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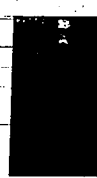
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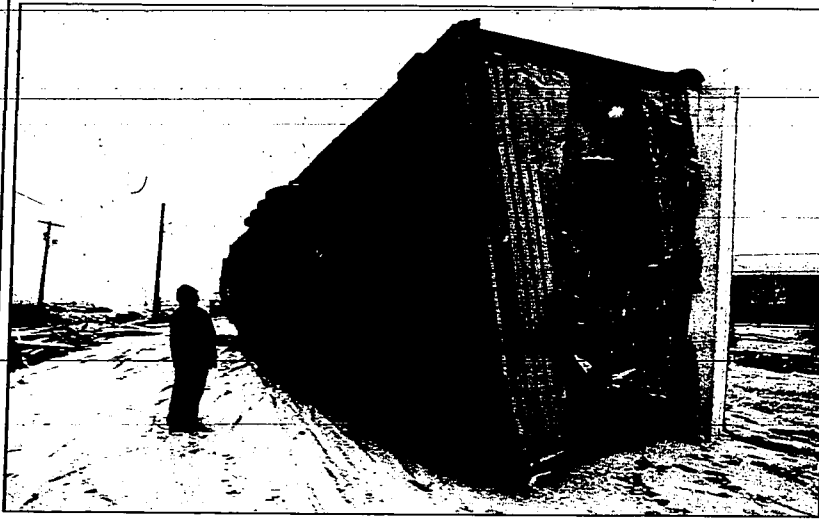
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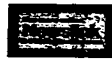


At Leaks of Magic Valley Towing views the bottom of a 35,000-pound manufactured home that was blown over Sunday by strong winds that ripped through Oak Creek Village in Tule Falls.

Manufactured home suffers structural damage

By Brian Hayes

TWIN FALLS - With a huff and a puff, Sunday's howling winds blew a house down. A specially built home crunched near to Rock Creek Canyon on the lot of Oak Creek Village.



Half of a manufactured home blew over Sunday at a village in Tule Falls.

Nick Perron, one of Oak Creek Village's owners, heard a loud crash from across the canyon Sunday as he left church. "I didn't think it was a house falling over," he said. He discovered the source of the crash Monday morning. Half of a

manufactured home, the half with two bedrooms and the living room, was face down in the road. The front door pointed to the ground. The open end of the house, which attaches to the other half, pointed skyward. As snow fell Monday afternoon, crews from Magic Valley Towing worked to upright the fallen abode. Five men involved inflating several air bags underneath the home to push it up. About 35,000 pounds of snow defined that plan. Five men involved two tow

crucks in the canyon pulling and two tow trucks at the top lowering the home back into position. That plan worked, and the 50-foot home returned to where it was supposed to be. The home, awaiting delivery to a buyer, suffered some structural damage and would be unusable, but another portion would be built right away to join its other half, Perron said.

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Protesters fire at council's seized gun destruction

By Mark Heizer

TWIN FALLS - Upset over the City Council's recent decision to have more than 100 seized and abandoned firearms destroyed, some local gun dealers and enthusiasts showed up Monday at City Hall for a point-blank discussion on the issue. By destroying the guns, which were legally saleable items, the council sent a message that firearms are evil, said Blue Lakes Sporting Goods co-owner Floyd Hasen. Describing himself as a gun collector and hunter, City Councilman Tom Miklesell agreed. "I won't even call them guns," he said of the firearms which were sawed up about a month ago at the city shop. "They were weapons that were used in crimes or found in crimes and destroyed."

Magic Valley Pawn and Loan owner Randy Ostrom of Twin Falls presented the council with a petition that he said bore the 616 signatures calling for a ban on any further destruction of confiscated items that could be sold back to dealers. About 500 of the signatures were from Twin Falls residents, he said, the rest came from outlying towns, such as Filer and Kimberly. Before the council decided in December to destroy the guns,

Ostrom had turned in the winning bid to buy the guns and sell them at his shop. The petition also called for a list of the make, model and serial number of all the destroyed guns, the people the guns were taken from and any criminal cases they might have been associated with. Ostrom also asked how much the city had spent destroying the firearms, which had a total estimated value of \$100,000.

Los Angeles Times

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Lost man survives 11 days in snow

The Associated Press

YAKIMA, Wash. - The rapping of two little dogs led to the discovery of a snowmobiler, who was hungry and hallucinating after being lost for 11 days in the rugged mountains with nothing to eat or drink but ice and snow. His wife was found dead nearby. A group of snowmobilers on Sunday came upon 50-year-old George Back, lying face down, his boots sticking out of the snow. Back was in serious condition Monday with frostbite to his nose, feet, knees and elbows. "Those little teary dogs were no bigger than a rat, but I think they helped save his life. They stayed right with him," Darrell Bremner told the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. Bremner and three friends found Back when they heard the barking of Back's Norfolk terriers named Keeper and Justice. "He was in and out of it," Bremner said. "He thought he had been there. Please see **SURVIVOR**, Page A2

PAYING RESPECT



Four U.S. presidents involved in a quarter-century search for peace in the Middle East bade farewell to a beloved ally Monday, standing together in silent tribute beside the casket of King Hussein. From left to right, former presidents George Bush, Jimmy Carter, Gerald Ford and current President Bill Clinton joined an extraordinary array of world leaders in paying respects to the monarch who ruled Jordan for 45 years and was recognized as a steady voice of moderation in Arab-Israeli peacekeeping. Jordanian officials said about 50 heads of state attended. For more about King Hussein's funeral, see page A5.

Bills may put more teens in adult court

By Gregory Hahn

BOISE - A bill introduced Monday in the Idaho Senate would require children as young as 12 years old to be charged as adults in cases of murder or attempted murder. Another bill would charge teens 14 and 15 years old as adults in kidnapping cases. Some praised the ideas, others called the bills reactionary and unneeded. Sen. Denton Darrington, R-DeLo, said kidnapping is too serious a crime not to be treated the same as forcible rape, robbery and arson with intent to hurt people - other crimes automatically handled in adult court. On murder cases, automatically referring 12- to 13-year-old defendants into adult court would cover some violent criminals that would slip through otherwise. Currently, any murder defendant at least 14 years old is charged as an adult. At a Senate committee hearing - where no testimony was given against the kidnapping bill - committee member Sen. Betsy Dunklin, D-Boise, questioned whether Idaho's increasing practice of sentencing juveniles as adults is a response to public outcry over a few well-publicized incidents, rather than sound public policy. "Is there anything other than just reaction?" she asked. But Darrington said these

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Perjury charge may fail

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THE REGION

Camas Prairie

High 31 Low 11
Cloudy with chance of snow showers. Partly sunny tomorrow with isolated mountain-snow showers.

Treasure Valley

High 40 Low 21
Cloudy with chance of snow showers. Winds from the north. Partly sunny tomorrow, becoming breezy in the afternoon.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High 27 Low 11
Snow showers likely. Winds 10 to 15 mph. Snow showers likely tonight. Mostly cloudy tomorrow with chance of snow.

Eastern Idaho

High 37 Low 22
Snow showers likely. Winds 10 to 15 mph. Snow showers likely tonight. Mostly cloudy tomorrow with chance of snow.

Northern Idaho

High 34 Low 21
Partly cloudy with scattered snow showers tonight. Mostly cloudy tomorrow with chance of snow. Same for tomorrow.

Northern Utah

High 55 Low 30
Windy with rain and snow becoming likely. Snow likely after midnight. Partly cloudy tomorrow with snow showers.

Northern Nevada

High 32 Low 24
Snow, heavy at times with accumulation up to 4 inches. Partly cloudy tonight with scattered showers. Mostly sunny, colder tomorrow.

MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
High 36 Low 19 Mostly cloudy with chance of snow. Same for tonight.	High 35 Low 18 Partly sunny, becoming breezy in the afternoon.	High 30 Low 5 Fair.	High 30 Low 5 Fair.	High 45 Low 30 Increasing clouds and warmer.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Twin Falls	Precipitation
Yesterday in Twin Falls: .30	
Month to date: .64	
Normal max. to date: .30	
Normal year to date: 5.49	
Normal year to date: 6.44	

Idaho

City	High	Low	Pcp	Idaho: High	Idaho: Low
Boise	39	10	.00	41	11
Blackfoot	35	22	.00	35	5
Tarifford	11	0	0.00	11	0
Blaine	29	0	0.00	29	0
Idaho Falls	33	21	0.01	33	21
Shoshone	29	17	0.00	29	17
Malheur	36	28	0.00	36	28
Walla Walla	34	18	0.02	34	18
Coeur d'Alene	31	17	0.00	31	17
Salmon	36	14	0.04	36	14
Shoshone	24	5	0.00	24	5
San Vally	31	17	0.00	31	17

Highs/Lows

City	High	Low
Boise	41	11
Blackfoot	35	5
Tarifford	11	0
Blaine	29	0
Idaho Falls	33	21
Shoshone	29	17
Malheur	36	28
Walla Walla	34	18
Coeur d'Alene	31	17
Salmon	36	14
Shoshone	24	5
San Vally	31	17

Condcast Factors

Item	Normal	Actual
Sea level pressure	1002.0	1002.0
Relative humidity	70%	70%

The Nation

City	High	Low	Pcp
Albuquerque	61	31	0.00
Atlanta	72	48	0.00
Boston	15	26	0.00
Chicago	27	14	0.00
Dallas	47	11	0.00
Denver	63	36	0.00
Detroit	33	26	0.00
Houston	70	47	0.00
Indianapolis	37	13	0.00
Los Angeles	67	43	0.00
Las Vegas	67	43	0.00
Memphis	67	43	0.00
Minneapolis	33	13	0.00
Mississippi	45	23	0.00
New York	33	17	0.00
Phoenix	38	22	0.00
Portland, Ore.	38	22	0.00
Portland, Me.	38	22	0.00
San Francisco	43	27	0.00
Seattle	38	22	0.00
St. Louis	43	27	0.00
San Antonio	38	22	0.00
San Diego	38	22	0.00
Spokane	38	22	0.00
Washington	42	24	0.00
Wichita	38	22	0.00

Conditions Cities

City	High	Low
Albuquerque	61	31
Atlanta	72	48
Boston	15	26
Chicago	27	14
Dallas	47	11
Denver	63	36
Detroit	33	26
Houston	70	47
Indianapolis	37	13
Los Angeles	67	43
Las Vegas	67	43
Memphis	67	43
Minneapolis	33	13
Mississippi	45	23
New York	33	17
Phoenix	38	22
Portland, Ore.	38	22
Portland, Me.	38	22
San Francisco	43	27
Seattle	38	22
St. Louis	43	27
San Antonio	38	22
San Diego	38	22
Spokane	38	22
Washington	42	24
Wichita	38	22

Idaho weather

Tuesday, Feb. 9
AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions, high/low temperatures.

Boise: High 36, Low 19
Twin Falls: High 35, Low 18
Shoshone: High 34, Low 21

National weather

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Tuesday, Feb. 9.

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ACROSS THE NATION

Idaho: Another surge of moisture for the Corn Belt and south into California's Sierra Nevada. A cold front along the Oregon-Washington coast this afternoon, will move into Idaho, bringing another shot of rain and snow to many areas of the state late tonight into Tuesday.

SKYWATCH

Sunset today 6:02 pm
Sunrise tomorrow 7:42 am
Lunar phase New, Feb. 16, first quarter, Feb. 23; full, March 2; last quarter, March 10

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Bill

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crimes are "atrocious" to people, and constituents' expectations are important to them.

"Believe me," he said, "that's a big enough reason."

The kidnapping bill was sparked by an incident last year at a Pocatello alternative school. Recent cases in Michigan and Arkansas led prosecutors there unable to charge young murder suspects as adults. Deputy Ada County Prosecutor Connie Vietz said her office didn't want to be caught in a similar situation.

But in Twin Falls, Deputy Prosecutor John Sturgill criticized both bills. Sturgill, who prosecutes juveniles for the county, said kidnapping charges are so rare the change would be "completely moot."

She also questioned sending younger teens to adult prison. Several studies have shown teenagers who serve time with adults are more likely to be arrested later in life.

"They're molested; they're abused," she said. "Who wouldn't

come out without a huge chip on their shoulder?"

So many juveniles are being waived into adult courts in Twin Falls, the county jail has had to dedicate a special section to keep them somewhat separate, said Idaho Attorney General Lawrence Tausky. The jail recently has held as many as eight children at one time.

Tausky said some teenagers cannot be returned to society or rehabilitated by the juvenile system. Some research indicates longer sentences work.

She also questioned sending to look first at helping young offenders become Idaho citizens - almost all of them will one day go back to their communities. The juvenile correction system was designed to rehabilitate, she said, and sending teens to prison may not help.

"We're trying hard," she said, "not to turn them into hardened criminals."

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Guns

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rated value of about \$4,000. Ostrom said a city employee told him it had cost around \$7,000 to get rid of the guns.

City Councilman Lance Clow said the job, including workers' wages, had cost about \$930. City Engineer Gary Young and City Manager Tom Courtney later confirmed that figure.

The council opted to take no action on the matter.

Councilman Chris Talkington said the destruction had been an one-time decision. It will take years for the police department to gain accretion that many confiscated weapons, he said.

Mayor Gale Klinton agreed. "Five years from now, it may be a completely different council, which will make a different judgement."

The council for nearly an hour debated with several of the visitors about the merits of the decision and the state attorney general could be considered to make the council's action was in line with state code.

'I won't even call them guns. They were weapons that were used in crimes or found in crimes and destroyed.'

— Tom Mikessel, city councilman

Only two visitors spoke in favor of the council's decision.

Protesters said the council could have used the money from selling the weapons to promote firearms safety and crime prevention. Some also called into question the legality under Idaho code of destroying items which could have been sold by the city.

Clow said the city's attorney

and the state attorney general could be considered to make the council's action was in line with state code.

In other business, the council:

- Heard from city Recreation Supervisor Mark Brumle about a proposal to increase many of the city's recreation fees by about \$2 in order to raise money for a part-time coordinator's position and improvements to the city's recreation facilities. About \$2,000 could be raised annually from the proposed increases. A public hearing must be held on the proposal before the council can vote on the increases.
- Accepted a bid from Dan Waybill Ford of Nampa to lease two Ford Crown Victorias to the police department at \$14,806 annually for three years.

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Survivor

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six months and was afraid we were going to leave him."

Two of the snowmobilers who discovered Back left to get help, and two stayed behind, feeding him Gatorade and beef jerky.

Three to 4 feet of snow had fallen since Back and Dierre M. McManus, 44, left Jan. 27 for what was supposed to be a two-hour outing near Fish Lake, an area popular for winter sports about 40 miles northwest of here in central Washington. Both were novice snowmobilers.

Back was in the intensive care unit at Harborview Medical Center in Seattle.

"We're doing everything we can so he can keep all the body parts," said hospital spokesman Larry Zalin. "It will be weeks, if not months, before it's clear that he can avoid amputation."

Back was too ill to be interviewed.

viewed, Zalin said.

Several factors contributed to Back's survival. He was able to stay sufficiently hydrated and he did not suffer from hypothermia, Zalin said.

Back was wearing a new snowsuit and new boots. He also had the dogs to keep him warm.

Back and McManus were on rented snowmobiles, with the little dogs tucked inside their snowsuits. They carried no provisions or special gear.

When they failed to return on time, the Chelan County sheriff's office sent an air and ground search that ended with success Jan. 29.

Back and McManus had gotten lost, and in their efforts to return to the resort, they left the groomed snowmobile trails. Up to 50 inches of snow fell before Back was rescued in the Brushy Creek area, about 10 miles from the resort, said Sheriff Mike Bricker.

GOP

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ment for key elements of the GOP political base.

"Clearly, there is no issue that has greater resonance among grassroots conservatives than the issue of impeachment," said Marshall Wittmann, congressional affairs director at the conservative Heritage Foundation. "So if senators either split their verdict or vote against (both charges), they will have to do a lot of repair work with their Republican base."

There is much at stake for the party as a whole, as well. The more Republicans that vote against one or both articles, the more it will empower Democrats to attack the legitimacy of House Republicans' case against Clinton.

Significant GOP defections would demonstrate what a weak case Republican managers had to begin with," said Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-Okla.

Senators will begin detailing their conclusions about the case Tuesday when they begin deliberations. Current rules call for each senator to have up to 15 minutes

to speak in closed session on the case. A motion is planned Tuesday to hold the debate in public, but it faces an uphill fight against Democratic opponents required for passage.

One senior aide who has worked with GOP senators in the search for an exit strategy on the impeachment trial predicts that between 7 to 15 Republicans will vote against one or more articles of impeachment - an estimate echoed in a Sunday television interview by Sen. Richard C. Shelby, R-Ala.

"I'm trying to search together to prove," said Shelby. "One thing I've learned is there is a difference between making false and misleading statements and what constitutes perjury. They are not the same."

Added Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, "When it comes to perjury, it seems to me that you have to prove intention. If you have a beyond-a-reasonable-doubt standard, that is difficult to do."

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LOTTERY UPDATE

On Wednesday, the POWERBALL jackpot will be an estimated \$28 million and the WILD DARTO jackpot will be an estimated \$1,295,000.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9 MEMBERS

POWERBALL
15 25 32 39 45
POWERBALL MEMBERS: 32

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6 MEMBERS

POWERBALL
2 7 12 23 34 36
POWERBALL MEMBERS: 81

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Police shooting stuns Big Apple House managers finish likely dead-end march

Man shot 19 times; cops' overzealous use of force decried

NEW YORK (AP) — In a matter of seconds, four white police officers from the elite Street Crime Unit fired 41 shots at an unarmed man in the West African immigrant who had no police record and spoke with a stutter.

Amadou Diallo, a street peddler described as religious and hard-working, was hit 19 times and died instantly Thursday in the vestibule of his apartment building in the Bronx.

The officers' lawyer says Diallo gestured with his hands, leading the police to think he was reaching for a gun.

But the officers themselves were the only whites, and now Amnesty International and the NAACP are demanding explanations, and U.S. Attorney Mary Jo White said federal prosecutors are reviewing the case for possible civil rights violations.

The shooting has also brought renewed scrutiny to the Street Crime Unit, which has been criticized before for its aggressive tactics. The unit is assigned to seek out and stop crime before it happens. Its motto is "We Own the Night."

Former Mayor Rudolph Giuliani nor Police Commissioner Howard Safir will say anything about the case, which is under an investigation by the Police Department.

"Outraged residents held a rally on Sunday. It is not anti-police," said the Rev. Al Sharpton. "We are anti-police brutality."

State Assemblyman Rudolph Diario said Monday, "When I went to the house and I saw how many holes were in the walls, it makes me sick to my stomach."

Critics of the police force also cited the alleged torture of Haitian immigrant Abner Louima at a police station in 1997. Four white officers have been charged with attacking the black man, who was sodomized with the handle of a toilet plunger.

The plainclothes officers who shot Diallo had been looking for a rape-murder suspect when they encountered the 22-year-old immigrant at about 1 a.m.

"There are some similarities between this individual and the sketch we have," the police commissioner said, "but beyond that — what was in their minds, whether they thought this was that individual, I really don't know, and it would be unfair to speculate at this point."

Two of the officers fired 16 bullets each, emptying their 9 mm, semiautomatic handguns in less than five seconds. The others fired their similar guns four and five times. They were standing about 15 feet from Diallo.

