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SPELLBINDING

Hypnotist has kids at fair crowing like roosters

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

FILER — A half dozen teenagers should be calling the Twin Falls County Fair office this morning to put in a good word for hypnotist Alan Sands. He directed them to do so, while he had them under his spell during his noon entertainment hour Wednesday. Sands had his teenage volunteers flapping their arms and crowing like roosters or pounding their chests like Tarzan, all to the delight of his audience.



Chase Lanting, 13, responds to a suggestion phrased by hypnotist Alan Sands by beating his chest and heaving like Tarzan. Lanting and his companions say they have little memory of what they did while in the trance.

"Imagine yourself out in a freshly cut pasture. You can smell the sweet grass all around you," he says. Slowly, he counts down from

10. He asks his subjects to picture the No. 7 as a ghost that becomes translucent and fades away. "Give in to total relaxation,"

he says. By the time he puts them to sleep, his subjects look like a Page C5, FBI, Page A2

The teens said afterward they didn't remember what they had done while hypnotized.

"I remember getting up on stage and some pounding on my chest, or something like that," said Chase Lanting, 13, of Hollister.

The word "jungle," spoken by Sands, triggered the Tarzan response.

Sands hypnotizes his subjects through total relaxation.

Jetliner carrying more than 200 disappears off Canadian coast

The Washington Post

TORONTO — A Swissair jumbo jet en route from John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York to Geneva with more than 220 people on board crashed off the coast of Nova Scotia late Wednesday night while trying to make an emergency landing, the Canadian coast guard said. Airline officials and local authorities said they could not determine immediately exactly where the plane had come down or if anyone survived the crash. Local rescue officials said the three-

engine McDonnell Douglas MD-11 had been diverted to an airport in Halifax, the capital of Nova Scotia, after its flight crew reported smoke in the cockpit less than an hour after take-off.

It was not clear if the plane crashed somewhere along Nova Scotia's southern coast or in the frigid waters of the Atlantic Ocean, and by midnight Canadian authorities had mounted a massive search of a 30-square mile area. Officials said the search was concentrated near the village of Peggy's Cove, which lies about 20 miles southwest of Halifax and about 30 miles

from the airport. Airport authorities said the aircraft disappeared from radar screens over the ocean about eight miles south of Peggy's Cove.

Canadian military helicopters played powerful searchlights along the coast and for miles out to sea, while a flotilla of search vessels patrolled the coastal waters. About a dozen fishing boats whose owners are familiar with the waters had also joined the search, but officials said no wreckage had been sighted as of 12:30

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Suspect pleads guilty to murder in 1997 slaying

By Alan Hughes
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Even though he felt justified in killing Gene Hartwig, 15 months ago, Christian Anthony Litchel, 26, pleaded guilty Wednesday to second-degree murder, five weeks before the case was set for trial.

In exchange for the plea, prosecutors dropped the charge from first-degree murder and will recommend a 13- to 23-year sentence. Litchel can withdraw the plea if sentencing does not coincide with the recommendation.

In his sixteen plea, Litchel said he was sleeping at Hartwig's home and woke up to see a woman called Hartwig making a sexual advance.

Hill asleep and drunk, Litchel said he defended himself by wrapping a phone cord around Hartwig's neck. He huffed Hartwig and dumped his body in a field before driving Hartwig's car to Boise.

"I was being attacked and I did what I had to do at that moment," Litchel said during an interview at the Twin Falls County Jail.

He was arrested on the killing of Hartwig, he said. He was only defending himself against a man who was much bigger than he was, he said.

Defense lawyers planned an early settlement as an explanation for the slaying, and had planned to use Hartwig's relationship past as justification, Litchel said.

Hartwig was convicted in 1988 for sexually abusing a mentally handicapped teenage boy. He was re-arrested with Twin Falls County as a sex offender until his death.

Despite Hartwig's history, Litchel said he "had no choice" in signing the plea agreement. He was facing a strong first-degree charge. Page C5, FBI, Page A2

Sheriff deems broken window just vandalism

By Lavonia Casner
Times-News writer

JEROME — An act of vandalism, which occurred last weekend at a home where a convicted sex offender was staying, has been deemed a vandalism act — and not an act of victimization.

The incident happened a few days after a Jerome County sex offender registry was subpoenaed by a state agency. The list included Elmer Reed, a convicted sex offender who was living in a Jerome house with his sister and brother-in-law.

Witnesses in vehicles belonging to Reed's sister and her husband were startled last weekend.

Even though there has not been a rash of vandalism in Jerome County and the weekend incident case, virtually out of the blue, deputies do not believe there was anything peculiar about it. "It did not appear to be a hate crime." Page C5, FBI, Page A2

Worldwide investigation uncovers Internet child pornography ring

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Suspected members of a child pornography ring who allegedly traded pictures of children as young as 18 months old over the Internet were targeted in a sting Wednesday in 12 countries including the United States and Britain.

The raids that led to almost four dozen arrests worldwide were conducted against suspected members of the Wonderland Club who, according to authorities, exchanged thousands of pornographic images of children via cyberspace.

The British National Crime Squad began the investigation five months ago and uncovered a database of more than 100,000 pornographic photos of children, officials said.

"People try to smuggle in smut just like they try to smuggle dope across the border and we're ready to pounce on them," said Dick Weat, a special agent for the U.S. Customs Service, which carried out 32 raids in 22 states with the help of state and local police. Police confiscated "boxes of

pornography, various software materials and hardware that were part and parcel" of the ring during the raids, Weat said.

To join the child pornography ring, members had to have multiple images of child pornography,

'The content would turn the stomach of any right-minded person. It's really disgusting.'

— Detective John Stewardson

and some had as many as 10,000 pictures, U.S. Customs said. The ring allegedly began in the United States.

British authorities said more than 40 arrests worldwide were made Wednesday, and U.S. Customs predicted there would be more as officials evaluated the evidence collected. Hundreds of people are suspected of being connected with the pornography ring.

"The people who exploit children in this way think they can hide in cyberspace. They are wrong. We will find them and bring them to justice," U.S. Customs Commissioner Raymond Kelly said. The raids occurred in Australia,

Austria, Belgium, Britain, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Norway, Portugal, Sweden and the United States.

"I am aware of another police operation that has swept pulled together so many law enforcement agencies worldwide to effect similar takedown raids and arrests," said Bob Packham, deputy director general of the British National Crime Squad.

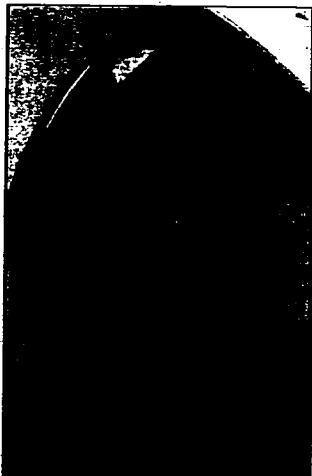
According to international and U.S. authorities, police arrested 11 people in Britain, 10 in Germany, eight in Norway, five in France, four each in the United States and Australia, three in Italy and one in Sweden.

The investigation, code-named "Cathedral," linked members of the Wonderland Club through the types of images they allegedly sent to each other.

"The content would turn the stomach of any right-minded person. It's really disgusting," said British Detective Superintendent John Stewardson, who led the operation.

Weat said the investigation's next step would be to identify the children pictured.

WAGONS HO!



Walt Shale leads out a wagon full of people on the Magic Valley. Photo by Alan Hughes. Page C5, FBI, Page A2

THE REGION

Cornos Prairie

High: 79 **Low: 43**
Sunny and continued unseasonably hot. Mostly clear through tonight. Cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms.

Treasure Valley

High: 78 **Low: 44**
Sunny, haze and continued unseasonably hot. Mouth clear tonight but partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

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Eastern Idaho

High: 92 **Low: 48**
Sunny and continued hot with southeast winds 5-30 mph. Partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms.

Northern Idaho

High: 94 **Low: 53**
Mostly sunny today, clear tonight. Partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms.

Northern Utah

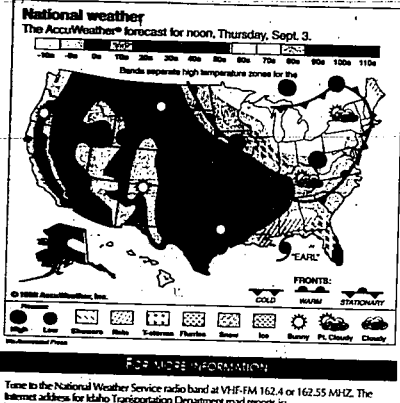
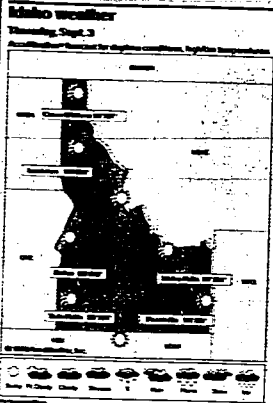
High: 93 **Low: 52**
Mostly sunny today, clear tonight. Partly cloudy with a chance of afternoon showers.

Northern Nevada

High: 95 **Low: 51**
Partly cloudy with a slight chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Scattered showers Friday.

MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
High: 90 Low: 54 Sunny with variable wind.	High: 96 Low: 55 Partly cloudy with a slight chance of dry thunderstorms.	High: 93 Low: 55 Partly cloudy and continued warm.	High: 90 Low: 54 Partly cloudy and cooler. Chance of showers.	High: 90 Low: 53 Partly cloudy with chance of showers.



YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Location	High	Low	Precipitation
Twin Falls	95	53	0.00
Boise	95	53	0.00
Fairfield	95	53	0.00
Hagerman	103	52	0.00
Idaho Falls	92	46	0.00
Jerome	95	53	0.00
Lewiston	100	61	0.00
Malden	91	45	0.00
Molla	93	48	0.00
McCall	85	40	0.00
Pocostello	93	50	0.00
Salmon	91	46	0.00
Stanley	87	35	0.00
San Vito	86	47	0.00

City	High	Low	Precipitation
Albuquerque	86	67	0.00
Atlanta	85	70	0.00
Boston	70	60	0.00
Chicago	75	59	0.00
Dallas	100	75	0.00
Denver	82	70	0.00
Des Moines	79	61	0.00
Honolulu	89	57	0.00
Houston	97	72	0.00
Indianapolis	91	72	0.00
Kansas City	85	63	0.00
Las Vegas	98	78	0.00
Los Angeles	87	74	0.00
Miami	90	70	0.00
Minneapolis	73	58	0.00
Milwaukee	73	58	0.00
Mississippi	74	46	0.00
New Orleans	82	68	0.00
New York	78	70	0.00
Philadelphia	88	73	0.00
Phoenix	108	84	0.00
Portland, Me.	71	59	0.00
Portland, Ore.	89	61	0.00
Reno	96	69	0.00
St. Louis	85	63	0.00
Salt Lake City	88	63	0.00
San Francisco	80	57	0.00
Seattle	84	64	0.00
Spokane	89	71	0.00
Washington	89	71	0.00
Yuma	108	86	0.00

Idaho weather
Forecast for the day after tomorrow, Friday, Sept. 3

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Today at the Twin Falls County Fair in Flair

- 7 a.m. Fair gates open.
- 8 a.m. High School Sports Community Competition, Student Items.
- 9 a.m. Open class daily pigs, lambs, calves, steers and goats, dog show ring.
- 9 a.m. 4-H horse performance show, followed by 4-H horse head exhibition.
- 10 a.m. Puffing pig contest, South Park.
- 10 a.m. Junior division football show and parade.
- 10 a.m. First show ring, West Show Ring.
- 10 a.m. 4-H sheep exhibition, followed by 4-H showmanship, Daily Show Ring.
- 10 a.m. All other event starts, followed by exhibits, show inspection competition and coin, show open judgment.
- 11 a.m. Musical Competition, Show Show Ring.
- 11 a.m. Show Show Ring, First Stage.
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Fair

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row of dominos, propped up against one another.

Then the show began.

Sandoz made Juan Garcia, 18, of Hollister, forget his own name in his whirlwind act.

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Prosecutors and public defend-

Plreads

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murder case that could have put him behind bars for life, and he didn't have much confidence in his public defender, he said.

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Officials confirm 2 died in Utah plane crash

WEST JORDAN, Utah (AP)—Two people have been confirmed dead in a light plane crash in southwestern Salt Lake County.

County fire Capt. Bill Brass said a single-engine, four-seat plane crashed about 8:30 p.m. Wednesday just south of Salt Lake City Airport No. 2.

Brass said the plane clipped some power lines and started a small brush fire.

Jetliner

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cloud," Wilfred Morash told the Canadian Broadcasting Corp. "The whole house shook like something bumped against it."

The plane, Swissair Flight 111, also was flown as Delta Air Lines Flight 111 under a "code share arrangement. Under code sharing, one airline will fly a block of seats on another airline, as if the flight were being flown by the selling airline. Delta and Swissair have a longstanding partnership arrangement.

Preliminary reports in aviation disasters often prove to be wrong. But if confirmed, smoke

Vandalism

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Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver said Wednesday. "We are calling it vandalism."

There were no indicators of hate crime, said Weaver, who worked for 29 years in law enforcement in Los Angeles, where hate crimes were common.

"In a Jewish hate crime, the perpetrator would leave a swastika or some other indication of exactly what message they were trying to get across," Weaver said.

In this instance, there were no such indicators, he said.

Sheriff's deputies handled the investigation because the incident occurred at the home of a Jerome city police officer. It is routine for county deputies to investigate if a city employee is involved, Weaver said.

Deputies considered that the windows might have been broken because the victim was a police officer, he said. But investigators concluded the incident was random.

"Whenever anything like this

happens we have to think of a motive," Weaver said. "But this is simply a case of random selection."

Reed disagreed, and said he was disappointed that the sheriff's department did not pursue the case as vigilantism.

He does not consider the crime a coincidence, and is sure it happened because he was living at his sister's house.

"My sister and brother-in-law

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 NUMBERS
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Michelle Roberts, spokeswoman for the flight attendants union, says she is disappointed daily by some of the proposals in the new contract.

Safeway clerks object to service with a smile

MARTINEZ, CALIF. (AP) — Twelve Safeway employees have filed grievances over the supermarket chain's smile-and-salute contract, complaining that they are being penalized by shoppers who mistake company requests for friendliness for flirting.

Michelle Roberts, a produce clerk, said she is hit on every day by men who think she is coming on to them. Another produce worker, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said she has hidden in a back room to avoid customers who have harassed her. "I've proposed to her and she followed her to her car," she said.

Safeway spokeswoman Debra Lambert acknowledged that "sometimes customers get on our line," but said, "We don't see this as a direct result of our initiative."

Under Safeway's "Superior Service" policy, employees are expected to greet customers, smile, seek, take them to items they cannot find, make selling suggestions, thank them by name if they pay by check or credit card and offer to carry their groceries.

Safeway, which is based in Pleasanton and is North America's second-largest supermarket chain, with 2,500 stores in the United States and Canada, began placing in the policy five years ago. But it was not until January that it began enforcing it by issuing sanctions to managers and warning that negative press coverage could result in disciplinary action.

Employees filed a grievance and one soon filed a union complaint in May with the National Labor Relations Board. "They've got hundreds of SBAs who are coming up with these policies who don't take into account the real-life implications," said their lawyer, Matthew Ross.

The union especially wants to have more freedom to choose not to make eye contact with a potentially harassing customer or to refuse to take an eye contact out to a man's car.

Some of Safeway's 250,000 employees have been fired for failing to be friendly enough, but 100 have been sent to disciplinary class, a sort of "Smile School."

"It's not about discipline," Lambert said. "It's about training employees to do this." She said the complaints are coming only from the two San Francisco area union chapters in Martinez and Vallejo and that a survey of workers in Northern California found them generally happy with the policy.

Outside in San Francisco, Safeway on Wednesday, shopper John Olson said that the service is "so friendly, smiling and attentive," "you'll have to be very suspicious or stupid to believe that the flattery was personally directed at you."

"I think if the women are being professional, I think it's a problem with the male customers, not the employees," said Brad Boren, who recently moved here from New York. "I think it's a shame that someone would interpret common sense as flirtation. It's not the same thing."

Northwest readies for long strike, axes flights

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Northwest Airlines on Wednesday laid off more than half its work force — 27,500 employees — and canceled all flights through Labor Day because of the pilots strike.

The layoffs of flight attendants, mechanics, customer service employees and other ground workers came as federal mediators asked both sides to meet in Chicago on Saturday, and the company said more cuts could follow.

"This is a sad day for Northwest Airlines," said Dewayne Tucker, a Northwest vice president.

Because of the layoffs, it will take the airline eight to 10 days to resume a full flight schedule when the strike ends, spokesman Jon Astin said.

Northwest has about 50,000 employees, including the 6,100 pilots who walked out Friday night.

issues of compensation and job security.

"I can't believe this is even happening," said Carol Steinmetz, a flight attendant who has worked for the airline for 26 years. Steinmetz was in the air headed for Tokyo when the strike began. She made it back home Monday night on a United Airlines flight to Chicago and a Northwest-chartered flight to Minneapolis.

"Northwest had to spend big bucks on 300 flight attendants stuck in Japan for last-minute seats," she said. "All this money they're wasting on this stuff they could have given to the employees and gone on with business and be the No. 1 airline they claim they want to be."

Billie Davenport of Teamsters Local 2000, which represents the flight attendants, said the union — one of six at Northwest with open contracts — supports the pilots. "They're fighting for all of labor," she said.

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Pilots avert crash as 25,000 feet
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Pilots of two commercial airliners on a collision course at 25,000 feet averted disaster by turning sharply at the last second.
No one was hurt Monday, but the controllers union says it was a symptom of understaffing at the Los Angeles Air Route Traffic Control Center in Palmdale, which monitors 178,000 square miles of airspace over Southern California.
"The flying public and the American people need to know that at Los Angeles Center, routinely, positions that are designed to be staffed by two controllers — especially during busy times — are being staffed by just one controller," said Hamid Ghaffari, a spokesman for the National Air Traffic Controllers Association.

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NATION

FDA OKs drug for breast cancer prevention despite side effects

BETHESDA, Md. (AP) — Government scientists Wednesday reluctantly recommended that certain healthy women take a powerful drug called tamoxifen to reduce their risk of breast cancer later in life — even though the pills can cause serious side effects.

But advisers to the Food and Drug Administration stressed that they weren't sure exactly who should take tamoxifen. And despite headlines last spring touting tamoxifen, the FDA panel said there's no proof that it prevents breast cancer from ever appearing in these women — it may just delay the inevitable tumor for a few years.

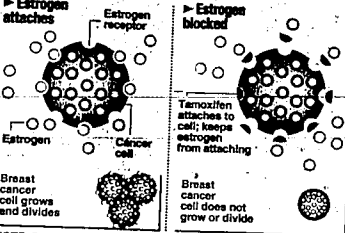
"We don't know who to treat," complained Dr. Janice Dutcher of Montefiore Medical Center in New York, the panel's chairman. Still, a National Cancer Institute study did show a short-term benefit in women at very high risk of getting breast cancer later in life.

The FDA panel's recommendation came despite pleas from women's groups that the drug is too dangerous and offers too little benefit for millions of healthy women to take — and despite conflicting findings from British researchers.

The National Cancer Institute announced last spring that tamoxifen could cut the chances of developing breast cancer by 45 percent in women at high risk of the disease.

How tamoxifen attacks cancer cells

Tamoxifen is a useful drug for treating breast cancer because it keeps the hormone estrogen from stimulating the cancer cells.



NOTE: Some breast cancer cells don't have estrogen receptors, are not affected by tamoxifen. SOURCES: Komen Breast Cancer Foundation; "Internal Medicine," Jay H. Stein

But the real-life effect was small. Some 6,600 American women took tamoxifen for 3 1/2 years and the drug prevented just 69 more cases of breast cancer than occurred in another 6,000 women who took a dummy pill. The drug appeared most protective against small, more easily treated tumors, "not the bad actors," noted Dr. George Sledge of the Indiana Cancer Pavilion.

Along with that slight amount

of protection, however, the U.S. study found tamoxifen also doubled women's risk of uterine cancer, tripled the risk of a potentially fatal blood clot and increased the chances of developing cataracts that hurt eyesight.

Nor does anyone know if breast cancer that appears in women who unsuccessfully tried tamoxifen will have more aggressive cancer, ultimately less treatable by drugs.

'Morning-after' pill should be available the end of this month following approval

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — The Food and Drug Administration Wednesday allowed the first-ever sales and marketing of a kit of emergency contraceptive pills that women can take the morning after unprotected sex to prevent pregnancy.

The PREVEN kits will be available by prescription by the end of September, said Roderick Mackenzie, chairman and founder of Gynetics Inc. of Somerville, N.J., which won the first approval to advertise and sell morning-after pills.

and doctors, how to use standard birth control pills in this manner, and the agency last year gave out specific information about which pills and dosages were effective as contraception up to 72 hours after unprotected sex.

