Kent McCleary
Times-News writer

ONTARIO, Ore. — Twin Falls isn't the only place razed by burglars who broke door locks to get into businesses.

Ontario police say 23 businesses in their town were broken into in the same manner early Friday morning — the day after a rash of burglaries in Twin Falls. In fact, other Oregon police agencies, in LaGrande, Baker City, Sweet Home, and Tigard, and the Oregon Department of Justice, are investigating similar burglaries, said Ontario Police Capt. Mike Kee.

The similarities to the Oregon burglaries suggest the Twin Falls burglars may be from out of town, Twin Falls detectives say.

Ontario police sent a report of its thefts to police agencies, and issued similar burglaries stretching back as far as three years, Kee said. The report attracted the attention of Twin Falls police and detectives say they'll be

share information on the break-ins.

"For all the work they did, they didn't get a lot of money, just the fact that they affected so many people, that is making this a priority," Kee said.

The burglars hit businesses along Fourth Avenue in Ontario, Kee said, the route of U.S. Highway 20-26 as it passes through town.

Burglars broke into 25 Twin Falls businesses Thursday, using tools to break off the faces of front door locks on businesses, Twin Falls police reports say. The burglars took almost \$2,000 cash, and also took various items.

"All that was taken was cash, and the method of entry was pretty much the same. On the vast majority of them, they broke off the lock," Kee said on Ontario. Businesses lost \$5,000 to \$7,000 cash, he said.

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1 year passes since devastating Elba wildfire

By Kurt Friedemann
Times-News writer

BURLEY — The Elba wildfire, an 11,000-acre scorcher that started in the hills of Cassia County a year ago today, left those involved in firefighting a little bit wiser.

"We sure learned how fast a fire can move," U.S. Forest Service District Ranger Pete Peterson said. "The first couple of days were especially traumatic but we got through it."

It took 230 firefighters 11 days to control the fire, started when heavy winds blew a Cassia County prescribed burn out of control and onto forest and range land.

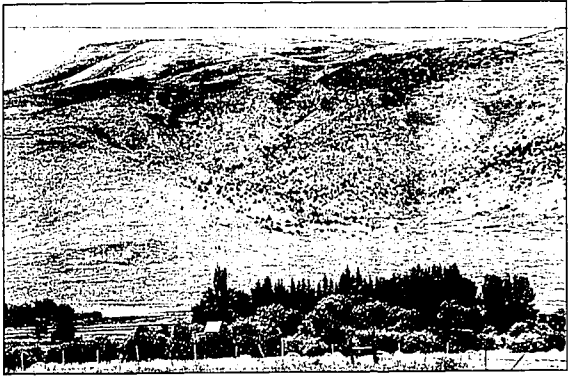
The plan had been to burn off the noxious weed medusahead, allow the remaining seed to germinate and then spray it with weed killer. Crested wheat grass would then be planted to revegetate the range.

The fire proceeded to devour a rancher's haystack, destroy thousands of acres of rangeland and threaten numerous homes and the Pomerelle Ski Resort.

"I think we still have a spot for county commissioners."

The county is still in litigation over the human-caused blaze. Some private landowners have sued the county. Prosecutor Stephen Bywater, but the rest are waiting.

"We are currently involved in a settlement with the U.S. government and private landowners," Bywater said.



New growth covers the hills around Elba where a wildfire consumed more than 11,000 acres a year ago.

The Forest Service submitted a bill to the county for around \$690,000 for the fire the agency says the county caused.

It may be a year in the past but remnants of the blaze still remain. About 18 local ranchers have been forced to restrict grazing because of the burn.

Almo rancher Brent Jones had to pull about 50 head of cattle off the range for two years, to comply with a Forest Service policy to rejuvenate areas affected by fire.

Bureau of Land Management Public Information Officer Carol Edwards said the estimated cost of fighting the fire was around \$620,000, but added the burned areas "looked really good now."

She said the BLM had aerially reseeded 580 acres and were pleased with the results.

The Forest Service's greatest concern, Peterson said, was watershed and the "catastrophic loss of soil."

"We decided there wasn't much danger," he said. "We might want to do some reseeded later in the fall."

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Dam managers and local officials found themselves lighting to save homes and farms from an extra million acres-foot of flood water.

Officials study June floods to develop better management system

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — As record snowfall piled up in the mountains above the Snake River last winter, federal scientists armed with electronic snow

gauge data and computer models underestimated by nearly 25 percent the spring runoff that would fill the river.

The batched forecast, the largest miscalculation ever, now is blamed for strategic errors that helped make June's floods some of the worst in eastern Idaho's history.

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Cleanup

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groundwater on Washington Street go back more than a decade. Investigations pointed fingers at four gas stations in the vicinity.

One suspected source was Super Quik, which continued to operate until 1995. When the tanks were removed, evidence of a leak was found at the service island. The tanks themselves apparently hadn't leaked.

Until this week, Super Quik cleanup had been mired in long-running legal arguments over who owned the property and who

was responsible for cleaning up the mess.

Apparently a California corporation, Gramercy Enterprises Inc. of Los Angeles, owned the station at the time of the leak.

But other owners and operators share responsibility.

If any party undertook the cleanup without the approval of the other responsible parties, that party might not be able to recover cleanup costs.

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Workers clear off tarpaulin that had been covering a controversial mound of dirt at 408 Washington St. N. Monday afternoon before excavating the soil.

Subdivisions

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some aggressive building plans, which might approve applications which might provoke further lawsuits, commissioners decided to call the moratorium to reexamine the existing ordinance.

Commissioner Dennis Wright said the entire zoning map should be reexamined.

"I think some people want to jerk it out of context," Wright said. "They think some things are automatic."

Two subdivision applications,

already in the procedural pipeline, are exempt from the moratorium: the Antelope Springs subdivision, which calls for 40 homes on 250 acres; and the Spring Springs subdivision, which calls for 38 houses on 160 acres, south of

Baseline Road in the Bellevue area.

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Wreck

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bucket.

"It strings up forever in the air," Draper said. "You can use solvents to clean it up, but then the solvent is a hazardous material." Diesel works real well to break it up, but if you use it, it

becomes a hazardous material. You're kind of darned if you do, darned if you don't."

Cleanup crews from DW Underground of Twin Falls spread sand on the oil on the overpass to help bob it up, so the road could be re-opened. Repairing guardrail

will cost at least \$7,000, Draper said — when ITD crews can get in without sticking.

Draper said the best time for a complete cleanup of the oil will be when temperatures slide to 20 or 30 degrees and solidifies. The oil is only considered a hazardous

material because it is heated to boiling to load; after all, the same stuff underlies every road, Draper said.

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Blight

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most likely no late.

"You can't only prevent it," he said. "You can't cure the infection once it is there."

The spores don't live in the soil, so Stoller and others can plant

tomatoes next year in the same spot, Mohan said.

He added that the best way to dispose of infected plants is to pull them out, let them dry in the sun and then seal them in plastic garbage bags.