"They clearly believed he was in possession of a gun," said the officers' attorney, Stephen Worth. Worth said Diallo showed his hands, and may not have understood the officers' commands. Family and friends said Diallo spoke English well but slowly, with a stutter.

The officers were placed on administrative duty, a routine step in shooting investigations. Last month, Street Crime Unit officers fired on rapper ODB during a traffic stop, thinking he had a gun. No weapon was found and a grand jury refused to indict ODB on attempted murder charges. No one was hurt.

Within the Police Department itself, a group of officers called 100 Blacks in Law Enforcement Who Care has demanded the unit be disbanded.

"Something is wrong with our street crime behavior and the Street-Crime Unit," said Eric Adams, president of the group. "And if it is not examined, we will continue to have episodes such as this. And I believe as long as the ethnicity of the victims does not change, you will not see a change in the policy of the police department."

Diallo's friends and relatives described him as a devout Muslim, a hard-working man who did not smoke or drink and loved Michael Jordan and the Chicago Bulls.



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WASHINGTON (AP) — It was a long shot from the beginning, but the odds have only gotten worse. House prosecutors are not appealing to history, rather than the Senate, in search of a favorable verdict.

Senators should act "not just for today, but for the ages to come," implored Rep. Bob Barr, R-Ga., in final arguments on Monday.

But for today, at least, the case to make Clinton the first American president removed for high crimes and misdemeanors appeared to be moving inexorably toward a dead end.

Clinton's acquittal later this week is being predicted by senators in both parties, as it has been for weeks.

Still, ignoring the winds of public opinion and the realities of Senate arithmetic, the House managers forged ahead in their final arguments.

One by one, each of the 13 House managers rose to urge senators to find their courage. "Convict him and remove him," insisted Rep. Bill McCollum, R-Fla.

If the Senate fails to convict the president, "we still are satisfied. We can live with our conscience. We did the right thing," Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, told reporters.

The Senate appears far short of the 67 votes needed to convict the president on either of the two articles of impeachment, and talk has turned to how many GOP senators would vote for acquittal — and on the logistics of the next step, an expected resolution of censure.

"This is a movie and we know what the ending is," said Stuart Rothenberg, an independent analyst who publishes a political newsletter.

He said House managers were going through the motions "to play out the constitutional process. And they are trying to establish a record to show that their case is as strong as possible."

The single-minded determination of House managers — in fact, of all Republicans on the House Judiciary Committee — to pursue the impeachment process to its conclusion appeared to rule out

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the possibility of any bipartisan compromise along the way.

"It's very unclear how history is going to judge their performance, but I doubt if there's anything they can do in the closing argument that will have any bearing on it," Tom Mann, director of government studies at the Brookings Institution, said of the House managers.

Mann said there were a number of times, early on, in which the process could have been concluded on a bipartisan basis — but for the hard-line attitude of the House GOP managers.

He said the House, basically, lost control of the case when Judiciary Committee Republicans declined to find common ground with Democrats short of impeachment — such as a strong, worded reprimand.

Had such a reprimand been permitted to come to the House, it would have enjoyed wide bipartisan support — and received much the same in the Senate, Mann suggested.

But House managers, even against the odds facing them, never backed down one bit from their central contention of Clinton's guilt. "Will moral fortitude or political expediency rule the day?"

Asked House manager Rep. Steve Chabot, R-Ohio, "Will the final chapter say that the United States Senate turned its back on perjury and obstruction of justice by the president of the United States? Or will it say that the Senate took a principled stand and told the world that no person, not even the president, stands above the law?" Chabot.

But the GOP Senate leadership seemed a little interested in expediency, too.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., began reminding senators preparing for deliberations that some of the best speeches are the shortest ones, as he looked toward final votes at week's end.

Tom Raum is an Associated Press writer.

Autopsy shows woman shot in mercy killing was cancer free

HEBRON, Neb. (AP) — The death of an elderly man who shot his wife to end her suffering from what he believed was terminal cancer took a startling turn Monday when a prosecutor said an autopsy found no trace of the disease.

It wasn't immediately known whether doctors had misdiagnosed the woman or her husband had misunderstood the diagnosis.

Vernon A. Bobb, Onirich, 76, pleaded no contest Monday to manslaughter after shooting his wife of 57 years in the head as she lay in a hospital bed Oct. 27. He could get up to 20 years in prison, but a long sentence was considered unlikely.

Onirich also disclosed that he had put the gun in his own temple after shooting his 74-year-old wife, Phyllis, but it jammed. "I just wanted to go with her," he said. "I would have, if the gun wouldn't have jammed."

However, prosecutors said that while Mrs. Onirich had undergone an operation for colon cancer in May 1998, she was cancer-free at her death.

Prosecutors did not dispute that Mrs. Onirich was in a lot of pain, but beyond that — what was in their minds, whether they thought this was that individual, I really don't know, and it would be unfair to speculate at this point.

Two of the officers fired 16 bullets each, emptying their 9 mm, semiautomatic handguns in less than five seconds. The others fired their similar guns four and five times. They were standing about 15 feet from Diallo.

"They clearly believed he was in possession of a gun," said the officers' attorney, Stephen Worth. Worth said Diallo showed his hands, and may not have understood the officers' commands. Family and friends said Diallo spoke English well but slowly, with a stutter.

The officers were placed on administrative duty, a routine step in shooting investigations. Last month, Street Crime Unit officers fired on rapper ODB during a traffic stop, thinking he had a gun. No weapon was found and a grand jury refused to indict ODB on attempted murder charges. No one was hurt.

Within the Police Department itself, a group of officers called 100 Blacks in Law Enforcement Who Care has demanded the unit be disbanded.

Gore outlines 5-part drug strategy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Releasing the administration's five-part strategy to fight drugs, Vice President Al Gore called on Monday for an "all-out effort to banish crime, drugs and disorder and hopelessness from our streets."

But despite the Clinton administration's promise to take a balanced approach in cutting the nation's drug problem in half by 2007, advocacy groups decried what they saw as a continued emphasis on law enforcement over prevention and treatment.

"When drug dealers still roam our streets and rob our children of their dreams, and drug-related crime still ravages so many of our neighborhoods, we know that we have barely begun," Gore said.

The nationwide effort includes nearly \$18 billion to be spent this year by the federal government. White House drug policy director Barry McCaffrey wants children to be the focal point for the drive against drugs.

The White House "seeks to involve parents, coaches, men-

tors, teachers, clergy and other role models in a broad prevention campaign," McCaffrey said in the four-volume strategy sent to Capitol Hill on Monday.

The five parts of the administration plan are educating children, decreasing the addicted population, breaking the cycle of drugs and crime, securing the nation's borders from drugs and reducing the drug supply.

The blend of strategies is aimed at reducing the use and availability of drugs by 25 percent by 2002 and 50 percent by 2007.

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Capt. Richard Ashby, of Mission Viejo, Calif., right, pilot of a Marine jet that cut the cables to a gondola car in Italy last year killing 20 people, arrives with friends and family Monday at a Camp Lejeune, N.C., courtroom for opening statements in Ashby's court-martial.

Pilot executed barrel roll before fatal accident

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. (AP) — A Marine pilot was hotdogging when his jet sliced through a ski gondola cable in the Italian Alps, killing 20 people, a prosecutor said in opening statements Monday at the aviator's court-martial.

In addition to flying his radar-jamming plane too low and too fast "whenever he had the opportunity" that day, Capt. Richard Ashby broke regulations by putting the aircraft through a barrel roll, Lt. Col. Carol Joyce said. Ashby is charged with 20 counts of involuntary manslaughter, and other offenses, and could be sentenced to more than 200 years in prison.

Ashby, 31, of Mission Viejo, Calif., was at the controls of an EA-6B Prowler on Feb. 3, 1998, when its wing cut the cable. The gondola plummeted to the ground, killing all 20 people aboard. "Whenever he had the opportunity to fly too low and too fast, he did it," Joyce said.

Joyce said the Marine Corps had banned flights below 1,000 feet in Italy after a 1996 accident. The cable that Ashby's jet struck was 370 feet above the ground.

In addition, the prosecutor said, one of the two back-seat officers in the jet will testify that Ashby performed a 360-degree barrel roll as he jet swooped through a mountain.

A jet loses altitude fast during such a roll, the first prosecution witness testified later.

Ashby's attorney Capt. Jon Shelburne told the jury in his opening statement: "It was just an accident."

The pilot's lawyers have said that he didn't know the cable was there because it wasn't on the map he was issued, and that an optical illusion may have made him think he was flying higher than he was.

By 2004, feds want to end Chicago, New York flight limits

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration is proposing to drop limits on the number of flights at airports in Chicago and New York in five years, saying Monday the caps are outdated and curb growth within the U.S. aviation system.

The proposal, part of a broad federal aviation bill, would also allow limited flights by 70-seat regional jets into Chicago's O'Hare International Airport, and Kennedy and La Guardia Airports in New York, as of Sept. 1, 2004.

Those flights would be aimed at improving service to small and medium cities that to date have been underserved by major carriers and their larger jets.

Federal Aviation Administration and Transportation Department officials said the existing limits are "obsolete" and based on 30-year-old rules. Under the proposal, the current caps would expire simultaneously on Sept. 1, 2004.

Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport is the only other U.S. airport with a similar restriction on flights. The new FAA bill

would not affect the number of flights into Reagan National, which was set by Congress about 12 years ago when control was shifted to a local airport authority. Officials said any changes are still considered a matter for Congress.

The officials also said they would not propose any change to the existing 1,250-mile limit on

the length of flights from Reagan National. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., has proposed dropping that limit to allow nonstop, coast-to-coast flights.

Last year a more-modest proposal to add 30 flights at O'Hare — the world's busiest airport — and an undetermined number at Kennedy and La Guardia died in Congress after Rep. Henry J.

Hyde, R-Ill., complained to then-House Speaker Newt Gingrich.

The new speaker, Illinois Republican Dennis Hastert, said he would support more flights at O'Hare, but he has not said anything about an unlimited number. Representatives for Hyde and Hastert did not immediately return calls seeking comment on the latest proposal.

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Linda Tripp to do TV interviews

NEW YORK (AP) — Linda Tripp, whose taped conversations with Monica Lewinsky sparked President Clinton's impeachment, has agreed to interviews with NBC's "Today" show and CNN's "Larry King Live."

Mrs. Tripp's "Today" interview, a pre-taped talk with correspondent Jamie Gangel, will air Friday morning shortly after 7:30 a.m. EST.

secretly taping their talks. She's yet to give an extensive interview about the case.

Gangel repeatedly requested the interview over an eight-month period, "Today" executive producer Jeff Zucker said. It was Mrs. Tripp's choice to do the interview on tape instead of live, and Gangel will speak to her on Thursday, he said.

"I think we're interested in what her thoughts are now that the trial is almost over and how this has affected her life," Zucker said.

It's the second big interview on this story landed by "Today." The top-rated morning program featured a Matt Lauer interview with first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton shortly after the scandal broke.

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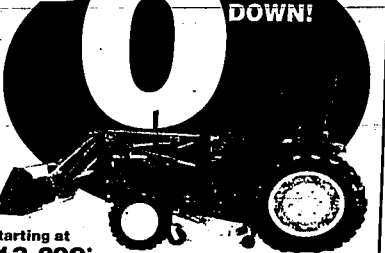
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Kerry Max Cook, right, receives a hug from a supporter Monday in Bastrop, Texas, as his girlfriend Sandra Presey looks on. A state district judge delayed jury selection for a week in former death row inmate Cook's fourth capital murder trial so more tests can be done on recently discovered evidence.

Judge delays 4th murder trial

New evidence found needs DNA analysis

BASTROP, Texas (AP) — For nearly 22 years, investigators had genetic information that might identify a woman's killer, and they didn't know it.

On Monday, a judge delayed a fourth trial for the victim's former neighbor while a woman's former trace-of-semen is subjected to DNA analysis.

It's up to experts to determine whether the old, neglected sample found on the woman's blood-soaked underwear is salvagable and, if so, whether it came from Kerry Max Cook or someone else.

Cook, 42, has been convicted of the 1977 killing twice, but both verdicts were thrown out on appeal.

Although DNA deteriorates over time, experts say some infor-

mation can be extracted from Ms. Edwards' underwear if the sample is large enough.

"It really depends on what it is, where it has been and under what conditions it has been kept all this time," said Kermit Clannell II, forensic biology supervisor at the state Crime Laboratory in Little Rock, Ark.

Everything related to the crime, including Ms. Edwards' underwear, has passed through a two-decade chain of custody of investigators, court clerks and the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals. But it was only last week that prosecutors sent the underwear to be tested for semen.

No test was done at the time of the crime. The technology was not as developed. District Judge Robert Jones scheduled a conference call for Thursday to decide whether there's enough of a sample to continue with DNA testing. If not,

jury selection will begin next Tuesday.

Prosecutors insist Cook beat 21-year-old Linda Jo Edwards in the head with a plaster statue, stabbed her repeatedly and sexually mutilated her in her East Texas apartment. Investigators found Cook's fingerprints on Ms. Edwards' sliding glass door.

Cook was first sentenced to death in 1978 and spent 12 years on death row until a state appeals court threw out the conviction because a psychiatrist who testified at trial didn't tell Cook their conversation could be used against him.

A 1992 retrial ended with a hung jury. In 1994 he was again convicted and sentenced to death. An appeals court overturned that verdict in 1996, citing prosecutorial misconduct.

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IBM, record industry test pirate-free, online music technology

NEW YORK (AP) — In a major move to protect the music industry from online bootleggers, five leading record companies are teaming up with IBM to test technology that lets people quickly record CD-quality albums off the Internet.

Computer users can already get illegal, pirated material over the Internet. The test announced Monday is aimed at thwarting the bootleggers by offering better-quality sound and a wider selection of music.

"This trial offers an extraordinary window on the future of the music business," said Roger Faxon, senior vice president of business development at EMI, whose music catalog includes the Rolling Stones, Frank Sinatra and the Spice Girls.

Beginning in the spring, IBM's new technology will be tested over six months by about 1,000 people in San Diego.

EMI, Entertainment, EMI Recorded Music, Sony Music Entertainment, Universal Music Group and Warner Music Group will create an online music store with more than 2,000 albums for sale.

The IBM system will allow people to download songs or entire albums off the Internet, then store and play them on their computer. The technology will include encryption coding to foil pirates who want to copy the songs and distribute them widely over the Internet.

One drawback is a lack of portability.

The only way for a buyer to transfer the music out of his or her computer is to buy a CD recording device, which generally costs \$150 to \$400.

The companies have not yet determined how much to charge people to download the music using IBM's new technology.

But Mark Mooradian, an analyst at technology research firm Jupiter Communications, said it probably won't cost any more than buying a CD from a record store.

At a news conference announcing the test, an IBM executive downloaded the Dave Matthews Band album "Crash" in about three minutes to play for the audience, and recorded it onto a CD in about 10 minutes.

Buying music by downloading it from the Internet represents just a tiny fraction of the \$12 billion music industry.

Record companies hope industry-wide security standards will be ready in time for the next holiday season.

The record companies are trying to combat a technology called MP3 that is gaining popularity as a way to store and distribute audio on the Internet.

While some MP3 songs being distributed on the Internet are legal and endorsed by record labels, the amount of bootlegged material online has grown rapidly. Once downloaded, an MP3 file can be copied endlessly and played on a \$200 Walkman-like device called a Rio.

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Jordanians continue to carry the casket of King Hussein Monday by the Royal Guards' Regiment at the Jordan Palace in Amman. Jordan's former King Hussein died Sunday from lymphatic cancer after almost a half century on the Jordanian throne.

Tearful Jordan lays beloved Hussein to rest

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — In a weller of booming images — a red-cloaked white caisson, a sea of white black flags, a pulse quest in tears and a simple white burial shroud — Jordan's beloved King Hussein was laid to rest Monday under a gray veiled sky.

Dignitaries and leaders from all over the world — some from states sworn to enemy — lined the route, a testament to the emperor's status that belied Hussein's status as the monarch of a small and unassuming desert kingdom who preached peace in a turbulent region.

The five-hour funeral was also the occasion for some delicate diplomatic posturing, drawing sworn enemies like Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Syrian President Hafez Assad.

Abdullah moves from carefree youth to Jordanian leader

His friends called him Ah. At high school in Massachusetts, no one had the patience to spit out the three syllables of Abdullah. But in Jordan, of course, it's Your Majesty as King Abdullah takes over the pivotal Arab nation.

Friends and associates on the gregarious teen-ager who grew up to be King Abdullah in Jordan, 37, is a man who can move easily between different worlds — rich and poor, Western and Arab, military and political — while retaining a core of good humor and the same ability to put people at ease that helped his father, King Hussein, become one of the world's most respected leaders.

He was a confident child, a super-confident 20-something playboy and as more a relaxed husband, father and national leader.

"He has an ability to make everyone in the room feel comfortable," said the friend, whose best man was Ah.

The friend, who asked to remain unnamed, is one of a handful of men who befriended

Assad. The two stayed well apart, but even so, their presence at the same event was unprecedented.

Some of the hundreds of dignitaries attending put aside pressing problems to bid adieu to Amman: the president of the United States and President Clinton, also with a delegation of three former American presidents, and visiting Russian President Boris Yeltsin, who spent most of his time in Jordan before being sent back to Moscow.

Wrapped in a simple shroud and accompanied to the desert by the wife of his desert brother, Hussein's body was lowered into a grave in the royal cemetery under the summer sun it has sheltered since he was born. Hussein died Sunday from cancer at age 71.

Abdullah at the private Deserted, however, when they were in their teens and had remained extremely close to Abdullah over the past 20 years.

"He was an American. He's a happy guy. You can see the confidence and respect he received."

In 1981, Abdullah enrolled at Sandhurst, the British military academy, followed in the footsteps of his father. A year later he joined the British army.

He interrupted his military career to study international politics and worked briefly at Oxford University before returning to Jordan in 1984, where he joined his own country's army.

Gaining experience in tank and helicopter units — he is a qualified pilot — he earned Abdullah apparently earned the respect of his fellow military men.

He makes very seriously his role as the older brother, said Majid Kipper, director of the Middle East Forum at the Council on Foreign Relations in Washington. D.C. Kipper spoke to Abdullah for 30 minutes on the telephone early last week.

He has made himself indispensable without seeking power.

AIDS deaths put former French leaders on trial

PARIS — The debate over who is responsible for the use of HIV-tainted blood in transfusions, in France has endured for years and has implicated former high-ranking government officials.

Today, three former government ministers, including a former prime minister, will go on trial for their alleged roles in France's worst health scandal. All are charged with employing a "strategy of favoritism" that delayed systematic testing for AIDS with an American-made test while a French test was being readied.

Nearly 4,000 people in France contracted AIDS from blood transfusions from the early 1980s until 1986, and an experts' report

World in brief

in 1991 found that 300 were "avoidable."

The former ministers are charged in the AIDS deaths of five people and the infection of two others during a critical period in 1985.

Kosovo rebels request cease-fire; Serbs listen

RAMBOUILLET, France — Ethnic Albanians pressed for a formal cease-fire for Kosovo while Serbs sought a pledge to keep Yugoslavia's borders unchanged as the two sides held peace talks

Monday at a French chateau.

