

THE REGION

MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Camas Prairie

High: 39 Low: 10
Mostly sunny today with increasing clouds tonight. A few clouds, Friday, high 33.

Treasure Valley

High: 39 Low: 25
Mostly sunny today, clear tonight. Partly cloudy Friday, high 43.

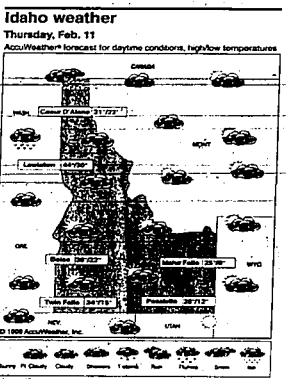
Today	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
High 34 Low 15 Sunny with Southwest wind, 10-15 mph. Clear tonight.	High 39 Low 17 Mostly sunny.	High 40s Low 20s Mostly sunny.	High 40s Low 20s Mostly sunny.	High 40s Low 20s Mostly sunny.

Twin Falls Precipitation

Yesterday	27.17	Yesterday in Twin Falls	.05
Last year	41.30	Normal mo. to date	.46
Normal	41.23	Water year to date	5.60
		Normal year to date	4.50

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High 29 Low 9
Mostly sunny today, clear tonight. Mostly sunny Friday, high 38.



Eastern Idaho

High 24 Low 6
Fog early today, then sunny and breezy. Mostly clear tonight. Mostly sunny Friday, high 36.

Northern Idaho

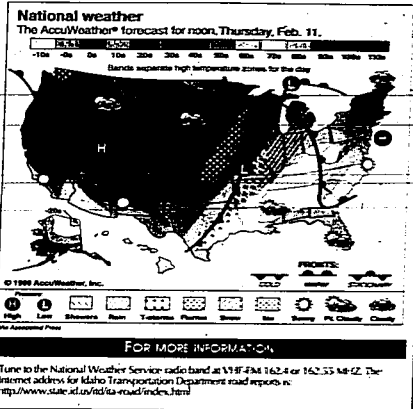
High 32 Low 24
Fog early today, then clear, then some clouds. Chance of snow tonight. Cloudy Friday, chance of rain or snow, high 39.

Northern Utah

High 33 Low 14
Mostly sunny today, clear tonight. Mostly sunny Friday, high 40.

Northern Nevada

High 34 Low 15
Mostly sunny today, clear tonight. Mostly sunny Friday, high 39.



Highs/Lows

City	High	Low	City	High	Low
Boise	33	23	Idaho	High 44	degrees at Grace
Burley	27	20	Low, 9 at McCall		
Elgin	24	5	Nation: High 91 at		
Malheur	20	5	Latah, Teton, Low 9		
McCall	24	5	at McCall		
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Reading test scores improve

Positive progress after decade of declining scores

WASHINGTON (AP) — After a decade of declining test scores, the nation's high school seniors are reading better, according to the newest test scores released by the Education Department today. Fourth-graders' scores remained about the same, and

eight-graders performed somewhat better at their grade level on the reading test results of the 1998 National Assessment of Educational Progress, a set of federally mandated tests in subjects such as reading, math, science and art. Results for other subjects are released individually.

"Reading is the starting point for all learning," Vice President Al Gore said today. He announced the scores. "All of the excitement about the information superhighway is for naught if

the words on the screen are incomprehensible." State-by-state results will be released next month. However, states that performed poorly in the 1994 tests are already working on a fix. For example, Utah lawmakers are spending funds for the University of Utah to train reading specialists to go into schools. Students had made improvements on NAEP math and science scores in recent years. But these were the first increases in reading scores in about 10 years.

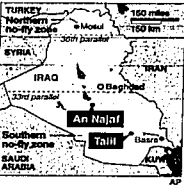
U.S., Britain strike Iraqi defense sites

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. and British warplanes struck several Iraqi air defense sites Wednesday after three waves of Iraqi fighters violated the southern "no-fly" zone in the first clash in a week, U.S. military officials said.

Iraqi planes and anti-aircraft missile batteries didn't target the Western jets, but U.S. and British pilots fired on the air defense systems to remove a potential danger, said Navy Lt. Cmdr. Ernest Duplessis, a spokesman for U.S. Central Command in Florida. "Any time we have a violation of the no-fly zone, that is a threat," Duplessis said.

Coalition aircraft included more than half a dozen U.S. Air Force F-15E fighters and A-10 jets with enough firepower to take out tanks as well as several British Gp Tornado fighter-bombers. All returned safely to base after separate attacks over the course of about eight hours, the Pentagon said.

The official Iraqi News Agency



reported the strikes killed a civilian and injured others. U.S. officials said a damage assessment had not been completed.

Western planes have hit about 40 air defense sites in response to more than 80 violations of the no-fly zones, set up after the 1991 Gulf War to protect Iraqi minority groups and rebels.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein began challenging the no-fly zones after U.S. and British air strikes against his weapons facilities and command and control centers in mid-December. The Western warplanes used precision-guided missiles and 500 and 1,000 pound bombs — although U.S. officials didn't say how many — to hit surface-to-air missile batteries, radar sites and a communications tower, U.S. defense officials said.

Bill makes it rough to impose business costs

WASHINGTON (AP) — In its first major legislative action of the year, the House approved, in a bipartisan vote on Wednesday, a bill that Democrats hope will toughen for the federal government to impose new costs on businesses and consumers.

The bill, giving lawmakers a parliamentary tool to block laws and regulations that add to private sector costs, passed 274-149, with 67 Democrats joining 207 Republicans in support. It faces an uncertain future in the Senate and opposition from the Clinton administration, which says it does not properly balance the costs of legislation with intended benefits to the public.

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Transportation chair wants airlines to pay

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Under terms of the bill, airlines that held passengers for two hours or more would have to repay them twice the value of their ticket. Passengers held for three hours or more would receive three times the value of their ticket, with the same total holding true for passengers held four hours or more.

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Judge orders airline pilots to end sickout

DALLAS (AP) — A federal judge Wednesday ordered American Airlines pilots to end a sickout that has forced the cancellation of more than 2,000 flights.

U.S. District Judge Joe Kendall told the pilots to return to work

today and warned they could be held in contempt if they don't stop calling in sick on Monday.

The sickout was prompted by a dispute over when pilots from newly acquired Reno Air will be upgraded to the pay scale of American's regular pilots.

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GOP focuses on marriage-penalty tax relief

WASHINGTON (AP) — A growing number of Republicans, worried that a broad 10 percent income tax cut isn't politically possible, are working on alternatives that include eliminating the "marriage penalty" quirk that makes millions of two-income married couples pay more than if they were unmarried.

From conservatives like Rep. Steve Largent of Oklahoma to moderates like Rep. Nancy Johnson of Connecticut, Republicans are looking for a less expensive tax cut that would have a better chance of passing before the 2000 congressional campaigns.

"You have to ask yourself: Do

you want to attempt something that may not be attainable, thereby deflating your supporters?" Largent said.

Republicans are determined to use for tax relief some of the projected \$2.56 trillion budget surplus over the next decade, although most agree with President Clinton that 62 percent

of the surplus should go to keep Social Security solvent. The fight will come over what to do with the rest.

The 10 percent income tax cut enjoyed a boomlet of support when the new Congress convened last month. Now, Republicans see several drawbacks.

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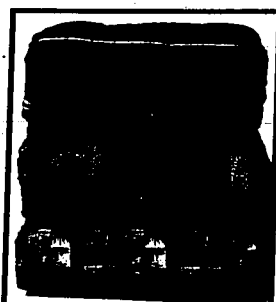
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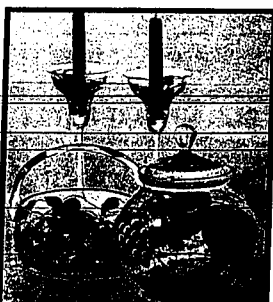
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EDITORIAL

Destruction of unclaimed guns sent wrong message

Judging by the ruckus, you'd think the city of Twin Falls had tried to repeal the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution.

Far from making war on the right to bear arms, the city merely destroyed 174 firearms and air rifles held by the police department.

In the dry terminology of law enforcement, the guns were unclaimed property. Some came from crime scenes, suicides or family feuds. Others were tossed from cars being chased by police.

Destroying those guns probably was a mistake, but it wasn't an attack on private gun ownership, as some of the city's critics contend. It was an honest goof born of good intentions, namely crime prevention.

On a symbolic level, destroying the guns was little more than a feel-good gesture. On a practical level, it probably will have no effect on local crime.

On an emotional level, however, it incensed a lot of local residents. It was perceived as a condemnation of gun ownership and a spendthrift move by the city.

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Like abandoned bicycles, abandoned guns pile up at the police department. Traditionally, the city has sold them to the highest bidder, minus any illegal firearms such as fully automatic weapons and sawed-off shot-

Toward the end of last year, Magic Valley Town and Loan owner Randy Ostrom submitted the apparent high bid of \$4,100 for the latest lot. Rather than sell the guns and risk their return to the hands of criminals city leaders opted to chop them up.

Sure, \$4,100 is "a significant amount of money," said City Manager Tom Courtney at the time, "but in a \$21 million city budget, it's not a make-or-break item."

Maybe so, but by rejecting Ostrom's offer, city leaders essentially said they would rather raise money through taxes than by selling surplus property. The decision wasn't a deadly sin, but it probably was a mistake.

Whether you like guns or not, failure to maximize city revenues through the sale of unclaimed property is the wrong message to send.

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LETTERS

Think before you speak

To Deb Caster: I beg to differ, you are racist! Cause, as you stated that "85 percent isn't whites who send money to Mexico!" Have you ever sent money to your elderly grandparents or parents? I never did either during their lifetime! Thanks to God, they didn't need it but as a senior citizen, I'm sorry I didn't.

I was born to many, many generations of "Mexican-Spanish" people who were born here in the United States. Therefore, we don't have the same politics caring ways of our neighbors, "the Mexicans." And yes, there is good and bad in all nationalities. They pay taxes, and the people who are here illegally also pay through their noses, because in case you are not aware, if they are using false documents to work, they pay into Medicare, Social Security, FICA and all other deductions which they never have hopes of receiving back!

Another thing is, who works in the fields and dairies doing work that "whites" will not do? Especially for the wages they receive!

Deb, I'm sorry you were apparently involved in a car accident where you had a payor's check bounced in a mine too and not with a Mexican person, so I know how angry you can get; he was "white!"

But again, look around when are the true Americans if not Native Americans, not anyone else who considers themselves "white." White could be Russian, German, Swedish, Polish, etc. Shall I go on? Think before you say that again!

RITA BENAVIDEZ
Wendell

Don't take troubles out on race
To Deb Caster:
When I read your first letter, I dismissed you as just another Archie

Banker wannabe, or is that Archie Bankers?

Every time you use your big, fat, poison pen, you only succeed in digging a deeper hole for yourself, and this time, I just had to throw in my two shovel-fuls!

The only two things you complained about in your letter that I agree with is that taxes are too high and there are too many uninsured drivers on the road.

What I gather from your letter is that someone with no insurance wrecked your truck, you got taken for a ride on the repairs and now you're taking it out on the entire race. Maybe you should use your energies to write your congressman about uninsured motorists.

Perhaps you should be thankful that neither you nor any of your family was injured in the accident to the extent that they required blood or an organ donation because there's a possibility that his gift of life could have come from a race other than yours. It may even have come from me - and I'm Hispanic. Think about it.

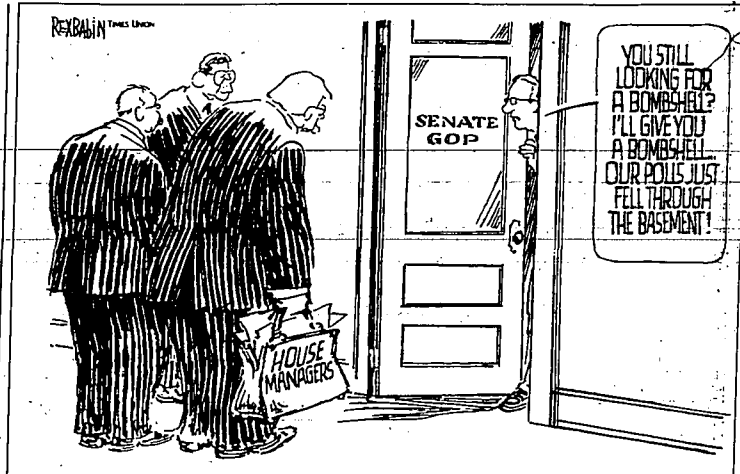
STEVE GALLEGOS
Rupert

Thanks for recognizing problem
Regarding the Feb. 2 editorial, neturing pets.

Thank you so much for the well-written editorial regarding the neturing and spaying of pets to help alleviate the terrible problem of over-population which so often leads to animal euthanasia. It is encouraging to see that The Times-News recognizes and cares about this problem and that they took the opportunity to write about it. Hopefully, your editorial will help to educate and inform at least a few more people about being responsible and humane pet owners.

CAROLYN WOLTER
Buhl

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America needs character plus good policy

Some Republicans trolling New Hampshire for votes one year before the primary think they will capitalize on the character issue and turn it into electoral gold.

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Elizabeth Dole told the Manchester Chamber of Commerce on Monday that "the United States deserves a government worthy of her people." But if Bill Clinton is unworthy and a sufficient number of people voted for him twice to make him president (and huge numbers opposed his conviction and removal), perhaps this unworthy president reflects a largely unworthy people.

They'll accept someone who can do it right when he observed that while it is true people would prefer a president with character, they do not like "character policy." That put Republicans back where they've been since Ronald Reagan strolled out of the White House 11 years ago.

The Clinton scandals are not Watergate, as some might desperately have wished. Many voters saw Jimmy Carter as one who could exorcise demons from the Nixon White House.

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They won't accept someone with character who can't do this. Call it "character plus."

There is such a man (or woman) among the Republican possibilities? More importantly, can that person win?

Republicans would be nuts to go with their visceral feelings this time around, given the number of Supreme Court nominations that are likely to come in the next presidential term.

Clinton said people living together should get married. Did they? Apparently not in noticeable numbers. And there was no

observable decline in the divorce rate. Bill Clinton lies about everything, but he does it so well he gets high approval ratings. In fact, he owes much of his perceived success to Fed chief Alan Greenspan, the buoyant Dow Jones Industrial Averages and a lot of luck.

House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt says the public wants Congress to do things that will help their families. Here is where Republicans have their opportunity. They must re-teach the lessons of Ronald Reagan to a new generation and remind those who voted for him what he stood for: government doesn't spend too little, government taxes too much; school choice improves all schools and, besides, it's your children, not government's; there's too much regulation; if freedom is good for Eastern Europe it should be good for America; this country is about equal opportunity, not equal results.

Republicans who are called insensitive to the poor should remind the public how many people are off welfare and holding their jobs thanks to Republican governors who made them go to work.

Democrat protestations that we would see people starving in the streets. Republicans can't make that case; the White House is not worth winning, and Republicans don't deserve it. In such an instance they will have demonstrated that they're too stupid to be in charge, but also they're lacking in character.

Cal Thomas is a Los Angeles Times columnist.

Bradley can derail Gore if he plays hard enough

I'm sure you shared my disappointment last week of the news that Rep. Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., would not seek the Democratic presidential nomination.

Mr. Gephardt's ostensible reason sounded nice enough, but he wasn't especially persuasive: He and his fellow Democrats believe that their party will regain control of the House in 2000, and he would rather be speaker than president.

C'mon, no one can imagine that Richard Gephardt would truly prefer running the unruly House to residing in the White House. He is merely buying into the inevitable: After a year of impeaching politics, it is impossible for anyone to want to be president.

Which is too bad. My general rule about presidential primaries is: The more the merrier. Crowded primaries make it harder for any single aspirant to break out from the pack, and they also test candidates on issues and endurance. There is no greater fun, in the great game of politics, than a state the size of New Hampshire brimming with prospective presidents. But now, with Gephardt and Sen. Robert Kennedy and Paul Wellstone out of the race, and Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts a likely no-show, the field will be left to Vice President Gore.

PHILIP TERZIAN

With one exception: Former Sen. Bill Bradley is clearly running, and it will be interesting to see what difference, if any, he makes. Gore strikes me as immensely vulnerable. Did they invent when he ran for president in 1988, and while a decade has passed since then, his skills are not much improved. When matched against certain Republican opponents - George W. Bush, Elizabeth Dole - Gore trails in the polls by an astonishing 15-20 points.

His contrived goppy style in front of black audiences is more amusing than inspiring. His sardonic piety can set teeth on edge; and his favored oratory in defense of the president - arms flailing, voice booming - is more amusing than inspiring. Citizens to tell pollsters they want Bill Clinton to remain in office frequently express reservations about President Gore.

The problem is that Bill Bradley may be the least qualified candidate to fill the vacuum. Bradley was one of those senators, much admired in the press, whose reputation as a thoughtful fellow greatly outweighed his political accomplishments. A one-time Princeton basketball star and NBA player, he certainly

reminds us of the pre-Dennis Rodman era in American sport; but beyond the image of a graceful athlete, where's the beef? Bradley spent years bemoaning the practical systems of politics - TV blitzes, campaign finance, influence-peddling, etc. - without doing much about them. And right at the moment when Congress was in a mood to "reform" campaign finance, he walked away from the Senate in 1986, declaring he was sickened by the spectacle.

Like more than a few famous athletes, Bradley has always had a sense of entitlement about himself. But now that he has descended from Olympus, and consented to allow his name to be placed in certain primaries, it will be interesting to see if Bradley has what it takes to climb the greasy pole. The odds are not good. To begin with, on the issues he and Gore disagree about very little.

Yes, Gore could be derailed, but it would take a far more capable politician than Bradley to do the job. It is not impossible.

A final inponderable to ponder is whether Clinton's passivity is an asset or an albatross. Candidate Bradley might furnish an answer, but he'll have to play harder than he ever did for the Knicks.

Philip Terzian is the associate editor of the Providence Journal in Providence, R.I.