"Once the plant dies, the fungus dies with it," he said.

He also gave some advice for next year: Use seeds or carefully inspect the seedlings.

"It might be coming through the transplants," he said.

"They have to make sure they're getting healthy seedlings."

Gregory Hahn is The Times-News' Mini-Cassia bureau chief and can be reached at 677-4042.

Farmers, police deal with renegade drug growers

By Penelope Reedy
Times-News writer

RUPERT — Minidoka County Tuesday discussed a problem that's been popping up recently in some county farmers' fields.

"What does a farmer do when he finds marijuana plants in his field?" Commission Chairman John Rensberg asked Sheriff Paul Fries at the commissioners' meeting.

Occasionally, he said, a farmer comes across the psychoactive weed growing along ditchbanks or in low swampy areas of fields.

"Sometimes you can tell it's been planted," Rensberg said. "Once you see it, you'll never forget it."

He said sometimes what he calls "entrepreneurs on bicycles" sneak seeds and plants onto unfenced, unsecured farmers' land.

"They probably get a more lucrative crop than beans this year," said Rensberg, who has found about 100 acres of contracted seed beans due to brown spot disease.

The consensus reached with

Fries and County Prosecutor Rick Bollar was that it is better not to destroy the plants, but to leave them alone and call the sheriff's office to investigate.

Fries reported that search warrants in Minidoka County doubled last year since the county is more actively pursuing narcotics in other county business.

The Mini-Cassia Juvenile Probation Department reported that 10 youths attended their summer camp. Some had ever been camping before and for the most part the Camp Program was a positive experience.

The commissioners discussed the current controversy over charge accounts at the Solid Waste Transfer Station. They are debating whether to allow commercial users to have accounts and require non-commercial users to pay cash, or require that all users pay cash. After much discussion they tabled the issue for the next meeting when they will review the present account list.

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Women drop out of engineering

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — Jackie Peer was one of many women studying electrical engineering when she enrolled at Washington State University in 1992.

But four years later, she was often the only woman in her upper-division courses.

"Many (women) changed majors or dropped out," said Peer, who now works at Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories here as a product engineer.

"You feel like you are not one of the group, which is important because there are so many study

groups," she said. "If you don't feel welcome, it can place you at a disadvantage."

Peer said support of other women going through WSU's engineering program kept her from being discouraged.

To help recruit more women, WSU this year will expand a program mentoring first-year women students.

This year, 316 women participated in the Bridge program, which provides five days of workshops before school for freshmen majoring in engineering, math and sciences.

Grizzly reintroduction hearing set in Salmon

SALMON — Anyone with an opinion on grizzly bear recovery in the Selway-Bitterroot area is invited at a public meeting that begins at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Spawcoch Inn in Salmon.

Government agencies have been invited to the meeting, organized by local citizens.

Ketchum council to discuss budget today

KETCHUM — The Ketchum City Council will hold a special meeting at 1:15 p.m. today at the Ketchum City Hall, 480 East Ave. N.

The council will be discussing the 1997-98 fiscal year city budget.

Hailey planners to meet this evening

HAILEY — The Hailey Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a regular meeting at 7 p.m. tonight at the Hailey Town Center.

A public hearing is scheduled regarding the application from Lisa Phillips for a conditional use permit to operate a day-care facility in a limited residential district at 1710 Northridge Drive. Day-care centers accommodating 12 or fewer children are permitted in the district.

The commission will discuss and make recommendations concerning the economic development and transportation and circulation portions of the Hailey comprehensive plan. Commission members may discuss amendments to the housing section of the plan.

Hagerman council to discuss subdivisions

HAGERMAN — A special meeting of the Hagerman City Council will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Hagerman City Hall, 110 W. Main.

Discussion will focus on the Adamson Subdivision. The public is invited.

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Boise woman was among dead climbers

ZERMATT, Switzerland — The bodies of an Idaho woman and a Los Angeles man were recovered Monday from Switzerland's famed Matterhorn.

U.S. officials in Bern confirmed that one of the climbers was Sandra Eggers, 29, of Boise. The other was a 45-year-old man from Los Angeles whose name was not disclosed.

The two were roped to a third man, an unidentified British climber, the East Wall of the mountain Sunday morning when they were hit by a rock slide and fell.

Eggers and the Los Angeles man were fatally injured in a 150-foot fall, police said.

The British climber fell into a crevasse, where he lay pinned until rescuers could free him and airlift him to a hospital, police said. He was treated and released.

FMC acknowledges Sho-Ban jurisdiction

FORT HALL — For the first time, FMC Corp. officials have acknowledged the Shoshone-Bannock tribes have permit jurisdiction over an environmental project at the company's phosphates plant west of Pocatello.

During a public meeting, the tribal land use commission considered FMC's request to build two hazardous waste ponds and modify a third along the west side of the plant.

"These ponds are absolutely critical to the continued operation of our plant. I can't stress that enough," Dave Cornelius, FMC's environmental, health and safety manager, said to the three commissioners and about 10 tribal members last week.

FMC officials previously declined to apply for permits that tribal leaders said the company needed for environmental actions at its plant on the Fort Hall Indian Reservation. In some cases, FMC dispatched letters to permit applications indicating it did not recognize tribal jurisdiction.

Gingrich, colleagues to zip through state

SALT LAKE CITY — House Speaker Newt Gingrich and 30 other Republican representatives will be briefed and lobbied on land and natural resource issues in a whirlwind trip they took through Utah, Idaho, Wyoming and Montana.

The tour began Wednesday with a visit to Kennecott Copper's Bingham mine. Gingrich and his entourage will visit U.S. Rep. Helen Chenoweth, R-Idaho, Thursday for a tour of Idaho's Boise National Forest.

Wyoming rancher Frank Shepperson will be host to the lawmakers Friday for an afternoon at his ranching operation outside Midwest, Wyo. "It's a real opportunity for me and my family. I guess this group wants to put a real face on all the problems we're generating on our federal lands," Shepperson said.

The tour is being organized by former Utah state Rep. Mel Johnson's group, the Western States Coalition, which has as its members 3,000 elected officials from throughout the West.

Ex-Parma superintendent gets prison time

BOISE — Former Parma School District superintendent, Judith Nielsen was sentenced to four months in federal prison and four months of home detention for diverting school money to personal bank accounts.

U.S. District Judge Lynn Wimmil ordered Nielsen on Monday to surrender Sept. 24 and begin serving her prison term. Wimmil also fined her \$2,000 and ordered her to pay about \$20,000 in restitution to the Parma School District, some of which already has been paid.

Nielsen, 50, was indicted in September 1986 on charges of diverting in April to one of them. Court records indicate Nielsen transferred about \$24,000 in school money to personal bank accounts and used a district desk and computer to furnish a private office.

The Parma native, who was hired as school superintendent in 1983, faced up to 10 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

Deal would allow Eagle to keep growing

EAGLE — The threat of a metropolitan building development in one of Ada County's fastest growing cities could be over as the city of Boise prepares to take a permit of Eagle's sewage.

