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High: 67 Low: 33
Mostly sunny after patchy fog in the morning. Clear tonight and sunny on Thursday with highs in the 70s.

Tecoma Valley

High: 76 Low: 46
Mostly sunny with scattered winds 5 to 10 mph. Clear tonight. Sunny on Thursday with highs in the upper-70s.

South Mountains/Wood River Valley

High: 65 Low: 29
Mostly sunny in the morning with patchy valley fog. Partly cloudy in the afternoon.

Eastern Idaho

High: 70 Low: 38
Partly cloudy with some west winds 5 to 10 mph. Partly cloudy on Thursday with highs in the mid-70s.

Northern Idaho

High: 75 Low: 45
Sunny with light and variable winds. Clear tonight. Sunny on Thursday with highs in the mid-70s.

Northern Utah

High: 75 Low: 40
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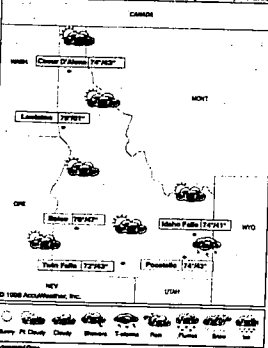
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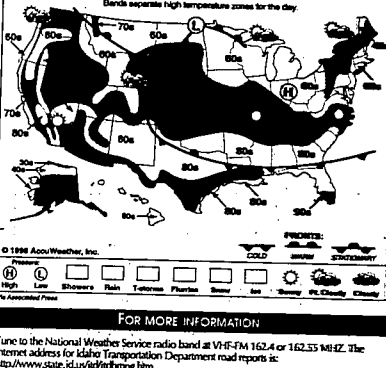
MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Forecast for Today, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday with weather icons and temperature ranges.

Idaho weather Wednesday, Sept. 23



National weather The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Wednesday, Sept. 23.



YESTERDAY'S LEADER

Table with columns for Twin Falls and Precipitation, listing various weather-related statistics.

Idaho Highlights

Table listing Idaho highlights with columns for Name, Mile, and High.

The Nation

Table listing national news items with columns for Location, Mile, and High.

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discuss this week asking for soul searching, a fresh start and cooperation, said Dr. Mark McKinn, a board member.

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Investors anticipate drop in interest rates

The Washington Post
WASHINGTON — Federal Reserve Board Chairman Alan Greenspan will testify before Congress Wednesday about prospects that he might propose cutting interest rates when Fed policymakers meet next Tuesday.

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CORRECTION

A story in The Times-News Monday incorrectly listed the number of Twin Falls High School graduates from the class of 1998 who took the ACT college entrance exam.

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Round 1 in campaign ads

GOP taps Lewinsky in Alabama race

WASHINGTON (AP) — One of the fiercest GOP candidates to raise the Monica Lewinsky inquiry in a campaign ad is trading badly in polls and has pulled the spot off TV. Lewinsky's campaign reasons to hope that President Clinton's scandals won't hurt them in Alabama.

The campaign of **Cliff Aust** in Alabama won't not deter Republicans operatives, who argue that Clinton's baggage can

be added to Democratic candidates if GOP attack ads are subtle enough.

"You can't just blast Clinton and leave it at that," said Georgia-based Republican consultant Ralph Reed. "What we're advising candidates to do is to counter his past support to Clinton to specific issues. That's where it becomes relevant."

Republicans across the country are experimenting with various approaches to link Democratic candidates to Clinton, with new ads airing in South Carolina and South Dakota.

Aust, a Huntsville physician, began airing a TV ad late last month that did not mention his opponent, four-term Democratic Rep. Bud Cramer. Instead, Aust looked directly into the camera and declared, "Mr. President, it's time for you to resign."

A Southern Opinion Research poll conducted Sept. 17-18 for the Huntsville Times found that of 497 registered voters, 73 percent favor Cramer and 20 percent Aust.

Aust's campaign manager, Richard Thomas, disputed the poll results by saying his candidate is down by no more than 20 percentage points.

Public support for president unshaken after video release

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two-thirds of Americans surveyed after the telecast of President Clinton's grand jury testimony said he was evasive in his answers and even more don't buy his narrow definition of sexual relations, polls indicate. But most people don't want him removed from office either.

Clinton had shrugged off the potential impact of the tape release in advance, saying: "It's not of so much concern to me." And that assessment seems correct — for now.

Clinton's job approval rating still ranges from 60 percent to 66 percent, according to surveys taken Monday night by ABC News, CNN/USA Today/Gallup and NBC News. And about six out of 10 oppose his resignation or impeachment, said the polls, which were taken hours after the videotape was shown nationally.

The president's taped testimony didn't live up to some predictions that it would shock viewers, already overwhelmed with information about the president's relationship with the former White House intern.

"The pundits on Sunday morning sounded as if the sky was falling or getting ready to fall, and it didn't," Allan McCutcheon, a pollster and director of the Gallup Research Center at the University of Nebraska, said Tuesday.

While most say Clinton should not be removed from office, 68 percent in the Gallup poll said the Lewinsky matter is causing significant harm to the country. It's not clear yet who will eventually bear most of the blame.

Gas prices are lowest in 6 1/2 years

NEW YORK (AP) — The price of gasoline is at its lowest level in 6 1/2 years, according to a survey conducted for the American Automobile Association.

The AAA, which surveys gas prices around the nation each month, said the average price of a gallon of self-serve regular unleaded gas this month was \$1.057, down 1.8 cents from August and 23.1 cents from a year ago.

This month's average is the lowest since March 1992, when a gal-

lon of self-serve regular unleaded averaged \$1.049.

Gasoline prices have fallen at the pump as supplies remained plentiful even during the summer driving season.

The average price of self-serve mid-grade gas this month was \$1.145, down 2.1 cents from August and \$22.6 cents from September, 1997. Self-serve premium averaged \$1.208 this month, down 1.4 cents from August and 22.4 cents from a year ago.

Clinton recommends patience with Japan's economic dilemma

NEW YORK (AP) — In a show of sympathy for Japan's economic predicament, President Clinton said Tuesday that while the world waits Tokyo to kick-start its long-slumping economy, he is willing to give the Japanese government leeway to do "what is politically possible."

Clinton remarked to reporters after a one-hour private conversation with Prime Minister Keizo Obuchi. It was their first meeting since Obuchi took office July 30 with promises to spur Japanese economic growth and stabilize its weak banking system.

"They have to work out what is politically possible," Clinton said, alluding to disagreement in Tokyo over how to stimulate the economy and to the shaky state of Obuchi's cooperation with opposition parties that seek to deal with billions of dollars in bad bank debt.

Reporters also tried to question Clinton about the Monica Lewinsky affair. He responded modestly, "I don't have anything to add to what the White House is saying," Clinton said, as he has often recently, that he is focusing on official business.

For a second day in a row, Clinton sought to keep his focus on foreign policy. Tuesday's U.S.



President Clinton, right, answers a question of a reporter as Keizo Obuchi, prime minister of Japan, looks on after their meeting at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City Tuesday.

Japanese talks lasted about three hours, including a working luncheon, and produced no breakthroughs. The two sides issued joint statements pledging to cooperate on civilian uses for space, Positioning System satellites and on the Year 2000 computer conversion problem.

First federal budget surplus in 29 years appears certain

WASHINGTON (AP) — With just a month left to go in fiscal 1998, the first federal budget surplus in 29 years looks virtually assured.

The Treasury Department reported Tuesday a deficit of \$17.2 billion in August, down 68 percent from a year ago. That put the surplus for the first 11 months of the budget year at \$31.8 billion.

With quarterly tax payments flowing from federal coffers in September, the surplus for the full year should easily double that amount and surpass the latest government projections.

Whenever the surplus, 1998 will mark the first year without a deficit since 1969 — Richard Nixon's first year in office. The deficit hit a record \$249 billion in 1982 and shrank to a 23-year low of \$2.2 billion in 1997.

Analysts attribute the turn around the tax increase pushed through Congress by President Clinton in 1993, the spending cuts agreed upon by Congress and the president in 1997 and — until recent months — above 11 percent in growth and a booming stock market.

Spending for fiscal 1998 through August totaled \$353 billion, up 2.2 percent, or not much more than the inflation rate. However, income, at \$354 billion, is up 9.7 percent from the same period during the previous fiscal year.

In August, receipts totaled \$117.7 billion, up 8 percent from August 1997, and spending totaled \$122.9 billion, down 11.4 percent.

Spending was down because checks to active-duty military personnel — veterans and Supplemental Security Income recipients went out on July 31 rather than on Aug. 1, which fell on a Saturday.

As usual, the largest spending categories for the month were: Social Security, \$31.7 billion; Department of Health and Human Services programs including Medicare and Medicaid, \$25.4 billion; interest on the \$5.42 trillion national debt, \$2.4 billion; and the military, \$17.4 billion.

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Senate rejects bid to raise minimum wage

Supporters vow to keep issue alive

WASHINGTON (AP) — A proposal to raise the minimum wage by \$1 an hour was defeated Tuesday in the Senate, and Democratic supporters vowed to campaign hard on the issue between now and the November elections.

The measure, defeated by a 55-44 vote, would have raised the minimum wage earned by some 12 million Americans to \$6.15 on Jan. 1, 2000. The first 50-cent increase would have taken effect next New Year's Day.

Supporters said a minimum wage increase was needed to help hard-working Americans struggling to get by. At a time of unparalleled prosperity, people who work in factories, restaurants, hotels, retail businesses and in other modest jobs actually have seen their purchasing power erode, they maintained.

Opponents said an increase

would hurt small businesses and cause unemployment. It "could actually have an adverse impact upon our economy" and could cause unemployment "that hurts the low-income workers the hardest," Sen. Rod Grams, R-Minn., said before the vote.

How Idaho's senators voted on wage issue

Here are Idaho votes in the 55-44 roll call by which the Senate rejected a \$1 increase in the minimum wage. A "yes" vote was a vote to kill an amendment providing the increase. A "no" vote was a vote to reject the motion to kill the amendment.

Voting "yes" were: 2 Democrats and 53 Republicans.
Voting "no" were: 42 Democrats and 2 Republicans.

Idaho
Craig (R) Yes; Kempthorne (R) Yes.

President Clinton said in a statement that a boost in the minimum wage would have "helped ensure that parents who work hard and play by the rules do not have to raise their children in poverty."

Workers earning the minimum wage make an average \$10,700 a year — \$2,900 below the official poverty level for a family of three, supporters argued.

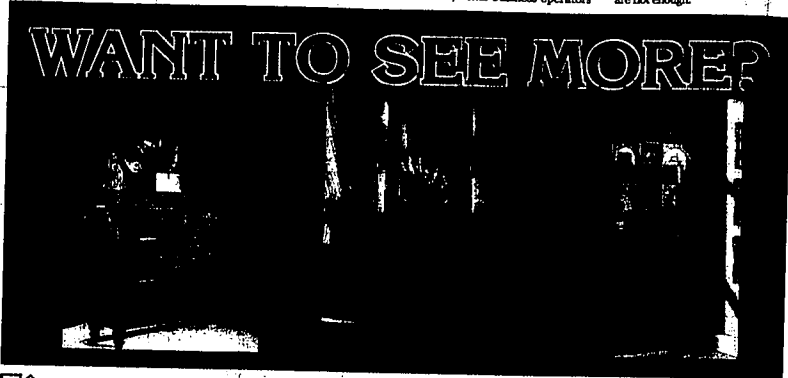
Democrats countered that since the last federal wage increase took effect a year ago, new jobs have blossomed. In his statement, Clinton said that average wages for Americans have risen since then.

AFL-CIO targets 20 House members with anti-tax cut ads

WASHINGTON (AP) — The AFL-CIO began a broadcast ad campaign Tuesday targeting 20 House districts and condemning the Republican \$80 billion tax cut bill would undermine the future of Social Security.

The bill, which the House could vote on as early as Thursday, would use a portion of the estimated \$1.6 trillion budget surplus over the next decade to benefit millions of married couples, farmers, senior citizens, small business operators

and people with savings accounts. President Clinton has said he would veto the measure, contending that GOP plans to set aside 90 percent of the projected surplus until Social Security is guaranteed are not enough.



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Bill McNeese, manager of the Fina gas station in Dallas, Texas, tried to catch a cool breeze in front of a fan July 18. For Texas, this past summer was one of the hottest, deadliest and costliest in the state's history.

What a relief! The brutal Texas summer of 1998 officially ends

DALLAS (AP) — Many years from now, folks in Texas will be telling their grandchildren about the summer of 1998, when the heat seemed to bake the Lone Star State to a hard enamel finish.

Security guard Beth McDonald will be able to tell of how she would "go home, turn on the air conditioner, strip and play on the computer."

Mary Jo Walker's kids will recall how they were dragged to the library, pool, shopping mall and twice to Colorado — just about anywhere there was air conditioning or cooler weather. "You can't do Chuck E. Cheese's every day," Ms. Walker said.

For this was one of the hottest, deadliest and costliest summers in Texas history. And it's not necessarily over just because the calendar says it's fall as of Wednesday.

Just how hot was it? Fifty-one times — more than seven weeks in all — afternoon highs reached or exceeded 100 degrees. Sundown brought little relief, with overnight temperatures dropping no lower than 80 degrees a record 38 times.

Dallas' Fort Worth endured its hottest May-August on record. Overall temperatures averaged 85.9 degrees, exceeding the 85.6 average in 1980.

At least 131 people died of the heat in Texas, including 51 illegal immigrants near the Mexican border. About 100 died of the heat in 1980, excluding illegal immigrants. It was the second-driest April-

August on record with 5.84 inches of rain. Only to the Dust Bowl year of 1934 was drier.

The drought of 1998 went down as the costliest since the seven-year dry stretch of the 1950s, with agricultural losses estimated this time at more than \$2.1 billion.

Texas Utilities Electric said electric bills were up an average of 30 percent over last year. Water consumption reached record heights, with 708 million gallons used by Dallas residents July 30 — 206 million gallons more than the previous record set Aug. 23, 1980.

Trees, shrubs and grass are scorched brown by the drought and heat. Many plants simply gave up.

Similar stories could be told of surrounding states, especially Oklahoma, where the heat killed 22 people and rainfall ran 12 inches below normal.

"I'm real glad the summer's over," said Luke Duell, undersheriff of Oklahoma's Logan County. "It's been a long, hot one."

Still, like Texas native son Nolan Ryan — a hard-throwing pitcher even into his 40s — the summer showed it could bring late-career heat. Temperatures were expected to climb back into the 90s later this week.