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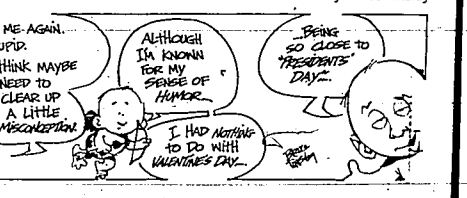
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OPINION

LETTERS

Don't Make Fish & Game for 'progress' problems

I've heard people blame the Fish and Game department for everything from earthquakes to El Niño. The guess is for you. The Fish and Game department didn't build the dams on the Snake or Clearwater rivers. It didn't build houses or other government buildings. It didn't tell us to strip mine mountains, clear out our forests, use large traps and spray pesticides, build larger cities, and social developments and dump sewage and treated sewage into the river. It didn't cause the drought in 1992. It didn't cause the loss of the harsh winters that followed. Let's face it, we are sweeping the "wards of progress," as you call it, under the rug. We are farming and urban development. Think about it, we are finally seeing the light and none of the above-mentioned practices were being improved upon, but we are still part of a long way to go. Fish were spurned in a boiler that killed with water and wood was being used. Silts, birds can't live in a pond, but big game can't live in our truck yards.

I agree with every writing the department does, and we there is waste there, just like any government agency, but I don't hear this much complaining about 45 million taxpayer dollars were spent to find out that Clinton likes Mammals. Where are our priorities? The times they are a changing, we've explained our resources for years and now it's coming back to haunt us. I believe it's time to quit saying "it's in the budget" and "it's in the law." What can we do to improve things? If we don't stop backing and blaming "wasteful" programs for everything that goes wrong, it's not time to get things done, they are today, and we are all blame for it and the going to make time effort and change. It's one's part to try and get back some of what's been lost.

Remember, when you point your finger at someone, check the three fingers pointing back at you.

DENNIS BRAUER
Twin Falls

Everyone should be able to support themselves

To Deb Coster:
I am sorry that you have apparently had problems with someone in the past. I hope because that everyone should support themselves, and those who don't any form of government assistance. I was born and raised in Pennsylvania (my family came from Belgium and Holland in the 1700s, how about you?), although I have only been in Idaho 25 years. In response to immigrants, my wife is an immigrant. She is

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single and we have been married for 2 1/2 years. We went through some months of our life before she could come here, and I'm sure she has a hard time that she cannot receive any food stamps or welfare. This is a law for legal immigrants.

My wife speaks five languages - Japanese, Vietnamese, Tagalog and English. Two months after arriving in America, she started working full time. She has worked steadily since that time except for two weeks' necessary leave last summer. We both pay our share of expenses and do not receive any special benefits.

My wife saves her money and sends some to the Philippines. That's her money, she earned it, and she sends some to her family. I send some, too. That's our right, it's our freedom.

As far as enough room, we do not feel crowded at all, and we can support our family. My wife's money probably goes to my car (well, I am the driver) and we are doing very well.

I am writing this letter because of our small neighborhood Asian community. We have no intention of leaving. Please advise this.
BOB BREUER
Idaho

Make sportsmen should back Fish & Game

I think that the Idaho sportsmen should support the Fish and Game Department in its proposal to increase our licenses and tag fees. This is what is being proposed by the Fish and Game.

To increase licenses and tag fees we collect about \$4.2 to \$4.4 million a year. The current fee for a resident combo license is \$19.75, the proposed price is \$25.75. A resident tag would go from \$16.50 to \$21. The difference in the resident combo license is \$19.75. Big deal! My wife and I went out to dinner and the movie last week, and the movie, popcorn and drink cost \$28.00 and only used two licenses. My hunting and fishing licenses have \$16.50 a year.

The Idaho Fish and Game is asking for an inflation index. An inflation formula would be used to increase the amount of your license and tags each year based on inflation. This sounds fair to me. Every state and federal agency I know raises a commodity increase in wages according to inflation.

2. Holding the state Legislature in one clause 11 percent of the net income to give the Idaho Fish and Game for non-game wildlife. This would mean about \$2.2 million for non-game projects. Makes perfect sense to me. Why should all residents of our state give for wildlife that everybody enjoys to watch? Especially non-game wildlife. Every year, licenses and

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anglers in Idaho generate almost \$1 billion. This generates about \$40 million in sales tax. What does the Idaho Fish and Game get? We sportsmen are generating that much revenue for our state's general fund!

The hunters that are bitching about the fee increases should think about the small amount of money you are spending to enjoy the wildlife in our great state. The small amount of increase to your license is nothing compared to what your payment is on your truck or four-wheeler every month.

The hunters and fishermen of Idaho should get behind the Idaho Fish and Game. Give them your support because they are the only ones out there that are protecting what all of us love to enjoy, our wildlife!
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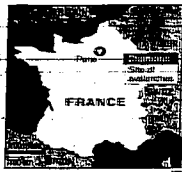
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Avalanches claim 10 in France



CHAMONIX, France (AP) — Rescue workers dug dozens of sensors Wednesday in the search for survivors of avalanches that swallowed mountain chalets and killed at least 10 people near this popular ski resort.

A 12-year-old boy who spent hours trapped under the snow before being rescued early Wednesday lost both his parents in one avalanche, police said. The boy, whose identity was not made public, was being treated for hypothermia in a hospital.

At least two people were still missing a day after the avalanches broke down a mountain ridge between the Alpine villages of Le Tour and Montroc-Planet. The dead included four children, one a 4-year-old girl.

Twenty people were pulled from the snow alive, including two from the United States. "We sent many avalanches, but not by the type that came into your house and blew it away," said Nathan Wallace, 24, from Mammoth Lakes, Calif., whose chalet was hit by one avalanche. "It was more like a California earthquake."

Two new avalanches struck the Chamonix area Wednesday, officials said, but no injuries or property damage was reported. Tuesday's avalanches destroyed 17 chalets.

Defense chiefs work for closer U.S.-S. African ties

CAPE TOWN, South Africa — Defense Secretary William Cohen and his South African counterpart laid a foundation Wednesday for closer military ties and agreed there is no direct military role for the United States in resolving sub-Saharan Africa's many civil wars.

"The military option is no solution to the problems of this area," said Defense Minister Joe Modise, a former leader of the military arm of the African National Congress, which led the long fight against apartheid and won South Africa's first all-race elections in 1994.

Modise, seated beside Cohen at a news conference in the 17th century Castle of Good Hope overlooking the Atlantic Ocean, said his country welcomed the United States' willingness to share its expertise in peacekeeping and its diplomatic support for African democracy.

World in brief

Leaders seek a referendum on independence, an immediate cease-fire and NATO guarantees for the eventual interim settlement.

Lovelorn albatross falls hard for decoy

TOKYO — Delia, a 5-year-old albatross, on an island south of Tokyo, has set himself an impossible goal.

For two years she has been trying to woo what she believes to be the love of his life. It's a male, fancy nest, fought off rival suitors, and spent countless days standing faithfully by her side.

But his one-and-only is a man-made decoy — and despite the blank stare and wooden personality, he still hasn't caught on.

The decoy is one of nearly 100 placed on the Izu islands, 375 miles south of Tokyo, to attract endangered albatrosses and encourage them to breed, a spokeswoman for the Yamashiro Institute of Ornithology said Wednesday.

The experiment, begun in 1993, has been successful in attracting albatrosses to land on the islands and mingle with trained birds. A few have even mated and produced offspring.

Complicated birds were required.

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mean is that the institution of the presidency will survive pretty well," he said. "What is being punished here is the individual, not the institution."

"The presidency, more than other governmental institutions, is idiosyncratic, as much a reflection of the person who occupies it at the moment and the events of the time as it is a measure of the inherent powers available to any chief executive."

He thought the presidency had gone into a moral decline in the period from Watergate to Jimmy Carter's (defeat), said Fred Greenstein of Princeton University. "Then with (Ronald) Reagan, it seemed robust again. Events often override these epiphanies."

But scholars said that with the end of the Cold War, the presidency has been reduced in importance in the eyes of the American people, and Clinton's conduct has only further diminished the grandeur of the office.

Bruce Baker of Rutgers University said the revelations of John F. Kennedy's sexual escapades as president pulled the presidency down from its lofty perch.

"The public doesn't speak of it anymore in hushed, reverential tones," he said. "Bill Clinton has succeeded in bringing it down even further. . . . I think that in some ways it has become, for the time being, a debased institution."

James Ceaser, a professor of government at the University of

Virginia, said the longer-term effects of Clinton's impeachment on the presidency are not yet clear. The two responses, he said, are the sense that any president can get away with what Clinton did or the feeling that "it should never happen again and it can't happen again." Ceaser said the outcome "is very much up in the air."

Scholars say they do not anticipate the kind of legislative backlash against the institution of the presidency that followed Watergate. Richard M. Nixon's resignation came at a time Congress was attempting to rein in the powers of "the imperial presidency" domestically and in foreign affairs.

Among the legislative responses was the creation of the independent courts.

In this decade, Congress was prepared to give more power to the president through the Lincoln veto, which the courts have said is unconstitutional, and the independent counsel statute could be eliminated or significantly rewritten when it comes up for renewal this year-an action would that strengthen the institution of the presidency.

"I'm suspicious about these sweeping statements about permanent changes being wrought in the relationships between executive institutions," Baker said. "Real changes have come about from external forces like depression and civil war and world war and cold war rather than the evanescent personality of a single president."

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So far, 19 people have been rescued. But hopes of finding more survivors were fading for days after the disaster took place.

The newspaper Kompas reported that the Harta Rimba, with 325 passengers and a crew of seven, took on water in bad weather and sank after being swamped by waves Saturday night off Tambora Island, about 500 miles north of Jakarta, Indonesia's capital.



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“I’ve said this my whole career. If they don’t want to be here, we don’t want them here. We really don’t need anybody else, and I mean that.”

”

—*Jazz forward Karl Malone, on the inability to lure elite basketball players to wintry, culturally isolated Salt Lake City*

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Men's college basketball
North Texas at Boise State, 7:30 p.m.
Eastern Washington at Idaho State, 7:35 p.m.
New Mexico State at Idaho, 8:05 p.m.

Women's college basketball
Idaho State at Eastern Washington, 8 p.m.

Girls' basketball
A-1 Region III championship
• Burley at Jerome, 7 p.m.

Boys' basketball
A-4 Northside sub-district tournament at Carey
• Richfield vs. Dietrich, 4:30 p.m.
• Shoshone vs. Kenilworth, 6 p.m.
• Bliss vs. Carnes County, 7:30 p.m.
Hillcrest at Twin Falls
Burley at Bonneville
Gooding at Filer
Hansen at Oakley
Declo at Wendell
Jerome JV at Hagerman
Kimberly at Wood River
Murrnough at Raft River

Most regular season junior varsity basketball games begin at 6 p.m. with the varsity following.

IN BRIEF

Bad weather forces postponement of games

POCATELLO — Inclement weather in eastern Idaho forced the postponement of two local Class A-1 boys' basketball games Wednesday.

Today, Twin Falls will host Hillcrest and Burley will travel to Bonneville. Both varsity matches will follow the 6 p.m. junior varsity game.

Boat show, fishing expo highlight Salt Lake's week

SALT LAKE CITY — The 34th Annual Utah Boat Show and Fishing Exposition opens today and runs through Sunday in the Salt Palace Exhibit Hall.

Ten million dollars of boats, recreational equipment, freshwater and ocean marine accessories and fishing tackle are showcased in this 300,000-square foot exhibit.

Visitors can register to win a Smoke Craft Pro Motor fishing boat with a Mercury outboard motor and Shorelander Trailer — and there will be a free kids' fishing pond — a 1,500-square foot trout stream, stocked with fresh Utah trout — and a kids' casting competition.

Admission is \$6 for adults, \$3 for seniors and children ages 7-12, and free for children ages 6 and under.

The show runs from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. Thursday and Friday, from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, and from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday.

Baseball, softball umpire clinic set for Saturday

BURLEY — There will be a clinic for District 4 baseball and softball umpires Saturday in the Burley High School gym.

The baseball portion will run from 9 a.m. to noon, and the softball will go from 1 to 4 p.m.

Participants need to wear gym clothes and tennis shoes.

For more information, call Craig Mills at 678-6606 during the day or 678-7144 at night.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

GETTING A HAND IN



Buhl's Erin Scott has a rebound stripped from her by Filer's Kara Hymas during the first half of the A-2, District 4 championship game Wednesday night. The Indians won for the second straight night to take the district title and advance to the state tournament.

Buhl earns trip to state

Indians dominate Filer

By John Derr
Times-News writer

GOODING — The Buhl Indians should have been exhausted. They were playing their third game in as many nights and as if they needed any more pressure, this one was for the district title.

None of that bothered the Indians

Wednesday. Buhl connected on 50 percent of its shots in the first half and never looked back, dominating the Filer Willcets 55-39 in the championship game of the A-2 District 4 girls' basketball tournament at Gooding High School.

Buhl cooled a bit from the field but continued to get the breaks all night. Filer struggled from the field for its second night in a row.

The victory means the Indians will

pack their bags for the state tournament beginning a week from today. Filer will travel to Declo on Saturday and play either Preston or Bear Lake for a chance to join Buhl at state.

"We had more encouragement tonight and we helped each other," said Leah Moore, a senior guard who led the Buhl attack with 15 points and applied constant defensive pressure on the

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Carey slips into dead heat with Wilder in latest poll

By Damen Clove
and The Associated Press

They have the top seed and the home court for the Sawtooth Conference boys' basketball tournament starting tonight, but the Carey Panthers have to share the Associated Press' No. 1 ranking, at least for another week.

Carey beat Bliss 72-42 in its only game last week, but split the top spot in Class A-4 with Wilder in the weekly voting, the state's sportswriters and broadcasters.

In all, 11 of the ranked teams shifted positions, eight remained the same, and there was one new entry — Clark

Fork at the bottom of the best of A-4. Wilder went 3-0 last week, with a two-point win over Notus and blowout wins over Maranatha and Greenleaf Friends. Both Wilder and Carey had four first-place votes and 38 points overall.

Mackay took the final pair of first-place votes, with wins over North Gem and Leadore. Gem State Academy remained in fourth place with a 17-1 record and Clark Fork took the fifth spot from Genesee, who suffered two losses.

Pocatello remained the No. 1 pick among the biggest schools, but still

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IOC promises to continue crackdown on corrupt members

Officials says more expulsions are coming

The Associated Press

LONDON — With 20 percent of its members implicated in the Salt Lake scandal, the International Olympic Committee promised Wednesday to consider expelling more of them to restore its damaged credibility and avenge big-money sponsors.

"We will act decisively," said Anita DeFranco, an IOC vice president from the United States.

IOC leaders read the 300-page report issued Tuesday by a Salt Lake ethics panel, a document detailing



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The report linked an additional 10 IOC members to the scandal, bringing to 24 — a fifth of the total membership — the number of Olympic delegates accused of accepting excessive benefits.

The IOC said the ethics report was being forwarded to its own six-man panel investigating the Salt Lake case.

The decision-making IOC executive

board expects to receive "the earliest possible recommendations" from the panel, the IOC said in a statement from Lausanne, Switzerland.

"The IOC remains fully committed to investigating and taking action based on all available evidence," the statement said.

Last month, the IOC panel identified 14 members involved in alleged excesses stemming from Salt Lake's bid.

Nine of those members have either resigned or been expelled by the IOC executive board. Three others — including powerful executive board member Kim Un-yong of South Korea — remain under investigation, one

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Blue Devils nab District 4 championship

The Times-News

CAREY — More practice made perfect Wednesday in the Class A-4, District 4 girls' basketball playoff.

The two southern squads — Raft River and Hagerman — opted not to finish their sub-district tournament after its top two teams had been decided.

Northside teams Dietrich and Shoshone went ahead and played their otherwise meaningless sub-district title — won by top-seeded Dietrich — and both nether squads came up winners at Wednesday's interdistrict playoff.

The Blue Devils beat Raft River 48-39, for the District 4 title, and Shoshone beat Hagerman 40-27 for the district's third seed at the state tournament.

Shoshone's win means the Indians will meet defending state champion Troy in the first round Wednesday at 1:45 p.m. at Kuna High School.

Hagerman which lost to Troy in last year's tournament in the same time slot, will instead take on the top team from District 5 (eastern Idaho) Wednesday at 3:15 p.m. at Skyview High School in Nampa.

Dietrich will meet the fourth-place team from District 3 (Treasure Valley) Wednesday at 1:45 p.m. at Skyview, and Raft River plays the 8 p.m. game Wednesday at Kuna against the fifth-place team from District 3.

Dietrich won the top seed by holding Raft River shooter Tosha Hansen to just one first-half point and 11 points overall — including a 6-of-8 performance from the free-throw line.

Troyan Trish Hitt led all scorers with 14 points. Rayna Jones had 13 points for Dietrich, teammate Laura Anderson had 12 and Robin Southwick added 10.

Dietrich shot 17-of-33 from the line as Raft River committed 21 personal fouls. The Trojans were 11-of-16 on 17 Blue Devil fouls.

Shoshone used a 14-3 advantage in the second quarter to fuel the victory after trailing the Pirates by two after the opening eight minutes.

Posts Anna Cox and Monica Uhrig led the Indians with 12 points each. Seniors Jessica White and Jordyn Knight had six points apiece for the Pirates.

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High School Top 5

Here is how the state's sportswriters and broadcasters voted in the weekly Associated Press Idaho boys' high school basketball poll: First-place votes are in parentheses and records are for games through Monday, Feb. 8.

Team	W-L	Pts.
1. Pocatello (8)	18-3	49
2. Caldwell	16-4	25
3. Shelley	14	24
4. Blackfoot	13-5	10
5. Borah	13-7	8

Others receiving votes: Capital (1), Lake City, Mountain Home, Central.

Team	W-L	Pts.
1. Carey (4)	18-2	38
(Tie) Wilder (4)	23-3	38
3. Mackay (2)	12	26
4. Gem State	17	24
5. Clark Fork	12-5	6

Others receiving votes: Murrnough, Genesee, Troy, Notus, Hagerman, Leadore.



International Olympic Committee Vice President Richard Pound is head of the internal investigation into the alleged scandal.