Boise City Councilman Mike Wecherell said the council will review a resolution today allowing Eagle to pump sewage to the West Boise Wastewater Treatment Facility.

The City Council has agreed to deannex property near the West Boise plant from its area of impact and city limits and return it to Eagle's area of impact.

Lynn Moser, the general manager of the Eagle Sewer District, said the contract with Boise will not affect consumer rates in Eagle for at least another year.

Investors salvage plans for Valbois resort

BOISE — Plans to build the proposed \$220 million Valbois resort in Valley County are back on the drawing boards.

A consortium of U.S. and foreign investors called Mesa Associates LLC has started to repay Valbois' creditors under a plan approved this month in U.S. Bankruptcy Court. The group hopes to breathe new life into the project that many Valley County residents thought was dead and gone.

"We'll be starting over with a new team and a new name," Don Wellmurray, the project's new chief executive officer, said last week.

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Yellowstone celebrates anniversary

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — Standing before Old Faithful, officials on Monday marked the 125th anniversary of the creation of the nation's first national park.

Son, Craig Thomas, R-Wyo., unveiled a series of proposals designed to help solve problems facing Yellowstone managers. He joined speakers including Gov. Jim Geringer, Idaho Gov. Phil Batt and National Park Service Intermountain Regional Director John Cook.

Geringer said the Park Service and the governments of the three states surrounding Yellowstone must work together effectively to ensure the preservation of the park.

"We must recognize that none of us exists independently of each other," he said in written comments. "Decisions made in Washington affect our individual states and indeed, our local communities. Conversely, actions

taken locally must recognize the national interest, the stewardship before Old Faithful, officials on Monday marked the 125th anniversary of the creation of the nation's first national park.

Thomas used the ceremony to outline his "National Parks Restoration Plan — Vision 2020," legislation he said was designed to ensure preservation of Yellowstone and other national parks into the next century.

"While we are here to celebrate the 125th anniversary, I want to focus today on the opportunity to celebrate the next 125," Thomas said in a prepared statement. "The beauty of the park that we see all around us today gracefully hides some of the real problems that exist.... Yellowstone is a good example of what a first-rate national park can be, and at the same time, it is a good example of the difficult challenges facing our parks nationwide."

Thomas said the National Park Service is dealing with a backlog

in funding for maintenance projects in parks across the country, disputes over wildlife management and struggles over park priorities.

He said his proposals would require the Park Service to develop a strategic plan to set policy and management goals and ensure they are met. He said they also would call for incorporating financial experts into the Park Service to remove that responsibility from park managers who are expected to have expertise in many other areas.

"Without detailed, realistic, long-term plans for specific areas, the Park Service will continue to experience problems with its management coordination and

provides accountability and quantifiable results," he said.

He also said the Park Service should turn more to the private sector to operate stores, motels and other concessions in national parks and to provide financial help to parks.

Thomas said his proposals also call for development of specific criteria for new parks. "Adding new units to the national park system which might more appropriately have been managed by state or local authorities stretches an already overburdened organization even further," he said.



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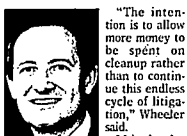
Environmentalists blast Crapo's proposal

BOISE (AP) — A spokesman for U.S. Rep. Michael Crapo dismissed criticism of the Idaho Republican's draft proposal for reforming a section of the federal Superfund law as "lots of inaccuracies and half truths."

The Inland Empire Public Lands Council issued a statement Monday claiming Crapo's plan would result in less restoration of fish, wildlife, vegetation and other natural resources damaged by polluters.

The Idaho Conservation League and the Coeur d'Alene Tribe joined the council in contending Crapo's proposal would weaken the Superfund law and threaten efforts to clean up heavy metal contamination from a century of mining in the Coeur d'Alene and Spokane river basins.

But Crapo spokesman Susan Wheeler said the proposal, which has not been introduced as legislation, is aimed at redirecting the law's emphasis from punishment of polluting companies to actual restoration of damaged natural resources.



Public Lands Council said language in Crapo's proposal would virtually eliminate the polluter's liability for natural resources damaged such as dead fish and wildlife and polluted water.

But Wheeler said the draft measure actually calls for restoring resources to "baseline conditions, which is the way the resource started out before the pollution occurred."

She said some of the criticism was simply misplaced and seemed to be based on an earlier draft of Crapo's proposal that was revised last month and remains open for discussion.

Prof going to Sweden

PROVO, Utah (AP) — Paul Alan Cox, a Brigham Young University botany professor, is bound this week for Sweden, where he will serve an unusual purpose. He'll be a 50th birthday gift for a king.

The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences gave the conservation-minded King Gustaf the money to appoint the visiting scholar of his choice. He chose Cox.

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IN BRIEF

Reed leads women's 5.0 team to nationals
SALT LAKE CITY — Jerome's Carrie Reed helped the Idaho women's 5.0 tennis team win the USTA Sectional Championship last weekend.
Reed teamed with Deidre Geditschka to win every No. 1 doubles match. Idaho ended the weekend with two wins over Utah and one over Colorado to compile a 3-0 record.
Reed and Geditschka, along with Brady Martin of Twin Falls, Tracy Carpenter, Wendy Olson and Amy Howe advance to the USTA League Tennis National Championship this weekend.
Reed was part of the Idaho women's 5.0 team that won the national championship a couple of years back. She and Geditschka have never lost a doubles match or set together.

Doug Peterson aced 7th hole at Candleridge Monday
TWIN FALLS — Doug Peterson scored a hole-in-one at Candleridge Golf Course Monday.
Peterson used a 7-iron on the 150-yard, par-3, seventh hole.
His son Trevor Peterson witnessed the feat.

Different triathlon headed to Hagerman next weekend
HAGERMAN — The Sportsman's River Resort, located five miles south of Hagerman, will host a triathlon of golf, horseback and basketball, Saturday, Aug. 30 beginning at 1 p.m.
The 11th Annual Water Rodeo will be held Sunday. Horseback begins at 1 p.m., kids' games start at 2 p.m., and there will be live music at the dock from 8:30-12:30.
For more information, call Carolyn at 837-6364 or 837-5008.

Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course holds benefit event
TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course will host a scramble Saturday, Sept. 13, to benefit the Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley.
Registration is \$35 per player with four- or five-person teams. Tee box and team sponsorship is available, as are \$5 per person mulligans and \$1 raffle tickets.
Cost includes green fees, putting cones, tournament and prizes for gross and net high and low, closest to the pin, and long and short drives. Please register by Sept. 5.
For more information, contact Dave Little (734-9753 or 733-3900) or Steve Henne (734-8766 or 733-5571).