Sheryl Boyles, 48, an office courier who drives more than 300 miles every day, has no plans to turn off the air conditioner in her vehicle. "Don't try telling her it's fall," she said, "not until the temperature changes."

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Correspondents of the CBS program '60 Minutes' present a stopgap to the National Museum of American History Tuesday in Washington, D.C. The watch introduces each show and between time segments with its ticking.

'60 Minutes' stopwatch enters Smithsonian

WASHINGTON (AP) — The stopwatch whose incessant ticking has introduced every broadcast of the television news magazine "60 Minutes" since its 1968 beginning entered the Smithsonian Institution's popular culture collection Tuesday.

"This artifact is the best-known object from the most-watched TV news program of the late 20th century," said Spencer Crew, director of the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History.

The stopwatch joins a growing collection of domestic emblems: the original Howdy Doody pup, the chairs used by Archie and

Edith Bunker in "All in the Family," Hawkeye Pierce's bathrobe from "M A S H," the neon sign from "Late Night with David Letterman," his vehicle on NBC before changing to CBS with "Late Show with David Letterman."

On hand for the stopwatch's presentation were "60 Minutes" executive producer Don Hewitt and correspondents Mike Wallace, Morley Safer, Ed Bradley, Lesley Stahl and Andy Rooney.

CBS television aired "60 Minutes" for the first time Sept. 24, 1968.

Former class president pleads guilty

DETROIT (AP) — One of four teenagers arrested in a statutory rape case in wealthy Grosse Pointe Woods admitted on Tuesday that he had sex with three 14-year-old girls and will get up to six months in jail.

Daniel Granger, a former high school president, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to contribute to the delinquency of a minor. Had he been convicted of statutory rape, he could have gotten up to 15 years.

The 14-year-old girls told authorities that Granger, 18, and three of his friends gave them alcohol and had sex with them. The girls came forward after the high school yearbook was published with a picture of Granger apparently exposing himself.

The victims, who were in court for the hearing, cried as Granger spoke.

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Phone company service is first-ever to filter sales calls

CHICAGO (AP) — A Midwestern phone company is offering what it says is a first-of-its-kind service to help screen out those annoying sales calls that always seem to come during dinner.

"The message is loud and clear: Our customers simply want control over telemarketing," Diane Frimo, president of product management for Ameritech Corp., said Tuesday, the first day the service was offered in parts of Chicago and Detroit.

It will be expanded to Ameritech customers throughout the Great Lakes region next year and also will be offered to other phone companies.

Here's how the Privacy Manager works: First, a customer must have Caller ID. Then callers whose numbers register as "unavailable" or "unknown" are intercepted by a recorded message that asks the caller to identify himself or herself after a beep.

If the caller does so, the call then rings through. If the recipient picks up the phone, he or she hears a recording identifying the caller and is given three push-button options: accept the call, decline the call or decline the call and have the Privacy Manager tell the caller not to call again.

One big reason it works is that many telemarketers arrange to have their numbers blocked from being recognized by Caller ID. Ameritech officials said the beauty of the system is that based on product testing, seven of every 10 unidentified callers, often salespeople, simply hang up. That means the phone never rings.

"That's a lot of dinners, movies and bedtime stories that went uninterrupted," said John Rooney, president of Ameritech consumer services.

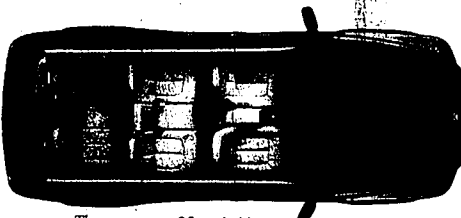
The Privacy Manager costs \$3.95 a month in addition to the

approximate \$7.50 charged monthly for Caller ID.

There are some inconveniences, namely for friends and family members who have their numbers blocked from Caller ID or who call from pay phones or states that don't transmit their phone numbers.

Ameritech, which provides local service to 11 million residential and 1 million business customers in Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Indiana and Ohio, said tests of the Privacy Manager have shown it to be the company's most popular service in more than a decade.

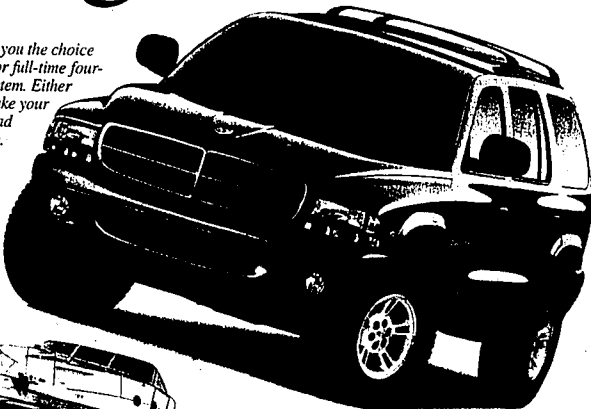
On the streets of Chicago, several people said they would rather let their answering machines or voice mail screen their calls than pay extra.



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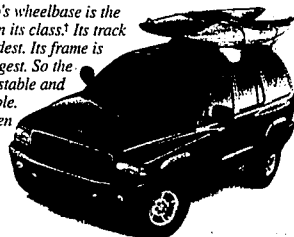
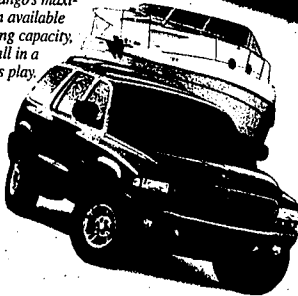
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EDITORIAL

Bring public into discussion about our hospital's future

More is likely to change after Oct. 1 than the leadership of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Administrator John Bingham, who was fired by the hospital's board of directors on Monday, has been at the helm for 13 years, a period during which the county-owned medical center set the agenda for the way health care is delivered in this community.

It's no secret that some local physicians weren't happy with the way Bingham did his job. And some of them have seen profit potential in independent, privately-owned health-care facilities — including, possibly, a surgery center.

That's understandable, but we'd like to see Bingham's exit be the signal for increased cooperation and communication among the various Twin Falls health-care interests.

Decisions about the future of health care here need to be made by the entire community, with the whole community's interests in mind. To what end, the process should be as public as possible.

Those medical centers have the resources to deliver better, more sophisticated health care at a lower cost than an independent hospital in a mid-sized city could possibly provide.

Specialized, doctor-owned facilities might have similar potential. In fact, they're hugely profitable, largely because they cater to patients who have insurance, and they don't accept the uninsured and Medicaid patients, who end up at the county hospital.

That private care is causing trouble. We can't afford that in Twin Falls. So decisions about the future of health care here need to be made by the entire community, with the whole community's interests in mind.

To that end, the process should be as public as possible.

We understand that people investing money in medical facilities have a proprietary interest in keeping their investments confidential, but it seems to us that private deal making poses a risk of cronyism, with the public's health and the future of our health-care system at stake.

The responsibility for making sure that doesn't happen rests with the Twin Falls County Commission and the hospital board.

The county commissioners are the ultimate stewards of the hospital's future. We'd like to see them host one or more public forums — not just on the future of the hospital. These forums should involve the hospital board, local doctors, the commission that has been reviewing management options, and representatives of St. Al's and St. Luke's.

All of those folks should be available — and willing — to answer questions.

For at the end of the day, the future of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center is the citizens' call. Let's make sure that decision is an informed one.



Cultural cesspool: Where is the backlash?

Several years ago, Washington Post reporter Thomas Sherrill reflected on America's current cultural scene with the dispiriting observation that the prevalence of ethnic clichés on the recent genre's best for the genre.

"We're a little hungrier," she enthused, "for violence and crudely and hackneyed descriptions, for showboating and smugness and... For smug and smug and blow-up eyes of shell. We want our world sensational." Good taste, she proclaimed, "is dead and was probably never alive to begin with."

The question is not whether Sherrill and her subject are reflective of an inescapable history. Of course they are. The real question is how much longer it will take for this inescapable trend. How much longer will we have to wait for these insouciant smugs to get flushed to the place where they belong?

Is it possible, for instance, that the story's tenacious of the sea would denigrate public life. At the moment it will cause a wave of confusion against trashiness in general?

Such trends often flow in cycles. "What pleased us 20 years ago... now seems so unimpressive and laughable," wrote Bruce Daigle some time ago.

RICHARD STRINER

And we continue to prove his point. Take an early 20th-century example: the widespread pose of disillusionment among the literary "Lost Generation" of the 1920s — the generation "grown up to find all Gods dead, all wars fought, all faiths in man shaken," as F. Scott Fitzgerald summed it up.

This find of despair was swept away in the '30s by an earnest new mood of commitment. In Britain, George Orwell compared the short-lived clichés of the '20s with the moods of the '30s: "It is the heyday of the writer of the '20s is 'tragic sense of life,'" he wrote in the aftermath of the period, "the keynote of the new writers is 'serious purpose.'"

The change was so extreme that it was funny. All of a sudden, Orwell observed in the mid-1930s, "we have got out of the twilight of the goods into a sort of Boy Scout atmosphere of bare knees and community singing."

So it is with the current scene: The end-of-the-century detritus of the '90s may yield to a counterreaction.

How ephemeral the garbage of the '90s is the music hyperactivity of pushy elec-

tronic music, the in-your-face aggressiveness of TV computer graphics, the surreal TV advertisements that make no sense, the noisily spiced food, the kitschy clothing fabrics with a harsh and metallic-looking weave, the lupine smirk of Jack Nicholson, the chuckle-headed strangeness of David Letterman, the postage stamps bearing likenesses of rock stars and cartoon characters.

And, not least of all, the gross-out fare that appeals to the brutish side of human nature. All of this — so oppressive while it lasts — is merely symptomatic of an age that is profoundly unwise of itself. It is all just a feeble compensation for an emptiness in public life.

Look at any Astaire-and-Rogers number on video and then ask yourself what we have in our contemporary culture that compares with such elegance. And Lloyd Webber generation of composers: what do we have in our popular music that can stand the comparison with the age that produced Cole Porter, George and Ira Gershwin, Irving Berlin, Harold Arlen, Jerome Kern and Richard Rodgers?

Richard Striner is an associate professor of history at Washington College, Chestertown, Md.

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LETTERS

Pork-barrel politics ruin country

Amen to Joe Klimes for your letter to the editor, *Times-News*, Sept. 17.

I agree with you and my friends of the desert. The pork-barrel money that motivates our politicians and has little to do with what is good for our country.

If we could stop the political greed, our elected officials might change their thoughts from what lines their pockets to what is good for the country.

A lot of people care, but more people should speak up to try to slow down the destruction of our rivers, forests, rangeland and wildlife.

BETTY FRUNTY
Twin Falls

Starr report repulses readers

The parts of Mr. Starr's report which were printed were in very poor taste. If my family and I would have wanted to read or see that kind of smut, we would have gone and rented a video pay per choice. What was printed was pornography. What is not investigating or giving facts, and that is most definitely, in my opinion, not newsworthy of printing.

If that is the only kind of news reporters can find, we will do without. It is sickening to us to see how far society has slumped.

ROBERT AND LORIE BISHOP
BILL AND LAURA BRADSHAW
Twin Falls

Polluters air their dirty laundry

There is some good coming from the president and his policies. Republican polluters are coming out of the woodwork, confessing their own immoral acts.

Even our own Clinton Chomsky, the president's hand-picked critic, is coming in his daily-dragging with a mea culpa.

Maybe after the dust settles, the two of them could co-author a book titled "Coal Forgets All Sins."

BILL BRADSHAW
Braggs

ICL wants water cleanup in wait

The second editorial regarding pollution in Rock Creek is right on the mark: "Don't accept delay, demand cleanup of fouled Rock Creek."

The editorial's challenge to different players to come to the defense of the creek will not get momentum. Lots of measuring will be done, but that won't make the water safer to swim in or the fish safe to eat.

Ironically, the editorial stated that this issue seems to be outside the Idaho Conservation League. The fact is, ICL has been hard at work since the early 1950s to set the stage for the cleanup of Rock Creek and other polluted waters around the state. Our 1993 lawsuit under the federal Clean Water Act resulted in a court order to clean up the creek.

Cleanup plans for 2002. These waters in Idaho. All are regulated as less-protected by the end of 2005. The Rock Creek plan is due in 1999, and ICL has a keen interest in assuring that it is done right and

water made safe.

The cleanup plan, formally known as Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) set the allowable levels of pollution — levels that, once achieved, will result in compliance with water-quality standards — and all the contributions from the various polluters associated. Agricultural interests successfully lobbied the Legislature to make compliance strictly voluntary and based on "best management practices" (BMPs).

Under the plan, until a cleanup plan is developed for a water body, the Idaho Division of Environmental Quality is required to evaluate the need for improvement to BMPs to assure no further degradation of water quality. This is a reasonable and fair way to deal with the current water-quality problems in Rock Creek were identified as far back as the early 1980s adds insult to injury.

ICL agrees completely that it is outrageous some of our Idaho waters are still unsafe for swimming and fishing. We would like to see the state Clean, safe water isn't too much to ask for. It's about time high-level state agency decision makers and certain legislators were held accountable for their foot-dragging.

It will be interesting to see if only small-scale, scattered operations and homeowners get all the blame (that would be politically expedient) or if the big livestock operations will be asked to do their fair share. Then again, if the big outfits would simply lead by example and voluntarily make protecting water quality a cost of doing business, we

might avoid a lot of finger-pointing and get the creek cleaned up quicker.

State Issues Director
Idaho Conservation League
Boise

Enough with the Monicas already?

Why is Miss Lewinsky not guilty? She (from an allegedly reliable source) had told, "I am going to go to Washington, D.C. to get me a divorce president. Plus, she broke up a marriage in Oregon. Why do young girls entice with the clothes they wear? Wonder what some other politician would do if she sat on his lap?"

Enough — enough.
MARY HOUK
Wendell

Hip-hip hooray for local sheriff

Hooray for Sheriff Wayne Toussley. The person in charge is the person responsible and who has to account for everything in the department. The Drug Awareness Resistance Education program may be helpful, but seldom do we hear of what they are doing on their progress.

As for the lease of two new trucks, the cost factor is the key. Have you ever read a lease program? And what car dealer ever made a good deal for the purchaser? Sheriff Toussley is trying to work with a workable budget, and this truck deal is no help.

