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GOOD MORNING

WEATHER

Today: Partly cloudy and cooler, high 68.
Partly cloudy tonight, low 42.
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Magic Valley merchants are starting early on the shopping season.
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Ed Keaton and Nancy Meyer check over their equipment on the Life Flight helicopter at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center on Wednesday. A report recommends the hospital pursue possible affiliations with other hospitals such as Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center, which runs Life Flight.

Panel suggests change

Report: MVRMC should affiliate or be leased to keep quality of service

By Pat Marcantonio
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Regional Medical Center should strike up an affiliation or be leased to maintain the level of health care to regional residents, a hospital committee recommended Wednesday.

The committee also suggested changing the way the hospital is run to make it more competitive, but county ownership should not be changed.

If the status quo is maintained, however, health-care access and quality could deteriorate, committee Co-chairman Terry Schultz warned. As it is, the Twin Falls County-owned hospital is losing its market share of patients, and operating margins

Magic Valley Regional clipboard

- What does the report say?**
- Do not sell Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, unless that's the only way to make needed changes.
 - Change the hospital's governing body into one that makes more business-based decisions, more quickly, with more participation for doctors and staff.
 - Hire a responsible professional to change the health care.
 - Pursue affiliation or lease that provides for developing an independent health-care system, independent of county and maintains local control.
- What did the committee find?**
- Overwhelming opposition to selling the hospital.
 - No financial reason to sell.
 - Lack of health care, such as the operation of primary-care doctors, limited access to medical and medical centers.
- Who are the authors?**
- Carolyn Heath, affiliated Denver, nonprofit.
 - Community Health Systems, Brentwood, Tenn., nonprofit.
 - Intermountain Health Care, Salt Lake City, nonprofit.
 - National Health System, Nashville, Tenn., nonprofit.
 - Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center, Boise, nonprofit.
 - St. Luke's Regional Medical Center, Boise, nonprofit.
 - Pioneer Healthcare, Brentwood, Tenn., nonprofit.
- What's next?**
- Committee recommendations could go before the hospital board at its next meeting in November.
- The board will then make recommendations to Twin Falls County commissioners.
- By law, an affiliation doesn't require a public vote. A lease doesn't either under certain circumstances — that is, if the hospital is leased to a nonprofit organization that's been created in accordance with an Idaho code.

are melting away.

"We'll just make changes to maintain the level of service," he said.

Last spring, the hospital board charged the 25-member committee with studying whether the county hospital should change hands. A draft report and recommendations were the result.

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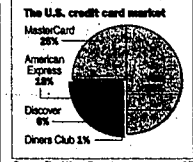
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Government sues top credit-card firms

Credit cards

U.S. market share data for credit and debit card purchases of goods and services as of June 30, 1998. Figures do not include cash advances or balance transfers.



Suit claims Visa, Mastercard don't compete, thus harming consumers

WASHINGTON — The Justice Department filed an antitrust suit against credit card giants Visa USA Inc. and MasterCard International Inc. Wednesday alleging that the companies have harmed consumers and rivals by cooperating instead of competing with each other.

Justice contended that Visa and MasterCard, which together account for 75 percent of all charge-card spending in the United States, have no incentive to develop new products and services because they have the same owners — the banks that created and operate them. Further, the government claimed that Visa

and MasterCard have an agreement with their member banks to limit consumer choice by refusing to offer the products of competitors, including American Express and Discover.

"America's consumers have lost out," said Attorney General Jesse Reno at a news conference Wednesday. "They have lost the benefit of vigorous competition between the two largest credit

card networks, which means that they have not enjoyed the innovation that competition brings."

The suit was filed in U.S. District Court in Washington. It claims that Visa and MasterCard said they would fight the suit and argued that anyone with a mailbox knows that the credit-card industry is among the most competitive in the world.

Alan Heuer, president of the MasterCard's U.S. operations, pointed out that 3 billion solicitations for cards are sent annually to American consumers, mailed by financial institutions striving to offer lower interest rates and better service.

"There are literally thousands of institutions that compete for consumers attention every day," Heuer said.

Measure would give Idaho 300 new liquor licenses

BOISE — Repeal of the decades-old ban on liquor by the drink in unincorporated areas of Idaho's 44 counties has been tentatively endorsed by a special legislative committee.

The six-member House-Senate panel on Wednesday unanimously embraced a plan to make 300 new liquor licenses available outside cities.

Details were still being worked out, but the proposal that first surfaced a month ago would essentially give county commissions the authority to issue liquor licenses in areas outside cities just as the state now issues them within city limits.

No final decision was made to recom-

mend legislative passage of the proposal this winter, and even if the special committee does press ahead chances of approval were slim in a Legislature that has a vocal core of anti-alcohol members.

Pushing the move to increase the number of liquor licenses by 33 percent is the desire of many lawmakers to get out of the business of deciding which restaurants, resorts operators and others businessmen get special exemptions from the county ban.

Over the years, lawmakers have approved exemptions that have yielded over 200 liquor licenses in addition to the nearly 700 available in the 200 cities under an allocation formula of one license for every 1,500 residents.

Batt: Long prison sentences don't help drug alcohol abusers

BOISE — Bowed by the apparent success of his initiative to clear Idaho prisons of low-risk thieves, check-bouncers and unlicensed drivers, Gov. Phil Batt is ready to walk out on a political limb with similar recommendations for drug and alcohol abusers.

"There was little relation to public safety in the commission of some crimes such as writing bogus checks for small amounts or driving without a valid driver's license," the retiring Republican chief executive said.

His new round of recommendations, to be released by the end of next week, "will reinforce that long sentences do not work on drug and alcohol abusers," Batt said.

Last winter's legislative approval of more restrictive definitions for felony grand theft and check-bouncing, along with driving without a license to a misdemeanor and allowing the parole board more flexibility in releasing low-risk inmates is saving millions of dollars a year in prison costs, he said.

The combination has dramatically slowed the increase in Idaho's prison population. After rising an average of 40

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House to vote today on Clinton

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Clinton said Wednesday that Democrats should vote their conscience when the House of Representatives decides today whether to launch an impeachment inquiry and the White House promised not to push party members who support the open-ended proceedings proposed by the Republican majority.



With approval of the first impeachment hearings since Watergate all but certain, the White House in effect gave permission to wavering House Democrats to back the move without fear of retribution if they need it in order to protect themselves in the Nov. 3 elections.

"I think everybody should cast a vote on principle and conscience," Clinton said, portraying himself as somewhat removed from the process that will decide his fate.

But privately Clinton refused

Post office call proves false alarm

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls police mobilized to stamp out some bad guys Wednesday morning, when a report came in that several armed men dressed in camouflage had gone into the post office on Second Avenue West.

Police with weapons drawn approached the office at about 10:35 a.m., said Twin Falls Police Department spokesman Sgt. Don Hall.

But the "bad guys" turned out to be there on sanctioned business. "We found out they were an honor guard for the new postmaster," Hall said.

New Postmaster Steven Hurd was sworn in at the post office Wednesday. A color guard is a customary part of swearing in a new postmaster, said Twin Falls Post Office Station Manager Florence Arrington.

"We couldn't get any Boy Scout troops out of school for the ceremony, so we called a color guard from the National Guard," she said.

Arrington said the criss-crossed communications lines were untangled before any police came charging in, guns in hand.

Hall said the relieved police officers quickly stood down once the truth was found out.

"I never saw any police during the ceremony," Arrington said. "The postmaster went through the swearing in and left before he'd even heard about the whole thing."

NATION

Clinton signs education bill, praises Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton signed a higher education bill today slashing student interest rates to their lowest level in 17 years, saving borrowers an estimated \$11 billion over five years.

Today with this lowering of the interest rates — we can really say that every high school graduate in America, regardless of income, can afford to go to college," the president said.



Bill Clinton

The White House said a typical student borrower at a four-year college, graduating with \$13,000 in debt, would save about \$700 over a 10-year repayment period.

Democratic and Republican members of Congress joined the president in the East Room for a bipartisan signing ceremony. In his remarks, Clinton emphasized the political cooperation that got the bill completed.

"I am proud not only of what is in this bill but how this bill passed," he said. "This is the way America should work. This is the way Congress should work." He then called on Congress to set aside partisan differences and pass other elements of his education agenda, including his propos-

als for hiring 100,000 more public school teachers to reduce class sizes and spending more to modernize aging school buildings.

"Today we celebrate putting bipartisan higher education law," he said. "We can do no less for our public schools."

The bill creates a new interest-rate formula, based on Treasury bill rates and added points, for student loans. As a result, the rate for students would be 7.46 percent for graduates starting to repay their loans — the lowest rate in 17 years. Rates are capped at 8.24 percent.

Students who refinance their loans could get lower interest rates if they applied before Jan. 31, 1999.

The measure also raises the maximum authorized amount for Pell Grants from the present \$3,000 to \$4,500 a year in 1999-2000, and in steps to \$5,800 in 2003-2004.

Supreme Court hears case on federal land-use issues

WASHINGTON (AP) — Just how to resolve a property-rights battle spawned by conservation over an endangered butterfly proved elusive for the Supreme Court Wednesday.

During an hour-long argument in a California case, the justices at times appeared baffled. "I don't know what to do with this case," Justice Stephen G. Breyer said at one point.

The case is being watched closely for any new guidelines that might emerge on the govern-

ment's obligation to compensate landowners when it limits the use of their property. The court said federal courts "often" have to determine what the government's "public-use" determination was, and how that determination affects the property.

But Ginsburg asked that that determination might not carry much importance for the case because state laws now are being used to determine what has been done on state land, where state courts usually are available in land-use-dispute cases.

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GOP drops birth control off measure

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hoping to break a logjam on spending bills, congressional Republicans dropped contentious items dealing with contraceptives, Human Immunodeficiency Virus and the Federal Election Commission from one of the measures Wednesday.

Republicans were hoping the move would collect enough votes from conservatives and even a few Democrats to propel through Congress the so-called \$70 billion measure financing the Treasury Department and smaller agencies.

It was possible that a coalition of lawmakers favoring abortion rights and eased immigration rules for Haitians might continue to block the overall bill.

Either way, the effort highlighted how GOP leaders were frantically trying to resolve lingering fights and send lawmakers home for their re-election campaigns by this weekend without letting a high-profile government shutdown fight with President Clinton ensue.

College cost increases, outdistances inflation

WASHINGTON (AP) — The price of college grew at a slower pace this year, but the ticket to a higher education still costs 50 percent more than a decade ago.

The 4 percent average increase this year means tuition and fees rose \$132 at public four-year institutions, reaching an average of \$3,243, the College Board reported Wednesday.

For private, four-year colleges, average tuition and fees rose \$723, up 5 percent to \$14,508. Those costs averaged \$1,633 at public two-year colleges, up 4 percent, or \$66. A 4 percent increase also

occurred at private two-year colleges, with tuition and fees rising \$254 to \$7,333.

Tuition and fees rose an average of 5 percent last year and 6 percent each of three years before that. Because of an earlier round of double-digit growth, tuition at public four-year institutions in the last decade has risen 50 percent, adjusted for inflation.

Financial aid has also grown, offsetting some of the increases, the College Board said. But students are borrowing more and getting fewer grants. Neediest students are suffering most.

Move to enhance patient rights dies this session

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lawmakers will head home to campaign for the Nov. 3 congressional elections without passing new laws to relieve Americans' frustration with health plans. But many say they hope to try again.

"I think we will see something resurrected next year," said Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, who was part of a GOP health insurance task force.

A group of moderate lawmakers, including Sens. John Chafee, R-R.I., and Joseph Lieberman, a Democrat, have pledged to continue to work for bipartisan compromise.

Polls indicate most Americans want new protections from

HMOs and other health plans that tightly manage patient care to save money.

President Clinton has helped Democrats push a "Patient Bill of Rights" to the political forefront this year.

And in the House, Republicans leaders worked hard to craft and pass a GOP counterproposal this summer.

But Democrats and Republicans in the Senate could not reach a compromise on rival versions — or even the parameters of debate — and neither side had the 60 votes needed to force its own legislation onto the Senate floor.

As a result, the proposals have ended up on the scrap heap.

2 municipal employees accused of drug dealing from City Hall

GARY, Ind. (AP) — The city's chief computer programmer and payroll clerk were accused Wednesday of running a cocaine ring that made drug deals out of City Hall.

The two made deals on city phones and delivered drugs on their lunch breaks, the FBI said. "The enemy is not from without. The enemy is from within," said Scott King, mayor of this struggling city of 117,000.

The programmer, Arthur L. Harris, and his girlfriend, payroll

clerk Karen Laverne Shivers, were arrested Monday. Agents found about \$6,000 in cash, six ounces of crack, five ounces of powdered cocaine and drug paraphernalia in their apartments.

According to court papers, agents taped a phone conversation in which Harris boasted that he was selling more than \$1,000 worth of cocaine a day.

The mayor downplayed the government connection in a city plagued for years by violent crime, drugs and unemployment.

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NATION

Greenspan says economy is OK

Fed chief says world turmoil threatens to dampen U.S. growth

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan said Wednesday the U.S. economy still is in "reasonable shape" but warned that the stock-market drop and turmoil overseas would clearly dampen growth.

Financial Stocks rise — Markets took his carefully balanced comments as a signal the central bank planned further reductions in short-term interest rates. The Dow Jones average of industrial stocks shot up 113 points but by early afternoon was up less than 50 points from Tuesday's close.

"He's probably implying there could be more cuts to come," said economist Sung Won Sohn of Northwest Corp. in Minneapolis. "The Fed will cut interest rates again and again. . . Between now and next spring I wouldn't be surprised to see three more cuts."



Federal Reserve Board Chairman Alan Greenspan addresses the National Association of Business Economists in Washington Wednesday.

Greenspan, noted for his gloomy and pessimistic pronouncements, poked fun at newspaper headlines that he said give the impression the economy is on the verge of collapse.

He told the National Association for Business Economists. "We are still seeing fairly significant continued momentum."

"We've got an economy that as of now is really quite an impressive sight," he said.

Still, Greenspan — who began warning nearly two years ago about "irrational exuberance" — said "Financial markets — acknowledged a dramatic shift toward risk aversion and a greatly increased desire for easily bought and sold investments."

NATION IN BRIEF

Tests confirm gas in Iraqi warheads

NEW YORK — France has detected traces of nerve gas on Iraqi warheads but has withheld findings because it does not want to undermine Baghdad's attempts to get U.N. sanctions lifted, The New York Times reported Wednesday.

Testing on samples taken from the weapons show evidence of chemicals linked to VX, a drop of which on the skin, or inhaled, can kill an adult within minutes, the newspaper reported, citing unidentified weapons experts.

In Paris, the French Foreign Ministry said Wednesday it was not aware that French experts had found traces of VX on samples examined there. However, ministry spokesman Anne Gaucier-Sécat said he "suspects that, if it were the case, we would already know about it or we would soon be officially informed by the Special Commission, which informs members of the Security Council."

Bill renames CIA building after Bush

WASHINGTON — The House voted Wednesday to rename CIA headquarters after former President Bush, the only U.S. intelligence chief to go on to the nation's highest office.

In a 337-83 vote, the House approved the 1999 intelligence authorization bill, which includes a provision to rename the Langley, Va., headquarters of the CIA the "George Bush Center for Intelligence."

Bush was CIA director under President Ford, serving from Oct. 1976, to Jan. 20, 1977.

The measure approved by the House is a conference report, the result of House-Senate negotiations. A final vote in the Senate is needed to send it to the President Clinton for signature.

Drug aids young asthma sufferers

NORFOLK, Va. — Adding another medicine to the traditional two-drug treatment for severe childhood asthma attacks substantially reduces the need to hospitalize sufferers, a study found.

Researchers examined the effect of adding ipratropium bromide to the standard emergency-room therapy for asthma attacks, albuterol and steroids. The result was a 28 percent drop in the need for hospitalization, according to the study in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine.

The combination therapy also was helpful in less severe cases, but the benefits were less dramatic.

Racing pigeons tum up missing

ALLENTOWN, Pa. — Some 2,400 homing pigeons disappeared during two long-distance races on the same day, a nearly unheard-of loss in the little-known sport of pigeon racing.

About 1,800 pigeons vanished out of 2,000 competing in a 200-mile race from northern Virginia to Allentown on Monday. And 600 out of 800 birds were still missing Wednesday from a separate 150-mile race from western Pennsylvania to Philadelphia.

"Ordinarily, the swift-flying birds should have been back in their lofts in a matter of hours. 'I've never seen anything like this,'" said Earl Hostle of Allentown, who has been racing pigeons for 37 years. "Nobody can explain it."

Pigeon racing has thrived for centuries among a devoted group of several hundred breeders in the mid-Atlantic states. Some racing pigeons can cost up to \$250,000. According to the Racing Pigeon Digest in Lake Charles, La.

Compiled from wire reports

AIDS deaths down thanks to new drugs

WASHINGTON — New drugs helped reduce the number of AIDS deaths in the United States by 45 percent last year, dropping the disease from the 10 leading causes of death.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said the number of deaths from AIDS in the United States fell to 23,000 in 1997, down from 42,000 in 1996.

Reported today, it had been in the top 10 causes of death since 1990.

The 1997 rate is less than half what it was in 1992 and nearly one-third of the rate in 1995, the peak year.

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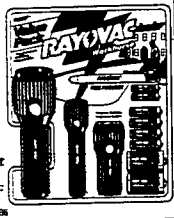
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NATION



Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, looks on as STS-95 pilot Steve Lindsey, of Temple City, Calif., directs a K15-33 armored personnel carrier during training Wednesday at Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

Space station funds face leader's threat

WASHINGTON (AP) — An angry House committee chairman threatened to deny a new administration request for money to finance Russia's part in the International Space Station. NASA's administrator said the money is essential if the project is to be built.

Rep. F. James Sensenbrenner Jr., R-Wis., said Wednesday that he would not support the added funds unless State Department and White House officials came to the committee and explained in detail why the money was needed.

Sensenbrenner, obviously angry, said he asked Jacob Lew of the Office of Management and

Budget, and Strobe Talbott, deputy secretary of state, to appear before his Science Committee and neither showed up.