Award-winning producer dies in kayak accident

PEMBROKE, Ontario — An award-winning producer of outdoor adventure videos, drowned when her kayak tipped over as she was trying to videotape friends going through dangerous rapids on the Ottawa River.

Lynn Clarke, 35, of Foresters Falls, Ontario, was swept under ice

on the river Sunday and was dead by the time her body was recovered 40 minutes later, police said. Clarke made adventure films of all types of outdoor recreation.

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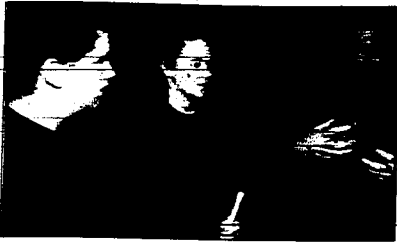
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Thurston High School drama teacher Mike Fisher, right, discusses the school's latest play, "Bang, Bang, You're Dead," which addresses the issue of school violence. Monday in the photo, Dan O'Rourke's right as one of the actors in the performance. (Clockwise from top left) Fisher, O'Rourke, and another student, who was shot by his friend during the play, seen standing at Thurston High School.

Students re-enact 1998 Oregon school shooting

BLAND, Ore. (AP) — Under the glow of the stage lights, the scary reenactment in a commercial district ends in the arms held high in the air when the gunman drops his gun and is taken down by his classmates in the school cafeteria.

If the new play "Bang, Bang, You're Dead" seems a bit like last year's Oregon school shooting at its. But so do power comes from the past. — 13 students actually lived through the shooting at Springfield's Thurston High School.

"A lot of people think we're trying to put our heads on a spike," O'Rourke says. But Fisher said after a preview performance here Saturday. "That's not what we're doing. We're trying to spread a message."

Playwright William Mastrosimone plans to change his work to schools across the nation in hopes an in-home study of a killing spree will force young people to confront their culture of violence and do something about it.

"I saw this from the pit of my stomach," said Mastrosimone, a screenwriter from Emmet, Wash., whose award-winning credits include the play "Annie Hall" and the TV miniseries "The Sandlot" and "The Untouchables."

IDAHO LEGISLATIVE LOG

The Associated Press

Signed by Governor

SB1002 (Finance) — Deposits first two payments from the tobacco settlement in the Budget Stabilization Account.

Sent to Governor

HB118 (Appropriations) — Makes an emergency \$100,000 appropriation to the State Capital Commission.

HB46 (Newcomb) — Clarifies the Aging Commission duties on funding grants and assessments.

HB48 (Newcomb) — Accepts the 1998 national rehabilitation laws.

HB49 (Newcomb) — Revises qualifications for service on the board of the Historical Society.

HB51 (Newcomb) — Makes permanent a minimum persons clearinghouse in the Department of Law Enforcement.

Confirmed by Senate

SB1002 (Finance) — To the State Building Authority.

Killed by Senate

SB1064 (Judiciary and Rules) — Bans open alcohol containers in the possession of any vehicle passenger.

Introduced in Senate

SB1125 (State Affairs) — Supports development of a spaceport in eastern Idaho.

SB1126 (Judiciary and Rules) — Bans open alcohol containers in the possession of any vehicle passenger.

SB1127 (State Affairs) — Updates state law on liquor violation.

SB1128 (State Affairs) — Authorizes mediation as part of processing land use planning applications.

SB1129 (State Affairs) — Authorizes levy increases without voter approval to meet school facility safety issues under certain circumstances.

SB1129 (Judiciary and Rules) — Increases the value of civil ones adjusted to approximately \$4,000.

SB1132 (Judiciary and Rules) — Defines "verification mark" and "collective mark."

SB1128 (Commerce and Human Resources) — Establishes a civil penalty of \$1,000 for electrical board violations.

Introduced in House

HB181 (State Affairs) — Clarifies Public Utilities Commission telecommunications jurisdiction.

HB182 (State Affairs) — Changes sales reporting requirements from monthly to quarterly for licensed beer and wine producers and distributors.

HB183 (State Affairs) — Allows the state treasurer to invest in corporate bonds, debentures or notes.

HB184 (State Affairs) — Opens Idaho Housing and Finance Association records to public disclosure.

HB185 (State Affairs) — Allows the state treasurer to continue investing in the guaranteed portion of Small Business Administration loans after the underground storage tank program expires on Feb. 22.

HB186 (Education) — Allows students attending public charter schools to participate in dual enrollment programs.

HB187 (Appropriations) — Increases the portion of state tax receipts allocated to the Resource Conservation and Rangeland Development Account from 10 percent to 30 percent.

HB188 (Appropriations) — Updates language in laws governing the state budget and appropriations process.

HB189 (Revenue and Taxation) — Allows corporations, through a director, to qualify for the 50-percent homestead's exemption on property taxes if the director lives in the home.

HB190 (Revenue and Taxation) — Increases the income tax pro-credit by 1.5 times the rate of inflation, or at least \$1 a year, until it reaches \$25 in 1974 dollars.

HB191 (Revenue and Taxation) — Clarifies the manufacturing sales tax exemption for semiconductor clean rooms.

Kempthorne tucks tobacco cash in reserve

BOISE (AP) — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne has signed the first bill of his tenure into law, tucking away the first \$32 million in settlement money from the tobacco industry into a reserve account.

But the governor also used Monday's ceremony to urge lawmakers to hold up their end of the bargain and block an otherwise mandated deposit of another \$16 million into the reserve — cash he needs to keep payroll already seriously balanced 2000 budget in the black.

In fact, Kempthorne warned that if the deposit is triggered under a 1998 law, an across-the-board budget cut would be required.

Only hours earlier, the House Appropriations Committee voted to preclude the deposit for the coming budget year. Kempthorne is still asking that the 1998 mechanism for building up the reserve fund be revamped.

Faced with some of the slowest revenue growth in a decade, Kempthorne essentially traded \$32 million in tobacco money — the bulk of it will not be paid for another 15 months — for \$16 million cash in hand and ready to cover expenses immediately.

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EDITORIAL

Senators, stand on principle in vote on Clinton's fate

Judgment Day is coming. Later this week, the U.S. Senate will cast simple yet decisive votes on the fate of President William J. Clinton. Technically, the votes will center on questions of perjury and obstruction of justice, but in the minds of many they boil down to this: Should he stay or should he go?

Our advice to senators of both parties is to weigh the facts and vote your conscience. Don't look to see how everyone else is voting. From what we've seen, we're confident that Idaho's senators will vote to convict Clinton of the charges.

The president to stand above the law will be felt for generations to come," Sensesbrenner told the Senate. The United States will survive if Big Bill gets the boot. Remember, Clinton is not the presidency. He is simply the president. Others will succeed him.

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If the votes don't materialize to remove Clinton, it will be the Democratic Party that's saddled with his legacy of lies. Though unable to eighty-six him, Republicans at least will have to claim him as one of their own. That may be as good as it gets when dealing with Clinton, who is to tawdriness as King Midas was to gold.

We urge Larry Craig and Mike Crapo not to compromise their principles. Bill Clinton has done enough compromising for everybody, with his deception, obfuscation and hair-splitting. He lied under oath and everyone from President Tammany Hall to President Clinton has done the same. One of the House prosecutors, Rep. F. James Sensenbrenner, R-Wisc., summed up the Clinton affair nicely during Monday's closing arguments. "If the president does not suffer the legal and constitutional consequences of his actions, the impact of allowing

dealing with Clinton, who is to tawdriness as King Midas was to gold. Even if impeachment fails, Clinton should not be allowed to skate out of the Senate without a spanking. At the very least, a strongly worded resolution of censure should be approved by a two-thirds majority. It should fall to Democrats to write the censure resolution. Let them spell out, in painstaking detail, what a reprobate he has been. Finally, let's be clear about one thing: No one has done anything to Bill Clinton. He has done it to himself.



INEEL plan contaminates the aquifer

Our editorial entitled "Latest INEEL cleanup plan ignores threat to our water" is a paucity and premature. I can say this because myself and 14 other members of the INEEL Citizens Advisory Board throughout the state have been in on this proposed plan since its inception.

READER COMMENT

Ben F. Collins

And, as one of the members of the CAB representing the Twin Falls area, I can assure you I question any Department of Energy proposal that may threaten the lifeblood of this valley - the Snake River Plain Aquifer. So let's put the word "ignores" in perspective.

By meeting the Resource Conservation Recovery Act design and construction requirements, which are the same for commercial disposal facilities. It will consist of about six cells south of the percolation ponds, have a total capacity of about 500,000 cubic yards and cover about 54 acres.

The old "Chem Plant," now called the Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center, is in one of 10 waste area groups known as Waste Area Group 3. Like eating an elephant, the DOE is developing cleanup plans for all of the waste area groups - one bite (WAG) at a time. A remedial investigation and baseline risk assessment for WAG-3 was completed in 1997 to evaluate soil and groundwater contamination. The results indicated that soil at certain release sites and groundwater contamination pose a potential risk above acceptable levels to human health and the environment.

The estimated volume of contaminated soil from WAG-3 will be 82,000 cubic yards. The soil repository will only accept wastes generated within the INEEL boundaries. Waste acceptance criteria will include restrictions on contaminant concentrations based on groundwater modeling results. Another important factor is that the design will not allow water to penetrate the cap over the soil. With a properly engineered infiltration remediation system, there is virtually no way for contaminants to reach the aquifer.

The investigation and baseline risk assessment was extremely comprehensive and dealt with seven major sites of concern: (1) The "Chem Plant" Tank Farm, (2) Soils Under Buildings and Structures, (3) Other Surface Soils, (4) Perched Water, (5) Snake River Plain Aquifer, (6) Buried Gas Cylinders, (7) SFE-20 Hot Waste Tank System.

There is another very important economic consideration - cost. Removal of the contaminated soil and on-site disposal will cost an estimated \$11.7 million. The remedial investigation, treatment, and off-site disposal, Alternative 4B, will cost an estimated \$265.6 million. By creating the repository on site, it will save \$13.3 million just for the initial 82,000 cubic yards. Also, by designing the repository for 500,000 cubic yards, contaminated soils from other INEEL waste area groups can be stored in one centralized area (instead of scattered around the complex in several locations) and save millions of dollars. Even with all the engineering assurances and millions in savings, the INEEL Citizens Advisory Board (speaking for the citizens of Idaho) was skeptical.

To implement this preferred alternative, DOE proposes an engineered facility

The CAB operates by consensus and some of the members do not like the idea

of an on-site repository. However, the CAB has put together a draft recommendation to DOE that conditionally agrees with an on-site repository under Alternative 4A. The conditions are: (1) The repository must be designed to avoid the effects of flooding events with recurrence levels of more than 100 years; (2) The final design must be in compliance with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; (3) It should be constructed, filled and closed using a phased approach and keeping it as small as possible; (4) Minimize the use of "clean" areas - use previously contaminated sites if possible; and (5) Waste acceptance criteria be sufficiently restrictive to protect the aquifer.

As a citizen of Idaho and a member of the CAB, my perspective is that DOE Idaho has not ignored the potential threat to the Snake River Plain Aquifer. The process of public input is alive and well. The public comment period ran from Oct. 23 through Dec. 22, 1998, and four public meetings were held in November - one on Nov. 17 in Twin Falls.

As a result of Congressman Chirrew's concern, the public comment period is again open through Feb. 12, 1999.

The jury is still out on the proposed cleanup plan for WAG-3 and the proposed soil repository. And, if DOE cannot satisfy the CAB that an on-site repository can be constructed, used and closed without leaching the Magic Valley's groundwater, I guarantee there will be no consensus or recommendation for implementing Alternative 4A. As for The Times-News' description of the plan as "ham-fisted," I think it was more of a pork chop.

An avid fly-fisherman, Ben F. Collins is one of 15 members of the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory's Citizens Advisory Board. He lives in Buhl.

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LETTERS

Clinton is a real embarrassment

I am writing in response to Abigail Walton of Heyburn. I am a veteran in my 40s, and I, too, am embarrassed by the actions of the president.

I proudly served my country during a time of disrespect for members of the armed forces.

I joined the military to support the ideal of freedom for all, sharing honor with this great nation, others in the military and myself.

I was proud to serve the United States of America. While many others and I were supporting our country, the man that is now president was protesting the goal of making freedom a choice for others.

Even during times of turmoil and political upheaval in this great nation, I have never lost my pride in my country or its leaders; that is, until now. Abigail, you were correct in stating that reporters are punished for breaking the law, and I must add, so are adults not in the White House.

The moral, ethical and legal standards exemplified by the leader of the most powerful nation on earth are shameful as well as criminal.

The president has destroyed respect for himself, lessened respect for the office of the president and brought shame to the people of this nation. He will not even admit or show remorse for the disgrace he has perpetrated on our country's honor.

It is not his personal behavior that I have found embarrassing but his disrespect for the law.

President Clinton has set an example of legal denial that Americans must not condone.

Miss Walton, I am sorry that we as a nation have been embarrassed by a man who cannot see himself in a mirror.

It is up to us, all Americans, to show the world that the moral and ethical standards of the United States are higher than the example shown by the

selfish actions of this one egotistical man.

RAY MASSEY
Twin Falls

TF traffic lights stop making sense

It's the morning hours on a Saturday as I have just returned from a very long business trip. I'm sitting at a Twin Falls traffic light for 10 minutes with no traffic around me, waiting for the light to change.

And three questions pop into my mind.

1. Who's the salesman that sold the spotlight system? I may want to hire him.
2. Who got the under-the-table money to accept the system?
3. Who got the all-expense-paid vacation to accept this "state of the art" system?

I answered these questions only in speculation as I looked both ways through three lights and made it home.

BRIAN CRONER
Twin Falls

Edit board sets a double standard

The Times-News' vigorous complaints about a letter written under a pen name would fit better if its own opinion pieces weren't masked by the editorial board.

I have yet to read a compelling reason why Times-News editorials are not attributed to their author.

I suspect some board members have little time for writing editorials, and I doubt every board member agrees with every point in every editorial.

The present policy creates an illusion that the newspaper's editorials are weightier than they actually are. Is this policy a niche phenomenon that has also created the males-only editorial board?

The double standard that a reader's letter must have a confirmed signature but the paper's editorial needs none begs for a new policy of fairness.

STEVE KOEHLER
Wendell

Only the Trinity and keeboobllism

After reading Jeff Pierson's Jan. 10 letter describing liberalism as a philosophical disease, then his Jan. 14 Jesuitogram on the religion page, I was going to write another letter to Noah Webster, but then it came out that Noah believed Jesus was the "center of reality," so I decided to never write Noah again. Anybody who can believe that kind of nonsense, in my mind, cannot be trusted to tell the truth. See what I mean?

Now I will always be wondering if liberalism has anything to do with how Noah defined it: personal freedom, liberty, progress, change - you know, the sonorous songs America loves to sing like the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, right to bear arms, voting power, free speech, freedom of religion, abolition, civil rights, the music and poetry of America that swell the human heart with joy?

No, I'm not writing Noah any more,

didn't expect an answer, anyway.

I wrote a letter to God once, never got an answer either. Besides, the doctor tells me that writing or talking to dead people puts me right on the edge of a serious reality disorder disease, and I sure don't want that on top of a possible philosophical disease like liberalism. See where I'm coming from? Already, I've been diagnosed with rant-and-rave hysteria, and I keep getting those loss-of-skill and will-to-reason tremors. Mr. Pierson seems to suggest I could cure that by talking to Jesus, but like I said, I ain't talking to dead people no more, nosirre.

Someone asked me once, so what do you believe in? I said, well, fender-benders, rollovers, beer bellies, Taco Bell and Walmart, sometimes commodity futures, do-it-yourself kits and Dorothy Jean's spaghetti sauce.

But you not believe in God, the Great I Am? I said, well, he deludes are thick as fleas on a many dog's belly

LETTERS

throughout all of human history, all created by people who have lived with and suffering, and except for those in geographic and literary format, I have never met one, so I'm going to stick with the Trinity I do know - me, myself and I - and keeboobllism. Key what? Yeah, keeboobllism - unfeathered freedom from any otherism bummerism. Nobody knows what the hell it is - the who, how, why, where or when. It's liberating!

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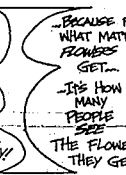
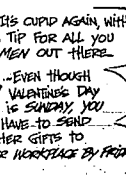


Doonesbury



By Garry Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

OPINION

Marry early and start your family soon

This indicates just how out of joint the times are: Human nature is startling news. Assuring that there is a human nature has become a radical political act, which today's feminists stigmatize as reactionary. This troublemaker Crittenden not at all.



GEORGE F. WILL

they expected us to eat, and when they warned us to "use protection," it was our course because they expected us to have sex."

Resultant promiscuity has benefited, and formed, today's "inconstant, immature men," who have less sexual incentive for constancy. Crittenden's deeply humane book, two copies of which should be given as wedding presents to every couple, is a plea for women to be less preoccupied about their "identities." Instead, they should "develop an appreciation for the mutual, differing contributions we make to marriage as man and woman," and for the different compromises arising from sexual differences, especially compromises involving careers.

Why, Crittenden wonders, have so many mothers concluded, in America's richest era, they have "no choice" but to work? Why has taking care of one's young children come to be considered "a perk of the rich, like yachting?" Women who ignore the wisdom that "we can have it all—but we cannot have it all at once" comprise a "separate and society."

Why women trying to "balance briefcase and baby" are failing to convince themselves that "quality time" is a substitute for lots of time.

A typical woman will live 80 years and work 40 of them, but will have young children for perhaps only eight years. So Crittenden argues against delaying marriage and children.

Having a spouse and children delays an adult from living "the introverted existence of a teenager into middle age."

She recommends a progressive and, today, radical act: marrying early and promptly having children. They are "one's connection to eternity" and demonstrate "that we have loved and been loved, and brought into this world life that will outlast us." Not bad compensation for postponing a career.

George F. Will is a Washington Post columnist.

Say no to body implants

We all need to congratulate Joy Barnes in her decision to not have a breast implant after her cancer. She made the best decision of her life that day. Today, she has her health. Millions of women are dying and many more are violently ill from breast implants. It makes no difference what the doctors or plastic surgeons say. They were not held accountable for damages to the millions of women they have "slowly" murdered, myself included.

We have been shunned by society, nobody wants to hear the real truth of the facts about breast implants. Dow Corning has even paid for papers stating implants are safe. Making it sound so legitimate. Even today they still have not been approved by the Food and Drug Administration.

I am a breast implant victim! I was explanted in 1995. I thought once they were removed, I'd start to get well again. What a joke that was. In 1991, I was diagnosed with chronic fibromyalgia. In 1993, I was advised that my medical problems may be related to implants. I contacted my plastic surgeon who swore on his wonderful mother's grave, his implants were safe, not to worry, a lot of women were suffering from pre-menstrual syndrome. Just causing trouble, he said sweetly.

My hair started falling out, I had severe headaches, ringing in my ears, I hurt constantly from head to toe. I seriously thought I was dying. My periods were constant with chronic PMS.

I went to another plastic surgeon. He actually never wanted to take them out. In the end, he had a med student do it instead. MR's showed rips in them, but according to the operative report, it sounded like a perfect textbook case.