BOB DAIGLE
Twin Falls

Write to us

The Times-News welcomes letters from readers on subjects of public interest. To make sure your letter is published promptly, here are a few guidelines to remember:

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LETTER

IF student reflects on campus
 I'm writing in response to the article that was printed dealing with the recent concern over an open or closed campus at the Twin Falls High School. I'm a junior there, and I would like to share some of the views of not only myself but of other students as well.
 School starts at 8:10 and ends at 2:50. So that's roughly seven hours, considering that you have to get there early and

that you don't leave right at 2:50. What some kids have a "free" hour or a period before first period. So that's another hour.
 That isn't the same amount of hours most schools put in a day, but it's close. We look forward to getting away from the school for 35 minutes just to stretch and eat. The same amount subtracted the same way about work. Now imagine, adults, if someone took your lunchtime at

work and forced you to eat at work. Would you want that or would you like the option of leaving? If you wanted to? These parents are concerned about safety and the accidents that involve high school students. I'd say that accidents don't just occur at lunch but in the mornings and afternoons. So really, closing campus would only cut it down, not stop it. To stop it, you would have to stop students from driving completely.

Here's a question: Do you like to pay taxes? Because building a bigger cafeteria won't be free, and that's what we'll have to do.
 There is no way 1,600 students will fit into our cafeteria, even with two lunch periods. You say, "Just add more lunch times for students." That poses two problems. First of all, some kids will be eating at odd hours because of the expansion of lunch periods. Secondly, if you tell the students that they have to go

school even more every day, it won't go over well at all. After all, kids do have after-school jobs.
 My suggestion is when you review closing campus, take these factors into consideration. And if parents are still really upset with their kids leaving school, then take care of that problem at home. And let the rest of us answer to our parents, and not to you.
JERROD WARR
 Twin Falls

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Investigators blast INEEL, call fatal accident 'avoidable'

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — A federal investigating panel, concluding that a lack of commitment to safety and budget cuts were critical factors leading to this summer's fatal accident at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

"This accident was avoidable," according to a scathing report released on Tuesday by the Department of Energy's Office of Oversight.

The seven-member investigative team, led by S. David Spidder, found that despite several accidents over the previous 29 months, managers for both the department's Idaho office and its INEEL contractor, Lockheed Martin Idaho Technologies Co., had "failed to take corrective actions and apply lessons learned from previous accident investigations."

"There is an organizational

safety culture problem that continues to exist in Idaho," Spidder said.

"Management at all levels," the 95-page report concluded, "must place a higher priority on obtaining realistic performance feedback and on proactive identification and correction of systematic weaknesses if further accidents are to be avoided."

"Continued focus on a few improving statistics instead of actual field performance, events and near misses will produce an optimistic assessment and will not achieve the necessary fundamental changes" both Lockheed Martin and the department's Idaho managers must finally recognize are necessary at INEEL, the report said.

Both Lockheed Martin Idaho President John Benson and John Wilczynski, manager of the department's Idaho operations,

accepted the report's conclusions and said corrective actions were being taken.

The primary cause of the accidental, but deadly, release of toxic carbon dioxide during routine maintenance on July 28 was the absence of a backup alarm system and technology to physically lock out the fire suppression system so the gas could not be released. Electrician Kerry Austin, 47, died and 13 others suffered respiratory problems as a result.

Jerry D. Fenn, representing The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, asks the Alcohol and Beverage Commission in Salt Lake on Tuesday to issue present liquor laws alone.



Public speaks out on Utah's strict liquor laws at hearing

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — In Utah, faith and spirits don't mix. During a public hearing before the Utah's Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission on Tuesday, the state's liquor laws — the bane of tourists and Utah's Mormon minority — came under fire from business owners who want to make it easier for patrons to get a drink.

But The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints sent a lawyer, Jerry Fenn, to tell the liquor commission to leave well enough alone.

"I am not here to apologize for Utah's liquor laws," said Fenn, who was a state beverage control commissioner from 1986 to 1997 and the panel's chairman the last six years.

"Utah's record in limiting the disastrous social and health effects of alcohol is second to none. The state needs to preserve that remarkable record while allowing people reasonable access to alcohol," Fenn said.

Fenn was speaking not only to former colleagues, but mostly fellow believers.

The five-member commission is made up of four male Mormon attorneys and one non-Mormon woman. About 70 percent of Utah's population belongs to the Mormon church, which preaches against the use of alcohol.

Commission Chairman Nicholas Hales said the makeup of the

commission reflects the state's population. He also added that commissioners are not allowed affiliation with any business dealing with alcohol.

The state panel regulates the liquor licenses and permits for more than 1,000 restaurants, private clubs and beer bars in overseeing the state's \$124 million wholesale and retail alcohol business.

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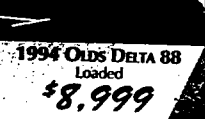
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AROUND THE VALLEY

Teen goes to adult court to face charge

TWIN FALLS - A 14-year-old Twin Falls teenager will face an attempted-murder charge in adult court, a juvenile court judge ruled Tuesday.

Robert Adams, 17, who is charged in connection with the July 11 shooting of Trevor Thompson, joins Michael John Culver, 16, and Joshua Adam McBride, 17, in adult court. Culver and McBride had similar hearings earlier this month in front of Magistrate Judge John Varin.

All three are charged with attempted murder. A fourth suspect, Richard Eli Martinez, 19, was charged with attempted murder but the charge was reduced to aggravated battery.

All four are accused of being in the minivan that pulled alongside Thompson as he sat in his car outside his home. Three shots rang out; one bullet bruised Thompson's back, police reports said.

The minivan chased Thompson, and one more shot was fired, the reports said.

Adams will be arraigned today in Magistrate Court. The other suspects are awaiting trial in District Court.

School board holds open house for new teachers

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls School Board today will host an open house for new district teachers.

It will begin at 7 p.m. in the Great Room at Bridgeview Estates, 1825 Bridgeview Blvd.

The open house amounts to the board's regular in-service meeting held the fourth Wednesday of every month.

Wendell council agenda includes sewer project

WENDELL - The City Council meets today and will consider a grant to authorize to apply for a grant for the city's sewer project on the northwest side of town.

Professional community development team Riddle and Region IV Development Association, both of Twin Falls, has shown interest in becoming the project's administrator.

Carlson to be sworn in as 5th district judge

BURLEY - The public is invited to the official swearing-in ceremony for Monte B. Carlson, appointed 5th District Judge for Cassia County.

Blood drawing to be held at Buhl Moose Lodge

BUHL - A blood drawing is planned for 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday at the Buhl Moose Lodge.

Wendell School Board to mull busing requests

WENDELL - The Wendell School Board today will consider busing requests, a review and adoption of school policies and other items.

Utah Jazz play to speak at Burley High School

BURLEY - Utah Jazz basketball player Byron Russell will speak to Burley High School students and challenge them to some pick-up games at 9:30 a.m. today at the Burley High gymnasium.

Utah Jazz play to speak at Burley High School

Russell is touring several southern Idaho cities, will speak to students about living up to their potential.

Utah Jazz play to speak at Burley High School

Compiled from staff reports

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

Jerome selects new police chief

JEROME - After more than a month of searching and at least two dips into a pool of 22 applicants, Jerome's mayor and City Council Tuesday selected a new police chief who was never among the listed candidates.

Jerome County probation officer Jim Reid will be sworn in this evening as chief, said Mayor Dennis Moore.

Former police chief Jim Dahl resigned Aug. 1, and Lt. Dean Larsen has been interim chief since.

Reid, 57 next month, said he has worked a total of 23 years in law enforcement since first moving to Idaho in 1968. During that period, he also worked with the U.S. Department of Defense in California.

Reid said he worked twice with the Twin Falls Police Department and three times with the Jerome County Sheriff's Department. He also was a Hatley police officer and a Blaine County sheriff's deputy.

Born in Missouri, Reid was raised in California. He said he was honorably discharged from the U.S. Navy in 1962.

Reid left his position as Jerome County chief deputy sheriff in January 1997 and began working in probation a short time later. He also has

Officials mum until last minute Tuesday

What's next?
Jerome County probation officer and former chief deputy Jim Reid will be sworn in as Jerome's police chief at 6 p.m. tonight in the City Council chambers at 100 E. Ave. A.

been an investigator for the county prosecutor's office for about a year.

Reid said he decided to try for the chief's position when Moore asked him to.

"I was disappointed that he didn't apply at first," Moore said

Tuesday. "I called him about 10 days ago and asked him to."

Moore, the council and City Administrator Jon Cecil recently choose three out-of-state finalists from the original list of 22 and interviewed at least two last week. But it didn't appear it could have worked with any of those applicants, Moore said.

Moore was in Reid's office late Tuesday morning, but at the time, both declined to comment on whether Reid had been offered the job. City Council members Joe Skaug and Charles Correll also declined to comment that morning.

An agenda for Reid's appoint-

ment and swearing in was faxed to newrooms around Jerome and Twin Falls late that afternoon.

"All of the details weren't in order," Moore said of his decision to stay quiet earlier.

"I gave (city officials) my word not to talk about it," Reid said.

Reid will make about \$38,000 yearly as police chief, Cecil said.

There is some question over Reid's certification with the Idaho Peace Officers Standards and Training academy in Meridian, but Councilwoman Marjorie Schmidt said that should be a problem: "He will be POST certified within a year."

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Students learn realities of college

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

KIMBERLY - One Kimberly High School senior said she learned Tuesday that a goal to attend college won't necessarily be enough to make it in the real world.

School-to-work advocate Randy Dorn asked Rachel Hunt, 17, and her classmates how many planned to attend college. About 80 to 85 percent indicated that they would.

The truth is, only about 25 percent of the population earns a college degree. And 70 percent of them work in an unrelated field.

"I need to know what I want to do, or I'm just wasting money," said Hunt, referring to the cost of a post-secondary education.

The problem is, she is not sure she wants to be a teacher. And she doesn't know how to go about exploring other career options.

Hunt is not alone.

Ryan Crisp, 18, said Dorn's presentation made him think about planning for life after high school. It's something he hasn't thought much about.

"I don't like to," Crisp said.

"I'm all scared, because I don't know what I want to do yet."

Dorn, a former Bonanza Ferry high school principal, served as education committee chairman in the Washington's state's House of Representatives. Now he works as a self-described "educator."

His spiel incorporates audience participation including clapping, singing, and dancing to make his message stick. He says he has never worked a day in his life, because he enjoys his profession. He finds it exciting to wake up each morning and calls it better than the alternative.

His motto: "Find your interest, your aptitude and what challenges you."

Dorn ends a three-day Magic Valley tour sponsored by Idaho School-to-Work. He's been telling local business people, educators and students about the need for practical employment skills.

He wants businesses to offer internships; schools to teach stu-



Randy Dorn leads a group of Kimberly High School students in a class discussion during a presentation designed to motivate kids to find a direction in life. Dorn uses the shift to teach students to take risks.

dents to apply what they learn to the workplace and the home; and students to explore career options through internships, have good attitudes and take positive risks toward reaching goals.

Unskilled laborers have dropped from 60 percent to 15 percent of the total work force since 1950, he said. Professionals have held steady at 20 percent. Meanwhile, the demand for

skilled laborers has grown from 20 percent to 65 percent.

"The two-year technical degree in the United States is becoming more valuable," Dorn said.

Beginning wages for a General Motors technician who has graduated a two-year program is \$40,000, he said. Beginning teacher wages are about half of that.

The right education is not the

only necessity to landing a good job, Dorn said. Employers want a good work ethic and attitude.

That hit home for Kelli Lyne, 16.

"I made me think about what I really don't know, and all the things I need to plan for," she said.

Times-News staff writer Jennifer Sandmann can be reached at 733-0531, Ext. 241.

ESA plan stalls in Congress

By Robin Brown
States News Service

WASHINGTON - Sen. Dirk Kempthorne invested years into reforming the Endangered Species Act.

But the Idaho Republican's work might not bring results before he leaves Washington to concentrate on his gubernatorial campaign.

Time is running out for Congress to vote on the legislation - either standing alone or attached to a spending bill.

Kempthorne had planned on attaching the rewrite to the Interior Appropriations bill, but he may be dismayed if Congress does not bring that legislation to the floor before recess - a distinct possibility.

"No decisions have been made on the best way to proceed with this bill," said Mark Snider, Kempthorne's spokesman. "The reforms that are in this bill are needed, and the current act is not doing the job it can do."

Kempthorne's version of the ESA would establish an incentive program to encourage landowners to recover endangered species. The current law has been criticized for merely identifying endangered species but not going far enough to revive populations.

Some environmentalists said it would not be a tragedy if Kempthorne's bill never came to pass.

Kent Lavery, executive director of the Idaho Wildlife Federation, said he thinks the ESA works as established.

"While the current law can perhaps be improved, it does not need to be reformed or gutted," Lavery said. "And another two years of the existing law, with its flexibilities and its successes, won't hurt species if it's implemented the way it is supposed to be."

Lavery was disappointed last week when it looked like Kempthorne planned to attach the ESA to the interior spending bill.

"We would be opposed to having Kempthorne add this at the eleventh hour, because the public comment would be lessened," he said at the time.

Even if the bill is offered as an amendment, there would still be opportunity for debate.

"It has been the subject of public hearings," Snider said. "It has been in the news. To now claim there is no public opportunity (for input) is not accurate."

John McCarthy, conservation director at the Idaho Conservation League, said current endangered species law works, "but it could work a lot better."

McCarthy said Kempthorne never entered into a dialogue to improve his bill, and get support from environmentalists.



Dirk Kempthorne

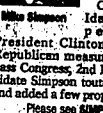
Simpson unveils ag plan

By Gregory Hahn
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - From the Twin Falls County Courthouse steps Tuesday, GOP congressional candidate Mike Simpson outlined his 10-step program to save and revitalize the nation's family farms.

Calling on Idahoans to support Clinton to sign a Republican measure likely to pass Congress, 2nd District candidate Simpson touted the plan and added a few proposals of his own.

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Mike Simpson

Veteran city band member dies at 80

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Gerald "Choppy" Ridgeway, who played his cornet for the Twin Falls Municipal Band for nearly seven decades, died early Tuesday.

He was 80.

Ridgeway and his cornet joined the Twin Falls Municipal Band in the 1930s when he was in his early teens, band President Sandy Hacking said.

For almost 70 years he has been a fixture at the band's summer concerts in City Park, she said.

"I wasn't trying to set any records when I started playing," Ridgeway said in a 1994 Times-News interview. "I just kept on playing because I enjoyed it."