He called the hearing to discuss NASA's request for an added \$60 million payment to Russia to pay for some hardware. The U.S. already has paid Russia about \$1.2 billion in space station-related funds, but Russia has repeatedly failed to meet deadlines or complete key space equipment.

The U.S. has spent or committed about \$21 billion on the space station effort, a space agency spokesman said.

Study: Chiropractic treatment helps little

BOSTON (AP) — Visiting a chiropractor may be little better than reading a \$1 pamphlet about back pain and is worthless against childhood asthma, two studies conclude.

Asthma is one of many illnesses outside the traditional realm of aches and pains that some chiropractors attempt to treat. Allergies, high blood pressure, headaches, ear infections, colic and menstrual pain are also on the list.

However, by far the most common complaint seen by chiropractors is back pain.

Several studies have found that their treatment can speed recovery from a sore back, but a report in Thursday's issue of the New England Journal of Medicine concludes their effect is surprisingly modest.

The back-pain study was conducted on 321 people by Dr. Daniel C. Cherkin and others from the University of Washington in Seattle. It compared chiropractic manipulation with a form of physical therapy called the McKenzie method for people with low back pain. This type of physical therapy emphasizes teaching people posture and exercises to minimize their pain.

U.S. reps walk out of air talks

LONDON (AP) — U.S. transport officials walked out of talks Wednesday aimed at forging an "open skies" agreement that would allow an unlimited number of carriers to serve any U.S. or British airport.

It was not immediately clear when the two sides will meet again. Talks resumed Monday in

London after a break of nearly two years.

"We're quite disappointed. We had believed that after 20 months of a hiatus and a pre-meeting in September, that the British were ready to move," said Patrick Murphy, an official at the Department of Transportation in Washington.

Jury convicts man for sex pact

DALLAS (AP) — A Nigerian immigrant who impregnated his stepdaughter after signing a contract with the 14-year-old girl to bear him a son was convicted Wednesday of sexual assault of a child.

A jury took only 15 minutes to convict Chrs Abamefulu Dheduru, 47, who testified that it is not the girl in his native Nigeria to have

sex with a juvenile and that he didn't know it was against the law.

He could get two to 20 years in prison and could also be deported.

Dheduru testified that nearly two years ago, he signed a contract with the girl and her mother, his future wife, who could have no more children.

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EDITORIAL

Neighboring Utah offers a preview of a bad idea

Idaho voters have plenty of their own political races to decide, but here's something from next door to think about.

Utah voters will decide next month on a constitutional amendment to make it harder to change wildlife management policy by initiative.

This is dangerous for a bunch of reasons. First, it seems likely to pass. Second, it's being considered in neighboring Utah - and political ideas often find the legs to wander from state to state. And third, this is a bad idea camouflaged as a good one.

It would be easy to be lured into the false logic of Utah's Proposition 5. As the thinking goes, hunting and fishing regulations shouldn't be settled by referendum - so it's tempting to make that next to impossible. Prop 5 would require two-thirds voter support for any wildlife-related initiative. Initiatives on other subjects would still need only a simple majority.

The 300 or so sportsmen who took time away from the hills and the streams last weekend to rally at Utah's Capitol have swallowed the argument hook, line and sinker. Their comments carry a frustration with the "antis" who would use the ballot box to take away hunting and fishing rights. ... Sound familiar? This may as well be an echo from Idaho, where sportsmen said pretty much the same things

about a failed 1996 initiative to restrict bear hunting. But Idaho voters said no the right way. A clear majority voted down the bear initiative, and that's the way the process ought to stay.

Regardless of what Utah voters do (and considering that Prop 5 backers are outpacing their foes by 12-1, the smart bet is to say their amendment will pass), Idaho legislators shouldn't be deceived into following this thinking.

If you start attaching a weighted scale to initiatives, where do you stop?

Do you argue most voters are poorly educated in the hard sciences, so a initiative

on nuclear waste should require an 80 percent majority?

Do you decide that term-limits backers are nothing more than hucksters (which they may be, but that's beside the point), and require them to pull down a 70 percent majority?

How about a 60 percent threshold for an initiative on abortion rights?

Don't start. Idaho has done a decent job of fixing up its initiative laws. It has made putting an initiative on the ballot harder - but not impossible. That a good way to weed out the trash.

Let's not be tempted to further "fix" the process and outsmart ourselves by messing it up.

Keep it simple by keeping a simple majority in place.

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With Milosevic it's time to shoot or shut up

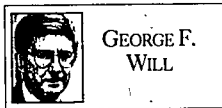
WASHINGTON—Sophisticated weaponry can serve, or even produce, simple-minded policy. We may yet see again how some marvels in the U.S. military inventory, cruise missiles, produce a retrograde policy that can properly be called high-tech isolationism.

When U.S. leaders who are ill at ease with U.S. power hear the word duty, they reach for their cruise missiles. Those weapons provide telegraphic, antisepic action-at-a-distance. They make possible illusory decisiveness, without follow-through.

The Clinton administration has used them as a substitute for serious policy regarding Iraq and terrorism. Now cruise missiles may be fired to express ersatz seriousness about Serbia's actions in the province of Kosovo. Someone The New York Times identifies as "a senior administration official who requested anonymity"—one can see why—says, "We are at last serious."

At last, but about what? People stabbed with a pitchfork, eyes gouged out with a deft stick, a decapitated man's brain removed and left displayed beside his wife's corpse, a woman shot in the face, her two daughters ages 7 and 5, also dead, in their yellow rubber boots, 10 men beaten and executed and their mutilated bodies returned to their families, an elderly couple butchered, a woman seven months pregnant dead with her stomach slit open.

By such behavior Serbia is trying to recommend contentment, or at least quiescence, to the ethnic Albanians who are 90 percent of the 2 million residents of the province of Kosovo. The province, although part of Serbia, enjoyed substantial autonomy until that was taken away



GEORGE F. WILL

in 1989 by Slobodan Milosevic. This enraged the Kosovo Liberation Army; which is seeking independence. That is Milosevic's excuse for his war crimes.

He has learned from Saddam Hussein how to play with the United States as with a yo-yo. Disdaining a watching world—television; satellite cameras that record mass graves—Milosevic butchers for as many months as it takes for the West to awaken, then he sends some of his forces back to their barracks, until the West's eyelids again grow heavy.

Now, let us stipulate: Jeffersonians are thin on the ground in the Balkans, and in the Kosovo independence movement. And independence for Kosovo might destabilize Macedonia, where there is a substantial Albanian minority. And Americans, of all people, know that secession should not be countenanced for what the Declaration of Independence calls "light and transient causes." Still, when (again the Declaration) a long train of abuses evinces a design of absolute despotism (or, in Kosovo, what The Washington Post calls "incipient genocide" or "genocide at one remove"), that trumps concern for Serbia's territorial integrity.

Of course the current president never means a syllable he says, including those at the dedication of the Holocaust Museum, about how shameful it was that "far too lives was done" in 1943 and 1944 "even as our fragrant awareness of

crimes grew into indisputable facts." Our knowledge is hardly "fragrant" concerning the emptiness of Secretary of State Albright's Clintonesque fustian: "We are not going to stand by and watch the Serbian authorities do in Kosovo what they can no longer get away with doing in Bosnia." Sen. Gordon Smith, R-Ore., is right: "It's time to shoot or shut up." Nothing short of attacking Serbia, including its air defenses, will get Milosevic's attention. And dropping the bridges of Belgrade would concentrate Serbian minds on the costs of Milosevic continuing in power. NATO cannot do this, and put peacemakers on the ground in Kosovo, it should use its dwindling energies to disband.

Fifty years ago NATO became the first peacetime alliance committing the United States to war if others were attacked. NATO was, as Daniel Patrick Moynihan says, emblematic of a new orientation: "Foreign policy began to anticipate, rather than merely react to, conflicts." The conflict NATO was created to prevent by muscular anticipation—an invasion of Germany by the Soviet Union—was prevented.

Now NATO seems too sclerotic and risk-averse to devise other uses for itself. If NATO cannot act to preserve stability in Europe, why does it continue?

True to the survival instinct of institutions, NATO responds to the loss of its founding rationale by enlarging its membership. Kosovo has revealed NATO to be a bound which is delighted to have two leashes attached to its collar, one held by the United Nations, the other by Russia.

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Councilman Art Frantz is right. The Snake River Canyon Rim Trail should be fenced the whole way. It is dangerous. A little skim of snow or frost could create sliding boards to 300-foot free-fall. The fence doesn't hurt the view.

A. LACEY JOHNSON
Twin Falls

Clinton provides constant scandal
Frankly I am stunned by the appalling and "apparent" reaction of the American public to the Clinton problems.

Hello! Is there any intelligent life out there? This president has acted in an unconscionable manner. I don't care if he is Democrat, Republican or a Tory, and you shouldn't either. Since he has been in office, we have witnessed a constant stream of scandal. It is not made up. The president has admitted to some of it.

I don't care what polls say, and you shouldn't either. It has been said, "Figures never lie, but liars figure." Even if

70 percent of the public approves of Clinton, this doesn't make it right. What has he really done but to divide and defraud this country. Hitler must have had a high degree of approval at first, but he was a madman. If 70 percent of the public approves of murder and theft, should we legalize these activities? No! Don't be swayed by the trashing of others' reputations, designed to cloud the issue. Others' activities are not the issue at this time. It is the actions of the president.

Professional politicians like Clinton are playing us like a professional musician. They know just what to say to get the prescribed reaction from the public. They are a good argument for citizen politicians. Probably the best thing we could do is oust all of these professional politicians in the next elections. Character does count. The present administration is devoid of character and conscience. We have a president who is extremely socialist (even communistic) in his philosophy (these are flawed and failed philosophies). He has perjured himself, committed sexual harassment in the work place (by federal

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definition) and put the security of the country at risk in these actions. In this, he has also abused his power and obstructed justice. How in the name of reason can anyone excuse him? So he apologizes; he didn't really, he just blamed others. There are, or should be, consequences for our excesses and actions. What about those of our military who are paying the price for less or comparable actions.

Is no one accountable for their actions anymore? Let's open all the prison doors. Why malign Ken Starr for doing his job and trash others' reputations, past and present. It can only conclude that the 70 percent polled must have been R. KUHLMAN

President undermines sovereignty
For those of you who think Clinton is a wonderful president and it doesn't matter that he lies and cheats and defames our White House, how about this sampling of what he's up to that has nothing to do with sex?

We have a president who seems determined to hand over our sovereignty to the United Nations. Bill Clinton and his aides who came in age in the socialist 1960s are now in power, and they are giving away our freedoms.

The United Nations, the one-world government that Bill and Hillary Clinton love so dearly, is on the move. In Europe, American soldiers are being forced at gunpoint to wear the blue beret and the ribbons of the U.N. Army. These soldiers no longer answer to America. They are under the command of foreign generals. There are foreign U.N. soldiers training right now on American soil. America, under Clinton, is in danger of becoming just another U.N. state with no more power than Haiti or Iran.

Already, many of our parks and national monuments are under the control of the United Nations and plans are for them to secure control of all these American treasures. Hillary flew to Sweden on our tax money to work out a plan where each of us would pay a tax.

If the Senate approves the Kyoto Pro-

toocol Treaty, the United Nations will have charge over our energy use. This is not an environmental treaty. It is a plan to bring America to her knees. U.N. energy inspectors will be deciding how much electricity or heating oil you, business and industry can use—in the name of saving our environment. They will have the authority to shut off your power if they think you are wasteful. Energy prices will double and wages will go down. China, Russia, Iran and other countries will not be subject to this treaty and can use all the energy they want.

Call your senator and tell him to vote no on the Kyoto Protocol Treaty, and Clinton will fail in his attempt to give the United Nations more power. Thanks to Clinton, the Navy has authorized more than 170 ships. The Air Force has lost 10 active combat wings. The Army has lost seven active divisions. Clinton obviously thinks our tax dollars are better spent on the U.N. Army than ours. God help America!

RUTH M. BROWN
Gooding

Doodlesbury By Gary Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore By Bruce Tinsley

OPINION

LETTERS

Citizens bleat like sheep

Of all the speeches I heard at the great program, "Let Freedom Ring, We, the People, Meet the Candidates," held at Mountain Home High School the evening of Sept. 30, the one that I felt the most was by Eric Norton. It was not political; it was historical as he spoke on the proper role of government which we do not have now but should. He said the people should be in control of government, not the government in control of the people. I read about that in history as a high school and college student, but we do not have it today. Instead, we have many politicians who want more and more taxes with bigger and bigger government which means more bureaucracy. I do not think Eric Norton is a politician (one who only looks to the next election), but he is a statesman (one who looks out for the next generation).

I like the quote, "We Americans used to roar like lions for liberty; now we bleat like sheep (or security)."

We need less taxes, and with that money we don't give to government, we can take care of ourselves. I believe a vote for Eric Norton for Idaho state representative is a step in the right direction.

BARBARA LARSON
Mountain Home

Eric Norton stands firm

I support Eric Norton as legislator for Elmore and Owyhee counties.

It is unbelievable what some people will do in order to gain a political office. Although liberal as a governor, President Clinton became a "middle of the roader" when he started his campaign for president, promoting all the conservative ideas. Upon being elected, he returned to his liberal spending pattern and support of scholastic programs. Again in 1996, President Clinton became a "conservative" in talk, taking credit for all the progress made in America. He won the election again. Then prime minister candidate Tony Blair of England, a previous socialist, being a political opportunist, met and fell in love with Clinton's philosophy of presenting oneself as a conservative.



He, too, was elected. Recently in Germany, chancellor candidate Schroder, a socialist also, adopted President Clinton's political ethics. He moved to the right of center in his political talk and was elected chancellor over Kohl.

Now, here in Idaho, we have Mrs. Sher Sellman trying the same political move. In January this year, she ditched the Democratic party and renamed herself a Republican in spite of the fact that she is on record as saying in '96 that she was a Democrat because her views were more closely aligned with those of that party. Did she change her beliefs on the issues? I was informed by an individual that he told Mrs. Sellman that if she ran on the Republican ticket, she could be elected. I wondered what type of "character" either of them had with that political opportunist philosophy.

What does Mrs. Sellman really believe and support? Is she pro-life? Does she support freedom in education such as school teachers, charter schools, private schools, home schools, etc.? Does she oppose the liberal agenda of the Idaho Education Association? Does she believe in private property rights? Does she believe in sensible environmental protection? Does she support the free market over aggressive union actions?

I know Mr. Eric Norton could answer yes to each of those ques-

tions. We should know how a candidate really believes on the issues. I support and ask your vote for Eric Norton for legislative district seat 20-B.

REP. JIM JONES
Mountain Home

Shop puts magic in valley

I recently found the "magic" in Magic Valley. My wife and I were traveling with her mother, Virginia Hardin Robinson, a former resident of Kimberly and Twin Falls. We planned a pleasant week visiting friends and the fair. On our arrival, we found that one of Virginia's longtime friends had passed away quite unexpectedly. As is the rule, our troubles started. We had experienced car trouble at our home in California and were assured the problem was resolved. We experienced more difficulty on the road, and Virginia said, "Get the car to Willis; they will take care of it."

She was not only correct, but they provided service way beyond expectations. Greg Panatopoulos, Kevin and the service staff delivered us to our motel in their personal vehicles, referred us to a car-rental agency, diagnosed our problem and made the repairs faster than our local garage would have. Teri at Enterprise Car Rental could not accommodate our needs but referred us to her competition, Latham Motors. In our area, deal-

erships do not loan, let alone rent, cars. The ladies at Latham made sure a car was delivered to our motel within minutes. Elaine Musick, Cindy, Lu and the maids at Best Western Apollo Motor Inn made a room available for us several hours ahead of schedule and were concerned about our needs for the unexpected funeral.

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Protestors rally against Yeltsin

Angry Russians take to streets across nation

MOSCOW (AP) — Hundreds of thousands of Russians frustrated by the country's deep economic recession took to the streets in nationwide protests Wednesday, but the turnout was far smaller than organizers predicted.

Until now, ordinary citizens have endured their economic crisis socially, with few public out-

bursts against a government that has been unable to halt an economic decline that has ravaged Russia for most of this decade.

Tens of thousands of people carrying red and blue flags marched through Moscow to a rally on the edge of Red Square, where opposition leaders called for back wages to be paid and for President Boris Yeltsin's removal. Riot police watched the peaceful protest.

"We will not allow Yeltsin to destroy us," said trade union leader Mikhail Shmakov. "We want a president who solves the concrete problems of the country and doesn't make empty promises."

The demonstrations were the first major protest since Russia was plunged into its latest economic crisis in August, when the country's financial markets collapsed. But most of those marching were protesting months — or even years — of not receiving salaries and pensions because of the economic malaise.

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Primakov bestows Communist with key role

MOSCOW (AP) — Prime Minister Yevgeny Primakov Wednesday gave his Communist roots broad exposure as the new Cabinet's economic course.

However, Primakov also plans to personally oversee the Finance Ministry, which suggests he wants to have final say on major economic decisions.

Primakov's first deputy prime minister, Yuri Maslyukov, who served as the last head of the Soviet central planning agency, has pushed for full control over the economic-related ministries.

Maslyukov will be in charge of economics and trade ministries

and various other bodies, including the committee for state property management that oversees privatization.

He also will oversee talks with the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank and other international lenders, the ITAR-Tass and Interfax news agencies reported.



A handliner holds a portrait of President Boris Yeltsin with the Russian term for 'child' scrawled upon it Wednesday in Moscow.

U.S. troubles shooter issues Milosevic final ultimatum

WASHINGTON (AP) — A U.S. envoy gave Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic a final ultimatum Wednesday to leave Kosovo immediately and end the ethnic cleansing there.

Following the ultimatum, U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher said "stronger measures were made to ensure the effectiveness" over the course of the negotiations.

Referring to the possibility of NATO action, the Yugoslav

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Blair pushes for agreement with Chinese

BEIJING (AP) — Police took a prominent dissident from his home Wednesday in an awkward development that prompted visiting British Prime Minister Tony Blair to raise the case with Chinese officials.