They were taken out intact until the very end. At that point, I am sure I got saturated in silicone throughout my body. Yet the doctor stated I had a rupture in the left breast, but strangely it was never documented. Hmmm. Makes you wonder about our plastic surgeons in the USA.

Today I am a very sick lady. I had to give up a full-time job in the process of trying to get SSD, I need the Medicare, my COBRA insurance runs out in less than 18 months.

LETTERS

I sure never got rich off any settlements. So let's commend another who says no to implants. KATHY BENGTON Somerset, Wis.

Jailers doing alright

Poor baby! Anxious jailers are being mean to him just because he's a pain in the rear. God you little whiner, if you can't do the job, don't do the crime. Well done jailers, make his life so miserable he'll think more than twice before he commits another crime. Sheriff, give that jailer a raise. CARL ELLIS Boise

Common sense in Jerome

I have been absolutely impressed by the common-sense approach to fulfill the needs of the overcrowding of the Jerome High School. The proposal for the building of a new middle school for the seventh and eighth grades and Freshmen class of the high school, freeing up room at Central Elementary and the high school and at the same time creating a better environment of learning for the freshmen.

The need is very real, the fat has been trimmed, and I for one enthusiastically endorse this proposal for the needs at hand. Please help support our great community in this unselfish endeavor. TOM PETERS Jerome

Freeloaders need not apply

This letter is in response to Deb Caster of Jerome: After reading your letter, I believe you are an "under-educated" racist. Allow me to enlighten you of a few facts.

1) Many men and women who immigrate to the United States are illegal aliens and do so to improve their lives. But just as many are legal alien residents who are obligated to pay taxes, sign up for the selective service and buy car insurance. Everything we citizens must do.

2) To receive public assistance, one must have a legal Social Security number. So "illegal" do not qualify.

3) The "illegals" who work for (starve) must fill out a W-4 form for their employers and have taxes withheld. If the employer is not withholding taxes, he's

breaking the law. The "illegal" uses a fake Social Security number and cannot file a tax return for a refund, nor receive Social Security benefits. All the money is withheld, never to be claimed.

4) When aliens apply for a "green" card, they must prove that they will not be a burden to the government or have a sponsor who can support them.

5) As for crimes in the paper, you state: "85 percent isn't whites." Please, get your facts straight and find out how many are U.S. citizens that do not send money to Mexico.

6) Many Hispanics are homeowners and pay property taxes, and others pay high rent and the landlord pays property taxes.

7) As for supporting yourself, what do you call it when you receive public assistance, i.e., Idaho Housing Legal Aid, etc. "Freeloading?" If the freeloaders should leave, where will you go?

So please get off your "high horse" and face the facts: the color of a person's skin and the sound of their surname has blinded you. And that is indeed racist.

I am a U.S. citizen, born in Jerome, of Mexican decent who is a homeowner, who pays property taxes and doesn't freeload. WILLY ALVAREZ Jerome

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Capricorn: Roll up sleeves, get to work on new responsibility

IF FEBRUARY 9 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Your points of view are unalloyed - you participate in political-charitable projects. Arles, Libra persons play major roles in your life, could have these letters, initials in names: C. R. Important for you to learn differences between generosity and extravagance - mild example. You tend to over-act. You are fascinated by manic arts, sciences, including astrology. Social activities accelerate this year - most memorable will be May.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Recently you felt pressure to instantly perform. By tomorrow, with the moon in Sagittarius, you can relax and get rich. Taurus, Scorpio are in picture.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Take pen in hand and write. Chips fall your way, you could have phenomenal luck. Soon, there could be winning streak. People will begin to study major you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Small Aries, Taurus messages for added wisdom. Recent break-up of partnership, marriage will belong in the ashcan of history. Settle down, musical notes sound their involvement.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Neptune and your Moon form significant alliance. It works out that people care for you, trust you, might request that you handle their money. Places, Vinos pose demurely.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Lost opportunity revived - your timing will be honed to razor-sharpness. Focus on business, responsibility, overtime. Reams of publicity accompany your efforts.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Accept challenge of distance, language - you'll solve problem that caused others to fail. Sexual rapport with another Virgo helps overcome obstacles. Arles also in picture.

LITRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Be ready for fresh start, new challenge, possibility of different kind of romance. Let Aquarius, persons, play-dramatic roles, could have these letters, initials in names: A, S, J.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your luck changes soon in connection with

HOROSCOPE Sydney Omarr

finance. Still differences with family members. Cancer, Capricorn persons figure in exciting scenario, have these initials: K, W, D.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Experiment, explore, find something funny to laugh at in connection with personal fallings. Turn down first offer filled with legal jargon. Second offer will make sense.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Obtain hint from Sagittarius message. Insist on cards on table, face up. Challenge of added responsibility featured - roll up sleeves, get to work. Taurus represented.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Keep plans flexible, take notes, possess an opportunity to express passion in writing. Disney talent in feelings in writing. Disney talent in connection with character analysis.

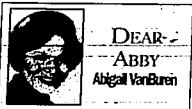
COMIN (Feb. 19-March 20): Attention revolves around domestic issues, possibility of changing residence, marital status. Music figures in scenario, listen and learn. Mild flirtation is growing in heat.

Grandma needs dating advice for boy-crazy 12-year-old girl

DEAR ABBY: My granddaughter's 13th birthday is approaching. It is special because she will be a teen-ager, an exciting time filled with new experiences and responsibilities. I would like to give her some advice about boys and dating. She is already boy-crazy. However, every time I try to tell her something, she says, "Oh, Grandma, you're so old-fashioned! Things are different now." What I need is some advice from you, Abby. She sends your column every morning before she goes to school, and she doesn't consider your advice old-fashioned.

Please, Abby, can you help me to help my granddaughter?

— GRACE IN GRAPEVINE, TEXAS



DEAR ABBY: Teen-agers today must handle far more complex problems than either of us faced when we were young. Young people often pick up what they can't from other teens who are equally inexperienced. For that reason, I wrote my booklet, "What Every Teen Should Know," which answers many questions teens have.

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Monday's Puzzle Solved

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White House had just 1 bathroom

Q. When was the first ballet performed in the United States?
 A. In 1827. Same year students from Paris celebrated Shrove Tuesday at New Orleans' first Mardi Gras.

Comic strip characters popularized the lightly derogatory term "catfish merchants" in the 1930s. But it dated further back. To when disrespected sellers of feathered finery for women's hats promoted worldwide slaughter of countless ostriches and beautiful birds. The term was heard in street talk in 1916, the year the word "environmentalist" first turned up in print.



WHAT'S WHAT L.M. Boyd

In 1889, President Benjamin Harrison moved his First Family into the White House. Eleven of them - he, Mrs. Harrison, a son and daughter, their mates and three offspring, Mrs. Harrison's father, and her widowed niece. The residence then had but one bathroom.

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AROUND

THE VALLEY

Firefighters battle house blaze

SHOSHONE - Northside firefighters were battling a house fire Monday night east of Shoshone. The fire broke out at around 6:30 p.m. near 400 East and U.S. Highway 25. Firefighters from Shoshone were joined by crews from Dietrich and Gooding.

Further details were unavailable Monday evening. Woman arraigned on marijuana trafficking charge

United Way reaches fund-raising record

TWIN FALLS - The United Way of Magic Valley has raised a record amount, more than \$303,000, in its 1998-99 campaign. The amount is less than its \$400,000 goal, but is \$21,000 more than last year and the most raised during a campaign, said Diane Boyd, United Way executive director. "I'm real pleased about that," she said.

The total amount raised from area residents and companies will be announced at noon Feb. 16 at the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare building, 601 Pole Line Road. At that time, the nonprofit organization also will announce how the money will be allocated among its 19 agency members.

The campaign kicked off in September and won't officially close until Friday. "Some money is coming in every day," Boyd said.

Bridge construction closes North Road

JEROME - Bridge construction at 250 North will close a section of North Road until the end of March. The Jerome Highway District will close North Road between 200 North and 300 North today. The closure is expected to last until March 26, a news release said.

Buhl woman faces marijuana charge

TWIN FALLS - A Buhl woman faces a marijuana trafficking charge after state investigators found more than two pounds of the drug in her home, authorities said. Diana Lynn Mensinger, 44, awaits a Feb. 19 preliminary hearing on charges of trafficking marijuana, manufacturing a controlled substance where children are present and failing to affix a drug tax stamp. Special agents from Idaho's Criminal Investigation Bureau searched Mensinger's home Friday and found more than two pounds of marijuana, Special Agent Stu Robinson said.

Statehouse Democrats to speak in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - The top two Democrats in the Idaho Statehouse will discuss the legislative agenda and answer questions Saturday in Twin Falls. Senate Minority Leader Clint Stennett and House Minority Leader Wendy Jaquet will meet with Twin Falls County Democrats at 6:30 p.m. at Maxie's and Pasta restaurant, 170 Blue Lakes Blvd. Anyone interested is invited.

Several other legislators and party leaders are expected to participate. Call Twin Falls Democratic Chairperson Carole Stennett at 543-4419 for more information.

Kimberly council to meet this evening

KIMBERLY - The Kimberly City Council will meet at 7 p.m. tonight. Agenda items include the Rock Creek Fire Station's new building, sale of property, approval of bids for the car sales, and reports from the mayor, fire, police, parks and zoning, street department, and water and sewer department.

Small hog producers qualify for payments

BURLEY - The U.S. Department of Agriculture is making direct cash payments to small hog producers to help them weather the current economic crisis. The signing period ends Friday and payments will be made through the Farm Service Agency, located at 1351 N. 1st St. For more information call 678-1157.

Compiled from staff reports

Magic West wants state to reconsider water ruling

Limit could affect jobs in Glens Ferry

By Pat Mericantonio
Times-News writer

GLENS FERRY - Magic West Inc. wants the state to reconsider a water limit that the company says will curtail its potato-processing business - enough to make

the firm consider taking 180 jobs out of Glens Ferry.

The plant petitioned the Idaho Department of Water Resources Friday to reconsider its Jan. 22 order. In that order, Magic West's water license was amended to maximum use of 58 acre-feet of ground-water per year, or almost five times the limit in its original license. But the plant also was ordered to "cease and desist" using more than 58 acre-feet, measure how much water it uses, and report those

measurements to the department.

While a legal process has started with the petition, the department has scheduled an informal meeting Wednesday to work with Magic West, including offering technical help on options such as buying more water rights.

In May 1997, Magic West asked the department to amend its 1990 license to reflect the larger amount of water used in its operation, or remove the limit entirely. The request was protested by

two water users.

The department said Magic West couldn't provide adequate evidence of water use to support its request, partly because the plant hadn't used a meter to measure how much water was diverted and used.

In its petition, Magic West has asked to use more than 58 acres feet of water annually.

Please see WATER, Page B3

DIGGING OUT



Don Saver of Ketchum digs his way out of the weekend storm before leaving for work Monday morning.

JUSTIN SMITH/The Times-News

Hospital margin shrinks, but remains in black

By The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - As with any financial news, there's the good, the bad and the audit. That was the tale of the 1998 audit of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, which showed patient revenues up compared to previous budget year, but the margin after expenses shrank. Still, the audit story ended well for the hospital.

"We're in good shape," finance committee chairman Rich Stivers told the board Monday. The audit of the county-owned hospital was prepared by Deloitte and Touche of Salt Lake City and approved Monday by the board without much discussion. An extended explanation of the audit was presented last

The totals	
Revenue	Total expenses
1998 \$57 million	\$54.8 million
1997 \$52.5 million	\$49.8 million

Thursday to the board's finance committee.

The auditors compared finances during the budget year that ended Sept. 30, 1998, to the year that ended Sept. 30, 1997.

Highlights included:
• The 1998 budget ended with about \$4.5 million more in net patient revenue than how the 1997 budget year ended.
• Expenses also rose by \$4.9 million in the 1998 budget year compared to the 1997 financial year. That included a \$1.8 million increase in salaries and benefits

for the hospital employees.

Income from operations - that's net revenue minus net expenses - was \$2.2 million at the end of Sept. 30, 1998. But the amount was \$468,000 less than the income at the end of the 1997 budget year. That's a 17 percent drop between those two years, compared with a 2.5 percent increase between the 1997 and 1996 budget years.

The number of charity care cases increased from \$1.3 million in 1997 to \$1.5 million in 1998.

In other business, Stivers reported to the board that admissions between October and December - the first quarter of the hospital budget year - were up 3 percent from last year at the same time. Some board members had

expressed concern about a new private, doctor-owned surgery center taking business from the public hospital. Stivers said it was still too early to notice any effect.

The surgery center opened in mid-December. The hospital's monthly financial report showed one less outpatient surgical case in December 1998 compared with December 1997. Outpatient revenue makes up about 40 percent of the total patient revenue.

Board chairman Terry Schultz also announced that two board members had been honored. Cheryl Juntunen was elected chairman of the Trustees Council with the Idaho Hospital Association and Dr. Mark McKinn was elected to the Western Surgical Association.

Boy gets prison sentence

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Kathleen Thompson doesn't sleep as soundly as she did before the morning her son was shot at. The porch light stays on at night, and the gun she bought after the shooting is nearby.

Thompson described her new, more difficult life Monday at the sentencing of 17-year-old Joshua Adam McBride, who encouraged the gunman to "shoot" at Thompson's son.

McBride pleaded guilty in September to aggravated battery. Prosecutors had asked for a four- to eight-year prison sentence, but after the hearing

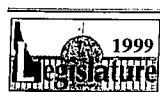
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Minimum wage, organic cows and some Mini-Cassia influence

Idaho legislators now have two bills to ponder that would require farmworkers be paid minimum wage.

Rep. Doug Jones, R-Filer, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, introduced a bill Monday that would remove the farmworker exemption from the state's minimum wage law, but kept the exemption for piecework. Piecework means employees are paid for performance based by the number of sprinkler pipes they move. Another broader bill was introduced earlier. Jones' committee will conduct a hearing on the two ideas Feb. 18.

Before retiring, former Gov. Phil Batt said he supported such a change, but the bill may be destined for a rough time. Two camps oppose the bill - those who



Legislature extras

say it's not needed because farmers all pay more than minimum wage already, and those who say forcing farmers to pay minimum wage would be the fatal blow to the already struggling industry.

Senate Minority Leader Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum, is sponsoring a bill that would create rules for organically produced cattle, hogs, sheep and other livestock.

Poultry, livestock and dairy products are excluded from

the law now.

Meanwhile, lawmakers and livestock industry representatives met Monday evening to continue work on proposals that would lighten state regulations on large confined animal operations and give counties more power to draft related ordinances. Legislators expect final versions to be introduced by Burley resident Dennis Dexter, the head of the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center, testified to a Senate committee Monday for a bill that would make it easier and more expedient to transport prisoners wanted on warrants from other counties.

The bill was sent to the Senate floor.

Legislature Extras is compiled by Times-News political writer Gregory Hahn.

Burglars clean up office after failed robbery attempt

By Damian D. Rodriguez
Times-News writer

RUPERT - Burglars who broke into the Riverside Electric Co. Friday couldn't open the company fire safe, cleaned the shop instead, a Minidoka County Sheriff's report said.

"It was an unusual case," Minidoka Sheriff's Cpl. Tim Dudley said of the burglars' attempt to straighten out their mess. "They were pretty thorough."

The burglars crawled under the overhead door. Once inside, they broke a door knob and forced open a connecting door to the shop and warehouse.

When they got to the safe, they beat it with a hammer, drilled a hole in it and tried to saw it open, the report said. But when it wouldn't open, they grabbed a broom and cleaned the shop.

Investigators say the burglars used a drill to remove the key slot to the safe. They found a broken fiberglass

handled claw hammer and three broken circular saw blades near the safe report said.

The burglars apparently tried to open the side of the safe and put back its cover. After giving up, they used a shop broom to sweep the floor and remove all evidence of footprints in the shop area. They used a cleaning compound from the shop to remove fingerprints from two office phones.

The business' phone company has been contacted to trace any calls made from the company that day. Owners say the safe contained legal documents and \$25 in cash, the report said.

Larry Coffman, who made the report for company, declined comment.

No arrests have been made in the case.

Times-News staff writer Damian D. Rodriguez can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.

MAGIC VALLEY

DEATH NOTICES

Lois-Pearl Hodges
KIMBERLY - Lois-Pearl Hodges, 88, of Kimberly, died Friday, Feb. 5, 1999, at Scappoose, Ore.

Raymond J. Boyd
TWIN FALLS - Raymond J. Boyd, 80, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Feb. 8, 1999, at the Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls.

FOR THE RECORD

The Times News
GOODING - Recent activity in Fifth District Court in Gooding County included the following:

Arraignments and appearances
Eugene Ernest Fortin, 64, 2057 Highland Valley Road, Boise, driving under the influence (felony), sentencing March 2; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Judge R. Barry Wood:
Michael Francis Randall, 34, 2388 E. Oshkosh, Boise, possession of controlled substance (felony), sentencing March 2; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

injury to property, dismissed by prosecutor; District Judge R. Barry Wood. Alan Scott Hunter, 34, no address, given, Gooding, drug trafficking in marijuana amended to possession of controlled substance (marijuana greater than three ounces); \$2,000 fine, 57.50 court costs; three years determinate in penitentiary, one year indeterminate; 36 months supervised probation; possession of controlled substance, dismissed by prosecutor; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Joseph Peter Jimenez, 32, 424 E. Ave. J, Jerome, malicious injury to property (felony), burglary, grand larceny (felony), sentencing March 23; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Larry Lee Langston, 37, 1540 E. 4400 N., Buhl, flee in attempt to elude police officer, execution of judgment suspended 120/180 days; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Randy Michael Larkin, 35, no address, given, Gooding, possession of controlled substance, pretrial conference March 23; jury trial April 24; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Michelle Ann Matthews, 30, 3451A S. 1800 E., Wendell, vehicular manslaughter (A) amended to vehicular manslaughter (C), remanded to the detention of Hanson Mortuary; District Court Judge Kevin P. Cassidy; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Suzanne Edith Morgan, 28, 323 Second Ave. N., Wendell, forgery (felony), planned robbery, sentencing March 23; forgery, dismissed by prosecutor; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Jeffery L. Newhall, 19, 1213 Colorado St., Gooding, motion to revoke probation for possession of controlled substance (felony), sentencing after trial; execution of judgment suspended 120/180 days; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Leland Paul Mashek, 22, 228 South St. W., Twin Falls; grand theft; \$1,000 fine, \$88.50 court costs; two years determinate in penitentiary, three years indeterminate; suspended credit 99 days; 24 months supervised probation; burglary, dismissed by prosecutor; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Conan M. Moody, 23, 166 Grandview Drive, Twin Falls; possession of controlled substance (marijuana greater than three ounces); \$1,000 fine, \$88.50 court costs; three years determinate in penitentiary, one year indeterminate, suspended credit 99 days; 24 months supervised probation; burglary, dismissed by prosecutor; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Michael Allen Ulrich, 19, 780 E. 2700 S., Twin Falls; grand theft; \$500 fine, \$88.50 court costs; two years determinate in penitentiary, one year indeterminate, credit 14 days; burglary, 24 months supervised probation; grand theft, dismissed by prosecutor; burglary, dismissed by prosecutor; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Marriage licenses
Judy Gene Bolton and Theresa Elaine Newberry. Raul Ruiz and Susan Callen.