But Wednesday's approval, for the first time, allows a pharmaceutical company to advertise and to sell special morning-after packets that women can keep in their medicine cabinets. "It's not only a scientific but an ethical advance," said Arthur Caplan, director of the Center for Bioethics at the University of Pennsylvania. "Women now have more options, and have long deserved to have the rights to prevent unplanned pregnancies."

Anti-abortion groups, however, have criticized the method. The morning-after pills are different from RU-486, the French abortion pill, which actually ends a pregnancy several weeks after it has begun. Gynetics had said the company would market the emergency kit last year, becoming the first U.S. company to take action since the FDA approved using contraceptive pills for emergency birth control.

Panel likes 2nd cancer drug too

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — In a move even normally cautious scientists are hailing as a new future for cancer treatment, a federal advisory panel gave preliminary approval Wednesday evening to a breakthrough drug to treat breast cancer.

The drug, Herceptin, is first in a wave of highly precise treatments that disable cancer cells through specific attacks on a cancer cell's weak points. Such drugs bypass normal cells and sidestep

many of the distressing side effects of chemotherapy, such as nausea, weakness and hair loss.

While committee decisions still must receive formal approval from the Food and Drug Administration, votes by the FDA's advisory physicians are usually upheld. Final decisions are expected in November.

Herceptin is considered the first major payoff of decades of basic scientific research into the inner workings of cancer cells.

Now that scientists understand the genetic switches that can

turn normal cells into disorderly, spreading monsters and understand how broken genes can send cells into spirals of cancerous growth, they can target those switches and replace those genes to choke off tumors and even prevent a cancer before it starts.

"It's a turning point in the war," said Dr. Dennis Slamon, director of the Revlon/U.C.L.A. Women's Cancer Research Program, the scientist who conducted much of the basic research that led to the drug's development.

Feds propose female crash-test dummies

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a move to protect the people who appear most at risk from air bags, the Transportation Department is calling for a new crash-test dummy to represent small women.

Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater had earlier proposed certification for new crash dummies representing toddlers and infants.

"This continues our comprehensive series of efforts to preserve the benefits of air bags and minimize their risks, in this case to small women," Slater said. The new dummy will be 5 feet tall and weigh 110 pounds.

Until now, the government has required automakers to pass crash tests for air bags using only adult male dummies. But the 105 people killed in the United

States by inflating air bags have been mostly children and small women, the very people automakers are not required to design for in meeting government regulations.

"Improved safety for smaller women will result from this new scientific tool," said Ricardo Martinez, head of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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Earl swerves toward Florida coast

PANAMA CITY BEACH, Fla. (AP)—Thousands of people fled the Gulf Coast on Wednesday as Tropical Storm Earl strengthened into a hurricane and veered toward Florida with drenching rain and wind up to 100 mph. The storm center was expected to come ashore during the night somewhere around Panama City, then cut across Georgia and into South Carolina, with 10 inches of rain possible.

A hurricane warning was posted for about 320 miles of coastline, from Pascagoula, Miss., to a point near Tallahassee.

Islands off Tallahassee were under mandatory evacuation orders.

Many people also left Santa Rosa Island, east of Pensacola, at the recommendation of condo and hotel managers, and a state park closed on St. George Island, connected to mainland by a single bridge.

Evacuations were recommended in flood-prone areas elsewhere.

Traffic built up on coastal roads as people heeded the warnings. "We decided to run for higher ground," said Eleanor Griffin, 70, of Dothan, Ala., who cut short a four-day family vacation on Santa Rosa Island.

Gulf Coast Medical Center in Panama City canceled elective surgery, tested generators and sent non-essential employees home.



From front to rear, surfers Jared Kieble, Jerama Fortanberry and Patrick Levine stand in the heavy surf at Dauphin Island, Ala., on Wednesday. The three surfers, who hail from Ocean Springs, Miss., decided to not attempt the heavy surf that is being churned up by Hurricane Earl.

Eglin Air Force Base sent 30 fighter jets to Oklahoma. Schools along the coast of Alabama and Mississippi closed.

Before strengthening into the third hurricane of the season, Earl had been moving almost due north across the Gulf of Mexico,

and Texas and Louisiana seemed to be the target.

Early Wednesday, however, Earl took a sharp right turn toward Florida.

"It's coming in so fast it's almost too late to make a decision," Rick Russell said as he left

a Panama City Wal-Mart with a shopping basket full of batteries, water, milk and other supplies.

At 3 p.m. EDT, Earl was moving to the northeast at 5 to 10 mph. Hurricane force wind reached 90 miles east of the center.

Man pleads guilty in 'alien takeover' case

ELIZABETH, N.J. (AP)—A man who said he fatally stabbed his ex-wife to protect her from aliens pleaded guilty to manslaughter.

Brett Steingraber believed extraterrestrials were about to take over the planet, and killed his ex-wife, Suraia Sadi, to save her from the pain of the alien takeover, prosecutors said.

He could receive as much as 40 years in prison when sentenced in November.

Sadi, 36, was stabbed 12 times in the chest in March 1996, at her ex-husband's Roselle Park apartment.

Steingraber, 39, later drove around with his three sons until crashing his car in Westchester County, N.Y.

President says he's asked for forgiveness in affair

MOSCOW (AP)—In an ornate Kremlin hall alongside the president of Russia, President Clinton had insisted Wednesday he had acknowledged "a mistake" and had asked "to be forgiven" in his much-criticized explanation of

his affair with Monica Lewinsky.

The president had not used either word in the Aug. 17 televised address in which he acknowledged an improper relationship with Ms. Lewinsky and said he regretted misleading people.

The tone of that address had prompted criticism that Clinton was too defensive.

Clinton, asked about his affair with Ms. Lewinsky at a news conference with Boris Yeltsin, said he had gone back and reread his

speech. "I thought it was clear that I was expressing my profound regret to all who were hurt and to all who were involved and my desire not to see any more people hurt by this process and caught up in it," Clinton said.

Reno holds confidential meeting with critic

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senate Judiciary Chairman Orrin Hatch, who summoned Attorney General Janet Reno to a private meeting Wednesday, said she had been "very forthcoming" during three hours of discussions in his office.



Reno briefed Republican leaders of the House and Senate Judiciary committees who are pushing for a broad independent counsel investigation into alleged abuses during the 1996 Clinton-Gore campaign.

However, the attorney general failed to satisfy her chief congressional critic, Rep. Dan

Burton, D-Ind. A participant in the meeting, Burton said it "reinforced my view that the attorney general appears to be trying to protect the president and vice president."

Reno announced Tuesday that she had begun a limited, 90-day investigation of former senior White House aide Harold Ickes—the second inquiry in a week into whether a top Clinton administration official misled investigators examining Democratic fund raising.

The attorney general notified a special federal panel of judges that the latest investigation would look at whether Ickes, a former deputy White House chief of staff and campaign strategist, committed perjury before a Senate committee.

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EDITORIAL

'Cover the Pool' still faces some unanswered questions

You have to admire the folk who are raising money to cover the Twin Falls city pool. They are dogged and inventive.

Their project was supposed to take a few months; they've sloggled away at it for a year and a half. Though less than halfway to shore, they're still paddling hard.

Their latest plan is a waterborne variant of "jail an inmate." On Sept. 23, various "big fish" of the community will be cast adrift with inner tubes and cell phones.

They'll earn their way back to dry land by calling friends for donations.

The first question, which we asked at the project's start, is whether the Cover the Pool Committee really can gather \$300,000. That's more than the Magic Valley United Way raises in a typical year, and more than the earlier booster group raised toward building the pool itself in the 1980s. The question hasn't faded with time. The project's delays hint that community support is weaker than expected.

A year-round pool is certainly appealing. But serious financial questions still dog the pool-cover project.

The second question is long-term cost. This gift horse comes with an appetite. Year-round operation would add \$25,000 (or more) to the pool's annual operating deficit. There also has been talk of locker-room expansion to go with increased pool use. Who will pay?

The third question has to do with depreciation. These bubbles are said to need refurbishing after 10 years, and replacement after 15 or 20. Again, who will pay?

These questions (at least Nos. 2 and 3) are potentially answerable. Maybe successful marketing of swimming programs would bring in enough revenue. Maybe a higher wintertime fee could meet the added operating costs. And maybe — as city leaders have suggested — the bubble could simply be mothballed if it fails to pay its way.

So far, though, the answers are not in hand. The City Council should make sure it has them before it allows the Cover the Pool Committee to hand over a gift that keeps on costing.

This is all great fun and a praiseworthy display of community spirit. But serious financial questions still dog the pool-cover project. These questions are worth reviewing as the big fish prepare to get wet.

First, some background. Aquatics boosters have lamented the city pool's lack of a roof ever since its construction a decade ago. Open to the Idaho elements, the pool is usable only in summer.

So the Cover the Pool Committee proposes a plastic bubble to enclose the pool during cooler seasons. The total cost is estimated at \$300,000, toward which the committee has raised \$125,000.

A year-round pool is certainly appealing. Children, swim teams and fitness buffs would all benefit.

But — now for those pesky questions.

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Clinton, Yeltsin feel each other's pain

Should we call it the Monica Meltdown? The Clinton Crash? The Lewinsky Landslide? The Scandal Ski?

Sorry, conspiracy buffs, whatever Bill and Monica did in the Oval Office study can't be blamed for Wall Street's gut-wrenching air pocket.

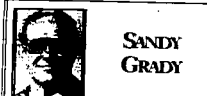
Pin Monday's \$12-point plummet on bad vibes from Asia and Russia, plus an over-priced, over-hyped stock market — not the prez practicing Karate Sutra with a Rolex Drive himbo.

But the market's Monday malaise is an omen of how closely Bill Clinton's popularity will be slashed in a boom time economy. And it shows the weakness of a scandal-dogged president to cool our national jitters.

It wasn't surprising when Clinton's limo drove to a Herndon, Va., school on Monday and protesters held signs, "The sign!" and "Jail to the Chief!" and "We don't teach our children to lie."

A few hours later, Air Force One lifted toward Moscow and the most bizarre — scandal-crippled Clinton summit ever — scalded-egg Clinton flying to a bedside chat with burglar-guest Boris Yeltsin. Welcome to the inevitable Summit.

Some comparisons of Clinton's scenario to Watergate, where real enemies were committed, are overwrought. It does have eerie parallels. A bad news economy — the Arab oil embargo and '74 recession — made Nixon's plight worse. When Watergate was hatched, Nixon escaped to Moscow for a do-or-die summit. Five weeks later, he resigned.



SANDY GRADY

Is Clinton in a Monica jam? Not yet. But the stock market tumble and Russian crisis will set a stark political truce: That Clinton's plus-60 percent approval ratings are kept tenuously aloft by a Happy Days economy.

Where Clinton has pinned his presidency on "globalization" — the sweeping idea that treaties and free-market trade will allow the U.S. to prosper in a world-wide hamper. Now the blight in Singapore, Tokyo and Moscow, where chaos is usually as thick as our 1929 Great Depression, shakes his global scheme.

He isn't backing off. Clinton insisted Monday that global trade adds \$16 billion U.S. jobs. He's going to preach more capitalism to the world. "The easy thing to do is not the right thing, for there to go back to what they were doing." He means Communism — another Stalin or Bushes with a nigger finger on nuclear nukes.

Clinton's problems in his double crises, the Monica scandal and Russia's near bankruptcy, is that he's a near-powerless general next to events.

Good news for Clinton? Despite hysterical headlines about the stock market dropping 1,800 points since mid-

July, Wall Street is not Main Street. The prez can accurately boast that most folks' pocketbooks are doing nicely — low unemployment, low interest rates, low inflation.

They trotted out Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin, whose wisdom is esteemed because he made \$20 million on Wall Street, to coo, "The fundamentals of the U.S. economy are strong due to our sound policies."

Feel better, even if your Microsoft, Cisco and Dell stocks flamed out and crashed?

I doubt if Clinton's job popularity, his shield against abandonment of his Democratic base in an impeachment battle, will tumble until real economic misery replaces Wall Street blues.

He'll face serious erosion, not merely a few Republican firebrands, if the country sinks into deep blues — wholesale job layoffs, rising prices, a recession.

Who knows? Economic gyrus give you gibberish. When the Dow Jones craters, they pontificate. "The market was priced to perfection." Or, "The air had to be wrung out." Or sardonically, "A much-anticipated correction." Ask what happens next and they look owlish and polish their horn rims.

Well, it's not the Monica Meltdown yet. The only certainty is wounded Clinton and Yeltsin consoling each other. Bill had too much libido, Boris too few rubles.

They feel each other's pain.

Sandy Grady is Washington columnist for the Philadelphia Daily News.

LETTERS

Fitness Center Is forgotten

Oops, Times-News!
Did you ever go? In the Aug. 31 article on women's fitness centers, you left out what I consider to be the most outstanding center in the Magic Valley. I am referring to Curves for Women.

As a roundish, 40ish woman of the '90s, I was looking for a place where I could lose pounds and inches comfortably. I had a budget to work within and a limited amount of time I could allocate daily. I visited several places and did not find what I was looking for, that is until I just stopped by Curves on my way home, because they are helpful and knowledgeable group of women who were far more interested in my needs than my pocketbook.

I have been with Curves for exactly one month today, and you can imagine my disappointment when I did not find a single word about this great place for women in your article. I am sure my fellow 200+ plus "curves" were equally disappointed.

My sincere and heartfelt thanks to the ladies of Curves. I have found friendship, fun (I can't go without a fun Friday) and help toward my goals. I have also found new confidence as I have seen and felt my body changing and my attitude changing with it. I find I am more positive and goal-oriented these days as I plan what I want to do next during my

30-minute daily workout

I can wholeheartedly recommend Curves to any and all women looking for women's fitness center in the Magic Valley.

MICHELLE HAMILTON
Twin Falls

Daylight-saving time a waste

A gold star sticker for Mr. Fred Mayer of Glens Ferry for bringing up the dreaded daylight-saving ritual most in bad taste will be rejected, as will material expressing racial, ethnic or religious bigotry.

I was always under the impression that daylight-saving was created so farmers could work longer hours. Well, it doesn't hold water now, as even the combines are equipped with running lights.

Whose hare-brained idea hatched daylight-saving in the first place? Probably, as Mr. Mayer says, some politician. One with a lot of time on his hands. To the best of my knowledge, three or four, maybe five states say they won't and keep the same time year round. Why can't Idaho do the same?

I was employed for 40 years or so and was tired to go along with this practice. Most of my fellow employees were late/early for work at the time change and some used it for an excuse. Babies

are up at weird hours, school children are

forced to board buses in the dark, a lot of people get cranky and some are almost in a stupor for three months. It is not natural for our inner body clock. We just get used to one time and boom, six time to change it back.

I am retired now and sometimes feel like I could just not change my time, but there are still some things I must be on time for. I strongly disagree with daylight saving, and I know lots of people feel the same way. I say time to put it on a ballot and let the voters decide if they want daylight saving, or not. I'd just bet it would be "regular" time all the time for the state of Idaho if you so the test by the voters.

What do you say, Mr. Mayer? Let's you and I not change our clocks this year and see what happens. Well the world ends? I think not, and we will be more alert with proper sleep to check it out.

ROBERTA A. WEEKS
Haystack

Investigation yields no clues

On May 5 at 9:30 a.m., I arrived home from a trip and discovered my home had been burglarized. At 10:30, Chief Phil Cowell arrived to investigate. The locked things over, found the point of entry, went through the house and basement, looked at footprints, told me to put

things back together and clean up the

mess as the burglar went through every closet and emptied out every drawer. I asked if he was going to get fingerprints and investigate this. He told me that I had been watching to much television, that you could not get fingerprints from things in a house (too porous), but he didn't have time to be bothered with this matter as he was late and had to teach a class at high school. He would come later and take pictures of the footprints. But the would take this carves bag full of my things that were gathered up from around the house and left by the burglar and try to get prints.

Four months later, I have not been given a list of his contacts — God only knows, and the police chief and our tax money — school or a burglar that was not over 12 hours old? The last to me in this burglary is approximately \$4,000 (guns, coins, currency, jewelry and personal mementos).

Four months later, Aug. 25, I went to Chief Cowell and asked to get my things that were in the carves bag back. He said that he was not responsible for what his officers had taken out of my home, and I told him I was after what he had taken; his officers had not removed anything. Phil Cowell said in that case he can continue investigating in your home and lock you out. My home is a crime scene.

This is a threat to me and my home. I

would have welcomed an investigation four months ago, but not confiscated and locked me out.

This is America. Where does this man get all his authority? We do have a Constitution that states about illegal search and seizure! I think the mayor and Chief Cowell need to have a special meeting to solve a serious problem.

NEAL A. YOUNG
Wendell

Clinton needs to clean up act

In response to Carol Eschlinan's letter. Give me a break.

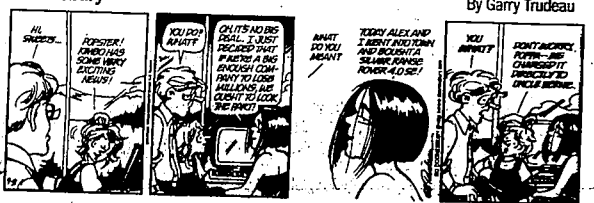
First, we could forgive President Clinton but he'd have to admit to wrong doing first. That is not likely to happen. Amy Rooney even stated in the article next to yours, "this is not the first time he would have to ask for forgiveness, and since he can't even properly apologize for embarrassing this nation in front of the rest of the world, this can't happen."

After 12 years, countless lies and forgotten women that we know of, it is time for our country to get out of this one-sided relationship.

Our country needs to get on to more important worldly business, but let's stop without a lying, womanizing president.

JOLENE ARMSTRONG
Gooding

Doonesbury



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OPINION

U.S. foreign policy uses discretion as supplement for daring valor

"Madeline is the realistic one here," says Scott Ritter. "Maybe she says, 'We're not up to the task.'" What Secretary of State Madeline Albright seems to have said, sotto voce, to the United Nations is that the United States wants U.N. inspectors in Iraq not to conduct the most aggressive and important inspections of facilities pertaining to weapons of mass destruction. Why provoke Saddam Hussein to call the U.S. bluff when Albright knows that the United States has been bluffing when threatening severe consequences for an obstructionist Iraq?

Ritter, speaking by telephone from New York about his resignation from the ranks of U.N. inspectors, says, essentially, this: Discretion, which may be a polite characterization of Albright's policy, might be right in the absence of valor, or of any other alternatives.

Ritter, 37, was until last week the most senior American, in terms of responsibility and length of service, on the U.N. team toiling to eliminate Iraq's weapons of mass destruction. He resigned rather than continue to lend his considerable credibility to the charade that the inspection process has been reduced to. This reduction is a result of the secret U.S. policy of discouraging sunset expectations that might provoke a crisis.

Realists understand that arms control usually is impossible until it is unimportant. That is, arms control controls almost nothing, and it is itself a process of competition, until adversaries stop competing. The collapse of U.S. policy toward Iraq demonstrates that the U.S. arms control policy in that country always depended on something that is nonexistent: a credible military threat to the survival of Saddam Hussein.

Regarding Iraq, arms control must mean regime removal, or it will mean nothing. If Saddam Hussein cannot be toppled, we should shut up rather than continue to squander U.S. credibility and contribute to the cynicism of the American public. Ritter rightly says that the illusion of arms control is worse than having no arms control "process."



GEORGE F. WILL

Ritter says that in Iraq "the people who protect the weapons are the people who protect the president." If Ritter is right, "enforcement" of the original U.N. mandate of eliminating those weapons must mean eliminating the man. Ritter says his Gulf War experience in "counter-Saddam" operations — trying to eliminate Iraq's missiles — led him with no illusions about the feasibility of dismantling Iraq solely by means of airstrikes. If Ritter is right about that, then conceivably attacks on the barracks and command-and-control facilities of the presidential security apparatus might produce a coup against Hussein.

However, even if such a scenario is plausible, a prerequisite for implementing a muscular policy is a serious president, one who can convince the country because he has belief and is believable. Obviously such a policy is currently impossible.

On television last Sunday Colorado Gov. Roy Romo, the Democrats' national chairman, flanked the American public to airframe passengers who are indifferent to the pilot's "personal life" because he is giving them a safe flight through a storm. But Iraq is erasing all impediments to its development of weapons of mass destruction, satellites are beaming back pictures of North Korea's new nuclear facilities that make a mockery of the 1994 accord that supposedly neutralized the threat, North Korea is expressing its contempt for the United States and its allies by launching a missile across Japan, and the stock market is tormented.

Conceivably, American passengers are becoming uneasy. They may soon rethink the question of whether it is a purely "personal" matter that the pilot is an arrested-development adolescent bar who parties in the cockpit with the younger flight attendants. Is his "personal" character also...

...or their involvement in the question of whether they will enjoy world leadership?

Four congressional committees were interested in hearing from Ritter. The importance of the policy discretion that has become the process, and the reality in American public life of strategic decisions on a point of principle, will transfer to any policy decision. But, then, the more enlightened, such as an attack in Clinton's Washington would be necessary.