The police questioning of veteran democracy activist Xu Wenli detracted from British and Chinese efforts to use Blair's visit, the first by a British premier in seven years, to highlight their improving ties.

Xu, imprisoned for 12 years after the 1979 Democracy Wall movement, is one of China's most outspoken and active dissidents. Police went to his Beijing home Wednesday morning as he was eating breakfast, around the time Blair was presiding over the signing of contracts and plans for British business investments worth more than \$830 million.

Informed of Xu's case, Blair raised his concerns with China's ambassador to London and with President Jiang Zemin, according to British and Chinese officials.

Police allowed Xu home after quizzing him for about six hours on efforts by other dissidents to set up an opposition party.

China bans Starr report; cites details

BEIJING (AP) — Like soft porn and subversive novels, China's press services have banned Chinese-language versions of Kenneth Starr's report detailing President Clinton's affair with Monica Lewinsky.

Chinese officials disliked the report's salacious details and worried its contents, some they would damage improving Chinese-U.S. relations, media and publishing sources said Wednesday.

Because the sources work in enterprises strictly supervised by the government, they spoke on condition of anonymity.

The ban, however, is likely to have little effect. Pornographic videos and Penthouse magazine can be bought on many street corners.

Police evacuate U.S. Embassy after bomb call

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Police evacuated the U.S. Embassy in Cairo and searched the building on Wednesday after an anonymous caller claimed a bomb was planted on the premises, Egyptian police said.

Police searched inside and outside the building but found nothing, they said.

The U.S. Embassy did not comment on the report. An embassy official who spoke on condition of anonymity told The Associated Press the compound was operating normally hours after the bomb threat.

Police said an embassy official received the bomb threat at 5:30 a.m.

The embassy received another call at 7:30 a.m., and the caller demanded that U.S. and Israeli prisons release two Egyptian clerics by Oct. 12, the police said.

The caller, who identified himself as Abu el-Yamin and claimed to be a member of the "Holy Struggle in the Path of Allah," an unknown group, said American embassies would be targeted.

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—Atlanta infielder Chipper Jones, on possibly returning to the Big Apple this month for the second Braves-Yankees World Series in three years.

TODAY’S SCHEDULE

- High school boys soccer**
Ketchum at ISDB, 4:30 p.m.
- High school girls soccer**
Twin Falls at Burley, 5:30 p.m.
- High school volleyball**
Wood River, Valley at Filer, 4:15 p.m.
Ketchum at ISDB, 4:30 p.m.
Valley Christian at TFCA, 5 p.m.
Richfield, Castleford at Shoshone, 5 p.m.
Wendell at Gooding, 5:15 p.m.
Potterville at Minico, 6 p.m.
Oakley at Red River, 6 p.m.
Coeys at Decrich, 6 p.m.
Hagerman at Murzaugh, 6 p.m.
Twin Falls at Highland, 6 p.m.
Camas County at Bliss, 6 p.m.
Jerome at Burley, 6 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Rupert youth hoops deadline is Friday
RUPERT — Deadline for signing up to play in the Rupert Parks and Recreation Department’s 1998 boys and girls youth basketball program is Friday at 5 p.m. Boys in grades 7 and girls in grades 3-13 — divided into three separate leagues — are invited to participate. All games will be held in the Rupert Civic Gym.
Minico High School coach Blair Garner will stage a free clinic for the boys at the Minico High School gym Saturday and Sunday from 8-10 a.m. Attendance is a must in order to participate in the 1998 program. No exceptions will be made.
Coaches are needed for the boys and girls teams. The Recreation Department is also taking applications for officials and score keepers. Sign up at the Parks office at 620 F Street, or call 435-9600, Ext. 24.

Hagerman seniors plan fund-raiser for football
WENDELL — The Hagerman High School seniors are planning a fund raiser during Saturday’s football game with Oakley at Wendell.
There will be a potato bar as well as the usual concessions during the game, which is scheduled for 1 p.m.

Turkey shoot scheduled for weekend at 10 a.m.
TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Gun Club will host a turkey shoot at 10 a.m. Sunday, with teams, license and tags.
Guarantee checks will be available.

Local pool league season gears up for fall play
TWIN FALLS — The Pocket is sponsoring a pool league for the 1998-99 pool season, and the Magic Valley Men’s Pool Association is forming teams.
The Pocket’s four-person teams may be comprised of men, women or a combination of both. For more information, contact Bud Starr at 733-9701.
Sign-up deadline for getting linked up with the Magic Valley Men’s Pool Association’s formation of teams is Saturday. For more information, get it touch with Starr at The Pocket.

Magic Valley looking to fill baseball commissioner seat
GLENN FERRY — The Fourth District Activities Association is seeking applicants for the position of Baseball/Softball Commissioner for the 1998-99 school year.
Applicants should call Len Penner, District Secretary, at Glenn Ferry High School — 366-7434 — for more information. Deadline for applications is Nov. 2.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Minico and Burley fight to 1-1 draw

By David Lee
Times-News writer

RUPERT — It seemed the lower the sun set on the horizon, the more exciting the action became on the soccer field.
As the sun was ready to disappear, the showdown between the Minico Spartans and the Burley Bobcats ended in a 1-1 tie, with the most exciting play coming seconds before the game ended.
That was when the Spartans’ two best scorers, Reese Harper and Bruno Barbosa, had a 2-on-1 break. Harper controlled the ball, with Barbosa on his right side.
At the last second, Harper passed it over to Barbosa, with Bobcat goalie Dustin Nielsen crouching down to try blocking the ball from going into the net.
Barbosa lifted the ball up on the shot, but it went over the net as well as Nielsen.
As the crowd let out a collective cheer or gasp, depending on who they were cheering for, Spartan players collapsed face-first on the field and Barbosa walked away with his jersey pulled over his head, just before the final whistle.
It was just one of those plays, said Minico coach Denis Haynes.
“I thought for sure Reese would kick it in,” Haynes said, because Harper has the best left-leg kick on the team.
But instead he passed it, showing teamwork that would make any coach happy. Most of the time.
“We’ve been working on passing, and they’re doing what they’ve been told,”

Haynes said. “Now we’ll work on proper timing.”
With the sun behind them, Burley got off to a quick start with a goal by Blake Larson about seven minutes into the game. The ball got away from the Minico defense, and Larson was able to kick the ball into the net.
Burley dominated most of the first half as the Bobcat players shouted to each other during play. Players from both teams crashed into each other as they went for the ball.
“It was a physical game,” said Minico coach Wesley Nyblade. “It’s an intense rivalry.”
In the second half, Minico became the more aggressive team, keeping the ball in Bobcat territory. However, Burley had its opportunities as well, and a breakdown in communication let Minico back into the game.
Right after a Bobcat threat, Minico cleared the ball between two Bobcat defenders. They did not call out to each other as to who would go to the ball, allowing Harper to come between them and take it. Nyblade said Harper just stepped down the field and shot a runner past Nielsen and into the back of the net.
After that, both teams became more aggressive, leading to battles all around the field that gave both teams ample opportunity for counterattacks. Minico had the best chance in the end with its two-on-one.
Nyblade said the play could have been



Minico Spartans' Reese Harper slides into Burley Bobcat Jason Davidson during the second half of the teams' soccer match Wednesday, which ended in a 1-1 tie.
Times-News writer David Lee can be reached at Burley at 677-0402.



Wood River's Kristyn Price pounds down a kill during a 15-6, 15-8 sweep of the Tigers at Jerome High Wednesday night.

Wood River tops Tigers

By John Deir
Times-News writer

JEROME — The Wood River Wolverines, missing a pair of players due to injury, came out with the two-game victory, but not without a solid effort by the Jerome Tigers in nonconference volleyball action Tuesday night.
Kristyn Price led the Wolverines attack with seven kills and a pair of blocks, while Sarah Kolash was deadly from the service line with five aces and four kills.
“I guess some nights you’re on,” Kolash said. “The whole team was together. It always feels good to beat Jerome.”
Nikki Marsens paced the Tiger offense with six kills and four blocks while Julie Benson added three kills, a block and an ace.
“We are trying to run new stuff and

sometimes we are way off and some times we are way on,” said Wood River coach Reiny Goodwin, who lost junior Sarah McCarthy to a season-ending injury and is also without captain Jill Brown.
“We sided out well all night and I was pleased with the young kids who played in the second game.”
Kolash stalked Wood River to a 50-lead in game one with a kill and three straight aces. Jerome’s Amber Olsen smothered the run with a kill from the right side.
Price got into the act with a lobbed-into-a-kill as the Wolverines covered the floor well on offense and allowed two holes for the Tigers hits.
“I felt good and I think I played okay,” said Price, a senior and ace of the team. Captains. “I think if we are all to work hard we can win aces.”

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Surging Bruins tackle Jerome Tigers Friday

By Jeff Pinner
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Don’t look now, but the Bruins are rolling. Throw out last month’s subpar performance at Clearwater, and the Twin Falls High School football team is 5-1 by a three-game margin.
Facing at Jerome 6-5 Friday, the Bruins (6-1) await a two-game win streak that they’re determined to get. They might have a hard time breaking the Tigers’ (1-5) streak, a male welcome to the play this fall, dropping five straight games.
“They’ve changed some because of injuries,” Twin Falls coach Mark Schaal says. “They were a two-back option, offensive line was a double-tight (end), offensive.”
“We lost four games remaining, Twin Falls and they’re changing their look much. Running running back Chase. Westbrook just came out of the Bruins’ passing game last week against Borah, picking up 20 yards on 25 carries in a 20-15 win.
“Westbrook also caught four Darrin Decker passes for touchdowns, setting a mark of 22 yards per carry at the game against Borah. Schaal cites room for improvement.
“Our offensive ends had trouble taking the quarterback on the option,” he says. “We lost a lot of yards.”

Last week
Twin Falls 20, Borah 15
Tonight
Minico (3-2) at Jerome (1-5)
Leading runner:
Chase Westbrook 25-205 yds.
Leading blocker:
Westbrook 119-578, 3 TD
Leading passer:
Darrin Decker 16-28, 170 y, 4 TD
Leading return:
Decker 61-122, 614 yds., 12 TD, 3 int.
Leading receiver:
Julie Robinson 6-60 yds.
Leading punter:
Robinson 23-64 yds, 4 TD
Leading tackler:
Pat Hinkle 12 (7 sacks), 2.5 sacks
Leading defensive lineman:
Adrian Hinkle 40 (17 solo)

Special teams snapping — a monkey I’ve had though it had shaken from its back several weeks ago — and congratulating on their own side have the Bruins.
“We’re always going to put the ballgame on our own,” Schaal said. “But we had a couple mistakes, quarterback to wide receiver, and we ended up coming the other way.”
Larson signs like the crowd carry dire prophecies.
“Jerome has some good quickness at their skill positions,” Schaal said. “We’re trying to prepare for everything. Even though it’s not a pool game, they’ll be ready to play at these places.”

Twin Falls visits Tiger Drive lacking the services of right cornerback Billy Moberg, who exited last week’s Borah game prematurely with a broken thumb and is expected out at least four weeks. Starting chores fall to junior Jeremiah Shuck.
Jerome, meanwhile, will do without senior running back Colton Swan, a 6-foot, 190-pound lead the Tigers lost in their Sept. 18 game at Minico. They’ll line up junior Jim Gabeary in the backfield, hoping to cash quick feet in for quick punts.
Whatever happens, the game promises.

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Indians even ALCS series

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The umpires botched the call. Some Yankees fans have said that the Cleveland Indians escaped Tampa Bay’s bullpen with a split.
After 11 innings of excruciatingly intense baseball, Game 2 of the AL championship series turned on a bizarre play during the bottom of Wednesday.
“I guess it could be by scoring all the way home,” said catcher Jason Fryman while conferring with first baseman Jim Thome as he ran toward the line on his third attempt, said catcher Wilson. “I guess it could be by scoring all the way home,” said catcher Jason Fryman while conferring with first baseman Jim Thome as he ran toward the line on his third attempt, said catcher Wilson. “I guess it could be by scoring all the way home,” said catcher Jason Fryman while conferring with first baseman Jim Thome as he ran toward the line on his third attempt, said catcher Wilson.
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ed, much like J.C. Martin’s controversial ball that won Game 4 of the 1993 World Series for the New York Mets against Baltimore.
“It was so blatant. I don’t know what to say. It was a terrible call,” Yankees manager Joe Torre said. “There was no line ever touched.”
Forget about domination, and put revenge on hold — plays like this can turn a series around.
Jim Thome singled off Jeff Nelson leading off the 12th, Cleveland’s first runner since Omar Vizquel tripled with one out in the eighth. Wilson ran for Thome, and Fryman sent a bunt up the first-base line to Martinez.
Martinez threw to Knoblauch, the second baseman who was covering the first-base bag, and the ball hit Fryman, who was clearly running in fair territory, in the back.
Baseball rules require that a runner be on the foul side of the line for the final 45 feet to first base, but it is up to the

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YOUTHSPORTS

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Youth football heats up

RUPERT - Ridley Food and Drug and Magic Valley Tire led an exciting second week of play in the Rupert Parks and Recreation Department's flag football program.

3rd-5th grade: Week one - Goode Motor jumped out to a 13-6 lead at half-time playing Rupert Kiwanis Club, but lost their momentum in the second half of a 18-13 defeat. McCoy Worthington scored both of Goode's touchdowns and Ted Frank added the extra point after the first touchdown. Kevin Killoy was the lone scorer for Rupert, scrambling 40 yards in the second and third quarters and returning a punt in the fourth.

Ridley Food and Drug didn't allow Paul Seed Company any touchdowns in its 20-2 rout. Dallen Beltran plucked in from the 5-yard line for Ridley's first touchdown midway through the first period. Bryan Dalton scored twice in the second quarter, on a 10-yard pass play from Beltran and a 20-yard end run.

Magic Valley Tire came from behind to down the Rupert Lions Club 13-7. Dallas Gardner scored the only touchdown for the Lions and Andy Carlisle added an extra point to give the Rupert team a second-quarter lead. Magic Valley scored minutes later, however, when Joshua Lloyd broke free on a 35-yard run. Braxton Martinez converted the extra point to tie the game at 7-7. In the end, the high Calby Anderson scored in the third period on a 40-yard reverse to lead his team to victory.

Week two - Jason Duncan caught Andy Carlisle in the end zone for a safety to give Paul Seed Company its first two points of the game, and the Paul team over-

Youth football

erred the Rupert Lions Club with a 28-6 win. Scoring for Paul were Zach Sanford from 40 yards out, and Trenton McKenzie, who sprinted 43 yards. Carlisle scored the only touchdown for the Lions team.

Goode Motor and Magic Valley International played tremendous defense with neither team scoring the entire game in a 0-0 tie. Each team would move the ball down the field only to lose it on downs to the defense.

Ridley Food and Drug shut out the Rupert Kiwanis Club 13-0 in the last game of the evening. Craig Beltran ran 20 yards for Ridley's first points and Brenner Antoine dashed 40 yards for a second touchdown. Brenner also scored the extra point after Beltran's touchdown.

6th-8th grade: Week one - Workman Pontiac/Cadillac/GM scored three touchdowns in the first half and held a tough Banner Team to two in the second to squeak out a 18-14 victory. Quarterback Zain Dietz scored twice in the first quarter, on a 10-yard keeper and a 20-yard end sweep. Dietz later connected on a 20-yard pass to Charlie Bannister. Banner Image's Nathan Eames connected with Jordan White in the end zone on a 3-yard pass play that with Kody Bingham's extra point cut the gap to 18-7. Bingham capped his first career touchdown with a 30-yard pass play to Brandon Landrum and Eames scored after, but Banner couldn't pull ahead.

U.S. Bank fell to Gurneys Lawn

and Power Sports, 12-6. Trenton Fetzer scored early in the first period for Bank on a 40-yard run. Eric Killoy and Travis Noble then teamed up on a 5-yard pass to tie the game 6-6. Shawn Woodward dove in from one yard out to lift Gurney to victory.

Magic Valley Tire held Rupert Trading Post scoreless in a 14-0 win. Jared Tracy tossed two touchdown passes to Robert Dalton in the first and another to Kyle Copeland in the fourth. Tracy also threw two extra-point passes to Spencer Sutherland.

Week two - Magic Valley Tire subdued U.S. Bank, 40-2. Scoring for the Tire boys were Layne Tominga, Robert Dalton (2), Spencer Sutherland (2), and Jared Tracy. The U.S. Bank defense caught Tracy for a safety - its only score.

Rupert Trading Post picked up its first win of the year shutting out Banner Image 20-0. Two of the three touchdowns came by way of interceptions by Shawn Kloefer and Stafford Gillette. The last touchdown was made by Cory Worburton on a 15-yard run.

Workman Pontiac/Cadillac/GM was 10 points better than Gurney's Lawn and Power Sports in its 25-15 win. Zane Dietz gave Gurney's an early lead when he caught Eric Killoy in the end zone for a safety. Shawn Woodward then ran in from the 5-yard line to give Workman's the lead for the rest of the game. Travis Noble and Killoy scored in the third quarter. Travis Killoy scored late in the fourth to round out Workman's scoring.

The 3rd-5th-grade league plays on Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m., with three games played each day. The 6th-8th graders play Wednesday evenings.

POOL SHARKS



Holly Ross, left, and Stacy Nunez received first-place trophies last week at The Pocket for winning the Magic Valley Women's Pool Association's annual Get Acquainted Tournament. The tournament raised \$508 for the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Breast Cancer Support Group. Bud Starr, owner of The Pocket, donated two pool sticks for the event - one was raffled off and the other was won by Stella Holzar.

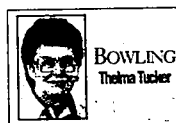
Bowl for bucks in Las Vegas

The Basic Tournament is currently in the qualifying stages at bowling centers in the Magic Valley.

Each week between Sept. 20 and Oct. 19, the individual rolling, the high scratch game in each league (man & women each in mixed leagues) will qualify to bowl in an in-house competition - which must be scheduled prior to November 1.