HOSPITALS

CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
Admitted
Fernando Beristain, James Keel, Kathy Wezstein, and Richard Harder, all of Burley.

MINDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
Some names are omitted at patients' request.
Admitted
Teagan Guinn of Heyburn. Released
Clyde Axtell, Leona Wilkie, and Cleo Reyes, all of Rupert.

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0931, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday.
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.



George F. Blackburn
George Frederick Blackburn, 87, of Wendell, died Sunday, Feb. 7, 1999, at his home.
He was born on Feb. 18, 1911, in Woodford, Alberta, Canada, the son of Rebecca Lamar Roberts and Fredrick Blackburn. Shortly after George's birth, his father moved to Twin Falls, where George started his schooling in the Boyd School and later graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1929. After high school, he attended the Gooding College for a brief time.

Wendell Cemetery Board. He was a member of the LDS Church and also served on the high priest quorum. Some of the church assignments were a Sunday school teacher, secretary of the Young Men's Mia, Ward Secretary and served as a Spanish Extractor. George was on a stake committee - buying and selling church property. He was a home teacher and he spent many hours working on the church farm.
He is survived by his wife of 52 years - Elmore - three daughters - Peggy (Bruce) Hunt of Filer, Sheryl Blackburn of Twin Falls, and Christine Blackburn of Wendell - one son, Fred (Leslie) Blackburn of Boise, two granddaughters, Sandra Nice and Sholly Polkman, both of Twin Falls, Andrea and Camille - two grandsons, Cory Tolman of Wendell, and one great-grandson, Scott of Boise. Two sisters, LaPrall Preval of Santa Barbara, Calif., and Mildred Hawkins of Boise, and one brother, Foy Blackburn of San Francisco, Calif. He was preceded in death by his parents, four sisters, one brother and one grandnephew.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 12, 1999, at the Wendell LDS Church, Ward with military honors by Wendell American Legion Post No. 41 will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery. Family members and friends may call from 1 to 7 p.m. on Thursday at 11 a.m. at the Hanson Mortuary Chapel and from 10 a.m. on Friday until service time at the church.

ing. Family and friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday at the mortuary an hour before the funeral on Thursday.
Arrangements are under the direction of Hanson Mortuary, Rupert Chapel.

JEROME

Frank R. 'Tote' Matthews
Frank R. 'Tote' Matthews, 81, of Jerome, died Saturday, Feb. 6, 1999, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital.

He was born Nov. 4, 1917, at Oakley, the son of Timothy Waldorf and Lillian Ramsay Matthews. Frank was reared and educated in the Declo area graduating from high school there. He continued his education spending three years at Idaho State College in Pocatello. Following his two years there, he was drafted into the Army shortly during World War II with the 10th Mountain Infantry in Italy. Frank married Betty Gurrant June 9, 1942. Frank enjoyed participating in anything outdoors. He had a great love for his wife, children and grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy of Jerome, two daughters, Linda Petty of Belgrade, Mont., and Debra Spencer of Jerome, one son, Dick Spencer of Jerome, Mike Matthews of Declo, T. William Matthews of Burley, one sister, Rachel Nelson of Burley, six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Frank was preceded in death by his parents, James and Janet Spencer, and one brother, Kelly Matthews.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1999, at the Jerome First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Robert Stobbs officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of the Howe-Roberts Funeral Chapel in Jerome. No viewing is planned.

BURLEY

James L. Thurston
James L. Thurston, 91, a Burley resident, died Feb. 5, 1999, at his home in Burley. He was born on Jan. 18, 1908, at Smithfield, Utah, the son of Ima and Nellie Marie Nelson Thurston. He married Emel Hunter on July 20, 1943, at Burley. She preceded him in death on Oct. 6, 1973. He worked as a sheep shearer and as a farmer. James was a member of the LDS Church. He loved hunting and fishing.

Survivors include three daughters, Inna Gean (Chris) Christian of Juneau, Alaska, Ann (Dave) Godek of Las Vegas, Nev., and Phyllis Thurston of Yuma, Ariz. two sons, Jim Thurston and Michael (Lance) Thurston, all of Burley, two stepdaughters, Renee (Darrin) Miller and Garni Smith, both of Burley, three sisters, Edna Dickson of Trout Creek, Mont., Nola Wilcox of Tropic, Utah, and Mary Hank of Burley, one brother, Glen Thurston of Gooding. 18 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren. In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, three sisters and one son-in-law, Boyce (Sias) Smith.

Survival services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1999, at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 N. Second St., in Burley with officiating Bishop Chad J. Jones officiating. Burial will follow in the Pleasant View Cemetery. Friends may call from 10 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Bishop Chad J. Jones officiating. Payne Mortuary and one hour before the funeral on Wednesday.

ACEQUA, IDAHO

George Jarrett for himself at Gooding for several years and in 1940, went to work for the Bunker Hill Silver Mines and also, on a dude ranch near Grangeville, Idaho.
In 1941, George worked on construction for the State in Oakley and Sun Valley on March 5, 1942. George's career in the service of his country of World War II consisted of nearly four years in the service was spent overseas. He was on the front lines and in combat, without a letup for one full year.
George was with the 35th Infantry under General Patton's Third Army. He was right in the thick of some of the fiercest fighting. He had 1600 miles of combat. George earned the five campaign stars, of which he should have been proud, since they represented the five counties he fought through - France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Holland and helped liberate those countries and he went through Germany and helped conquer it. George was given two Bronze Star Medals of Honor and Citations for deeds done beyond the line of duty.
George was later selected as recommending officer and "Sergeant Blackburn's ability to comprehend unusual, critical situations distinguished himself as a very capable leader." His personal leadership and devotion to duty is such as to bring the highest of credits upon himself and the Army of the United States.

At the end of the war, George helped set up government occupation in Germany. He returned home in 1945 and in September of 1945 in the spring of 1946, George worked in the Bonanza Quack Silver Mines near Suburg, Idaho. In the fall of 1946, George returned to Buhl and on Jan. 20, 1947, he married Elmore Hunt in Buhl. Their marriage was later solemnized at the Idaho Falls Temple. The couple moved to Buhl, and farmed for several years. In 1950, they and their farm in the West Point area of Wendell, where he resided until his death. After George moved his family to Wendell, he was involved in a lot of community service. He was soon elected as West Point High School Commissioner serving for 23 years. George worked several years for the Federal Highway Administration and worked as a committee member. He worked for the Agriculture Commissioner serving for 20 years. For over 30 years, George worked as a Game Warden in the Woodson Rural Fire Department and worked ten years on the

Vivian E. Cooper

Vivian Estella Cooper, 71, of Accokeek, Idaho, died Sunday, her home after a courageous battle with Lou Gehrig Disease (A.L.S.).

Vivian was born on July 2, 1927, in Bryce, Texas, to Charles E. and Gladys Carmichael Brown. She spent her early years in Emmett, Idaho, graduating from Emmett High School. She met and married Cecil E. Cooper, July 27, 1944, in Emmett. He was her best friend and companion of 55 years. They lived in Emmett, before moving to Oregon City, Ore., Grandview and Mountain Home, where Cecil had emigrated in 1958. They drew a homestead on the northside of Rupert. In 1971, she and Cecil sold their farm of 13 acres and purchased the Acequia Merc Acrea, Idaho, which they presently own and operate. Vivian was much enjoyed her work and relationship with the customers at the store. She loved camping, fishing and her trips to Jackpot with Cecil. She enjoyed playing pinocle with her family and some of her friends who displayed through those friendships. Her family loved people.

Survived by her husband, Cecil of Acequia, three daughters, Sheila Jane (Kent) Pettuce of Burley, Beverly C. (Bruce) Wojcik of Hanson, and Terry (Bruce) McElride of Rupert; three sisters, LuEmmie Oberdorf of Cave Creek, 11, and Betty Gene (Clyde) Taylor of Las Vegas, Nev., two brothers, Charlie Brown of Woeiser, Durand and one daughter of Oregon City, Ore., four grandchildren and one great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers and two sisters.
A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, 1999, at Hanson Mortuary, Rupert Chapel with Pastor L. G. Metzner officiating.

SERVICES

Emma L. Eckert of Twin Falls, graveside service at 2 p.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls; friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary.

Christopher M. Showers of Boise and formerly of Filer, memorial Mass at 2 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Laina DeJores Frost Repugh of Burley, 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Pella LDS 2nd Ward Chapel, 400 S. 160 W., Burley; friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral at the church (Hansen Mortuary, Burley, Idaho).

Charles F. Peterson of Filer, 4 p.m. Wednesday, at the Filer Cemetery; friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Hyrum Vera 'Ted' Sweatt of Nampa, celebration of his life at 2 p.m. Saturday at the American Legion Hall in Richfield, arrangement service at 11 a.m. Feb. 15 at the Heber City, Utah, Cemetery (Accent Funeral Services Home in Meridian).

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Cassia gets bids for an enhanced 911 system

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Two companies have bid on a project to update Cassia County's emergency telephone system.

Project Mutual bid \$59,990, but U.S. West Communications' bid had not been totaled, Cassia County Administrator Tim Hurst said. The bids were announced at the county commissioners' meeting Monday.

An enhanced 911 emergency telephone system would provide better emergency service — a service that could save lives, said Capt. Jim Higgins of the sheriff's department.

The county has budgeted \$155,630 for the system that would give dispatchers the name, address and background information on callers, Kent Searle, Cassia County 911 system coordinator said.

"Cassia is using a basic system right now," he said. "We're a little behind. We had to wait until we got the money to do it."

The cost of the enhanced system includes new phone lines, equipment, repair and maintenance, Searle said.

The county's telephone bill tax brings in more than \$100,000 annually for upkeep of the 911 system. Any money left over is added to the following year's budget, Searle said. In addition, the county saved \$20,000 during the past three years to use for the system's enhancement.

The new system "would cut back on the amount of time we take to get information on a call," dispatcher Jerilyn Maughan said.

The new system could be operating by July, Searle said.

Minidoka County already uses a system like the one proposed for Cassia County.

County commissioners on Monday also announced bids to upgrade the county's business telephones. The new system would add four phones to the 98



Cassia County emergency dispatcher Jerilyn Maughan types in information on a call. Maughan would like to see the county improve the system.

phones in the law enforcement building, courthouse and jail, Hurst said.

Project Mutual bid \$49,031. Telecon Inc. of Boise bid

\$62,955. The county budgeted \$50,000 for the improvements, Hurst said.

"The idea of the enhanced telephone system is to give people

less busy signals," Hurst said. "It would add lines that would be used more efficiently."

Commissioners will the bids before they make a decision on

both systems Feb. 22, Hurst said. If the county approves, the county will use it to pay back the \$1,200 on the county's general fund.

The department guarantee provides Taxis with the names of lenders and mortgage holders who have an interest in properties. Taxis keeps those lenders and mortgage holders informed of upcoming actions if taxes are not paid. If property owners will are unresponsive, Taxis will file a lien held in Minn. and commissioners will determine what action to take.

Property owners are levied 1.5 percent of the assessed value. If homeowners decide to pay their taxes before the hearing, all proceedings — including the \$200 — must be paid in full, she said.

Property owners will be given the opportunity to pay their taxes. If property owners cannot pay, the property will be turned over to the county.

In other business, county commissioners approved a building permit for a storage building.

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Minidoka County pursues late property tax

Dominic D. Rodriguez
Times-News writer

ST. PAUL — Minidoka County treasurer received \$1,100 from county commissioners Monday to begin processing litigation on late property taxes.

Laura Ewins, the county's treasurer and tax collector, said the amount is the amount \$400 year to process two late delinquent taxes, which were \$100 each.

The number of property owners who do not pay property taxes varies from year to year, but delinquent payments for 1987 have increased by eight. Late payments for 1988 taxes will be accepted until May.

If late taxes are collected, the county will use it to pay back the \$1,200 on the county's general fund.

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Juvenile probation department wants to work with M-C schools

By Lorraine Cawner
Times-News writer

BURLEY — A juvenile diversion program would help keep school youths out of trouble by sending them to a state prison.

Officials with the Mini-Cassia Juvenile Probation Department Monday presented the program that they say will help deter "high-risk" students from breaking the law to the Cassia County School District.

The DETOUR program sends young offenders through a highly structured state penitentiary experience, said Lisa Kamachi, chief probation officer for Mini-Cassia Juvenile Probation Department.

The program has been successful with juvenile offenders, but it is being presented to schools because many youths appear on their way to prison before they get caught, Kamachi said. She also will present the program to the Minidoka County School Board Thursday night.

"We work with behavior problems may benefit and avoid the court system by attending the program, she said.

"We want schools to refer high risk children to this program as an intervention tool before those kids are court-ordered," Kamachi said. "Teachers are in an ideal situation to identify students who are struggling and could benefit from additional support."

School Board members agreed to allow officials from probation department to present the program to principals, teachers and counselors in Cassia County schools. The department will also be allowed to present early intervention techniques at elementary schools.

The program deals with children aged 13 to 17. But even kindergarten teachers are able to

Who are high-risk children?

- V**icki Taylor, senior probation officer for the Mini-Cassia Juvenile Probation department, says criteria for potential high-risk children includes those who:
- Come from dysfunctional family.
 - Have a family with history of alcohol or drug use.
 - Are affected negatively by divorce.
 - Are gang member, associates or wannabes.
 - Exhibit delinquent behavior.
 - Suffer from low self-esteem.
 - Have a poor attitude towards school.
 - Exhibits exploitative or manipulative behavior towards others.
 - Are victims of abuse.
 - Are suspended in school.
 - Have had minimal magistrate court appearances.
 - Exhibit behavior problems in the home, school or community.
 - Live in residential care placement home.

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— Lisa Kamachi, chief probation officer

identify students who may have problems at an early age, Kamachi said.

Part of the DETOUR program deals with teachers pooling their knowledge with school social workers, school counselors and other community

resources, she said.

"We also want to utilize parents. Parents make a greater influence on the child than any other outside influence," Kamachi said.

Youth who meet a high-risk criteria are bused to the state penitentiary for supervised sessions with inmates, who have been trained to communicate.

Inmates try to get the child and their parents to talk, to get the parents to spend time with their children and hold the child accountable, said Frances Wright, a consultant for six Minidoka County inmates for the DETOUR program.

"They are trained how to deal appropriately with children in a meaningful way," Wright said. "We try hard to stay away from the scared straight approach, which fails miserably."

Wright evaluates the prisoner's presentations before the meetings, she said.

"One of the hardest things about putting the program together was trying to make prisoners look less appealing to children," Wright said.

"Idaho has some pretty nice prisons," she said.

When inmates have their own room, a TV and three square feet a day, it looks better than what many juveniles have at home, Wright said.

Because those inmates who participate in the program are dedicated, they are able to make an impression on children.

"Several are liars; they can't fix that, but may be able to keep another person from doing the same thing they did," Wright said.

Times-News staff writer Lorraine Cawner can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.

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California farmers protest citrus from Argentina

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. (AP) — Hundreds of California citrus growers told a federal panel Monday that allowing Argentina to ship lemons, oranges and grapefruits into the United States could devastate the state's billion-dollar citrus industry by spreading pests and disease.

The panel's 1990 license was based on unreliable and unverified information obtained during a field examination, Magic West said in his petition. As a result, the license was severely flawed and provided only enough water to operate for 10 weeks.

Magic West also contended the department didn't take into account water discharged to the city sewer system or its discharge when calculating the 58 acre-foot of water.

Magic West executive Bill Schow declined comment because the issue was contested.

If the department doesn't

answer the petition in 21 days, it will be considered denied, said Magic West as appeal to District Court.

Before Magic West filed its petition, Water Resources had scheduled a meeting Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Carmela Winery in Glenns Ferry to meet with plant representatives, said department spokesman Dick Larsen of Boise.

Legal issues addressed in the department order or the company's petition won't be discussed, Larsen said.

But department Director Karl Dreher is determined to get Magic West as much help as possible, he said. Representatives from the city and the Idaho Department of Commerce officials are expected to attend the

Burley school construction is on track

The Times-News

BURLEY — The new Burley High School is on track to be finished by fall, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers said Monday.

Contractors are well advanced on the project, told the Cassia County School District board meeting Monday.

Board members approved plans to begin moving into the new building on Feb. 25.

Final documents to transfer the old Burley High School property to College of Southern Idaho are to be drawn up.

Advertisement for a new district government has been placed in publications throughout the northwest and in several annual school board journals.

The district has received several inquiries about the position, acting superintendent Jerry Doggett said. The closing date for applications is March 15.

A public relations painter firm, Schutte-Busse and school architects are being drawn up by school officials.

Moving the bulk of a problem here is a distraction at all games, at school and on buses and have been traced by eye damage," Doggett said.

Boy

District Judge Daniel Meehl sent McBride to prison for a year and a half, with credit for the six months he already served in jail.

McBride was riding in a van with three other people early July 11 when it stopped in the front of Trevor Thompson's house in the 100 block of Seventh Avenue North.

Richard Eli Martinez, 19, who sat in the van's passenger seat, fired three shots at Trevor Thompson, who sat in his truck in

the street.

One bullet penetrated the door and seat and bruised Trevor Thompson's back before he sped away in his truck. The van followed, and Martinez fired another shot when Trevor Thompson abandoned his truck and ran for help in the 700 block of Washington Street North.

Martinez pleaded guilty to aggravated battery in November and was given a four- to 11-year prison sentence.

Gilbert Adams, 17, who drove the van, pleaded guilty to aggravated battery last month. Prosecutors will recommend a five- to 15-year prison sentence.

McBride and 16-year-old Michael John Culver sat in the back of the van and encouraged Martinez to pull the trigger.

Culver, who pleaded guilty to aggravated battery in September, will be sentenced Feb. 22. Prosecutors will recommend a four- to eight-year sentence.

Times-News staff writer Pat McDevitt can be reached at 733-7621, Ext. 242.

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Getting ready for Y2K

The year 2000 bug looms ever closer for many, though most experts say only scattered and infrequent problems will result. Big mainframe industrial computers are likely to be hardest hit.

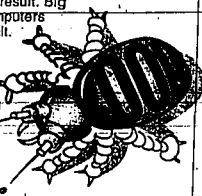
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before 1997	High
1998	High
Type of software	Likelihood for trouble
Spreadsheet	High
Utility	High
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Games	Low

Zip and Zip

Tips and facts
Quick test: Set your computer's clock to Dec. 31, 1999, and let the clock roll over. Generate your computer as if it's the year 2000 for a day or two and you should quickly discover any problems. Do a date and test all your important software before declaring yourself Y2K-ready. Most government agencies are Y2K-ready. Most government agencies...

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use large mainframe computers, and these are the most likely to have problems.
There are 10 to 15 microprocessors in the average car, though few, if any, will be caused for concern on Jan. 1, 2000.
Home appliances with "embedded" chips (VCRs, TVs, microwave ovens, game stations, etc.) are the devices most likely to suffer from Y2K.
Experts believe large computer systems such as ATMs, heating and cooling systems, alarm systems, power plants, electrical grids, etc. are most vulnerable to Y2K, though they probably will be fixed in the coming months.

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It's time to try a software calendar

Microsoft Outlook updates Schedule+

By John Moran
The Hartford Courant

time in front of the computer so you can see the reminder message when it appears. I've lost count of how many times it has saved me from missing scheduled phone calls, appointments and family occasions.