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Open-ing day

New Arthur Ashe Stadium is expensive but appealing

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — At the new, improved U.S. Open, everything comes with a price tag attached.
So if the handsome new Arthur Ashe Stadium cost a fancy \$254 million, \$10.50 for a hamburger and soft drink, almost seems like a bargain. Oh, you want fries, too? That's another \$3.50, please.
And a seat? The cheap ones, up on top in a stadium that seats 22,500 fans, cost \$22. From there, the players look junior-sized.
Get past the prices and the place is really appealing. The stadium's red, brick facing has a Camden Yards feel about it and the theme is carried over to some of the outer courts. Once they were encased in chicken wire fencing that had fans playing peek-a-boo. Now, they are walled-in by the brick facade.
The stadium faces the old World's Fair Unisphere, with its fountains shooting water in the air, and the promenade is a pretty walk with plenty of space, a marked contrast to the old elbow-to-elbow, push-and-shove motif of the old layout.
The only thing missing is some explanation for future generations of just who Ashe was, perhaps a plaque, perhaps a statue of this tennis humanitarian whose name appears over the entrance.

Louis Armstrong Stadium, the bare-bones, old home of the Open, is still functioning as a satellite court, with fewer people wandering through. Most of the seating there is unreserved, quite a change from the days when a spot on its aluminum benches was a cherished prize.
It wouldn't be the Open without a dash of controversy, though. The official dedication of the new stadium was conducted Monday night with Harry Manion, president of the USTA, and ex-mayor David Dinkins, who helped negotiate the land deal that doubled the space. Missing, however, was current mayor Rudolph Giuliani, pointing over a clause in the USTA contract that provides a fine for the city every time a plane from nearby LaGuardia Airport flies over the stadium, disrupting play.
John McEnroe, among an assemblage of nearly 40 former champions spanning more than half a century of tennis history brought in for the dedication ceremony, took a jab at Giuliani.
"This is Mayor Giuliani's speech," he said, waving a sheet of paper. "I've been asked to read it."
As the fans boomed the mention of Giuliani, McEnroe gestured at Dinkins and called him "the best mayor for tennis the city has ever had."
The USTA brought in an All Star cast of former champions spanning 60 years, from Don Budge, winner of the U.S. championship in 1937 and 1938 to Steffi Graf, last year's winner, who is sitting out the tournament while she recovers from knee surgery.

One of the champs, Monica Seles who had won her first-round match before the ceremonies, gleefully snapped pictures of the group.



Venus Williams of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., returns a serve from Larisa Neiland of Latvia at the U.S. Open Monday. Williams won.

Greatest champions salute Ashe

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — In a spectacular tribute to Arthur Ashe, the greatest collection of tennis champions ever assembled gathered Monday night at the dedication of the new U.S. Open stadium named in his honor.
The emotional one-hour ceremony emphasized the dignity and grace that characterized Ashe's life, and the mood of the night blended solemnity with joy.
Ashe "embodied the best in tennis and sports," John McEnroe told the seated crowd of 22,500. "He was a remarkable athlete who led an even more remarkable life. He saw fit and aware the greatest ambassador tennis has ever had."

Stuart Minton Bishop Deducted 1 year, paying homage to Ashe for joining the fight against apartheid, was among the dozens of celebrities attending the ceremony.
Jenna Jameson also received two years, sending razzies from the crowd as the spirit of her late husband's emphasis on "inclusiveness" in tennis and in all walks of life.
Frank Donatelli and Jack Kramer to Boris Becker and Stefan Edberg, from Louise Brough to Billie Jean King, from Clara Buerger and Martina Navratilova to Monica Seles and Steffi Graf, 37 U.S. singles champions from the past 60 years attended the ceremony.

Among the notable absences was Andre Agassi, who attended a players' dinner earlier in the evening but skipped the ceremony. The crowd boomed when he was announced to be "unable to attend."

Pete Sampras also failed to join the parade of champions, staying in the locker room while waiting to play qualifier Todd Larkham. Sampras, seeking his third straight U.S. Open title and fifth overall, cruised through his opener 6-3, 6-1, 6-3.

William's favorite song "One Moment in Time" as scenes of the champions in action were shown on the two giant screens atop the new stadium, and fireworks lit up the night sky at the end of her song.
There were scenes of Ashe teaching children, one of his life's passions, and winning the Fox U.S. title of the Open era in 1968 and Wimbledon in 1975.
Five years ago at a clinic for juniors, 12-year-old Venus

U.S. Open at a glance

NEW YORK (AP) — Highlights of Monday's first day of the \$11.82 million U.S. Open tennis championships:

- Weather: Partly cloudy and comfortable. Afternoon high was 78 degrees.
- Attendance: Day session, 22,602; night session, 20,187; total, 42,789.
- Results — Men's Singles, First Round: No. 1 Pete Sampras beat Todd Larkham 6-3, 6-1, 6-3; Dru Panzani beat Jason Stoltenberg 7-6(7-4), 6-2; No. 14 Mark Philippoussis beat Kim Kuwamura 6-3, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4; No. 16 Petr Korda beat Vincent Spadea 2-6, 7-6(7), 6-4.
- Women's Singles, First Round: No. 2 Monica Seles beat Kristie Boogert 6-1, 6-2; No. 8 Arnie Huber beat Ghisla Fitzpatrick 6-2, 6-2; Jeannette Kruger beat No. 14 Barbara Paulus 6-2, 6-7(7), 6-1; Lisa Raymond beat No. 15 Ruzsanda Dragomir 6-2, 3-6, 6-3.
- Stat of the Day: Goran Ivanisevic had 24 aces and 75 unforced errors in his loss to Dru Panzani.
- Quote of the Day: "I don't think I would try to come back if I don't think that." — Staffi Graf, when asked if she thought she could beat current No. 1 Martina Hingis.

Williams met Ashe and posed with him for a photograph she keeps among her tennis trophies.
On Monday, in a match that would have made Ashe proud, Williams defeated at the U.S. Open on the first day on her final point to close out a 57, 6-0, 6-1 victory over Larisa Neiland.
Ashe devoted his last years to encouraging inner city kids like Williams, who learned the game on the courts of Compton, Calif., on the southern edge of Los Angeles, where the sound of gunfire was not too distant. She still remembers stopping practice once after his sister, Serena, when they thought the bullets were headed their way.



Scott Heller of New York City embraces Monday's warm conditions while seated in the upper deck of Arthur Ashe Stadium on the opening day of the U.S. Open.