Those qualifying at that level will advance to state, where they'll compete for the chance to travel to Las Vegas, Nev. Dec. 10-11 for the \$125,000 Basic Pro/Am Championship.

Participants there are invited to stay as guests for the Dec. 12-13 2000 Basic Mixed Doubles Tournament, the only professional at mixed doubles tournament sanctioned by the PBA and PWBA.



BOWLING Thelma Tucker

On Dec. 10 they are also invited to the Basic Showdown, which highlights the No. 1 PBA and PWBA players as they compete for a \$30,000 cash prize.

Notes - Blaine and Kathy Ross rolling 1,566 won the Back to Bowling Tournament at the Magic Bowl, Second went to Hazel Couch and Con Hostrelin with 1,545. Third at 1,520 were Babe Cox and Lede Thorne, fourth were Kathy McClure and Con Hostrelin at 1,509. Fifth went to Kathy McClure and Roy Couch

with 1,502 and sixth were Carmen Weinstroer and Roy Couch with 1,485.

Don't forget to get your entries in for the Idaho State Senior Championship Tournament. The dates of Nov. 7-8 and 14-15 will be here before we know it. Entries close on Oct. 22 with the tournament at the Bowldrome.

The satellite tournament of Nine Pin No Tap will be held the same dates at the Magic Bowl. Walk-in entries will be accepted for this event.

Congratulations to Ally Anderson, who has a 90 average, for rolling a 188 game and 411 series on the YABA Giants League.

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

YOUR SCORES AND STATS

BOWLING

Area scores
Scores reported by Magic Valley Bowling Centers for the week ending Oct. 5.

- MEN'S SERIES: Roy Kipp 248, Dan Brown 218, Don Peoples 208, Wally Sauer 183, Larry Long 153, Harold Sauer 143, Don Peoples 133, Don Peoples 123, M. G. Kipp 113, M. G. Kipp 103, M. G. Kipp 93, M. G. Kipp 83, M. G. Kipp 73, M. G. Kipp 63, M. G. Kipp 53, M. G. Kipp 43, M. G. Kipp 33, M. G. Kipp 23, M. G. Kipp 13, M. G. Kipp 3.
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SENIOR LADIES SERIES: Jean Somerson 548, Lucy Schuchert 523, ...

MOUNTAIN BIKE

- Men's Series: ...
- Women's Series: ...
- Junior Series: ...
- Senior Series: ...

Jerome leads

pack at Classic

TWIN FALLS - Jerome again showed its dominance in long-distance running by sweeping the Middle School Twin Classic cross country meet held at O'Leary Junior High last week.

STAFF MASTER

Staff Master information for the tournament, including names and scores of participants.

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Wonderlich runs

PORTLAND, Ore. - Fritr Wonderlich of Twin Falls competed in the 27th annual running of the Portland Marathon on Sunday, Oct. 4 with an official finish time of 2:55:17 for the 26.2-mile course.

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SPORTS

Sampras, Rafter lose; Hingis wins

BASEL, Switzerland (AP) — A stunned Pete Sampras, and Patrick Rafter — the world's best tennis players — were upset Wednesday in the opening round of \$1 million Swiss Indoors tournament.

Sampras, a winner of three titles this season including Wimbledon, was toppled by long-time nemesis Wayne Ferreira 4-6, 7-6 (7-4), 6-3 only hours after Rafter was eliminated in straight sets by Czech Daniel Vacek.

"I'm very disappointed," said Sampras, who accepted a wild card in an effort to finish atop the rankings this year. "It can't get much worse than this."

Hings, Davenport win in Germany

FILDERSTADT, Germany — Martina Hingis, hobbled by a sore ankle and hindered by a lack of contact lenses, held onto the top ranking in women's tennis Wednesday with a come-from-behind victory over Anna Kournikova at the Porsche Grand Prix.

No. 2 Lindsay Davenport won, too, and still can take over the top spot before the week is out. The U.S. Open champion, who trails Hingis by 26 points, beat Mary Pierce 6-1, 6-3.

Ivanisevic, Chang win in Shanghai Open

SHANGHAI, China — Goran Ivanisevic and Michael Chang powered past opponents in straight sets Wednesday to advance to the quarterfinals of the Shanghai Open.

Ivanisevic, the top seed from Croatia, overwhelmed Justin Gimelstob 6-1, 6-4. He next faces No. 7 seed Kenneth Carlsen of Denmark, who downed Steve Campbell 6-3, 6-6, 6-3.

Daly on course for Dunhill Cup; O'Meara meets Prince Andrew

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland (AP) — This might be the perfect layout for John Daly. His booming drives are made for the Old Course at St. Andrews.

"It's a golf course that I don't want to get off," Daly said Wednesday on the eve of the 16-nation Dunhill Cup.

Daly won the 1995 British Open at the home of golf two years after helping the American team win the Dunhill Cup. That was his only other appearance in the competition, and he won four of his five matches.

This time, he has Tiger Woods and Mark O'Meara as teammates in the \$1.67 million event.

Pro golf

The 16 teams play three round-robin matches on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The winners of each group advance to the semifinals, which are played on Sunday along with the final. Each member of the winning team earns \$167,000.

Prince Andrew Impresses O'Meara
ST. ANDREWS, Scotland — Being the Masters and British Open champion, Mark O'Meara appeared the ideal player

to partner golf-loving Prince Andrew in the pro-am before the Dunhill Cup. He had one problem. What to call his highness.

"When I first met him I said: 'Hello, Prince Andrew, I'm Mark O'Meara.' I called him Andrew the rest of the day. O'Meara said after their round at the Old Course, 'I don't know if that's right or wrong.'"

He found out. "No? It was wrong? I'm sorry," the slightly embarrassed American said. "No disrespect intended. He didn't have a problem with it. I called him Prince a few times so that makes up for it."

O'Meara said the prince, who has played for six or seven years, needs to work on his short game.

Duval returns to defend title

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. — David Duval was one of the biggest names in the field when he arrived at the Michelob Championship a year ago.

On Thursday, he returns as one of the biggest names in the game, a three-time winner on the PGA Tour for the second consecutive season and the tour's leading money-winner with more than \$2.1 million in 1998.

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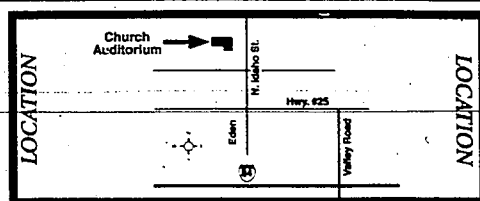
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AROUND THE VALLEY

Rural crew battles house blaze near falls

JEROME - The Jerome Rural Fire Department late Wednesday was fighting a house fire in a subdivision below the north rim of the Snake River Canyon near Shoshone Falls.

The department was called out to fire at 806 Riverview Drive at about 10:51 a.m. according to a report from the Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center.

Rural Fire Chief Joe Robinette and other department personnel were busy fighting the blaze Wednesday evening and could not be reached for comment.

Forest Service plans burn of 500 Poison Flat acres

KETCHUM - Forest Service officials plan to burn about 500 acres in Poison Flat about 12 miles southwest of here.

Officials at the Ketchum Ranger District hope the fire will reduce the risk of large, intense fires; reduce sagebrush; increase aspen growth; and improve wildlife habitat.

The trail through Poison Flat will be closed during the burning. Fire management officer Bill Murphy plans to light the fire this morning if the weather is right. About 20 firefighters will be on hand to light the fire and ensure it stays within prescribed bounds.

Bliss man rests at home after horse trampling

BLISS - Wally Tremelling of Bliss is recovering at home after a Sept. 15 accident at the Ogden, Utah, stockyards.

Tremelling stepped into a horse trailer to release a horse and was knocked down and trampled. When rescuers restrained the horse, Tremelling had deep prints on his chest. His stomach area was injured, and many of his facial bones were broken, he and his wife said.

Five paramedics worked 15 minutes to stabilize him before transporting him to Ogden's McKay Dee Hospital. There, surgical staff worked nearly 4 hours to repair the facial bones or replace them with plastic.

According to his wife, Velda, doctors said the bones of his face were like an egg dropped on the floor.

Tremelling was unconscious for 40 of his 14 days in the hospital. Recovery has been complicated by bacterial spinal meningitis caused by dirt getting in the wound when he was trampled, he and his wife said.

"I hurt all over, even my hair hurts," said Tremelling, who says he still feels a little wobbly when he walks.

Secretary of state urges early voter registration

TWIN FALLS - Friday is the last day before Nov. 3 that county clerks will accept voter registrations, and Secretary of State Pete Cenarrusa is urging Idahoans to register this week.

Voters still will be able to register on Election Day, but Cenarrusa said registering now will help prevent lines and delays at the polls.

The Twin Falls County clerk's office will stay open until 8 p.m. Friday to accommodate latecomers.

Fire closes 2-mile stretch of Idaho's Highway 75

BELLEVUE - A two-mile stretch of Idaho Highway 75 was closed Tuesday evening while firefighters battled a fire next to it.

The fire was started by sparks from a baling wire dragging behind a truck. Blaine County authorities said.

Trucks spread along Highway 75 between Glendale Road and south Bellevue, so traffic was diverted to Baseline Road while the fire was stamped out.

Compiled from staff reports

Prosecutors push to admit evidence

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

JEROME - Prosecutors' characterization of Jimmie Vurel Thomas as a chronically jealous and violent man might not be accurate and shouldn't be admitted during Thomas' first-degree murder trial, his attorney said Wednesday.

But a jury needs to hear how Thomas kidnapped a boyfriend of his ex-wife in 1996, Thomas' attorney said.

Jerome wants to mention 1997 kidnapping conviction during 1st-degree murder trial

kidnapping of Michael W. Phillips would help jurors understand his possible motive for killing another boyfriend, Steven Louder, said Jerome County Prosecutor John Lotshpeich.

Thomas' murder trial is set to begin Jan. 4.

Sheriff Judge Barry Wood gave Lotshpeich and lead defense attorney Lynn Demlap some time to prepare transcripts of their arguments over whether transcripts and other evidence from the Phillips kidnapping case will be admitted

during the murder trial.

Thomas in 1997 was convicted of kidnapping Phillips and was sentenced to 40 years in prison, but he died before he could be sent to prison.

Prosecutors say he returned to the Eden area from South Africa

months later, after learning that Louder had moved in with his ex-wife, Inna Marie Thomas.

"The old-fashioned motive of jealousy" motivated Jimmie Thomas to travel nearly halfway around the world and show up at his ex-wife's door with a pistol early on Nov. 14, 1997, with the intent to shoot Louder, Lotshpeich said.

"He came back out of his warped sense of honor," he said.

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Reform candidate gets free air time

By Gregory Hahn
Times-News writer

BOISE - Latham Williams wanted a chance to share an hour of public television.

He didn't get it.

Tonight, though, he has a half-hour all to himself.

Williams, a Ketchum-area banker, is the Reform Party candidate for the spot Lydin Justice Edwards is vacating this year. Idaho Public Television tentatively had scheduled a debate between Williams and Republican Ron Crane. No Democrat filed for the position.

Despite phone calls and letters from IPTV's Joan Cartan-Hansen, Crane refused to participate.

"It's hard for me to judge what his real motives are," said Williams, who will appear on the show "Dialogue" tonight instead.

Williams said he thought Crane didn't want to have to discuss his qualifications or his plan for the office.

"I can tell you what my (plan) is," Williams said. "I can tell you what my qualifications are."

But Crane said his refusal stems from inconsistencies with how IPTV chooses which candidates can debate.

The first letter IPTV sent required candidates to have filed a campaign finance report with Please see REFORM, Page C3

Tonight

Reform Party state caucus
Latham Williams will discuss his race tonight on "Dialogue," the Idaho Public Television show about state issues.
The show is at 8:30 tonight and repeat at 9:30 Sunday.
Tonight only, viewers may call in at 1-800-553-3800.

FORGET ABOUT HALLOWEEN



Lisa Clesler, owner of Country 2000 in Twin Falls, adds to a growing collection of Christmas decorations on display at her store Wednesday.

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, already

Some Twin Falls stores put up early holiday displays

TWIN FALLS - It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas.

Some stores already are putting up Christmas displays or at least are setting out yuletide merchandise.

The Country Gift Garden on Main Avenue in Twin Falls decorated trees on Wednesday and hung garlands in the store window.

The gift shop always decorates for the holidays at this time of year, store owner Lisa Clesler said. It lengthens the season enough that shoppers have more

time to spend money on decorations for themselves, she said. They can spend on their spending, buying gifts closer to Christmas.

Janet Goetzinger in Burley starts her Christmas in January. She begins to buy Christmas decorations for Farmington Lane, the holiday shop she sets up in her store, here, in January.

Goetzinger struggles holiday items early to find the best decorations, she said. And she opens Farmington Lane on Oct. 1.

"I think you'd be amazed at how many people start shopping early for their decorations," she said. "A lot of people plan early."

Goetzinger doesn't plan to put her Christmas lights up in the main store until after Halloween.

"I don't want Christmas started until my Christmas lights are up," she said. "But if I don't

open the shop early that's a whole month worth of sales I'm not going to get."

Cathy Freeborn, manager at the Hallmark store at Kurt's Pharmacy and Hallmark in Twin Falls, said she stocked Hallmark's collectible tree ornaments at the end of July.

In the meantime, the store will prepare for its Christmas open house Nov. 14, she said. Any later might be too late.

"I don't think we would meet customers' demands, because they like to shop early," she said.

Jim Goodwin, manager at J.C. Penney Co. at the Magic Valley Mall, said it's good business to get up early. It's also necessary because it takes a lot of personnel hours to prepare displays.

The store already has Christmas merchandise in stock, Goodwin said. Some people, such as those who have relatives

overseas, like to shop early. Displays will follow, probably on the first of November.

Elsewhere around the country, Christmas decorations popped up as early as September.

Lord & Taylor at the Garden State Plaza mall in Paramus, N.J., set up its wing of Christmas decorations two weeks ago, peddling walls in red and putting up 10 small Christmas trees loaded with ornaments.

"I think it's too early," said shopper Rosa Gonzalez of Paterson, N.J. "It gets me nervous. I got to think about all the money I've got to spend."

"Retailers have found that the sooner we start shopping for Christmas items, the more we're going to spend," said Audrey Gosley, a professor of marketing at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh. That's especially

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Challenger hopes to end commissioner's 18-year reign

Q What should the county's role be in regulating large-scale confined animal feeding operations?

Q Heipleman: "We need to provide a place for such operations." But the county must ensure the welfare of neighbors and the rest of the community. State agencies regulate water quality and public health.

Q Shropshire: "I think we need to look at it from the angle of how it will affect the community as a whole." The county should consider what is in the area now, and should be aware of resources and waste disposal.

CAMPAIGN

Do you support raising taxes to meet rising costs and growing crime, such as the special levy to pay for murder trials?

Do you support raising taxes to pay for more corrections? We have been as frugal as possible with our spending. He doesn't favor raising taxes just to raise taxes. But the county has another thing to pay for.

The proposed override levy is for two years, and the county is working with the state to help.

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What is the most pressing issue facing the county?

Q Heipleman: "The rising cost of the justice system." The county is number one in domestic violence and child abuse cases. That's not a nice thing to be number one in, but that's the crisis we face."

Q Shropshire: "Growth. How we're going to deal with it. Where are we going to put all the garbage? We need to - cities need to work with county planning and zoning to work things out together."

This report was prepared by Times-News staff writer N.S. Norkentved. He can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 237.

Q How should the county handle continued residential growth, while protecting the agricultural-based economy?

Q Heipleman: The county needs to stay within the comprehensive plan as much as possible, preserve farmland. But he doesn't want to regulate houses out of farmland entirely. The county should look at rocky spots to accommodate houses.

Q Shropshire: "I don't think we can plow down a 40-acre subdivision in the middle of an agricultural area. When agriculture needs to change to stay profitable, residents may oppose the change. Without agriculture most of the big industries here would dry up."

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Shropshire: "I don't support raising taxes just to raise taxes. We have to be a

more creative in a community this size to do the things we're supposed to do. The county has long known the cases would be coming to court, but officials did no planning.

Q What plans do you have to protect open space, and develop access to the river, such as the Sanger Falls?

Q Heipleman: It's a zoning issue. The county tries to limit subdivisions in the canyon bottom. "How much can we treat on others' property rights? We try to include public access in develop-

MAGIC VALLEY/IDAHO

Amid voter malaise, Senate challenger raises abortion issue

BOISE (AP) — With the election just four weeks away, Idaho candidates are still looking for something to wake voters up. Debates have been rare. Those that have occurred, like Wednesday night's statewide televised Supreme Court debate, have done little to spark interest. In an apparent attempt to invigorate his U.S. Senate campaign against Republican Congressman Mike Crapo, Democrat Bill Mauk earlier in the day invoked the abortion issue that played such a big role in the party's resounding 1990 election victory.

Speaking to two dozen women in Boise, the former state Democratic chairman conceded



Mike Crapo Bill Mauk

the issue is not as topical as it was eight years ago. But he maintained his pro-choice stand is as critically important today as ever.

"Mike Crapo, on this issue, is an absolute extremist," he said, citing Crapo's repeated support for anti-abortion bills in Congress and the state Legislature.

Crapo campaign has disputed Mauk's charge, contending that the Republican's stand mirrors that of a majority of Idaho voters. But even Mauk's wife, Susan, acknowledged that the public is not paying attention.

"People are sort of dropping out," she said. "There's a malaise out there."

It has increased concern about an extremely low turnout in a state that has boasted very high voter participation in past elections.

Seemingly lapsed records for the Senate and for governor between Republican U.S. Sen. Dirk Kempthorne and Democrat Robert Hundley have limited any general interest in either.

SERVICES

Michael R. Namer of Gooding, 11 a.m. today at Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Ernie Lee of Twin Falls, celebration of life will be held at

DEATH NOTICES

1. Elaine Jones of Paul, 21 a.m. today at Paul 3rd LDS Ward, 300 So. 500 W.; viewing from 20 to 10:45 a.m. before the service (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

Ernie Lee of Twin Falls, celebration of life will be held at

Isabelle Cochrane of Twin Falls, 1 p.m. today at Elmer Robertson Funeral Chapel at Jerome; friends may call from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the mortuary.