In this low, disheartening moment in our nation's life, one might have recently acted under the promptings of honor — Ritter, who resigned from an appointment he is relieved to have because the president has passed himself off as a leader, and Ritter, the Pennsylvania Democrat who called for the president to resign because he is morally disqualified for leadership. Both Ritter and McWhorter were chastised by long government service — the Wilson-Campbell that operates on the premise that character is a matter of life and death. So is foreign policy.

George F. Will is a Washington Post columnist.

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Section B

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

“ We’ve talked and thought about it. It is tradition. I’ve never known a race to be stopped because of a fatality. ”

— *Texas track operator Eddie Cassage, after officials at last week's Georgia Power 200 opted ... not to halt the race after driver Chad Coleman crashed and died.*

Hagerman sits still atop poll

By The Times-News and The Associated Press

Their seasons haven't started, and already the Eagle Mustangs and Sandpoint Bulldogs are fighting atop the Associated Press Idaho high school football rankings.

Eagle overtook Sandpoint atop the A-1 Division II poll in voting by the state's sportswriters and broadcasters headed into Friday night's season opener for both teams.

The Mustangs take an A-1 Division I power Centennial, while Sandpoint plays at home against Caldwell, ranked fifth in A-1 Division II.

The order among the biggest

High school rankings

Here is how the state's sportswriters and broadcasters voted in the weekly Associated Press Idaho High School football poll. First-place votes are in parentheses and records are for games through Saturday, Aug. 22.

Rank	Team	W	L	1st Place Votes
1	Hagerman (9)	0	0	48
2	Caldwell	0	0	39
3	Centennial	0	0	27
4	Idaho Falls (1)	0	0	21
5	Lawton	0	0	17

Rank	Team	W	L	1st Place Votes
1	Dale (9)	0	0	41
2	Shoshone (4)	0	0	27
3	Laite City	0	0	25
4	Wilson	0	0	27
5	Coeur d'Alene	0	0	12

Rank	Team	W	L	1st Place Votes
1	Boise Foothills (1)	0	0	22
2	Teton	0	0	6
3	Other remaining votes: North Fremont (1), Pocatello, Grove, West Side, Donnelly	0	0	6

Rank	Team	W	L	1st Place Votes
1	Hagerman (1)	1	0	47
2	Moody (2)	1	0	41
3	Shelby	0	0	24
4	Boise State	0	0	22
5	Redmond	1	0	18

Centennial, Idaho Falls and Lewiston.
Lake City, Hillcrest and Caldwell stayed in the final three spots in the A-1 Division II rankings, with all three teams playing season openers Friday.

Snake River's 35-15 opening-day loss to Blackfoot nearly dropped the Panthers out of the A-2 rankings, and strengthened Weiser's hold on the top spot. The Wolverines defeated Emmet, 14-6.

Idle Marsh Valley, Bishop Kelly and Lakeland all moved up one spot, with Snake River taking fifth despite a season-opening loss.

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TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- High school football**
Shoshone at North Corn, 4 p.m.
Jerome at Buhl, 7:30 p.m.
- High school volleyball**
Fife, Valley at Gooding, 4:15 p.m.
Richfield, Ruff River at Decath, 5 p.m.
Carcy, Hagerman at Shoshone, 5 p.m.
TFC at Oakley, 6 p.m.
Twin Falls at Pocatello, 6 p.m.
Mutzaugh at Decath, 6 p.m.
Wood River at Burley, 6 p.m.
- High school girls soccer**
Buhl vs. Twin Falls at Ascension Field, 5:30 p.m.
- High school cross country**
J-Club Invitational at Twin Falls, 4 p.m.

IN BRIEF

- Hamblin grabs honors at Elkhorn tournament**
SUN VALLEY — Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course Pro Mike Hamblin added to his trophy cabinet Wednesday, capturing the 1998 Rocky Mountain PGA Section Championship at Elkhorn Resort by a stroke over first-round leader Jerry Breucus of Boise.
Hamblin birdied the 15th and 18th holes to finish the two-day tournament with a five-under 69-70 = 139. Breucus narrowed the gap when he birdied the 17th hole, but missed a four-foot birdie putt on No. 18 that would have tied it up.
Hamblin's win was good for \$5,000 in prize money. Breucus earned \$2,000 for his first-place finish in the senior division, and made \$3,200 for his second-place overall finish. Also cracking the top-20 were Sun Valley natives Doyle Corbett (69-72 = 141, third place overall, second-place senior), Mark Swift (75-72 = 147, 14th overall), Tony Blasius (75-73 = 148, 17th overall), and David Hardison (74-74 = 148, 19th overall).
- Brulin boosters schedule tailgate party this week**
TWIN FALLS — The Brulin booster club at Twin Falls High School will hold a tailgate party Friday starting at 6 p.m. in the high school parking lot, before the varsity home opener against Highland.
There will be a tailgate party before every home football game this season. Everyone is welcome and donations will be accepted. For more information, call CT. Barks at 734-2933.
- Canyon Springs men set fun night for this evening**
TWIN FALLS — The Canyon Springs Mens Golf Association will have a fun night tonight with a \$5 entry fee and a \$30 p.m. shotgun start. The format will be 3-man, two-club scramble and one club must be a putter.
- Paul's Gillette will leave Ricks for San Diego State**
REXBURG — Kaly Gillette of Paul has signed to play women's basketball for the NCAA Division I San Diego State University Athletics.
Gillette is transferring from Ricks Junior College, where her basketball team placed 5th in the nation last season.
A 4.0 honor student, Gillette studied kinesiology and computer science. She is the daughter of Jerry and Roanne Gillette of Paul and is a 1996 graduate of Minico High School.

Pro deal falls through for Twin Falls grad

The Times-News
CEDAR CITY, Utah — When last Twin Falls son native daughter Myndee Larsen, she was about to get on a plane for Europe to play professional basketball.
On Wednesday, Southern Utah University announced that Larsen has returned to her alma mater as an assistant coach.
“It was a bad deal, and it didn't work out,” said Myndee's father, explaining the change in plans.
“Her agent had it all lined up and they

Buhl grabs win

Indians sweep Jerome with defensive effort

By John Derr Times-News writer

JEROME — The Buhl Indians played solid defense and got the kills when needed to sweep the Jerome Tigers 15-6, 15-12 in non-conference volleyball action Wednesday.
The Indians rebounded from last night's loss to Twin Falls to even their record at 1-1. Jerome fell in its opening game of the season.
The teams battled the elements inside the Jerome gym. With little air circulation, the temperature was hotter inside the facility than out.
But senior Carrie Williamson played cool, pacing the Indian attack with steady skills and a block. “We knew we better pick up the intensity or we would lose,” said Williamson. “We have been working on covering the floor.”
The Indians jumped out to three-point leads twice early in the first game, but the Tigers were able to pull even both times. Buhl scoring eight straight points for the victory.
Kalinda Brown smacked a kill and the Indians took advantage of several hitting errors by Jerome. The Tigers also finished the game with six service errors. Buhl covered the floor well and Jerome had trouble finding an open spot.
“We are on our way up,” said Brown, who finished with three kills. “We are getting ready to pounce at the end of the season.”
Buhl continued the scoring streak, jumping to a 4-0 lead in game two. The Tigers finally put a stop to it as Nikki Martens belted a pair of kills.

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schools stayed the same during the final week of preseason practice. Highland of Pocatello was an overwhelming choice



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Cowboys line up for rodeo

By Kelly J. Seizo Times-News correspondent

FILER — So many cowboys applied for this year's bronc riding and bull riding at the Magic Valley Stampede that event organizers had to turn some contestants away.
Competitors for the three nights of the performance — tonight through Saturday, beginning at 8 p.m. each evening — were chosen in a random draw from those who applied.

Among those competing in tonight's performance will be Kelly Wardell of Hailey, who won the Wilderwest Circuit finals in barbed bronc riding in Pocatello earlier this year and placed ninth in the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas, Nev., last December.

Wardell was also voted the Coors Fans Favorite Cowboy for 1998. Sankey Rodeo Company's Dry Camp should give him a ride for his money in Thursday's competition. Look for other champion cowboys in each performance.

Montana's Ben Mortensen, 1997 All-Around Cowboy for the PRCA and World Champion saddle bronc rider, will compete against several of the top cowboys in the Wilderwest Circuit and the world for top money during the three-day rodeo.

Mortensen threw a horse that kill Black Sheep — and the fur should fly.

T.W. Parker, Wendell cowboy and National High-School Rodeo champion steer wrestler, will compete against more than 40 other steer wrestlers in his attempt to take home the money. Parker competed in the 5th District High School rodeo, then for the College of Southern Idaho where he also went to Nationals, and now competes professionally.

PRCA rodeo announcer Zoop Dove and barrelman Rooster Kersten will keep the audience entertained and informed with play by play action during the three performances.

Pre-rodeo entertainment begins each night at 7 p.m. Advance admission prices are \$7 for reserved seats, \$5 for adult general admission and \$3 for children's general admission. Prices increase \$1 at the gate; advance tickets may be purchased at D & B Supply, Laneome Cowboy and the fair office.

Pro deal falls through for Twin Falls grad

just didn't come through with any of the financials or the apartment," he said. "They were real evasive."
Larsen practiced with her professional team but left well before the season would begin. Her agent tried to get her on a Spanish team, but the former Twin Falls Brulin and SUU Thunderbird decided against it. "She got the same feeling that things weren't going to be any better," her father said.
So the younger Larsen came back to Idaho to look for a job, and was hired to replace Jody Hensen at SUU. Hensen left

Decar City to join the staff at Northern Arizona.
Myndee Larsen is SUU's all-time leading rebounder and shot blocker, holds the record for career field goal accuracy, and is the school's second leading scorer. She set NCAA records for consecutive field goals made (28) and field goal percentage (.724).
"I'm really excited about having a former Thunderbird coming back," said head coach Joe Hillcock. "She knows the system and is a great addition on and off the court. I expect her to help in the development of our post players."

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Muffy Davis: An uphill climb for downhill glory

I owe the Twin Falls Rotary Club for a free lunch and some great advice. The lunch, I'm sure I can handle. The advice might be harder to match.
A guest at Wednesday's Rotary meeting, I took a seat at the Turf Club along with 100 other men and women.
A woman propelled her wheelchair to the front of the speakers' table, clutching a microphone in one hand and notes in the other. (She's a relative newcomer to public speaking.) She turned on a television, which showed an interview with Bryant Gumbel during this year's



Winter Olympics. Sun-Valley's Muffy Davis, and her story of a promising ski career shattered and rebuilt, have been the subject of

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event." She also earned three World Cup gold medals in Breckenridge, Colo., and two golds and a silver from the Canadian Nationals.
"I truly believe that the only limits we have are the ones we put on ourselves," said Davis, 25.
After Davis returned to her spot behind the table, the young man sitting next to her stood up and walked around to the spot Davis had just occupied at center stage. He talked about the 2002

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SPORTS

Burley girls score early

BURLEY - Senior forward Sara Young scored in the 14th minute of the Bobcats' match against the Wood River junior varsity squad Wednesday...

High school soccer The Bobcats proved impervious to the Wolverines' attack the rest of the way, earning the home victory 1-0...

Buhl boys, Wood River, 1-1 Buhl - Buhl opened its soccer season with a non-conference, 1-1 tie against Wood River Wednesday...

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Winter Olympics and Paralympics in Salt Lake City and the United States' Disabled Ski Team's decade-long win streak.

"In four years, when it's on our home turf... we're not going to lose again," said 23-year-old Matt Perkins, one of the three Idahoans on the team...

Eventually, of course, she softened, and went on to win gold medals with her golden outlook on life. The two skiers plan to move to Salt Lake City and train in Park City, site of the 2002 Olympic ski competition.

"I want it to be like it's just another day, no surprises," said Davis, who said the girls hopes at Nagano had many skiers frustrated and left her literally in tears.

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Volleyball

Jerome took a 6-4 lead, with the Indians making the hitting errors this time.

Hint blasted another kill from the middle while Williamson was instrumental late with a pair of kills and a block to give Buhl a 14-12 advantage.

First-year Jerome coach Warren Strand said afterward that his team is improving but needs more work.

Both teams resume action Tuesday as the Tigers travel to Pocatello and Buhl meets American Falls and Filer in a tri-match.

Seles, Rios advance at Open

NEW YORK (AP) - It was an easy game for sixth-seeded Monica Seles. She reached the third round with a 6-2, 6-3 win over Joannette Kruger.

The fourth-seeded Graf, whose wife had her second daughter in late July but has been home only five days since the birth, lost 2-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-1 and said he was mentally exhausted.

Top-seeded Pete Sampras, seeking to tie Roy Emerson's record of 12 Grand Slam singles titles, faced and women's No. 1 seed Martina Hingis had matches wiped out Wednesday night by torrential rain and strong winds.

Men's No. 2 Marcelo Rios and No. 11 Yevgeny Kafelnikov reached the second round with straight-set victories.

Other women joining Seles and the eighth-seeded Graf in the third round were No. 3 Jana Novotna, No. 9 Lina Stepanovic, No. 13 Patty Schnyder, No. 14 Dominika Panfilova and Serena Williams in a 6-2, 6-1 victory over a qualifier.

Poll

Homedale blasted Middleton, 40-6, to stay No. 1 in A-3. Firth stayed in the second spot after a 7-0 victory over Shelley and Kamiah here.

Cambridge and Clark Fork were idle and did not move from the second and third positions, but Carey's 20-14 victory over Camas County put the Panthers in the No. 4 spot and dropped idle Wilder to fifth.

opponents. No. 3 Oakley was idle and Murtagh and Raft River won by near-identical scores in district openers to remain fourth and fifth.

The only unanimous choice for No. 1 came in the smallest-school division, with the defending eighth-man state champion Deary Mustangs beating Centerville, 48-20.

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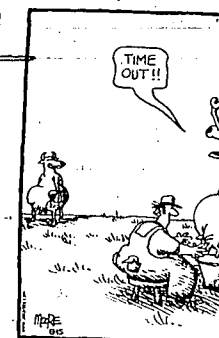
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By Steve Moore



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Your Sports Editor: Jeff Rosen - 733-9931, Ext. 229

Cal Freight grabs honors in slowpitch

TWIN FALLS - Players on the Cal Freight Women's Softball Team were crowned champions of the Idaho State District D slowpitch softball tournament Aug. 9, going undefeated throughout two days of competition.

The team, composed of 14 Magic Valley women, was one of 12 teams competing in the tournament, held last month in Twin Falls.

The team played league in Twin Falls and won the upper division as Sherwin Williams. They also placed third in the Alzheimer's tournament in Boise as Norm's Cafe, and as El Sombrero won the Fitch'em in Ketchum tournament in July.

The team is now focused on the national championship, which will be held in Chattanooga, Tenn., this month.

The Amateur Softball Association has specifically designed the Road to the ASA National Championships as a memorable playing experience for the teams who have earned their way to the tournament. It is a concept made to help players more easily realize their dream of competing in an ASA National Championship.

But along this road are obstacles that must be overcome, such as traveling expenses, lodging, transportation to the playing fields and uniforms for each of the team members.

The expense of traveling across the nation to compete in an ASA national tournament has long been a prohibiting factor for many teams, and has kept them from competing at the national level.

As remedies for these expenses, players are in the process of holding fund-raising events throughout the community and asking for area support.

A Farewell Buffet will be catered by Norm's Cafe Sept. 19, beginning at 6 p.m. at 645 Blue Lakes in Twin Falls; a bingo game will be held the next day from 1-4 p.m. at the same location.

Tickets will be sold at the door or can be purchased in advance from any team member. For more information or tickets, contact Kena Collins at 735-1819 or 733-9735.

In exchange for monetary contributions, the team will include the name of an individual or contributing business in all team events, on their banner, and all advertising and awards received along the road. Donations can be mailed to Kena Collins, c/o Norm's Cafe, 803 Main Avenue West, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301.



Courtesy photos

Above, back row: Shelly Hart, Shelly Sturgeon, Sparky Dixon, Patty Wasiko, Malda Wirsching, Lori Prescott (Baker). Front: Eva Filas, Kena Collins, Janelle Holstine, Julie Schoen. Not pictured: Connie McDonald, Misty Falconburg and Jennifer Waterson.
Below, back row: Patty Wasiko, Shelly Sturgeon, Lori Prescott (Baker), Jennifer Waterson, Misty Falconburg, Shelly Hart, Kena Collins, and Tiffany Mabey. Front: Eva Filas, Julie Schoen, Donna Holstine, Malda Wirsching, Connie McDonald, and Janelle Holstine. Not pictured: Sparky Dixon.



Courtesy photos

IRON ATHLETES
Glen Allen of Bliss, Tom Masino and Randy Stone of Burley, Jan Allen of Hayden and Brent Lee and David Ward of Burley competed Aug. 30 in the Canyon Ironman. Held in Penitence, British Columbia, the grueling event included a 2.4-mile swim, a 112-mile bike ride and a 26.2-mile marathon run.

Rupert ladies set slate of golf events
On Aug. 22, a total of 23 ladies played Least Puts. The winners were: First Flight: (tie) Lenora Kasworm and Johnnie delquerra, 1; and (tie) Ardeth Stark and Belva Heine, 2. Second Flight: Doris Wright, 1; Mildred Lynch, 2; Margaret Knight, 3; and Betty Molman, 4.
A Friday Night Scramble will begin at 5:45 p.m. Sept. 4 and Men's Day is set for 9 a.m. Saturday Sept. 5. The Men's Club Championships Tournament will be held Sept. 12. Call the pro shop at 436-9168.

RUPERT - The Rupert Ladies Golf Association held a ladies day with a meeting and luncheon following golf Sept. 1 at the Rupert Country Club.
Nineteen ladies played a Texas Scramble. The winners were Barbara Carney, Lucille Wake-wood, Elaine Gordon and Eleanor Glanborg, first place; and Clarice Groesbeck, Maxine Becker, Carla Blincoe and Betty Molman, second place.
On Aug. 25, 25 ladies played "Least Puts." Tied atop the first flight were Lenora Kasworm and Johnnie de Blaquiere, and Ardeth Stark and Belva Heine tied for second. In the second flight, Doris Wright came in first, Mildred Lynch second, Margaret Knight third and Betty Molman placed fourth.

O'Leary soccer team deals with loss of teammate
TWIN FALLS - Players, families and coaches on the O'Leary Junior High School soccer team are working through the loss of a player, loved one and friend E. Terry Lancaster, who collapsed on the playing field Aug. 20.
The team would like to thank the Magic Valley community, the local soccer community and other teams in the area for their support.
The O'Leary coaching staff and players are selling raffle tickets to help pay for the cost of an engraved rock and a sign that will be donated in Lancaster's memory.
The rock and sign will be mounted at the field until the school district approves a soccer field at the site. Donations may be sent to the Magic Valley Youth Soccer Association, attn: Mrs. Susan Tenney (treasurer), 1090 Skyline Drive, Twin Falls.
Contact coach Mark Stewart at 733-2404, Ext. 7043, for more information.
Players include Kyle Anderson, Jacob Eldredge, Andy Hegstrom, Brad Kester, Derek Lloyd, Matthew McFarlin, Mash Pope, Derrick Tenney, Charley Himon, Nathan Thomson, Terry Wonderlich, Trevor White, Dylan Sinclair, Alen Parlov, Ethan Stone, Teddy Yarang and Eric Edmondson.
Looking strong at all positions for fall 1998, the team has a final message:
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Virgil Conn fulfills a perfect dream

Some of the leagues have taken the 1998-99 season. Those bowlers who have started have gone through their first series, have had an entering average, have gotten back with their teammates and are ready for the competition.

Lots of bowlers have taken the summer off and it is now time to start remembering all that must be done to release that ball so that it travels down that sixty foot lane, into the pocket and crashes those ten pins into the pit.
Well, some of us can dream, can't we?

It's Friday afternoon, Aug. 28, and that first day is here for the Friday P.M. Seniors League at the Bowldrome. Not a soul under the age of 50 and most have been at the game for 10, 20, 30 or maybe even 50 years or more.

The bowling center is just buzzing with everyone shaking hands and greeting friends. The league secretary is busy as usual getting the members signed up. Next thing you know the lanes are turned on and it's time to go.

Virgil Conn is lead-off on his team, and that first frame was ten in the pit. Virgil felt terrific that all those bowling habits were still with him and the high-fives and "great job" acknowledgments were given.

I was sitting in the office entering another league into the computer so they would be ready for their first day when Audrey Taylor bounced in the door saying, "Thelma, Virgil has eight in a row." Needless to say, that other league had to wait.

Sure enough number nine went down. Now this is why the pressure really starts to build for those folks - but not for Virgil. All smiles, yes, but here is a gentleman that gives the appearance of calm, cool and collected at all times.

It was his turn for frame number 10. The crowd on the course got larger and the bowlers who were not taking their turns were all facing his lane.

Virgil stepped up and rolled the big X. Without any hesitation, when his Brunswick Zone bowling ball returned, he rolled number 11 and they were all in the pit. One more to go!