Green BYU QBs will mean initial dependence on running game

The Associated Press

PROVO, Utah — Lacking experience at quarterback for the first time in years, Brigham Young may look today to what usually has been an offensive strength — the running game.
Steve Sarkisian, who passed for 2,077 yards and 23 touchdowns in a 14-1 season finale, is now with the CFL's Saskatchewan Roughriders. That leaves the 19th-ranked Cougars to choose between their 1986 Western Athletic Conference Player of the Year's semi-retired backups.
In two seasons, junior Paul Shoemaker has thrown just 13 passes, completing nine for 125 yards and two touchdowns. Even that modest record seems a far cry from the 3,000 yards and 35 touchdowns that helped Sarkisian lead the Cougars to a 10-2 record and one TD.
"With both of them, their biggest weakness is inexperience, having played



Steve Sarkisian

just a little," said LaVell Edwards, beginning his 26th season as BYU head coach.
Entering the final week of practice, he leaned toward starting Shoemaker against third-ranked Washington Sept. 6 in Cougar Stadium. He didn't rule out Feterik, though.
"It will be nice to get started and see how they start coming along. It's not out of the realm of possibility to play both of them," Edwards said.
"The key is if we can run the football and have success there, that would help take the pressure off the quarterback situation."
That puts the load squarely on the shoulders of senior tailback Brian McKenzie, who ran for 550 yards and 11

touchdowns last season.
"There will be a focus on what the new quarterback can do, so it's me taking the pressure off the quarterback," said the 5-foot-10, 200-pounder from Saratoga, Fla.
With sophomore Ronney Jenkins suspended this year for an unspecified violation of the Mormon Church-owned school's honor code, Edwards also must count on two freshman running backs — Kalani Fifita Sitake and Will Snowden — to grow up in a hurry.
"We've got the people there, so if we can just get some blocking up front, we might be OK," Edwards said.
That should not be a problem for the Cougars, who return a veteran offensive line averaging 304 pounds. Anchored by 290-pound senior center Jason Anderson, the line also includes a pair of 315-pounders — 6-8 junior Eric Bateman and 6-6 Han'ohi Wong — at tackle and guard positions, respectively.

Senior guard Matt Cox, 310 pounds, and John Tait, a 290-pound sophomore tackle, complete BYU's beefy front five.
That is a comfort to Shoemaker, who knows he'll need to adjust.
"Anytime you don't get a lot of playing time, there are things to improve, like reading defenses," he said. "You don't get the feel of those kinds of things in practices."
Feterik still hopes for a start, but seems at peace with his expected backup role.
"Everyone has to be ready to step up," he said. "I'm confident in everybody. We've been working real hard in the off-season."
Adding to the woes of remodeling BYU's offense are holes in the receiving corps. Graduation claimed the top four — wide receivers K.O. Kealahi and Kaipo McGuire, and tight ends Chad

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BYU

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Levis and Irua Mill. Ben Cahoon, a senior, and junior Aaron Roderick are favored at the wide receiver positions. Edwards has moved senior Dustin Johnson...

Edwards is counting on the 6-3, 230-pound Johnson to quickly pick up the nuances of running quick-out, slant and huttoback patterns.

"He wasn't in spring practice because of an injury. I sure hope we've helped to have him (them). But we didn't, so we'll just have to make sure we give him a lot of opportunities," the coach said.

Another tight end prospect, John Maula, remains in limbo due to difficulty shedding an off-season weight gain. Edwards wants Maula at 270 pounds, but the 6-7 sophomore has ballooned to well over 300.

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Julio Franco homered as the Milwaukee Brewers won for the eighth time in 11 games, beating the Texas Rangers 7-2 Monday night to close within a 1/2 game of Cleveland in the AL Central.

Francu hit a two-run homer and went 3-for-4 as Milwaukee (65-65) reached .500 for the first time since Aug. 5.

Jim Adamson (4-2), starting in place of injured Bryce Florie, allowed two and four hits in six innings, striking out seven to tie his career high.

Tigers 7, Twins 6 (12)

MINNEAPOLIS — Brian Hunter's RBI single in the 12th inning of Rick Aguilera (4-4) was the Twins' fourth straight loss and 14th in 15 games.

Minnesota's Paul Molitor went 2-for-5 and moved into 14th place on the career hit list with 3,144.

Brad Radke, attempting to become the second 18-game winner in the majors, didn't get a decision for the

first time in 23 starts since April 27. Radke allowed six runs and six hits in five-plus innings.

Matt Walbeck opened the 12th with a single, advanced to second on Devin Cruz's sacrifice, before scoring on Hunter's bloop single.

A.J. Sager (3-4) pitched two hitless innings for the victory.

Pirates 4, Dodgers 3

PITTSBURGH — Mark Smith and Joe Randa homered on consecutive pitches off Todd Worrell in the ninth as the Pittsburgh Pirates stunned the Los Angeles Dodgers 4-3 Monday night for a doubleheader split.

Ramon Martinez (7-3) won his first official start in more than two months and the Dodgers roughed up Jason Schmidt (8-7) for eight runs in 4 1/3 innings to win the opener 8-2.

7-2; Pittsburgh downs Dodgers

winner of the season. Los Angeles saw its NL West lead over second-place San Francisco cut to one-half game. Pittsburgh, which topped the Dodgers' five-game winning streak, remained three games by Houston, the NL Central leader.

Mark Wilkins (8-3) pitched two scoreless innings for the victory.

PHILADELPHIA — Pedro Brogna homered and drove in two runs as Philadelphia completed a doubleheader sweep. Freddie Cummings went 6-for-9 in the doubleheader, getting his first four-hit game in the opener and driving in two runs.

Ron Blazer (1-1) got the win with two innings of relief in the second game, and Ricky Bottalico worked a perfect ninth for his 24th save as five pitchers combined on an eight-inning shutout. Brogna to his sixth shot to straighten career that Ois Nixon couldn't catch despite nearly hitting the wall. Smith hit the next pitch for his second dramatic game-

Reds 7, Rockies 6

DENVER — Chris Snyes had four hits and two RBIs and Jim Nannally had three hits as Cincinnati completed a sweep of the day-night doubleheader.

In the opener, Reggie Sanders and Bret Boone hit two-run homers as the Reds jumped out to a 7-0 lead.

Larry Walker went 5-for-9 in the doubleheader, raising his average to .376. Seven pitchers beat NL leader Tony Gwynn. The Rockies had their 194th and 195th consecutive sell-outs and became the first team this season to draw 3 million fans.

Jeff Shaw got two saves, giving him 27. With the bases loaded in the second game, Walker hit into a game-ending double play.

Game White (2-1) allowed three runs in 2 1/3 innings, while loser Mack Huston (3-2) was punished for five runs and 11 hits in 5 1/3 innings.

Giants 7, Mets 1

NEW YORK — Brian Johnson hit a two-run homer and Shawn Estes

(17-4) beat New York for the third time this season, allowing the one run and six hits in 6 2/3 innings and sending the Mets to their 11th loss in 16 games.

Johnson, acquired July 16 from Detroit, has hit three of his seven homers this season against New York. The pitcher has hit 21 career homers in four years, seven against the Mets.

CHICAGO — Doug Glanville beat the 1-1 tie between Detroit with a two-run, bases-loaded single as Chicago beat Florida for the first time in eight games this season.

Kevin Tapani (3-3) allowed one run and seven hits in seven innings, and Terry Adams got three outs for his 13th save.

Expos 2, Cardinals 1

ST. LOUIS — Pedro Martinez (15-6) took a two-hit shutout into the ninth and lowered his major league lead for ERA to 1.61. He set a career best for wins allowing six hits and striking out 13 in 8 2/3 innings.