Ernie Lee of Twin Falls, celebration of life will be held at

William J. Spranger of Twin Falls, 2 p.m. today at Elmer Robertson Funeral Chapel at Jerome; viewing planned at the conclusion of the funeral.

Ernie Lee of Twin Falls, celebration of life will be held at

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-9331, Ext. 278, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays or Ext. 262 between 2 and 5 p.m. on Saturdays. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

BOISE



Lewis E. Calton
Lewis Elmer Calton, 89-year-old Rupert resident, died Wednesday, Oct. 7, 1998, at the Veterans Hospital in Boise. His death was the result of complications from a stroke which he suffered on Sept. 22, 1998.

Lewis was born Aug. 8, 1909, in Groesbeek, Mo. the son of George W. and Laura Ann Williams Calton. As a boy and young man he grew up in Missouri. He married June Harrison in 1941. For most of his married life, they have resided in Rupert. He joined the United States Army in 1944 and later received an honorable medical discharge. Lewis had several jobs in his early employment years. He worked at the Calico in Burley, managed the bus depot in Burley, and worked as a mechanic for Wayne Farmer. He then established his own business, the Courthouse Service Garage, which he owned and operated for 33 years until retirement. Until his last few years, he traveled yearly to Missouri to visit family and friends.

He is survived by his wife June of Rupert, three daughters, Connie (Buzz) Calton of Midsale, Utah, and Ola Lou (Kevin) Wardle of Salem, Ore., one grandson, and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Alma Bennett of Springfield, Mo., and Gladys (Alice of Renton, Wash.), and one brother, William Lawrence Calton of Renton, Wash.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the Rupert 3rd Ward LDS Chapel, 526 So. F St., with Bishop Leo Sundstrand officiating. Burial will be in Eureka, Mo., next to his father's grave. Arrangements are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel.

she cared for children in her home for thirty years. Many children will remember her fondly and recall, as they spent happy hours in the pretty home on the corner. She loved her flower gardens, and they were also enjoyed by the many people who passed by. Geneva not only enjoyed working in her yard, she liked to read, do crafts, sew, and spend time with her family. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, serving in the Primary, Relief Society and Young Women's organizations. She also was a member of the Topp's Club of Burley. Several years after the death of her husband in 1982, she married Norman Hutton June 22, 1991, at their home in Cedaredge. They were very happy together. She was a loving and caring person and will be greatly missed by all who loved her.

She is survived by her husband Norman of Cedaredge, Colo.; two daughters, Marjorie (Dick) Simpson of Twin Falls and Kelley (Larry) Walton of Chubbuck; two sons, Dean (Beverly) Durrant of Whitefish, Tenn., and Sheldon Ray of Spring Creek, Nev. She was preceded in death by her only son, a husband and one son, Darrell Durrant.

A service will be held at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, at Hansen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel. Bishop Leo Sundstrand will officiate at the service. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. Family and friends may call from 11 a.m. until the time of the service Saturday at Hansen Mortuary. Arrangements are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel.

the Wendell Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday at the Chapel.

TWIN FALLS



Martin Richter
Martin "Marty" Richter, 81, of Twin Falls, died early Tuesday morning, Oct. 6, 1998, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital.

Marty was born Dec. 22, 1916, in Davis Lake, N.D., to Vincent and Magdalene Richter. He moved with his family in 1919 to Jerome, as a young man, he worked for Salfway Food Store as meat cutter. He married Kay Kalm Oct. 26, 1941. He served in the United States Army in Europe during World War II and after four years returned to Jerome and resumed employment with Salfway. In 1954 he opened his own store, Marty's Market.

He is survived by his wife Kay, one son, Douglas (Tom) Richter and one daughter, Diane (Sid) Fitzpatrick; six grandchildren, one great-grandson. Marty shared the love of sports with his grandsons, Douglas, Richter, David Fitzpatrick and Travis Fitzpatrick. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

A service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 9, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park with military rites by local area veterans and auxiliary. Friends may call from 3 to 5 p.m. Thursday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. The family suggests memorials to the American Heart Association. Contributions may be left with chapel staff at the service or mailed to Reynolds Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

JEROME

D. Rex Davis
D. Rex Davis, 80, of Jerome, died Monday, Oct. 5, 1998, at his home following an extended illness. He was born June 23, 1918, in Blackfoot, the son of Samuel Graham and Edna Mabel Stueve Davis, and was reared and educated in Idaho Falls, Frier and Jerome. Following his graduation from high school, he went to Elgin, Ill., to watch maker's school for two years. He returned to Jerome and began the Davis Jewelry Store. Rex was drafted into the Army in 1942 and served until the end of the war. On Jan. 29, 1943, he married Laverna Shockley in Twin Falls and they made their home in Jerome and operated the jewelry store until retiring in 1967. Rex was a member of the Presbyterian Church, the Elks Lodge, and Lodge No. 61 AF&AM.

Survivors include his wife Laverna of Jerome; son Terry of Boise; daughter Shelley Davis Brunner and her husband, J. David of Boise; and two grandchildren, Holly Knobel and her husband Jason of Boise, and Trent Davis, his wife Kelley and their sons Jacob and Mitchell, all of Portland. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother.

A graveside service will be conducted at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 9, at the Jerome Cemetery with Rev. Jerome Lodge No. 61 AF&AM and the Rev. Jack Bynum officiating. Hovey-Robertson Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements. No viewing is planned. Friends may gather shortly before service time at the cemetery.

BOISE



J.D. Jimmy Merritt
J.D. Jimmy Merritt, 62, a Boise and former Wendell resident, died Tuesday, Oct. 5, 1998, at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

Jimmy was born Sept. 15, 1936, in Hwattina, Kan., the son of Robert and Claire Mae Rosenbaum Merritt. Jimmy moved with his family to Wendell in 1937 where he attended grade school. He later returned to Copeland, Kan., where he graduated from high school. Jimmy then joined the United States Army and served worldwide for over 20 years and finally retiring as Master Sergeant in 1963. He has made his home in Boise since Jimmy married Rosita Balaguan Jan. 22, 1959, in London, England.

He is survived by his wife Rosita, his mother, Claire Mae Merritt of Wendell, and son Robert Merritt of Seattle, Wash.; daughter Lori Dore of Boise; son Jeffrey Merritt of Meridian; and daughter Nancy Schoen of Meridian and Nancy Heuer of Rapid City, S.D. Jimmy is also survived by his brothers, Bill Bunn of Bliss, Dale Bunn of Wendell and John Merritt of Los Angeles, Calif.; sisters, Ruth Leckie of Boise and Jackie of Wendell; and 10 grandchildren. Jimmy was preceded in death by his father, Robert Merritt, and brothers, Avory Merritt and Robert Merritt.

His funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at Demary's Wendell Chapel. Burial will be at

CEDAREDDGE, COLO.



Geneva D. Hutton
Geneva D. Hutton, 82-year-old Cedaredge, Colo., and former Durant resident, died Monday, Oct. 5, 1998, in Colorado.

She was born Dec. 16, 1915, to Hyrum R. and Estella Park Burke in Woodville, Idaho. Geneva attended schools in Sall Lake City, Utah, and Shelly, Idaho. She married Melvin Durant Feb. 28, 1936, in Sall Lake City. Their marriage was later annulled in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. They moved to Rupert in 1946. She spent most of her married life in Rupert. During this time,

Filer School Board supports ban of 'Big Johnson' T-shirts

By Kelly J. Seitz
Times-News correspondent

FILER — Popular or not, T-shirts sporting a "Big Johnson" logo got the ax at the Filer School Board meeting Wednesday.

Filer High School Principal Leon Madson had requested a student go before the School Board after wearing three Big Johnson shirts to school.

The student's mother, Judy Shurtz, appeared before the board with her son. In her opinion, she said, the shirts were not sexually suggestive.

"She brought in three of the T-shirts to show the board, and each board member looked at the shirts, and the board unanimously supported Madson's decision to ban the shirts," said William Feussahrens, Filer superintendent.

Madson said the shirts were not sexually suggestive. He said the school would have had something to say about a student wearing three Big Johnson shirts to school. He said the school would have had something to say about a student wearing three Big Johnson shirts to school.

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Filer looks for ways to make bicycle law safer

By Kelly J. Seitz
Times-News correspondent

FILER — A proposed bill initiative was struck down at the Filer City Council meeting Tuesday evening, and the city is asking for help to rework the proposal.

Current Filer law says bicycles are allowed to be ridden on any sidewalk in the city.

The proposed ordinance, which would have allowed children to ride bicycles on sidewalks, was struck down at the Filer City Council meeting Tuesday evening, and the city is asking for help to rework the proposal.

Inspector general accuses regional EPA, state of doing too little about air pollutants

BOISE (AP) — The Environmental Protection Agency's inspector general criticized both the federal agency's regional office and the state in a new report for doing too little about air pollutants in Idaho.

The Idaho Division of Environmental Quality's air pollution enforcement chief on Tuesday called the findings "a mischaracterization of the state program" and said the EPA's conclusions were "largely unsupported."

But the federal agency's regional administrator responded to the auditor's findings by announcing the EPA would soon issue citations for a number of alleged longstanding violations of the federal Clean Air Act against which the state has taken adequate enforcement action or none at all.

"It's important that we enforce the state law. But as the inspector general rightly points out, the state must at least satisfy minimum EPA requirements," Chuck Clarke said from his Seattle office.

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Jerome residents resist neighbor's rezone request

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — Dr. Jack Adams, a local dentist, and wife Diane want to build a four-plex apartment on a vacant lot at 116 East Seventh Ave. Neighbors don't like his idea, though.

The area is zoned residential, but must be rezoned to multi-family residential to accommodate the four-plex.

During a Jerome City Council hearing Tuesday, Adams said he had owned the property for several years. He could build a duplex on the lot without a rezone but a four-plex made more sense, he said.

Met Robbins, who lives next door to the proposed four-plex, asked how a four-plex and parking for eight cars could fit on a 50-by-125-foot lot.

Dorothy Robbins, another next door neighbor, said the four-plex could create traffic problems. In the mornings, children go to school from an apartment complex across the street. A grocery store is in the same neighborhood, and the American Legion Hall, which often holds parties, is just a block away.

While neighbors could support a duplex, she said, a four-plex is too much.

Adams said the four-plex would add value to the neighborhood and might encourage neighbors to fix up their homes to upgrade the area. He said plans for parking comply with the law.

Bill Allred, chairman of the planning and zoning commission, said the Adamses' plans comply with the comprehensive plan.

Two more public hearings will be held on the request — on Oct. 20 and Nov. 3.

In other business:

- A public hearing on redefining the term "home occupation" for the retransition zone brought no opposition. The proposed ordinance would allow people to operate small businesses such as crafts or computer work in their homes as long as the occupant performs the work and the area used for the business doesn't exceed 400 square feet.
- The planning and zoning commission believes people can do business at home that has no impact on neighbors, Allred said.
- A third public hearing was held on charging a \$10 user fee

for use of the city-owned dump truck to haul yard waste to the county landfill.

Diane Adams said she has used the trucks on several occasions and considers the \$10 fee a bargain.

Bob Burton, a safety advisor with the state of Idaho, surveyed city streets. He reported to the council that he had found only six stop signs that represented a liability problem, because they were hard to see. Burton found several corners in the city where bushes, shrubbery or trees obstructed the view of signs. Trucks and pickups parked at corners also obstructed vision at intersections.

Walt Appell told the council about a new, computerized city water system.

It automatically turns on and off pumps, records storage tank water levels, notifies staffers of problems in the system, and records everything the system does. The computer can even give a printout of a year's water activity.

Times-News correspondent Dixie Thomas Reale can be reached in Jerome at 324-3670.

Bill that adds cash to Idaho heads to White House

The Associated Press

Federal legislation needed to implement Gov. Phil Batt's plan to dramatically increase the cash generated by Idaho's education endowments is headed for the White House.

The Senate late Wednesday approved the House-passed bill without objection, sending to President Clinton for his signature.

Seeing endowment reform as a major legacy of his administration, the retiring governor called the congressional action "the first steps to make millions of dollars available to our school kids without raising taxes."

But the final decision on the plan backers believe can generate as much as \$60 million a year more for public education rests

with Idaho voters, who must approve two amendments to state Constitution before increased investment flexibility over the endowments is authorized.

The amendments cleared the Legislature with only a handful of dissenting votes.

One amendment provides more flexibility in investing the endowment and the other creates a special Land Bank enabling proceeds from sale of existing endowment land to be used to buy more profitable tracts. Now sale proceeds must be deposited into the cash endowment, which is invested in only the safest financial instruments.

The package is the result of a two-year study by a special task force appointed by Batt.

Current management is yield-

ing a return on the land and cash endowments of about 3 percent a year — \$60 million annually. Increasing that to the return normal savers get on their extremely safe bank passbook accounts would pump nearly that much more into Idaho's public schools.

Opposition has been limited, led primarily by retiring State Treasurer Lydia Justice Edwards. She claims the amendments open the door for the state to invest — and possibly lose — the endowment money in a volatile stock market.

But state Controller J.D. Williams argued that the state is missing the boat by relying on an investment strategy that was developed over a century ago.

"Diversification is the key in a volatile financial market," he said.

Hantavirus infects Utah woman, places her in critical condition

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A Vermont woman infected with hantavirus is in critical but stable condition at the University of Utah Medical Center.

Hospital spokesman John Dwan said Sheree L. Reynolds, 28, has shown improvement since being airlifted to the U. of U. hospital from Ashley Valley Medical Center on Sept. 30.

The woman was most likely infected after being exposed to rodent nests while working in an agricultural setting.

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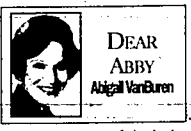
BUHL - The Buhl Crime Watch Report for the week of Sept. 28 through Oct. 4 includes:

- Arrests and citations: Jeffrey B. Hasler, 18, Buhl, illegal consumption. Tony D. Kuntz, 36, Buhl, driving while suspended, possession of drug paraphernalia, narcotics possession. Karen M. Christwell, 26, Shoshone, probation violation warrants, failure to pay warrant. James D. Moon, 21, Buhl, youthful concealment. Jeffrey H. Branson, 18, Buhl, illegal consumption, probation violation warrants. Mark H. Buhl, illegal consumption. Female, 17, Buhl, probation violation warrant. Reports taken: Burglary - 132 S. Broadway, Fields 66, 1507 Main, coat company. Vehicle burglary - 716 N. 13th, Auto theft - 120 S Broadway, Pioneer (trailer). Theft - 125 N. 12th (gas tank), 115 N. Ninth, Don's Thriftway (shoplifting), 229 N. Broadway, Circle K (shoplifting), 650 Chestnut, Times Family Store. Vanadation - 225 Floral (windows). Evading and eluding police - Pine and North Broadway. Lending exposure - 200 block of North Seventh. Forgery of checks - 315 Greatlakes. Juvenile flight - 705 E. U.S. Highway 30, R.R. Grocery. Reported traffic accidents: 300 block of North Broadway, North Seventh Street; 400 block of North Broadway, Greatlakes and South Broadway. City code element. Weapons and property thefts - 408 N. 13th 612 N. Ninth. Property thefts - 509 N. Seventh.

The Buhl crime report is provided by the Buhl Police Department and published by The Times-News as a public service.

Man tallies high price of beer

DEAR ABBY: I have a message I would like to pass on to teenagers. I hope you will print it. Young people, that first beer may carry a cost far higher than the \$5 you pay for a six-pack. Let me tell you what beer cost me: 1. A career in the Air Force because after six years, I was forced to drink beer instead of report for duty. 2. An accounting career because I stole from my employer to buy beer. 3. A close relationship with my parents and sister because they don't drink. 4. A son and daughter. They have refused any contact with me for 11 years. I last tried to talk with them in October 1997, but they wanted no part of me. 5. A close relationship with my wife and another son because my wife doesn't drink. 6. I was used and abused them until they had enough and cut me off. 7. A secure future. I'm 53 with no savings, assets or insurance. 8. My wife's license. 9. Medical care. I fear what a doctor may find. 10. My self-respect. I'm a loser and there's no reason to be sober. In the 1970s I attended AA and stayed sober for two years, but it didn't last.



DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been married for 35 years. He has a 42-year-old daughter from a previous marriage. She has been married twice and has three sons. She forced her second husband to pay for her college education and then she dumped him. Now this daughter is ready for graduate school and has dropped several hints that we should pay for it. My husband is 62 and retired. I run a home-based sewing business so we don't have to dip into our savings to supplement our limited income. Yet this middle-aged daughter thinks we should pay for her education. Abby, what should my response be in this situation? — ON PINS AND NEEDLES IN WASHINGTON STATE

have successfully beaten this addiction, and you can too, if you get help.

DEAR DONALD: Your letter is quite sobering. I hope it will prompt every young person who is tempted to try a beer to carefully consider the consequences. I urge you to return to AA or some other treatment program. Many people

DEAR PINS AND NEEDLES: Tell her no, and if she asks why, don't embroil the truth simply say, "We can't afford it."

Advertisement for 'Looking for a New Job? Click Here!' featuring 'The Times-News Online' and a list of classified ads including: CITY OF ANGELS (PG13), LETHAL WEAPON IV (M), THE TRUMAN SHOW (PG13), THE MASK OF ZORRO (PG13), DR. DOLITTLE (PG13), HOPE FLOATS (PG13), and All Sex Auditions Features.

Advertisement for Orpheum Theatre listing movies: 'JEROME CINEMA 4', 'TWIN CINEMA 12', and 'Orpheum Theatre' with showtimes and prices.

Large advertisement for 'SIMON BIRCH' with the tagline 'A very special film. It will touch you for a long time.' and 'Starts Friday!'.

Advertisement for 'MIZ' magazine with the headline 'A marvelous delight. Go see it, step on it!' and 'The Only Book, THE TODAY SHOW'.

Advertisement for 'Beanie Babe Auction' on Sat. Oct. 10th 5-30 PM, Main Street Plaza, 132 Main Ave S. - Twin Falls.