SPORTS

Knicks trio helps beat Wizards

NEW YORK (AP) — Larry Johnson scored 18 points, and Patrick Ewing and Charlie Ward added 16 pieces as the New York Knicks beat the Washington Wizards 101-88 Wednesday night.

Chris Childs added 13 points, nine assists and eight rebounds for the Knicks, who won their first game of the season after opening 0-2. New York played without Trent Spirewell, who is out 3-6 weeks with a stress fracture of his right heel.

Juwan Howard scored 29 and just — Richmond — 25 — for Washington. Rod Strickland had five points on 2-for-11 shooting.

Cavaliers 87, Hornets 77
CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Bravin Knight keyed a third-quarter surge that helped the Cleveland Cavaliers get their first victory.

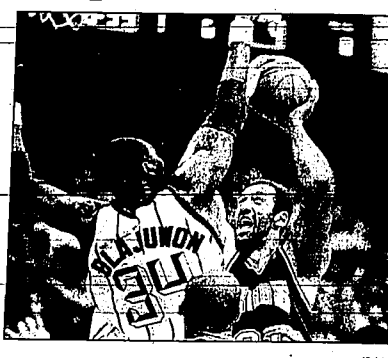
Knight scored 12 of his 14 points in the second, helping bring six in the decisive surge, and added five assists and three steals as the Cavaliers avoided an 0-4 start.

Shawn Kemp had 20 points and 13 rebounds to lead Cleveland, which forced 21 turnovers and converted them into 30 points. David Wesley and Derrick Coleman each scored 16 points for Charlotte, which showed signs of fatigue in its fourth game in six days.

Magie 89, Nets 81
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Patrick Hayward and Nick Anderson each scored 21 points as the Orlando Magic beat the New Jersey Nets.

Hayward also had eight rebounds and six assists as the Magic improved to 3-1. The Nets, playing without injured guards Kenny Katties and Eric Murdock, fell to 1-2.

Horace Grant added 15 points for the Magic, while Keith Van Horn scored 18 points and 10 rebounds.



Sacramento King Wade Dilvac (21) attempts to shoot over Hakeem Olajuwon of the Houston Rockets Wednesday in Houston. Olajuwon blocked the shot and Houston won the contest 92-81.

Pro basketball
Horn and Scott Burrell each scored 17 for the Nets.

Rockets 92, Kings 82
HOUSTON — Hakeem Olajuwon had 19 points and 13 rebounds, and Charles Barkley had 16 points and 16 rebounds as the Houston Rockets beat the Sacramento Kings.

The Rockets trailed 69-66 going into the fourth quarter, but they took the lead for good at 77-76 with 6:39 left when Olajuwon sank a layup in a pair of free throws.

Brent Price, who didn't play in Houston's first two games, started in place of injured Matt Maloney and scored 16 points.

Lakers 103, Nuggets 98
DENVER — Kobe Bryant scored 21 points, including six in the final two minutes, as the Los Angeles Lakers held off the winless Denver Nuggets.

Shaquille O'Neal added 29 points, but was limited to just a free throw in the fourth quarter. Eddie Jones scored 21 for the Lakers, who were outrebounded 53-34 despite O'Neal's inside presence.

Buick features a Tiger at Torrey

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Taming Torrey Pines' wild Tiger Woods a lot of good.

With his game being "nothing great right now," Woods returns for the second straight year to the Buick Invitational at Torrey Pines, a course he played many times in junior golf tournaments.

With just one victory in his last 31 PGA starts, Woods opens a stretch of three straight tournaments on familiar courses — Torrey Pines, Riviera and La Costa.

He won an Optimist Junior World Golf Championship at Torrey Pines South as a 15-year-old in 1991. Last year he left a 40-foot eagle putt a foot short on the final hole, setting up a playoff in the rain-shortened Buick with eventual winner Scott Simpson and Skip Kendall.

"I enjoy playing down here," Woods said. "Since I grew up in the southern California, it's a little bit easier for me to play when we're on the West Coast. It's great. I know the greens, I know the course, I played here a bunch of times. It'll be a fun tournament."

Woods is the marquee name in a field that includes just nine of the top 20 money winners after the first five tournaments. Among those skipping the final is Tiger's partner David Duval.

Payne Stewart, Rocco Mediate, Justin Leonard and 1997 winner Mark O'Meara. Jeff Sluman is the only 1999 winner in the field.

If Woods plays well, he'll retain his No. 1 spot on the Official World Golf Ranking, which will determine the 64-man field for the \$5 million Andersen Consulting March Play Championship in two weeks at La Costa. The match play field will be determined by the rankings after this week's four tournaments.

Moore, who had 13 points in the opening period and Erin Scott, who chipped in eight, led a 173 to finish on the quarter.

"This is how we have been working for," said Scott, a senior forward who finished with 13 points. "We wanted to get up early."

Filer cut the deficit to 10 points early in the second period with three straight jumpers, the last from Loughmiller. That would be as close as the Wildcats would get.

Buhl came right back as Carrie Williamson two jumpers and added two from the free throw line as the Indians led by 18 at the break.

"We were tired, but when it comes to going to state, we wouldn't let anything stop us," said Williamson, who added nine points.

Filer came out with a sense of urgency in the third period, but Buhl was ready and picked up the defensive intensity, especially on the perimeter, and forced three turnovers. The Indians built their biggest lead of the night, 22 points, as senior Holl Satterwhite, who finished with 10 points, tossed in a putback.

The Wildcats continued to push the ball up the court, but couldn't get anything to drop.

Every loose ball seemed to land in the Indians' hands. On one play with three Filer players on the boards, the ball bounced over their heads to Scott, who had fallen to the floor. She alertly dished the ball to Moore who led a fast break for a layup.

Just with over a minute left, Buhl coach Joe Shepard ended his benching of Filer players celebrated their return to state after missing the tournament last year.

"Filer is tough to beat when they have the run and gun going," Shepard said. "We felt if we could slow down Filer and didn't put a press we could do well."

Poll

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could not regain its unanimous status this time giving up one Class A-1 first-place vote to Capital. The Eagles, oddly, did not play a ranked team last week nor did they crack the top five.

Caldwell jumped three spots to No. 2 with a pair of wins, leapfrogging Burley, who remained in third despite going 3-0.

Blackfoot fell two spots to fourth with a loss and Borah dropped one spot to fifth despite a three-point win over Centennial.

Payette repeated as the A-2 No. 1, but those below it shuffled. A three-point win over Payette repeated as the A-2 No. 1, but those below it shuffled.

Kimberly dropped two spots to fourth after a one-point loss to A-3 Valley and St. Maurice fell four with three wins.

one spot to fourth after a five-point loss to Bonners Ferry. Firth and Melba switched places atop the A-3 rankings as the Comets beat Teton and Ririe and the Mustangs beat Parma by 44 points but lost to Homedale by two.

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Buhl

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Wildcat guards Buhl played without a pair of key players. Kalid Watson was injured in a car accident last week is questionable for the state tournament. Kim Lively has an infection, but should be ready to play next week.

The teams were playing for the fifth time this season — having split the previous four — so nothing would be a surprise. The difference, as it was in each game, would be which team could hit its shots.

The first quarter looked more like a track meet as both teams pushed the ball up the court and took the little time to set up their offense. Buhl raced out to an 8-2 lead behind six points from Filer.

Filer came right back to take a two-point lead at 10-8 with Libbie Loughmiller hitting a pair of jumpers and Mandi Turner nailing a long jumper just inside the arc.

That would be the last lead of the game for the Wildcats as they received a warning and one has died.

The IOC noted that last month's expulsions were "based on evidence available at the time."

Further expulsions are now likely before the special IOC assembly in Lausanne, March 17-18.

"If you find something that's a real breach, we basically have only one sanction — and that's expulsion," said IOC vice president Dick Pound, head of the internal inquiry.

IOC executive board delegate Jacques Rogge, a member of Pound's panel, said the commission will likely meet soon to review the report.

Rogge said a key issue for the IOC panel will be to determine whether members were guilty of actual ethical violations.

"You have to differentiate between what is a breach of the line, and what is so-called 'lavish treatment,'" he said.

IOC president Juan Antonio Samaranch has written to all cities which bid for the Olympics of 1996 through 2004, asking for any unmentioned evidence of misconduct.

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Box score for Orlando Magic vs New Jersey Nets, listing player names, points, and other stats.

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Rockets 92, Kings 82

Box score for Houston Rockets vs Sacramento Kings, listing player names, points, and other stats.

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Table listing men's college basketball scores for various teams.

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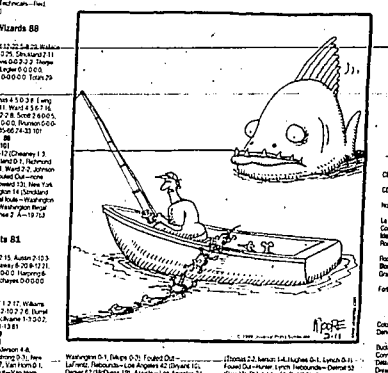


Illustration of a person fishing from a boat on a lake, with a large fish jumping out of the water.

CSI opens baseball season with win in chilly Utah

The Times-News
ST. GEORGE, Utah — The College of Southern Idaho baseball team headed south for its season opener, but it only wins that heated up over its hits.

The Golden Eagles hit three home runs and gave up four more to Yavapai College out of Prescott, Ariz., in an 18-11 win Wednesday at the Dixie College Invitational.

"It (1-0) was supposed to have played three games Wednesday, but the weather restricted the Golden Eagles to just one. They will play Snow College today and will try to pick up another game before finishing the tournament and heading to Las Vegas and Sacramento, Calif. for other early season games.

Craig Mosher picked up the win, giving up two runs in five innings for CSI despite starting the day with a 101-degree temperature.

"He wanted to throw," said assistant coach Loomer Waller. "For his first outing, he threw decent. They didn't get anything off him. He got one ball up in the first. They swung and missed. Yavapai — ranked fourth in the preseason NJCAA baseball poll to CSI's 27th — hit three of its four home runs off Twin Falls reliever J.D. Ringberg in the eighth and ninth innings.

Adam Manley and Nick Aello both went 2-for-4 with a home run. Nick Aello was 4-for-5. Mike Gillies 3-for-6 and Andy Greke was 2-for-4 with a double and a towering home run.

"It would still be going if the

Local sports

Wilder wasn't blowing 40 mph," Walker said. "He hit it forever."

Boys' basketball Blackfoot 81, Highland 48
BLACKFOOT — Blackfoot got the early lead and held Minico to 10 points on to get the non-conference win over the Spartans Wednesday.

"We went out rebounded," said Minico coach Blair Garner. "We had too many turnovers, and they just basically dominated the game."

Minico (4-15) traveled to Idaho Falls on Friday.

Bowling Sweetfield wins district singles event
JEROME — Twin Falls' Naomi Sweetfield rolled a three-game 591 to win the district singles bowling championship Wednesday at Jerome.

Jerome's Theresa Moser rolled high game of 234 and finished second overall with a 573, and Twin Falls' Kayte Goodson was third at 548, edging Minico's Tiffany Bywater by two pins.

The top 16 finishers from the six-school district received medals, donated by Ken and Leslie Vanderliam.

The bowlers will be in action

Feb. 17 in Gooding for the district mixed doubles championship, and again Feb. 20 at the state tournament at Rupert Blvd.

Wrestling Minico 62, Highland 6
RUPERT — Only 17 girls at the heavyweight level prevented the Minico Spartan wrestling squad from a clean sweep of Highland Wednesday afternoon.

"The kids wrestled pretty well," said Minico coach Brad Cooper. "We had three JV kids in the lineup, 100, 80, and 70 felt pretty good about it."

Minico's next match is Friday at home against Bonanza.

Burley 39, Jerome 35
BURLEY — The Bobcats were down by two points going into the last match and pulled off a pin to get the tie-point win over Jerome in Region III wrestling Wednesday.

"We wrestled well," said Burley coach Clint Milliron. "They are continuing to improve. We didn't start with very much experience but we are improving each time we step on the mat."

Burley takes its dual record to 4-8. The Bobcats host Skyline on Saturday.

"We're looking into it. It's a

Earnhardt aims for Daytona

Racer hasn't had to answer nagging question this year

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Dale Earnhardt hasn't had to answer that nagging question once this year: "When are you going to win the Daytona 500?"

Before his stirring victory a year ago at Daytona International Speedway, the seven-time Winston Cup champion had to field — that query almost every day.

He tried to avoid it, but it was no use. The question became a burden.

"It's funny," he said as the Richard Childress Racing team worked nearby on his trademark black No. 3 Chevrolet Monte Carlo. "It feels great to come down, and not be asked if you think you can win it this year and talk about all the things that have gone wrong the last several years."

"All that's behind us. But now they want to know how it feels not to have that question asked," Earnhardt said, laughing.

Larry McReynolds began the 1998 season as Earnhardt's crew chief, but their relationship deteriorated after the Daytona victory. At midseason, Chevrolet switched crew chiefs, putting McReynolds with Mike Skinner and Kevin Hamlin with Earnhardt.

"Both of those combinations seem to be working just fine," Chris said.

"Now it's time to make it work on the track."

"I know Dale Earnhardt probably as good as anybody," Childress said. "We talked at the end of the year about getting everybody in shape and he's ready to go. I see that desire."

The next order of business is qualifying for Sunday's race. Earnhardt will start fifth in the second of two 125-mile qualifying races today on the 1 1/2-mile Daytona oval. He has won 11 of these qualifiers, including his last one.

This time, he will have to beat, among others, teammate Skinner, Bruce Wallace, former Daytona 500 winner Eric Irwin and Dale Jarrett, and Jeremy Mayfield.

Surprising rookie Tony Stewart, who will start from the pole in the race, has already locked in a front-row starting position Monday with his qualifying speed.

Jeff Gordon, two-time defending Winston Cup champion and the 1997 Daytona winner, will start from the pole in the first qualifying race and on Sunday after leading first-day time trials with a lap of 195.067 mph.

In the unique Daytona qualifying format, positions 1-30 will be determined by today's races,



Dale Earnhardt of Kannapolis, N.C., talks to fellow driver Bobby Labonte of Corpus Christi, Texas, in the Daytona International Speedway garage area Wednesday in Daytona Beach, Fla.

MV Speedway adds motorcycle jumping

By Lynn Bald
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — This year's Magic Valley Speedway schedule seems to combine the best of previous years with the Winston Racing Series, NASCAR Northwest Series, IndyCars and Intercontinental Super Stocks, and breaks new ground with freestyle motorcycle jumping.

The Mountain Dew Modfies will continue to be the NASCAR Winston Racing Series Feature Division and the Budweiser Street Stocks will compete for the NASCAR Short Track Championship when the 1999 season opens April 17.

The other local classes will be the NAPA-Pony Stocks, Dirty Queen Thunder Stocks and the Race Trucks. Sept. 18 will feature the third NAPA-50 NASCAR Northwest Series race at the Speedway and, once again, will be the series championship race.

It is also the track championship night for the Mountain Dew Modfies, Budweiser Street Stocks and the Race Trucks. The popular Intercontinental Super Stocks are scheduled to be on town May 1 and July 31, and the Idaho Modfies are on the sched-

ule four times.

The American Indy Cars will return to the Speedway July 10 for the Pepsi 100. Last year was the first time these cars were run on a 1/2 mile oval, and several lessons were learned. When they return they will have a tire that is suited to this size race track and speeds and competitors would increase dramatically.

The Magic Valley's first freestyle motorcycle jumping event Friday, June 18. Last year, the Truller event was a fan favorite and is on the schedule this coming year on July 3rd and August 21st.

Last year's trailer race-defies description for those who missed it, but this coming year area residents will have two opportunities to witness this unusual and exciting event.

The Speedway features classes for the beginner to the experienced driver. Classes are available for those on a very strict budget with the desire to go racing.

Anyone wishing to get involved in NASCAR racing should contact the Speedway office at 734-3700.

Jerome ends losing streak at home

By John Derr
Times-News writer

JEROME — The last time these two met, Jerome came out to a big halftime lead only to see the Indians come back at the end and narrowly come away with the victory.

Wednesday the Tigers led again at the break, but withstood a 60-34 rally and raced away to a 60-34 victory. Bull led in boys' non-conference basketball action.

Jerome, who hasn't played in a week, finished the game hitting 36 percent from the field, from the 3-point line, and from the free-throw line, coming off a close conference victory over Gooding Tuesday was cold as they connected on just 20 percent of their shots.

The Tigers ended an eight-game losing streak with most of those losses coming in close games. They spent a lot of time working on our

head game this past week because that is what has been stopping us," said Jerome assistant coach Scott Burton. "After a sluggish West Hill that they realized they need to play for themselves and have fun."

Jerome led by one after a slow first half but with the teams combined for just 15 points. Ryan Bowden came off the bench to chip in five points and Mike Williams added four as the Tigers led by nine at the break 23-14.

Bull cut the lead to six points early in the third quarter with Brad Green and 6-9 center Jeff Bishop hitting buckets. The Tigers took over from there.

Jerome built the lead to 10 points with a 19-17 run in the second quarter. That started a 10-0 run for the Tigers with Sam Dickinson scoring inside and adding a free throw.

The Tigers were in control heading into the final period leading 40-24.

In the fourth quarter it was the Brad Stokes show. The sophomore, who finished with a game-high 19 points, put on an amazing show with his shooting and passing as the Tigers poured it on.

Over a three-minute span Stokes had eight points and three assists as Jerome increased the advantage to 28 points.

"Jerome played well and we could have played better," said Bull assistant coach Kevin Cotto. "Last night was a conference game. We just didn't execute tonight. I don't know if it was a let-down or what."

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Piniella says Mariners will finish on top

SEATTLE (AP) — How do the Seattle Mariners shape up headed into spring training? Blessed with a new manager and Alex Rodriguez, manager Lou Piniella thinks his team should be the favorite to over defending champion Texas and Anaheim — in the AL West this season.

"I know this, we're not going to finish third. We're going to finish on top."

"But I know this, we're not going to be the number one team in the division," Piniella said. "We're going to finish on top."

The Mariners open spring training in Peoria, Ariz., on Wednesday.