And those around him enjoyed him, Hacking said.

"He was always glad to see people," she said. "Everybody was his friend."

One of Ridgeway's longtime band-mates was trombonist Allan Derris, who joined the band in 1944.

"I think both of us had high respect for each other," Derris said.

Longtime band members such as Ridgeway and Derris are co-



Gerald "Choppy" Ridgeway with his wife, Sherry, in January 1997 photo. Choppy Ridgeway died early Tuesday, ending his decades-long tenure with the Twin Falls Municipal Band.

mentors of the band, Hacking said.

"The Twin Falls city band

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Police

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Reid said he doesn't buy assertions that he's not certified. "That's what (POST officials) say, but I say different."

Rupert farmers' market to extend into October

By Kurt Fridolfson
Times-News writer
BURLEY - The Organization of Rupert Businesses will extend the farmers' market held in the Rupert Square for a few more months - or until the food runs out.

Simpson

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own, including lowering federal ag assessments and adding tariffs to even trade with nations with devalued dollars.

into the farmers' pockets." Like his Democratic opponent, former U.S. Rep. Richard Stullings, and virtually everyone else in the state, Simpson called for changes in the North American Free Trade Agreement, which he said pits farmers unfairly against foreign supports and low Canadian dollar values.

In response to the growing agricultural crisis and Democratic congressional candidate Richard Stullings' 10-point plan, Republican candidate Mike Simpson has created the "S.O.S." farm and ranch plan.

Simpson's plan

FARM PROGRAM REFORMS
Simpson supports a tax-free farm-ers' savings program. This provision, to let farmers better use profits from good years during bad years, is also included on the Republican farm measure.



Mike Simpson

TRADE
Simpson urges the state to make Canadian import vehicles accountable for rates and regulations. This week Gov. Phil Batt said Idaho would join other border states on this issue.

"When that happens you've turned an agricultural crisis into his podium because that's the next page the agricultural crisis will hit, when up to one-third of the state's farmers declare bankruptcy. If, for the worst occurs, the property tax loss could be devastating.

"It is destroying agriculture in this country right now," he said, adding later, "The United States farmers can compete against anyone in the world. But they can't compete with foreign governments."

IMMEDIATE SUPPORTS
Simpson supports the Republicans' "Lost Market Compensation Payments," which provides to spread about \$1.65 billion among struggling American farmers. The measure is likely to pass. All Republican senators but one turned down a plan to lift the loan rate caps on wheat and other crops, a plan - Stullings backs.

Simpson asked for quick action on ideas shared by Democrats and Republicans, saying sanction reforms need to be passed and conservation reserve lands kept open. But he continued to criticize the Democratic plan to remove caps on loan rates instituted in the 1996 Freedom to Farm Act.

OTHER
Simpson hopes to retain Idaho's low power rates. Deregulation bills were shied this year, but are sure to be back in the spring.

The move would be a return to the "policies of the past," and could hurt prices in the long run, Simpson said.

Simpson reiterated his support of Gov. Phil Batt's decision to join other border states in stepping up inspections of Canadian shipping trucks.

The Republican alternative, tagged as a measure onto an appropriations bill in a Senate-House conference committee, would distribute less money, but has greater support in Congress.

Simpson wants the country to better enforce antitrust laws in agriculture. This is a popular opinion among family farmers and local candidates, but much less popular in Washington.

Newcomb, the head of Simpson's agricultural advisory committee and the legislator expected by most to succeed Simpson as Idaho House speaker, said farmers should look to the candidate for help in NAFTA changes and in protecting the sugar program, which will come up again in Washington.

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Meanwhile, he said, people who insisted on allowing payments to affected landowners dissuaded Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott from bringing the bill to the floor.

had been optimistic about the bill. He was looking for the right opportunity to tag the measure onto the Interior Appropriations bill - an opportunity that hasn't come.

then, he doubted it would come up again soon. The presidential campaign seasons are beginning, and few in Washington will be encouraged to attempt a sweeping environmental bill.

before a similar program gets this far again, Kempthorne said. "Whether I was there or not," he said.

Times-News staff writer Gregory Hahn contributed to this report.

Band

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prides itself on tradition," she said. "Our longtime members are important because they are the tradition."
The old-timers were recognized at a special concert last year, and the City Council proclaimed Chippy Ridgeway Day. Ridgeway got a standing ovation. "He just loved it," Hacking said. "Chippy was a very humble man, but you could just see his eyes filled with pride."



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Engineer says many Jackpot streets need total replacement

By Sam Fallstrom
Times-News correspondent

JACKPOT, Nev. — Jackpot's streets and roads badly need repair, Chris Woster of Chilton Engineers told the Jackpot Advisory Board.

They need to be pulverized and totally replaced, he said. The roads have existed for more than 20 years, and cracks have deteriorated the base.

"You have to take that repair at some time," Woster said.

The road in most need of repair is Ace Drive, which extends from U.S. Highway 93 to the golf course. Jackpot has in its five-year plan to put curbs, gutters and sidewalks along its most used streets. Ace to Keno has been on the top of the list for a long time.

Blending notice
Community commission with the City Council meeting
Monday, Sept. 22, 1:30 p.m.
Room 101 in the City Center
900 Nevada St.

While the town is at it, Woster said, it should straighten Ace out. It may be a better curve which is unnecessary. The curvy ones the town on both sides of the road, so straightening it would be easy.

Other streets that are on line for curbs, gutters, sidewalks and repaving are Gurley and Progressive Drive. It would be the most cost effective if the town could build out all the streets at one time, Woster said. The board agreed to Woster's plan but wants

to know how much money has been set aside for this project.

In other Jackpot business: A Jackpot Advisory Board Chairman Duane Jack received a letter from the Idaho Transportation Department. It said three passing-lane projects are on line for Highway 93 for 2000. The letter also mentioned more improvements scheduled for 2001 and 2002 and the future connection of Highway 93 to Interstate 84.

The sludge removal project is finished, said Ed Ellis of Jackpot Public Works; 21,000 cubic yards of sludge were pulled from Jackpot's sewer lagoons and deposited over 100 acres. All that was required for this amount of sludge was 35 acres, but by


spreading it thin city workers were able to do it in without mud or extensive odor.

The Nevada Division of Forestry will seed the area in the spring, said Lynn Forebush of Elko County Community Development. Jackpot will pay for the seed, but NDF will do the work in exchange for using the area as a test for kinds of seeds.

Ken Blake, Jackpot Recreation Center director, said swimming lessons have started again for the year and will run continually until Christmas. He wants to ask the Elko County School District for an increase in payment — from \$750 to \$1,000 — for use of the pool.

The rec center supplies towels to a lot of the younger children,

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Richfield leams cost of extended-area phone service

By Sandra L. Collins
Times-News correspondent

RICHFIELD — Richfield is studying its options.

Community members met at the American Legion Hall Monday to discuss possible adoption of extended-area telephone service for Richfield.

When extended-area service was added for the rest of the Magic Valley more than a year and a half ago, Richfield and Elko — both served by small companies — were left out. Elko's phone company joined the extended-area service later.

Richfield residents petitioned the Public Utilities Commission to become part of the extended service area. A hearing scheduled for April was cancelled. The meeting Monday was scheduled as a hearing but was left out for an informational meeting because an audit of Century Tel, the area phone service, was not completed. Attending Monday night were

Wayne Harsh and Rita Scott of the PUC, two representatives from Century Tel and one from U.S. West.

Community members were told the approximate costs of extended-area service would be \$33 per month before taxes and other charges.

Ideas were presented which might make phone service more practical, such as shopping for the cheapest long-distance service which matches a person's

calling patterns.

A survey will be sent to residents listing options for phone service. A public hearing also may be held later.

AUCTION CALENDAR
SEPTEMBER 22-23

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 - 8 pm
Furnish - Tools - Collectibles
Tobacco Concessions Daily
Admission - September 22 - \$10
MONEY BUYERS WELCOME

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 10:00 am
J. L. Power - U.S. West Communications
Office & Equipment - Misc. - Shoes
Admission - September 23 - \$20
MONEY BUYERS WELCOME

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 10:00 am
Consignment Auction - Vehicles Seized by U.S. Marshal - Eggs
Admission - September 23 - \$10
MONEY & CASH ONLY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 10:00 am
Fire Community - Miscellaneous - Fire
Admission - September 23 - \$10
MONEY BUYERS WELCOME

Odette Bever Living Estate & Store Liquidation
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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH, 1998

LOCATION: 165 Eastland Drive, Twin Falls, Idaho
Sale Time: 11:00 a.m. - Proceeds: Tools & P.A.S. Set to sale time

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Gooding opts to maintain speed limit

By Sharon Mitchell
Times-News correspondent

GOODING — Despite widespread concerns about speeding along Main Street in Gooding, the speed limit will remain the same.

A split Gooding City Council will keep the speed limit at 35 mph, rather than dropping it to 25 mph.

Mothers of two young Main Street accident victims, Main Street residents, the city recreation director and Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind Superintendent Ron They had pushed for the reduced speed limit.

Councilman Bob Reed didn't think the change would improve safety, but said it was hard to vote against it, "if it will save somebody's life or somebody from being hurt."

Council members Sharon Seifert and Reed voted for the reduction. Lauren Shaver and Phil Becker voted nay, with Mayor George Dains breaking the tie with a nay vote.

In other city business: The council voted to enter an agreement with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for repair of 100 feet of river wall next to the Gooding Alternative School. The city's share of the \$98,100 cost is \$34,335.

A decision has been made to replace building inspector Gary Earl with local resident Gene Behnam, Dains said. Earl will finish out the month of September.

Fire Chief Pat Rislop expressed his dissatisfaction for not being allowed input on the decision, but added, "I'll do whatever I have to do. I'll give someone six to six hours more a week just having to do inspections."

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 11:00 am
Odean Bever Living Estate & Store Liquidation (Out of Halley) - Proceeds Tools & P.A.S. Set - 11 - Misc. - Two Falls
Admission - September 23 - \$10
MONEY BUYERS AUCTION

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 11:00 am
Don West Estate - Household
Antiques - Tools
Admission - September 23 - \$10
MONEY BUYERS AUCTION SERVICE

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 11:00 am
Moving Sale - European Furniture - Elko, NV
Admission - September 23 - \$10
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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 1998
Dale & Leona Peterson - Household
Tools - Repair
Admission - September 24 - \$10
MONEY BUYERS AUCTION SERVICE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 12:00 noon
Francis & Rose Antiques
Consignment - Home Furnishings
Admission - September 23 - \$10
MONEY BUYERS AUCTION SERVICE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 1998
Ernest & Donna Crowley
Consignment - Luggage Equipment
Household - Bed
Admission - September 25 - \$10
MONEY BUYERS AUCTION SERVICE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 11:00 am
Gib's Store & Co. - Richfield
By Appointment Equipment
Admission - September 25 - \$10
MONEY BUYERS AUCTION SERVICE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 11:30 am
Lorena McAdams Living Estate - Household - Misc. - Wooded
Admission - September 27 - \$10
MONEY BUYERS AUCTION SERVICE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 5:00 pm
Household - Tools - Antiques
Concessions: Welcome - Jerome
ELKO AUCTION BARN

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 8 pm
United Pacific Salvage - Shop Equipment - Heavy Equipment - Misc. - Power Tools
Admission - September 27 - \$10
MONEY BUYERS AUCTION SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 5:00 pm
Bill & Regina Miller - Household - Misc. - Tools
Admission - September 23 - \$10
MONEY BUYERS AUCTION SERVICE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 1998
Charles Latham Estate & Neighbor's Farm Machinery - Bed
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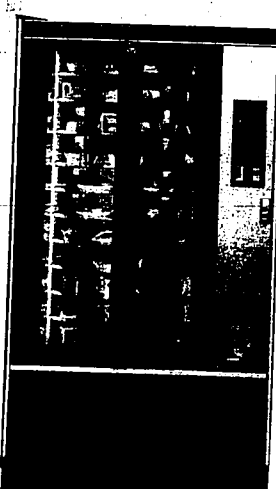
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 10:00 am
Annual Antiques & Collectibles - Beer Taking
Concessions - Fire Furnishings
Admission - September 23 - \$10
MONEY BUYERS AUCTION SERVICE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 11 am
Tuttle Neighborhood - Trucks
Trucks - Autos - Misc. - Concessions
Welcome - Falls
Admission - October 1 - \$10
SILVER CANYON AUCTION SERVICE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 12:00 noon
Robert Barks Living Estate
Household - Household
Admission - October 1 - \$10
MONEY BUYERS AUCTION SERVICE

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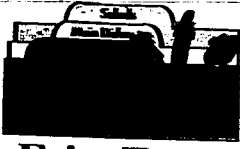
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Fairy Food tempts your sweet tooth

By Rochelle Jones
The Sunflower

TWIN FALLS - Shirley Mitchell of Buckley wrote in asking for a recipe for honeycomb candy. Michelle Child of Twin Falls - a fan of the "Fairy Food" published by Michelle. She has made the candy a few times, with great results. She wrote:

FAIRY FOOD
I use:
1 cup white corn syrup
1 table spoon vinegar
1/2 cup powdered sugar
1/2 cup butter

Combine sugar, syrup and vinegar in 3 quart saucepan. Cook to hard-crack stage (300 degrees). Turn off heat and add salt, remaining ingredients. Pour immediately into greased 9x9 inch pan. Spread with butter. Break into chunks. Yield: about 1 pound.

And, from Sherri George of Twin Falls: "Here is a recipe for someone to Shirley Mitchell's request. It just isn't old today, but I know it works. And my husband appreciated the treat. This candy is known as soft-shave, because it was made in a soft-shave machine." SHEPHERD COUNTY

1 cup granulated sugar
1 cup light or dark brown sugar
1/2 cup white vinegar
1/2 cup water

Combine sugar, white and brown sugars in heavy saucepan. Bring to a boil. Stir until mixture reaches 240 degrees on candy thermometer, or until mixture dropped from a spoon into cold water becomes brittle. Remove from heat. Stir in soda quickly and mix well. Measure from top up. Pour onto a buttered cookie sheet. Let cool completely. Break into pieces. Yield: 1 pound.

Just in time for the holidays, the Publisher has printed a sweet pineapple recipe from one of our contributors: "Daisy's Pineapple Candy."