At this point, some bowlers might have sit down, have a cup of coffee, wipe the sweat from their brow and even pace back and forth in the bowler's area. Not Virgil. He picked up that ball, stepped up on the approach and rolled it the same as he had the previous 11 tries, and it was perfect.

He fulfilled every bowlers dream: a 300 game.

He did admit that when he stepped up for number twelve that he said to himself, "Now make a good shot."

Needless to say lanes 23 and 24 had more bowlers gathered than capacity allows, the telescopes flashed the 300 game score and Kathy Sherman was on the public address system announcing his accomplishment.

Fanastic, Virgil!
Now for a little background on this gentleman. He lived in West Virginia the first year of his life. His



BOWLING
Thelma Tucker

next eight years were spent in East Chicago before then his family moved to Kentucky where they resided until he was 21.

Uncle Sam was his boss in the U.S. Navy from 1942-45. His residence in 1950 was Dayton, Ohio where he started bowling. In 1957 he moved to Arizona where he lived until about 12 years ago when he moved to Twin Falls. His first wife was Louise McGraw. They were married from 1942 to 1984.

They had three boys and one girl and have been blessed with 12 grandchildren. Virgil lost his beloved Louise in 1984. Shortly after his move to Twin Falls, he met this very wonderful lady named Rose Aslett who was also an avid bowler.

They became great friends and were married on June 28, 1986. If you haven't figured out his age by

now, he turned 77 on May 31. His ending average last season was 177. His highest previous game was 290 and he has racked up three 700 series in his bowling career.

A check of records for Twin Falls reflects another accomplishment for him. He is the oldest bowler to roll a 300 game as a member of the Bowling Association.

Notes: Junior bowlers: it is sign up time for Bowldrome leagues. They'll be starting their organizational days on Sept. 9. Call for the day your junior bowlers will be bowling. They will all receive free membership in the birthday club.

Jerome Bowl: September 12 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. is sign-up day. Bowlers who sign up on this day will receive two free lines of bowling. Y.A.B.A. membership cards are \$6 again this year.

Also, keep in mind there are still spots available on adult leagues. Call and get in on the fun. If you don't believe bowling is fun, ask Virgil Conn or anyone of those bowlers who watched his dream come true.

Thelma Tucker writes a weekly article for the Times-News. You can contact her at 733-4357 or by email at tucker@magval.com.

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SPORTS

Jerome runners join A-1 ranks

It's time for the A-1 cross country runners to take to the courses again. Only this season, Jerome has added more competition to the already tough Region III of Twin Falls, Minico, Burley, Pocatello, and Highland.

Adding the Tigers to the region will definitely make the sport interesting. Highland and Pocatello have been the strong teams in the past, but the Jerome teams posted high marks at their final A-2 state tournament.

All the teams but Jerome are young, but all teams have top runners.

Twin Falls Bruins
Coach Larry Lewis, 38th year
Returners: Kris Herms, Andrew Michener, Mike Miller, Jeff Hines, Jamison Walker, Adam Miller, Bryan Hart, Chad Whelan, Amaya Berriochia, Amy Conover, Kristen Adair, Bethany Hagan, Debbie Jensen, and Becca Lopez.

Newcomers: Robbie Benoit, Brett Brook, Mark Brock, Andrew Carroll, Bud Haler, David Harrison, Aaron Hurlburt, Brent Leavitt, Kit Leggo, Ken Lyda, Mike Plante, David Kapp, Aaron Richter, Chad Whelan, Laura Hays, Brent Kleinkopf, Matt Anderson, Carmel Adrain, Dan DeJernie, Amber Diehl, Lorna Haney, Anapka Katana, Amber Walker, Amber Waymunt, Vanessa Thompson, Ellen Featherstone, and Molly Smith.

Outlook: The Bruins won't have a shortage of numbers by any means. Through some of their top runners might be sidelined with

High school previews

The Jerome Hawks continues its annual fall cross-country season in the region and state tournaments.

Jerome is really positive about things. They want to make it to state as a team. If they can't, they'll be satisfied if they can just make it to the regional tournament.

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Jerome Tigers

Coach: Tim Durnme (22nd year) and

Michelle Styles (4th year)
Returners: Jared Hess, Brady Orchard, Ryan Scarow, Eric Jackson, Emily Marshall, Druy Schwaneveldt, Margot Glassett, and Lisa Peterson.

Newcomers: Brett Cook, Jack Mitchell, T.C. Bredt, Brad Steiner, Eric Lee, Anna Copp, Amber Wade, Larisa Garrard, Andrea Burt, Jana Capper, Cadey Larson, Nadia Burt.

Outlook: The Jerome team is new to the circuit this season, but that doesn't mean it won't have the experience of the determination.

Hess, Orchard, Scarow, Jackson, Marshall, Schwaneveldt, Glassett and Peterson also have state experience from the 1996 and 97 seasons.

The girls also have the recommendations of the A-2 classification with their state title last year.

We have a lot of experience back, but we should be strong. I feel we have some girls step up and run as a group.

Burley Bobcats

Coach: Jerry Powell, 2nd year

Returners: Tyler Goodrich, Ray Chapa, Rachael Duran.

Newcomers: N/A
Outlook: The district will be tougher this year with the addition of Jerome, but Powell

is ready to take to the terrain and get his team going.

"It's a young team and we're going to need to develop," Powell said. "We come from the west region area, so we may as well run with the best."

Powell believes that this season will be a building year. His top runner on the girls' side will be the senior Chard, and for the boys, Goodrich and Chapa.

"As long as the kids do their part and get out and perform, we should be all right," Powell said. "A lot of these kids have never run before and don't know how to compete, but time will tell."

Minico Spartans

Coach: Pat Patterson, 13th year
Returners: Matt Riddinger, Joe Phillips, Bryan Hunsaker, Tim Hunsaker, Abe Hunsaker, Sina Chapler, Kristin Mitchell, Crystal Rasmussen, Matt Surland, Jennifer Underland, Majorie Surland, Elizabeth Armstrong, Crystal Ward.

Newcomers: Chad Jones, Jessie Jolly, Shannon Ross.

Outlook: The boys tagged an eighth place finish on their record at last season, while the girls finished at No. 13.

"Both the boys and girls will have to mature throughout the season," Patterson said. "The boys lost two of their strong runners last season due to graduation, and they will have to compete progressively through the season."

Patterson said his girls' team was extremely young last year, and he hopes the team will improve through the season.

Rookie drops O's; Mac goes long

BALTIMORE (AP) — Rookie John Snyder pined and seven innings of three-hit ball as the Chicago White Sox beat Baltimore 3-2 on Wednesday night, extending the Orioles' losing streak to a season-high 10 games.

The 10-game slide is the Orioles' worst since they lost six straight to open the 1998 season. They fell below .500 for the first time since July 26.

Snyder (5-2) struck out one and walked one as Chicago registered its second three-game sweep of the Orioles in a nine-day span — the first in Baltimore since June 1996.

Angels 13, Indians 5
CLEVELAND — Randy Velarde homered and led four hits as the Anaheim Angels pounded Bartolo Colon with seven runs in the first two innings.

Gregg Jefferies tied his career high with four home runs from a three-run lead, and Jim Edmonds had three hits including a two-run homer in the second — a crushing blow to spurring Cleveland.

Rangers 5, Tigers 3
DETROIT — Irvan Rodriguez snipped a 1-for-11 slump with two hits, including a two-run homer that helped Texas beat Detroit.

Red Sox 7, Mariners 3
BOSTON — Boston's Nunez Garcia pined a hitless performance as Red Sox pitcher Tim Lincecum struck out seven batters in the first two innings.

Devil Rays 4, Twins 1
MINNEAPOLIS — Quinton McCracken extended his team record hitting streak to 15 games and doubled to hit the go-ahead run in the seventh as Tampa Bay split the split with Minnesota.

Blue Jays 5, Royals 0
KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Toronto's Kelvin Escobar limited Kansas City to four hits in 8 1/3 innings and Alex Gonzalez hit his 12th homer.

Cardinals 14, Marlins 4
MIAMI — Mark McGwire hit a pair of home runs for the second consecutive night Wednesday against Florida, giving him a career-best 59. He needs just two more to tie Roger Maris' 62-year major league record.

Astros 4, Braves 2
ATLANTA — Houston's Randy Johnson dominated Atlanta for eight innings and easily won the showdown with four-time Cy Young winner Greg Maddux.

Cubs 4, Reds 2
CHICAGO — Sammy Sosa hit his 54th home run to tie Hank Wilson's 68-year-old club record as Gary Gaetti added a two-run shot for Chicago.

Giants 12, Expos 3
SAN FRANCISCO — Barry Bonds hit his fourth home run in the game before hitting his fourth home run in the eighth for his 44th.

D'Backs 2, Pirates 1, 11 innings
PITTSBURGH — Tony Batista hit a tying home run in the ninth, then tripled and scored on Devon White's single in the 11th as Arizona beat Pittsburgh for a team-record five-game winning streak.

Brewers 8, Rockies 4
MILWAUKEE — Jeff Cirillo, Dave Nilsson and Jeremy Bazzira hit two-run homers in Milwaukee's victory over Colorado.

Trojans, Bobcats look good in girls' soccer

By Eric Machacek Times-News writer

The new girls' soccer season will soon begin with the Wendell Trojans and the Burley Bobcats looking strong.

The Wendell ladies have nine returning seniors this season along with good communication and a high skill level. Burley will be mixing youth with experience to what head coach Dan Frangle believes will be a good season.

"We have some young players mixed in with experience," said coach Frangle. "The Bruins will have to overcome a big loss to graduation to come back with another great season."

"I think that this year will be a building year," said Twin Falls head coach Steve Schmidt.

Burley Bobcats

Coach: Dan Frangle, 2nd year

1997 finish: 6-7-1
Key returners: Jorgen Arnold (sr. forward), Sarah Gibby (so. forward), Amy Young (sr. forward), Jakob Beck (so. midfielder), Lisa Gillett (sr. midfielder), Amy Bowers (so. defender), Lisa Ramsey (sr. defender), Alisha Southern (sr. defender), Shantala Sanders (sr. goalkeeper), Amy

Strom (sr. goalkeeper)

Key newcomers: Whitney Young (fr. forward), Vanessa Worrall (so. midfielder), Rhonda Anderson (so. defender), Michelle Strine (fr. defender), Kristina Smith (fr. defender), Heidi Young (fr. defender), Thelma Burt (so. goalkeeper).

The Burley Bobcats have a good mixture of experience and youth to start, what Dan Frangle believes, a good season.

"We had a strong team last year," said coach Frangle. "Mixed in with young players, we have some defenders and some youth who can put the ball in the net."

Minico Spartans

Coach: Corey Wilson, 24th year

1997 finish: 27-1-1
Key returners: Nany Nishitani (sr. forward), Katie Frank (sr. midfielder), Danielle Thompson (sr. midfielder), Stephanie Thompson (sr. midfielder), Luanne Zinkiewicz (sr. midfielder), Brandi Gault (sr. defender), Lesley Stewart (sr. defender), Kristi Burt (fr. defender), Janni Jensen (fr. defender), Annie Williams (sr. goalkeeper).

Key newcomers: Tami Balthasar (fr. forward), Kristi Burt (fr. defender), Kristi Burt (fr. defender), Galeste Hargreave (fr. midfielder), Amy Matheson (so. goalkeeper).

Outlook: With six returning seniors and four

naming juniors, the Spartans will have leadership experience in their roster.

"We have a few young players this year," said coach Wilson. "We are looking to give these young experience and to be competitive with Burley and Twin Falls."

Wilson expects Twin Falls and Burley to be competitive but thinks Wood River will be out of reach for all teams in the district.

Twin Falls Bruins

Coach: Steve Schmidt, 4th year

1997 finish: 8-1-1
Key returners: Megan Delmore (fr. forward), Desirae Diehl (fr. midfielder), Erin Mikala (sr. midfielder), Lily Morse (fr. midfielder), Emily Schmid (fr. midfielder), Michelle Hayward (sr. defender), Kristin Peterson (sr. defender), Allison Tenney (fr. defender).

Key newcomers: Megan Coddell (so. forward), Lisa Ward (so. forward), Rachael Welch (fr. forward), Dorothy Dixon (fr. midfielder), Debbie Dodds (so. midfielder), Julianne Taylor (sr. defender), Jaque Morgan (sr. defender), Elizabeth Wender (so. goalkeeper), Hester Jones (fr. goalkeeper).

Outlook: With many girls lost to graduation, the Twin Falls girls will have to rebuild the team this year.

"We had major losses to graduation," said coach Steve Schmidt. "We only have eight

returning players, so this year will be a building year for us."

"We have a lot of girls young, we still hope to be competitive," said coach Schmidt.

Wendell Trojans

Coach: Daniel Kuka, 2nd year

1997 finish: 0-0-0
Key returners: Kelly Buhler (sr. forward), Rachel Folkert (fr. forward), Leah Mitchell (fr. midfielder), Amber Brown (fr. midfielder), J.J. Beer (fr. midfielder), Erin Hollofer (fr. midfielder), Sherri Livia (fr. defender), Katrina Young (fr. defender), Stephanie Mark (sr. goalkeeper).

Key newcomers: Jackie Casavos (forward), Adriane Martinez (forward), Mandy Peterson (midfielder), Cassi Larsen (midfielder), Carolina Taconelli (midfielder), Vicki Belaraz (defender), Fackie Neri (defender), Torrey Jolly (defender).

Outlook: With nine returning players this season, Kuka's team will have leadership and a higher skill level to try and improve on last year's record.

"Leadership and communication is strong in our team," said head coach Daniel Kuka. "The girls have a great attitude."

Wood River Wolverines

No information received

Bruins, Wolverines lead field in boys' play

By Eric Machacek Times-News writer

With the new school year begun, the new soccer season is approaching fast. In the A-2 conference, Twin Falls and Wood River look like they will be the teams to beat. Twin Falls has nine returning seniors this season and many who will be able to fill in as needed.

"We will have a great season as long as everyone gives 100 percent at all times," said Twin Falls coach Trent

Field. Wood River will be the team to watch in the upcoming season.

Burley Bobcats

Coach: Wesley Mathis, 5th year

1997 finish: 4-1-0
Key returners: Clayton Hillyer (sr. midfielder), Ben Seadle (sr. defender), Dustin Nielsen (sr. goalkeeper).

Key newcomers: Clayton Hillyer (sr. forward), Justin Balthasar (sr. midfielder), James Davidson (sr. midfielder), Kris Rich (sr. midfielder), John Hargreave (sr. defender), Curtis Clayton (sr. defender), Stephen Burt (sr. defender).

Outlook: With only three returning starters, coach Mathis is relying on the younger players to step up and perform for the Burley boys' soccer team.

"We only have three returning starters," said coach Wesley Mathis. "The focus of the team will be on the young players who are stepping up to the challenge."

Like Hillyer, coach Mathis believes that Twin Falls and Wood River will be the teams to watch this season.

Wood River Wolverines

Coach: Brian Dillman, 24th year

1997 finish: 23-2-2
Key returners: Graham Woodhull (fr. forward), James Cooney (fr. midfielder), Josh Clayton (sr. defender), Charles Anderson (fr. goalkeeper).

Key newcomers: Matt Spaulding (so. forward), James Stewart (so. forward), Trevor Brown (fr. midfielder), Brent Hill (fr. midfielder), Chris Williams (sr. midfielder), Ryan Northman (fr. midfielder), Dustin Nielsen (fr. defender), James Davidson (fr. defender), David Woodhull (fr. defender), Charles Anderson (fr. goalkeeper).

Outlook: Although the Wood River team only has returning starters, head coach Dillman believes that this season will be a building year.

"We have a lot of players with fairly equal skill," said coach Brian Dillman. "Our focus is good and we have a lot of skills. Youth will be our main focus."

ISOB Raptors

Coach: Roger Johnson, 2nd year

1997 finish: 1-3-1
Key returners: Casey Barnett (sr. forward), Mike Lewis (sr. midfielder), Justin Spavin (fr. midfielder), Robert Martinez (sr. midfielder), Anthony Oshole (sr. defender), Mike Chavez (sr. defender), Alan Howard (sr. defender), Anthony Hingham (fr. defender), John Doran (fr. goalkeeper).

Key newcomers: Shilva Chaney (fr. forward), Steve Wenzel (fr. midfielder), Daniel Berglund (fr. defender).

Outlook: The ISOB school for the Deaf and Blind is looking for strong starters, but will have a lot of leadership and talent this season.

"We have had a good preseason turnout," said coach Roger Johnson. "We expect to be very competitive this season with many experienced players."

Ketchum/Sun Valley Community Soccer Outthroats

Coach: Richard Whitehall, 6th year

1997 finish: 10-5-2
Key returners: Chris Brown (sr. forward), Justin Hinkley (sr. forward), Casey Mott (fr. midfielder), Stephen Westlake (fr. midfielder), M.P. Engler (sr. defender), Joel Meyer (sr. defender), Alan McCoy (fr. defender), R.J. McCallister (sr. goalkeeper).

Key newcomers: Griffin Pose (so. forward), Quinn Gray (so. forward), Josh Strunk (fr. midfielder), Mike Lester (fr. midfielder), Graham Donald (so. defender), Austin Kipping (sr. defender), Nic Hausman (fr. defender).

Outlook: The Outthroats will have plenty of leadership on the field, as six seniors are returning to the starting lineup this season.

"We have a lot of strength, fitness and confidence on the field," said head coach Richard Whitehall. "There is a lot of laughter and fun, we are just going to enjoy the game."

Twin Falls Bruins

Coach: Trent Felton, 1st year

1997 finish: 15-1-1
Key returners: George Midburn (fr. forward), Mike Deaton (fr. forward), Kim Scott (fr. forward), Andrew Fee (fr. midfielder), Aaron Thompson (fr. midfielder), Shawn Wheeler (fr. midfielder), Greg Kester (fr. defender), Kristin Hill (fr. defender), Larry Hunsaker (sr. defender), Kit Legg (sr. defender), Charles Stone (sr. defender), Tim Dillinger (sr. defender), T.J. Hiltunen (fr. defender).

Key newcomers: Denis Catic (fr. forward), Eric Martinez (sr. forward), Luke Walker (fr. forward), Joshua Alonso (so.

midfielder), Saul Hernandez (fr. midfielder), Tomas Stone (so. midfielder), Joey Michala (so. defender), Dillon Hayes (fr. defender), Darren Hunsaker (fr. goalkeeper).

Outlook: Trent Felton, new head coach for Twin Falls, is looking for commitment, quality and leadership from his nine returning seniors. He will have a lot to try and improve on last year's record.

"The strength of the Twin Falls boys' soccer team is the commitment of the players," said head coach Trent Felton. "We must maintain a commitment to a style of play and attitude towards training that accepts only 'no'."

"Our attitude towards our opponents is that they are all tough teams before the game," Felton said. "We always approach the next game as the toughest. Every team will be different on a given day."

Bliss Bears

Coach: Steve Wythgen, 2nd year

1997 finish: N/A
Key returners: Cesar Espino (forward), Mark Bennett (midfielder).
Key newcomers: N/A

Outlook: Although Bliss has only had three seniors this season, coach Steve Wythgen has high hopes for his team.

"I lost four seniors this year," said coach Wythgen. "The getting most of my defense and midfield back is one of my freshman coaches that are really good."

"We have really good work ethic," Wythgen said. "Our biggest weakness will be that we are a small school."

Wendell Trojans

Coach: Rob Campbell, 1st year

1997 finish: N/A
Key newcomers: N/A
Outlook: With a new head coach, Wendell has depth and talent to prove itself against the rest of the district.

"We only had twelve players last year," said coach Rob Campbell. "We are really building on this season with lots of depth."

With only eight returning players, coach Campbell will be looking towards the youth of the team. All nine of the freshman on the team have played soccer in either a city league or on a team in the youth of the team isn't necessarily inexperienced.

"Our main goal this year is to build the program," said Campbell. "With our depth we have the ability to make whatever we need to so we won't be exhausted."

Jerome Tigers

No information received

AROUND THE VALLEY

3 hospitalized after I-84 accident

JEROME — Three people were hospitalized last Wednesday night after a two-car accident on Interstate 84 near the U.S. Highway 23 exit, the Idaho State Police said.

An excavation unit was sent to the scene, where one vehicle was flipped on its roof and the other was crushed, the ISP said.

Further details were not available last Wednesday night.

Cow incident spilt milk U.S. 30 traffic

KIMBERLY — A truck carrying cow intestines spilled its load Wednesday evening, causing three lanes on U.S. Highway 30 to shut down half an hour, police dispatch said.

The truck from Harding International Inc., had to back up nearly a mile to the Kimberly town. The quick stop sent the truck's cargo down the road, spilling and one westbound lane, dispatch said.

Twin Falls County sheriff's deputies were on scene to direct traffic while cleanup crews cleared the slippery road.

Keophsone: Amendment will boost foreign ag sales

WASHINGTON — Sen. Dick Keophsone has pushed two amendments to the Senate's foreign operations bill that say the U.S. will boost foreign sales of farm goods.

One amendment simply would require American officials in the International Monetary Fund and other agencies to "encourage U.S. exports to encourage production of U.S. goods," a release from Keophsone's office said.