Jay Buhner, Edgar Martinez, David Conroy, Butch Huskey and Charles Guillen, all recovering from surgeries, will be in the first group of Mariners to report.

The remainder of the Mariners players are scheduled to report Feb. 22 to Peoria.

the way they used to do it," Piniella said. "If we plan 27 innings in spring training for you, you're going to be ready."

"I know for sure that a couple of our starting pitchers aren't quite ready (last year) and the way our bullpen pitched the first month of the season made me wonder if we had gone through spring training at all."

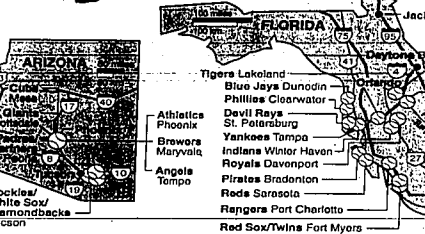
Mariners will bring 30 pitchers — 5 of 54 players — to spring training. Their most significant free agent signing

was Jose Mesa, who will be the team's closer after signing a \$6.45 million, two-year contract.

"I think the club that's on the field every day will stack up with anything in baseball," said Vito Marciano, vice president of baseball operations. "Our two biggest questions are the bullpen and the starters."

Spring training '99

The phenomenal 1998 season saw one of baseball's most cherished records broken. Both Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa shattered the home run record with 70 and 69 respectively, and brought fans back to the game in record numbers. Now players must get ready to prepare for a new season full of great expectations.



...and when they report

AMERICAN LEAGUE				NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Team	Pitchers	Full squad	Report	Team	Pitchers	Full squad	Report
Baltimore Orioles	19	25	Feb. 17	Atlanta Braves	17	23	Feb. 17
Chicago White Sox	19	24	Feb. 17	Cincinnati Reds	16	23	Feb. 17
Detroit Tigers	20	24	Feb. 17	Florida Marlins	21	26	Feb. 17
Minnesota Twins	21	27	Feb. 17	Los Angeles Dodgers	18	24	Feb. 17
New York Yankees	21	27	Feb. 17	Montreal Expos	20	25	Feb. 17
Oakland Athletics	20	25	Feb. 17	New York Mets	19	24	Feb. 17
Seattle Mariners	21	27	Feb. 17	Philadelphia Phillies	19	24	Feb. 17
Tampa Bay Devil Rays	19	24	Feb. 17	Pittsburgh Pirates	18	23	Feb. 17
Texas Rangers	20	25	Feb. 17	St. Louis Cardinals	18	24	Feb. 17
Toronto Blue Jays	22	25	Feb. 17	San Diego Padres	18	24	Feb. 17
				San Francisco Giants	18	25	Feb. 17

Tim McCarver to join Yankees' broadcast team

NEW YORK (AP) — Less than two weeks after being fired by the New York Mets, Tim McCarver will be joining on board by the crosstown Yankees on Tuesday, a source at Fox Sports told the Associated Press.

McCarver, who has 10 Emmy nominations, was fired by the Mets after 16 years as the team's analyst and replaced by Tom Seaver, who won three Cy Young Awards with the team.

WNYP general manager Mike Wach expressed interest in McCarver as soon as he was dismissed by the Mets.

Sources said negotiations began once Yankees owner George Steinbrenner approved the hiring. "There are still contractual agreements to be worked out," Wach said on Wednesday. "The parties involved are all in agreement in principle."

The announcement was scheduled for Tuesday so that Steinbrenner may be able to attend. He is scheduled to be in New York for Monday night's ESPN World for Monday night's ESPY Awards.

McCarver's agent, Bob Rosen, said he is optimistic the deal will be done.

"No deal has been made yet, but it'll certainly have to be made by Tuesday. ... The next round of discussions are with Tim."

Because he is also the lead baseball analyst for Fox's national broadcaster, McCarver will miss about eight out of 50 games for WNYP, the Fox affiliate that will televise Yankees games this season.

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Goodman races to Short Track title

Largest field ever competes in race

TWIN FALLS — Young racer Gavin Goodman recently won the Indoor Short Track Racing Series, sanctioned by the Owyhee Motorcycle Club of Boise, and raced away with the overall season championship.

Goodman, six years old and in his rookie season, competed in the Junior Box Stock races held in Caldwell's Canyon County Fairgrounds arena. He won the championship in dramatic fashion, winning two out of the last three races and finishing third in the final race to edge his closest competitor by 12 points.

Goodman's racer, a 1998 QRC Box Stock Outlaw Kart, is powered by a race-modified Briggs Raptor Series engine, sports a full roll cage and top wing, and reaches speeds in excess of 40 mph. The car is designed to look like a small-scale World of Outlaws sprint car, and competes on banked, oval, and dirt race tracks.

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Goodman (left) to right are Dana Pruitt, Michael LeDeaux, Mark Goodman and Mike Gill, Jr.

door racing season, completely tearing down, inspecting and rebuilding the racer, which will sport a new paint scheme for the outdoor racing season.

Goodman is joined on Team-G Motorsports by his parents, Mark and Mya Goodman, and his sister Savannah. He is sponsored by Snake River Pool and Spa, with locations in Twin Falls, Boise, and Bellevue.

Four other local drivers also completed this year's OMC-sanctioned Indoor Short Track Racing Series. Mark Goodman of Twin Falls, Dana Pruitt of Filer and Mike Gill, Jr. of Jerome competed in the Open Outlaw Division, finishing fifth, sixth and seventh respectively in the season points championship.

The Open Outlaws, like the Box Stocks, resemble World of Outlaw Sprint cars, with full roll cages, large top wings and 500cc motorcycle engines. The cars are very fast, boasting speeds in excess of 100mph, and challenging to drive.

Mark Goodman, in his rookie season, is sponsored by REMAX First Really of Twin Falls. Dana Pruitt, in his third season, is sponsored by Season Manufacturing and Amcro's paintstripping and paints. All three drivers also received help from Adventure Motorsports of Twin Falls.

Michael LeDeaux of Jerome also competed in the series finishing 6th in the 125cc Intermediate Division. In his first year behind the wheel, LeDeaux looked to be a strong, up-and-coming racer driver.

All of the drivers will take the next two months off preparing for the upcoming outdoor racing series. For more information on the World of Outlaws, contact Dana Pruitt at 326-5376.

Snowboard results

BOGUS BASIN — Results from the First Security Winter Games snowboarding event, held Feb. 7 at Bogus Basin.

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This year's running of the annual First Security Boulder Mountain Tour, held Feb. 6 in Sun Valley, boasted its largest field of racers ever — 763.

Carl Swenson, of Telluride, Colo., and the 1998 Boulder Mountain Tour winner, set a new course record at 1:04:47.5 this course record at 1:04:47.5 this year. Finishing less than two seconds behind him were second- and third-place winners, Froya Whitworth, of New Hampton, New Hampshire, and Chris Blanchard, of Canmore, Alberta, Canada, at 1:20:49.3 and 1:21:09.3 respectively.

In the women's battle, Laura McCabe of Winthrop, Wash., finished at 1:27:35.1 — nearly four seconds ahead of second-place winner Kim Smith of Kerckrum, 1:31:17.7.

The women's third-place finisher was also a hometown entry — Laura Wilson, also of Kerckrum, crossed the line at 1:31:31.0.

Marking the 24th running of the tour, the race course was also improved this year, incorporating the Harriman Trail in the upper third of the course. According to Bob Rosen, chief of competition, the new trail winds in and out of gullies increasing the trail distance to 32 kilometers.

For more information on the First Security Winter Games and to receive registration materials, participants may visit any branch of First Security Bank in Idaho or contact the First Security Winter Games office toll-free at 1-800-442-FSWG, or in writing to: First Security Bank, P.O. Box 15214, Boise, Idaho, 83715.

3 CHEERS FOR KIMBERLY — Cy takes gold in Vegas

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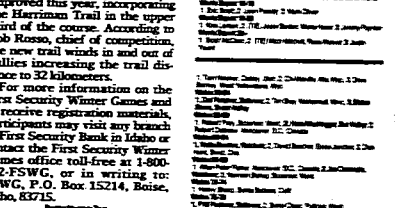


The Kimberly High School 1998-1999 cheerleaders participated in a cheer camp last summer and brought home several individual awards and trophies for nationals — a first for Kimberly High School. Pictured are Adams Troppen, Megan Mulberry, Jeni Pritchard, Tara Kelly, Amy Feldhusen, Melanie Murphy, Melody Egersdorf, Jeny Dille, Shelly Ann, Britney Robinson, Christy Coleman, Amanda Sterling, Heather Luff, Katie Newberry and coach Karen Egsdorf.

LAS VEGAS — World Champion team ropier Allan Bach awarded Magic Valley cowboy Cy Eames a Reserve Champion Gold Buckle at the World Championship Dummy Roping competition in Las Vegas last December.

Eames, the son of Vern and Angie Eames of Gooding, was named Reserve Champion after roping against a field of more than 90 contestants. Tyson Perez of California was named the World Champion.

Eames also won a practice steer, gift certificates and trophies. He hopes to win the World Saddle next year in Las Vegas. This was Eames' second year competing — he was reserve last year.



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Section C

AROUND THE VALLEY

Icy roads cause 2 fatalities

Potato company, state hash out woes

Avalanche misses Hailey sewer plant

HAILEY - An avalanche brought on by severe winter storms roared down Della Mountain west of Hailey sometime late Tuesday, crossed the Big Wood River and covered Lawrence Heagle Park for several feet of snow, debris and frozen trout that had been swept out of the river.

Another avalanche upstream dammed the river for a time and caused minor flooding on War Eagle Drive. City crews worked through the morning to remove some of the snow and divert the water back into the river.

The path of the first avalanche crossed the park, narrowly missing a covered pavilion with restrooms to the south, and a large picnic table to the north. Several picnic tables were destroyed.

A herd of 30 deer was seen bedded down in the city's Park on the west side of the Big Wood River at 5 a.m. Wednesday. After the avalanche hit, the deer likely made their way up the steep hillside to spend the day eating grasses and plants exposed by the slide, officials said.

The path of the avalanche came within 200 yards of the city's primary wastewater treatment plant. No damage was reported, however.

TF traffic stop leads to 4 meth-related arrests

TWIN FALLS - A traffic stop Tuesday night led Twin Falls police to search a motel room and make four methamphetamine-related arrests.

Police stopped a pickup truck on Addison Avenue when they noticed it averting the road. A police dog detected drugs and the car was searched, according to a police statement.

Police found drug paraphernalia and marijuana in the room. Methamphetamine inside the cab and arrested the occupants, the statement said.

Debra Elizabeth Carlson, 32, and Janet Faye Pastoor, 19, were arrested on several drug charges, including possession of methamphetamine and marijuana.

That traffic stop led police to the Monterey Motor Inn, where they learned of more drug activity.

Police arrested Jennifer Elizabeth Pastoor, 19, and James Donaldson Ferguson, 28, in a room with four small bags of methamphetamine and portable scales, another police statement said.

Police also found a Twin Falls County sheriff's uniform stolen from a dry cleaning store last week and arrested Jennifer Pastoor.

Ferguson and Jennifer Pastoor were arrested and charged with possession of methamphetamine with intent to deliver.

Flooding threatens homes, but causes no damage

JEROME - Warm weather and melting snow sent water from farm fields into town Tuesday afternoon.

Storm drains were plugged with ice and snow, and there was no place to go, Jerome City Administrator Jerome J. ...

Winter wrecks havoc - C3

ROGERSON - A Filer couple died Wednesday morning when their pickup truck lost control on an icy U.S. Highway 93 and collided head-on with a commercial truck.

Frank Sireci, 55, a passenger in the pickup, died at the scene of the wreck about 15 miles north of the Nevada border. His wife, Barbara Sireci, 54, who was driving, was taken to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and later died at the Idaho State Police.

The driver of the commercial truck, Jack Lee Hester, 46, of Nampa, was treated at Magic Valley Regional and released.

The Sirecics were driving south on U.S. Highway 93 when their truck slid out of control, crossed the center line and struck the oncoming truck, the ISP said.

Icy conditions were also blamed for a Wednesday evening accident on Interstate 84 near Wendell that sent three people to the hospital, the ISP said. At present time, further details were not available.

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PLAYING CHICKEN



Chicken Licker, center, played by Whitney Blick, mimics a piece of sky falling on her head in a play presented by the second-grade class at Good Shepherd School, Erin, Idaho, right, plays Whitney Perry and Skyler Sligock, left, plays Cackly Lark in the production. The program also included rap songs performed by the third, fourth, and fifth grades.

Newcomb hangs on to antitrust bill

By Gregory Hahn Times-News writer

BOISE - A measure to strengthen Idaho's antitrust laws will be reworked and introduced soon by House Speaker Bruce Newcomb.

A first draft of the proposal, an attempt to answer concerns about consolidation and unfair practices in agriculture, might have allowed the targeted big agribusinesses to declare themselves exempt.

Newcomb, who has been working on the legislation for two years, said he wanted to make sure the bill accomplished its goals.

"My intention is to make sure that all enterprises in Idaho - be they ConAgra, funeral homes or grocery store chains - come under state law," the Burley

The details

House Speaker Bruce Newcomb plans to introduce a bill to change and improve Idaho's antitrust laws. The bill, which will be called the "Fair Competition in Trade Act," would allow the state to pursue up to \$50,000 in civil penalties for several market violations:

■ Unreasonable restraint of trade - when two or more individuals or companies conspire to restrain commerce.

■ Establishing, maintaining or using monopoly power - when a person or company wields so much control over a market to be able to fix or maintain prices.

Republican told the House State Affairs Committee in a preliminary hearing Wednesday. The old law, created in 1911

Acquisitions

That substantial lessening competition - which could mean the owner of one of three gas stations in a town might not be able to purchase one of the others, although normal growth and purchases are allowed.

Unreasonable practices

Such as price fixing, production control and concerted refusals to deal.

As written, the proposal exempts:

■ Companies directly owned by regulatory agencies such as the Public Utilities Commission or the Federal Reserve.

Legitimate labor objectives

permitted under law.

■ Agricultural associations or commissions that collectively process, handle and market products produced by their members.

■ Any agricultural or horticultural organization that "has legitimate objectives of the organization."

Concern that this would open a loophole for corporate agribusiness was the main reason Newcomb decided to wait before introducing his bill.

deputy attorney general in charge of consumer protection.

"To our knowledge," he said, "there is no such exemption."

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Analyst predicts more Idaho ag troubles due to bad foreign economies

By Brian Haynes Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Agriculture had a bad 1998 and with no signs of improving foreign markets, 1999 won't be much better, an economic analyst said Wednesday.

The agricultural economy that suffered in 1998 because of battered economies in Asia will continue to suffer in 1999 as the Asian crisis continues, said Alex Sinclair, director of the First Federal Savings Bank.

Sinclair is a former Twin Falls businessman now working in San Diego, Calif.

"Every time they make a decision, they're wrong," he said. "And Japan, which has held one of the region's strongest economies, has its own economic troubles on the horizon, he said.

But the economic trouble isn't isolated in the Far East. Economies in South America are weakening, which will add to the drop in demand for agricultural products. On top of that, a devaluation of several countries' currencies makes their agricultural products cheaper, undercutting demand for U.S. products, he said.

But not all ag products will suffer. Sugar and dairy products will continue to be strong, Sinclair said.

The U.S. economy continues to be the strongest in the world, but it won't last forever, he predicted.

"We are the engine," Sinclair said. "We're pulling the whole world. But how long can we pull the train before it gets worse?"

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and changed only once with a 1951 amendment, but has been used little and includes many deficiencies, said Brett DeLange, a

dep't attorney general in charge of consumer protection.

"To our knowledge," he said, "there is no such exemption."

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Cat hunt proposal draws large crowd

By Margot Higgins Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - A cougar-hunting proposal drew more people than expected to the annual high-game regulations and wildlife-management meeting held by the Idaho Fish and Game Commission in Hailey Wednesday night.

The issue of whether or not cougar hunting should be allowed in Unit 48 was the season for the large attendance. Idaho Fish and Game Conservation Officer Lee Frost said.

Where to walk

Wildlife commissions advise that 1999 hunting season rules, including the mountain lion hunting proposal, will be discussed at the meeting. Contact the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, P.O. Box 426, Boise, ID 83720 or e-mail at DFG@IDFG.gov for more information.

Mountain lion sightings in Blaine County have been a common occurrence this winter. Four domestic animals were reportedly killed by mountain lions and many residents are concerned about the lions' proximity to human populations.

Some people attribute the animals' growing appearance to the fact they are not hunted in the area.

"Lions need to regain their fear of humans," sheep rancher John Peavey said in support of hunting lions. Hunting lions would keep them away from heavily populated human areas, such as Garnet Street, less than a mile from the commercial core of Ketchum, where a pet dog was

By Mark Heinz Times-News writer

GLENN'S FERRY - Countless gallons of water flow down the Snake River and right past Glenn's Ferry every minute.

The trouble is, none of the big, local water consumers say they can use it.

In the town and one of its biggest employers, the Magic West Inc. potato-processing plant, are facing what they say could be a serious water shortage. And with some residents' protests now barring the company from tapping any more groundwater, Magic West has said it may have to lay off more than half of its 250 employees.

Still, state Department of Water Resources Director Karl Dreher on Wednesday said he's optimistic about getting things flowing again without leaving anyone thirsty.

"We can get this solved," he said after a morning meeting with Magic West's brass, Glenn's Ferry and Elmore County officials and residential water users. Magic West Vice President Bill Schow said his company's troubles started a few years ago when mismanagement about the company's water needs got to the state. State officials were told the plant could operate on about a 10th of the 300,000 to 300,000 gallons it consumes every day, he said.

In the face of an apparently shrinking local aquifer, coupled with the protests of residential users who say the plant is sucking their wells down, the state recently capped Magic West's consumption to 58 acre-feet per year. That's enough to run the plant for only about 77 days, Schow said.

So why not tap the Snake? It boils down to cleanliness, Schow said.

"We're a food-processing plant. We need potable water. Would you want your peeled potatoes soaked in raw Snake River water?" he said.

Glenn's Ferry City Engineer Bryan Donaldson said he wants more of the Snake soaking local wells.