Software calendars also make it easy to edit appointments when they are canceled or rescheduled. Such calendars often come with a kind of electronic address book that lets you computerize your list of business and personal contacts. Many even let you search through calendar entries to find a particular appointment.

Over the years, I've probably tried a dozen different calendar programs. For a while, I was hooked on Schedule+, the calendar that came as part of the Microsoft Office 95 suite of software programs. As software calendars go, it was crude but reasonably effective.

Last year, I tried moving up to Microsoft Outlook. It added some nice enhancements over its predecessor, Schedule+, but at the same time it brought along some terrible liabilities.

The best part was that Outlook lets you categorize schedule entries. This meant that it became easy to separate, say, personal events like your upcoming anniversary from appointments related to a particular project.

The downside was that Outlook dragged email into the calendar program. That's a function that I would much prefer to keep separate.

Worse yet, Outlook stores its data in one file, so it's difficult to make a backup. I can wander home with you unless you print it out. This, of course, defeats the whole purpose of keeping the calendar electronically.

Right about this time every year, I get an uncontrollable craving for a new calendar.

Not just a calendar that refreshes the dates and holidays, mind you. I mean a new kind of calendar, one that will make me better organized and more productive.

This quest has turned into an annual exercise in futility.

For years, I pinned my hopes on paper solutions. But by now, I've been Day-Timer, Day-Kin and ATA-Glanced without any visible signs of success.

Even went so far as to create my own home-brewed calendar/organizer. Like the proverbial road to hell, it is paved with good intentions gone awry.

Still, I keep trying.

Having given up on paper, I've turned my attention toward software calendars and organizers.

And while I haven't yet found the virtual calendar nirvana, it feels like I'm getting warmer.

Electronic calendars offer a variety of advantages over their paper counterparts. For one thing, they're self-updating. If you have a meeting every Tuesday morning, you enter it once and the appointment appears automatically in your calendar every week.

For another thing, software calendars typically offer a "reminder" function that pops a message onto your screen in advance of a scheduled appointment.

This feature is especially helpful if, like me, you spend a lot of

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Vassar grads gossip on hip Web site

By Susan Carpenter
Los Angeles Times

Logging on to <http://www.girlsonfilm.com> is like eavesdropping on a gossip girls' night-out. Hosted by four 20-something Vassar grads, this chatty Web site

offers first-person film, television and book reviews that are perfect for people with short attention spans.

A single-sentence "word of mouth" review of "Patch Adams" reads: "I didn't laugh at all which is a shame since, according to Patch Adams, laughter is supposed to be the best medicine."
But don't take Sybil's word for it. Click on a "Go button" and write the review yourself. Get it, girl?

The site's fluff section uses pink cotton balls as a backdrop and includes gossip ("Kitty's Litter"), eruditions of celebrity hairstyles ("Bad Hair") and an area called "A-Go-Go," where the girls "kick around the hottest celebs."

This month that honor belongs to Cameron Diaz, who is deconstructed by each of the four girls. After complaining that Diaz lacks "pinhead" and appears to be at least 80 feet tall, the girls finally

admit they are jealous.

One thing's for sure. The site hasn't afraid to show their emotions.

"I must confess to crying bitterly through more than half of 'Stepmom,'" Sybil writes, assigning the film an A-plus.

The only reason to regret visiting <http://www.girlsonfilm.com> is the Duran Duran reference. The site has nothing to do with the song, but you won't be able to get it out of your head.

Like an old friend, new Zip drive delivers

By Peter Sugarman
and Gareth Branwyn
Special to The Baltimore Sun

Many people who succumbed to the market hype and the wickily cool design of the new iMac quickly found themselves at a loss when they tried to get files in and out of the dang thing. That's because the iMac has no floppy disk drive. I got an iMac SuperDisk drive to solve the problem, and although it works (it can use both 120MB SuperDisks and conventional floppies), it's incredibly noisy and not compatible with my other computers.

Enter the latest iteration of an old friend: the iMac Zip USB drive (\$150 for Mac or PC). Tucked up in the same transparent blue color as the iMac, the Zip USB is ready to read and write the same 100MB disks and widely used throughout the computer world. It's a real convenience for the space-impaired.

If you're an iMac owner who's desperate for a storage solution or a PC owner with a USB port that's dying to be useful, for the price and the convenience, you can't go wrong with a Zip USB drive.

What's hot

models. Instructions that you barely need are provided on a single glossy card. Slip in the CD-ROM, launch the Installer, connect the USB cable and power, and voila, you've got a workhorse removable drive.

Like my other Zip drives, this one's a dependable pleasure. Read-write sounds are a comfort, sort of like a chipmunk munching macadamia nuts. Transfer time is sprightly at up to 60 megabytes per minute, depending on system configuration and conditions. The unit can be operated resting on its bottom or standing on its side, a real convenience for the space-impaired.

If you're an iMac owner who's desperate for a storage solution or a PC owner with a USB port that's dying to be useful, for the price and the convenience, you can't go wrong with a Zip USB drive.

Information: 888-446-6342 or www.ionega.com.

Computer game disappoints

The Washington Post

REGUARD, Bethesda Softworks

What's Swedish-buckling-role-playing game.

Details: This latest chapter of the popular Elder Scrolls Adventures series is basically long stretches of tedious punctuated by a few seconds of deadly combat. You're allegedly a rogue sailor type looking for your kidnapped sister, but most of the time you just wander around towns trying to figure out which random townspeople to chat with and which ones are just pretty scenery.

Role-players like myself can occasionally enjoy the freedom the game offers, you can wander the streets or set off to explore the land — but most mainstream adventure gamers will quickly grow bored, and

Review

action-porno fans will probably uninstall Redguard within hours. It doesn't help that fairly long and delays ensue every time you open a door to a new room or building. Speaking of design defects, the game doesn't accept mouse input — it's your keyboard or your joystick. And Bethesda made the boneheaded decision to support 3Dfx graphics cards only (which most PC owners don't have), leaving any machine insufficiently equipped stuck with "software rendering" and weak, 1994-vintage graphics. As a result, even on a Pentium II 450 the game looked like junk.
Bottom line: In trying to please everyone, Bethesda will charm very few.

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HONOR ROLL

GOODING - Gooding Middle School has released its honor roll. Star students are as follows.

Sixth Grade

4.0: Bradley Allison, Malerie Burn, Cady Coates, Jill Dalton, Mwan-Flores, Anthony Koonce, Jillan Legard, Teri Lehr, Matthew Metcalf, Jaclyn Miller, Kalyrn Pereira, Sarah Pierson, Adam Poulson, Jacquelyn Wiseman

3.5 - 3.99: Ashly Abramowski, Viviana Aguilar, Robert Alania, Daniel Ania, Mike Bauscher, Nathan Epps, Monica Flores, Monica Garcia, Lorena Gomez, Mary Haffner, Tiffany Hayden, Ashley Huber, Amanda Jackson, Nicole Kasimatic, Jaime Means, Silvia Miramontes, Laurel Moore, Kurtis Nelson, Jill Pough, Whitney Preiss, Larisa Quigley, Ana Ramos, Eric Randall, Jena Reed, Nicole Reed, Kaylyn Richey, Andrew Rigby, Cody Rogers, Ashley Stonefield, Aatur, Stollmanhamilton, Afun Turner, Jay Watts, Pezzy Wells, Daniel Westendorf.

3.0 - 3.49: Timothy Bagley, Allen Blunt, Kimberlee Bikema, Ashley Cano, Brett Cheney, Samuel Cuellar, Maudie Dye, Donny Floyd, Jamie Gibson, Zakery Hall, Sherelle Haskins, Jacqueline Hodge, Brad Lacunas, Frankie Magona, Kenneth McCrac, Christopher McLean, Anthony McLean, Oscarita Mireles, Richard Morin, Victor Ortega, Tiffany Ferry, Anthony Raulio, Ale Rose, Heidi Ross, Whitney Stone, Kristi Truitt, Greg Thomas, Jesus Valdez, Katie Wallace, David Willingham.

Seventh Grade

4.0: Alyssa Ekperu, Christopher Ester, Alexander Aguilera, Brendan Arkoosh, Saira Arkoosh, Angela Behnam, Antonin Cabrera, Nicole Calacorta, Joshua Conover, Crystal Daubner, Holly Eames, Travis Echar, Brian Franco, Morgan Fredericksen, Lane Gillette, Loren Harley, Cassidy Harrelson, Jason Jensen, Julia Leguineche, Kandira Niles, Nichella Petersen, Jessica Pickens, John Schootger, Sarah Shall.

3.0 - 3.49: Chandra Abernathy, Erin Amen, Daniel Alvarez, Martha Anderson, Melissa Bento, Zachary Bergen, Steve Bishop, Melissa Canchola, Kyndel Carter, Ricardo Chavez, Jesus Contreras, Joshua Daniels, Colton Embrack, Trevor Evers, Antonio Garcia, Dustin Hobeley, Angelic Hoffman, Jesse Humin, Eric Kuzn, Andrew Kaskas, Melissa Kaskas, Chad Kaskas, McMurry, Kathryn Rice, Michelle Runyan, William Seifert, Amanda Strickland, Laura Taylor, Joshua Thurber, Clifford Turner, Britnee Turner, Yuliana Varela, John Wade, Matthew Warren.

Eighth Grade

4.0: Sandee Dalton, Ashley Dye, Carolina Flores, Maisie Metcalf, Kristen Subala, Nicholas Spinozza, Katrina Wiseman

3.5 - 3.99: Rachel Andrew, Rebecca Anderson, Rebekah Bell, Ashley Childs, Duxana Diaz, Darcy Dubois, Hart Epps, Whitney Fife, Mitchell Fleming, Natalie Gerrard, Douglas Gierke, Joseph Gries, Michael Infanger, Mindy Means, Graciela Miramontes, Jennifer Tanner, Benjamin VanderZander, Brent VanVleet.

3.0 - 3.49: Sarah Austin, Ashley Blackford, Kandi Bokam-Huber, Matthew Chaney, Daniel Combs, David Brice, Dan Fredericksen, Miguel Garcia, Juan Gutierrez, Trev Hansen, Benjamin Hatfield, April Haman, Andrew Mead, Jasmine Mendez, Lyndsey Tate, Cori Romney, Steve Shier, Daniel Shull, Kerr Stroud, Cody Turner, Lisa Valentine, Whitney Wines.

SHOSHONE - The 1998-99 semester honor roll has been released for the Shoshone Junior/Senior High School as follows.

Grade 12

3.5 and above: Bob Gedeberg, Jade Gedeberg, Abby Roberts, Torrey Roberts, Anita Shaffer, Heidi Thuesen.

3.0 and above: Melissa Arrate, Hilarie Batty, Brian Chivers, Michelle Collins, Ronny Coover, Beau Davidson, Kelly Edwards, Duxana Diaz, Darcy Dubois, Hart Epps, Whitney Fife, Mitchell Fleming, Natalie Gerrard, Douglas Gierke, Joseph Gries, Michael Infanger, Mindy Means, Graciela Miramontes, Jennifer Tanner, Benjamin VanderZander, Brent VanVleet.

Grade 11

4.0: Sam Gedeberg, Megan Tews

3.5 and above: Elizabeth Buckaway, Amy Williams.

3.0 and above: Brandi Braun, Jan Drake, Sterling Hoch, Mary Lou Jeffries, Jacob Jensen, Power Jensen, Fred McDonald, Billy Owens, Matt Tary.

Grade 10

4.0: Matt Alexander, Deborah Fuller, Krystal Gedeberg, Ashley Haffner, Jennifer Jensen, Jennifer Ross, Matt Zach

3.5 and above: Brenna Allen, Anika Davis, Brittany Batty, Emily Brown, Stephanie Brown, Dawson Stark, Chantel Wright

3.0 and above: Jeremy Connell, Stacey Hansen, Ken Hansen, Mindy Roberts, Dani Rousseau, Kyle Smith.

Grade 8

4.0: Allen Tyson, Adam Gedeberg

3.5 and above: Sheena Bingham Hill, Brian Davis, Kevin Stanton, Melissa Roberts, Courtney Sirentsen, Joe Stowell, Dylan Welcome, Rebecca Russell.

3.0 and above: Emily Briseno, Lyndsey Chevick, Alex Herrera, Wilton Jensen, Stevie Loucks, Kellen Richards, Sunny Smith, Yuliana Valencia, Chancell Wansan, Melania Zavala.

Grade 7

4.0: John Gedeberg, Sandy Jauregui

3.5 and above: Jana Allen, Wendy Keltzner, Brandon Gray, Emily Hill, Melissa Moore, Dawson Stark, Chantel Wright

3.0 and above: Jeremy Connell, Stacey Hansen, Ken Hansen, Mindy Roberts, Dani Rousseau, Kyle Smith.

Home-schoolers strive to offer best

By Rachel Denny Times-News correspondent

JEROME - Home-schooled children from throughout the Magic Valley are taking advantage of a wide array of opportunities.

This is accomplished through youth group made of home-schoolers and various other activities the kids participate in throughout the year.

As a group, the students take field trips, go skiing, and participate in many other fun activities including music classes, Pam Dilucca said. Dilucca is the mother of six home-schooled children.

"My kids do choir, field trips ever so often," she said. "The home-school group has a yearly talent show. The kids prepare for that and they have an art display as well."

Her son, Steven, said that he participates in a wide variety of sporting activities.

"In winter there are programs for home-schoolers to go skiing, we're involved in that," he said. "In spring we do baseball, basketball and soccer."

In addition to these activities the students also receive education in groups.

Marilyn Amen, another home-schooling parent, is one of the leaders of a history club.

Students are currently preparing for a talent show. They will perform things including the stabbing scene in Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar" and a variety of musical instruments.

Dilucca said her children enjoy having opportunities with kids who fit a wide array of age groups.

"My children have a variety of social experiences with a variety of ages," she said. "That reflects more of the real world. They do some fun activities in addition to some charitable activities. It's really quite a busy schedule."

Amen agrees with Dilucca.

"I think my kids are able to deal on a better level with adults because they



Above, family and friends of students enjoy an art display at a gathering sponsored by area home-schoolers. Right, students present a few musical selections from a music class taught by Serena Clark.

don't speak in kid lingo," she said.

There are even more benefits to being home-schooled, Steven said.

"It's easier to concentrate having only a few people than it is being in a big classroom," he said. "Really nobody bugs me and I can ask my mom when I need help."

Times-News correspondent Rachel Denny can be reached in Twin Falls at 734-3780.



— A WEALTH OF COMMUNITY SPIRIT — FOCUS ON PEOPLE —



Children at Mini-Cassia grade schools collected pennies, nickels and dimes to donate to the 'Kid's Chest' program for coats for needy children. The chest operates under the umbrella of the Mini-Cassia Community Chest. Big Valley Elementary School contributed the highest amount, \$529.01, and received a \$100 check for the accelerated reading program. Pictured from left to right at the presentation are Rae Smith, Community Chest secretary/treasurer; Bob Stearns, Big Valley principal; Sue Cooper, third-grade teacher; and Renee Schaefer, Mini-Cassia Kid's Chest volunteer.

Concordia names Probasco new alum, relations director

Ruth Probasco is the new director of alumni and university relations at Concordia University.

Probasco attended Immanuel Lutheran School, Jerome High School and Concordia. She is the daughter of Lorla Werner of Twin Falls and the late Arnold Werner.

Because of a shortage of teachers, she took a teaching assignment after her junior year, teaching grades 1-3 at Trinity First Lutheran School in Minneapolis, Minn. She taught for three years before shifting direction to motherhood. She returned to Concordia to earn a degree in organizational management and graduated in 1997. She served as a travel consultant for nearly 22 years.

She is married to Lloyd Probasco. They have three sons, Curtis, Brent and Jason. They have four grandchildren. She is currently serving on the international board of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League.

She wants to keep the alumni "connected to each other." She encourages the alumni of our area to get in touch with her.

Executive officers at large are Lance W. Clow, CFP, Personal Financial Advisor of American Express Financial Advisors; Peter F. Tott, Vice President and manager of US Bank Private Financial Services; Robert Valentine, CPA, Twin Falls accountant; and R. L. "Bud" Williams, owner of Williams Market.

Directors who received renewed three-year terms are Lance Clow, Renee Gibbs, owner of Broadview Farms; Charlotte Kroll; and Peter Toff.

New directors elected to the board are Gerald Hart, CEO of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center; and Patricia Neale, M5agic Valley Regional Medical Center certified nuclear medicine technologist.

The 24 members of the foundation's board of trustees provide direction for the MVRMC Foundation's fund-raising efforts which support the medical center's programs and community health care programs throughout the Magic Valley.

For more information concerning the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation or how you can become involved, please contact MVRMC Foundation Director Larry Baxter at 737-2480.

Robert Stuart honors Ridgeway as teacher of month

Mike Ridgeway, 9th-grade earth science teacher, has been chosen as teacher of the month for January at Robert Stuart Junior High School.

Ridgeway is a Boise State University graduate and has taught at Robert Stuart for 12 years. He is the 9th-grade girls basketball coach, intramural sports coordinator and the 9th-grade Parent Teacher Student Organization (PTSO) representative. He enjoys playing basketball and chasing thunderstorms and tornadoes.



Principal Dan Gillett has been honored for his hard work at Burley Junior High School.

HONOR ROLL

MURTAUGH - Murtaugh High School has released the names of students on its first-semester honor roll.

Those with all A's include John Silvers in grade 9, Bryson Dye, Mishia Egbert, Jeremy Funk, Amanda Myers, Andrea Moyes and Ashley Ward in grade 10, Kelinda Biggers and Nicolas Arevalo in grade 11 and Brandon Brown, Anna Egbert, Kyle Funk, Lyndsey Ward and Cliff Wright in grade 12.

Students with 3.5-3.99 grade-point averages include Roberto Lopez, Antonia Martinez, Jay McCham and Stephanie Tolman in grade 9, Brooke Jones, Lindsey Lyttner, Kenny Roseborough and Heather Staeger in grade 10, Cameron Andersen, Crystal Arterburn, Crystal Hepworth, Kealey Nebeker, Lyle Perkins, Kerstin Pickett, Pete Schermeier, Jessica Tolman and Reagan Widmer in grade 11 and Jake Benson in grade 12.

Cassia schools honor Gillett during December for job well

BURLEY - Dan Gillett was honored as the December Employee of the Month for the Cassia School District. Gillett is the principal of Burley Junior High School. He was selected for the improvements he has made at the school and for his ability to work well with "all the players" in the education game.

"I love being at Burley Junior High," Gillett said. "The people I work with here really make a difference and the students are wonderful this year."

Born in Denver, Colo., Gillett was raised in Albion and Declo and graduated from Declo High School in 1969. He has a bachelor's degree from Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, and a master's degree from the College of Idaho. Education is a family tradition for

Gillett. His father, Joe Gillett of Declo, was a trustee on the first county school board in 1947, he served for twelve years on the board and has served as the chairman for the last three years.

Gillett taught science and coached for four years in Shoshone and 16 years in Hailey before coming to the Mini-Cassia District in 1989 to serve as assistant principal.

He was named AZ Coach of the Year in 1981 and, after becoming a principal in 1991, was named Administrator of the Year for Region IV. He is a member of the Association of Secondary School Principals and has served as the president of the Idaho association.