The amendment also would require the secretary of the treasury to report these efforts to Congress.

The other amendment would fund \$200 million from subsidizing international industries in other countries.

IF County sets zoning ordinance hearings

TWIN FALLS — County commissioners have set public hearings on a proposed county zoning ordinance at 10 a.m. Sept. 23 and at 7 p.m. Sept. 24.

Last month the Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission approved a proposed zoning ordinance that would change the zoning in several areas.

The proposed ordinance, which tries to better coordinate zoning and property rights, would increase the number of zoning districts from 15 to 20 zones, would amend the county's zoning ordinance to match the comprehensive land use plan adopted in 1995.

The county commissioners will make their own decision on the ordinance following the public comment.

Build community project will hit folkways

RUHL — "Ask Me About Building Ruhl's Farm" representatives will be present at the Republican booth at the Twin Falls County Fair on Friday Sept. 5 in the fair's closing.

The group will give out three and a half hour presentations on the community project as well as racial diversity of the street dance and folk music to be held from 7 to 10 p.m. Sept. 12. For those folkies, Brian Street will be kicked off, and The Mountain will provide music. Snuggly Jax and disks will be available for a minimal cost.

The project is sponsored by the chamber of commerce and the Ruhl Educational Center. For more information, call 543-6992.

Build City Council meets at 5 p.m. today

RUHL — The Ruhl City Council meets at 5 p.m. today to consider water meter bill.

The meeting will be held at 293 N. Broadway.

Compiled from staff reports

Huntley addresses TF crowd Bad signs:

By Gregory Hahn
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — In front of several 35 people and an empty chair Wednesday night, Democratic gubernatorial candidate Robert Huntley questioned the Idaho congressional delegation's stance on trade agreements, admitted a great mistake to an independent candidate and laid out several ideas he wants to pursue from the governor's office.

Supporters, other Democratic candidates and the crowd were among those at Huntley's Twin Falls " Idaho Issues Forum," one of many "empty chair debates" he's holding around the state. His Republican opponent, Sen. Dick Keophsone, refused to



The Times-News has compiled a page of election and political links to help Magic Valley voters navigate the end-of-year, yet endlessly useful, information on the Internet.

We've included links to individual campaign pages, campaign finance information and general political research sites.

most state and federal candidates, on the "grave situation of the farm economy in Idaho." Poor trade agreements have backed U.S. agriculture into a corner, and big money from businesses that operate on both sides of the Canadian border is being funneled to all four Republican delegates, Huntley said.

"You have to ask yourself whether they're more beholden to those corporations," he said.

Huntley also laid out the issues that have become the cornerstones of his campaign:

- Idaho schools are falling apart, he said, spending far too little on maintenance and allowing a \$700 million "backlog" in construction grow.
- He has pushed a proposal, pushed by Kempthorne and others, to lower the school bond issue majority to 60 percent on certain election days. Huntley said it would take too long to know if it's even working.
- Huntley wants to lower the sales tax to 4 percent, while recouping 40 percent of the money now given away through 65 different tax exemptions. Agricultural, manufacturing and industrial breaks are needed, he said, but others have been added.
- Restoring salmon and steelhead populations in Idaho could bring \$183 million to the state, he said, and the only way to prevent the extinction of the runs is to breach four dams on the lower Snake River in Washington.

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Bad signs:

Jerome Chamber members see issues in proposed ordinance

By Mark Hahn
Times-News writer

JEROME — A proposed city ordinance might help keep Jerome's South Lincoln Street from becoming a sign-cluttered commercial strip, some local planning officials said Wednesday.

But a strip might be just what the town needs to attract a new, local auto dealer said.

"We would be very, very fortunate to have the entrance to our city look like the entrance to Blue Lakes Boulevard," said Con Pauls, also a member of the Jerome Chamber of Commerce.

That's the look of economic growth and vitality, he said.

Still, the Jerome City Planning and Zoning Commission drew up a proposed sign ordinance with an eye toward preserving Jerome's character and small-town atmosphere, said commission chairman Bill Alford.

"Every day there's a little erosion of what made Jerome what it is," he said.

The commission's proposal — which in many areas would limit signs to 50 square feet and 6 feet in height — got a chilly reception from chamber members during a noon meeting with city planning.

An overly restrictive ordinance would discourage new businesses from planning studies in Jerome, he said. It would also stifle the creativity that produces unique and tasteful storefront advertising, chamber member Bryan Craig said.

"That's why we're individual business owners, because we can do things our own way," he said.

City Administrator Jim Condit said planners are in a tough position trying to reconcile business promotion with the desire many have to keep a lowly town.

Jerome Chamber members would control the South Lincoln corridor, also can act against safety issues when drawing up sign ordinances, said executive planning chairman administrator Art Brown.

Small signs can create a traffic hazard on high-speed roads such as Lincoln or nearby Interstate 84, he said.

"You don't want people slowing down to look at a six foot sign in a 75 mph zone," Brown said.

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ON THE TRAILS AGAIN



Don Super of Hamden, Wash., rides in the Independence Wagon Train while Jim Super rides along.

Wagons crest 2 summits in trek

By Mike Camp Egan
Times-News correspondent

KECHICAN — It was "a 1/2 mile of tough" for the wagon train that pulled over the 8,500-foot Mt. Rainier Summit Tuesday, said Cassin Wiley, lead driver on the first Independence Wagon Train.

But that was the lull to experience part of the old West, and to get a bird for when Ketchikan's Wagon Days come about.

Four wagons and a half-dozen riders on horseback started out from Rainier National Park and



If you have a wagon and want to participate in next year's wagon train, visit The Times-News Online at <http://www.magicvalley.com> and click on WestLinks.

carted silver ore from Carrie Town to the smelter in Ketchikan. The wagon train also made a tough pull over 7,000-foot Wells Summit two days before.

"We had to stop a lot. A couple of the horses got pretty tuckered out," said Jim Super, who organized the wagon train and hopes to do it each year to commemorate Wagon Days and keep some of the West's history alive. The wagon train will ride in the Wagon Days Big Hitch Parade on Saturday.

"It's becoming a lost art. So we gathered some old-timers to

teach us young whippersnappers some of the tricks of the trade," Super said.

Cotton Riley, 77, of Richfield might take exception to being called an old-timer, but he grew up with horses and farmed with them until after World War II. He has sold off most of his acreage but still enjoys driving his two mules Kate and Maude.

"Driving a mule team is about as relaxing to me as it would be for the average person in a Jacuzzi bath," he said. The lean

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New Albertson's opens with fanfare

By Pat Macintosh
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Customers waited patiently as an Albertson's employee opened a new box of organic bathroom tissue.

"They are having a good sale."

Robert Carpenter of Twin Falls, who studied customers lined up with coffee full of cream and other items — many on sale — at the new Albertson's Food Store held its grand opening Wednesday at 144 Main Ave. and Blue Lakes Boulevard.

With coffee, beer, winter attire, plumbing and a full of a "meal," the store features the latest trends in food shopping, some discounts Tim Peters said. The eight-person staff employs 150 people, more than the entire



Albertson's store on Addison Avenue.

At the new store, shoppers are greeted with a coffee bar for hot and iced drinks, lunches and express delivery in a long case of ready-to-go entrees for one person or a family. Deals include sandwiches, quiche and corn dogs.

"This week's special: beef enchiladas."

"What we offer them is a lot of different products they can make in a short amount of time. On the go, you might say," Peters said. The trend is one the company has followed the past few years: catering to busy families.

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Crowley's downtown store will grow around soda fountain

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — At the new Albertson's Food Store on Pale Line Road you might recognize a familiar face behind the pharmacy counter.

The grocery company bought the pharmacy from Bob Crowley and his family for an undisclosed price.

But Crowley's downtown store at 144 Main Ave. S. will remain a viable presence downtown and grow around its popular, landmark soda fountain, said Bob's son, Richard Crowley.

"We're going to build around and expand the soda fountain," Richard Crowley said. "We're going to create a fun store down there. We're going to reinvent this store."

In January will be a major remodeling at the downtown store. He didn't have information on specific changes but expects the soda fountain to move to the front of the business, he said.

The pharmacy and its four employees moved to Albertson's, along with drugstore items. Pharmacy accounts were moved

over, and Bob Crowley acts as pharmacy manager.

Selling the pharmacy was difficult for the family, which operated the business for 55 years, Richard Crowley said. But the sale gave his father, who is 65, greater financial freedom and more time to begin enjoying retirement, something self-employed people can't always do.

"My grandpa worked every day until he was 50. My dad wants another chapter in his life," Richard Crowley said. That includes his father and mother, Louise, spending more time with their 21 grandchildren and going on a mission for their church.

"It was a good opportunity for our family to transition," he said.

Albertson's store down Main Street was purchased because it already was established.

"This was the first (Albertson's) pharmacy in Twin Falls so it gives us a base," he said.

Four longtime workers remain at the downtown store, which

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MAGIC VALLEY/IDAHO

Jerome council OKs budget for 1998-99

By Dixie Thomas Roale Times-News correspondent

JEROME — Jerome city taxpayers will get a break in property taxes next year. The city's newly approved 1999 budget shows a decrease in total expenses of \$507,568 — or 9.5 percent — from a year ago.

The new budget decreases the parks account by 19 percent and the water account by 43 percent. Cecil said the decrease in the parks account was due primarily to a carryover of nearly \$40,000 in pool funds. The decrease in the water account is explained by the water tower and water-system improvements completed during 1997-98.

A copy of the complete city budget is available at City Hall for review. In a related matter, the council approved a proposal by Andrew Cover of DRPA, a human resources firm from Boise, to evaluate the city's employee compensation system from top to bottom at a cost of \$5,000.

Jerome considers inspection guidelines for mobile homes

By Dixie Thomas Roale Times-News correspondent

JEROME — Some old mobile homes are about to get a ticket into Jerome. Mobile homes built before June 15, 1978, soon can be refurbished and considered manufactured homes in the city. A new ordinance under consideration by the City Council sets inspection guidelines for the revamped homes.

Once the mobile home has passed inspection it can be moved into any area of the city now zoned for manufactured housing, Wilson said. In other Jerome city business, the council approved a brush chopper policy. Several years ago, city crews wanted to clean up some alleys that had excess brush piles and used a brush chopper to remove them, said John Cook of the Public Works Department.

City street crews will chip branches or tree limbs for residents as workloads permit and subject to availability of equipment. 2) Trees measuring more than 20 feet and more than 5 inches in diameter will not be accepted for chipping. 3) Limbs and brush must be placed within 6 feet of the street or alley to be accessible to street crews.

Hazelton City Council thanks volunteers

The Times-News HAZELTON — The downtown revitalization project in Hazelton is getting a lot of help from volunteers. Mayor Ervin Vansickle said, "The City Council thanked them

at its meeting this week. On Saturday, volunteers removed all of the sidewalks, curbs and gutters downtown. The council said volunteers did all of the demolition and removed "The amount of work we put

down was amazing," Vansickle said. "We had a great bunch of people, we were outwrested out." In other business Tuesday, the council adopted the budget for 1998-99. That budget is about \$354,000.

Judge throws out state claim for tobacco costs

IDAHO (AP) — The state of Idaho's multimillion-dollar claim against the tobacco industry for treating people with smoking-related illnesses was thrown out on Wednesday by a state judge. Fourth District Judge Daniel Eismann dismissed the suit because the state was either preempted by federal law from making the claims it had or had failed to prove specific violations of Idaho's Consumer Protection Act, antitrust laws and public nuisance statutes.

reimbursement for treating smoking-related illness costs. Indiana is appealing that ruling and Idaho Attorney General Al Lance said late Wednesday he will do the same with Eismann's 23-page decision. "My principal reason for bringing this lawsuit was to get the tobacco industry from targeting Idaho's children," Lance said. "The real issue is whether it is acceptable under Idaho law for out-of-state business to persuade Idaho kids to take actions that are both illegal and harmful."

The industry tried to convince minors to use tobacco in advertising and other promotional campaign. Eismann said targeting advertising to any specific market segment was in no way a consumer protection violation, and it would be up to the Legislature to make it so. In a statement issued from its Winston-Salem, N.C., headquarters, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. said it was disappointed in the Idaho case, said Eismann's ruling "indicates that judges can still view these claims objectively, apply the law properly and not be influenced by the rhetoric directed toward a politically unpopular industry."

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0331, Ext. 278, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays or Ext. 262 between 2 and 5 p.m. Saturdays. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next day publication. Death notices on a fee schedule and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

TWIN FALLS

Memorial gifts may be left with chapel staff at the service in honor of Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

BOISE

Gerardine M. Sullivan Geraldine M. "Jerry" Sullivan passed away on the eve of her 79th birthday at a Boise care center where she has lived for the past four years.

PAUL

Richard D. Denton PAUL — Richard David Denton, 55-year-old Paul resident, died Tuesday, Sept. 1, 1998, at his home.

Elwood T. Rees

Elwood Thompson Rees, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Aug. 31, 1998, in Twin Falls at the age of 91. He was living at the Bridgeway Assisted Living Center in Twin Falls with his wife, Thelma Frances Elwood was born in Scipio, Utah, Aug. 7, 1907, to Dr. Nephi John and Nina T. Rees. He was raised in Idaho, attending the University of Utah and later the University of Pennsylvania where he received a doctorate degree in medicine in 1931. Elwood married Frances Frances Johnson (Frank) Oct. 28, 1932, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. In 1934, he moved to Southern Idaho, opening an office in Jerome. He later moved his office to Twin Falls where he practiced until 1981.

BURLEY

Virginia L. Clark Virginia Luome Clark, 76-year-old Rupert resident, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 1, 1998, at the Medical Center.

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FOR THE RECORD

The Times-News

Loane Thom, 2913 E. 3600 N., No. 97, Twin Falls, joint, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, Case No. 98-02348.

\$100,001-\$500,000

U.S. Bankruptcy Court

Boise — Recent Magic Valley filings in U.S. Bankruptcy Court included:

JoAnn K. Smith, 1718 H St., Rupert, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$100,001-\$500,000, liabilities \$100,001-\$500,000. Case No. 98-02382.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Brian Allen and Angela Bradie Jepson, 755 Academic, Apt. 8, Twin Falls, joint, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, debts \$50,001-\$100,000. Case No. 98-02370.

Karen L. Curry, Ranch Condominium, No. 3596, Sun Valley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$100,001-\$500,000, liabilities \$100,001-\$500,000. Case No. 98-02383.

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Richard Lee and Yvonne Soudry, 1122 The Lakes Blvd., No. 10, Twin Falls, joint, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, debts under \$50,000. Case No. 98-02373.

Michael Prieto and Elizabeth Mary Lopez, 18 N. Second, Burley, joint, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$50,001-\$100,000, liabilities \$50,001-\$100,000. Case No. 98-02347.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Ryan Casary, 4375 N. 1200 E., Burli, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, debts under \$50,000. Case No. 98-02372.

Federal District Court

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Land Title & Escrow of Casula County vs. Land Title & Escrow of Casula County, assets \$100,001-\$500,000, liabilities \$100,001-\$500,000. Case No. 98-02384.

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St. Paul's Catholic Church in Chubbuck (Hansen Funeral Home, Pocatello).

SERVICES

Jack G. Kolb of Twin Falls, graduate service at 11 a.m. today at the Jerome Cemetery; friends may gather shortly before service time at the cemetery (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel).

McMurrey Chapel. Elizabeth Schaefer of Burley, 11 a.m. Friday at Payne Memorial Chapel in Burley; friends may call before the funeral at Payne Mortuary.

Irene E. Witherspoon of Gali, Calif., and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Seventh-day Adventist Church, 333 Grandview Drive, Twin Falls.

Cecil H. Donnelly of Arco, 1 p.m. today at Marvel Mortuary; friends may call one hour before the service at the funeral home.

Mary K. Brennan of Pocatello, funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Friday at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Chubbuck (Hansen Funeral Home, Pocatello).

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Malvern Dale Watts of Glenn Ferry, graduate service at 2 p.m. today at the Glenn Rest Cemetery.

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Rancher defends riparian grazing

By Kurt Friedemann
Times-News writer

OKALEY — Running a ranch is a complicated process for Oakley rancher Carl Austin. There are plenty of things for him to worry about, not the least of which are noxious weeds.

Keeping his ranch weed-free is a battle he would rather not fight but must fight anyway.

"Environmentalism is not a religion for me," he said. "For me the environment is where I grew up."

As a rancher, Austin often finds himself on the other side of the fence from environmentalists. But this time he is defending his practices before his own local politicians.

Recently Cassia County commissioners made a trip out to an area near Austin's ranch to view some riparian enclosures within and beyond his acreage.

That did not make Austin mad, but he was upset that he wasn't invited to explain the enclosures' condition.

Austin does not deny he has problems with leafy spurge and

other noxious weeds on his property and on land he manages.

"This year's been the worst spurge year since I can remember," he said. "But 95 percent of my ranch is free of noxious weeds and that takes a lot of work."

Commissioners' assertions that certain areas needed to be grazed to battle noxious weeds are misguided, said Tony Ape, regional habitat manager for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

"We have an cooperative agreement with Carl that there will be no livestock grazing in certain riparian pastures for two years," he said. "But within that agreement there is the provision for light early spring grazing."

Which means some of the areas commissioners defined as ungrazed were misinterpreted, Ape said.

Commissioner Paul Christensen said the tour was meant more to gather information. The commission wasn't there to condemn anyone's operation.

"It's important that we see those things and have that kind of discussion because we face so much opposition to grazing," he said. "I think we will be better

educated and perhaps can deal with grazing issues better as well."

A letter sent to Austin explains Fish and Game's position. In it the agency says Austin's agreement is flexible, especially when a rancher must control a tenacious weed such as leafy spurge.

"Although we hope that there will be no detrimental effects to Goose Creek or its streambanks," the letter says, "the department supports whatever vegetation management scenarios are needed and developed to control this noxious weed."

Commissioners have since apologized for their comments and promised to tour the area with federal land managers and ranchers, Austin said.

"I am not an environmentalist. I am for what works," he said. "As a cattle man and ranch owner I must maintain this ranch as an economic unit and that means being as non-intrusive as possible."

Kurt Friedemann is The Times-News' Mint-Cassia bureau chief and can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.

walk, but council members said children in the street could pose a danger. A possible painted bike lane was proposed for a future ordinance.

The council also passed its 1998-99 budget.

"We have been in business together downtown for a long time," Nelson said.

The Nelson family has run the Save-Mor drugstore since 1939.

In the 1950s, there were six drugstores within half a block of each other downtown, Nelson recalled. Since then, there have been many changes, but not the fact that businesses can thrive there.

"Downtown is a good place to be in business," he said.

signallies and their faces "with the long cars. Their faces kind of grow on you," she said.

Mart Stein, 10, took a week off from school to ride with his grandfather, George Silver, 68, of Jerome.

"It's been fun, but it's a little long here and there," said Stein, who has to write an essay for school.

Times-News correspondent Julie Casey Lynn can be reached in Ketchum at 726-7894.

Neighbors, owners disagree on requirements

By Lorraine Cavener
Times-News writer

RUPERT — Neighbors of Fiesta Mexicana say the club has not met the conditions city officials required when they reinstated the club's beer license.

But Fiesta owners say they are doing everything they can.

Fiesta's beer license was not renewed when it expired three months ago. Fiesta owners approached Rupert City Council members last month about getting the license reinstated and an agreement was reached between Fiesta representatives and city officials.

When the license was reinstated, it came with promises that Fiesta owners would clean up litter, provide outside restrooms, and curb outside consumption of bottled beverages.

"Guidelines are not being

met," said Rosie Moore, director of Maverik Country Store, which is just south of Fiesta.

Outdoor restrooms are still not provided, Moore said.

"We still get a lot of their patrons asking to use our restroom facilities," Moore said.

Cleaning up litter within a one block radius is another license stipulation, said Bryan Montgomery, Rupert city administrator.

There is still litter in our parking area," Moore said. "They don't send anybody to clean up."

In addition Moore said she has seen groups of intoxicated teenagers in the Fiesta parking lot. She said she has to call out the police almost every weekend, particularly when there is a large crowd.

Employees of King's in Rupert, north of Fiesta, also say they have not noticed a change.

"The Berlin Wall that King's put up between Fiesta and King's set the tone a long time ago. Regardless of what Fiesta does, neighbors will always complain," said Raymond Pena, representing Fiesta. ("Fiesta owners) Brenda and Alvino Ortega are bending over backwards to help resolve issues."

Fiesta voluntarily offered concessions such as outdoor restrooms and litter patrol, Pena said.

"If the neighbors think Fiesta is not doing what they should, then they should take it to civil court and see what comes of the issue," Pena said.

The city should be given credit for acting as mediators, Pena said.

"They are walking a fine tightrope," he said. "It is not the city's job to settle disputes between neighbors."

Batt interviews for vacant Education Board seat

BOISE (AP) — Gov. Phil Batt interviewed seven candidates for the vacant seat on the state Board of Education on Wednesday, and spokeswoman Julie Robinson said he was likely to announce his selection in the next few days.