As many as a third of the households in town water their lawns and gardens from springs, which is the city's drinking water, he said.

If those laws could be switched to river water, much more could be accessible. Clean water would be available to the city - and to Magic West. But that would require renovating or replacing the city's outdated sewer and water system.

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Man faces sentence in 1st-degree murder charge

BURLEY - A Declo man who has been charged with first-degree murder will be sentenced at 9 a.m. today in Fifth District Court.

Martin Fernandez, 21, initially pleaded guilty to the charge in October 1998. He changed his plea to not guilty in November 1998 after officials discovered he had talked with cellmates about the December 1997 shooting.

Fernandez, who changed his plea as part of a plea agreement, will not face the death penalty.

Compiled from staff reports

MAGIC VALLEY

Kimberly fire crew works on new station

By Margaret Jones
These items are news items.

KIMBERLY — The Rock Creek Fire District is looking forward to having a new station in the near future.

The new fire house will be built on the Kimberly city maintenance lot on U.S. Highway 30. It will also house Kimberly fire equipment.

Both departments' fire stations are crowded and inefficient. The new station will include an inside water source to fill pumper trucks.

Doreen Hull has been selected as the contractor for the building. Plans will be approved after planning surveys have been completed.

In other Kimberly City Council business:

- **Amusement:** The council discussed the progress of the annexation of properties next to city streets, which are receiving city services. Amusement properties are expected to begin at the council's March meeting.
- **Enough is Enough:** Councilman Dave Overacre's ordinance

lined area activities for the "Enough is Enough" drug awareness program. A Kimberly summit on drugs is planned for 7 to 9 a.m. on Feb. 25 at the Kimberly Methodist Church.

A "ring-in" for a drug-free Idaho is planned for March 3. Residents are encouraged to ring a bell, or ring up a friend at 3 p.m., to show support for a drug-free Idaho.

• **Bids:** The council accepted the bid of \$627 for the 1990 Chevrolet patrol car and \$113 for a 1988 Dodge K car.

Twin Falls Planning, Zoning will hear 9 requests today

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission will hear nine zoning requests Thursday.

Anthony H. Schroeder wants to split 20 acres and a house for a brother-in-law from 40 acres in the agricultural zone southwest of Twin Falls.

• **A Louise Talk** wants to split two acres with two houses for sale from 80 acres in the agricultural zone west of Twin Falls.

• **Pamela Webb** wants to split two acres for a daughter's home, site from nine acres in the agricultural zone south of Filer.

• **Doug Weaver** wants to split five acres for a home site and shop from 36 acres in the agricultural zone south of Buhl.

• **Messersmith Inc.** and Whitebird Developers want to rezone 14 acres in the agricultural zone along Rock Creek Canyon and south of Meador Point Estates to rural residential.

• **Jay and Shari Jensen** want to manufacture mattress pads on 20 acres in the agricultural zone south of Filer.

• **Helon Yung**, doing business as Rogerson Service, wants to put up two 7-by-10-foot signs and one 3-by-10-foot sign for an existing gas station on Rogerson.

• **Idaho Power Co.** wants to add 13 feet to an existing building and install a 140-foot microwave tower on one acre in the agricultural zone 3 1/2 miles west of Murtaugh.

• **Idaho Power** also wants to build an 11-by-28-foot building and a 100-foot microwave tower and to remove an existing 80-foot tower within 18 months, on one acre in the agricultural range preservation zone one mile northwest of the Lower Salmon Falls Dam.

Public hearings on these requests begin at 7 p.m. at the Twin Falls County Office Building, 246 Third Ave. E.

OBITUARIES

For obituary news and information, call 233-0000. Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for second-day publication. Death notices are at their service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

TWIN FALLS

Dawn Marie Staker
Dawn Marie Staker (Lutz) will be laid to rest Wednesday, Feb. 21, 1996, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Dawn is survived by her husband, Marvin; and two children, Jacob and Mitchell. She is also survived by her parents, Dale and Joyce Wolf; her mother, Darlene; her father, Tom; her brothers, Wayne, Donald, Will, John and Steven; her sisters, Patricia, Deborah, and Dayra; her nephews, and aunts and uncles.

Dawn was born October 2, 1932, in Rosemead, Minnesota. Graduated from St. Croix Central High School in Rosemead, Wisconsin, 1951, as valedictorian of her class.

Marlin and Dawn began their life together in New Richmond, Wisconsin, the year of 1961.

As a devoted wife, mother and sister, Dawn will be greatly missed by all her family and friends.

There will be a memorial service at 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 21, at 2 p.m.

and therein were married for 72 years. Mrs. Thelma suffered an accident in her home which dramatically changed her life. Many wonderful doctors and caregivers helped her to recuperate. She is survived by her husband Earl (Ray) Moore of Crosview, Lulu (Lavada) Moore of Kasolia, and Irving (Nathan) Moore of Paul, 15 grand children and 25 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his beloved son, Gerald Dean, Moore, his parents, Bruce and George, Alex and Henry, and one sister, Kate.

A funeral service will be held at 11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21, 1996, at Hanson Mortuary, 321 E. Main St. Burial will be in the Garden of Memory. Friends may call at the Hanson Mortuary Burial Chapel and one hour before the funeral on Friday.

Earlyn Rhoades Kesten
Earlyn Rhoades Kesten, 96, of Buhl died Tuesday, Feb. 19, 1996, at her home in Buhl.

She was born May 20, 1902, to Charles and Drille Osborn Rhoades at their farm in Macon County, Tenn. She graduated from high school at St. Thomas in Nashville and worked as a nurse and anesthetist for many years in Tennessee, Kentucky, California and Idaho. Earlyn married Leonard Kesten on April 5, 1959 and they enjoyed a short but happy life together until his death in 1967. In 1968, she moved to Buhl to be close to her sister. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Buhl.

She is survived by her three sisters, Talley Gregory of Boise, Jane Jones of Spring Valley, Calif., and Susie, Manhattan of Buhl; two grandchildren, Laura Kleener of Shoupsville, Iowa, and Leone Duryea of Colorado Springs, Colo.; and many nieces and nephews and their families. She was preceded in death by her parents, brother, Earl Rhoades, and her husband.

Among her mementos was a carefully preserved poem by an unknown author, a heart of mercy, and a heart in which there is no sin.

A heart preserving man of words and a life with joy and faith. A heart that will not hold a grudge, and won't complain, and will judge the best and best that heart has to offer but leads me to you.

A service honoring Evelyn's life will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 23, 1996, at the First Christian Church in Buhl. Burial will follow at the Earl and Gertrude Friends First Christian Church at the Good Samaritan Home, 7161 Clithero Drive, Boise, ID 83703.

DIETICH CHANGES SCHOOL'S GRADING PERIOD

The Times-News

DIETRICH — Staff and teacher recommendations to change the grading period from six weeks to nine weeks was approved by the Dietrich School Board this week.

"Most of the school districts are on a nine-week grading period and our staff felt it gives them more time to accomplish things," said Chairwoman Donna Power.

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In other Murtaugh matters: Accountants John Martin and Tracy Ahrens presented a report of the city's annual report showed the city's annual budget and in good financial condition.

The council set planned utility development and subdivision permit fees; set the fees for licensing dogs at \$5 for spayed and neutered animals and \$10 for all others, effective March 1; and adopted highway and street standards.

In the state's annual safety inspection report, Industrial Safety Supervisor Mike Poulos said new saving seats are needed at the park, and the city pump house needs a chlorine detector and electric panel breakers.

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done a really good job," Power said. "I think he felt it was time to possibly move on with his career. It was just something that he decided to do."

Board members also adopted a parent-involvement policy. The plan will involve parents more so that if there are problems with students' grades they can be caught before they get out of hand, Power said.

Income survey could help Murtaugh get well grant

By Kelly J. Seitz
Times-News correspondent

MURTAUGH — Digging for money can be a chore, and Murtaugh City council members decided to conduct an income survey soon that might help the city gain points in obtaining a grant for a new well.

The more low- to moderate-income residents the town has, the more grant money it could qualify for, City Clerk Jeannine Bennett said.

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DURANGO, COLO.



Lawrence Ralph Gierisch
Lawrence Ralph Gierisch, 41, of Durango, Colo., formerly Burly resident, died Jan. 24, 1996, at Durango.

Larry was born on June 4, 1957, at Burly, the son of Haven and Elaine Gierisch. He attended Burly Schools and was graduated from Burly High School with the class of 1975. Soon after graduation, he entered the U.S. Navy where he was stationed in San Diego, Calif., and served for six years, working in the electronics field. After his honorable discharge from the Navy, he worked in the computer industry for Cub Defense Systems, Barrows-Hind and Howell-Packard.

In 1984, he moved to Durango where he owned and operated Durango Computer Center.

He is survived by his parents, Haven and Val Gierisch of Burly; three brothers, Terry and Cindy Gierisch of Burly and Doug Gierisch of Houston, Texas; Vincent and Karen Gierisch, stationed in the U.S. Air Force in England and numerous nieces and nephews, uncles and aunts. He was preceded in death by a seven-year-old daughter, Giam Gierisch and by his grandparents.

A graveside service will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Friday at Gorn Memorial Gardens, Burly, with Rev. Duane Yarbrough officiating. Military rites will be under the direction of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Cremation was under the direction of Hood Mortuary, Durango.

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Rebekah McDonough of Hazelton, Released Betty Frantz and Marion Pendergraf, both of Twin Falls; Shawn Schill of Buhl

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SCAPOOSE, ORE.

Lois Pearl Prather Hudges
Lois Pearl Prather Hudges, 84, of Scappoose, Ore., wife to be by her Savior, Friday, Feb. 5, 1999.

She was born Aug. 26, 1914, in Cedar Rapids, Kan., to her father, Gladys Warner Taylor, and her mother, Berta Benton and Roselle (Pickett) Taylor.

Lois was the daughter of a minister. She helped her father with his evangelistic work. She was married to her first husband, where she raised and later married Donald Thurston Hudges on June 18, 1937. In the following 25 years, she and her husband traveled from Montana to California and back again spending their last few years together in Idaho. Lois loved to Jesus never tired and grew stronger with every year. Her love for music and her joy in singing the Lord's praise flowed through many hard times.

Lois is survived by her daughter, Elizabeth Ellis of Scappoose, Ore.; son, Kenneth D. (Donny) Hudges Sr. of Kimberly; and James E. (Ceryll) Hudges of Boise; and their family, Lynn Kenneth "Jack" Prather of Wichita, Kan.; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild and three step-grandchildren.

Lois was preceded in death by her husband, Donald on June 6, 1991; parents, brother, Tommy; Pearl; Glenn; Donald; and John; Robert; sister, Vera; and her sister, Gladys; daughter-in-law, Norma; and her grandchildren, Eugene, Joan, Edward James and Mable; and her husband and former-in-law, Robert Hudges.

A funeral service for Lois will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 12, 1999, at the Church of the Nazarene in Kimberly. Burial will be at a later date at Woodland Memorial Gardens in Kimberly. She is next to her late husband. The family suggests memorial be given to the Church of the Nazarene, Church of Latter-day Saints, P.O. Box 3550, A. 3550, A. Kimberly, Idaho, to Community Assistance, P.O. Box 2067, Longview, WA 98620.

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ANTIOCH, CALIF.

Ruth C. Parsons
Ruth C. Parsons, 93, died Jan. 22, 1999, in Antioch, Calif.

She was born on Aug. 7, 1905. The native of Kansas moved to Antioch in 1969 after residing in Idaho for 52 years. Her hobbies were crafts, reading, and bird watching. She was affiliated with the Bliss Community Church, United Methodist Church of Gooding, and the United Methodist Church of Antioch, Calif.

She is survived by her brother, Marie Launhaugh of Belleville, Kan.; sons, Richard Parsons of Antioch, Calif., and Rex Parsons of West Linn, Ore.; daughter, Barbara Prince of Boise; nine grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, and five great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Leslie Parsons in 1969 and grandson, and one great-grandson.

A memorial service will be held at Hagerman Cemetery on May 15, 1999.

CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

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DEATH NOTICES

Fred Tattersall
EDEN — Fred M. Tattersall, 87, of Eden, passed away Feb. 10, 1999, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Robert F. Adolf
BUHL — Robert F. Adolf, 83, of Buhl died Feb. 10, 1999, in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Farmer Funeral Chapel.

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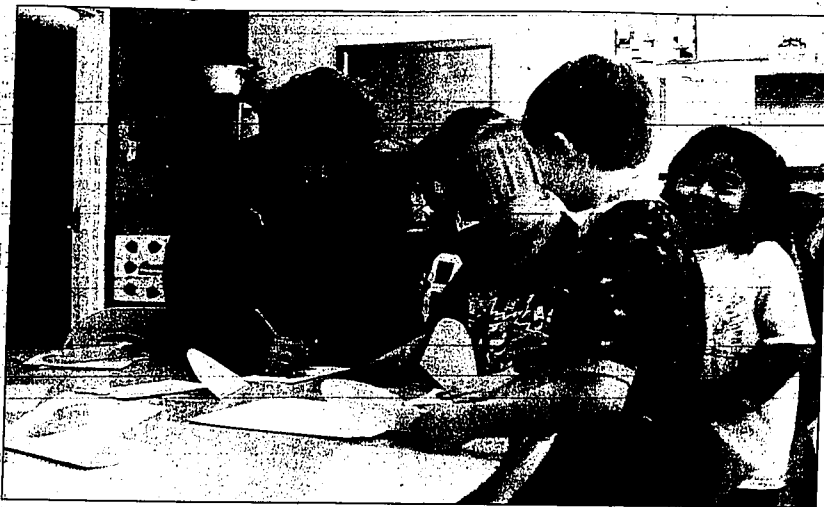
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Kids join kindness effort



Melissa Simmons' first-grade students at Dworshak Elementary School design get-well cards for a Random Acts of Kindness project. Cassia Regional Medical Center volunteers will deliver the cards to the hospital's patients Friday.

1st-graders make get-well cards for hospital patients

By Heidi Tuttle
Times-News Correspondent

MALTA — Twenty-two Dworshak first-graders have joined the ranks of the Mini-Cassia area Random Acts of Kindness campaign.

Their contribution began with a simple telephone ring.

Dworshak Elementary first-grade teacher Melissa Simmons received a call from Cassia Regional Medical Center volunteer coordinator Gori Alejandro, who needed help.

Three years earlier, Simmons' class had constructed Hospice floor decorations for the hospital and Alejandro hadn't forgotten about it.

"We try to involve children so they will have an insight of the hospital," Alejandro said, "so they will not be afraid of the hospital atmosphere if there is ever a need to be here."

This time, she needed 30 get-

well cards for hospital patients Friday.

Simmons knew her pupils could fill the order.

"This year I have an artistic group of kids," Simmons said. "And I think they love using their creativity to make something for strangers."

Simmons not only saw the potential for artistry, but an important learning experience for her students.

"It's nice to make someone's day," she said. "And it's especially nice to get the kids involved."

When Simmons explained the project to her students she saw unanimous approval in their faces. The students knew their cards were going to hospital patients unknown to them.

"If they feel sad and we give

them a card, they might feel better," 7-year-old Koshia Taylor Hall said.

The activity has been a motivational lesson for the students, Simmons said.

"When you're involved with doing kind deeds, it's impossible to do something bad or negative," she said. "I noticed while the kids were busy working on their cards that they radiated kindness towards each other."

Random Acts of Kindness Week fever has spread across the Mini-Cassia area. Raft River High School Mormon Seminary students filled four donated baskets, some grocery bags and a box with food. The containers were delivered to residents in need.

"Service is something we can't ever do enough of," seminary teacher Mike Jacobs said. "This project may have just put a dent in the service needed, but we are sure it counted for those who

received it."

Several acts of kindness are happening daily this week at Results High School. The students will be washing windows, shoveling snow from the sidewalks and assisting janitors.

Kindness also is evident at Burley High School.

"We're talking 500 kids doing everything from posters and candy-grains to decorating cars and lockers," seminary teacher David Ringle said.

This year, the Random Acts of Kindness week ends Sunday, and the clock is ticking. But for anyone who had forgotten or procrastinated performing their own act of kindness, it's never too late.

"Kindness shouldn't last only this week, but always," Simmons said.

Times-News correspondent Heidi Tuttle can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.

VALLEY IN BRIEF

Republicans plan Lincoln Day dinner in TF

TWIN FALLS — The Republican Lincoln Day Banquet will be held Tuesday at the Turf Club.

A social hour begins at 6 p.m. and the prime rib dinner starts at 7 p.m.

Sons Larry Craig and Mike Crapo, Rep. Mike Simpson and Gov. Dirk Kempthorne will be the speakers. Mark Stubbs is the master of ceremonies. Boy Scout Troop 59 will do the colors presentation and Pledge of Allegiance and the Dilettantes will present some songs from their upcoming production of "The Secret Garden."

Eric Heidemann will give the Gettysburg Address.

Cost is \$25 per person. Tickets are available by calling Gary Grundstaf at 543-5755 or Mike Mathews at 735-0712 or at the door.

Democrats plan to meet in Shoshone

SHOSHONE — Democratic leaders from Idaho's District 21 — including Blaine, Camas and Lincoln counties and portions of Elmore and Gooding counties — want to get together with Democrats and anyone interested in having a greater voice in governmental decisions.

The Democrats plan a lunch meeting at noon Saturday at the Manhattan Cafe in Shoshone.

Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, the House minority leader, and other active Democrats will be on hand to answer questions and discuss legislative issues and ways to have a greater voice in decisions important to District 21.

For more information call Waldó Jones at 886-7775 or Sally Donar 726-5808.

Lincoln school begins 'Love to Read Month'

TWIN FALLS — Faculty at Lincoln Elementary School will kick off "Love to Read Month" today with a skit teachers will perform for the student body.

Lincoln organized the theme month to propel its effort to encourage student reading. Many reading activities are planned, such as a reader's theater competition, guest readings and a "dress as your favorite storybook character" day.

Today's assembly will run from 9 to 9:30 a.m.

Castleford schools discuss driver's ed cost

CASTLEFORD — The Castleford School Board will discuss the cost of driver's education at a meeting at 5:30 p.m. at the school library.