Gillett received a gift certificate for two courses of the school district and George K's East Restaurant.



Principal Dan Gillett has been honored for his hard work at Burley Junior High School.

SENIOR CALENDARS

<p>Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center 616 Eastland Drive Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors. The cost is \$4 for non-seniors under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12. Today: Taco salad Wednesday: Beef stroganoff Thursday: Roast turkey Friday: Fish or chicken Monday: Ham and broccoli quiche</p> <p>Activities Library, Pool Room, and Bargain Center with cards, games, color television, puzzles and movies. Open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Today Exercise class at 10 to 11 a.m. Blood pressure at 10 a.m. to noon Tax assistance - make appointment Wednesday Quilting from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Jackpot trip at 3 p.m. \$1 Thursday Exercise class at 9:30 a.m. Bible at 1 p.m. Valentine meal and anniversary dinner Friday Quilting Blood pressure at 10 a.m. to noon Bingo after noon meal Saturday: Super bingo Sunday Sweetheart Ball Dance \$3 semi-formal Monday Quilting from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.</p> <p>West End Senior Citizens, Inc. 1010 Main St., Buhl All meals at noon, Tuesday through Saturday 1 p.m. on Sunday and 5:30 p.m. on Monday and Thursday. Suggested donation for meals is \$3 for seniors, \$2.50, Sundays \$2.50, Monday evenings \$2.50, non-seniors \$4. Meals can be delivered and bus service to meals is available Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, call 543-4577. Coffee and rolls every day after 8 a.m. Thrift shop open every day. Today: Spaghetti Wednesday: Macaroni and cheese Thursday: Turkey roll Friday: Hot turkey sandwich</p>	<p>Sunday: Church Sunday: Buffet, rose heart Monday: 7:30 a.m. roll</p> <p>Activities Today Quilting all day Board meeting Wednesday Exercise class at 10 a.m. Jackpot trip \$5 leaves at 4 p.m. call to reserve seat. The public is invited to join us on the jackpot trip.</p> <p>Friday Senior Dinner 222 White St. Buhl Dinners served at noon on Tuesday and Thursday and at 6 p.m. on Friday. Suggested donation is \$2 for seniors. Menu delivered meals available each meal time. Today: Silent luncheon Thursday: Silent turkey Friday: Macaroni</p> <p>Agnes Senior Citizens Dinner at noon Wednesday: Park bridge Friday: Birthday dinner Baked potato bar Monday: Cook's choice</p> <p>Activities Today: Cornucopia at 11 p.m. Wednesday: Blood pressure check Thursday: Coffee at 11 p.m. Friday: Bingo at 10:30 a.m. Fox clinic at 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. \$5 fee Pinchle at 11 p.m.</p>
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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Daughters of American Revolution hear love letter

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet at 1:30 p.m. Saturday to remember President's Day and Valentines Day. The love letter of John and Abigail Adams will be featured.
For further information, call Betty at 733-8415.

Motorcycle enthusiasts are invited to Wednesday meeting

TWIN FALLS - The Gold Wing Road Riders Association has planned its monthly meeting for 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Prime Cut Restaurant.
All motorcycle riders are welcome.
For more information, call Larry at 736-0945 or Gen at 733-4640.

Historical society offers chance to learn about railroad growth

JEROME - The Jerome County Historical Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Jerome Civic Memorial Library. The program will feature Chilton Phoenix of Pocatello who will present "Railroad Expansion in the Pacific Northwest."
Phoenix grew up in Jerome. He attended the southern branch of the University of Idaho in Pocatello, now Idaho State University (ISU), before World War II. After the war, he obtained his bachelor's degree from the University of Idaho and his juris doctorate from Stanford University.
For 35 years he was employed in the legal staff of Union Pacific Railroad. Since retiring he has taught classes at ISU and lectured extensively on early Idaho history.
This program is made possible by support from Boise Cascade Corporation and the Idaho Humanities Council, a state-based affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Learn about scams, how to keep from becoming a victim

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Crime Prevention Association will have a special program on scams and frauds that impact the community, ways to recognize the problem and how you can keep from being a victim. The speakers will be from the Twin Falls County Sheriff's office and the office of the attorney general.
Everyone is invited to attend this informative meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Twin Falls County Courthouse Conference Room.
Help plan the 17th Western Days at meeting Wednesday
TWIN FALLS - The meetings for the 17th Annual Western Days Event will

be held at noon Wednesday at the Obenchain Conference Room.
The public is invited.

Gooding flea market offers variety of goods including food

GOODING - A flea market will be held for the public from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday at the Gooding Senior Center, 308 Senior Ave.
Household items, etc. soup, salad, homemade cinnamon-rolls-and-beverages will be for sale. Individuals may rent table space to display and sell their wares.

Family History Center hosts gathering of tech users

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Computer User Group will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Family History Center, 401 Maurice St. N., in Twin Falls.
"PAF Round-Up" and the latest genealogical news will be presented.
For further information, contact Howard Johnston at 423-4293.

Pets, owners visit rest homes in Sun Valley area

SUN VALLEY - Pet Partners will meet at 6:30 p.m. Friday at Elise Lufkin's.
Pet Partners is a group of perhandler teams who regularly visit Blain Manor and other rest homes to dispense unconditional love and attention to the residents.
For more information, call Sunny at 622-8308.

New stamp honoring hospice volunteers is available today

TWIN FALLS - The United States Postal Service will issue its newest commemorative first-class \$33 stamp today in recognition of the 3,000 hospice, 25,000 professionals and more than 100,000 volunteers that have made hospice increasingly the quality end-of-life choice for Americans.
The "Hospice Care" stamp design is a butterfly over a home, symbolizing life's journey to its final stage. More than 100 million of these stamps will be issued nationwide and are available starting Wednesday in our local post offices.
This stamp presents an opportunity both nationally and locally to share the message that dying well, surrounded by friends and loved ones, is an option available to all Americans," notes National Hospice Organization President Karen A. Davie.
You are invited to visit a display of books at the Twin Falls Public Library and check out books pertaining to end of life and hospice. The stamp will also be on display.
Magic Valley Staffing Service,

Hospice Division, is a member of Hospice Association of America and the National Hospice Organization, the nation's largest nonprofit organization devoted exclusively to hospice care. We are located at 200 2nd Ave. N., Twin Falls.
Please call 734-0600, or outside Twin Falls, (800) 303-0602 for more information.

Scholarships available through local Rotary Club

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls District 5400 of Rotary International and the Twin Falls Rotary Club have announced scholarship opportunities for international study in the year 2000, according to Ruth Stevens, club president.
Two Ambassadorial Scholarships and one University Teacher Grant are available to study in communities where Rotary Clubs are located. The Academic-year Ambassadorial Scholarship is for study in almost any field at an institution assigned by the Rotary Foundation.
The maximum award is \$22,000 including travel. The three-month Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarship is for intensive language training and cultural immersion at an institution, also assigned by the Rotary Foundation. The maximum award is \$10,000 including travel.
The three to five month University Teacher Grant is for current or retired college or university professors.
Grant recipients will help build international understanding and friendship, while strengthening higher education in low-income countries. The maximum award is \$10,000 including travel.
Rotary International sponsors these scholarships and grants to further international understanding and friendly relations among people of different nations.
Applications are due March 1 and interviews for qualified applicants are scheduled for the second week in March.
Interested persons should contact Debbie Hetherington at 734-1711 or Ruth Stevens at 733-6581.

Money 2000 offers help with various financial matters

JEROME - Learn how to make your financial dreams come true. Money 2000 will assist families and individuals in improving their financial status and planning for the future.
Learn smart spending tactics, how to use credit wisely, get out of debt and plan for your retirement. A four-part workshop will be offered from 7 to 9 p.m. on Feb. 18 and 25 and March 11 and 18 at the Jerome County Courthouse Conference Room.
The cost is \$10 and there is no charge if you have enrolled in Money 2000.
For more information and to pre-register, call 324-7578.



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MARKETS

CLOSING FUTURES

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MINNEAPOLIS (AP) - Iron

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Starbucks and Time team up on magazine

The Seattle Times said in an interview with the weekend. "There's a lot of interest and need for people to reconnect with each other, and we think the magazine will do that."

Starbucks and New York-based publishing giant Time Inc. have formed a joint partnership to produce and distribute a magazine.

The 84-page magazine will sell for \$3 a copy and focus on issues such as art, politics, music, pop culture and books.

General Motors has agreed to buy space in all three 1999 editions. Other Starbucks' business partners, including Kraft Foods and United Airlines, have been approached about placing ads in the publication.

"If you go into a Starbucks store, people are doing things around conversation," Schultz said.

Toys

Many of the new toys have their own chips and sensors, and come with expanded memories that boost the range of games and activities they can play.

For example, Friedman said, "We're able to do everything we wanted to do with our interactive Big Bird and Bert."

Erwin said \$49.99, Mattel's Big Bird teaches 15 names of children's identified shapes and numbers.

Computer and video games remain popular, however, with both Erwin and Mattel offering new CD-ROM and electronic games.

Dogs

The breeds considered highest-risk are pit bulls, Rottweilers, German Shepherds, Doberman Pinschers, chows, Great Danes, St. Bernards and Akitas, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The reported number of dog bites requiring medical care rose 15 percent over the period 1996-1998, from \$85,000 to \$800,000, according to a report by the National Center for Injury

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GRAINS

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PORTLAND, OR (AP) - Moving trends for grains

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CHICAGO (AP) - Grain and soybean futures prices

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CHICAGO (AP) - USDA - Major potato markets

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IDAHO FALLS (AP) - A week's crop report for Idaho

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Table showing publication deadlines for various days of the week.

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Table listing various services such as Health Insurance, Employment Retirement, Power - Government, etc. with associated costs.

Table showing financial statements for the Milner Irrigation District, including Total Revenue, Excess Revenue, and Total Expenses.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE - Immigration and Naturalization Service. Notice is hereby given pursuant to 8 CFR 5274.9 that the following vehicles were seized on the date specified in the attached location by the Idaho State Police on the commission of a violation of Section 274(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1324(a)).

STOLEN ARGENT CAT-99 EL TIGRE Sircio from a farm SE of Burley, on 1/20/99. If it shows up again, I will sue for double the value. I will come over & get the price on a machine & bring the reward. Call 324-0959.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS. Pending construction at the intersection of Blue Lakes and a Pole Line Road. Public meeting will be held at the Department of Health and Welfare, 601 Pole Line Road in Twin Falls, Idaho. The first meeting will be on Thursday, February 11, 1999, the next on Monday, February 22, and a final meeting will be held throughout the course of the project. All meetings are scheduled to begin at 3:00 pm.

LEGAL NOTICE. BUDGET STORAGE will sell stored items of its 4000 sq ft unit to harvest. The dog training season is in full swing. Call 733-6500.

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MILNER IRRIGATION DISTRICT BALANCE SHEETS OCTOBER 31, 1998

ASSETS - October 31, 1998

Table showing assets for Milner Irrigation District: Current Assets, Investment in Government, Property and Equipment, Other Assets, Total Assets.

LIABILITIES & EQUITY - October 31, 1998

Table showing liabilities and equity for Milner Irrigation District: Current Liabilities, Deferred Liabilities, Equity.

MILNER IRRIGATION DISTRICT Statement of Revenues and Expenses - M&O Operation Fiscal Year Ended October 31, 1998

Table showing revenues and expenses for Milner Irrigation District: Revenues (M&O Assessment, Supplemental Water, etc.), Expenses (Administrative Payroll, M&O Payroll, etc.).

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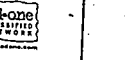
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What's the problem with Olympic bribery? It was consensual, no one had sex, and no one lied to the grand jury.

From the Veni column in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Girls' basketball

- A1 Region III championship
A2 District 4 championship at Gooding
A3 Valley at Declo, 7 p.m.

Boys' basketball

- Buhl at Wendell
Hayman at Raft River
Hansen at Murrah

High school wrestling

- Twin Falls Wood River at Buhl, 6 p.m.
Gooding at Glenn Ferry, 6 p.m.
Declo at Kimberly

Most regular season junior varsity basketball games begin at 6 p.m. unless otherwise indicated.

IN BRIEF

Bruin boosters to meet at 7 p.m. tonight

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. tonight in the faculty lounge of the high school.

Pigeon racers to announce schedule Thursday

TWIN FALLS - The Gem State Racing Pigeon Club will announce its 1999 racing schedule at a meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at 183 Heyburn Ave. W.

Burley trappers hold shoots for kids and ladies only

BURLEY - The Burley Trap Club is planning a "Boys Only" shoot and a "Ladies Only" shoot Saturday beginning with registration at 10 a.m. and competition at 11 a.m. at the range, 850 W. 50 S. on the Milner Dam Road.

The "Kids" shoot will be a 50-bird shoot at the 16-year line, non-registered shoot. The cost is \$20. Only American Trap Club trap loads can be used and participants must be 15 years old or younger.

Following the 50-bird shoot a kids-only Annie Oakley shoot will be held. Prizes include a 102Z Ruger 22 Rifle, \$50 and door prizes.

The "Ladies" shoot will be a 50-bird shoot from the 16-year line.

Participants must be female and 19 years or older and use ATA trap loads. The cost is \$20.

Prizes are Ladies' Montana Silver Smith bracelets for first and second place. Following the shoot a ladies-only Annie Oakley shoot will be held.

For more information, call Leo Brown at 436-8076.

Wendell High School hosts Saturday dinner, auction

WENDELL - Wendell High School will host an All Sports Dinner and Auction Saturday at 6:30 p.m. at the high school commons.

The dinner will consist of barbecue ribs, baked potato, corn and salad for \$12.50 per person with an auction following.

Some of the auction items are a used car, Lowry organ and a shotgun. All proceeds will benefit the sports programs at Wendell High School.

Tickets are available by calling the school at 536-2100.

Jerome ends TF season

Tigers take on Burley for Region-III crown

By John Derr TIMES-NEWS writer

JEROME - The stakes were simple. The winner was assured of at least a play-off spot for a state tournament berth while the loser was done for the season. And the two teams played like it for 32 minutes Monday night.

When Misty Olpin's 75-foot prayer missed the mark at the final buzzer, the Jerome Tigers could finally celebrate as they topped the Twin Falls Bruins 51-48 in A-1 Region III basketball tournament action.

Jerome advances to take on Burley at the Bobcat den tonight at 7 p.m. If the Tigers win, the rematch would move to Jerome Thursday.

The Bruins finished the season strong after starting 0-7, eliminating Highland and Pocatello in the tournament and challenging the top-seeded Tigers to the end, and finish the year with a record of 9-15.

"I told myself after the Burley game that I was thinking too much. Tonight I was just going to relax and play the best I could," said Nikki Martens, who tossed in 12 points after going scoreless against Burley on Saturday. "We are excited, but we know we have more games to play."

Martens nailed a 3-pointer at the first-quarter buzzer as Jerome's led 12-11. Kendra West inserted and Jerome began pushing the ball up the court to built a nine-point lead.

Twice the Bruins were caught napping and the Tigers beat them down court off the press. Alissa McLimore and Camille Britton both scored and were fouled.

Kerri Coats scored inside and Misty Olpin hit a wide open try as the Bruins cut the advantage to three points at the half.

The Bruins opened the third quarter.

The Associated Press

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Misty Olpin of Twin Falls takes the ball on a fast break with Jerome's Nikki Martens in pursuit Monday night in a close 51-48 victory for the Jerome Tigers on their home court.

with an 80 run to take the lead. Coats hit a pair of shots inside and Olpin connected on a jumper in the key. The Tigers woke up, going on a 9-1 run of their own.

Martens got the feed from Becky Thibault on the fast break and Brittain hit two buckets inside and free throw as the Tigers went led 38-30.

"When we went it right we can get shots inside," said Brittain, who also had 12 points for the Tigers. "We knew we had to play to win tonight."

Still, the Bruins would not go away.

Marci Danielson and Chrissy Pinz hit two free throws each near the end of the period to cut the advantage to four points heading into the final eight minutes of the game.

Twin Falls cut the lead to a single point at the five-minute mark as Pinz, who finished with seven steals, intercepted a pass and raced in for the lay-up.

The Tigers charged in front again as Martens hit a jumper, West converted on a putback and Brittain tossed in her own.

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Pirates advance over Oakley

The Times-News

DECILO - Jessica White's 3-pointer with less than a second for the clock gave the Ingram park a trip to the state basketball tournament Monday night with a 31-29 win over Oakley.

With eight seconds left, Oakley's Jessica Brandy hit three free throws to put the Hornets up by one, and Pirates coach Jason Warr called a timeout to call a final play.

"They kind of suggested on a little bit, so we said we'd attack them inside," Warr said. "Carrie (Oborne) had a shot and passed it up, and I thought we were going to run out of time. Jessica's feet were set when she shot it and it was nothing but net."

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Buhl blasts Bulldogs out of A-2 tourney

GOODING - The Buhl Indians, their backs against the wall in the A-2, District 4 girls' basketball tournament, stifled Kimberly's shooters Monday night in a 58-23 win at Gooding High School.

Leah Moore had 18 points and Erin Scott added 13 for Buhl, which assured itself of at least a playoff with an eastern Idaho shoot for a state tournament berth.

The Indians take on Filer tonight at 7 p.m. The Wildcats can clinch an automatic berth with a win; a second title game would be played Wednesday at 7 p.m.

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NFL expansion draft

A look at 150 players available in Tuesday's expansion draft, one from each team, and why Cleveland should be interested in them.

ARIZONA - RB Larry Johnson, 29, spent all but one game in '98 on injured reserve. He played 10 games on punt coverage team for NFL champion Denver Broncos.

ATLANTA - QB Matt Ryan, 26, was a backup for Atlanta Falcons last season. He was drafted by the Browns last year, but was released after one game.

BALTIMORE - RB Jamal Lewis, 26, was a backup for Baltimore Ravens last season. He was drafted by the Browns last year, but was released after one game.

BUFFALO - RB Thurman Thomas, 30, was a backup for Buffalo Bills last season. He was drafted by the Browns last year, but was released after one game.

CAROLINA - RB Eric Decker, 26, was a backup for Carolina Panthers last season. He was drafted by the Browns last year, but was released after one game.

CHICAGO - RB Tim Rattner, 26, was a backup for Chicago Bears last season. He was drafted by the Browns last year, but was released after one game.

DALLAS - RB Tony Stewart, 26, was a backup for Dallas Cowboys last season. He was drafted by the Browns last year, but was released after one game.

DENVER - RB Mike Anderson, 26, was a backup for Denver Broncos last season. He was drafted by the Browns last year, but was released after one game.

DETROIT - RB Laverne Spivey, 26, was a backup for Detroit Lions last season. He was drafted by the Browns last year, but was released after one game.

INDIANAPOLIS - QB Aaron Brooks, 26, was a backup for Indianapolis Colts last season. He was drafted by the Browns last year, but was released after one game.

KANSAS CITY - RB Ron George, 26, was a backup for Kansas City Chiefs last season. He was drafted by the Browns last year, but was released after one game.

MIAMI - RB Jeff Backus, 26, was a backup for Miami Dolphins last season. He was drafted by the Browns last year, but was released after one game.

MINNEAPOLIS - RB Don Edwards, 26, was a backup for Minnesota Vikings last season. He was drafted by the Browns last year, but was released after one game.