Among those seeking the seat given up by Moscow attorney Roy Mosman is a former speaker of the Idaho House, the one-time co-chairman of the legislative budget committee and the wife of the state Republican Party chairman.

Mosman, who began a second five-year term on the board in 1996, resigned 2 1/2 weeks ago because of the extensive rehabilitation he is undergoing following a severe fall earlier this year that

left him in a coma for eight days.

Robinson said geography would be a consideration as the governor settles on a replacement for Mosman, one of just two members on the eight-member board from north of the state Capital. That would seem to give

the candidates from northern Idaho like former House Speaker Tom Boyd of Genesee and Zola McMurray, wife of state GOP Chairman Ron McMurray of Lewiston, an edge.

Mrs. McMurray served six years on the Lewiston School Board, six years on the board of directors for the Northwest Regional Education Laboratory in Portland and taught in the Boise,

Deary and Lewiston school districts in the early 1960s.

Kathleen Gurnsey, who chaired the House Appropriations Committee for 16 of her 22 years as a legislator before retiring in 1996, conceded that before Boise probably put her at a disadvantage despite her record of supporting institutions in other parts of the state.

"I believe I would do an excellent job representing the University of Idaho and what-have-you," she said. "I feel I have a pretty good track record for the things that I was able to do for that part of the state when I chaired the Appropriations Committee."

Filer discusses bike safety at council meeting

FILER — Bikes and bikes were topics at Tuesday's Filer City Council meeting.

- Mayor Russell Sheridan said a BMX track planned for Filer is still in planning stages.
- Resident Stacy Nunez said

some household furniture in an alleyway could cause harm to children playing on the furniture.

"It's important that we see those things and have that kind of discussion because we face so much opposition to grazing," he said. "I think we will be better

sandwiches and lunch items. A fountain has been in operation in that location for 90 years, Richard Crowley said.

"It's a landmark for Twin Falls," he said.

The family also will continue to operate its Quad bookstore in the Magic Valley Mall.

Save-Mor Drug at 139 Main Ave. W. is now the only pharmacy downtown. Owner Dave Nelson said he will miss Bob Crowley working down the street.

in to make Wagon Days a little more personal.

"Most people use their wagons for yard ornaments. This group likes to use their stuff. I've learned a few things, too," Fosnot said.

Christel Billhoffer, a number cruncher from Los Angeles, found out about this trip on the Internet. She said her bottom was sore but she planned on doing it again next year.

"It's been fun, and the mules are fascinating" with their per-

sonalities and their faces "with the long cars. Their faces kind of grow on you," she said.

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-has got to be nuclear," he said, admitting that stance might make him unpopular with some.

Twin Falls independent candidate Dr. Peter Rickards, who asked to be part of the forum but was refused, asked Huntley about his INEEL position.

Huntley calls himself a "decisive" candidate for governor, Rickards said, but once signed a petition to stop shipments of radioactive waste into the state, but then recanted after working with an INEEL contractor as an attorney.

Huntley said he "basically" wants shipments stopped, but after learning much more about

the issue when his law firm was hired, realized the state stood to make out worse than it will under Gov. Phil Batt's 1995 nuclear waste agreement.

"All I have signed and come short of the glory of God," Huntley said, "including me."

Rickards cuts said Huntley's exemption in the sales tax would find their way back to Idahoans' pockets, when businesses raise prices. The plan, Rickards said, made Huntley "dead meat for Dirk Kempthorne."

Members of the crowd eventually turned on Rickards, saying they came to hear Huntley's ideas, and Huntley said he would

Albertson's

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lies who don't want to spend a lot of time cooking.

Shoppers can stop to eat or take a break in a small dining area near the deli.

The new Albertson's also has a pharmacy offering free delivery. The company bought Kroy Pharmacy, Peters said.

An expanded video rental and sale of general merchandise, such as small appliances, is in line with a trend of one-stop shopping, he said. With more open spaces, Albertson's attempted to make the store mall-like.

"People hate to go grocery shopping, but they love to go to the mall," he said.

In the name of service, employees help load items at the registers and then bag items. Customers can watch each transaction on a computer monitor, with a running subtotal.

A US Bank branch is located in the store.

For the grand opening, shoppers were treated to free carnations, cookies, samples and spin of a wheel for lottery tickets. The sales, store size and selection also won customer kudos.

Laura Seamons of Hagerman

didn't mind the drive to shop at Albertson's. When she lived in Rexburg, she drove 30 miles to go to one, she said.

"It's all right. It will be better on a day when it's not so busy," said Dorothy Malone of Kimberly, a regular Albertson's shopper. Her husband, Bill, also complimented the new store, especially the expanded selection of Mexican food.

"It's big," said Liz Fort of Twin Falls. "I'm changing stores."

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Wagon

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septuagenarian smiled, his gray felt cowboy hat speckled through the brim. He did admit to not caring much for the camping.

Riley also drove a wagon in the 250-mile Montana State Centennial wagon train from Banrock to Hilderbrand.

"When you get old it is when you have time to do things. I don't stay in. I'd rather be outdoors," Riley said.

Bob Fosnot of Bellevue joined

Huntley

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from Congress with support from the entire Northwest, he admitted, but Idaho's governor could take the lead.

Abortion decisions should be made by individuals and their families, he said, and not the Legislature.

Huntley also discussed the future of the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory, saying that once waste management and cleanup issues are solved, the INEEL should continue to take the lead in the world's nuclear power research.

"It looks like the future — to me

Signs

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But going too far the other way can also be dangerous, said city planning commission member Chas L'Herisson.

Some traffic studies have shown Blue Lakes Boulevard has a high accident rate, and one contributing factor is drivers being distracted by a clutter of signs.

Rex Lytle, owner of Lytle Signs

Inc. in Twin Falls, said the proposed Jerome ordinance is more restrictive than ordinances in Ketchum and other places known for strict sign control.

Business need leeway in planning their outdoor advertising, said Lytle, a member of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.

"Bigger isn't always better, but more effective is," he said.

Lytle also suggested planners seek help and opinions about the ordinance, possibly through a citizens' committee.

Cecil said people can also air their thoughts during an upcoming planning commission meeting. The Jerome City Council will also hold public hearings on the ordinance after the planning commission sends its final draft to the council.

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Utah Gov. Michael Leavitt, right, Colorado Gov. Roy Romer, center, and 3Com Corp. CEO Eric Benhamou, left, clicks a computer mouse to launch the new Western Governors University during a news conference in San Jose, Calif., Wednesday. The new university is open for full enrollment through the university web site.

Ceremony marks official opening of Western Governors University

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — With the click of a mouse button, the Western Governors University on Wednesday opened its virtual doors to students to enroll in distance learning courses.

"It's one small click for mankind, one giant leap for distance learning everywhere," said Gov. Mike Leavitt, R-Utah, as he joined Gov. Roy Romer, D-Colo., and university officials in launching the ambitious project.

Western Governors University is a higher education institution for the next millennium," Leavitt said.

The on-line university is a cooperative between 25 colleges and universities in 17 western states

and Guam and several businesses. Students from anywhere in the world can enroll in the courses and either count the credit toward a degree from the school providing the course or receive a degree directly from WGU. It has offices in Salt Lake and Denver.

"In my 12 years as governor, I've never run across an idea as big as the one wrapped up in Western Governors University," Romer said during a ceremony to launch the project in San Jose, Calif. "It is an insatiable saying we need to do things in a different way."

Jeff Livingston, chief executive officer of WGU, said many of the courses run on a set schedule, but others can be taken entirely at

the student's leisure. In theory, a student could enroll in a course on Wednesday and receive a degree as soon as he or she passes the required competency screening. In fact, students can receive a degree from the university by passing the test without even taking a course.

But Marcia Bankirer, senior academic officer at WGU, said that doesn't diminish the value of the degrees.

"You can't guarantee me that the associates degrees coming out of the community colleges can guarantee the competency that we'll be able to," she said. "They are very rigorous assessments and statistically valid and reliable."

impact, said Bill Bohl, University of Idaho potato specialist at Blackfoot.

"Just detecting it in a field does not mean the whole field is infected," Bohl said. "It might just be a tiny spot under power lines that a spray plane couldn't get to. It does not mean all the fields are seriously compromised."

His office encourages producers to spray fields regularly to prevent late blight, which thrives in wet weather.

Chenoweth, Williams agree to have at least 3 debates

BOISE (AP) — Republican U.S. Rep. Helen Chenoweth and Democratic challenger Dan Williams have agreed to at least three debates in the two weeks before the November election.

And the Chenoweth camp said on Wednesday that there was still a possibility of a fourth in the rematch of the 1996 race that Chenoweth won by 6,500 votes.

The two will face off Oct. 23 in a Boise-based debate broadcast throughout the district by Idaho Public Television. They will meet again three days later at Boise State University in a debate to be broadcast by KTVB-TV in Boise. And on Oct. 29, just six days before the election, a third debate will be broadcast from Spokane, Wash., by public television.



Helen Chenoweth

Williams criticized the incumbent for rejecting his proposal for additional debates on the campaign in Moscow, Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston, North Idaho College in Coeur d'Alene and Northwest Nazarene College in Nampa.

He maintained they would have taken the campaign to many more voters in the 1st District.

But Paterson said that Chenoweth, seeking her third and self-limited final term, believed a debate schedule mirroring the one in 1996 would give voters throughout the district the chance to hear both candidates.

"The idea was to make the debates purposeful for the public, not purposeful for Dan Williams and propaganda purposes," Paterson said.

Williams argued that while voters would have the opportunity to watch the three debates on television, only a handful would be able to attend and question the candidates in person.

Transient attacked by paintball-wielding teen-agers

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — A transient living under a viaduct said three teenagers armed with paint ball guns attacked him, shooting him 23 times, including once in the forehead.

Ogden police officer Robert Peterson said the incident was clearly a case of aggravated assault.

"I don't care who you are, this shouldn't happen to you," Peterson told Carl Rainwater, the man who was attacked.

Police investigated the incident Tuesday after they learned about the Monday attack.

Rainwater, 58, of Louisiana has red welts the size of half dollars covering his left side, back and

face. Small paint balls, used in air guns for mock war games, litter his campsite.

Peterson said it will be difficult to find suspects, but police will clear out the camp where Rainwater and several other men were living.

"This is what happens in these sorts of places," Peterson said.

Carnival worker electrocuted

ELLENSBURG, Wash. (AP) — A carnival employee was electrocuted as he worked on a ride at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds, police said.

Michael Rogers, 21, of California, touched a live electrical wire Tuesday night while working on a ride operated by Davis-Cascadia Amusements, police Capt. Bob Richey said.

Efforts to resuscitate Rogers were unsuccessful, Richey said.

Rogers was apparently setting up the ride for the fair's opening on Thursday, Richey said.

The state Department of Labor and Industries was investigating the death, which was being treated as accidental, Richey said.

Due to the Labor Day Weekend, the Times-News will have early deadlines for classifieds.

Ads for Saturday, September 5 need to be placed by 11:30 AM Friday.

Ads for Sunday, September 6 need to be placed by 2:30 PM Friday.

Ads for Monday, Sept. 7 and Tuesday Sept. 8 need to be placed by 5:30 PM Friday.

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Farmers hold potatoes to increase market size

BLACKFOOT (AP) — Although some area potato growers started harvest in August, many are holding out as long as they can to increase tuber size.

A wet spring and unseasonably hot summer combined to produce smaller spuds than usual, said Burt Moulton, fresh and dehydrated potato manager for Potato Growers of Idaho.

"The feeling is this year's crop will be down size-wise," Moulton said. "So, a lot of farmers are holding out until the very last

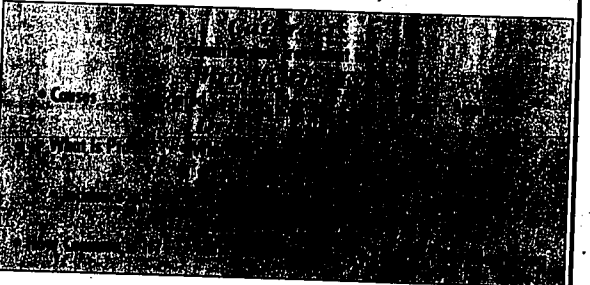
minute to kill their vines so they can get as much growth as possible."

He said harvest of such early varieties as Shepody and Norfork on potatoes began last month. There are about 400,000 acres of potatoes in southern Idaho this year, he said. Harvest is expected to continue into November.

Although late blight has been detected in 43 southeastern Idaho fields, that number may not accurately reflect the total



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Northern Idaho braces for adult entertainment

STATELINE (AP) — Spokane, Wash., strip clubs and adult arcades have been forced to close by their acts or shut down since the county's restrictive adult entertainment ordinance went into effect in March.

A new exotic dance club in an Idaho town with none of Spokane County's restrictions suggests that the anti-smut crusade might merely be pushing

the businesses across the state line.

Post Falls also is set to tighten its restrictions on adult entertainment. Without those restrictions, "It's very likely that they will have problems" ranging from prostitution to urban blight, said Patty Connolly Walker, city-county special prosecutor in Spokane.

Stateline Showgirls will open in early October once renovations to an existing building are

finished, said a construction site manager who refused to give his name.

Stateline wrote its own ordinance on adult entertainment this summer, and the Post Falls City Council was considering a proposed ordinance this week. But neither city's law will be nearly as restrictive as the 36-page Spokane County ordinance.

Spokane club employees admit they are looking to move across

the border. About 50 dancers have left Deja Vu in the Spokan Valley since the ordinance took effect, said Alicia, a dancer there who asked that her last name not be used.

"If this club opens, they're going to take all the girls from Spokane," said Angela Johnson, a former dancer at Deja Vu, who made \$300 to \$350 on a typical Friday night before lap dances were banned.

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Environmentalists call for ban on personal watercraft in park areas

WASHINGTON (AP) — Environmental groups Wednesday criticized a proposed National Park Service rule that would ban personal watercraft that would exempt some areas, saying Jet Skis should be barred on all land managed by the agency.

The ban proposed by the agency in July would cover all 54 national parks and most national park areas.

Exempted would be 11 national-park recreation areas — seven of them in the West — and national seashores in Texas and Florida, though local superintendents could add restrictions in the future. The ban would be delayed in 12 other National Park Service areas, all in the East, for up to two years.

"The new regulations will not stop Jet Skis at our national parks. It will only slow down their growth," said Russell Long, director of Bluewater Network, a San Francisco-based environmental group.

At a news conference, Long and other activists said the park service should enact an immediate and total ban across the

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- National Park Service areas where personal watercraft would still be allowed under a proposed agency ban:
- Anisled National Recreation Area, Texas
 - Big Horn Canyon NRA, Montana
 - Chickasaw NRA, Oklahoma
 - Crowsnest NRA, Colorado
 - Gateway NRA, New York
 - Glen Canyon NRA, Ariz.
 - Golden Gate NRA, California
 - Lake Mead NRA, Nevada
 - Lake Meredith NRA, Texas
 - Lake Roosevelt NRA, Washington
 - White Sulphur Springs-Trinity NRA, California
 - Florida and Mississippi
 - Padre Island NS, Texas

and Conservation Association.

"There's just nowhere to escape these things now."

But agency spokesman David Barza said Jet Skis are appropriate in some areas the National Park Service manages — particularly at large reservoirs such as Lake Mead in Nevada, where the devices are popular with tourists.

"We think there are places the public wants to be able to continue to use them," Barza said.

John Donaldson, executive director of the Personal Watercraft Industry Association in Washington, D.C., said he is withholding comment until the proposed rule is published — which could be as early as next week.

But he said the rule should not prohibit personal watercraft in areas where high-speed motorboating is allowed.

Americans own 1.2 million personal watercraft, with sales running at about 200,000 a year. The devices account for 11 percent of all U.S.-registered watercraft — and 35 percent of accidents involving vessels.

board. Personal watercraft are dangerous, noisy pollutants that harm wildlife, they said.

"Jet Skis destroy the ability for others to enjoy the national parks," said Thomas Kiernan, president of the National Parks

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Residents recount raging fires

NUERO, Calif. (AP) — When the flames came, they fled from their homes with only the clothes on their backs. Some didn't even have shoes. Adored family pets were left behind. Homes lovingly crafted were abandoned.

Residents of this rural Riverside County town have fought brush fires before, but they've never seen anything like this.

"There was no battling this one," said Christopher Meade, who fled home with his wife and daughters. They returned Tuesday to find the house still standing, but a storage shed stuffed with antique furniture and appliances burned to the ground.

"It was all about running," he said. "It looked like hell."

Thirty-nine homes were destroyed in the blaze, one of dozens of wildfires in California that charred about 34,000 acres of brush in San Diego County, flames threatened a Navy napalm depot before fire crews beat them back Tuesday.

Firefighters also battled blazes in a number of other Western states, including Washington, Montana, Nevada and Idaho.

In addition to the flames, firefighters endured temperatures topping 100 degrees, humidity, erratic winds, El Niño-thickened vegetation and a bumper crop of bugs and snakes.

Utah store will trim 'Titanic'

AMERICAN FORK, Utah (AP) — For \$5, Sunrise Family Video will delete Kate Winslet's breasts from a customer's copy of "Titanic."

It's not with Paramount's blessing and it's illegal, Paramount Studios spokeswoman Dorrit Ragosine said Tuesday. She said she would check with Paramount's legal staff but could not say what action the company would take.

Don Blesinger, owner of Sunrise Family Video, said Tuesday that an attorney advised him it was legal to edit customers' discs and he plans to continue offering the service.

Blesinger, who rents but does not sell "Titanic," said, "It's a common service. We're not making a whole lot of it. But we wanted people to be able to enjoy it without being embarrassed."

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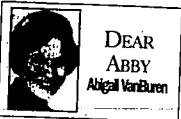
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FAMILY LIFE

Parents' divorce hurts mother, daughter

DEAR ABBY: After nearly 40 years of marriage, my parents are in the middle of a divorce. My mother is devastated and humiliated. My father is now living with Carol, who was my mother's best friend. They are living in what used to be my grandparents' home, less than a mile from Mother's.



DEAR ABBY
Abigail VanBuren

Mother is trying to get on with her life, but how can she when Carol insists on shopping at the store where my mother works? My father acts like he's done nothing wrong.

Abby, have they lost their minds? I'd like to thank my father is same, but I'm not too sure anymore. I'd greatly appreciate some advice about how to deal with this.

—IRATE IN TEXAS

DEAR IRATE: I hope your mother has a good divorce lawyer, because after having invested 40 years in her marriage she deserves to be left with more than "devastation and humiliation."

In some ways, a divorce is like a death in the family. Your mother is going to need time to grieve and heal. Do not allow her to isolate herself. Keep her busy and help her find new activities to

occupy her time and her mind. Exercise is not only good for the body, it can help to keep depression at bay. Encourage her to join a gym or enroll in exercise class. The more social contacts your mother can make, the better. It's important that she meet new people. Assure her that this is only the end of a chapter, it's not the whole story. And please tell her she is in my prayers.

DEAR ABBY: I am writing in reference to some old coins that were left to me. I have no idea how to determine their worth, if any.

I have some pennies that are dated back to 1842, 1832 and 1803. I'd really like to find out more about them, but I don't know where to begin.

I was hoping that you or one of your experts could advise me where to get an honest appraisal of these coins.

I would appreciate any help you can give me. I am a longtime fan of your column.

—J.M.C.W. IN RIVERSIDE, N.J.

DEAR J.: To get an honest appraisal, consult several coin dealers in your area and compare their estimates. In addition, your public library will have many books on coins and other valuable collectibles, and there are also many magazines for collectors. These should also provide some guidance on the value of your coins. You might consider joining a coin collector's club in your area to learn more about your pennies.

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Bishop is a graduate of Jesuit High in Sacramento and Humboldt State University in Eureka, Calif.

He is a computer programmer in forest management at the Camanche Group. The wedding is planned for 6 p.m. Sunday at the Lakeside Gardens in Portland. The couple will host a reception immediately following the ceremony.

Little brother ready to follow Prince William to Eton

LONDON (AP) — Three years after Prince William signed the historic entrance book at Eton College, his little brother, Prince Harry, headed for the elite boarding school.

The 13-year-old traveled with his father Wednesday to Eton, a \$24,000-a-year school that has been favored by the upper class for centuries. It is just across the River Thames from Windsor Castle, the weekend home for the

princes' grandmother, Queen Elizabeth II.

While William had both parents with him when he enrolled, red-haired Harry, who is said to be easy-going and not too acade-

mically inclined, came only with his father. His mother, Princess Diana, died in a car crash a year ago Monday.

William was expected to leave for school late Wednesday.

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WORLD IN BRIEF

Iran begins military drill near Afghanistan

TEHRAN, Iran — Iranian fighter planes bombed imaginary targets Wednesday and paratroopers dropped into "hostile" territory as 70,000 Iranian soldiers took part in military exercises near the border with Afghanistan.

The maneuvers, one of Iran's largest in peacetime, are apparently directed against Afghanistan where, according to Tehran, the ruling Taliban militia is illegally holding 47 Iranians.