The board is considering raising the fee for driver's education from \$20 to \$120, in an attempt to make the program self-sufficient.

Blaine planners to discuss zoning request

HAILEY — The Blaine County Planning and Zoning Commission will meet tonight at 6:30 p.m. in the old county courthouse, 206 Main St.

The agenda includes a public hearing on a rezoning request for land along Warm Springs Road. Chris and Katrina Cord hope to rezone the agricultural land for planned residential development.

Bellevue council will meet this evening

BELLEVUE — The Bellevue City Council will meet tonight at 7 p.m. in the city council chambers, 100 N. Main St.

Agenda items include discussion of a proposed pawnshop ordinance, and a closed executive session to discuss personnel issues.

Kimberly board to hold closed meeting

KIMBERLY — The Kimberly School Board will meet tonight in a closed executive session to discuss real estate acquisition.

The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. in the district office.

Compiled from staff reports

Smoker awarded \$50M from cigarette maker

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A jury awarded a former three-pack-a-day smoker \$50 million in punitive damages Wednesday in her lawsuit against a tobacco company, bringing the total award to \$51.5 million.

A day earlier, the jury ordered Philip Morris Cos. to pay \$1 million in compensatory damages to Patricia Henley to cover medical expenses, pain and suffering.

The total award was the largest to date in a tobacco liability lawsuit filed by an individual smoker. Other awards have

been overturned on appeal.

"I feel wonderful," said Henley, who pledged to donate any money she receives to educate youngsters about the dangers of smoking. "This is a great day for the children."

Henley, 52, of Los Angeles, was diagnosed last year with inoperable lung cancer. She alleged the tobacco company, which makes Marlboro and other brands, hooked her on cigarettes when she was 15 and misled her about the dangers. Her cancer is in remission after chemotherapy and radiation treatment.

"Any time you get a bunch of people out willing to voice their opinions, it is a good meeting," she said.

Times-News correspondent Margot Higgins can be reached in Ketchum at 726-7287.

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Utah is willing to pay for open space

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A new poll shows Utah residents want open space, and they are willing to pay for it.

Seventy percent of residents say the preservation of open lands along rivers and streams is important or very important, according to a poll of 898 people conducted by Dan Jones & Associates and Insight Research.

Seventy percent of respondents announced Wednesday at a packed meeting of the state's Critical Lands Committee, a 15-member body Gov. Mike Leavitt created in 1996 to evaluate how to preserve and pay for open lands.

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"The animals never win," she said about the growing number of attacks on humans in California.

By the meeting's conclusion, about 30 written comment forms had been collected. Fish and Game Commissioner Fred Wood

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"This statute has never been applied criminally in its entire history."

Recently, farmers have watched their incomes plummet while paying the same prices to buy meat and bread. The state has battled sloe and toy price fixing. And areas such as Twin Falls have seen farm homes purchased by out-of-state companies interested in cornering the market.

"Prices have gone up," Newcomb said. "Even on the dead."

Newcomb wants the state to repeal the antitrust act and replace it with his detailed and comprehensive "Fair

Winter weather wreaks havoc

By Loraine Cavener
and David Lee
Times-News writers

RUPERT — Judy Rast, a long-time bus driver for the Minidoka County School District, isn't too alarmed by the snow and ice-covered roads.

But conditions were alarming enough to highway districts to direct schools not to operate school buses on gravel roads in the county.

On the roads that were open, dozens of slide-offs and accidents were reported throughout the Mini-Cassia area since Tuesday evening's winter storm, area law enforcement officials said.

On the gravel roads, excessive water, less of road bases and washouts were reasons cited by highway district officials to take buses off the roads, several of which remained closed through-out Minidoka County Wednesday evening.

Parents of children who ride buses and live on gravel roads should anticipate picking their children up and dropping them off at least a week at a time, said Lucky Borin, transportation supervisor for Minidoka County schools.

Temperatures are forecast to be

in the high 40s by this weekend, which means more thawing and flooded roads, Bour said.

"If there is a light wind blowing it may dry up," he said. "We ask for everybody's cooperation."

For Jamie Titus, who picks up her three daughters at the corner of 400 West and 800 North, cooperation is no problem.

"I don't mind. I did it most of last year," she said. "Roads were possible, but really bad."

Elsewhere, downed power lines caused havoc for the Raft River Electric Co-Op in Cassia County, said DeVon Jones, line superintendent. The power company was dealing with a ground blizzard north of Malta and muddy conditions, he said.

By Wednesday afternoon, nearly everything was back on after crews worked through Tuesday night and into Wednesday morning, said Jim Powers, administrative assistant for Raft River Electric.

"The Raft River Electric was busy with power lines, Cassia County sheriff's deputies also were busy."

"Things were pretty hairy for a while," Capt. Jim Higgins said.

Idaho State Police Sgt. Chris Schenk said, "I don't know if I could't count the number of acci-

dents or slide-offs.

"I couldn't even venture a guess," Schenk said.

Interstate 84 between the Interstate 84-Interstate 86 exchange to the Utah state line was shut down from 2 a.m. to noon Wednesday, Schenk said.

The harsh winter conditions also were enough to close the Pomerelle Ski Resort on Wednesday.

"The wind and visibility (on the road leading to the resort) was such that it didn't feel safe," said Pomerelle owner Woody Anderson, adding that he has previously closed the resort because of storms. "The policy is if we can't operate safely, we don't operate."

Anderson expects Pomerelle to open today with the first cuttings expected to have the best time of the new snow.

"It's a winner that," Anderson said.

As bad as Tuesday night's storm seemed, law enforcement and utility workers said they were prepared to deal with the aftermath.

"This isn't any worse than what we've had before," said Higgins, who has been with the Cassia County Sheriff's Office 25 years.

Jones agreed.

"In 24 years here, I've seen, at times, things a lot worse," he said.

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Donaldson said.

And the city recently passed a nearly \$2 million bond issue to pay for a new water treatment plant and reservoir.

Meanwhile, farmer Robert Hall — who lives about 1 1/2 miles from Magic West — and others have filed objections to Magic West taking any more aquifer water.

Hall said groundwater comes out hot from a fairly shallow well on his land. That means he can use it to heat his home without digging a deeper well. He also

uses groundwater to irrigate and to water livestock.

After the meeting, Hall said he was hopeful about a compromise being reached.

One possible solution would be to use Magic West permission to use water rights from irrigators now using the cleaner groundwater, Dreher said. In turn, the irrigators could switch to water from the river and other surface sources, he said.

Schenk said he was less excited than Hall and Dreher by possible solutions suggested at the meet-

ing, but the company plans to stay in for the long haul, he said.

And it's expected that an acceptable deal can be hammered out without Magic West laying anybody off.

Mayor Glenn Thompson said the city's banking on it.

"To us, losing 180 jobs would be like Boise losing (major employers) Micron or Hewlett-Packard," he said.

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Competition in Trade Act

Federal laws allow state law, and many legislatures around the country are strengthening their statutes.

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MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Governor comes out against breaching dams

BASCO, Wash., (AP)—Gov. Gus Locke says he can't imagine supporting the breaching of four Snake River dams in an effort to revive salmon and steelhead runs.

"I have constantly said I can't imagine any argument leading me to support these dams coming down," Locke said Tuesday during a speech on rural economic development.

The remark drew roars of applause from the 250 people at the Alliance of Mid-Columbia Chambers Luncheon. Many business interests in Eastern

Washington oppose breaching the dams, fearing the loss of barge traffic, irrigation water, electricity and other benefits.

It was the first time Locke has made a strong statement on the issue.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is considering tearing down the dams in an attempt to help restore endangered salmon and steelhead runs. The idea is supported by several environmental groups and some prominent scientists.

Congress will make the final decision, and Locke said he

wants a solid state plan in place to save salmon so the federal government doesn't take control.

"If we want government to do less, we must collaborate to do more," Locke said.

Groups that support breaching the dams haven't discussed the economic consequences of the action, including how to build up the highway and railroad systems to replace the barges now transporting agricultural commodities downriver, he said.

The benefits clearly do not outweigh the costs," Locke said. Kennewick attorney Fran

Forgetic said he was "floored" and "stunned" to hear the governor's anti-breaching statement. "Now, it sounds like the council leaders he's not sure how any study would support breaching, especially with the economic consequences," Forgetic said. The governor finally took a position and he chose to do it in the Tricities.

Dean Strawn, a Kennewick business owner and rally organizer, said it doesn't make sense to advocate rural economic development while supporting breaching the dams.

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Eden council mulls generator for well house

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EEDEN - If Eden ever had a power outage and a fire at the same time, it would be in trouble. There now is no backup generator for the well house, Eden Mayor Larry Craig said.

"Without the backup we wouldn't have water to fight the fire," he said. City Council members this week discussed bids they received to put in a generator. They are waiting for one more bid but are expected to decide at

next month's meeting, Craig said.

In other business Monday, the council decided to have the property of the city recently purchased from the Valley school district surveyed. It then will be broken into pieces and will be for sale this spring, Craig said.

Eden will retain some of the property for city use. City Council members also swore in new member Chet Solls. He is taking over Craig's position; Craig took over the mayor's spot last month. Solls will serve until the next city election.

THE SNOW CLUB FOR MEN



Snow covers a billboard advertising hair treatment near Idaho Falls after several inches of wet snow plastered eastern Idaho Tuesday night and Wednesday morning. The radiant energy of the sun melted the snow that covered the dark areas of the billboard.

House backs plan to move primary election

BOISE (AP) - The House has endorsed a plan to move Idaho's primary election from the fourth Tuesday in May to the first Tuesday in June to avoid having voter turnout diminished by the long Memorial Day weekend.

"Two-thirds of the time the primary election comes on the Tuesday following what I call family weekend," Hansen said. His bill would change the date "so we aren't fighting ourselves on voter turnout."

He said it also would offer

relief for county officials who often find themselves having to pay employees overtime for working on the Memorial Day holiday to prepare for the election.

Some critics questioned whether it would interfere with a bill being considered in the Senate that would create a special early March presidential primary election. But delaying the existing primary by a week appears more likely to succeed than the attempt to have Idaho participate in an eight-state western regional presidential primary because the latter carries a price tag of at least \$400,000.

Senate kills laws to protect from Y2K-related liability issues

BOISE (AP) - Legislation to protect state and local governments from liability for damages resulting from any Year 2000 computer problems has been killed by a Senate committee.

The Judiciary Committee voted overwhelmingly on Wednesday against the legislation proposed by the Department of Administration.

"Bills that extend immunity to government are the ultimate arrogance of government," Republican Floor Leader James Risch said. "The government, simply because it can, unveils the playing field, keeps itself above the average citizen."

Trial lawyers opposed the immunity proposition, and Director of Administration Pam Ahrens said the measure was offered as a way of alerting lawmakers of the potential problem and giving them a chance in dealing with it - preclude any suits or be prepared to pay the damages.

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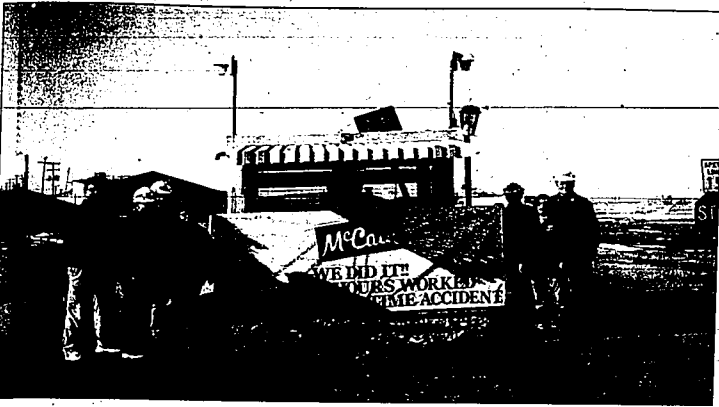
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700 BURLEY WORKERS CELEBRATE SUCCESS

I THANK YOU LETTERS



McCa Foods USA, Inc. recorded one million hours worked without a lost time accident in December 1998. Employees gathered to recognize the milestone are pictured from left to right, Ruben Saldaña, loss prevention manager; Dale Olson; Bob Cobbe; Vera Johnson; Bob Radsbaugh; Salvador Marthnez; and Norm Rayburn, plant manager. The last time the milestone was reached was in 1987. Rayburn stated that the plant promotes a strong safety culture with meaningful management and employee participation in both problem solving and behavioral observation systems. McCa Foods USA, Inc., is a subsidiary of McCain Foods Limited, a family owned Canadian based international food company. The Burley facility employs approximately 700 full-time workers producing regular and battered French fries, hash brown potatoes and formed potato products.

Head Start appreciates generous local support

To the people of the Magic Valley: All the parents, families and staff members from the Twin Falls Head Start would like to send a big thank you note to the community for all the items, time and money that were donated to our center. You all helped make a lot of smiles on little faces. Special thanks goes to the Optimists who brought Santa and his helpers out to distribute gifts to our Head Start children.

TWILIA HANCHRY
And Head Start Parents
Twin Falls

Big Shot Little Shot Buddy Shoot was success with help

The Burley Trap Club thanks the following for donating to the Big Shot Little Shot Buddy Shoot on Jan. 30. Ducks Unlimited, Pheasants Forever, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Pro Paint, Buckle Up, Keystone Realty Group, Lloyd's Concrete Construction, George K's, Jason Tilly, Young Ford, Magic Valley International, Culligan Water, Batts Irrigation, Burtie Fence, Rain for Rent, Boy's Lounge, Kendall Jones Farms, Circle A Construction, Pioneer Equipment, Walton, Inc., J. J. Neuen, Trucking & Brokerage, William Goman, Parsons Smith & Stone, Ramsey Heating/Electric, Sears of Burley, S&M Dairy Supply, Country Lounge, Standvik Equipment, Burley Refrigeration, Burley Repair, Charlie Pratt Masonry, Fletcher Lav, Walmarc, Adams Petroleum, Unit 54, Norco, Mimico Auto Parts, Schow's

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LIZ BROWN
President, and the members
Burley Trap Club
Rupert

Gifts provided for foster kids show valley shines in Idaho

On behalf of children placed in foster care in the Magic and Wood River valleys, I want to thank Matt Thurston and his family, D.L. Evans Bank, the Guardian ad Litem program and the citizens of our communities for the Christmas gifts provided this holiday season. I also want to thank the foster parents for their commitment to the children in their care. These families give unstinting love of their time, homes and families to provide for children. They are only reimbursed for room and board. The foster parents provide more than love and support. They must work within a complicated, confusing and seemingly uncaring system. It is for the children that foster parents devote their time and energies and should be recognized for their unselfishness more often than they are.

Again, thank you for proving that the Magic and Wood River valleys are the best places in Idaho.
KATHY JAMES
Program Manager
Family and Children's Services
Department of Health and Welfare
Twin Falls

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Jensen plans birthday party with friends, family

RUPERT - Ellen B. Izant Jensen will be honored at an open house to celebrate her 90th birthday on Feb. 13.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at 806 G Street. Refreshments will be served.

Ellen has lived in the area for 67 years and is a past matron of the Rebekah's Lodge.

The event is hosted by her children, Andrew L. (Jeanette) Jensen of Burley, Leola (Eddie) Vaughn of Burley and Lillian (Gene) Newman of Rupert.

She has 12 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren.

Fire and rescue group hosts Firemen's Ball

PAUL - West End Fire and Rescue will host the Firemen's Ball from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Saturday at the Paul American Legion Hall. Music will be by Borderline.

Breakfast will be served from midnight to 1 a.m. at the Paul Fire Hall. Tickets are \$5 and include breakfast.

Tickets are available from any West End fireman or at the door.

Botany class has plants for sale, will prune trees

DECILO - The Declo High School Botany Class will be selling bedding plants and pruning trees for the public.

Pruning charges will be \$15 for a full-sized tree and \$10 for a dwarf tree. The class will provide a bid for a yard of trees.

Bedding plants will be sold by the flat or in four-packet packets.

Plants scheduled for sale include asters, alysium, celosia, dahlias, dianthus, pansies, snapdragons and marigolds. Special requests for other plants will be considered.

Orders will be taken by botany students or by calling Mel Dapington at the school, 652-2030.

Outreach group offers meals to hungry families

RUPERT - The Community Oasis Outreach soup kitchen is serving meals to needy families at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and from 6 to 7 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at the mission, 102 2nd St.

The Outreach had been temporarily closed for remodeling.

Meals are served family style, and families needing a place to stay after compliance to specific guidelines and following a police check.

Donations of money, food and some clothing are accepted by the mission.

Blood service group celebrates 50 year

RUPERT - The 50th anniversary of the Lewis and Clark Blood Services will be celebrated from noon to 6 p.m. Monday during the Rupert Red Cross blood drive at the Civic Center.

Lewis and Clark Blood Services is the arm of the American Red Cross that collects, tests and distributes blood products in Idaho and the surrounding states.

The public is invited to enjoy refreshments and if possible donate blood.

The event will also be held during the Burley-Blood drive set for Feb. 22 at the National Guard Armory near the airport.

For more information, contact the Mini-Cassia Red Cross at 436-7339.

Take your unfinished projects to Carleen's

BURLEY - Unfinished Project Night is planned from 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday at Carleen's Fabrics and Crocheting in the Snake River Plaza.

The evening is an opportunity to finish projects away from family and the telephone.

There is no charge for the event. For more information, call 677-3573.

South Hills Saloon hosts Saturday pool tourney

HANSEN - A Sweetheart Pool Tournament will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the South Hills Saloon in Hansen. Entry fee is \$5 per person.

Boy Scout troop invites public to breakfast

TWIN FALLS - Boy Scout Troop 63 will hold a Fiesta Breakfast beginning at 9 a.m. and running until noon on Sunday at Saint Edward's Parish Hall on 7th Avenue East.

Sausage, hashbrowns and cheese breakfast burritos will be served with coffee, French fries and a donation of \$3 per person or \$15 for a family is suggested.

Eden senior center hosts Saturday pancake meal

EDEN - The Silver & Gold Seniors are having their monthly pancake breakfast from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday at the senior center.

The cost is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children ages 12 and under.