Advertisement for 'OHLSENHELEN AUCTION' on Saturday, October 10, 1998, located at the southeast corner of Buhl, Idaho.

Advertisement for 'AUCTION WESTBURG' on Saturday, October 10, 1998 at 11:00 AM, listing various household items for sale.

Advertisement for 'APPLIANCES' and 'BEDROOM FURNITURE' available at the Ohlensehlen Auction.

Advertisement for 'WHAT DREAMS MAY COME' featuring Robin Williams and Cuba Gooding, Jr., now showing at Twin Cinema 12 & Jerome 4.

Advertisement for 'A NIGHT AT THE ROXBURY' now showing at Twin Cinema 12.

Advertisement for 'Smoke Signals' starting Friday at Twin Cinema 12.

Advertisement for 'NATIONAL DEPRESSION SCREENING DAY' on Thursday, October 8, 1998, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., at Canyon View Psychiatric and Addiction Services.

Advertisement for 'LAWN & GARDEN' and 'SPORTING ITEMS' available at the Ohlensehlen Auction.

Advertisement for 'OWNER: DOROTHY OHLSENHELEN' listing auctioneers and clerks for the upcoming sale.

Advertisement for 'ANTZ' now showing at Twin Cinema - Friday in Jerome.

Advertisement for 'THE HORSE WHISPERER' featuring Robert DeNiro, starting Friday at Jerome Cinema 4.

Advertisement for 'ONE TRUE THING' featuring Kiersey Cleary, Renee Zellweger, and William Hurt, ending today at Orpheum Friday at Twin Cinema 12.

Does popularity = performance?

Some widely held mutual funds have trouble with investment returns

By **Chet Currier**
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Since every other publication covering mutual funds seems to be doing it, we thought we'd take a moment today to offer our Top 10 ranking of fund families.

We don't know about such-and-such magazine's or so-and-so newsletter's list, but we can tell you without hesitation that our system of rating each fund family's popularity is purely mathematical and absolutely objective. It counts the votes of every investor who owns any fund shares.

We stress that this system makes no judgment of which family is better at managing funds, providing courteous service to its clientele, or helping people meet specific investment goals. But as a raw measure of popularity, it's quite clear.

How can we do all this? Simply by looking at the amount of assets entrusted to each fund family, by investors who are in most cases free to redeem their holdings and move their money elsewhere any day they choose.

We'll use the latest tabulation of assets and market share from the research firm Dalbar Inc. as of July. Dalbar's Top 10 rankings generally don't change dras-

tically from one month to the next, except when mergers of large financial firms realign existing families into new groups.

No. 1, with \$58.19 billion in its coffers, is Fidelity Investments of Boston, the long-established industry titan that came under heavy fire from its critics a year or two ago, but has more recently been the subject of several comeback stories.

"Did one year really make all the difference? Of course not," says Eric Kobren in his independent newsletter Fidelity Insight. "Fidelity's troubles were never as bad as most commentators claimed."

Fidelity executives themselves have acknowledged that the performance of some of their funds faltered for a time. Kobren says it's too soon to say now whether the firm's managers are ready to rack up winning scores again.

"Let's wait until we see a return to sustained market-beating returns," he concludes.

No. 2 is the Vanguard Group, which has been widely regarded as a challenger to Fidelity's king-of-the-hill status, but Fidelity remains half again as big.

In third place, at \$25.47 bil-

Mutual funds: leaders and losers

An assessment of fund performance by Lipper Analytical Services.

The 10 best and 10 worst funds as measured by their rate of return during the three months starting June 30 and ending September 30.

Top Funds	Invest.	Obj.	Return	Bottom Funds	Invest.	Obj.	Return
Prudential Bear Fund	CA	21.93	Leontium Trkns Russt	EM	48.26		
Prudential Ultrabond	IV	5.78	Montgomery Eastern Europan	EM	40.08		
Constock Cap Value	AV	17.48	Montgomery Latin America	EM	39.42		
Leontium Strat Invments	AJ	16.67	Excelsior Latin America	EM	37.94		
Oriongas Fund	CA	11.52	INVESTCO St. Lat Am Div	EM	36.17		
Janit Twenty-Five	AI	11.22	Nevada Contrstn Fund	EM	35.02		
Prudential Bear Inv	S	11.10	IDBANK Lat Am Eq. S	EM	34.71		
Prudential US/Short	I	5.00	AI Mktk Fund	EM	33.92		
Pharos Fund	CA	10.86	Fidelity Energy Sec. Inv	MF	33.77		
RYCOX Prec Metals C	AJ	10.60	Fidelity St. Energy S	MF	33.72		

Definitions: CA: Capital Appreciation, EM: Emerging Markets, G: Growth, S: Short-Term, IV: International, LI: Large-Cap, M: Mid-Cap, R: Real Estate, T: Technology, V: Value, W: World, Y: Yield, Z: Zero. These include funds with and without leverage.

Source: Lipper Analytical Services

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An assessment of fund performance by Lipper Analytical Services.

The 10 best and 10 worst funds as measured by their rate of return beginning Jan. 1 and ending September 30.

Top Funds	Invest.	Obj.	Return	Bottom Funds	Invest.	Obj.	Return
Prudential Ultrabond	IV	CA	65.20	Leontium Trkns Russt	EM	48.26	
Janit Twenty-Five	AI	CA	45.70	Excelsior Em Asia Mkt	EM	42.27	
Grand Prix Fund	D	CA	42.50	Montgomery Latin America	EM	40.08	
Prudential OTC Plus	CA	CA	42.38	INVESTCO St. Lat Am Div	EM	39.42	
Fidelity St Computer	TK	CA	40.84	INVESTCO St. Lat Am Div	EM	39.42	
RYCOX OTC Fund	CA	CA	37.51	Excelsior Latin America	EM	37.94	
Dynetics Technology Grow	TK	CA	37.39	Nevada Contrstn Fund	EM	35.02	
Montgomery II GL-S-A	GL	CA	36.80	IDBANK Latin America	EM	34.71	
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Berger Select Fund	CA	CA	32.50	Frontier Equity Fund	EM	33.92	

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MONEY IN BRIEF

Grain, beef futures rise on Delta rains

Grain, livestock and beef futures prices, depressed for months, rose sharply for a week as global demand, rose sharply for a second straight week and the dollar fell against major currencies, making American goods cheaper.

Grain and livestock prices jumped early on the Chicago Board of Trade and most other exchanges that the Clinton administration is negotiating with American producers to economically troubled Russia, which is suffering from poor growing weather and a near work stoppage.

Wheat for December delivery rose 11 3/4 cents to \$2.95 1/2 per bushel. December corn rose 7 3/4 cents to \$2.18 per bushel, and November soybeans rose 10 3/4 cents to \$5.33 1/2 a bushel.

HP plans to sell 43 acres in Washington

HP Inc. plans to sell 43 acres in Washington to consolidate its two campuses in Gaithersburg, Md., and sell one of the sites. The company plans to purchase 45-acre North Campus on the market by the end of the year, spokeswoman Beth Quarantaro said. The 43-acre parcel will be moved to the 150-acre South Campus.

The new campus office estimates the land is worth \$25 million. The deal also includes a 468,000-square-foot building, which will be moved from the Gaithersburg campus.

Employees began the land and office building four years ago. The decision to sell the property comes as Hewlett-Packard cuts 100-employee payroll worldwide. The company has offered severance packages to 2,500 employees and is cutting its workforce by more than 10 percent.

Wines is not object for wine at dinner

People who like good wines aren't bothered by the high prices on wine country wines, according to an online survey by the magazine.

About 80 percent of those who spend for a bottle of wine at a restaurant average \$100 per bottle. The respondents said \$30 to \$49. Another 10 percent said they spend \$20 to \$29. Just 7.9 percent said they spend for the "premium" wine spending under \$20. And 11.4 percent said they don't buy wine at all.

Statisticians said for the most part, they bring their own wine and save themselves the often high markups, or they don't drink wine at all.

Compiled from wine reports

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Index	High	Low	Open	Close	Change
DJIA	9,210.14	9,175.34	9,200.00	9,185.34	-14.66
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NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

Symbol	Price	Change
AA	10.12	+0.01
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AAU	10.12	+0.01
AAV	10.12	+0.01
AAW	10.12	+0.01
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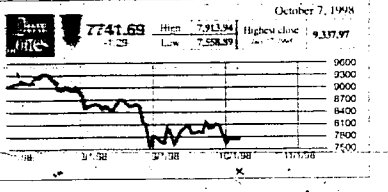
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Down 1; NASDAQ tumbles to 52-week low

Investors are becoming increasingly concerned about credit conditions and whether an economic slowdown will slow banks' lending activities, and cut into their profits.

NEW YORK — Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan predicted Wednesday a weaker economic recovery for the United States, warning a wave of mergers and acquisitions in the stock market.

Fossil fuels

Oil prices fell Wednesday, with West Texas Intermediate futures dropping 1.03 cents to 20.00 a barrel.

Metals/Currency

Selected world gold prices, Wednesday: Hong Kong gold price, \$298.50 an ounce.

SUGAR

NEW YORK (AP) — Sugar futures trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange closed Wednesday.

MUTUAL FUNDS

Large table listing various mutual funds, their performance, and other details. Columns include fund name, high, low, change, and other metrics.

IDAHO/WEST

Fink children return to Salt Lake City

Parents remain in Montana jail

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A malnourished 21-month-old boy was returned to the hospital on Wednesday and, much to the relief of doctors and nurses, was no weaker than when his parents kidnapped him 18 days earlier. In fact, he had added a pound and now weighs 17 pounds. "We're ecstatic to have him back," said Dr. Edward Clark, medical director at Primary Children's Medical Center. "Our team was obviously very shaken."

David Fink and his healthy baby brother, born in the past two weeks as their parents hid in the Montana woods, arrived on Delta flight 1971 from Billings, Mont., at Salt Lake City International Airport Wednesday afternoon.

Their parents, Christopher and Kyndra Fink, remained in the Yellowstone County Detention Facility in Billings, Mont., where they await an extradition hearing Friday morning. They have said

they will not fight extradition to Utah.

A Stillwater County justice of the peace on Wednesday set the bonds at \$500,000 each, said Sherry Scheel Matteucci, U.S. Attorney for Montana. Montana authorities, acting on a tip from hunters, found the Finks on Monday in a remote, mountainous area of southern Montana called Dead Indian Gulch.

The couple, both 23, had told family members their son David was the Christ child and had to remain pure and so fed him little more than watermelon and lettuce. He had been taken to Primary Childrens Sept. 14 by family members and a concerned social worker. Wrapped in blankets that covered their heads and faces, the children were carried by state caseworkers from the jet to two waiting airport security cars before the trip to the Salt Lake hospital on Wednesday.

Clark said the new baby, Elijah, appears to be a normal, healthy newborn with no sign of malnutrition. He has been on a diet of breast milk.



A Salt Lake International Airport police officer escorts case workers with the Utah Division of Child and Family Services. The women are carrying David Fink, foreground, and Elijah Fink as they depart their flight Wednesday from Billings, Mont.

Commission says appeals court needs revamping

WASHINGTON (AP) — The sprawling 9th U.S. Judicial Circuit should be divided into three parts but not dismantled, a congressionally chartered commission said Wednesday.

The 91-page draft report by the commission also proposed creating a new court to resolve any conflicting rulings among those divisions, which would still encompass nine Western states.

The 9th Circuit, with 23 judgeships, is among the 13 appeals courts that comprise the middle tier of the federal judiciary — between trial courts and the Supreme Court. Most of the other appeals courts have no more than 12 judgeships.

Idaho Attorney General Al Lance said the commission's recommendation was "most disappointing, but not particularly surprising."

"This recommendation will be trumpeted by its advocates as a creative solution," Lance said. "However, the creativity simply applies a Band-Aid to mask the symptoms."

The congressional commission

9th Circuit Court
 The report recommends the new organization for the 9th Circuit:
 1. **Western Division** to include Idaho, Utah, Montana, Oregon and Washington.
 2. **Midwest Division** to include part of California and Hawaii, Nevada and the Pacific Islands.
 3. **Southern Division** to include Southern California and Arizona.

is the outgrowth of a decades-old debate over the best way to run the 9th Circuit court, long regarded by conservatives in Congress as being too liberal.

But the report's suggestion of subdividing the 9th Circuit may prove too modest for members of Congress who have advocated splitting it into several new judicial circuits.

The draft report suggests that Congress allow federal appeals courts with more than 13 judgeships to organize themselves into such divisions, and require it when any appeals court's membership exceeds 17 judges.

More California condors flown from Idaho

BOISE (AP) — Nine California condors raised in captivity in Idaho and California were being flown to a site near the Grand Canyon this week, moving populations of the endangered bird another step closer to recovery. A plane provided by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management left

Wednesday for St. George, Utah, with six condors raised at The Peregrine Fund's World Center for Birds of Prey south of Boise.

After delivering the birds, the plane was scheduled to continue to Los Angeles to pick up three other condors that will be taken to St. George on Thursday. The

condors will be released to the wild after spending six to eight weeks getting acclimated to the area along the Utah-Arizona border.

There already are 14 condors in the wild in Arizona. The new group, includes four males, three females and two of unknown gender.

Man pleads guilty in video case

BLACKFOOT (AP) — A man who videotaped teen-aged girls in sexual poses has pleaded guilty to 11 counts in 7th District Court.

Richard Dean Smith of Blackfoot entered his pleas Tuesday to five counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, five counts of sexual abuse and one charge of sexual battery. Prosecutors dismissed

nine counts.

Smith, 43, along with three other adults, was arrested in September for allegedly filming the girls while they danced naked. The mother of the 16-year-old girl said Smith threatened the teens. Relatives said they did not know the videotaping was going on until two of their daughters ran away from home.

Suicidal woman seeks release

LEWISTON (AP) — A woman who says she shot at a police officer in a suicide attempt could be released from prison in less than a year.

Dianna Lee Vick, 31, has spent about four years in prison for aggravated assault on a police officer and unlawful dis-

charge of a firearm.

Her original sentence of 10 to 20 years was reduced Tuesday to five to 20 years, with credit for time served in jail while she went through court.

The second sentencing is the result of an Idaho Court of Appeals decision.

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Section D

A canoe, a cat and a lake

I took a canoe trip with my cat the other day. It was great fun as far as I was concerned, and I think the cat was enjoying herself by the end of the voyage.

The trip was nothing special, just a 30-minute bumble around Dierkes Lake at sunset. I do that sort of thing all the time, but the cat—well, she's still learning.

We shoved off at the usual place on the southwest tip of the lake. As soon as we were 3 feet offshore, I opened "Murtaugh's" travel carrier and set her free inside the canoe.

Launching always is an edgy time because she's in a cage and could drown if the boat capsized. For everyone's benefit, I tie a rope to the cage so I can find it in a hurry. As soon as we were under way—and I know she won't make a flying-squirrel leap for shore—I turn her loose.

O! Murt was pretty grumpy at the start of our last voyage, so I had to wheedle her out of the cage. She skulked around in the bottom of the canoe which, fortunately, is her family territory. When we're at home, I often set the boat down for her to play in.

Still, she refused to put her front paws on the gunwale and peek over the edge.



FORCE OF NATURE
William Brock

The outing was for her benefit, so I wanted her to get a good look. As gently as I could, I scooped her up and put her in my lap. After she got settled, I began to paddle again.

The rest of the voyage was magic. We glided over shallow areas, where bite-sized fish loitered in the weeds. Murt eyed them as we passed and I brought the boat to a halt over a few of the more mouthwatering specimens.

She was content to watch, so we pressed on without a whiff of conflict.

We stopped to stretch our legs on a rock island near the dock at the far end of the lake. At first, Murt was pretty tentative, but she warmed to the occasion and began prowling the waterline with interest.

While she frisked at my feet, I bled a magnificent sunset. The lake glowed with burnished, golden light—illuminating every ghostly breath of wind on the water. Bugs landed, fish rose, ripples fanned out like halo and time stood still.

For a few tranquil moments, there was nothing but sun and sky, rock and water, and me and my cat.

We re-boarded the canoe a moment after sunset and began working our way back along the south shore. I enjoy the southeast end of Dierkes Lake for its thick cattails, which makes it a fine place to see muskrat.

I paddled slowly and quietly, hoping to spot one. Sure enough, a little rat pulled out of the reeds and began swimming west.

Like I'd done many times before, I pulled up behind it and sprinted out the speed. If they don't run abruptly, muskrat and beaver can be followed closely for hundreds of yards.

Murt didn't notice the rat until I pointed it out to her. Once she caught sight of it, she stared with rapt attention, standing up in my lap for a better view.

I knew she was enjoying our stealthy pursuit, so I paddled as smoothly as I could. Finally, the muskrat took a wide swing toward the center of the lake, spotted us, then ripped into the cattails for sanctuary.

Shortly afterward, we encountered two young geese on a point where the south shore curves to form a little bay and the lake swells its maximum width. The geese took to water as we drew near so, naturally, we tagged along at a respectful distance.

The geese began honking nervously, which frightened Murt and caused her tail to bristle like a bottle brush. She didn't know if she was predator or prey, so I eased off to let the geese get away.

By this time, Murt had warmed to the voyage. She hopped down from my lap and swaggered around the canoe like a jolly sea dog.

We arrived back at the launch without incident and, as carefully as I could, I eased Murt to her cage and landed the boat. I put my cat in the cab of the truck, tied the canoe on top and tossed my life jacket into the bed.

We drove away slowly and no one was the wiser.

William Brock is Outdoors editor of The Times-News.

Quest for Quail

Magic Valley's goofiest game bird challenges hunters

By Stu Murrell
Times-News correspondent

JEROME—With rakish topknots and busy little feet, valley quail are some of the Magic Valley's goofiest-looking game birds. These sprightly creatures are a bird watcher's delight and a challenge for hunters.

Their most prominent feature is a topknot of black feathers that jut jauntily from their heads. Males have a black and white face with a golden breast, edged by gray and white feathers. Females are less colorful, with a shorter gray topknot and primarily gray appearance.