Daisy's Pineapple Candy
6 medium sweet pineapples (about 4 1/2 lbs each)

1/2 cup granulated white sugar
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Chutney: 1/2 cup white vinegar, 1/2 cup water for 20 to 25 minutes or until soft. Let cool to touch. Peel and cut pineapple lengthwise into 1/2 inch slices. Set aside. Combine brown sugar and white sugar, water, vinegar, juice in pineapple juice, one spoon, one spoon and butter. Cook over medium heat about 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Fill half of sweet pineapple in tightly packed 13-1/2 x 9 inch baking dish. Pour half of chutney over sweet pineapple; repeat layers. Sprinkle with granulated brown sugar. Bake in 350 degree oven for 30 minutes or until juice is bubbly. Yield: 20 servings.

Request:
Sherri George of Twin Falls wrote: "I'm looking for any recipe for Sherri Daley's 'Fairy Food'." Mail!

Request for recipes or recipes to share:
Should be sent to Denise Turner, Food Editor, The Times-News, P.O. Box 500, Twin Falls, ID 83436-0500. Please include name, address and phone number.

A whole new world

Couple learns that redecorating need not break the bank

By Rachel Deary
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - When Toni and Warren Becker purchased their home three years ago, it was definitely not pretty. The walls needed fixing up and the carpets and linoleum in the entire upper level needed to be replaced. Instead of going the traditional route, the Beckers decided to make their home unique. So, they gambled. They tore up the carpets and the linoleum in the kitchen and bathroom, exposing the wooden underbelly of their flooring. They rented a floor sander and ran it over the hardwood floors - and applied a stain and finish. This resulted in a beautiful wooden floor on the main level of their home. Each room cost the Beckers between \$125 and \$150.

Patio and garden

Stepping into the Becker back yard is like stepping into another world. The patio has seating for about seven and a fountain to draw out the city sounds.

Toni Becker built her small fountain by using the fountain pump in a planter and piping rocks all around it. She said it was simple and inexpensive to make. Moving back into the yard, visitors walk beneath an arbor that Warren Becker made for wisteria to climb onto. The only cost was the cost of the lumber. Outside lighting is provided by some "cheap" 120 volt torches. Toni Becker said they were easier to install than traditional lighting, and they are more unique.

Beckers has a dominant place in the yard, around "nasty" of the trees and flower beds.

"We've tried to simplify the yard," Toni Becker said. "Bark looks better than dirt, and it keeps the weeds down."

Living room

When the Beckers moved into their home, duck paneling lined the walls of many of the main floor rooms.

The Beckers removed that paneling and then treated the walls. Toni Becker said that many people told her it would be hard to remove the walls, but it was easier than she thought. Basically, the only cost involved in treating and fixing the walls was the cost of drywall compound and paint.

The handsome curtains in the living room add a unique flair to the setting. Toni Becker said the curtains were easy to make, and very inexpensive.

Kitchen and bedroom

With just one cup of paint, the Beckers repainted their kitchen. By using a deep sock, dipping it in paint and dabbing it over the walls, the Beckers changed the look of their kitchen. The green paint was applied over an already existing white base.

Toni Becker is now in the process of redoing her kitchen chairs to match her new kitchen. She is painting them white, with a green crackle. After the finishes, she will upholster the chairs with new fabric.



redoing her kitchen chairs to match her new kitchen. She is painting them white, with a green crackle. After the finishes, she will upholster the chairs with new fabric. To add a little personality to her kitchen, Becker stenciled two green hummingbirds over the kitchen sink. She said it was an inexpensive way to fill in some blank space. The great bedroom is a perfect example of recycling. The mirror hanging above the bed was in Toni Becker's grandmother's attic. When it was in a sad state. So they stripped it, sanded it and stained it. Warren Becker then built a small shelf to go underneath it. On the west wall hangs a shelf that was originally in a coal room. Toni Becker cleaned it up really well, removing all of the soot. "We don't have many things we've bought new," Toni Becker said. She added that fixing things up "is not hard, it's time consuming. It takes time to sand it and get it where you want."

Bedroom

Working with what you have is

Shore, Toni Becker handles a heart coat of paint onto her dining room chairs for her Twin Falls home. Left, the Beckers lifted the carpeting and linoleum throughout their home and replaced the hardwood floors underneath for a dramatic change.

Keep those garden tools in good shape

What are your tips for keeping garden tools in good shape?

Garden tools seldom become obsolete and can serve you well for decades. I will use several that were passed down to me from my father.

Proper maintenance increases their life span and makes them easier to use. A well-honed shovel allows for a packed ground with less strain on your back, while a sharp blade on a pruner cuts cleanly, making your job quicker and minimizing damage to your plants.

It helps to start out with good-quality tools. The extra cost will spare you the hassle and expense of replacing inferior tools every couple of years.

To keep tools in good shape, take a few minutes each time you're finished with them to clean off dirt and moisture to decrease rust and deterioration. Spend a couple of hours every few months sharpening edges and greasing hinges.

It's a good time to repair, sharpen and lubricate your tools so they'll be ready for the next season. If you're going to be putting tools away for the winter, oil them to inhibit rust, and store them in a dry, sheltered place.

Cleaning tools

Use a solvent such as lighter fluid or

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Liquid Wrench (available at hardware stores) for tough cleanup jobs. After pruning conifers and woody shrubs, squirt solvent on a rag, and wipe the sticky sap from the blades. For rusty tools, cut a scouring pad into manageable pieces, then dampen a piece with solvent. Scrub away the rust, then wipe the tool clean. Solvent also loosens rusty screws and eases creaky joints. Many solvents are poisonous, so store them out of reach of children and pets.

For shovels, spades and hoes, fill a 5-gallon bucket with sand, and place it near where you store your tools. Mix in about two-thirds of a quart of motor oil (to inhibit rust); make sure the sand is slightly damp with oil but not soaked through. Whenever you return a shovel to the shed, knock off the biggest chunks of soil, then plunge the tool's head into the sand a few times. Brush off the sand and

store the tool. You can make a mini version of this sand bucket for hand trowels and other small tools. Simply fill a flower-pot with sand to an inch from the top, and stir in a quarter cup of motor oil. Store your tools in the pot between uses.

Sharpening tools

You can take your tools to a professional for sharpening, though it's easy to sharpen most common tools at home.

Attach a good sharpener to the corner of your workbench, so shears and scisors can be sharpened as soon as they become dull.

Keep loppers and pruners working smoothly by repriming their edges with a tool such as the English-made Precision Pruner sharpener (\$10.95;

available from Wink Nicks Co., P.O. Box 433, Topfield, Mass. 01863; 578-857-3386), a sharpening stone which attaches to the edge of the tool's blade for leverage. A metal bastard file is traditionally used to sharpen saw blades and edgers. Use the flat side of the file, and tilt it at the same angle as the tool's beveled edge. Grind the edge with long strokes, always moving in one direction only, away from the edge. File shovels and edgers on both the front and back faces, toes on one side only. You can also use a drill with a rotary sharpening attachment. Secure the tool to your workbench with cords or the clamps. Attach the sharpener to the drill, start it spinning, then lower it gently against the edge of the tool. Move the sharpener slowly back and forth along the edge until sharp.

Taping handles

Over time, wood handles may split or crack. Deep cracks require a new handle, especially on picks, axes and sledgehammers, since it would be extremely dangerous if the heads of these tools flew off in midswing.

You can prevent new splinters from worsening, however, by wrapping

Photo: Joe WEINSTEIN, Page C7

FOOD & HOME

Plant garlic for a tasty surprise next summer

Said to ward off vampires and high cholesterol, garlic has become the darling of cooks everywhere. But growing it is a mystery to the uninitiated.

Which part do you plant? Where? In this "cabbage" part? Think of garlic as a bulb. Which it is. It is planted in fall, the same as most other bulbs. Except that we don't plant the whole bulb — just one clove at a time. We plant the cloves (use the big ones — about a half-inch across) pointy end up, at about three or four inches deep. Like magic, the following summer, we pluck up large, pungent bulbs that taste oh-so-good compared with the supermarket variety. Let's get started.

If you're a first-time garlic grower, choose as many different kinds of garlic sets as you can find. If you can't find them locally, get started online.

Garlic wants to be in the ground four to six weeks before the ground freezes. That lets the roots get a good hold. In very cold areas with clay soils, you might want to plant the cloves in cellulose packs, one per section, then put



GREEN THUMBPRINTS
Cathy Walworth

the packs in a sheltered spot — say, under the deck for the winter. That way, the garlic gets the cold period it needs. You can plant them out in spring after they have started to sprout.

Space the cloves about seven inches apart. Don't worry if you notice them pushing their way upward. That's normal.

Most garlic growers like a nice, thick mulch to keep moisture in and weeds out. Don't fertilize when you plant. Next spring the little garlics will send up green shoots, and they'd like a little nitrogen then. They will continue to grow without much help from you.

The leaves will begin to turn brown on the tips. When the leaves are about a quarter of the way brown, pull up your mature garlic. Dry the bulbs thoroughly,

just like onions. In a few weeks, when they are dry, try each variety for a tasty surprise.

There are two basic kinds of garlic: hardneck (H) and softneck (S). Hardnecks send up a central stalk that should be cut off soon after it appears so that the plants can use their energy making larger bulbs. Softnecks tend to be better and produce larger heads that last longer in storage (some as long as 10 to 12 months). Try these varieties, courtesy of "Growing Great Garlic," by Ron Engelhard (Falcone Productions, 1995, \$15).

"Artichoke" (S): Easy to grow.

"Astoria Tuxedo" (S): One of the newer best-flavored and hottest varieties.

"California Early" (S): Mild and slightly sweet flavor.

"California Late" (S): Spicy but.

"Carpentian red" (H): Spicy and strong.

"Crescent" (H): Mellow, moderately hot.

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By the time you finish all these, no self-respecting vampire would dare come near you.

Dear Readers: Several of you have asked for Gary Moen's list of hardy trees. Send me a SASE in care of this newspaper, and I'll send you a copy.

—Cathy

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DEAR ABBY: I have been a fan for many years. I grew up with my mother reading your column and have used your wedding booklet to assist with our special day.

The response you gave to "Wondering Mom" about the computer letter for her child prompts this letter. My father-in-law passed away six years ago, and I would never think of letting someone read a letter intended for one of my children before he or she had a chance to read it. The letter "Wonderings" father-in-law left for his granddaughter was for her. Had he wanted anyone else to read it, he would have said so. To let someone else read it before the child did would diminish the special meaning to her.

This grandfather created a wonderful thing that his grandchild will have forever. She may want to keep it as her special link to her grandfather, and she should be the one to decide with whom she shares it.

—LOVING DAUGHTER-IN-LAW VIENNA, W.VA.

DEAR LOVING DAUGHTER: I disagree. The mother-in-law is mourning the loss of her husband in a more immediate and painful way than the 2-year-old possibly could. The fact that her grandmother had seen the contents of the letter should not make it a less



DEAR ABBY
Abby Cadabby

precious link. However, that is not the most important reason why the letter should be shared now with her grandmother. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: There is a genuine tragedy awaiting "Wondering Mom" and anyone else who thinks that storing precious family information on a computer disk is the perfect high-tech solution to the problem of combining preservation and privacy.

By the time her 2 1/2-year-old daughter is old enough to care about her grandfather's amazing rap, no one outside a couple of computer geeks will be able to retrieve it from the disk — if she's incredibly lucky. I've been using computers for 20 years, and I have multiple generations of disks gathering dust now that, for all practical purposes, are unreadable. The hardware changes. The software changes. Beware!

If "Wondering Mom" wants to save that document, she should print it out now, giving thought to the printer and print cartridge, on 100 percent cotton or linen rag

buffered paper with a neutral pH, and store it in a nondestructive archival folder in a dark, safe place, like a safety deposit vault. (Abby, you should have told her to use the silly disk for a cassette (after printing the file). That way it would be good for something.)

—DENNIS GRAFFLIN, PROFESSOR OF HISTORY

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DEAR PROFESSOR GRAFFLIN: Thank you for offering your computer expertise, and warning my readers not to blindly expect technology to solve their archival problems. In many instances, paper is still the way to go.

DEAR ABBY: I read your column daily and enjoy your advice. I am a 65-year-old federal agent who is totally disabled from a line-of-duty injury.

You might say I've been there, done that! However, tonight, when I read your response to "An Old Softy in Grand Rapids, Mich.," I was not prepared for "The Rainbow Bridge." I'm not ashamed to admit, I cried. It is so beautiful, but gives grieving pet owners hope that they will have their pets meet them down the road, at the Rainbow Bridge. Thank you, Abby.

—JACK IN DALLAS
DEAR JACK: I'm not ashamed to submit what I cried when I read your lovely letter. Thank you, Jack.

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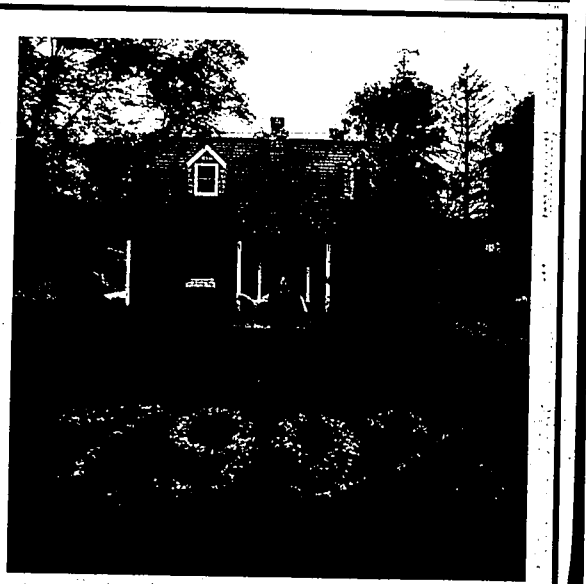
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FOOD & HOME

More teens are zapping their meals and snacks

Knight Ridder News Service

That "someone in the kitchen" is likely to be a teen-ager. According to the 1997 Nickelodeon/Yankelovich Youth Monitor, "Almost half of U.S. teens make meals for themselves." And teens are likely to be using the microwave to do that cooking.

Recently, the National Cheese Institute held a "Balanced Meals My Way" contest for teens. The winner in the snack-time category was the youngest — 14-year-old Ingrid Radebaugh. She used cheese and salsa, two of her favorite toppings, in a quick snack Tortilla Roll that provides almost one-fifth of the recommended daily 1,380 milligrams calcium intake for teens.

Here's that recipe and a couple of others.