Everyone is welcome to participate and enjoy a good time.

Sweethearts can enjoy dance at senior center

TWIN FALLS - A Sweetheart Dinner and Dance will be held at 10 to 10 p.m. Saturday at the West End Senior Center. Come and dance to Jenny Boone and band, Old Country Dance. The cost is \$20 per person which covers the menu of roast beef, salad, roll, veggies, baked potato, and dessert.

All ages are welcome. The public is invited. Bring your friends.

For more information, call 543-4577.

White Pine classes join forces for science fair

BURLEY - White Pine Elementary School will hold a science fair from 4 to 8 p.m. today in the school gym at 1900 Hilland Ave.

All of the sixth-grade classes and some of the fourth-grade classes will have projects in the fair.

The public is invited to view the displays.

Skid area offers Boy Scouts help with badges

POCATELLO - Pebble Creek Ski area is offering a Boy Scout skiing merit badge opportunity beginning at 10 a.m. on Monday.

Requirements for the merit badge are B, 1, 6 and parts of 2 and 3 for the interest patch will be covered during the one-day program.

In order to complete the program, scouts should possess the ability to perform linked turns and ski groomed runs serviced by the Sunshine Triple chairlift. Beginner lessons will be available for first-time skiers. A "Ski with a Ranger" ecology session will be offered in the morning.

The cost is \$15 for the lift ticket and clinic and \$19 for lift ticket, clinic and ski rental.

Participants can place advance reservations by calling the office at 208-775-4452.

Star gazers will meet at Herrett Center at CSI

TWIN FALLS - The Herrett Center on the College of Southern Idaho campus will host its next Star Party at 8:30 p.m. Saturday.

The gatherings are held in conjunction with the monthly meetings of the Magic Valley Astronomical Society.

The theme this month is "Orion on High," referring to the winter sky's most spectacular target. Also viewed will be the Great Nebula and Saturn. Jupiter will set in the early evening.

Families or individuals are welcome to bring binoculars or telescopes of their own or they can

look through the large instruments that will be set up in front of the Herrett Center, located just off North College Road near the north entrance to CSI.

There is no admission charge. For more information, contact Chris Anderson, 733-9554, Ext. 2663, or Rick Greenwald at 733-9554, Ext. 2653.

Senior center will be sight of Sweetheart Ball.

TWIN FALLS - A semi-formal Sweetheart Ball will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sunday at the Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center, 616 Eastland.

The admission charge is \$3 per person. Refreshments will be served.

Children may enjoy program at public library

TWIN FALLS - Meet and enjoy local Songwriter Linda Schoepf at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in the Storywell Kiva at the Twin Falls Public Library.

Appearing in costume, Schoepf will read her book "Grandma is the Storywell Kiva at the Twin Falls Public Library."

All interested children and their parents are invited to participate. There is no registration and no charge.

For additional information on this and other program activities, please call 733-2964 and ask for Children's Services.

Stay healthy, in shape with advice from Fit Fair

TWIN FALLS - The 3rd-annual Fit Fair will be held from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday at the Falls Ave. Fitness Training and Free blood pressure and body composition testing will be offered. Blood draws for screening will be handled by Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital. The cost of screening is \$3 for cholesterol, \$5 for lipids, \$50 for glucose-10 for thyroid function and \$15 for prostate cancer. If you are interested in these tests, remember that you cannot eat for 12 hours before the blood draw.

Various health professionals will be available. An aerobic marathon will be held at 9:30 to 11 a.m. KICK 104.7 fm will be onsite, and free, healthy snacks will be provided.

For more information, call Stan at 734-7538.

Square dancers will gather for evening of fun

TWIN FALLS - Buttons and Bows Square Dancers will meet for a Valentine's Eve dance at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday at Anderson Camp Round dance will start at 7:30 p.m. and square dancing will run from 8 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. All singing calls will be given. Wilford

Allison and Gib Harr will be the curer for the rounds.

It is a potluck so bring you favorite dish.

Call 324-4185 for more information.

Roundtable, Order of the Arrow gather this evening

TWIN FALLS - The District Roundtable and Order of the Arrow chapter meeting will be held at 7 p.m. today at the Scout Service Center on Falls Ave.

Health fair sponsored by Head Start offers fun

TWIN FALLS - The Little Wood Head Start is sponsoring a Health Fair from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday at Gooding-Alternative School, 306 Main in Gooding.

Fingerprinting, identification cards, health and safety information, baked goods and chili/soup will be available.

All ages are welcome. Door prizes will be given and a raffle will be raffled.

The event will include Gooding and Shoshone-area children.

Rebekah Hall hosts Friday salad bar for lunch

TWIN FALLS - A salad bar is planned from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday at the Rebekah Hall, 132 E. Ave B. The cost is a free will donation.

The public is invited.

Ogden will receive Eagle at Court of Honor

TWIN FALLS - Sam Ogden will receive his Eagle Scout award with the Boy Scouts of America.

The award will be presented at a Court of Honor to be held at 4 p.m. Saturday at the Elizabeth Blvd. LIS church.

Ogden is a member of Troop 159 and has been a parent leader of his unit.

For his project, Ogden built four nesting platforms for Osprey raptors. They have been erected in the Heyburn and one is now in use by a pair of Osprey.

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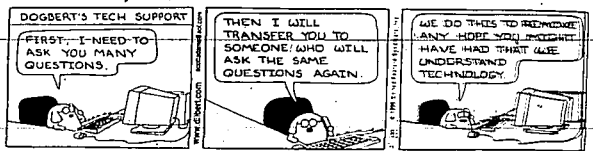
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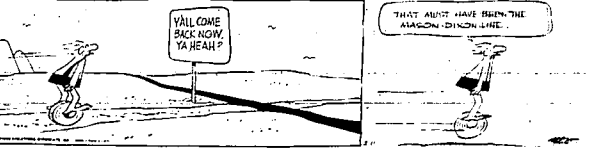
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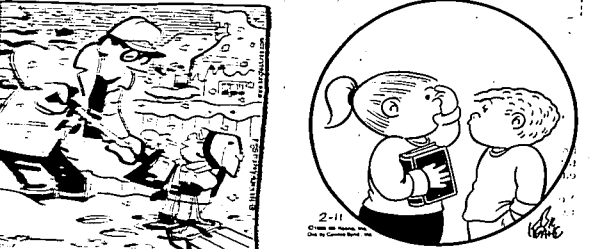


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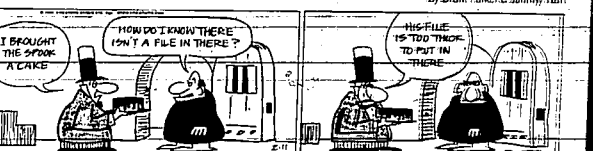
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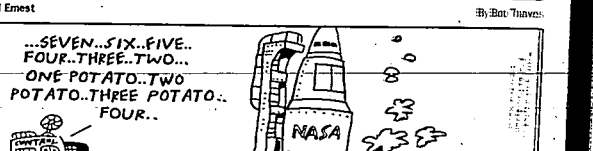
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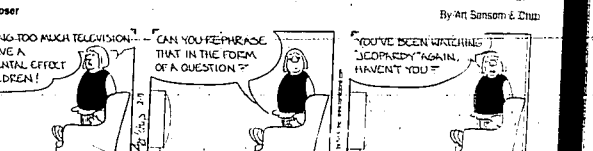
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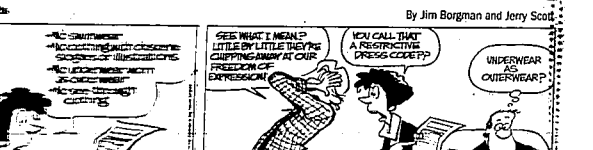
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MORNING BREAK

Handshakes shouldn't get attention

Q. My brother says I try to grip too hard when I shake hands. — A. If you try, he's probably right. The best handshake is the one that doesn't call attention to itself. I've been told.



WHAT'S WHAT? L.M. Boyd

There really were "lead balloons," it's claimed. In the mid-1800s, the French popularized wine glasses shaped like balloons. And tried to duplicate them in a sort of lead during the glass shortage of 1870. But the heavy opaque liquid didn't sell. That curi-ous metaphor "went over like a lead balloon" originally alluded to the failed leaden wine glass. Or so you and I are inclined to believe. Regret, I cannot accept the invitation.

Q. The horse chestnut tree is so called because its shelled nut looks like the eye of a horse, right? — A. Not quite. Early Americans thought the nut looked like the eye of a deer so called it the Buckeye. But according the Britannica, that horse chestnut name originated in Turkey "where the nuts were fed to horses to cure broken wind."

Murder statistics indicate killers are five to one male, victims three to one male. Science types know how to convert the solar energy in tropic

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Gemini may be a genius at fund-raising

IF FEBRUARY 11 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are inquisitive, unorthodox, fascinated by the manic arts and sciences, including astrology. Father and mother were considered bright lights, both loved attention, could not tolerate most people but loved oddities.
ARIES (March 21-April 19): You are not content restless but neither are you exactly. This could be dubbed your "season of discontent."
TAURUS (April 20-May 20): What seemed long ago and far away has returned, under your control. See people in realistic manner, avoid self-deception.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You get solid backing, will be dubbed genius at fund raising.

HOROSCOPE
 Sydney Omarr

Capricorn, Cancer persons play top roles.
CANCER (June 21-July 22): Reach beyond previous limitations. You are talked about in foreign lands—line up representative.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You will be rid of false concepts, you are charged with inventing method of bypassing red tape.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Be analytical, be in touch with world traveler who has your best interest at heart.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Light touch necessary — don't attempt

to force issues: Sagittarians involved.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Study Sagittarians message for added wisdom. Whenever you do, do it in extraordinary manner. Eschew the commiseration.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Highlight creativity, sequel, fashions, unique recipes.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Emphasize kindness, diplomacy, amity. Discard feminine cautions in decorating, remodeling.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't equate delay with deflection. Package containing liquid begins to leak.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You are doomed fiasco to win. Get out in front and say there — Capricorn plays special role.

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Parents fight phone company over adult calls made by child.

DEAR ABBY: Last March, I received a \$400 phone bill that included \$250 in adult entertainment calls made by my 10-year-old daughter and 11-year-old niece. At first, the phone company refused to adjust the bill, then it gave me credit for half. After five months of fighting with the long-distance phone company and countless phone calls, I finally got the whole amount credited to my account.



DEAR ABBY
Arlig VanBuren

bill — even though this is a frequent occurrence. I hope my letter helps other parents.

— VICTORIOUS IN OREGON

DEAR VICTORIOUS: Congratulations. I'm sure your letter will be of interest to other parents of "curious" children. Another effective preventive measure that parents can take is to put a 900 block or an international block on their phone line.

DEAR ABBY: I have some advice for the adult son of "Dad, the Morning Rooster," who can't — or won't — get himself up in the morning. I used to have the same problem, I, too, just couldn't wake up in the morning. The alarm clock on my nightstand would go off, and I'd reach over, turn it off and go back to sleep. Most of the time, I never remembered having turned it off.

I realized I had to do something to keep from missing work, so I decided to make my alarm clock harder to turn off. I bought an alarm clock (a wind-up Big Ben) with bells on the outside. That night, I set the alarm, then placed the clock in a metal dishpan and shoved it under my bed.

The next morning the alarm went off and started rattling the dishpan. The noise shocked me awake. I leaped out of bed to locate the source of the racket and shut it off. (By then I had forgotten where I had put the clock.) By the time I was down on my knees, flailing around beneath the bed, I was so wide-awake I couldn't have fallen back to sleep if I had wanted to.

That young man should try my solution. I can almost guarantee it'll work every time. Sign me ...

— OLE SLEEPYHEAD FROM FLORIDA

DEAR OLE SLEEPYHEAD: Thank you for the helpful anecdote. For slow risers who would prefer a less radical wake-up, placing the alarm out of reach — for instance, on the other side of the bedroom — is a valuable suggestion.

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Moscow fire chief resigns after calls for his departure

MOSCOW (AP) — City Fire Chief Charles Lundfelt has resigned after members of the volunteer department called for his departure.

He was chief for about a year. Assistant Fire Chief Don Strong was named to the interim post.

Despite a petition signed by 21 fire volunteers last week calling for Lundfelt's termination or resignation, Mayor Marshall Comstock said Lundfelt was not pushed out of his position.

What did play a major role in his decision was the split vote of

confidence taken by volunteers Monday night, the mayor said. Volunteers had voiced concern about Lundfelt making fire scenes unsafe by allowing situations where more than one person was telling firefighters what to do. He also was accused of hurting morale.

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Thursday, February 11, 1999

An old dog and a slow trip to town

The traffic on Blue Lakes and Pole Line Road sometimes rubs me raw. My emotions get backed up as I wait to get moving.

I feel bile welling up in my stomach. I want to be angry at someone or something. I know it's ridiculous, so I'm usually resigned to the stop-and-go mentality of traffic. Still, I get irked with the lurchers, the near-sighted and the terminally slow who barely squeak through the traffic light ahead of me.

What really infuriates me, even more than a triple trailer that hogs all of a green light, is when someone pulls out from an intersection as if he or she is the only person on the road. For them, time is of no concern.

I'm never in what some folks call "a hurry." I plan ahead and schedule. I give myself time to get places, but I don't allow for an abundance of time.

So I expect the world to click along at a reasonable rate.

DOG-EARED TALES

By Bill Studebaker

When someone pulls out in front of me and I have to slow down to half the legal speed, my rhythm is broken, and my emotions collide like a 10-car pile-up.

That's what happened the other day. I was cruising down Pole Line Road at about 50 mph when a tan Nash Rambler pulled out in front of me.

I'd watched the car approach the intersection and I was comparing its rate of speed against mine. I was sure it would get to the intersection too late to pull out in front of me.

After all, the driver would have to come to a complete stop, look both ways and, by that time, there wouldn't be enough time to pull out in front of me. So I kept rolling. The Rambler came to a complete stop, then immediately lurched into my path. Its driver obviously didn't look both ways before proceeding.

The bile began welling up in my stomach as I pressed on my brake pedal. I was instantly mad. I coasted right up behind the Nash and glared into the back window, trying to see who was driving.

A pile of ratted white hair spilled over the seat. Small white eye-glasses poked out from either side of the seat. Her cigarette was wafting smoke in three-quarter-time.

She and I were doing the Texas two-step at a snail's pace, but I backed off anyway. I thought of passing, but the westbound traffic was too thick. I had plenty of time, so I checked my emotions. Yep, I was angry. Sure enough, I was. Her ticket, Truth be told, I was on the brink of a motor-vehicle meltdown.

That's what was on my mind. I was scheming to pass the old Nash, that old wagon when the head of an aged golden retriever reared up into view.

The old dog looked absolutely serene. Her head, peering around was a hilarious moment of reconnoitering. Her expression said she was content to be where she was going.

The sun was shining and the light lit up her faded golden hair and brilliantly illuminated her white muzzle. Her eyes were full and clear and wise looking.

Her lower lip sagged a little, giving her a grand old look.

I think she was thankful for the ride she was getting. And for the remainder of the time I followed the old Nash, she kept up a vigilant posture, watching the fields as they slid by.

Occasionally, she turned to peer out the rear window, almost as if she were acknowledging me. Her direct gaze was peaceful and simple. It straightened out my knotted emotions.

For a few minutes, I wasn't concerned about traffic jams, abrupt lane changes or inattentive drivers. I declared a truce in the bumper battles.

The golden retriever was marvelous and I thought the old lady driving the Nash had to be marvelous, too.

I was so taken with the two of them that I passed up an opportunity to pass. I followed the old Nash all the way into town at the steady speed of 22 mph. There were dozens of cars and trucks backed up behind us.

Who cared?
Not the whimsical golden retriever. Not the driver of the Nash. Not even me.

For a few minutes, getting there was more important than being there. The heck with being in a hurry, I thought. Drive and let drive.

When he's not driving around aimlessly, Bill Studebaker directs the Outdoor Adventure Program at the College of Southern Idaho.

Keeping warm in icy waters

Winter fishing requires extra preparation, smart game plan to ensure comfortable outing

By James J. Krunich
Times-News correspondent

Winter fishing provides unique opportunities, and challenges, for anglers.

As this week's weather has shown, conditions can vary from sunny and pleasant to cold and miserable in a matter of minutes. Like the Boy Scouts, it's a good idea to be prepared.

The top two priorities on any angler's agenda are comfort and safety. When you're standing in water that's 30-odd degrees and the air temperature is 30-odd degrees, it's a foregone conclusion that you'll be losing some heat.

When it comes to comfort, it's the amount of heat you lose that's critical. "Layering" is the name of the game for keeping warm, but it's only part of the answer. Layering, as any seasoned outdoors person will attest, allows you to fine-tune your comfort by adding or removing articles of clothing.

For instance, you can remove a sweater if you're too warm, or don a windbreaker or if the breeze is stealing your warmth. A key thing to keep in mind is that exertion creates sweat, and sweat means moisture - and moisture in winter means cold. To minimize the chilling effect, wear long underwear that wicks moisture away from your skin. This is especially important when wearing waders, which tend to trap moisture next to the body.

Another key - but often overlooked - secret to staying warm is eating a hearty breakfast and lunch. It's not always easy to do when you're rushing to hit the water, but you've got to put fuel in the furnace if you're going to stay warm. While you're at it, tuck a few snacks in your pockets to munch throughout the day.

If you're going fishing in winter, you'll need calories-to-burn.

Comfort can keep a good day from turning bad, but safety can prevent a bad day from turning fatal. No matter how nice the day is, the water is cold at this time of year - so even a brief immersion can swiftly lead to hypothermia.

Always keep an extra set of dry clothes in your vehicle, or in a rucksack on the bank, so you'll have some options if you get soaked. An old sleeping bag or blanket can be a lifesaver if you need to warm up in a hurry. Finally, a



Through the sun is hot, the air is cold and the water is even colder as Twin Falls resident Roger Golden works his magic on the Big Wood River. Dressing warmly and eating well can spell the difference between suffering and success on winter fishing trips.

Thermos of hot coffee, hot chocolate or hot soup can provide warmth from within.