They weigh 6 to 7 ounces and, in the fall, gather together into coveys made up of several family groups. Coveys contain anywhere from 15 to 75 birds, depending on nesting-season success.

Valley quail are considered an introduced species in Idaho, but it's unclear when the first transplants from California took place. They are classed as a game bird with a generous hunting season extending from the third weekend in September through Dec. 31. The bag limit is 10 per day.

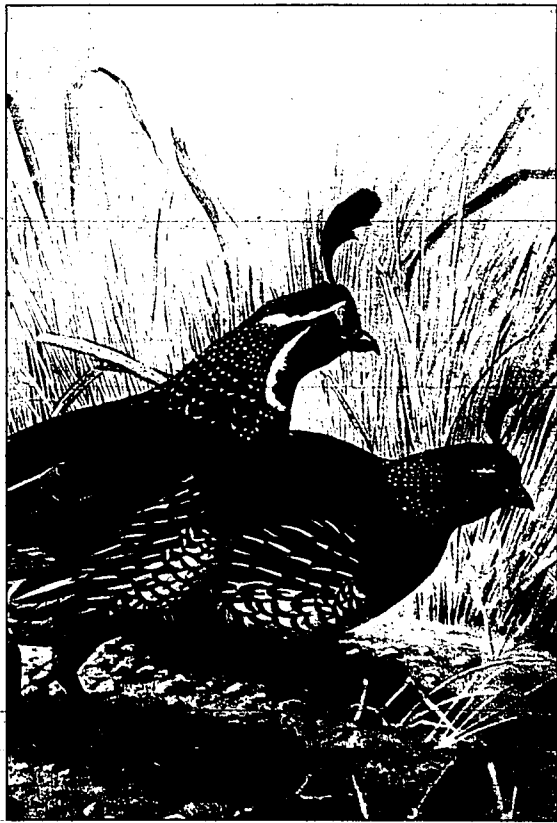
Twin Falls is near the upper limit of their range along the Snake River. Elsewhere, they are scattered throughout the lower Salmon and Clearwater drainages in Idaho.

Quail have a high mortality rate, said Randy Smith, regional wildlife manager for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game in Jerome. Anywhere from 60 to 75 percent of them die each year, whether they are hunted or not.

Hunters take 25 to 30 percent of the population, which leaves plenty of birds to ensure their survival.

Quail die from a number of factors, including predators, accidents, disease, weather, fire and drought. They are particularly susceptible to nest predators, such as skunks, ground squirrels, badgers, crows, ravens, magpies and snakes. Away from the nest, chicks and adults are taken by feral and domestic cats, Cooper's hawks, northern harriers and goshawks.

Severe winters also take a toll because quail were introduced from more temperate climates. Quail tend to expand their range during mild winters, but are killed off when sub-zero temperatures and



Valley quail are easily recognized by their distinctive topknots. This scene was taken from a painting.

deep snows hit the high country.

The key to maintaining quail populations is adequate habitat. They must have water and dense shrubs for shelter, skunk bush, roses, blackberries, sagebrush, Russian olives and willows are favorite haunts. They are not a far-ranging bird and coveys have been hunted in the

same areas for 40 years.

Quail are primarily vegetarians with an appetite for weed seeds, waste grain and greens. Young birds will gobble down insects to provide additional nutrients while growing.

Their life cycle is similar to many game birds. They pair-off in late spring and females lay 10 to 12 eggs in June. They are

vocal birds and males will utter a single note "ca" call, announcing their territory while females incubate eggs in the ground nest. When coveys are separated, their gathering call is "ca-ka-ca." When danger threatens, their warning calls are a low "putt-putt-putt."

Savvy hunters can use these calls to locate their quarry.

Ski industry slump skips The Canyons

The Associated Press

SNYDERVILLE, Utah—Some in the ski industry think the growth of their business may have topped out, but those pessimists can't be found at The Canyons Ski Resort.

"This little area is by far making more advances than anywhere in the ski industry," says resort spokesman Mike Grass.

Up on the hill, The Canyons spent about \$20 million last year in replacing most of the old ski lifts at what had been Park West Ski Resort and then Wolf Mountain.

And this past summer it invested another \$12 million in lifts, snowmaking equipment and two more lodges.

At the base, construction has begun on the Sundial Lodge, a condominium hotel, and on The Canyons' Grand Summit Hotel.

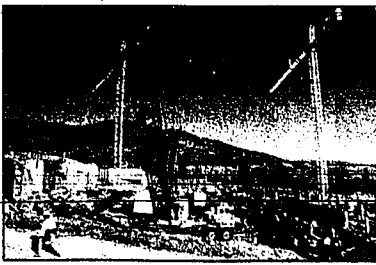
The Canyons planned to sell the first 150 of approximately 200 Sundial Lodge condominium units and wondered whether they would go quickly. But the resort's real estate division didn't have to wait long—less than a day.

The 150 units sold out in slightly more than 10 hours for \$42 million.

"It was the largest real estate sales in a day involving resort properties. That shows the demand is definitely there," Grass said.

American Skiing acquired the northern Utah resort in 1997, along with Steamboat Springs in Colorado and Heavenly Valley on the California-Nevada state line. It also owns Killington and Mount Snow in Vermont, Antishar Bear Peak, N.H., and Sugarloaf and Sunday River in Maine.

The Canyons also is attempting to sell the 360 rooms in the Grand Summit. Please see S10, Page D2



Construction workers return to their tasks Tuesday after some blasting at the building site of two new hotels at The Canyons in Park City, Utah.

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IDAHO IN BRIEF

BLM closes bat caves

SHOSHONE - Starting next week, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management will close 12 southern Idaho caves to protect two species of bats.

The closures will run from Oct. 15 through May 1.

The idea is to provide a good winter's rest for Townsend's big-eared bats and Western small-footed bats. Bats are the primary night-time consumers of insects, including mosquitoes. Bat populations are declining throughout the West, but southern Idaho's caves are home to some of the largest remaining colonies.

To survive through the winter, hibernating bats lower their metabolisms and draw on fat reserves for survival.

"When people enter hibernation sites, bats respond by revving up their metabolism and burning relatively huge amounts of body fat," said Paula

Call, a Shoshone-based bat specialist with the BLM. "Bats that are disturbed can very easily starve to death before insects are available in the spring."

All closed caves will be posted with signs. For more information about the closures, call Call at 886-7254.

Mountain lion hunt ends

BOISE - The Department of Fish and Game closed the hunting season for mountain lions in Hunt Unit 24 after hunters reached a quota set for the unit.

"Lion hunting in this unit was scheduled to remain open until March 31, or until three female lions were harvested, whichever came first," regional wildlife manager Jeff Rohlfman said Tuesday.

The pursuit season for lions in the unit remains open through March 31.

Compiled from wire reports

Fabled rivers of Yellowstone offer great fishing

By Susan Spano
Los Angeles Times

EMIGRANT, Mont. - A trout is a very nervous creature, says "The Orvis Fly-Fishing Guide." Early in July, flying into Bozeman, Mont., along the forested crest of the Rocky Mountains, I could empathize, because I was about to test my nerves against theirs in the fabled trout streams that drain the northern precincts of Yellowstone National Park: the Madison, Gardner, Gibbon, Lamar and the mighty Yellowstone, the longest free-flowing

river in the Lower 48.

Inside the 2.2-million-acre national park, there are 400 fishable waters, including meandering creeks, ponds and lakes where, after being duped by fly-fishermen, most fish live to be duped again because, thanks to conservation, catch and release is largely the rule. The fishing season lasts from snowmelt in late May to first snowfall in October, and the average size of trout landed in the park is about 14 inches - lake, brook, brown, rainbow and the native cutthroat trout, known for its incredible gullibility. Studies have shown

that the average cutthroat gets hooked 10 times a season, and that some are so dumb they land in a net three times a day.

So, despite the fact that I'd only done a little fishing before, and never with an inanimate fly (vs. a real insect lure), the odds were with me and against the trout. To strengthen my advantage, I booked a six-night guided fly-fishing package at Hubbard's Yellowstone Lodge (\$2,080, not including equipment rental or van transfer from the Bozeman airport), one of about 40 lodges endorsed by the well-known fishing outfitter, the Orvis Co.

Ski

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Hotel in 13-week blocks. Buyers would own their one-, two- or three-bedroom hotel suites in three-month blocks, or for six months, nine months or the entire year. The idea is to have the rooms placed in rental pools when the owners are away.

The Grand Summit is already 36 per-

cent sold - \$40 million in real estate purchases thus far - and work crews have yet to finish pouring the hotel's cement.

"The support from the destination guests and the local real estate community has been fantastic and far exceeded our expectations," said Nancy Serapin of The Caryons' real estate division.

Gess said the plan is to continue working on the hotel and lodge through this winter, getting them ready to open for the 1999-2000 season.

From its Wolf Mountain-Park West gateway of carrying 8,000 skiers up hill per hour, the Caryons has tripled its lift capacity to 24,000 skiers per hour.

Healthy elk populations should lead to good hunting

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Utah's elk population is thriving, which is good news for hunters who will be taking to the mountains Wednesday for the opening of the hunt.

Mike Welch, big game coordinator for the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources said the elk population is currently about 60,000. That is about 5,000 below the optimal population reached by biologists, but many areas are exceeding their optimal populations.

Welch said he expects about one in five hunters to be successful this year, similar to last year's figures.

Hunting in northern Utah should be good, said Lou Cornicelli, regional manager. He said all but the Summit-West Daggett unit in his area meets or

exceeds the management limits. Success in the region ranged from a high of 26 percent on Chalk Creek to a low of 11 percent on the Ogden unit.

Cornicelli said he expects that those hunters getting away from the roads and hiking the back-country will have the best success.

In the central region, all the units either meet or exceed their optimal populations, which means good hunting. In 1997, the success rate in the central region was about 15 percent.

Elk populations in northeastern Utah are about the same as last year. Ron Stewart, regional information officer, said all of the herds in the Uinta Mountain units are doing well.

"A good water year has created an excellent forage base, so

the elk are fat and healthy," he says.

Success in the southeastern region is expected to be mixed. Brent Stetler, regional information officer, said the elk population around the Manti area is thriving, but elk were widely scattered in the low-elevation pinyon-juniper areas to sub-

alpine habitat types.

And, in the southern region, with the exception of the Beaver unit, all the areas meet or exceed the management guidelines. Jeff Grandison, region wildlife manager, said he expects a success rate of between 11 and 19 percent.

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COMICS

Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

GUESS WHAT, SPIKE, MOM SAYS YOU CAN GO HOME TODAY.

I HAVE TO CARRY YOU BECAUSE SHE SAID YOU'RE TOO WEAK TO WALK.

THIS IS WHERE YOU LIVE?

LIVE?

Dilbert By Scott Adams

IT'S NOT MY POLICY TO FIRE MORONS, DONALD. FIRING IS EXPENSIVE.

IT'S MY POLICY TO MAKE YOUR JOB SO UNPLEASANT THAT YOU QUIT.

SO, YOUR PROJECT INVOLVES BEING BITTEN BY COYOTES?

ONLY TWO MORE YEARS AND I'M VESTED.

R.C. By Johnny Hart

OH, GREAT GURL, NOW I'M GONNA FIND TRUE LOVE?

HA... THAT'S TOUSHIE.

HAVE YOU EVER HEARD OF A SPIRITUAL PLUMS BOB?

Garfield By Jim Davis

MOUSE... YOU HOME?

YEAH, I'M DOWN IN THE CELLAR.

CELLAR?

H and Loh By Chance Browne

IT'S BETTER TO GIVE THAN RECEIVE, RIGHT, DAD?

THAT'S RIGHT!

AH CHOO!

DITTO JUST GAVE ME HIS COLD!

The Wizard of Id By Bram Parker & Johnny Hart

THERE'S A GUY OUTSIDE SELLING ELEPHANT MANURE.

WHAT'S HIS PITCH?

HE CLAIMS IT'S GREAT FOR "FORGETTING-NOTS."

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

YOU ARE THE MOST ARROGANT, ABRASIVE, SNEAKY, INCOMPETENT WASTEL, WE'VE EVER KNOWN!

HEY, CHARLEY! I'M STILL NUMBER ONE!!

Baigie Bailey By Mort Walker

SARGE THINKS WE'RE STEALING HIS CANDY.

I KNOW.

HE KEEPS SEARCHING MY DESK.

I KNOW.

SNAP! THAT'S WHY I PUT A MOLESTRAIP IN YOUR DRAWER.

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

YOU ARE HERE, HANG ON!

The Born Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

HE DID WHAT?

AARRRRGH!

NAPOLEON HAD HIS WATERLOO. I HAVE MY THORNAPPLE!

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

THIS IS SO DULL, I'M GOING TO PUT THE SHOW ON PAUSE. I'M GOING TO WATCH THE NEWS.

WE'LL BE OK. WE'LL GET THE SHOW. AND I'LL GET THE SHOW.

I'M NOT. I JUST FIGURED THAT YOU WERE WORSE THAN ME. I'VE GOT THE SHOW.

Shuttle By Dean Young & Stan Drake

WAGWOOD IS GOING TO BE HERE. I'M GOING TO BE THERE. I'M GOING TO BE THERE. I'M GOING TO BE THERE.

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Pinkies By Brian Crane

GRANDPA WHEN ROSIE DIES WILL WE GET ANOTHER DOG?

NO, NEGLIGIBLE. I'LL JUST STUFF HIM AND MAKE HIM THE CAR.

HE'S SO LAZY, HE'LL HARDLY NOTICE THE DIFFERENCE.

EXCEPT THAT HE'LL EAT A LOT LESS.

Demis the Wampee By Mark Anderson

Demis the Wampee

The Family Circus By Bil Keane

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Q. The first day of the next century, Jan. 1, 2001, will fall on what day of the week?

A. Monday. Laplace's First Law of a new century states our calendar never falls on a Wednesday, Friday or Sunday. Since the calendar repeats about the 7-year interval who wanted to premiere a first with big drumsticks. So he crossed a stick with an 8-year interval. It fell off the platter and landed in each of the 7-year intervals.

That flourish you see on the end of your signature... if such you are... is called a "pen-grill."

Q. Where in America were unmarried men required to have where the local court had them?

A. Some parts of colonial New England.

WHAT'S WHAT?
L.M. Boyd

self, but rarely does a suicidal woman do it. So says a medical researcher who prescribes the usual scan in such a state of mind carries little about his last appearance, but the usual woman however desperate won't leave such a grotesque final message behind.

Some translations of Exodus 22:17 read: "Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live." This was the authority's monstrous European executioner cited when they put witches to death in Europe's colonies. Certain scholars now, however, claim it was a mistake. The passage should have been translated: "Thou shalt not give a witch assistance."

Q. What was the median marriage age in the United States in 1940?

A. In the United States - 26.1.

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Sydney Omarr

IF OCTOBER 8 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY When pressure is on you are up to challenge - you are concerned with law and justice, are not to take when case is right. Capricorn, Cancer persons play fascinating roles in your life, become more like lawyers. Birth signs in names - R, Q, Z. Current cycle relates to universal appeal, knowledge of what's going on in world. Expectations to be on writing, publishing, ways of getting message across. New personality comes and your life toward end of October.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Take initiative - that's easy for you. Moon positions make it easy for you to increase income now as well. Popularity comes, you no longer will have worries about loss being unrequited.

TALIBUS (April 20-May 21): Cycle is such that you will be at right place at exciting moment. Focus on public appearances, unusual requests, marital union. Short ray could involve Cancer phase.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): What has hidden will be out in the open. Moon face the music - highlight versatility, curiosity, humor. People admire your ability to ward despite overwhelming odds.

CANCER (June 21-July 23): Lunar signs of success will be related to excitement of discovery. Lunar position highlights friendship that becomes loving relationship. Scorpio involved.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): As result of written communication you are invited to be among the high and mighty. Participate in conference, get views across with words, verbal and written.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Emphasis on home, personal environment, domestic adjustment that could include change of residence, marital status. You'll be asked to lend music into your life.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Obtain hint from Virgin message. Mainstay aura of adversity. Don't let call on your elements of timing, surprise. Individual who once regarded you as enemy will now become ally.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Power play. Focus on public relations, legal, other business forms. Anything you do that is outside the law will be almost instantly discovered. Know it, don't do it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You'll be told, "Work your way through it." Sooner highlights possibility of poetry, philosophy, literature, theology emphasis on education, possibly obtaining advanced degree.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Lunar aspect considered in high physical attraction, creativity, style, personal magnetism. Don't follow others - find your own way. Leo, Aquarius persons' demands scorned.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19): Focus on business, financial. Anything you do with special skill. Property evaluated. Questions concerning marriage looms large.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Questions ("Is this conspiracy, class is a crowd") will have new meaning. Avoid becoming involved in family dispute or divorce. Love relationship may be unexpectedly confusing.

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OUTDOORS

Rocky Mountain Park rises above all

The (Colorado Springs) Gazette

ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK, Colo. (AP) — To get to Rocky Mountain National Park, head north, and then turn west and drive to the top of the world.

But don't worry — it's not far. When you get there, don't forget to drive to the top of Trail Ridge Road, get out of your car and gaze at the world below you. It's a humbling experience, and one that makes you realize why this park is so unique.

Yellowstone has its bubbling and spurting, Yosemite its waterfalls. But Rocky Mountain has those mountains, which seem to engulf visitors, making them seem at once powerful for having scaled their heights and insignificant for being such a small piece of the fabric of the Earth.

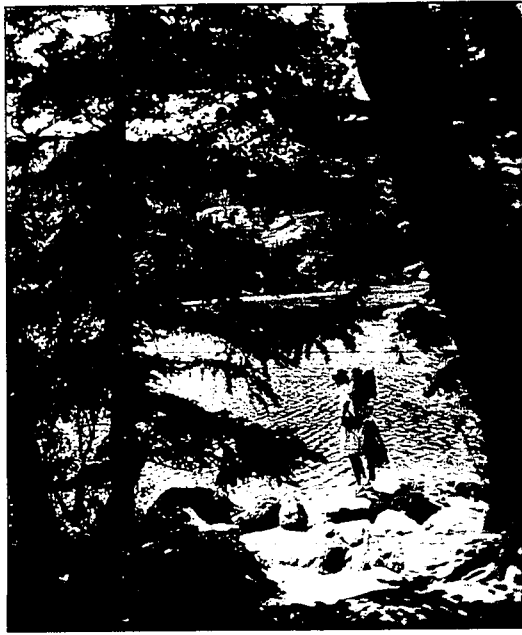
Rocky Mountain National Park is one of the country's busiest — nearly 3 million people visit each year. But most people choose to go in the summer and early fall. Later, when the aspen gold fades and the winter snows build, is when Coloradans can reclaim this park.