TORTILLA ROLL

- 1 (10-inch) flour tortilla
- 3 slices Cheddar or American cheese
- 1 tomato, chopped
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh mushrooms

- 2 tablespoons salsa
- 1 tablespoon fat-free sour cream

Place cheese on tortilla and top with tomato and mushrooms. Roll tortilla and place seam-side down on a microwave-safe plate or paper towel. Microwave on high 1 minute. Pour salsa over tortilla roll and top with sour cream. Slice into three equal pieces to serve. Serves 1.

PIZZA FONDUE

- 1/2 pound ground beef or bulk sausage
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1 (14-ounce) jar prepared pizza sauce

- 1 (8-ounce) can tomato sauce
- 1 teaspoon basil
- 1 teaspoon oregano
- 1 teaspoon fennel seed
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 1/2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese

Crumble ground beef into a hard-plastic colander set in a

1/2-quart round casserole. Sprinkle onion on top. Stirring midway through cooking, microwave on high 4 to 4 1/2 minutes. Discard grease.

Transfer meat mixture into square casserole. Add pizza sauce, tomato sauce, basil, oregano, fennel seed and garlic powder. Microwave on high 3 minutes. Blend in cheese and microwave on medium-high (70 percent) 2 to 3 minutes, or until cheese is melted. Serve with toasted cubes of French bread. Serves 6.

DELUXE MAC 'N' CHEESE

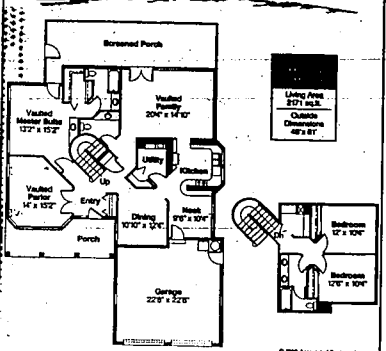
- 3 cups macaroni
- 4 tablespoons butter or margarine, divided
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon white pepper
- 2 cups low-fat milk
- 2 1/2 cups shredded low-fat sharp Cheddar cheese, divided
- 1 (14 1/2-ounce) can stewed tomatoes, including liquid
- 1/4 cup dry seasoned bread crumbs
- 2 tablespoons fresh chopped parsley

Cook macaroni according to package directions; drain. Place 3 tablespoons butter in a 4-cup glass measure. Microwave on high 30 seconds, or until melted.

Stir in flour, mustard and pepper. Blend in milk with wire whisk. Stirring twice during cooking, microwave on high 5 to 6 minutes, or until thickened.

Stir in 1 1/2 cups cheese until melted. Combine cooked macaroni, cheese sauce and tomatoes. Pour one-third of mixture into a 2-quart casserole. Sprinkle 1/2 cup cheese over top; add another one-third of macaroni and sprinkle with remaining 1/2 cup cheese. Add remaining macaroni. Place remaining 1 tablespoon butter in a custard cup.

Microwave on high 20 seconds, or until melted. Stir in bread crumbs and parsley; sprinkle over top of macaroni. Microwave on medium-high (70 percent) 6 to 8 minutes, or until thoroughly heated. Serves 5.



Merida offers ample private living space

Twin gables, dormers, arched windows and an arched stucco colonnade give a Mediterranean flavor to the Merida, a mid-size home that offers plenty of private living space.

French doors open into a fully enclosed formal parlor. This uniquely shaped room has an arched window overhead, is brightened by bay windows and expanded by a vaulted ceiling. The entryway, too, is vaulted and bathed in natural light from a second high arched window.

Vaulted ceilings also expand the sense of spaciousness in the master suite and family room.

The sumptuous master suite shows the quiet side of the home with the parlor. Bathrooms and a curved staircase serve as buffers, blocking the sounds of active family living emanating from the family room.

Features include a screened porch access, a large walk-in closet, and a second vanity outside the bathroom.

An eating nook is on one side of the U-shaped kitchen and a large family room is on the other. The formal dining room is but a few steps away. Range and oven are built into an eating bar, convenient for service to all three eating areas. The step-in pantry is tucked into a

large utility room that features a laundry chute.

Storage space is abundant in this plan. It has an entry closet, another closet tucked under the stairs and more storage at the second-floor landing. Overhead storage can also be created in the two-car garage.

The two upstairs bedrooms in the Merida share a two-section bathroom. The twin-basin vanity will be especially appreciated if teens share this space.

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Dentistry Today
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- 7 mg a day for male and female children age 1 through 3 (13 mg)
- 1.1 mg a day for male and female children age 4 through 9 (2.2 mg)
- 9 mg a day for male and female children age 9 through 13 (10 mg)
- 3.2 mg a day for males and 2.9 mg a day for females age 14 through 18 (10 mg)
- 3.8 mg a day for males and 3.1 mg a day for females age 19 and older (10 mg)

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Plastic skylights often turn yellow over time due to sun exposure

By Gene Austin
Night Rider News Service

Q. I have two plastic skylights that are impossible to get clean. Soap, detergents and so forth have no effect. Is there any way I can get these things clean?

Home Improvement Q & A

A. If these skylights are more than about seven or eight years old, they might have undergone some yellowing or

discoloration from the effects of the sun. This discoloration can't be removed by any cleaner. Newer acrylic (plastic) skylights should not discolor.

Acrylic skylights also can be permanently damaged by using glass cleaners such as Windex on them, according

to a spokesman for Wasco Products Inc., of Sanford, Maine, a leading manufacturer of skylights. Wasco recommends hosing off acrylic skylights with plain water. For stubborn dirt, use water and a sponge. Pitch or sap from trees can be removed with kerosene,

which will not damage acrylics.

Special spray-on cleaners for acrylics also are available at some home centers. Homeowners considering the purchase of new skylights should usually choose glass, which is easier to keep clean and won't change color.

Take care when painting melamine cabinets to avoid rough spots

By Gene Austin
Night Rider News Service

Q. Our kitchen cabinets have a plastic finish that I understand is melamine. Can these cabinets be painted?

A. Melamine is a thin plastic coating

that is generally applied to a base of particleboard. Melamine can be painted, but special care must be taken since sanding or scraping can break through the coating, expose the particleboard, and create rough spots.

Remove the cabinet doors and hard-

ware, and wipe down all surfaces with mineral spirits (paint thinner) to remove grease and wax. Follow this by wiping with clean cloths moistened with detergent-water solution, then rinse by wiping with clear water.

It is best to prime and paint the doors

while they are lying flat. Lay the doors on several strips of wood, to support them an inch or so above the workbench or other surface, and prime or paint one side at a time. Lay the first side dry thoroughly before turning the doors over to work on the other side.

Prime with a glossy-surface primer such as Zinsser's Bulls-Eye 1-2-3, sold at many paint stores. Let the primer dry, and give the cabinets two coats of acrylic latex (water-based) or alkyd (oil-based) enamel. Semigloss enamel, which is easy to clean, is a good choice.

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—PAT J.

DEAR PAT: Vinyl replacement windows have been an excellent choice for many years. Some new ones have a lifetime warranty on the frame, glass, everything. I installed 16 special foam-filled vinyl windows in my own home ten years ago and I have not had a single problem with them.

There are many new design improvements for 1998 that make vinyl windows one of the best replacement window options available. Technology has improved to the point that some vinyl windows have realistic-looking exterior grain wood interior surfaces, yet they still require zero maintenance.

Most vinyl windows are still reasonably priced as compared to other window materials. Although most people install replacement windows for comfort and convenience (some even have special easy-clean glass), you will notice a significant reduction in your utility bills.

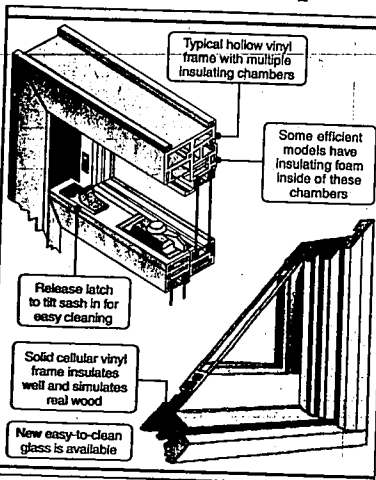
What you will notice first is the reduction in outdoor noise, especially if you select the proper glass option. Along with the reduced noise are less dust and allergens indoors and less fading of your furniture and carpets.

Most vinyl replacement window designs use multichamber, beveled hollow extruded vinyl frame and window sash sections. An extrusion process is similar to how a cookie press works. Windows with fusion welded section corners are best.

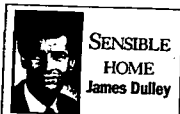
The chambers inside the frame create multiple dead air spaces that provide excellent insulation R-value and strength. Several window manufacturers offer optional foam insulation filling inside these chambers. This further increases the R-value, stability and noise reduction.

The newest vinyl window design, called Legend, uses a solid cellular foam window frame instead of the typical hollow frame. It can be painted and has the look and feel of real grained wood. Another new design uses a real wood fiber composite on the interior that is actually framed into the frame itself.

Casement replacement windows are becoming more popular due to their high efficiency and security. For convenience,



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SENSIBLE HOME
James Dullea

choose a single-handle design with multichamber paint locks. Also consider secure tilt-turn windows (popular in Europe) that either swing in or tilt in with the turn of a knob.

The glass is still the heart of a window. As a minimum, select dual-pane windows with a low-emissivity coating and argon gas in the gap. The most efficient, and also expensive glass option, is Heat Mirror. This almost stops all fading and is available in either hot or cold climate designs.

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Write to James Dullea, 6906 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45244.

DEAR JIM: I keep telling my children to switch off the lights



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when they leave a room, but it never seems to sink in. I am thinking of using their weekly allowance for the electric bills. Do you have any ideas?

—STEVE M.

DEAR STEVE: Leaving lights on is a triple budget hit - wastes electricity, makes your air conditioner run more and the bulbs burn out more often.

The perfect product for you is the "Parrot" by Messaging Products. It is a wall light switch in which you can record a 20-second message. It plays when the light is switched on. It could say "don't forget the lights" or "wash the dishes by the time I get home or else! Check the message often."

The Baltimore Sun

Jan C. Adams of Deadwood, S.D., lost a recipe for a cake that she describes as wonderfully rich, easy to ship to others and very tasty.

She wrote to *The Baltimore Sun*. "I sent it to my husband during the Vietnam War and it reached him in excellent condition ... now I want to make some of these cakes for Christmas gifts."

Here's the recipe, from the "1992 Ruritan National Cook Book."

APRICOT POUND CAKE

- 1 (15-ounce) can apricot halves; don't drain
- 3/4 cup Wesson oil
- 4 eggs
- 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 1 package Duncan Hines yellow cake mix
- 2 teaspoons lemon extract
- 1 (3-ounce) package lemon or orange Jell-O

Icing
2 tablespoons margarine, 3/4 cup powdered sugar, 1 1/2 tablespoons apricot puree

Four apricots and liquid into blender or food processor and process until smooth. Measure 1 cup of puree into a large mixing bowl. Add remaining ingredients. Beat slowly until blended, then beat 5 minutes at medium speed. Bake in well-greased and floured tube pan for 50 minutes at 350 degrees. Immediately run knife around sides and remove cake from pan while it is still warm.

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Make sure your bench has a flat surface placed high enough for you to stand in front of and work at comfortably. Place plastic bins underneath to store soil mixes and planting ingredients, and install nearby shelves for pots and supplies. A bulletin board comes in handy for displaying notes and diagrams.

Store small tools, such as garden forks and claws, nearby on a plywood board fashioned with hooks.

The potting bench will become your creative space for planning, sorting seeds, testing germination and planning projects to come.

Questions should be addressed to Martha Stewart, care of The New York Times Syndication Sales Corp., 122 E. 43rd St., New York, N.Y. 10017. Or visit The Times-News Online's NewsLink page at <http://www.timesnewslink.com> to contact Martha Stewart by e-mail. (Questions of general interest will be answered in this column; Martha Stewart regrets that unpublished letters cannot be answered individually.)

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FOOD & HOME

Avoid complaints with these recipes

Have you ever had a week when your dinners turned out pretty good, and everyone ate them without complaining?

If so, you're lucky. I had a good cooking week last week, and it seemed even my own throw-together concoctions had a good flavor and pleased my husband. But my children still complained. They always do.

My standard reply to the complaints is "When you're doing the cooking, then you can complain." It never works, but I keep saying it. One of these days, my 7-year-old will actually make the dinner.

Which I'm really looking forward to.

Those who see me in person can't help but notice that I'm expecting - yes, again - and am starting to get fat and grouchy. Any help in the kitchen is going to be greatly appreciated.

The most successful meals for me these days are the ones I can get put together early in the day, then save to cook later. This works with lasagna and any other casserole-type dish, and even some dishes that need to be cooked before eating, like cacciatore.

What are microwaves for? There isn't really much rhyme or reason to the recipes I've shared today. The commonality is that I cooked them sometime in the past month and the family ate them. And I was proud. Hopefully it will be the same for you.

But if these recipes don't turn out for you, here's a bit of news that might cheer you up. I made that same lasagna this past month, and it had those darn grainy things at the bottom! I stirred and stirred and stirred but still got "grain." One of these days I'll make a good bowl of Jell-O.

FAMILY POT ROAST
1 pot roast, chuck roast, 7-bone roast, etc.
2 stalks celery, chopped
1 medium onion, chopped
1 can condensed cream of mushroom OR tomato soup
1 tablespoon vinegar
2 teaspoons beef bouillon granules
2 teaspoons dried sage leaves, crushed
1/4 teaspoon pepper
1/2 cup water
1/3 cup flour

Place roast in a slow cooker, cutting in half if needed to fit. Add celery and onion. In a mixing bowl, stir soup, vinegar, bouillon granules, sage and pepper. Pour into slow cooker. Cover and cook on high for 4 to 5 hours or on low for 8 to 10 hours or until meat is very tender. In a small bowl, stir water and flour until smooth, or use a shaker. Stir into boiling liquid around roast. Cover and cook on high for 20 to 30 minutes or until thickened. Transfer meat to a warm platter. Serve gravy separately.

CHICKEN CACCIATORE
2 to 3 pounds chicken (I use boneless, skinless breasts; cut up fryers work, too)
1/4 cup vegetable or olive oil
Small onion, chopped
2 cloves garlic, chopped
Noodles
Brown chicken in oil with onion and garlic. While cooking, combine all ingredients for the sauce; set aside. Remove chicken and as much onion and garlic as possible from pan, then drain off the oil. Return chicken, onion and garlic to pan. Pour sauce over the chicken. Cover and simmer for 30 minutes. Pour in 1/4 cup white wine vinegar. Cook uncovered 15 minutes longer.