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Injuries, fistfights, Cowboy bad boys: Quite a preseason

On the day the Miami Dolphins opened training camp, Yatil Green, their first-round draft choice, tore up his knee and was declared gone for the season. It set the tone for the seven weeks leading up to Sunday's NFL opener — a preseason filled with injuries and turbulence (on and off the field).

ANALYSIS Dave Goldberg

The final week of the exhibition season was the major one that passed without a single injury that was because the coaches played their starters two series in the final game. The only star who got hurt was wide receiver Joey Galloway of Seattle, who may play Sunday against the New York Jets despite a bruised foot.

The teams that got hit the worst?

Try San Diego, which lost Junior Seaman to others, and Miami, which lost Green, Larry Izzo and Kirby Dar Dar for the season, plus middle linebacker Zach Thomas with a broken leg that makes him questionable for the opener.

Plus the two 1995 expansion teams, Jacksonville and Carolina, who found out how the other 28 teams have lived after reaching the conference championship games in their second year. Each lost their quarterbacks to injury — Kerry Collins (Panthers) and Mark Brunell (Jaguars) — within an hour on the second Saturday exhibition season. Collins (broken jaw), will be out until at



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of training camp.

"We regarded it as a very serious matter," coach Don Capers said of the Collins-Muhammad problem. "The appropriate apologies were made to — in my opinion — the satisfaction of the players involved. I know that Kerry regrets his comments. But we're basically moving forward."

Collins wasn't the only one who got into a fistfight.

Wide receiver Michael Westbrook of the Redskins, a disappointment in his first two seasons,

suddenly decked running back Stephen Davis while the two were standing on the sidelines watching practice. Westbrook was suspended for the final exhibition game and fined \$50,000.

The Panthers weren't the only team to run into trouble with a camp injury.

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Jerry Daniel to help monitor their behavior.

But despite coach Barry Swartz's arrest for carrying a gun in the airport and despite the dorm party, team leaders like Troy Aikman and Chad Hennings declared the preseason a success compared to the turbulence of last season. Emmitt Smith is healthy again and even the local media, always eager for a tabloid-party saga, dismissed the dorm party as normal hijinks that wouldn't have startled anybody if it had happened elsewhere.

Dallas' optimism notwithstanding, the best team last season was also the best team in preseason — Green Bay, which went 5-0 and has some players, such as the always ebullient Leroy Butler, talking about becoming the first team in 25 years to go unbeaten.

Coach Mike Holmgren, of course, squeaked that one, but there seems a certain inevitability about the Packers, whose coach and team has about a dozen players who could start elsewhere; the stagnant salary cap kept several key players from moving on.

"We're pretty good, but I don't know if we have the best depth in the league," says general manager Ron Wolf.

He almost said it with tongue in cheek.

LOOKING AHEAD ... Some predictions for the 1997 season.

• AFC Winners: East, New England (13-3); Central, Kansas City (10-6); West, Denver (11-5); Wild cards: Pittsburgh (10-6), Seattle (10-6), Kansas City (10-6).

• NFC Winners: East, Dallas (12-4); Central, Green Bay (14-2); West, San Francisco (9-7). Wild cards: Detroit (10-6), Carolina (9-7), Minnesota (9-7).

• Super Bowl: Green Bay 24, Jacksonville 16.

• MVP: Kardell Stewart, Pittsburgh. As much as he could do as a "Slash," he can do more at quarterback. Besides, it's boring to pick Brett Favre.

• OFFENSIVE PLAYER: Tony Brackley, Jacksonville. Television "discovered" him when he handled Bruce Smith in the playoffs. Give a great season glow.

• DEFENSIVE PLAYER: Eric Taylor, Jacksonville. Of the 2,143 guys who have been compared to Lawrence Taylor, he might be the closest.

And he gets a lot of sacks, which gets you; Kevin Greene, despite a lot of flaws, was second last season.

• OFFENSIVE ROOKIE: Tiki Barber, New York Giants. He was supposed to be a third-down back. Now he's a third-down back playing every down — a Roger Craig type in Jim Fassel's offense. The only reservation: The offensive line is questionable.

• DEFENSIVE ROOKIE: Jason Taylor, Miami. Jimmy Johnson's mark and recovery in this year's Brackens, an undersized defensive end who gets to quarterbacks.

• COACH OF THE YEAR: Tom Coughlin, Jacksonville. He gets recognized this season for what he did in 1996.

Dave Goldberg covers football for The Associated Press.

Robert Parish retires from basketball court

'My time has run out of time,' says star who played in more NBA games than anyone else

CHICAGO (AP) — Robert Parish, who played in more NBA games than any other player, retired Monday, ending a 21-year career that included three championships with the Boston Celtics and another last season with the Chicago Bulls.

"I think it's time. My time has run out of time," Parish told ESPN's "Run Close." "I know in my heart that it's time to walk away. I'm just tired of it. Not playing, but the other things — like training camp."

Parish, who turns 44 on Saturday, played in 1,611 NBA games over 21 seasons, averaging 14.5 points and 9.1 rebounds. He passed Kareem Abdul-Jabbar's record of 1,561 games during the 1995 season.

"I was blessed health-wise and took care of myself," Parish said. "But I won't be back. I'm all done playing basketball."

Agent Jim McLaughlin said Parish is considering coaching or broadcast commentary as a second basketball career.

"He is going to take some time off and see what people offer him," McLaughlin said from his Boston-area office.

"He had fears he'd be forced to retire because of injury, but he has his health and he's decided to end the playing portion of his career. He goes out with a ring for each finger — three with the Celtics, one with the Bulls, and one for being picked as one of the Top 50 NBA players."

Parish wore No. 00 and was nicknamed the "Chief" by a Celtics teammate during the one of the characters in the movie, "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."

Last season with Chicago, Parish averaged 3.7 points and 2.1 rebounds in 43 regular-season games, starting three. He played in two playoff games off the bench before the NBA Finals.

The 7-foot-1 Louisiana native graduated from Centenary in 1976 and was picked in the first round, eighth overall, in the NBA draft by Golden State that year.

He played four seasons with the Warriors before moving on to Boston, where he stayed for 14 years and helped the Celtics win their first championship in 1981, as well as titles in 1984 and 1986.



Robert Parish, playing for the Boston Celtics, dunks during a game against the L.A. Clippers in 1990. Parish retired Monday.

Cuba brings out its best for University Games

CATANIA, Sicily (AP) — Cuba is one nation that's taking the World University Games quite seriously.

While some eligibility athletes are passing on the 19th edition, the starting lists announced Monday by organizers contain several Olympic and world championships medalists, and Cuba has the most.

The Caribbean island nation has brought long jumper Ivan Pedroso, winner at the World Championships in Athens, Greece, earlier this month, and a man who's always a threat to erase Mike Powell's record of 29 feet 4 1/4 inches.

He is joined by triple jumper Yoelvis Quesada and Aliecer Urrutia, first and third in Athens, respectively, as well as 800 meters silver medalist Norberto Tellez. And Amier Garcia, world indoor champion in the 60 hurdles, will run the 110 hurdles here.