More than 150 tanks rumbled through the area and Cobra helicopter gunships hovered overhead at the start of the three-day maneuvers in the northeastern Khorasan province, Iranian radio reported.

The exercises, by the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps and the volunteer Basij Resistance Forces, are a "demonstration of strength, organization, dynamism and a high coordination," the radio said. The Revolutionary Guard is an elite fighting force of about 120,000 ground, air and navy personnel.

Pilots' strike grounds Air Canada's planes

TORONTO — Air Canada canceled all flights for Wednesday and today after its 2,100 pilots launched the first strike in the airline's history, demanding higher pay and better working conditions.

The move left frustrated passengers stranded across the country and around the world. Air Canada, Canada's largest airline, carries approximately 60,000 passengers daily.

Air Canada tried to make arrangements with 15 other airlines to take its passengers, but many were already booked solid with late-summer travelers or dealing with the fallout from the Northwest Airlines strike.

U.S. firm, Afghan rulers sign large deal

KABUL, Afghanistan — A U.S. company signed a \$240 million contract Wednesday with Afghanistan's strict Islamic government to build a communication network in the war-shattered nation.

The network, expected to go into service in two years, will be capable of advanced and standard communications, said Gary Brinkley, a deputy director of U.S.-based Telephone System International. He did not elaborate.

Indonesian military returns following riots

IDJ, Indonesia — Risking an increase in tensions, Indonesia's top commander on Wednesday reversed a decision to withdraw troops from a northern province after a new wave of riots erupted.

Gen. Wiranto condemned the violent anti-military protests this week in Aceh province, on the northern tip of Sumatra island, as "an act of anarchy."

"From now on, the armed forces is taking over the security in Aceh," he said after a Cabinet meeting.

Tokyo cuts charter flights to N. Korea

TOKYO — Deeply unmoved by North Korea's test-firing of a missile over Japan into the Pacific Ocean, Tokyo stopped all charter flights to and from nearby North Korea on Wednesday.

Commenting for the first time about the missile Wednesday, North Korea had harsh words for Japan.

"We bitterly denounce Japan for making a fuss over the matter," the North's official Korean Central News Agency said. "Japan's behavior is ridiculous."

Compiled from wire reports

Holocaust survivors weaken in hospitals

Israeli trustees refuse to improve conditions



BAT YAM, Israel (AP) — It's a sweltering day. There is no air conditioning and C, an Auschwitz death camp survivor who has been hospitalized with schizophrenia for half a century, lies motionless in her bed.

The lights have been turned off in a vain attempt to cool the room.

The 76-year-old woman shares with 15 other mental patients.

"The air is thick with humidity and sweat trickles from the faces of the ill and their caretakers.

Down the hall, the stench of urine wafts over two toilets shared by 35 patients.

"These are difficult conditions," nurse Esther Michaeli said, sighing. Her ward is housed in several one-story concrete buildings initially intended for Italian prisoners of war in World War II.

The quiet agony of some of the survivors first came to light after the Manriv daily reported in June that government trustees

have refused requests to use the patients' German reparations funds to improve their living conditions.

No official figure was available for the value of their accounts, but Manriv reported that the total is in the millions — money that reverts to the state if the patients die without heirs.

The newspaper's story spurred shame and outrage in Israel, which considers itself the protector of all Jews who lived through the Nazi genocide.

But the debate quickly faded from the headlines

as two committees began to look into how to untangle the bureaucratic web.

For now, little appears to have changed. At Abarbanel Hospital in the Tel Aviv suburb of Bat Yam, 120 of 5,000 patients are Holocaust survivors. Among them are J, a retired mechanic who is, haunted by flashbacks of his parents being shot to death by storm troopers in front of his eyes, and G, who killed a German officer trying to rape her.

During a reporter's recent visit, C sat up in her bed, a strand of colored plastic beads spilling over her white hospital smock.

She gazed cross-eyed from side to side, oblivious to the woman in the adjacent bed beating her chest lightly, or to another's stiff, outstretched limbs.

It is for patients like these that Abarbanel director Arner Elitsur had been requesting German reparations money from government trustees. Elitsur said he

wanted to buy air conditioners and TV sets, and pay for hallway janitors and outings.

Defending their actions, members of the board said they were only permitted to release reparations money for personal use of the patients.

"It's not just a public hospital. It's the home of the patients who will be in the hospital for the rest of their lives," Elitsur said as he walked through the grounds dented with palm trees.



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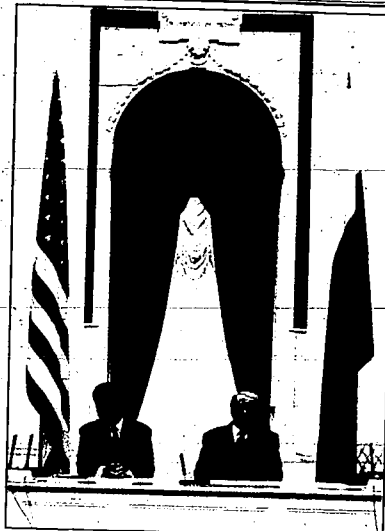
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President Clinton and Russian President Boris Yeltsin hold a news conference Wednesday inside the Kremlin. Concluding his two-day summit meeting with Clinton, Yeltsin said his politically paralyzed nation is determined to stay the course to democracy and a free economy.

U.N. tribunal convicts Rwandan of genocide

ARUSHA, Tanzania (AP) — He painted himself as a lowly village mayor powerless to halt the "force of evil" that engulfed Rwanda in 1994. Still, prosecutors held Jean-Paul Akayesu responsible for the slayings of 2,000 minority Tutsis who had sought his protection.

After nearly four years of work, the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda rendered a verdict Wednesday, the first of its kind by an international court: Guilty of genocide. Guilty of crimes against humanity. Guilty of rape, murder and torture.

Akayesu winced and knotted his fingers behind his back as chief Judge Laly Kama read out

each verdict in a subdued courtroom, where bulletproof glass shielded the defendant from the public gallery. It was the U.N. tribunal's first conviction.

His lawyer said Akayesu, who maintained his innocence throughout his 20-month trial, would appeal.

Akayesu, born in 1953, could be sentenced to a maximum of life in prison — not enough to satisfy some survivors of the slaughter of more than 500,000 minority Tutsis and moderate Hutus.

"The penalty doesn't match the crime," said one Tutsi widow, Chantal Kayitesi, who came to this remote northern Tanzanian town to hear the long-awaited

decision.

In neighboring Rwanda, where the tribunal has been harshly criticized for mismanagement, corruption and slowness, Wednesday's verdict was greeted dispiritedly by those who bothered to listen to a live radio broadcast. "I don't see the people in Rwanda going to the streets to congratulate the international court on this one," said Patrick Matshamba, a Rwandan state minister. "It has gone on for so long — I think people have given up."

Still, the 300-page judgment was heralded as historic because it marks the first conviction for genocide, an offense defined in

1948 after the Nuremberg trials. It is also the first time an international tribunal defined rape as a genocidal crime.

Prosecutor Pierre Prosper said the decision provides "a road map for how we are to proceed" in similar cases.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan called the judgment "a testament to our collective determination to confront the heinous crime of genocide in a way we never have before."

"Let us never again be accused of standing by while genocide and crimes against humanity are being committed," Annan said Wednesday in Durban, South Africa.

Sudanese envoy seeks probe of U.S. evidence

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sudanese Ambassador Mahdi Ibrahim Mohamed said Wednesday he will ask congressional leaders to investigate the Clinton administration's claim that the Khartoum factory destroyed by U.S. cruise missiles two weeks ago was producing chemical weapons agents.

Speaking at a news conference,

Mohamad also said the Sudanese government is seeking a separate investigation of the U.S. allegation. He added that he also will seek from the Congress reparations for victims of the U.S. bombing.

Mohamad used words like "unbelievable" and "disgraceful" in describing the U.S. decision to bomb the facility, which he insist-

ed produced medicines and other goods needed by the Sudanese people.

To believe the American allegation, he said, "is to strain credibility beyond its limits." He portrayed the bombing as a "Wild West shoot first and ask questions later" type operation.

It appears doubtful that Mohamed will receive much sym-

pathy from lawmakers when he asks them to undertake an independent inquiry of the administration's allegations.

Key lawmakers have expressed support for the administration's action and, after a briefing Tuesday by top CIA and defense officials, several senators said they were convinced that the evidence was compelling.

Summit draws to end; sides pledge support

The Washington Post

MOSCOW — President Clinton and Russian President Boris Yeltsin wrapped up a gloomy two-day Kremlin summit Wednesday with declarations of enduring mutual friendship but without agreement on how to prevent this nuclear-armed former superpower from sinking further into economic turmoil.

As the ruble plummeted another 18 percent and a senior Yeltsin deputy fretted that the country was adrift because of political instability, the only agreement on the economic crisis to emerge from private talks was that the United States would not come to Russia's rescue.

"We are not saying that we count solely on the support from the outside, no," Yeltsin said at a joint news conference where both leaders were somber. "One more time I will reiterate this: No. ... What we need from the United States is political support to the effect that the United States is in favor of reforms in Russia. This is what we really need and then all the investors who would like to come to the Russian reformed market will do so."

Clinton stayed focused on the heal-thyself theme he has emphasized since arriving here Monday, again lecturing the Russians about the need to remain committed to market-style reforms and resist a return to greater state control of the

economy. "How long it will take to get better depends a lot more on you and what happens here than anything else we outsiders can do," Clinton told a Russian reporter, "although if there is a clear movement toward reform, I'll do everything I can to accelerate outside support of all kinds."

Unlike past summits that produced landmark agreements that helped reshape the world, this year's meeting yielded just two arms-control pacts aimed at sharing information on missile launches and shrinking stockpiles of weapons-grade plutonium. Differences over Kosovo, Iraq, NATO and other contentious issues were papered over or left unresolved.

The summit showcased two politically weakened world leaders, hobbled at home by domestic problems that have drained their political capital and distracted their attention. Clinton focused himself on foreign soil once again trying to explain why he misled his country about his extramarital affair with Monica S. Lewinsky, while Yeltsin played host without a working government in place and only acting ministers to meet with their U.S. counterparts.

Yeltsin triggered renewed concern about his condition by appearing dazed at one point during the news conference in the Kremlin's domed Catherine Hall, where the two leaders enjoyed a ceremonial dinner Tuesday night.

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President pledges aid when Moscow reforms

MOSCOW (AP) — Asserting an unshakable friendship with Russia but offering only general remedies for its ailing economy, President Clinton sought Wednesday to reassert his statesman role by cajoling President Boris Yeltsin and his political foes to find common ground on reform.

Ending a two-day summit that marked his first venture on the world stage since his acknowledgment of an affair with a young White House intern, Clinton assured Yeltsin he could count on new offers of economic aid if Russia shows it will complete its free-market reforms.

"The answer is to finish the job that has been begun, not to stop it in midstream or to reverse course," Clinton said at a joint news conference with Yeltsin at the Kremlin.

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Clinton calls Netanyahu, Arafat

MOSCOW (AP) — President Clinton telephoned Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Wednesday to register his disappointment that no agreement has been concluded with the Palestinians over the West Bank.

"It's very frustrating," a senior U.S. official told a small group of reporters covering Clinton's sum-

mit talks with Russian President Boris Yeltsin. "We need to get closure."

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Clinton later called Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, who is attending a conference in South Africa. He offered no description of the conversation.

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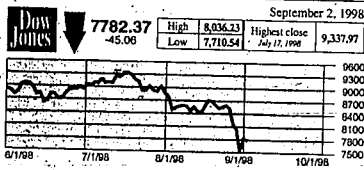
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Wall Street rebound falters Bargain hunters slow Wall Street bloodletting

Dow ends down following upswing



NEW YORK — Stocks slid into the close Wednesday as investors used a sharp rebound from Monday's selling spree as an opportunity to pull some money out of the market.

The Dow Jones Industrial average rose as much as 12.5 points Wednesday afternoon — bobbing back above its starting point for the year — before a late selloff left it down 45.06 on the day at 7,827.37. The Dow failed to build on Tuesday's 236-point rebound from the previous day's 512-point plunge.

The broad market also faltered as another volatility session drew to a close, although some measures managed to escape with modest gains.

With investors still smarting from Monday's plunge, analysts said it wasn't surprising to see investors try and protect themselves against another potential sell-off.

investors try and protect themselves against another potential sell-off. "It feeds on itself. As the gain starts to be given back, that urge to take quick profits gets greater and greater," said Richard A. Dickson, a technical analyst at Scott & Stringfellow in Richmond, Va.

He noted that the market behaved similarly after the crash of 1987, but also asserted that "it doesn't mean we're going straight back down again."

The Dow, which fell as low as 7,400 on Tuesday before staging a rally, is now showing a 1.6 percent rally for the year and its 16.7 percent loss below the July 17 record of 9,337.97. At that peak, the Dow was up 18.1 percent for 1998.

Investors may have drawn some comfort from a report showing that orders to American factories jumped 3.2 percent in July, the biggest increase since last July. There were still signs, however, that the continuing economic crisis in Asia is hurting exports.

US West will spend millions to finish backlogged orders

DENVER — U.S. West Inc. officials on Wednesday said they will spend \$10 million to complete thousands of service and repair orders that were put on hold by a 15-day strike.

the site within the next week, said U.S. West spokesman David Beigel. They include such things as disconnecting service, call waiting, voice messaging and starting service with existing facilities.

Beigel called the backlog "manageable," but declined to say how many orders were involved, claiming it is proprietary information. He said orders range from new service and repairs to specialties, such as call waiting and caller-identification.

By Sharon Walsh The Washington Post

NEW YORK — At 10:20 a.m. Wednesday, Broker Marc E. Komorsky took a look at the flashing numbers on his computer monitor, turned to his partner and said: "This market's about to head down."

Before the market opened, Komorsky of Adolph Komorsky Investments, had made a list on a single sheet of yellow legal paper of a dozen or so stocks he wanted to pick up for various clients. He picked up the phone, ready to do business.

"One hundred Gillette, 100 Home Depot. ... I'm 100% Travelers here. Get him 100 Travelers. Do 100 across the board so he'll be diversified," he said only to one of his traders.

Then, with a broad smile, he called his client and told him: "You're in. You're in. You're the new kid on the block."

Small investor's portfolio

The Associated Press created a small investor's portfolio valued at about \$25,000 on Oct. 23, 1997. Despite the market's declines of the past month, the portfolio's value is up 16.12 percent.

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paricular, market participants said, technology stocks, banks and pharmaceutical companies have attracted interest.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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American factory orders rise in July

WASHINGTON (AP) - American factories in July saw the biggest increase in orders for their products since last fall, as signs persist that financial troubles in Asia are lifting home.

Idaho company wants in on bauxite industry

GEORGETOWN, Guyana (AP) - An Idaho company has stepped an early claim to become an equity partner in Guyana's bauxite industry, officials said.

Portfolio

Continued from D1. Others disagree that banks are necessarily a good buy. "They took a pun because they'd been trading at unsustainable highs," said Michael Abrahams, vice president for research at Sunco & Co.

Bank and brokerage firms stocks have sustained big losses this year. Some analysts claim to see a recovery in loans and other transactions involving Russia have mounted.

High-tech issues have had more than their fair share of a whipping" recently, said David Hill, a technology analyst at Freedman, Billings, Ramsey & Co.

Peter Adolph, Kamorsky's partner, said he believes financial stocks are down way too far and their recombinant of Travelers, a diversified insurance and stock brokerage company that is trading at 14 times earnings, meanwhile, the S&P 500 index is up 10 percent in 20 times earnings.

Russia have been hit. "I think Japan has a lot to offer in technology stocks here, Waddud.

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COMMUNITY

Serving the Magic Valley

Community Editor: Katherine Brumback - 733-0931, Ext. 288

Thursday, September 3, 1998

The Times-News

LETTERS OF THANKS

Course helps girls learn golf

Thanks is in order as the sixth summer session ends for 52 girls who took part in a weekly golf clinic.

Sponsored by the Municipal Ladies' Golf Association, the Junior Girls' Golf Club was organized in 1993 to promote girls' golf. Starting with 18 girls and ranging from 5 to 14 years of age, participation has been as high as 65. Emphasis is placed on golf skills, rules, etiquette, having fun and making new friends.

Golf professional Mike Hamblin has been very supportive, and assistant pro Tommy Webster took part in teaching golf skills. Lyn Clelland and Cecilia Sharp, as well as Sara Thompson, Monica and Melissa Venn and Jennifer Hedberg, Virginia Unheim and other Ladies' Association members have helped.

Municipal Golf Course practice facilities are excellent and area youth find easy access in using them. Volunteers helped make this another successful session.

MARVA DUNCAN
Coordinator
Junior Girls Golf Club
Twin Falls

Sponsors make 'SpudArt' great

On behalf of the Magic Valley Arts Council and Magic Valley Restaurant Association, we would like to thank the following sponsors for their support in making the "SpudArt" Contest a success.

Potato Lamb Weston; Idaho Potato Commission; Renter Center; Green River Dairies; Jon Leach, Papa Murphy's, Dee Burgess, Elmer's Pancake House; Anne Goodrich, Kentucky Fried Chicken; Mike Perry, Dairy Queen; Kim Egan; Burger King; Patty Morrow, Wendy's; Ron and Jean Brown, Taco Time; LaRae Warren, Channel 38; Linda and Robert Myrand, Upton Bistro; Rick and Ann Johnson, Prasa's Thai Cuisine; and Tish Borresen, Magic Valley Arts Council.

Randy at Mix 103, Joyce DeFord and Mike Perry judged this year's contest.

We thank all of those individuals who participated in this year's event, and we look forward to seeing you next year at the third annual SpudArt Contest.

TRISH BORRESEN
Magic Valley Arts Council
Twin Falls

Triathlon was well-organized

Earlier this month, I participated in the Twin Falls Triathlon. I must say it was one of the most well-organized and conducted events I have seen. The setting at Diplo Lake was clean and beautiful.

The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department kept the event safe with corner marshals. Organizers and volunteers were friendly and helpful. The proceeds went to "Cover the City Pool."

Thanks to the many businesses and people who donated, organized and ran it. You may be able to make it bigger, but I don't know how you can make it better. Nice job, Twin Falls.

TERRY PATTERSON
Twin Falls

Kid's Art in Park says thanks

The Magic Valley Arts Council 1998 Kid's Art in the Park Committee wishes to thank the following for their contributions to this year's event.

Three Smith-Reveron Foundation, Twin Falls City, Florence M. Gardner Charitable Trust, Clear Springs Fund, Avonmore West, Boy Scouts, C/O Office Supply, Coca-Cola, Everybody's Business, Dairy Queen, CAH Ace Hardware, Ranch Bowl, Selfert's Jewelry, Zepfel's, Bud's and Blooms, Bank of America, Pioneer Federal, Valley Co-Op, Zion's Bank, Way's Outwest, Commel Cellular, Scanlon Oil, Yolo, Pioneer Body and Paint and Nordlings.

Finally, we would like to thank the people of Gooding for their support. Without everyone's help, our barbecue would not have been such a success.

PAT BISHOP
Art and Fire Department Members
Gooding

Ward aids historical society

Members of the Twin Falls County Historical Society wish to extend their thanks and appreciation to Laver Thorneck and the other 14 members of the Gooding Ward for the recent community service project painting at the historical museum.

Other volunteers taking part in this project included Brent Hyatt, Jan Hyatt, Ray Pater, Jane Parrish, Jerry Poulson, Robert Hoke, Darin Maughan, Darold Whatcut, Ivan Alfred, Grant Maughan, Richard Grant, Lynn Maughan, Larry White and David Service.

MAURIE LAMB
County Historical Society
Twin Falls



The Magic Valley Jaycees helped make the area more beautiful this July by taking down and collecting old yard sale signs. More than 450 signs were collected from the beginning of July through the beginning of August. Members were careful to take down only those signs advertising sales which had already ended. The oldest sign taken down was from May of this year. Chairperson of the project, Theresa Selzer, would like to thank everyone who participated in helping keep the area lovely. The group would also like to remind those who hold yard sales to take down their signs after the completion of their sales. Adults, pictured from left to right, are Lewis Vulgamore, Theresa Selzer, Julie Quinton, Rosy Quinton, Debra Burton, Shelly Terry, Donna Ash and Phil Aak. Children enjoying the fun, from left to right, are Kody Reynolds, Drew Quinton, Bayley Selzer, Britni Quinton, Kara Smith and Casey Burton.

FALL CLEANUP

CLUB CALENDAR

Rotary Clubs

Miss Lahrs - 7 a.m. Thursdays at the Weston Plaza Hotel & Convention Center in Twin Falls. For information, call 733-2740 or 234-4057.

Blackley - Noon Thursdays at Hotel Sun. Convention Center. For information, call 678-8222 or 678-4223.

Theresa Falls - Noon Wednesdays at the Hotel Sun in Twin Falls. For information, call 733-4012 or 234-6249.

Lions Clubs

Blackley - Noon Thursdays at the Hotel Sun in Twin Falls. For information, call 733-4012 or 234-6249.