Skim excess fat and bay leaves from sauce. Serve chicken with warm noodles, putting sauce over both.



VALLEY COOK
Rebecca
Tateoka

Sauce:
1 1/4-ounce can stewed tomatoes, undrained
1 1/2 ounces can tomato sauce
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
1 teaspoon dried oregano or crushed basil
1/2 teaspoon celery seed
1 or 2 whole bay leaves

FRIED POTATOES
4 medium new red potatoes, cut into 1/2 inch chunks
1 small onion, chopped
2 slices ham, chopped
1/4 cup chicken broth
Salt and pepper to taste

In a frying pan, place a little butter or bacon grease (clog those arteries!) and heat. Put potatoes and onion in and begin frying until glossy. Add the ham, chicken broth and salt and pepper, cover and simmer, stirring occasionally until potatoes have softened. Remove cover and cook any remaining fluid down. Serve hot.

NOTE: Remove ham and serve with gravy as a nice alternative to mashed or baked potatoes. Also can be served with eggs and salsa in a tortilla for a quick and easy meal.

GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE
2 cans French-style green beans
1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup
1 can French fried onions
Preheat oven to 350. Open all the cans. Drain off the liquid from the green beans. In a 2-quart casserole dish, pour all cans together. Stir. Bake for 30 minutes or until bubbly around the edges. Serve hot.

I always halve this recipe, although I'm giving you the full amount. Some of the "halvings" can be tricky, but it's a forgiving recipe.

PUDDING CINNAMON ROLLS
1/3 cup powdered milk
1 (3 1/2-ounce) vanilla instant pudding
1 teaspoon salt
8 cups flour (Better For Bread is best)
2 tablespoons yeast
2 eggs, beaten
1/2 cup melted butter
2 1/2 cups hot (tap) water

Mix all dry ingredients in electric mixing bowl (I have a Baby case; most are Bosch). Add wet ingredients. Knead on medium speed for 5 to 6 minutes. Cover and let rise until double. Punch down; let rise again. Then, roll out to about 18 by 30. Put on the filling. Roll tightly, then cut into 2-inch-wide rolls with dental floss (cinnamon flavor works well). Put in greased pan, never more than 2 rolls wide as they don't cook in the middle well. Let rise oil double in size. Bake at 350 for 15 to 20 minutes. Cool, then frost.

Filling:
1 cup brown sugar

1 cup sugar
1/2 cup butter
1/4 cup flour
1 1/2 tablespoons cinnamon
Frosting:
6 ounces softened cream cheese
1/2 cup butter
2 teaspoon vanilla
4 cups powdered sugar

Cream the butter and cream cheese together. Mix in vanilla. Add powdered sugar 1 cup at a time until at desired consistency.

Rebecca Tateoka welcomes comments on recipes. Her address is Route 2, Box 133, Hazelton, Idaho 83335.

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SPORTS

A bottle of the dietary supplement androstenedione sits at the ready. ESPN will become the first TV network to run ads for the muscle-building additive, while drawing criticism from a high school organization that says the ads send a bad message to students.



ESPN andro ads draw rebuke

NEW YORK (AP) — ESPN ran ads for the muscle-building supplement androstenedione, drawing criticism from a high school organization that the commercials sent a bad message to students. The spots, part of a new national advertising campaign by MerRx Engineered Nutrition, first appeared Tuesday afternoon on the show "American Muscle." The ads for the supplement used by Mark McGwire will also run on Fox Sports Net's "Muscle Sport" and fitness shows on Knowledge TV. "Muscle Sport" is a time buy on Fox Sports Net, meaning the network is not responsible for selling the commercials.

ESPN is reconsidering the placement of the ads. Debate about androstenedione grew last month after The Associated Press reported that McGwire, the St. Louis slugger, who broke the home run record, has used the pills for more than a year. Andro raises levels of the male hormones, which builds lean muscle mass and promotes recovery after injury. The pill is legal in baseball but banned by the NFL, NCAA and Olympics. Sales have increased nearly five-fold the past month as the NCAA fears the ads will make it more difficult to convince young people to avoid the product. Cindy Thomas, the assistant director of sports scientists for

the NCAA, said her organization is unhappy about andro commercials. "Promoting substances to young student athletes without providing them all the accurate information is certainly a concern," she said. Androstenedione is an adrenal hormone produced naturally in men and women. It is converted in the liver to testosterone, which is used in muscle production. The Food and Drug Administration cannot regulate dietary supplements unless they are marketed as drugs — by claiming to treat or prevent disease — or prove to be an unreasonable health risk. Though no definitive studies have shown harmful side effects, skeptics say the supplements could have dangerous consequences similar to those of steroids, such as liver damage and heart problems.

Louisville b'ball banned from postseason play

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The NCAA banned the Louisville men's basketball team from postseason play for one year Tuesday and placed the school on three years' probation because of rules violations. The nine violations in the men's basketball and women's volleyball programs involved extra benefits, recruiting, financial aid, institutional control and ethical conduct. The Division I Committee on Infractions handed down other penalties as well, including a reduction of scholarships in both sports. The volleyball team forfeited three scholarships over the next two years, the basketball program one each the next two seasons. The basketball program's postseason ban will also include this year's Conference USA Tournament. "We had nearly 100 percent agreement with the NCAA Enforcement staff on all facts of the case," university president John Shumaker said. "The NCAA's response has been tough but the sanctions are fair and I respect their conclusions." The allegations came to light early last year and, following an investigation that produced hundreds of pages of testimony, the NCAA in April issued a formal letter of inquiry into both programs.

Mike Tyson looks forward to stepping back into ring

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Mike Tyson probably will fight a ranked opponent in his first comeback fight this year if he regains his boxing license, his adviser said Tuesday. Shelly Finkel said he and Tyson want someone better than Peter McNeely, whom Tyson fought — and knocked out in the first round — in his first comeback

fight when he was released from prison in 1995. "You want credibility in the person he fights," Finkel said. "We're looking for a rated opponent." Before Tyson picks an opponent, though, he must pick a team of doctors to examine him and make sure he is psychologically fit to return to the ring.

Nevada boxing authorities have given Tyson a list of three facilities to undergo a psychiatric examination, and a deadline of Monday for his doctors to submit reports on Tyson's mental state. If Tyson is cleared by the doctors, the Nevada Athletic Commission is expected to give the former heavyweight champion a new boxing license on Oct. 3.

"No one wants to go see doctors, but he's eager to get his license back," Finkel said. Tyson gets his choice of being examined at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston or C.F. Menninger Memorial Hospital in Topeka, Kan. The examination was ordered by the commission following a

six-hour hearing Saturday on Tyson's request for reinstatement. He has been banned since the commission revoked his license July 9, 1997 for biting Evander Holyfield's ears. A letter sent to Tyson and his advisers Monday from the commission said the team of doctors evaluating him must include a psychologist and a psychiatrist.

SCORES AND STATS

BASEBALL

American League standings table with columns for team, W, L, Pct., GB, and games behind.

IN THE BLEACHERS

Table of MLB box scores for Yankees vs Indians, Cleveland vs New York, and Baltimore vs Toronto.

ON THE AIR

Table of TV listings for baseball games, including MLB, Diamondbacks, Braves, and Expos.

TELEVISION

Table of TV listings for baseball games, including MLB, Diamondbacks, Braves, and Expos.

MLB

Table of MLB scores and statistics for various games.

TRANSACTONS

Table of player transactions, including trades and signings.

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National League standings table with columns for team, W, L, Pct., GB, and games behind.

BLUE JAYS 7, GOSHES 3

Box score for Blue Jays vs Goshes.

MARINERS 4, MARLINS 2

Box score for Mariners vs Marlins.

GIANTS 34, PRATERS 2

Box score for Giants vs Praters.

PHILLIES 12, REDS 5

Box score for Phillies vs Reds.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Table of college football scores.

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Table of wild card standings for various leagues.

DETROIT 41M, KANSAS CITY 10

Box score for Detroit vs Kansas City.

TEXAS 9M, ANGELS 1

Box score for Texas vs Angels.

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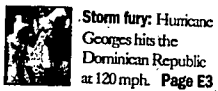
Box score for Philadelphia vs Reds.

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The Times-Newsp

Wednesday, September 23, 1998

Section F

Credit cards that offer rewards can exploit careless consumers

Knight Ridder News Service

Jan Stervinson gets a few double takes when she shops. "I've had people say, 'Wow, I need one of those,'" she said.

What she has is a credit card from Waldenbooks. Not a bookstore credit card. It's a real good-at-millions-of-places Visa credit card, only it came from her favorite bookstore.

Each time Stervinson charges anything on the card — an outfit at a department store, an oil change for her car, groceries at the supermarket — she earns points toward another Waldenbooks gift certificate.

"It's a wonderful incentive to put things on your Visa card," she said.

Thousands of companies make the same offer as Waldenbooks — reward customers who carry and use that company's Visa, MasterCard or American

Express credit card. These so-called rewards cards or rebate cards really can earn consumers something for nothing. But they only work for the consumer who knows and sticks to the rules.

For starters, use the card sensibly. Don't buy something just to charge it and earn points.

Unfortunately, the card game is getting trickier. Companies change the rules without notice. They devalue points customers have earned by inflating points needed to earn rewards. Some companies, Blockbuster Videos for example, simply drop cards that prove to be too good for shoppers.

"It's really gotten complicated in the last couple of months because of all the shifting around," said Peter Flur, an Atlanta-area man who tracks rewards cards on the Internet as a hobby.

But one fact remains steadfast: These cards make sense only if the cardholder

pays off the balance, in full, each month. The paybacks are so thin that they evaporate quickly in the face of finance charges.

"As soon as you miss a payment or you're late, you're going to eat everything you've earned," Flur said.

Picking out a rewards card is relatively straightforward. Start by recognizing that it's a credit card. Watch out for maintenance or annual fees, as these will offset your rewards. Compare the credit limit offered to your spending needs. And check the length of your grace period because that tells you how long you'll have to pay off balances without paying interest.

You can pay little attention to the interest rate when playing the rewards card game, because you've already lost if you intend to carry a balance from one month to the next.

Diet Coke, Canada Dry hail Starr report

Historic document

provides free publicity for many brand names

Knight Ridder News Service

While President Clinton and Monica Lewinsky probably weren't turning handsprings over the Starr report — or

this week's broadcast of Clinton's videotaped grand jury testimony — for some companies it wasn't such a bad deal.

Can you say free publicity?

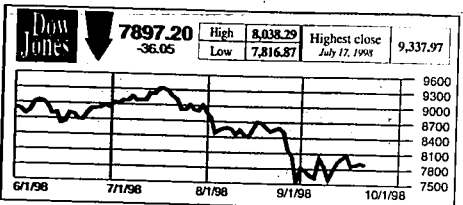
But Diet Coke and Canada Dry ginger ale can.

By regularly hoisting the cans to his lips in view of the camera, Clinton gave the soda world its largest unit of free advertising buzz since the Clarence Thomas Supreme Court confirmation hearings. (Remember the Coke can incident with the alleged "hair?")

And bet the Gap can, too. And plenty of other companies for that matter.

Thanks to independent counsel Ken Starr's report, which is awash with products and names and trademarks (Hugo Boss ties, Sarah MacLachlan CD, etc.) millions of Americans now know that Lewinsky's infamous navy blue dress came from the Gap. Thanks to the same report, they also know that Lewinsky purchased a shirt for the first time at Banana Republic, which is direct.

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Blue chips stumble on earnings worries, but broad market gains

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Blue-chip stocks fell Tuesday after swinging widely throughout the session, as anxiety about third-quarter earnings mounted.

But broader market indicators rose, helped by technology issues.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 36/105 to close at 7,897.20, but the blue-chip index rose 53 points in early trading in response to stronger stock markets overseas.

But it retreated to minus 77 points, rallied a second time and then dropped back again before the day was done.

Advancers led declines by 4 to 3 on the New York Stock Exchange, where trading volume was moderate at a revised

698.19 million shares on the second day of the Jewish New Year observance, up from Monday.

Investors turned their focus away from problems in the White House to problems in Asia and Russia, and how economic turmoil abroad will affect the earnings of U.S.-based multinational companies.

"We quickly came back to reality, which is earnings," said Barry Hyman, senior market analyst at Eberkrantz King Nusbaum. "There's a fear that third-quarter earnings are really going to look pretty poor."

A number of high-profile companies have warned that their third quarter earnings may fall short of expectations, and more warnings

are expected.

First Call Corp., which tracks earnings estimates, estimates that third-quarter earnings at companies in the Standard & Poor's 500 index will be 0.4 percent below those of the third quarter last year.

The last time earnings declined year-over-year was the fourth quarter of 1991, when they fell nearly 18 percent, said Tom O'Keefe, research associate analyst at First Call.

Investors seeking a hedge against poor earnings and a possible economic downturn sought consumer stocks like Dow component Procter & Gamble, up 1/8 at 71 1/8; Colgate-Palmolive, up 1/4 at 66 13/16; and Gillette, up 1/16 at 37 7/16.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table of stock market data for the New York Stock Exchange, including columns for stock symbols, last prices, and changes.

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Summary of market activity for NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ, including Most Active, Gainers, Losers, and Dairy sections.

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Investors analyze past White House scandals

Some hope history offers clues for today

Night Rider News Service

Scratch most Wall Streeters as you probably find fiscal conservatives who usually vote Republican. Nonetheless, these folks have sort of liked President Clinton. They like the deficit reduction he championed, love his Treasury secretary, Robert Rubin, were thrilled when he replaced Alan Greenspan as Federal Reserve chairman and agreed to cut the capital gains tax.

And, of course, stocks have returns of nearly 150 percent since Clinton took office. As the current cloud over Clinton aggravates worries that are hammering financial markets worldwide, an impeachment battle could get in the way of efforts to get the world's financial systems back on their feet, and Wall Street hates this kind of uncertainty.

How will the Monica Lewinsky scandal affect Wall Street, which had ignored the matter for months?

No one knows for sure, of course, and other forces could be more important over the next few months. In fact, the markets rebounded when the Kenneth Starr report, for all its new detail, did not reveal any...

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You can't buy publicity like that. (Historical irony alert! As part of the Watergate scandal, President Nixon also had a gap in the one that helped bring him down (18 missing minutes on a tape, remember?)

How does the Gap? The company did not return repeated phone calls to its corporate office.