South Africa also has a formidable cast, including world champion Marius Corbett in the hammer, and Llewellyn Herbert, silver medalist in the 400 hurdles.

Noteworthy people who could have come but didn't include sprinter Marion Jones and shot putter John Godina, both world champions.

"My biggest question to them would be, 'Why not come?'" I think a lot of it has to do with the fact that it's been a very long year for a lot of the world class athletes," U.S. men's track coach Harvey Glance said.

Monday's light schedule saw China pick up three medals and Italy two. Chinese divers Lu Haitong and Chen Lixia were first and second in the women's 1-meter springboard, while Mexico's Sherick Bonner took bronze in the men's 10-meter platform. Italy's Valentina Vezzali defeated countrywoman Anna Giacometti 15-9 in the women's foil final. China's Aihun Xiao and Hungary's Ildiko Minca, the semifinal losers, each

gained a bronze.

In women's basketball quarterfinals, the United States scraped past Russia 78-70, while Italy beat Portugal 57-45, the Czech Republic beat Sweden 80-58 and Cuba routed Latvia 95-58.

Elsewhere, the Canadian women's volleyball team ousted Italy 3-15, 15-9, 12-15, 16-14 to the semifinals. Canada next faces the United States, a 15-9, 15-8, 2-15, 15-5 winner over Russia. The other semifinal has China against Japan.

In the tennis semifinals, top seed Yoon Yong Il of South Korea beat Germany's Alexander Von Hugo 7-6 (7-4), 6-4. He'll meet 16th seed Pavel Kudack of the Czech Republic, who upset third seed Ling Bing-tao of Taiwan, 6-2. The women's top seed, Taiwan's Wang Shi-Ting, beat Italy's Germana Di Nalio 6-2, 6-2, while Marja Callen of France got by No. 2 Jeon Mi Ra of South Korea, 2-6, 7-5, 6-0.

With the games heading into their second and final week, much attention will turn to the new swimming pool in Messina and the refurbished Cibali Stadium in Catania, both of which see competition begin Tuesday.

In the long jump, Pedroso will be pushed by Jamaica's James Beckford, who claimed the silver at the Atlanta Olympics.

The United States has a team with several athletes who could be set for a breakthrough.

Vincent Henderson of Arkansas is the only one of the 100 dash entrants to have run 10 seconds flat, while 200 runner Tony Wheeler from Clemson has run faster than all other competitors here, 20.23.

With the packed summer sports schedule, including the world championships, several lucrative Grand Prix meets and the just-concluded European swimming championships, some athletes opted to skip the Sicily games.

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Gebreselassie wants to reclaim 5,000 record

BERLIN (AP) — Seven world records have fallen in the last 10 days of a bumper season for track and field and another might be in sight: Haile Gebrselassie wants to reclaim the 5,000-meter mark.

The 24-year-old Ethiopian star lost his two most cherished records within an hour in a remarkable night in Brussels last Friday. Kenenisa Demeba shattered the 5,000 meter with a time of 12 minutes, 39.74 seconds, then Paul Tergat, another Kenyan, broke the 10,000 record by running 26:27.85.

Komen elicited 2:12 seconds off Gebrselassie's 5,000 mark, which the Ethiopian set less than two weeks ago in Zurich. Tergat lowered the 10,000 standard by a whopping 3:47 seconds.

Tuesday night in Berlin, at the last of the Golden Four series, Gebrselassie wants to attack the 5,000 record again. "The records have only been borrowed. I'll get them back," Gebrselassie said.

Another highlight of the IStAF meet will be the decision who gets the jackpot of 44 pounds of gold. It goes to the athletes who win the event at all of the Golden Four meets — Oslo, Zurich, Brussels and Berlin.

Only three athletes remain in the running for the Frankfurt, Germany, Olympic distance runner Gabriel Szabo and Hicham el-Guerrouj, the Moroccan ace who will be not only try to win the mile, but to break the 4:01.46 world record of 4-year-old record holder 3:44.39.

The IStAF meet also will be the farewell meet in Europe for Carl Lewis, who will run a 400-meter relay.

Oregon loses star receiver with torn thumb ligaments

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — Oregon lost its star receiver, Damon Griffin for at least four weeks with torn ligaments in his right thumb.

The senior flanker, who was the No. 2 receiver in Pac-10 last year with 43 catches, injured his thumb in drills over the weekend. He underwent surgery to repair the damage on Saturday.

Griffin was a second-team all-conference selection last year and was the top returning player among what is considered a deep and talented corps of receivers at Oregon.

Griffin will miss at least the season opener against Arizona Sept. 4 in Eugene and the Sept. 13 game at Nevada.

Former Oregon receiver Tony Hartley moves up to the No. 1 spot on the depth chart. Senior Pat Johnson is the starting wide receiver. The top backups are redshirt freshman Gregory Collins and junior-college transfer Donald Hynes.

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Rattlers shake up Barnstomers, 55-33, in Arena Bowl

PHOENIX (AP) — Hunkie Cooper caught a touchdown pass, returned a kickoff 96 yards for another score and ran back an interception for a third, leading the Arizona Rattlers to a 55-33 victory over the Iowa Barnstomers in the Arena Football League title game Monday night.

The Rattlers (15-2) won their second crown in four years, defeating the Barnstomers (13-4) to retain the title on a straight trip to the Arena Bowl.

Last season, Iowa came up one yard short of a score at the end of a

42-38 loss to Tampa Bay.

Cooper, the league MVP in 1993, caught a 4-yard TD pass from Donnie Davis, a rookie pressed into service when Sherick Bonner broke his leg late in a semifinal victory over Tampa Bay, to break a 10-10 tie in the second quarter.

Then, after Iowa's Mike Baker kicked his second field goal with 20 seconds left in the half, Cooper fielded a kickoff that bounced off the net deep in his end zone. He burst up the middle and got to last defender turning around for an last

inside-outside move about midfield.

In seven seconds, the Rattlers had a 24-13 halftime lead.

Cooper made it 33-13 with 6:45 left in the third quarter when he leaped high for a pass thrown by Iowa's Kurt Warner, came down in the clear and bolted 30 yards for his third TD.

Davis, who threw a scoring pass to beat the Storm in overtime Aug. 18, but was making his first start, also threw 49- and 28-yard scoring passes to Calvin Schenayder and scored on a 1-yard run.

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COMICS

Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

IS THERE SOMETHING WRONG WITH US OLAF? HAVE WE LOST OUR LIVES?
IT'LL BE DIFFERENT WHEN WE FIND SPIKE, AND HE INTRODUCES US TO MICKEY MOUSE.
MAYBE HE CAN GET US ON SOME TALK SHOWS.
WE CAN'T TALK. MAYBE WE COULD PRETEND WE'RE LITTLE KIDS IN DOG SUITS.

Dilbert By Scott Adams

IT'S A SHAME YOU HAVE TO WORK DURING YOUR VACATION. THE SAME THING HAPPENED TO ME. REALLY?
ACTUALLY, IN MY CASE I WENT ON VACATION WHEN I WAS SUPPOSED TO BE WORKING, BUT THE CONCEPT IS THE SAME.
APPARENTLY SHE WASN'T LOOKING FOR EMPATHY.