And what a piece of real estate to claim as our own.

"It doesn't matter what you're looking for," says Jim Deterline, chief ranger at the Longs Peak Ranger Station, who has worked at the park since 1984. "If you're a mushroomer person, we have the amanita. If you're a fisherman, there are almost no other places in the world you can find greenback cutthroat trout. If you're a rock climber, Lumpy Ridge offers great climbing. The alpinists and high-altitude folks are happy here. Even those who just enjoy the scenery can drive on Trail Ridge Road, the highest continuous road in the United States. And then there are the animals. This is a neat package."

Included in that package are 80 peaks higher than 10,000 feet, 18 of those rise more than 12,000 feet. Longs Peak at 14,255 feet, dominates with its crown of rock visible for miles.

There's also Hallett Peak, 12,713 feet, with a steep rock of Gibraltar face; the appropriately named Flattop Mountain, 12,324; and the more typical mound of Mount Meeker, 13,911 feet. All are arranged on the Continental Divide that snakes through the park.



Stan Skwarlo II, of Lawrence, Kan., enjoys the view at Bear Lake in Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo., with his 9-month-old son, Sam, perched on his back, and another child standing beside him.

The peaks, streaked with the snow of glaciers year-round, are the perfect backdrop for the rest of Rocky Mountain National Park's green meadows, unruly waterfalls and tumbling creeks.

It's wild, and close to civilization at the same time.

"I like being able to be around a ton of people, but then being able to jump into the solitude so quickly," says Michelle Brown, a membership coordinator for the Rocky Mountain Nature Association who has lived near the park for four years.

The best parts of Rocky Mountain National Park depend on your point of view. The best way to find the parts that suit you is to park the car and head off on a trail.

You're bound to find an adventure. Sometimes they'll even find you.

Imagine a late-September evening, just

before sunset, on Cub Lake Trail. Begin at the trailhead and follow this gentle trail over bridges that span Mills and Big Thompson creeks.

The water bubbles, just on the opposite bank, a pair of cow elk graze. Their hides glow golden in the waning sunshine. The only sound other than the water is their rustling in the leaves and tender bark of willows.

Then a bull elk walks into the scene, as if making a grand entrance on a theater stage. He stops, lifts his head that holds a 5-foot-wide rack of antlers, opens his mouth, and bawls. His performance can be heard for miles. His eyes flash with fire, and his rear feet stamp the ground, just once.

The objects of his affection, the cow elk, jump and run gracefully and disappear in the willows. He pauses, as if for effect, and moves slowly, surely, after them.

Top of the world isn't far

By The Associated Press

Some facts about Rocky Mountain National Park.

To get there

Take I-80 east to Cheyenne, Wyo., then 225 south to Loveland, Colo., then U.S. 34 west to Estes Park. Once in town, enter the park at south or north entrance — watch for signs.

Fees

Entrance fee, \$10 per car, good for a week. Camping, \$12 per night at off-season, \$14 per night during summer when reservations are taken. Available year-round at Aspen, Long Peak, Timberline campgrounds. Glacier Basin and Moraine Park campgrounds are closed in the winter.

High points

• Trail Ridge Road, a paved road that takes visitors through the park east to west. Opened in 1978, 38 miles from Deer Ridge Junction on the east side of the park to the park boundary southwest of the town of Grand Lake.



An elk appears along the scenic Trail Ridge Road in Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo., on Sept. 8.

Includes 9.6 miles higher than 12,000 feet.

• Old Fall River Road, a gravel road not suitable for RVs or cars posing travelers. Opened in 1920, 19.5 miles from the Deer Ridge Junction to Fall River Pass on Trail Ridge Road. One-way, uphill only, with steep, sharp switchbacks and drop-offs. Emerges from dense forest onto the tundra, where it hooks up with Trail Ridge at the visitor center.

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Jerome County Rod and Gun Club to hold trap shoot

The Times-News

JEROME — The Jerome County Rod and Gun Club is holding a trap shoot beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday at the range, located northeast of Jerome.

Entry is \$5 for a 10-round course of fire. Both members and nonmembers are invited. For more information, call John L. Weston Sr. at 324-7374.

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Hagerman students learn with Albertson grant

The Times-News
HAGERMAN - Vaya Jensen's kindergarten class at Hagerman Elementary School received a grant from the Albertson Foundation, along with other kindergartens throughout the state of Idaho, to implement the Waterford Early Reading Program.

The grant was used to purchase computers and software for the classroom plus four videos and 52 books for each child to take home and keep. The program is designed to help students work with little adult supervision, thus allowing the teacher, classroom volunteers and aids to help kids with other subjects.

The program is individualized and each student progresses at his or her own speed. The slower students proceed at a pace comfortable to them, while faster students are not held back.

The program is based on phonemic awareness, which means a student is made aware of the smallest unit of sound. An example of phonemic awareness is the identification of each sound in bat.

Phonics, on the other hand, is the identification of the letter that makes the first sound of bat. The Waterford program correlates sounds with early reading by letter recognition through

pictures, games and songs; phonological development with rhyme; blending and lesson practice; helping the student understand print concepts of words, letters and spaces.

Students are treated to eight stimuli by the computer monitor and sound stimuli with the earphones. This two-way approach keeps the student's interest focused and increases retention.

Adult volunteers are needed to help implement the program and parent, Shree Bender, has been a great help in starting students on the computer. She has also assembled boxes to hold student's books.

The young students have proven very adept at acquiring computer skills.

The individual books made by the student and the books supplied by the program, which also go home, will be a great help to the Hagerman reading program. Jensen says that parents who read to and with their children help increase reading skill.

Hagerman Kindergarten hopes to produce some top readers by the end of the school year.

Teacher Vaya Jensen helps kindergarteners Carlos Sabice, left, and Kary Munoz, right, work with the new Waterford reading program on computers in Hagerman.



Courtesy, PHS

FOR THE GOOD OF THE GROUNDS



At a community work day at the Jerome County Fairgrounds, neighbors got together and planted gardens around the newly constructed picnic booth. Moss Greenhouse donated the flowers. Seen in the back row, left to right, are Corrad Lee, Kent Lee, Nancy Lee, Holly Messery, Ashley Messery, Jim Messery, Cody Bartrough, Chris Messery, Elroy Walzak and Ty Messery. In the front row, left to right, are Alvarado Messera, Erik Lopez, Kristian Lee, Carressa Lee, Bailie Messery, Brooklyn Lee, Jordan Messery, Charle Messery, Rand Lopez and Adeline Messera.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

TF Daughters of the American Revolution will meet Saturday

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet for an October-Feet Coffee Hour at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the home of Susie Nystrom, located north of Buhl.

"Crafts of Yesterday" is the focus of the program. Members are asked to bring an old craft to share. Doors are payable at the meeting.

For more information, call Shirley Heidenman at 423-5364.

Get 'A Taste of Heaven' at El-Wyhee association event

MOUNTAIN HOME - The El-Wyhee Business Association is sponsoring "A Taste of Heaven" from 2 to 7 p.m. Saturday at Carl Miller Park.

The event is designed to promote restaurants in Elmore and Wythee counties. It will give people a chance to experience the fine foods within the two counties and give exposure to the restaurants. Samples range from desserts to entrees. More than 10 restaurants are participating, and any others in the two counties who wish to join the event are encouraged to call Willie Beckathorn at (208) 587-7311.

"Abe's Cry" and "To Be Determined" will provide live music to entertain the crowd.

The public is invited.

Don't miss Jerome's Oktoberfest at St. Jerome's

JEROME - St. Jerome's Oktoberfest will be held from 5 to 9 p.m. Saturday at St. Jerome's Catholic Parish Hall.

The menu includes bratwurst, sauerkraut and German potato salad or roast beef, potato salad and green beans, plus beverages and dessert. An auction and raffle are planned.

Admission is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 12 or \$25 for a family of two adults and children under age 12.

Annual women's cookoff will be held at West Magic Lake

SHOSHONE - The West Magic Lake Recreation Club Annual Women's Cookoff begins with registration at 6 p.m. Saturday at the West Magic Lake Resort. Categories are main dishes, side dishes and breads, hors d'oeuvres, salads, and desserts. Awards will be given for first, second and third place in each category. The public is invited to participate.

The club will hold its regular monthly meeting at noon Sunday, 1999 officers will be elected.

For more information, call 487-1201.

Mason of Buhl earns Eagle Scout, craft of honor planned

BUHL - Jeff Mason has earned the Eagle Scout Award through the Boy Scouts of America. The award will be presented to Mason during a craft of honor set for 7 p.m. Saturday at the LDS Church, 501 Main. Mason completed 25 merit badges and an Eagle service project. For his project, he built and installed a flagpole at the North Park in Buhl. Materials were donated by Ranger's Inc. and other sources from his troop associated with the project. Mason is a member of Troop 5, sponsored by the Buhl LDS 1st Ward and led by Doug Mason. He graduated from Buhl High School, attended the College of Southern Idaho for a year and is employed at Don's Thriftway in Buhl. His parents are Doug and Laurie Mason of Buhl.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Coalition will discuss teen pregnancy in Burley

BURLEY - The Mini-Cassia Coalition for Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention will meet at 3:30 p.m. today in the Health District office conference room, 2311 Parke Ave.

The agenda includes updates on the Minidoka Memorial Hospital Health Fair, logo contest and newsletter. Strategic planning for 1999 and beyond will be discussed with accomplishments, direction and paths covered.

Series of educational forums are planned for Magic Valley

A series of non-partisan, educational forums has been launched in the Magic Valley under the auspices of senior citizens centers, the Idaho Department of Insurance and the American Association of Retired Persons.

Presentations deal with the financial stability, future outlook fraud and abuse aspects of the nation's Social Security and Medicare programs. Their purpose is to encourage individuals at the grassroots level to assume more active roles in fashioning reforms that will be required to ensure that the two programs will benefit future generations of Americans.

Sessions are planned for Friday at the Jerome Senior Center, Oct. 14 at the Golden Heritage Senior Center in Burley, Oct. 16 at the Twin Falls Senior Center, Oct. 19 at the Gooding Business and Professional Women's group meeting, Oct. 21 and 28 at the Blaine County Senior Center in Hailey, Oct. 22 at the Albion Senior Citizen Center and Nov. 24

at the Twin Falls Sororist meeting.

Leaders of civic, social, professional, education and other community organizations in the Magic Valley who feel the forums will benefit their members are encouraged to call Janice Stover at 733-5734 or Bob Parrish at 733-8542 for more information or scheduling.

Support Buhl boosters buy purchasing BBQ sandwiches

BUHL - The Buhl Boosters Club will be selling barbecue sandwiches from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. Friday outside the Buhl football field.

The event is part of the Buhl vs. Kimberly homecoming game. The sandwiches feature Mike Falton Jr.'s barbecue whole pig, leg of lamb and ham or beef. Cost is \$3 each or two for \$5, and pop is 25 cents per can.

Oakley Booster Club holds tailgate chili feed Friday night

OAKLEY - The Oakley Booster Club will host a Tailgate Chili Feed at 6 p.m. Friday by the football field behind the Oakley High School.

The feed is part of the homecoming celebrations planned at the school. The menu includes chili in bread bowls, vegetables and dip and drinks. Cost is a donation.

Bondurant will speak at Word of Life Fellowship this weekend

BURLEY - The Rev. Shane Bondurant will speak at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Sunday at the Word of Life Fellowship, 1428 Overland Ave.

Bondurant says she was a borderline cancer living the life of a lesbian before becoming a gospel prospher. She knows how a life of violence, alcohol and drugs can destroy people. She has been featured on the 700 Club, The Many Faces Show, Big "D" and the Texas Monthly.

Seniors served breakfast at Silver and Gold Senior Center

EDEN - Breakfast will be served from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday at the Silver and Gold Senior Center.

The menu features apple (or plain) pancakes, sausage, hashbrowns and scrambled eggs. Cost is \$3 for adults and \$2.50 for children 12 and under.

Senior class of Hagerman schedules yard, craft, food sale

HAGERMAN - The Hagerman High School seniors are having a yard, craft and baked-food sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday on the front lawn at the school.

A baked potato bar with the usual concessions is planned as a fund-raiser planned during the Hagerman vs. Oakley game at 1 p.m. Oct. 17 in Wendell.

Immanuel Lutheran School students plan rummage sale

TWIN FALLS - The fifth through eighth grades at Immanuel Lutheran School are having a rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday in the school gymnasium, 2655 First Ave. E.

Students are raising money to attend

the Lutheran Elementary Schools Tournament at Concordia University in Portland, Ore.

To donate items, call 733-7820 or drop them off at the school gym.

Sorority will gather for meeting at Price's Cafe in Burley

BURLEY - Delta Kappa Gamma will host a regional meeting at 10 a.m. Saturday at Price's Cafe, 2444 Overland Ave.

Members are reminded to wear pins.

Door prizes will be awarded.

LDS Hospital offers hotline help with depression

SALT LAKE CITY - Depression is the topic for this month's Deseret News/Intermountain Health Care Hotline, scheduled for 10 a.m. to noon Saturday via the toll-free number, (800) 825-4117.

Calls will be answered by Dr. Lynn Richards, Ph.D., from the LDS Hospital Genetic Research Department, and registered nurse Pam Gurrell, supervising nurse in the LDS Hospital Psychiatric Department. They will help callers decide how to tell if they're depressed and tell them how to find out what treatment and medications successfully treat depression. All calls are confidential.

The free hotline is available throughout the Intermountain Region. ERIC is a charitable, community owned, nonprofit health-care organization based in Salt Lake City that serves health needs in Utah, Idaho and Wyoming.

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COMMUNITY

Join Leavitt to celebrate 80th birthday Saturday

HERMIE - Meri Leavitt will celebrate his 80th birthday at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the El Sombrero Banquet Hall...

Discuss your love for sci-fi with club at Prime Cut

TWIN FALLS - The Sci-Fi Club will meet at 12:30 p.m. Saturday at Prime Cut Meat Market Restaurant...

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Women educators will gather Saturday

POCAHELLO - The Alpha Delta Kappa Honorary International Sorority for Women Educators will hold a District III meeting Saturday in Pocatello...

Astronomical society changes sight of meeting

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Astronomical Society has moved its meeting location. The group will meet at 7 p.m. Saturday in Room 117 of the Shields Building...

Enjoy square dancing with Buttons and Bows

EDEEN - The Buttons and Bows Square Dance Club has planned three events for this month all at Anderson Camp, located off Interstate 84 at Exit 182...

THANK YOU LETTERS

Police officers helped recover stolen car

We wish to extend a special thanks to the police officers in Twin Falls, Rupert and Heyburn who located and recovered, in just 24 hours, our daughter's car that was stolen from our residence...

United Way says thanks for help with special day

Each year as United Way of Magic Valley kicks off a new campaign, we become aware of how important it is to get our message out. The United Way Board and I would like to thank the following for their participation in our successful second annual "Day of Caring..."

- Several community projects were successfully completed, including free vaccinations for 190 children. A special thank you to the South Central Health District, Idaho Health and Welfare Department, KEZI, KMYT, Times-News, Buhl Herald, Costco, Lamb Weston, UPS, Voico, Anderson Lumber, Target, WalMart, Ridley's Home Center in Jerome, Three M Realty of Jerome, D&B Community of Jerome, Jerome Chamber, Jerome High School, Jerome Art Department, Arvin Reece Printing, Gertie's Brick Oven Cookery, Ponderosa Paints, Big Printing, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, D.L. Evans Bank and KTFY (NBC). We thank you, and your community thanks you. DIANE BOYD Executive Director United Way of Magic Valley Twin Falls



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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE On the 28th day of JANUARY, 1999, at the hour of 10:00 A.M. of said day, (recognized local time), in the Office of First American Title Company, 260 3rd Avenue North, Twin Falls, Idaho...

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE On Wednesday, the 13th day of January, 1999, at the hour of 11:00 o'clock A.M., of said day, in the office of the Trustee, the above-recited Deed of Trust, recorded in Book 11 of 2nd Street North, Twin Falls, Idaho...

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506 (4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

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Associated General Contractors, 127 2nd St. N., Twin Falls, Idaho. Applications are available at the following:

IN VITATION TO BID Sealed bids will be received by the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, at the office of the Deputy City Clerk, until 2:00 o'clock P.M., on Wednesday, October 22, 1998, at which time they will be opened publicly.

LEGAL NOTICE Kathy A. Moore you are hereby notified that your last publication of this notice...

ORDINANCE NO. 2598 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1583.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given by the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Twin Falls, Idaho...

SECTION 1. That Ordinance No. 2598, the approval of the Mayor and Council, City of Twin Falls, Idaho...

SECTION 2. That the additional sum of \$50,000 be appropriated out of the General Fund...

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication.

INFORMATIONAL BIDS Informal bids will be received by the City of Twin Falls, Idaho...

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DIETARY PM's also needed for two evenings a week. Must have previous food service exp. & be dependable. Call 734-4264. Call 734-4264. Call 734-4264.

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113 CHILD CARE SERVICES Comes Around Kids Care full time open kids care on your own. Also looking for help. Call after 1:30 pm. 733-9165.

DRIVER CDL driver - delivering commodities in Magic Valley area. Call 324-8111. DRIVER short haul truck driver. PT/FT openings. Call 324-7148.

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305 CONTRACTS & MORTGAGES
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502 HOMES FOR SALE
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227 acres with 145 shares. T.F. water, 2 bdrm home, corrals and more. Broker: Dick Smith at 236-0000. Call Jim!

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