Alice Cunniff, senior editor at Advertising Age magazine, said when they admit it or not, companies mentioned in the report or shown on television must be secretly thrilled.

"That's a very nice perk for a company to get all that free advertising the sale and publicity."

And it does make a difference. Take books. According to the report, Lewinsky gave the president several books, including "The Art of Things They Say" A Book of Jewish Wit.

Kansas City-based Andrews McMeel Publishing published the 80-page hard-back gift book, which includes the Starr report. It is selling a lot better than it had before.

"It has really gained sales during this last month, which is good to see," said Jill Dwyer, the company's co-director of publicity. "Whereas some people might think there's a stigma being attached to this report, in this case, I think any publicity is good publicity. It might make people curious to pick it up in the bookstore, and maybe they'll buy. Sort of like a historical souvenir."

And who could forget Altoid Mints? Altoids are manufactured in Great Britain and distributed in America by Callahan & Bowens, Starchard Inc., in Elmford, N.Y. An anonymous switchboard operator there said the company had gotten "quite a few calls" since its curious mention in the Starr report, many from people wanting to know how to buy Altoids stock.

A reference is made in the report to the intensely popular mint candy as being a sexual enhancer of sorts.

Still, Altoids spokesman Jon Larson did not appear completely comfortable with all the attention.

"I wouldn't say that we think it's good for Altoids," he said. "It's sort of an ad, unfortunately, but it's a good mention in the latter part of it."

Lyon said there was no way to gauge whether sales were up since the Altoids didn't appear.

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WORLD

Russia may need nationalization

Russian official says economy in 'crisis'

Los Angeles Times

MOSCOW — The Communist push in charge of repairing Russia's ruined economy said Tuesday that a dose of Soviet-style medicine — nationalizations — may be needed to pull the country back from the brink.

After six years of supposed economic reforms, First Deputy Prime Minister Yuri D. Maslyukov said tartly that "we have got a crisis instead of a market, as well as a collapse of the financial system and all the rest."

For months now, millions of Russians have gone without pay or retirement pensions, and the economy collapsed in August after an earlier government of avowed reformers tacitly allowed the currency, the ruble, to plummet in value.

Maslyukov, a former head of the powerful Soviet state planning agency, Gosplan, rejected widespread speculation that the incoming Cabinet, which is still being assembled, will push for a revival of state socialism.

But two days before new Prime Minister Yevgeny M. Primakov's team is scheduled to convene in the Kremlin for its maiden session, Maslyukov said he and the other ministers must intervene far more energetically to salvage what remains of an economy that, by some estimates, has withered by 50 percent since Soviet days.

"It is necessary to go to a market economy, but very cautiously," Maslyukov said in remarks reported by the Itar-Tass news agency. "The role of the state should of course be increased, because if the state is not a partner, nobody knows the rules of the game."

At the very least, it seems apparent that Russia's new Cabinet is bent on a building a more mixed economy.

But much still remains to be decided in the next 48 hours: Primakov has tapped people of all political stripes to join his government, and key positions, including the chiefs of the Finance Ministry and of the woefully ineffective Russian equivalent of the Internal Revenue Service, still must be filled.

Primakov himself has only issued reassuring generalities about the need to ease Russia's pain while continuing to erect a new economy. But Mikhail Berger, editor in chief of the Segodnya newspaper and one of Russia's most authoritative economic journalists, said he fears that the new government is constructing "time machine" to return practices of Soviet rule.

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A family arrives at a hurricane shelter in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, Tuesday, as Hurricane Georges rips through the capital. At least 8 confirmed dead have been left in Georges' wake through the northeast Caribbean.

Georges shreds through Puerto Rico, Caribbean

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) — Hurricane Georges' 120 mph winds knocked out power and forced residents into shelters in the densely populated Dominican Republic today, after plowing through Puerto Rico and leaving at least 10 dead in the northeast Caribbean.

Georges' powerful thunderstorms Monday left all of Puerto Rico without electricity and 80 percent of its people without water. The storm spawned tornadoes as it ripped through the island of 4 million people, turning trees into missiles, flipping small planes, exploding car windows and forcing tens of thousands into shelters.

As the hurricane headed west across the Caribbean, concern was growing in Florida, where Georges was expected late Thursday or early Friday.

Workers shuttered the windows at Key West's City Hall, and officials said they would consider evacuating some mobile-home parks.

Tourists were advised to leave the Florida Keys, but there was no immediate estimate of how many people might do so. Visitors were urged to take advantage of airline flights while they were still available, or to drive out and avoid congestion later on the Overseas Highway, the only road linking the 110-mile ribbon of islands.

Davey Chorney, meteorologist at the National Hurricane Center in Miami, said there was a "pretty good probability" that Georges would hit Florida.

Chorney said, "It looks like late Thursday, more like Friday."

In San Juan, the storm blew out windows in hotels and apartments in the beachfront district and toppled a construction crane into an apartment building.

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Serb forces blister Albanians

VELIKA REKA, Yugoslavia (AP) — Capitalizing on a U.N. deadlock over Kosovo, Yugoslav and Serb forces launched a fierce offensive Tuesday on the last remaining stronghold of ethnic Albanian separatists.

By late Tuesday, the Serb-Yugoslav forces had seized at least four guerrilla-held villages and killed many rebels, said the Serb Media Center, which releases official information. Several hundred guerrillas withdrew deeper into Drenica, it said.

Ethnic Albanian residents from at least 12 additional villages were forced to flee into nearby forests, said the Kosovo Information Center, which represents the ethnic Albanian viewpoint.

Up to 15,000 civilians are believed trapped in the region. As of a few days ago, many were hiding in the hills and forests of central Drenica, fearing a Serb offensive.

Amid the intense fighting, the United Nations pondered ways to end the killing and avert the threat of mass deaths of unsheltered refugees this winter from cold and starvation.

At the U.N. General Assembly, German Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel condemned the use of force by both sides, but placed most blame on Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic.

"He must realize the international community will react with military force if necessary," Kinkel said, alluding to the threat of NATO involvement.

In reality, however, any NATO role in ending the Kosovo fighting remained unresolved, with some European nations insisting it must first be approved by the U.N. Security Council.

That is unlikely, considering strong opposition by Russia, an ally of Serbia, and China, which seeks to avoid precedents of outside involvement.

Nobel Peace Prize up for grabs

OSLO, Norway (AP) — Ailing Czech politician Vaclav Havel, the Colombian children's peace movement and players in the Northern Ireland peace process are seen as among the contenders for this year's Nobel Peace Prize.

But there are no obvious front-runners for the award, to be announced Oct. 16 and worth \$75,000.

The Norwegian Nobel Committee reveals next to nothing about the process, confirming only the number of nominees made by the Feb. 1 deadline — record 139 this year. Even that number isn't definitive, because

committee members themselves can make nominations late.

Some nominees become known because whoever nominated them will announce it, but others remain as close-mouthed as the committee.

Havel is a confirmed nominee and may have a strong chance, for reasons both pleasant and unusual.

Giving the prize to the noted human rights champion could be a way for the prize to mark this year's 50th anniversary of the United Nations Human Rights Charter. Plus, Havel has had serious health problems recently.

COMICS

Present

THAT WAS A GOOD PRACTICE, HUH, MARCIE?

NO! I THINK I BROKE ALL MY FINGERS AND THIRTY FINGERS.

WELL, WE'RE GETTING YOU THUMBED IN FOR THE NEW SEASON, HUH?

I'M NOT INTERESTED IN GETTING THUMBED UP.

ALL NEVER UNDERSTAND YOU, MARCIE...

By Charles M. Schulz

Blurt

MY SOURCES TELL ME THAT YOU'RE NOT MEETING YOUR OBJECTIVES.

THAT'S NOT TRUE. WHO ARE THESE SOURCES? NAME ONE OBJECTIVE I HAVEN'T MET.

I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT YOUR OBJECTIVES ARE.

MUST... CONTROL... FISTS...

By Scott Adams

Pickles

I'VE BEEN YOUR PATIENT FOR YEARS AND I STILL FEEL LONELY. IN MY OPINION, YOUR NORMALS BUT AN INCOMPETENT CLONING!!

I WANT A SECOND OPINION.

By Johnny Hart

Garfield

GARFIELD, WE'RE GOING OUTSIDE.

NO WAY.

WE'LL WALK IN THE WOODS.

I CAN'T GET GOING.

WE'RE GOING EVERYWHERE.

I'LL GET MY PART GUM.

By Jim Davis

Hi and Lo

HEY! A LEAF IF MUST BE FALL!

YUP, DEFINITELY FALL.

By Chance Browne

The Wizard of Id

FRESH EGGS

I WISH CHICKENS DIDN'T LAY EGGS

WHY IS THAT, SIR?

THE PEASANTS CAN'T AFFORD TO THROW CHICKENS AT ME.

By Brent Parker & Johnny Hart

Legar the Horrible

IN MARRIAGE IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO LET YOUR WIFE KNOW WHO'S BOSS!

TAKE OUT THE GARBAGE FOR ME! I'LL BRING YOU A BOSS!

RIGHT, SNEAKY! I'LL BRING YOU THE BOSS!

By Chris Browne

Boete Bailey

MAYBE THIS SEXUAL HARASSMENT THING HAS GOTTEN OUT OF HAND.

THIS WOMAN CLAIMS SHE'S BEING HARASSED AT WORK.

SHE'S SELF-EMPLOYED.

By Murt Walker

Frank and Ernest

THERE'S BEEN A HUGE CHEESE SPILL ON THE NORTH SIDE. ALL OF THE MAJOR ARTERIES COMING INTO TOWN ARE CLOGGED.

By Bob Thaves

The Born Loser

WHEN WE WERE DATING, YOU SAID I TOOK YOUR BREATH AWAY!

DO I STILL TAKE YOUR BREATH AWAY?

WHY, I'M SPECIFICALLY REFORESHING!

By Art Scazzano & Chip

For Better or For Worse

BACK IN THE HOUSE, EDGAR. NO UNKINS NOW!

I HATE TO GO TO WORK! COME ON, BOY IN YOURS!

LOOK! I'LL LEAVE THE TV ON FOR COFFEE!

By Lynn Johnston

Blonde

HEM, THE COVER OF THIS CATALOG SAYS YOU HAVEN'T PLACED AN ORDER YET!

AND THAT THING LAST BE YOUR LAST CATALOG?

THAT'S FINE WITH ME.

I WANT I CAN'T IMAGINE A LIFE WITHOUT ANY CATALOGS.

By Dean Young & Stan Dose

Pickles

OPALS OPINION: I WISH YOU'D SHAVE OFF THAT LEGAL BEARD.

SYLVIA'S OPINION: KEEP IT, DAD! IT'S THE LESS OF HIS FACE I CAN SEE, THE BETTER.

GAUFFIN'S OPINION: THE LESS OF HIS FACE I CAN SEE, THE BETTER.

YOUR OPINION: SHOULD EARL KEEP THE BEARD? I CAN WRITE TO PEELES. P.O. BOX 868.

By Brian Crane

Dennis the Menace

IT'S SURE GLAD TO HAVE YOU TO TALK TO, MR. WILSON. EVERYBODY HERE'S ASLEEP.

By Hank Ketchum

The Family Circus

Why do you use a razor to scrape their soap off your face?

By Bill Keane

President's ram loved tobacco

Does the cat in your house, if any, accept the notion that there are places in your house where a cat can't go? Thought not. An ancient English proverb addresses this: "In a cat's eye, all things belong to cats." When early English writers labeled some woman a cat, they implied she goes where she wishes and takes what she wants.

Japanese Proverb: "If you wish to learn the highest truth, you must begin with the alphabet."

Real mayonnaise of the fatty variety, when rubbed over the entire skin, produces a crisp deep golden brown. An talking about roast chicken.

That word "garlic" came down from the Anglo-Saxon's "gar" for "spice" and "leaf" for "leaf."

The petolar Woodrow Wilson kept a cat. White House really is it chewing tobacco. It became addictive. Helplessly. Nobody really knew what to do about it. They had'n seen a lot of

WHAT'S WHAT?

L.M. Boyd

RAMS IN THAT CONDITION.
Mars is about half as big as Earth. Q. You said a warthog backs all the way into its burrow. How can a 200-pound hoofed pig without claws dig a burrow big enough to conceal itself?
A. Mostly it takes over an abandoned burrow of some strong-clawed aardvark. But the warthog has two-foot-long curved tusks. It can enlarge and shape such a ground hole.

Am unable so far to disprove the claim that no predator ever pounces on trellises.

Biotech researchers report there really is such a thing as a "mean gene." They say it influences the killer bee, and no doubt other varieties of animal life, including the human.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): What begins as argument will be transformed into physical attraction. Gift received helps beautifully narrow focus. Too aside the way you "I do love you."

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Breakup in relationship is temporary - legal squabble over money will be worked. Spotlight on public relations, reputation, marital status. Pisces, Virgo person involved.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Opportunity exists to enhance reputation, to hit emotional financial jackpots. Turn on charm, highlight intelligence, humor, intellectual curiosity. Capricorn in exciting role.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): What was held back will be released - to your advantage. Someone apparently has vindex against you. Story unfolds in all its glory details. Aries is in love. Leo with loving devotion. Focus on true love. Impetive style, don't follow others. Property value clarified - to your advantage. Aquarius, another Leo loved.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You'll hear these words: "You're all over the place." Emphasis on movement, don't turn out to be merely misguided. The dramatic reunion with sibling. You're concerned with direction, motivation, marital status.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Directly, experiment, explore - cash flow resumes. What was apparently lost turns out to be merely misplanned. People who were against you are singing a different tune.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You overcome difficulties jammed lock. Circumstances take sudden dramatic turn in your favor. You'll be sighing, "So happy to be in love again." Taurus involved.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Secret is out - people do talk. What was to be a surprise is revealed in clumsy manner. Major wish fulfilled - you'll declare, "Everything is going my way!" Gemini in picture.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Domestic argument postponed - you'll learn where you stand, what to do about it, how much it will cost. You win friends and influence people.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Individual in position of authority states, "You are on the right track. Don't let your talent be defined, promises put in writing. Putting in unusual manner."

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Travel it, you're doing the right thing. Power play features a Cancer zodiac Signes prominently.

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- 11 Requirement
- 12 Fishlike
- 13 Downward
- 14 Sings loudly
- 15 "Ying" Cole
- 16 Carve up
- 17 Holiday prelude
- 18 Nuts
- 19 Cut quarters
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- 21 Author Jung
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- 48 Gosh!

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