B.C. By Johnny Hart

PATTERN BALDNESS
WHAT YOU HAVE IF YOU USE A WAFFLE IRON FOR A HAIR DRYER.

Garfield By Jim Davis

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF I WAS AS LAZY AS YOU?
I WOULDN'T HAVE TO ANSWER YOUR INSIPID QUESTIONS.

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

IT'S GOING TO BE TOUGH TO GIVE YOU AN ESTIMATE ON THIS JOB, M.R.F. ... ALLOW ME, THEN
\$200
THAT'S WHAT I ESTIMATE I HAVE LEFT IN MY CHECKING ACCOUNT

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

OH, GIVE ME BEING FINICKY AGAIN!
YOU NAMED YOUR HORSE GAVE?
IT'S NOT A NAME, IT'S A REMINDER

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

WALK SLOWLY AND ACT LIKE NOTHING IS HAPPENING. WE DON'T WANT TO ENCOURAGE THEM.

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

GRRR WOOF!
BANG!!
BANG!!
THE PASSWORD WAS "BOW-WOW"

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

BANK
NOW PAYING A FULL 6% ON SAVINGS!
IS A FULL SIX PERCENT MUCH MORE THAN JUST A PLAIN SIX PERCENT!

The Born Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

WHAT'S THAT, BRITUS?
THIS IS AN INVITATION TO MY 25TH COLLEGE REUNION!
YOU WENT TO 25 COLLEGS?

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

I GOT OFF LET ME TELL YOU THAT HAVING A BABY IS A FULL-TIME JOB!
THEY CAN'T TALK, RIGHT? SO THEY CRY. AS IT CAN BE SEEN BEFORE YOU CAN FIGURE OUT WHY ANY GOMETIMES, YOU GOTTA GIVE UP!
YOU'RE ALWAYS WIPING ONE END OF THE OTHER, I WOULD START CARRYING THEM AROUND — BY THE TIME I GET HOME, I'M WASTED.
I'M EMBARRASSED TO ADMIT IT, BUT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE EVER MADE YOU RESPECT YOUR PARENTS.

Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

I THINK MY VAN IS LEAKING STEERING FLUID AND I'M AFRAID TO DRIVE IT TO THE SERVICE STATION.
IF THE STEERING IS I, I AM NOT WORRIED ABOUT THAT. WOULD YOU TAKE IT FOR ME?
HO, BECAUSE YOU KNOW A LOT MORE ABOUT TREES THAN I DO.

Pickles By Brian Crane

NOW, WE ALL WANT TO WIN. BUT WE HATE TO HAVE GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP.
THAT MEANS NO TEASING, TAUNTING, NO YELLING AT THE REFEREES, AND NO BEING BAD LOSERS.
GOT THAT?
YEAH.
GOOD. NOW GO. EVERYONE WANT TO YOUR MOTHERS.

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketcham

I DON'T WANT TO NESS UP THE FRONT PORCH, SO I CAME IN THROUGH THE WINDOW.

The Family Circus By Bill Keane

This is one of those belly-button oranges.

Pigs are barnyard geniuses

Does anyone in your family refuse to recognize reality? Decline to accept the truth? Chose not to see what's in the clear sight? No doubt, no doubt. It's a self-deceive common to all. Your brain filters what you see. That "plain as the nose on your face" phrase makes the point. You see both sides of your coin, but only if you look with intent. Otherwise, you never intend. Breast milk kills bacteria, too. Q. Is any barnyard animal smarter than a pig? A. Not unless there's a dolphin or a chimp out there in the hay. The pigs smarter than all but the bird man, and as one noted, some Saturday you might even lose a bet on that. Q. What stopped Islam's great advance into the middle of Africa a thousand years ago? A. The reverse it — with its deadly sleeping sickness. Q. Why sea lions swallow rocks is still not perfectly clear. Except to them maybe.

WHAT'S WHAT? L.M. Boyd

In China at last report, seahorses were selling for the equivalent of \$120 to \$400 a pound, depending on size and quality. Medicos there credit the carcasses of these little seahorses with manifold mysterious medical marvels. Even as they do ground chiton here and dried bear liver. I couldn't tell these remedies in the raw from the local leftovers of the regional slaughterhouse. Faith in your physician is everything, what? Typically, that bird called the Tasmanian hen mates with two males, almost always brothers. Inmates of a prison in England were invited to further their education with correspondence courses. Two signed up for "Scaffold Construction." They went over the wall on their homework.

Yesterday's Puzzle solved:

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41 Spoken

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55 Flexible tube
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57 Gymnast Korbut
58 Boi
59 Some M.d.
60 Brawl

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IF AUGUST 26 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: When pressure is on, you are up to it. Mother would be will of father, perhaps just get caught to devote herself to domestic life. You are dynamic, creative, many claim they cannot follow your lead. In fact, Cancer Capricorn persons play leading roles, some have these letters or initials in their names — H. Q. Current cycle relates to ability to beautify surroundings, to make decisions regarding where you live. **Bleistic marriage.** **ARIES** (March 21-April 19): If you don't know what to do, do nothing. Excitement in the waiting, listening, observing. Short trip could involve lively Gemini. Pices person reveals secret. **TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Check coins, what you need is available at legitimate bargain price. Access challenge of added responsibility. Love relationship controversial, exciting, lending itself to long-term. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Take initiative, conclude negotiations with one who will represent you overseas. Make own contacts, perceive potential, don't underestimate yourself. **ARIES**, Libra love romantically. **CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Let go of restrictions, inhibitions, holdish superstitions. Be ready for fresh start in new direction, highlight courage, pioneering spirit. Leo will confess romantic feelings. **LEM** (July 23-Aug. 22): Check Cancer message for stunning information. Focus on direction, motivation, and value, decisions relating to partnership, marriage. Gemini helps make wish become reality. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Individual at top of heap will be impressed by presentation that blends humor with information. All steps out for writing skills. New clothes help perfect body image. **Sagittarian in luck.** **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Those who attempt to hit progress but are not yet embraced, stunned. Focus on philosophy, communication, travel, getting message across in dramatic fashion. Scorpio involved. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Prepare for quick change. Refuse to be naive. "Have us, will travel." Mild flirtation gets serious, maintain equilibrium. Financial revolve of special person will be revealed. **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Attention revolves around the idea of domestic adjustment that could include, where you live, marital status. Lunar position highlight partnership, display of talent, product. **CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): What becomes too extreme — message soon becomes too clear. Refuse to be naive. Partner with bibulous person at wheel. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Lunar position makes creative time, style, "come hither" look and sex appeal. Key is organization, lining up priorities, being diligent concerning time. Cancer native involved. **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Refuse to settle for second best, perceive potential, look beyond the immediate, predict tomorrow. Property value discussed, insist on legitimate price. Aries play dramatic role.