NEW ENGLAND - RB Antonio Johnson, 26, was a backup for New England Patriots last season. He was drafted by the Browns last year, but was released after one game.

NEW ORLEANS - QB Heath Shuler, 26, was a backup for New Orleans Saints last season. He was drafted by the Browns last year, but was released after one game.

NEW YORK GIANTS - RB Jeff Thomas, 26, was a backup for New York Giants last season. He was drafted by the Browns last year, but was released after one game.



Los Angeles Lakers center Shaquille O'Neal looks for room past San Antonio Spurs center David Robinson Monday in San Antonio.

Lakers hand Spurs 1st loss

The Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO - Shaquille O'Neal scored 26 points and helped hold David Robinson to 11 as the Los Angeles Lakers beat San Antonio 87-75 on Monday night, handing the Spurs their first loss of the season.

O'Neal also led the Lakers on boards, grabbing 13 rebounds.

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Los Angeles outrebounded San Antonio 51-38. Eddie Jones added 21 points, while Kobe Bryant had 19.

San Antonio, which won its first two games, was led by Tim Duncan with 21 points and 15 rebounds. Robinson shot just 4-for-11 from the field with seven rebounds.

Los Angeles took a 67-60 lead on a jump shot by Derek Harper with 7:20 remaining, but two shots by Sean Elliott and a jump hook by Dikembe Mutombo pulled the Spurs to 72-71.

O'Neal - who played high school basketball in San Antonio - assisted with back-to-back baskets, the last being Los Angeles' 76-73 lead with 1:19 to play. After Robinson made a free throw, Robert Horry connected with a jumper for a 78-74 lead with 39.9 seconds remaining.

San Antonio, which hit on only 9 of 16 free throws against, connected on only one of two as Duncan hauled in 78-75 with 28 seconds left.

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Jerome

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miss as Jerome led 47-40 with 2:30 left.
Olin nailed a 3-pointer and the Tigers went 0-for-3 from the line over the next two minutes, leaving the door open for the Bruins.

Thibault, was fouled with just two seconds left. She hit both free throws to give Jerome a ticket to bury.
"Dusty (Schvaneveldt) did a great job on Piaz, our posts came through, and Nikk'd did some great work," said Jerome coach Michelle Skyles.

nine points after averaging 18 in the tournament.
Piaz, a junior, made her presence felt in other places leading the Bruins in steals and rebounds.
"We never could quite get the lead and take control of the game," said Twin Falls coach Lawrence Pfeiffer.

Roundup

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Camas County 66,
Richfield 51
FAIRFIELD - Jason Frostenson led 10 of his game-high 17 points in the second quarter as Camas County broke open the game for a 66-51 win over the visiting Tigers Monday night in a Northside sub-district basketball action.

"We were able to make some better judgments against their press and get some easy baskets,"
Camas County (13-6, 8-3 in conference) plays at Bliss tonight.
Camas is 19-19 overall.
Bliss (10-12) is 10-12 overall.
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BASEBALL

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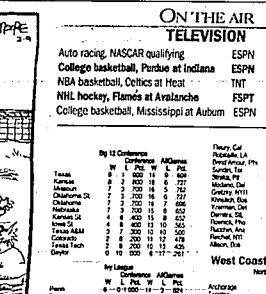
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Salt Lake City awaits ethics report

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The city's own investigation into the Olympic bribery scandal could provide answers to questions many people in Salt Lake City are asking: Who knew what and when? Under a report to be issued on the second of five investigations into the payments of cash and freebies to International Olympic Committee members.

Unlike the IOC commission report that last month focused on IOC members, the closely guarded report by the Salt Lake Organizing Committee's ethics panel looks into the role Utah Olympic boosters played in seeking the 2002 Winter Games.

What began as a one-hour TV special about a scholarship for an IOC member's child in November has grown into the biggest Olympics corruption scandal in history.

Four IOC members have resigned, five have been ousted by

the IOC executive board and must fight to remain on the IOC, one was admonished, and three are still being investigated.

IOC investigators said they have found \$800,000 in illicit cash payments, scholarships, free medical care and travel expenses from Salt Lake to 14 IOC members. The ethics panel reportedly has identified 17 more IOC members receiving, including reimbursements to employers who gave jobs to IOC-member relatives, for a total of more than \$11 million.

Gov. Mike Leavitt and SIOC Chairman Robert Garff say they do not expect the report to show any new broad categories of misconduct. It is to be given to the SIOC executive committee at 8 a.m. MST and the SIOC board of trustees and public at 10 a.m. MST today.

But the document is expected to answer whether the lavish spending was the work of a few big executives, as Leavitt claims, or was endorsed by business leaders who served on the committee. Mayor Deedes, Councilman George Madsen, and Leavitt himself, as bid and former SIOC President Tom Welsh claims.

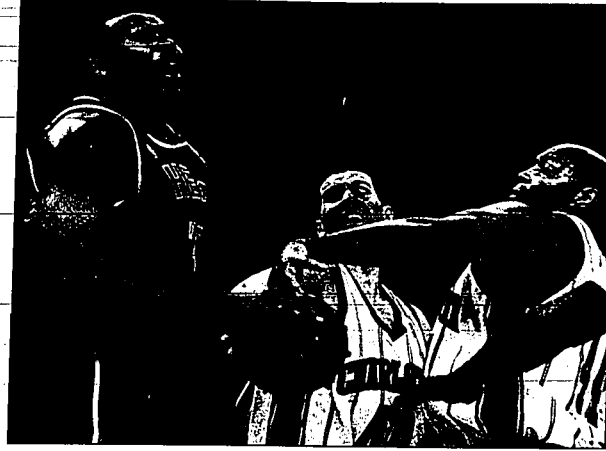
Frank Joklik, the volunteer

chairman of the bid committee who later became SIOC president, said he and other business leaders on the bid board had been "screened" from the details and that he was dismayed to learn about the excessive spending.

Joklik resigned as SIOC chief executive on Jan. 8, the same day he demanded the resignation of Johnson, who had once been senior vice president of SIOC.

Committee members Sen. Elizabeth Warren and Rep. Tom Hansen said they expect the ethics panel report should not be expected to be complete, since the panel did not have subpoena powers and some people refused to be interviewed.

The ethics panel is composed of Gordon H. Hull, a former chief justice of the Utah Supreme Court; David Jordan, a former U.S. attorney for Utah; Patricia Hanna, dean of the University of Utah college of humanities; Barbara Day Lockhart, a two-time Olympic speed-skater who now is a Brigham Young University professor; and Merrill Norman, a forensic auditor and expert witness in trials.



Miami Heat guard Clarence Weatherspoon grimaces after the ball is stripped by Charlotte Hornets players Brad Miller, center, and forward Derrick Coleman in the first half Monday at Charlotte, N.C.

Houston shells Nuggets

Pippen makes Center debut

HOUSTON (AP) — With a sell-out crowd cheering his every move, Scottie Pippen had 24 points and 13 rebounds in his home debut for the Rockets, a 99-80 Houston win.

Houston's new threesome of Charles Barkley, Hakeem Olajuwon and Pippen scored a collective 74 percent from the field in a take-charge first half that ended with Houston ahead by 22.

Charles Barkley continued his fine start with 15 points and 15 rebounds, and his 12 second-quarter points led a 21-charge that put the Rockets in control.

Olajuwon had 14 points and 13 rebounds, giving the Rockets three double-doubles performance.

Pro basketball

Indiana on April 20, 1997, tied the mark for high game in the Palace, shared by Shaquille O'Neal.

HIJ shot 14-for-21 from the field and 18-for-22 from the line. He also had seven assists, seven rebounds, two blocked shots and two steals.

Mitch Richmond scored 26 points for Washington.

Hornets 94, Heat 91

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — J.R. Reid made several key plays in the final 72 seconds and the Charlotte Hornets avoided their first 0-3 start in four years.

Reid scored four of Charlotte's last six points and finished with 19. David Wesley added 18 points and 12 assists and Chuck Person and Bobby Phillips had 16 points apiece.

Miami, playing the second of three games in three days, was without leading scorer Jamal Mashburn, who sat out on a deep thigh bruise.

That left the bulk of the scoring duties to Alonzo Mourning and Tim Hardaway, both of whom struggled in the second half.

Orlando over Boston

Despite playing for the third time in four nights, the Magic appeared to be fresher of the two teams with Hardaway, Anderson and Darrell Armstrong making up for a lack of frontcourt scoring.

Armstrong came off the bench to contribute 17 points and eight assists, while Anderson scored all but five of his points on 8-for-10 shooting in the opening half.

Hardaway made 8 of 19 shots from the field and 12 of 14 free throws in perhaps his strongest performance since early last season before knee and calf injuries forced him out of the lineup for 63 games.

The four-time All-Star also had eight rebounds and six assists.

Pistons 106, Wizards 103

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Grant Hill scored a career-high 46 points, including the go-ahead free throw with 13 seconds remaining, as Detroit remained undefeated.

Hill, whose previous high was 38 points in a 124-120 win over

Magic 107, Celtics 90

ORLANDO, Fla. — Penny Hardaway scored 28 points and Nick Anderson had 26 to lead

Clippers 95, Cavaliers 89

CLEVELAND — Reggie Miller scored 28 points, Chris Mullin added 22 and Indiana spoiled Cleveland's home opener.

Miller took control of the game in the second half, scoring 10 points in the third and 10 in the fourth to help the Pacers bounce back from a loss at Detroit on Sunday.

The third game of the shortened season provided a rematch for the teams, who met in the first round of last year's NBA playoffs.

This one, however, was light years away from being postseason-caliber basketball.

New Mexico State stops Idaho 80-73

LAS CRUCES, N.M. (AP) — Eric Channing scored 5 points in a 9-0 New Mexico State run to open the second half Monday night as the Aggies climbed back into the game and beat Idaho 80-73 to earn a share of the lead in the Big West's East Division.

New Mexico State (16-7, 8-2 Big West) snapped a two-game

losing streak in league play to move to a tie for first place with Boise State.

Idaho (12-9, 7-4) scored the final 6 points in the first half to cap a 5-4 spurt that appeared to give the Vandals the momentum as well as a 33-26 half-time lead.

But New Mexico State, after falling to score in the final 2:52 of the first half, came out fast in

the second half.

Channing's two baskets — one 3-pointer — provided the spark in the 9-0 run over a stretch of about two minutes.

That spurt put the Aggies on top 37-33.

Idaho rallied to tie the game at 41-41 and 43-43, but was never able to wrest the lead from the Aggies again.

Swiss skier Kernen grabs shaky lead

BEAVER CREEK, Colo. (AP) — Norwegians Kjetil Andre Aamodt and Lasse Kjus have combined to dominate their personal playground all season.

Not even the presence of a Swiss interloper, Bruno Kernen, was likely to spoil their game.

Kernen took a slim lead over the Norwegian duo on Monday in the downhill portion of the men's combined in the World Alpine Ski Championships, but no one expected it to last.

Two slalom runs, scheduled for today, will conclude the event, with the combined time for all three runs determining the combined champion.

Aamodt and Kjus are legitimate second in a combined time, although he has had some success in combined events throughout his career, hasn't scored a point in slalom on the World Cup circuit this season.

"I have no idea how I can ski in slalom, sometimes good, sometimes bad," Kernen said. "I've had a really tough season so far, but I always knew I could ski fast."

Kernen, gold medalist in downhill and silver medalist in combined at the last world championships in 1997 in Sestriere,



Switzerland's Bruno Kernen negotiates a turn Monday in the downhill portion of the Men's Combined event at the World Alpine Ski Championships in Beaver Creek, Colo.

Italy, had a smooth run that was timed in 1 minute, 13.44 seconds. Aamodt was lurking .08 seconds back, however, and Kjus was only .14 seconds off the pace.

The Norwegians knew the territory. Kjus was first and Aamodt second in a combined time in Wengen, Switzerland, on Jan. 17.

A week later, Aamodt was first and Kjus second in a combined time in Kitzbuehel, Austria.

Kjus, who tied Austrian ace Hermann Maier for the gold medal in the super-G on Tuesday

and finished second to Maier in the downhill on Saturday, was the early leader in Monday's race, but was overtaken by Kjus bettered the time of Austrian Werner Franz, finishing in 1:13:58.

Two racers later, Aamodt, the defending world champion in combined, came across .06 seconds quicker than Kjus at 1:13:52.

This one, was next, and avoided the problems in a couple of corners that hurt him in the downhill on this same Birds of Prey course, who he placed seventh.

Jakub Flisar of Breckenridge, Colo., was the top American, placing 14th in 1:15:61.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

BYU's Rigell signs with Montana

MISSOULA, Mont. — Former Brigham Young University receiver and kick returner Matt Rigell has signed a letter of intent to play football at the University of Montana.

The 6-foot-3 former BYU quarterback Drew Miller, who signed with the Grizzlies last week. The two were high school teammates at Lake High in the Seattle area.

Rigell signed on the Grizzlies on Sunday and started school on Monday — two weeks into the semester.

Goldstein rallies, upsets Costa

SAN JOSE, Calif. — After a big upset win at Australian Open, former Stanford player Paul Goldstein rallied for a 4-6, 6-4, 6-4 win over Carlos Costa of Spain Monday in the first round of the \$325,000 Sybase Open.

Goldstein, who as a qualifier upset eighth-seeded Greg Rusedski to reach the first round of last month's Australian Open, broke Costa twice in the final set for the victory.

Defending champion Andre Agassi, who celebrated his return to top-level tennis last year with a victory at the Sybase Open, faced Todd Woodbridge late Monday night in a first-round match.

Top-seeded Pete Sampras, returning to tennis after a 10-week break that was the longest since his junior year in high school, is scheduled to take on Galo Blanco of Spain in his first-round match tonight.

Rusedski, Moya advance in Dubai

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — With stadium flags at half-staff in honor of Jordan's King Hussein, Greg Rusedski beat Spain's Schalken 6-4, 6-4 Monday in the first round of the Dubai Open.

Also advancing to the second round of the \$1 million tournament was Carlos Moya. The No. 2 seed from Spain defeated Sweden's Magnus Norman 1-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Roberson, Davis get WAC honors

DENVER — Fresno State forward Terrence Roberson and Southern Methodist guard Willie Davis were named the Western Athletic Conference players of the week on Monday.

The Pacific Division's Roberson averaged 24.5 points and 10.5 rebounds in two Fresno State victories last week. He scored 28 points and 10 rebounds against San Jose State and 21 points and eight rebounds against Seattle.

The Mountain Division's Davis scored 25 points and snared 14 rebounds in SMU's 94-92 victory over Texas Christian.

Cops look for USU beating suspects

LOGAN, Utah — Police are looking for three suspects in an assault on two Utah State University football players.

Another person was involved, but police do not yet know who that person was, USU Police Cpl. James Nye said Monday.

He said four people entered the dormitory room of Turrell Cummings, 20, and Eric Bracken, 18, and beat them with their fists and crowbars at about 12:30 a.m. Thursday.

Cummings was treated for cuts and bruises at Logan Regional Hospital. Bracken walked away with bruises on his arms, Nye said.

Dunn ends 2-year Top Fuel drought

POMONA, Calif. — Mike Dunn capped a record-breaking weekend with a Top Fuel victory Monday at the rain-delayed AutoZone Winternationals at Pomona Raceway.

Dunn, a Team Mopar dragster driver from Wrightsville, Pa., ended a two-year winless drought, by defeating defending Winternationals winner Larry Dixon. It was Dunn's sixth career Top Fuel victory, but first since 1996 at Memphis, Tenn.

Tony Pedregon, Jeri Coughlin and Randy Daniels were also winners in their respective professional categories at the \$1.7 million event, the first of 12 events in the \$40 million NHRA Winston Drag Racing Series.

MSU line coach heads to Pac-10

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Hingis reclaims tennis' top spot

STAMFORD, Conn. — Martina Hingis regained the world's No. 1 tennis ranking 17 weeks after the last time.

Hingis earned the top spot during her victory at the Pan Pacific Open in Tokyo on Sunday.

Her semifinal win over No. 3 Jana Novotna on Saturday assured the 18-year-old Hingis of moving up from No. 2 after top-ranked Lindsay Davenport was beaten by Amanda Coetzer in the quarterfinals.

Jackson Hole skier leads U.S. sweep

MONT SAINTE-ANNE, Quebec — Geoffrey Stephanson of Jackson Hole, Wyo., led a United States sweep in the Pontiac Cup men's downhill ski race Monday.

Stephanson was clocked in one minute, 9.85 seconds in near perfect conditions, with Matthew Beardsley of Park City, Utah, and Travis Townes of Vail, Colo., tied for second at 1:10.19. Nine of the top 10 finishers were from the United States with Tahir Bisik of Bosnia placing eighth.

Kimberly Rogers of Stratton, Vt., won the women's downhill on the same course in 1:13:30. Jan Benoit of Mont-Tremblant, Quebec, was second in 1:14:01 and Larissa Felli of Vail, Colo., third in 1:14:07.

'Spawn' creator bought 70th ball

NEW YORK — The man who spent more than \$3 million to buy Mark McGwire's 70th home run ball finally identified it Monday, and quickly admitted he was a "psycho fan" and a "sports geek."

Todd McFarlane, the 37-year-old Canadian creator of Spawn comic books, held an offbeat news conference, saying his purchase "was a mixture of business, charity and self-indulgence to the nth degree."

"Sports make you forget death, taxes and politics, and all the other garbage that goes on in life," he said.

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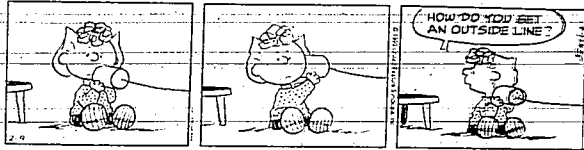
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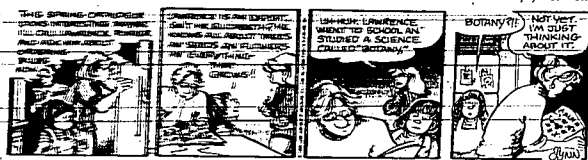
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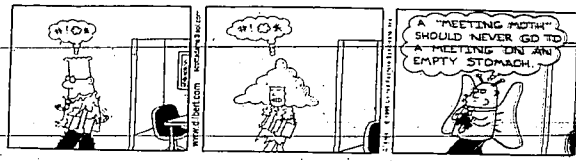
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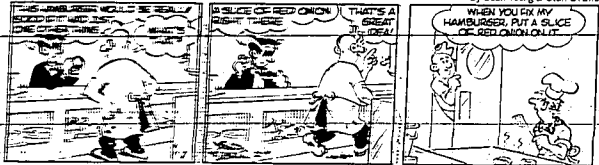
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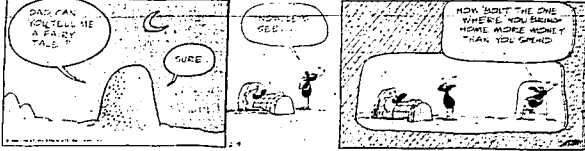
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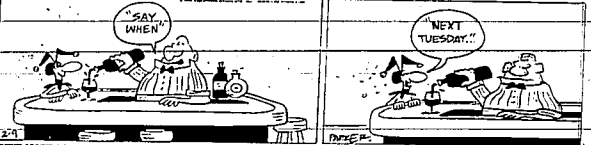
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