Theresa Falls - Noon Wednesdays at the Hotel Sun in Twin Falls. For information, call 733-4012 or 234-6249.

Men's Clubs

Blackley - Noon Thursdays at the Hotel Sun in Twin Falls. For information, call 733-4012 or 234-6249.

Theresa Falls - Noon Wednesdays at the Hotel Sun in Twin Falls. For information, call 733-4012 or 234-6249.

Optimist Clubs

Twin Falls - Noon Thursdays at the Hotel Sun in Twin Falls. For information, call 733-2042.

Wendell - 7 p.m. Thursdays at the Hotel Sun in Twin Falls. For information, call 733-4012 or 234-6249.

Church Activities

Central Methodist - 7 p.m. Wednesdays at the Central Methodist Church. For information, call 733-4012 or 234-6249.

St. Paul's Episcopal - 7 p.m. Wednesdays at the St. Paul's Episcopal Church. For information, call 733-4012 or 234-6249.

Community Meetings

Gooding - 7 p.m. Wednesdays at the Gooding Community Center. For information, call 733-4012 or 234-6249.

Blackley - 7 p.m. Wednesdays at the Blackley Community Center. For information, call 733-4012 or 234-6249.

4Hers may pick up sale money

RUPERT - Minidoka County 4-H and Future Farmers of America livestock sale money is available at the Minidoka County Extension Office, 614 Seventh St. Checks can be picked up from 9:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Medical

St. Paul's Episcopal Church - 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at the St. Paul's Episcopal Church. For information, call 733-4012 or 234-6249.

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Swing Camps

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Clucking over cabin additions

I knew our life of the cabin had changed when the rooster cleared his throat at 3:30 one morning and launched into song. My wife and I had hung around poultry on the farm, of course, where you expect to hear chickens. The cabin is different, however.

It's supposed to be a home away from home, a hideout, a getaway. You hunker there and write stuff you never would think of writing in the city.

Then one day Louise made the mistake of telling America that she would like some chickens.

Americo operates a private chicken enterprise at Turkey Trot Rod & Gun Club. He also has domestic pheasant, quail, geese and ducks of many breeds and even a few wild turkeys. He used to raise pigeons for the pot.

He does this for fun, trading eggs for bird feed, watching his progeny grow.

His turkeys, which live in the barn, drive neighboring hunters nuts each spring. They gobble all day like maniacs, convincing outsiders that our farm is full of wild, huntable birds. Guys in camouflage waste entire seasons hanging around the club's periphery.

Anyway, as soon as Americo learned of Louise's interest, he packed three chickens into a box - a rooster and two hens - and left them in the shade beside our truck.

At the cabin, we built roosts, filled a hog trough with water, spread around a bale of hay and released the chickens into their new home. They proceeded to thank us with two large delicious eggs each day. Those odd-hour wakeup calls were bonuses.

Java went berserk at first. As any bird dog should, she thought provoking chickens was the height of sport. She would race around the silo flushing them until we convinced her that chickens - just like deer - were off-limits.

Louise spent untold hours protecting these chickens from the winds of winter, from melting snow, from slashing spring rain. They became as much a focus as any pet.

We're now on our second batch of chickens. A fox got into the henhouse one night while we were away and left us with a pathetic yardful of feathers.

After that, the atmosphere was gray around our cabin. We missed the upbeat clucking, the daily delivery of eggs. Even our neighbors, Jim and Karen, missed those outrageous rooster announcements in the middle of the night.

When Americo got wind of this, another box arrived beside our truck. Two more hens and a rooster were designated for the silo, now much better protected from wily foxes.

Unfortunately, the new rooster was a mean 'un who pecked the hens unmercifully. Their backs became bald and raw while he strutted around, commanding the best of the food. The feminist in Louise revolted, and I had seen enough.

Before we left one day, I went into the coop and read the rooster his warrant of doom.

"You have not been nice to your hens," I informed him. "You are hereby cast into exterior darkness. You are going to become food for the fox."

Then I grabbed him and pitched him out. And I understand he sulked for several days outside the pen.

He was still there when we came back. He stayed there for nearly two weeks, somehow avoiding perdition - until my daughter Kathi showed up with her new Black Lab pup.

Jenna had not been instructed in the differences between chickens and wild animals. She still thought her role in life was to kill anything that squawked. For her, the niceties and refinements of bird hunting were still in her mind.

She took one look at the rooster lurking outside the cage and bounded after it. Java trailed, wise but curious.

Down the hill they ran, the rooster too stupid to fly to the safety of a tree. There was an angry, terrified squawking, then silence.

Presently a pair of Labradors lumbered up the hill. Java had retrieved the limp bird and gently brought it to Louise. The unshocked Jenni merely brought back some feathers in her mouth.

Life goes on. Louise cooked free-range rooster that night and the hens seem content. They'll have a nice egg or two of feathers by winter. We're still getting eggs. And Jenni is taking formal classes. We'll see how she deals with wild doves when her first legitimate bird season opens.

John Husar covers the outdoors for the Chicago Tribune.

The Sawtooth Mountains are laced with impressive spires, but none is as striking as the...

FINGER OF FATE

Over the years, the rugged peaks of the Sawtooth Mountains have fired the imagination of countless people - including climbers who aren't content to look.

Many are drawn to the big peaks, but others seek out the improbable-looking spires for which the range is famed. One of the most impressive is a huge rock tower known as the Finger of Fate.

Looming above the cool waters of Hell Roaring Lake, the "Finger" is about six miles west of Highway 75. It can be spotted by a discerning eye, but it is downhill from the main ridge crest and somewhat hidden.

Several climbing routes ascend the tower, but only one is considered a classic.

The Open Book Route climbs the north face, where two smooth walls of rock are buttressed together at a 90-degree angle. The formation, which is nearly 500 feet tall, resembles a book that's been opened for reading.

It was first climbed in the 1960s by Gordon Webster.

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Ron Veldink gazes at a small lake dominated by the Finger of Fate.

Finding the finger

The simplest way to reach the Finger of Fate is from a railroad located at the end of Decker Elm Road, which is a rough, four-wheel drive track.

The approach hike begins under a canopy of thick pines, so the trail is a pleasure to hike. After 2-1/2 miles, hikers emerge from the trees to confront one of the Sawtooth's larger lakes: Hell Roaring Lake.

To the south and west, the terrain rises steeply and all eyes are drawn to a dramatic tower of golden rock. Standing nearly 1,000 feet tall, the Finger bares a striking resemblance - you guessed it - a finger, replete with a fingernail and cuticle chiseled in stone.

Three smaller lakes shimmer near the foot of the Finger, and the highest lake has several campsites; it often is used as a base camp for climbers.

Looking for the Finger?
A simple trail leads to the Finger of Fate on the Open Book Route on the Finger of Fate. This is a great trail for hikers and photographers. Adventure Trail, 5700 Hwy 75, West. In. On Hwy 75, the guide is in the forest, but it is available for public inspection.

Story and photos by Mark Weber

Craftsman revives family tradition of creel construction

The Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — The hand-cranked clock on the wall does not work unless it is fixed and the electric clock above Bill Lawrence's workbench shows only 12 through 6. "Who cares?" is lettered in the spaces where 7 through 11 belong.

Time does not matter much to a leatherworker. Or to the vintage wicker and willow creels taking a new life under his hand.

Lawrence, 65, is the heir of one of the richest traditional crafts in the angling world.

Between 1923 and 1953, the George Lawrence Co., his grandfather's leatherworker in downtown Portland, produced what were described at the time as the "coin of the realm" of fishing creels. Portland's famous handmade baskets were strapped to the shoulders



Bill Lawrence, 65, puts new leather into old fishing creels in his Portland, Ore., shop.

of thousands of anglers earlier this century to store their catches, usually trout.

It was a convenient sideline for the Lawrence Co., which made handcrafted and ac-

cially tooled leather goods - holsters, harnesses, slings, saddles and straps.

Oregon in the first half of the century became a mecca for fishing creel manufacturers, with nearly a dozen companies sewing leather fittings onto split wicker and willow creels and sending them across the world.

"I can remember as a boy watching cartloads of baskets come into the factory," said Lawrence, who began as a leatherworker in the family business in the era after it quit making creels.

The baskets, imported to Portland, did not become true creels until they got their leather fittings - smooth, rounded edges, sewn reinforcement, attached bags (some for spare reels) and shoulder harnesses.

Then they left for stores

shelves across the nation in an era when trout were actually caught, kept and shipped one by one through a hole in the lid onto a bed of cool grass.

Wicker creels have been replaced by canvas and coolers. Most of their value is instead a delightful surprise when someone who knows about collecting stumbles across one for \$20 to \$100 at a garage sale.

Serious collectors are not eager for outsiders to know what a collectible creel is worth, but Lawrence recently heard about one made by his great-grandfather's company that sold in Florida for \$900.

Lawrence, disabled by a spinal disease and forced to close his family's business in 1990, this spring began a personal return to the creel business.

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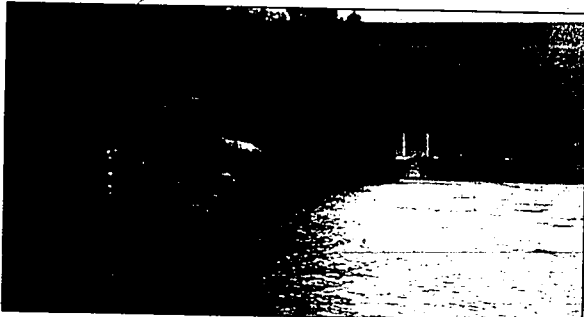


The Finger of Fate rises beyond Hell Roaring Lake in the middle of the Sawtooth Mountains. At left, Ron Veldink, who hails from The Netherlands, comes to grips with the crux pitch on the Open Book Route.



OUTDOORS

WHERE SHE'D RATHER BE



Ellen Schlottter, a Eugene, Ore., teacher, fishes a salmon hatch earlier this summer on the Rogue River in southern Oregon. Schlottter says she gets frustrated because she has trouble hooking trout on her big flies.

Climb

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and John Beaupre. For difficulty, it is rated Grade II, 5.8+, meaning that a team of experienced climbers will spend roughly half a day covering moderately difficult terrain.

The first rope's length of climbing follows several small cracks up a sloping corner to a little ledge. It provides a good warm-up, which is nice because the second pitch is the crux.

It seems a crack that begins as hand-sized, but quickly yaws to something bigger than a balled-up fist. The rock walls are smooth and offer few secure holds; the lines of fear are often fueled by a cold breeze that issues from deep within the fracture.

The second pitch ends with strenuous moves that lead to a good, albeit small, belay ledge.

The next three pitches are fairly easy, so climbers can look forward to moving fast. From the top of the fifth pitch, a spacious ledge leads to steeper ground where two parallel hand cracks split the rock face.

Known as the "Ski Tracks," this pitch is regarded as one of the best on the Finger. The ski tracks end on an exposed spine of rock where the wiles of frogs away abruptly; it is a staggering view that can invoke a case of vertigo if contemplated too long.

On the final pitch, climbers move through a tunnel that passes completely through the "finger-

gnail." After that, they circle back to the opposite side and climb a 20-foot section to the summit.

From there, high in the Sawtooth Range, the view stretches away into tomorrow with forests and mountains in all directions. Another amazing spire, known as "The Arrowhead," is plainly visible. Elsewhere, 13 lakes and several prominent peaks in the nearby White Cloud Mountains command attention.

By any measure, the Finger of Fate demands a little sweat to reach and solid climbing skills to ascend. For those equal to the challenge, it is an unforgettable adventure.

Creel

Continued from E1

He does not want to make collectible pieces of art — which they probably will become in another half century — but rather is motivated by philanthropy and his hobby interest in leatherworking.

He is carrying on a craftsman's tradition and searching for a way to make money for fish restoration projects at the same time.

In a shop built into his south-west Portland garage, Lawrence has crammed many of the old tools and dies used by the Lawrence Co. as far back as the late 1800s. He uses them to rebuild fishing creels — your basket or his.

He charges up to \$500 for the several days' handwork and refinishing, and he turns over the profit to Oregon fish restoration projects. The final price depends on the features — how much artwork is on the leather, any side pouches for gear, simple or ornate straps and other decorative touches.

On each creel is stamped: George Lawrence's great-grandson.

Lawrence said he has raised \$400 in the early weeks of his new enterprise and is contacting organizations that will put money directly into restoration, rather than paying administrative operating costs.

"I'd be embarrassed to ask this kind of money if I wasn't giving it away," he said. "I want to see it have some good effects on our fisheries."

Ultimately, Lawrence wants to donate his shop to a local museum or working saddlemaker's exhibit.

"My kids told me, 'Dad, don't you ever croak, because we don't want to deal with all this stuff,'" he said.

Despite his interest in artifacts,

Lawrence is neither an avid angler nor a collector of his company's products.

"I've done only a little fishing," he said.

"I use flies so I don't have to keep putting the worm on all the time. I fish with a little brown fly and a little black one; that's all I know about them."

He owns only two original George Lawrence creels — one he ruined over decades of use while clamming and another his aunt kept after the company got out of the creel business and changed his \$7 to buy. The creels wholesaled for \$10 to \$12 after World War II.

"We would never dream of buying a good one off the line," he said of his family. "Frankly, we couldn't afford them."

Collector Gary Estabrook of Vancouver, Wash., knows all about the George Lawrence Co. creels and estimated the value of Lawrence's modern-day work at \$500 to \$700, depending on the features.

"It takes a lot of labor to build one," Estabrook said. "It's two or three weeks of sitting there doing

handwork. What are you going to pay someone to build something like that?"

Estabrook said there are half a dozen creel handcrafters in the Northwest doing similar handwork, but without Lawrence's experience and historic tools.

"It has been missing for 40 years," Estabrook said.

When he is not doing restoration, Lawrence enjoys travel and gardening.

"I'm not going to sit in the shop and make wicker baskets 24 hours a day," he said. "But fortunately, it's not very hard to do for an old leatherworker."

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Old highway over Idaho border may be turned into outdoor path

DRIGGS (AP) — An old highway connecting Idaho and Wyoming may be turned into a recreation trail if the Federal Highway Administration approves funding for the project.

Tin Young, pathways director for Teton County, Wyo., said a \$250,000 grant proposal will go to the Federal Highway Administration, where it will compete for funding with projects from all over the country.

The grant would pay for a planning and engineering study on the roadway, which would be called the Teton Pass Trail. The study would determine the cost of building the trail.

The project would involve, in

part, repairing and rebuilding a 17-mile stretch of road that connects Wilson, Wyo., with Victor, Idaho. The highway, which has been closed to vehicular traffic for a number of years, already is a popular spot for bicyclists, pedestrians and in-line skaters.

It could ultimately cost as much as \$2 million to build the trail, along with a restroom, benches and interpretive and historical signs, Young said.

"That figure is just a guesstimate," he said. "That's why we need the funding to determine the scope and cost of the project."

And a bike path between Victor and Driggs could receive a

\$300,000 facility if a grant proposal submitted by Teton Valley Trails and Pathways is approved.

The newly organized group submitted the proposal in March to the Idaho Department of Transportation, said Ch Melville, president of the organization.

The group will not know until early next year whether it will get the federal money for the bike trail. But so far signs are encouraging, Melville said.

He said the proposal includes the construction of two shelters and bike stands, a restroom and interpretive signs along the bike path. Landscaping would be done near the shelters.

Fishing officials consider closing season

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Sport fishing for salmon and steelhead in the Columbia River Basin could end earlier than ever this year because of a dispute over how to protect endangered Northwest runs.

Closure of the fishing season could come even during the Labor Day holiday weekend.

Officials now estimate 180,000 fall chinook — most not under federal protection — are surging up from the Pacific Ocean to their inland spawning grounds. But with them are the several thousand fall chinook and steelhead listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act.

Federal officials have to set a limit on the unprotected fish. Under a 1985 treaty, Indian tribes can catch half of all fish over those needed for spawning to maintain the runs in the future.

But the states of Oregon and Washington want the federal government to allow more sport fishing by further restricting tribal harvests. The government says the treaty should be honored.

Without a resolution on tribal

fishing, all sport fishing for salmon and steelhead in the Columbia River and tributaries will be illegal after Saturday, officials say.

The tribes could catch chinook and steelhead but no longer would be allowed to sell the fish to the public.

The National Marine Fisheries

Service and the tribes agreed this summer that Indian fisheries focused on unprotected stocks could include about 20 percent of the threatened fall chinook and about 15 percent of the threatened steelhead. The states of Oregon and Washington have rejected that formula as excessive.

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Hunting season stirs memories of dad

By Sam Cook
Dakota News-Tribune

DULUTH, Minn. — At first, I thought I was just going to the pond to throw some dummies for the dog to retrieve.

I sensed, deeper down, that something else was going on, too, but I hadn't been quiet long enough to figure it out. Finally, when it was just myself and the yellow dog and the road, it came to me.

Dad. It came to me because I had begun to think about hunting again with August coming on.

When Dad died — it's been a couple of years now — a kind man sent me a poem. It begins like this: "Do not stand at my grave and weep."

I am not there, I do not sleep. I am a thousand winds that blow.

I am the diamond glint on snow."

One of those thousand winds was blowing on this August night, gently out of the north. I didn't know whether Dad was part of it or not, but a guy does get to wondering about things like that. Funny things happen when someone you love dies, and I've heard too many similar stories to shake them off lightly.

In the days after Dad died, I thought maybe I saw him once in the form of a great blue heron. I know. Sounds crazy. Dad was about as unheralded as a person could be, but something in the way the bird presented itself to me made me wonder.

We walked on to the pond, the dog and I and had a nice session with the dummies. The air in the low places was full of cool, and it smelled like

mown hay. The sun had just gone down. The sky was a series of brilliant orange and crimson streaks over the dark treading. That light reflected on the water, and every time I threw a dummy into the pond, it lay silhouetted against burnt orange water.

"I am the sunlight of ripened grain. I am the gentle autumn rain. When you wake in the morning hush

I am the swift, uplifting rush Of quiet birds circling in flight. I am the soft starlight at night." When we had thrown enough dummies, I sat in the deepening dusk letting the wind work its way around me and asking a lot of silent questions.

I thought about the heavy and solid sound a Browning shotgun makes when you work the action. I thought about the color of Dad's

old hunting pants. For some reason, I thought too about the time he shot a crow out of the window of the car.

I thought quite a bit about a son whom I think will be a hunter and about how much time we'll spend hunting and whether he'll ever be sitting by a pond with a bird dog someday wishing we had hunted more.

The dog came by now and again just to make sure I was all right, which was nice of her. "Do not stand at my grave and weep."

I am not there. I do not sleep."

When it was dark enough, we walked back to the car. I wish I could say I felt better by then, that the dog, the sky, the pond had taken away some of the ache. But it doesn't always work that way.

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Montana ranger has full-time task keeping up river system

POULMERIDGE, Mont. (AP) King Lang says a bear battle through the crystal waters of the North Fork of the Flathead River...

It's a bear. And Laurie Fisher is quickly overboard in the yard, but King Lang says the bear is not the problem...

The effort may seem a bit extreme, but it's not. Fisher says she's been on the river for 10 years...

While the Flathead's Wild and Scenic River system spans 293 miles, with just Lang and Fisher to patrol it...

King Lang says a bear battle through the crystal waters of the North Fork of the Flathead River...



King Lang and Laurie Fisher patrol the North Fork of the Flathead River near West Glacier, Mont., last month. The pair oversees the Flathead's 213-mile long wild and scenic system.

work is called "naturalizing." And where one grasps just how many people use the narrow corridor...

Lang, the Flathead's wild and scenic river manager for the last four years, estimates the river system is used by as many as 75,000 people each summer.

Most river users are pretty good in general, he says.

Many make an effort, at least, to minimize impacts on the shore-

line and demonstrate proper etiquette on the water. But some are plain slobs.

Lang rows to an abandoned camp on a beach, where sticks and rocks, while Fisher sets out and looks for the litter.

Looking as if he's done it a thousand times, Lang walks through brush and trees behind

the campaign, then loops back to the beach, where he finds the surprise, not far from the fire ring.

"Used toilet paper — that my favorite stink," he says.

Farther downstream, the rangers pull up on a popular beach where a Columbia Falls family is swimming.

They encourage and coach people on "leave-no-trace" practices, fishing regulations, boating etiquette and safety, incinerated and other boaters commonly understand hazards of the river system, particularly on the headwaters of the North Fork south of Glacier, Lang says.

There's a friendly exchange of greetings, and Lang inquires about the family's experience on the day. He asks if they had a river is getting too much use.

A man in the party says he's been fishing the North Fork for 10 years, mostly on weekdays and that he has noticed only slight change.

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Richard Joseph Brooks and Wesley Ryan Brooks, the natural and legal mother of the above named minor, hereby petition for the appointment of a guardian of the person for said minor...

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Ads for Sunday, September 6 need to be placed by 2:30 PM Friday. Ads for Monday, Sept. 7 and Tuesday Sept. 8 need to be placed by 5:30 PM Friday.

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