In addition to packing these items, be sure to pack plenty of common sense. For instance, take pains to prevent ice from building up on the bottoms of your boots. Icy soles can spell a slip and a stumble on the bank - or a splash and a swim if you're stepping from rock to rock.

Think twice before trying a balancing act to climb over a logjam or deadfall in the water. You might pull it off in summer, but the prospect of failure is much higher when conditions are wet and slippery. If in doubt, get out and walk around the obstacle.

Slow down and take your time. It's always a good idea to take a friend when you head out on a winter's day. Hunters do it routinely and anglers

should do it more often. If you get into trouble, you'll have more options with a friend along.

Remember: a simple inconvenience in summer - such as falling in the water or tumbling from a rock - can become a life-threatening incident in winter. With a little advance planning, your comfort and safety will be assured - and the only mystery will be how many fish you catch.

Final jump: Gravity conquers 'rope-flying' legend

Osman falls more than 1,000 feet to his death in California park



Climber Dan Osman checks a rope while rigging lines at Lover's Leap in South Lake Tahoe, Calif., in 1998. In November Osman fell more than 1,000 feet to his death while practicing 'rope flying.'

The Associated Press

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK, Calif. — It was already dark in Yosemite Valley, but Dan Osman danced about as usual, as sure-footed as always. Perched high atop a granite spire called Leaning Tower, he was preparing to push the limit once again.

Osman had leapt off this cliff a month earlier, plunging 1,050 feet before his rope stopped him just 30 feet from the ground. That jump was for the cameras and the record books. This one, attended only by his friend Miles Daisher, would be for the sheer joy of it.

"I'm going for the end of the rope," Osman told Daisher, measuring out arm lengths of jump line.

Earlier leaps had taken him west. Now he'd turn north, aiming for where the tree-studded boulder field below Leaning Tower sloped down toward the valley floor. He figured that would allow a jump of more than 1,100 feet, or, as he preferred to calculate it, 11 seconds of glorious, terrifying free fall.

"Dude, that's kind of neat, but watch out for those trees," Daisher said.

"I already thought of that," Osman replied. Of course he had, Daisher chided himself. This was Dan Osman, the Master of Gravity, at age 35 one of the planet's finest rock climbers and the pioneer of

No life insurance

Dan Osman had no life insurance, just a pile of unpaid bills and a pickup truck with nearly 200,000 miles on it. Since his death, fellow climbers have staged a raffle and other fund-raising events to help pay for his daughter's burial.

Osman's widow, Andrea Osman-Daisher, has set up a trust fund for his daughter's education. The address: Dan Osman Memorial Trust, Attn: No. 630180842, Bank of America, Customer Service Mail Processing, 0645622, PO Box 52318, Phoenix, AZ 85072.

a radical new sport called rope jumping.

Let others call him a wacko with a death wish. In the adrenaline-stoked world of extreme sports, where celebrity hinges on one's willingness to risk life and limb, Osman was a star. And to his inner circle - the hundreds of thrill-seekers who had jumped with his guidance - Osman was nothing short of a hero.

Daisher had always marveled at how Osman did what others thought impossible and made it look easy. Now, on this cloudy night in late November, his friend was ready to do it again. Osman stepped to the launch spot, a headlamp guiding his way. He inspected his harness once more, then grabbed the coil phone strapped to his chest and

called Jimbo Frisch and Frank Gamballe, buddies who had wanted to be there but couldn't make it. They could listen as he jumped.

With their excited shouts buzzing out from the phone, Osman turned to Daisher, who was anchored to the rock 30 feet away, holding the long jump line to keep its weight from pulling Osman off the cliff precariously.

"You got me, dude?" "Gotcha, Dano."

Osman took two steps and launched himself off the rock. Daisher tossed the rope after his friend, then watched as the light from Osman's headlamp plunged down, down, and out of sight.

Extreme-sports fanatics

Weeks later, the Red Dog Bar & Grill at Squaw Valley is crowded with skiers celebrating an awesome day of powder. Daisher, Frisch and Gamballe occupy one table, joined by Mihai Constantinescu, known to all as M.C.

In their 20s and 30s, all four men are connoisseurs of extreme sports. Frisch runs a bungee-jumping company. Daisher is a skier and skydiver. M.C. surfs and skis. Gamballe is a BASE jumper. The BASE stands for Building-Antenna-Span-Earth, any of which may serve as the platform from which Gamballe leaps with a parachute.

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Bold dudes. But they speak in awe of Dan Osman, the boldest of them all.

Fritsch says he met Osman on a 700-foot-high bridge near Auburn, Calif., where BASE and bungee jumpers had gathered for a video shoot.

"All of a sudden this guy next to us is doing this rope jumping, and we went 'Wow!'" Fritsch recalls. "He changed my life. He opened my eyes to things I've never experienced."

Using climbing ropes, harnesses and anchors, Osman had devised a plunge bearing faint resemblance to the accidental falls taken by mountaineers.

Instead of falling straight down from an anchor point, which yields a body-jerking snap as the rope stretches taut, Osman discovered he could soften the impact by moving the rope's anchor far to the left or right of his launch spot. When he jumped, he would fall freely until the rope straightened out. Then it would become a human pendulum, his downward course diverted into a soaring, horizontal swing.

In bungee jumping, the elastic cord rapidly slows and stops the jumper's descent. In skydiving and BASE jumping, the parachute opens far above the ground. But in rope flying, "you're going full speed all the way down," Fritsch says. "It's the most incredible ground rush of all."

His new sport didn't surprise those familiar with Osman, already well known in climbing circles. At Lake Tahoe's Piute Rock in the early 1990s, he established two climbing routes considered at the time to be the most difficult routes in the area. He also specialized in "free soloing," or climbing cliffs with no safety rope, a practice shunned by all but the most experienced and committed solo climbers because one missed hold can mean death.

In the flatlands, Osman's life was haphazard. Never one for health food, he ate, drank or smoked whatever felt good: ice cream, Betty Crocker white cake with white frosting, coffee, beer, cigars and pot.

On the rock, however, Osman was graceful, powerful and precise. He had a slim sense of humor. He had a slim sense of humor. He had a slim sense of humor. He had a slim sense of humor. He had a slim sense of humor.

Osman's climbing prowess was respected in mountaineering circles, but it was falling that made him a star on "Real TV" and on programs that feature extreme sports and outrageous stunts. Footage of Osman helped self-recbook shows: Casto watches — wherever a wild, no-fear image was sought.

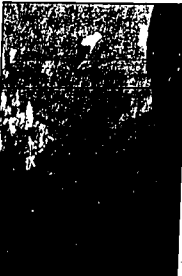
But Osman was far from fearless. It was fear, he said, that inspired his rope jumping. In 1989, Osman repeatedly fell while attempting a difficult route up Cave Rock and decided to confront his fear of falling, which he called "the scariest thing I've ever done."

He started falling on purpose, attaching a rope to an anchor at Cave Rock for leaping 60 feet or more. Before long, he was dropping off bridges, construction cranes, over-hung cliffs and desert arches — any place with enough clearance below to his pendulum swing wouldn't slam him into a wall.

He did cartwheels and flips as he fell. He jumped while riding a skateboard, a bicycle. As he leapt from ever greater heights, Osman started calling his sport "rope flying" and learned skydiving techniques from Daisner and Gamballe.



Dan Osman rigs the ropes for his sport of rope flying at Leaning Tower in Yosemite, Calif., one month before his death.



Dan Osman launches off a cliff called The Rostrum while wearing a dreggie chute and a rope in Yosemite National Park in California last July.

The fear never left him, but he learned to manage it, even savor it. One day, Osman was halfway through a 10-second countdown before a jump from the Auburn bridge when a friend, Jason Smith, sneaked up from behind and pushed him off.

"The whole way, as he's plummeting, head first to the ground, all I heard was 'H-A-N-K-S-S!' Smith recalls. "He was psyched. He said it was way scarier."

While few could match Osman's climbing ability, his rope jumps required little skill after the initial setup, and he shared the rush with hundreds of friends and fellow climbers.

Alumni-of-those-jumps uniformly describe a transforming experience. Before the leap arms and legs buzzing with electricity, brain screaming "Don't do this!" Afterward: giddy laughter and a sense of how sweet the air smells, how blue the sky looked. "Welcome to reality," Osman would say.

His apprentices called him "the leaping master," but they found reassurance in Osman's attention to safety. He insisted, for example, that all gear be triple-checked by two people before every jump.

On the highest leaps, the rope hissed and howled like a huge wind tunnel, a chilling sibilance that echoed through the canyon. Osman called it "flossing the sky."

But even as the thrill intensified at greater heights, the safety factor increased, Osman believed. Wind resistance against the rope's 7 to 10 percent stretch of the nylon line, and the

pendulum swing; all combined for a smoother ride. As he saw it, the only limit to how far he could fly would be finding precipices high enough.

So he came to Leaning Tower, a sheer-walled thumb of granite on Yosemite Valley's south side. Here, over five days in October, Osman enlisted half a dozen climbers to help him rig his most ambitious jump ever.

They strung a 1,200-foot rope from Leaning Tower to a nearby outcrop called Fifi Buttress. More than 300 feet out along this fixed rope, they attached one end of the jump line. Daisner and Fritsch, four 200-foot ropes knotted together.

During the next few days, Osman and friends made 13 jumps, including Osman's first to top 1,000 feet. They leapt from near the summit of Leaning Tower, blurring down along its face and then rocketing out sideways as the jump line stretched tight and pulled them toward Fifi Buttress.

The spectacle was documented by Eric Perlman, producer of "Masters of Stone" climbing videos. It also caught the eye of park rangers. They weren't exactly pleased, but they let the jumping continue since no regulations prohibited it.

As chance would have it, though, Osman was arrested in Yosemite Village Oct. 28, shortly after descending from Leaning Tower. The charge: possession of marijuana and driving with a suspended license.

He sat for two weeks in the Yosemite jail before his sister, Andrea Osman-Brown, bailed him out. She took him home to Reno, Nev., but Osman grew restless after a week, worried about his rigging.

On Nov. 22, Osman returned to Leaning Tower. His sister says he told her he was just going to take down the system.

Daisner tells a different story. He says Osman not only planned to jump again, he wanted a few good friends — Daisner, Fritsch, Gamballe and M.C. — to jump as well.

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By then, the ropes had endured 13 jumps and a month of rain, snow and sun. But Osman was confident the system would hold. He and Daisner each jumped once on Nov. 22, and everything seemed to work fine.

The next day, Daisner says, Osman inspected the jump line and found the knots so tight that he had to hammer them apart and retie them more loosely. Daisner was alarmed, but Osman reassured him. A loose knot is a good knot, he said.

So Daisner jumped again. Then it was Osman's turn. He finessed out another 75 feet of rope, preparing for the biggest jump of his life. Far below in the darkness, the headlights of cars flickered on the valley road. It was 6 p.m.

Osman leapt, and Daisner listened for the telltale whiff of the rope.

It seemed like 20 minutes," Daisner says. "I was waiting, waiting, waiting, waiting. Then the rope made that P-S-S-E-W-W sound, cutting through the air. Then I heard Dan let out a yell. 'AAUGGH!' — and then it sounded like tree branches. It sounded like a whole massive tree just broke in half. It's echoing across the valley, and I started freakin'."

Climbers mourn death
The climbing world mourned Osman's death, then immediately set about dissecting it. Debate about Osman's techniques and safety ranged for weeks on the Internet's rec-climbing newsgroup.

"Dan's courage is something most of us can only dream of," said one post. "Dan was a hero to us all."

"If he was alive to raise his child as a decent human being, I might then call him a hero," another retorted angrily.

Popularity of rock climbing forces rangers to clamp down

The Washington Post

TWENTYNINE PALMS, Calif. — As a veteran ranger at Joshua Tree National Park, Ernest Quintana knows the curves, cracks and names of almost every majestic rock. He has kept a close eye on them all — Little Hunt, Venture's Roost, Big Top — for years.

And now, he says, the rocks are in trouble. As more climbers are swarming up the sides of them that the National Park Service is about to do something it has never done in this shimmering desert valley filled with fragile wilderness. It is on the verge of issuing strict, meticulous rules to regulate nearly every aspect of the sport, from where climbers can create new trails to how they can affix tiny metal bolts into rocks to anchor their ascent.

The changes, which are stirring impassioned debate among conservationists and climbers, are the latest sign of a budding revolution across the West. Fearful that the soaring growth of recreation in national parks and forests is threatening their sanctity, federal officials are sundering land from the mountain ranges of the Pacific Northwest to here along the southern edge of the Mojave Desert are cracking down with policies to limit human impact.

At Joshua Tree, one of the country's most acclaimed and crowded climbing spots, officials

call the new rules a dramatic shift in philosophy and a kind of last stand. Without them, they say, "As one of the great natural wonders of the West is at risk of becoming just another amusement park or workout gym."

"You can destroy the value of something by excess," said Quintana, the park superintendent at Joshua Tree, which lies about 150 miles east of Los Angeles. "And for us to keep doing nothing about it would be irresponsible."

In January, officials at Mount Hood National Forest in northern Oregon stepped into the same debate by proposing dramatic limits on public access to many of the most popular climbing and hiking trails there. If approved, the restrictions would reduce the number of visitors allowed in some spots during peak periods, such as spring and summer weekends, by 90 percent. Some parts of Mount Hood now draw more than 200 climbers a day during those times. The new plan would allow only 25.

New climbing rules also are being studied at Mount St. Helens in Washington and at Mount Whitney in California. Last year, the U.S. Forest Service proposed banning climbers nationwide from using metal bolts, most of which are about three inches long, when they scale rocks in federally designated wilderness areas. But that proposal has caused an enormous uproar.

Jerome duck club plans banquet

The Times-News

JEROME — Jerome's Ducks Unlimited chapter has planned its 12th annual Couples Banquet for Feb. 20 at the Jerome County Fairground.

Kirt Martin of the Snake River Grill in Hagerman will serve peach-wood-smoked prime rib or Alaska king crab. Early bird registration is due by the end of the early registrants are eligible for the early bird drawing.

ing up a variety of merchandise for the auction and drawings. Items include a Remington 11-87 shotgun, a Terry Martin print, a flock of decoys including the Budweiser decoy, and many other guns and prizes.

A Greening Table and Sponsor Table also are offered. With the "Bring a Friend" promotion, anyone who brings friends that end up joining Ducks Unlimited can enter a national drawing for a 1999 Chevy Tahoe.

Snowmobilers schedule Fun Weekend

The Times-News

PINE — The Teton Snow Riders snowmobile club is sponsoring its annual Fun Valley Weekend from Friday through Sunday.

A no-host get-acquainted party will be held Friday evening at the Pine Resort. Registration packets will be distributed, and T-shirts and hats will be available.

Breakfast will be served Saturday morning at the Deer

Creek Lodge. A fun-run ride will follow. Dinner and an auction will be held at Fall Creek, where prizes for the day will be announced.

Sunday's breakfast will be at the Deer Creek Lodge, followed by another fun-run ride. Lunch will be served in Featherville, where prizes for the day will be awarded. The package price is \$75; cost for one day is \$40. For more information, call Lana at 653-2323 or Judy at 653-2487.

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Ultimate navigation tool guides boaters, hunters

The Orange County Register

It can help fishermen mark their favorite hot spots. It can prevent hikers from getting lost. It can steer yachtsmen through rough waters.

Global Positioning System, or GPS, is the new and, perhaps, ultimate tool for navigation. Some hikers, fishermen and yachtsmen are using it now, and it might soon be everywhere.

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den locations of their favorite cave entrances; bird watchers and hunters can mark the prime spots of animal activity; yachtsmen can use it to chart the fastest course, though some governing bodies have banned GPS from competitive use.

But even though there are many uses for GPS, some persons, those who prefer a map and compass, might be rubbed the wrong way by the system.

"I wasn't put off by the fact that it existed because I'm computer literate enough," said David Horine, owner and instructor for Pacific Wilderness Institute and a lifelong outdoors enthusiast. "But there's a certain amount of charm that goes with a map and compass."

Horine was skeptical after seeing his first advertisement for a GPS receiver in 1994.

"I thought, 'That's interesting, we'll see where that goes,'" he said. "Now he teaches a monthly class on the subject."

However, experts like Horine worry that too many people are buying a new toy without really understanding how to use it.

"You have to know where it fits in the scheme of things," he said. "I just see it as another tool."

Advertising frequently distorts and exaggerates the image of GPS as something close to a magic carpet and people need to be wary with maps and compasses anymore. Units will not work in deep canyons, when surrounded by high-rises or in heavy forests and can sometimes be thrown off by simply being under a tree. And without being able to see any satellites, it doesn't have a chance indoors.

Horine stressed that in nearby every situation, without a map or

compass, GPS is practically useless except for the fact that it keeps perfect time.

"Anybody who relied on a couple of AA batteries for their primary means of navigation would find themselves in trouble," he said.

And while he enjoys using his GPS, he worries that some people might be so busy monitoring bearings, headings, latitude and longitude that they might miss the point of getting outside.

"Being unprepared is part of the outdoors. I don't want to tell HAL (computer) why I changed my mind," he said.

This piece of high-tech, hand-held consumer electronics is actually the direct product of the Cold War.

During the time when talk of the "Star Wars" missile defense system was getting big headlines, Navstar Global Positioning System was called then, was a quiet success. A constellation of 24 satellites was put into orbit beaming radio signals to the earth's surface, helping the U.S. military keep track of itself and others.

When the cold war thawed, GPS became accessible to everyone, but with one hitch — the civilian GPS units would be intentionally less accurate than military units.

It's called "selective availability," and it means that while military and police units can have an accuracy of within 3 feet, civilian units' accuracy can range between 30-300 feet. The "selective availability" is supposed to be eliminated in the next 5 to 10 years, but in the meantime it's still the most accurate means of navigation available to the general public.



Abby Stames, 5, looks up as her dad, Jeff Stames, altuates her fishing line recently at Pineshiv Reservoir near Huntsville, Utah. The Stameses were out enjoying the fishing even though the area was getting hit with fairly heavy snow most of the day. During this mild winter in Utah, the ice, which is usually about one foot thick at this time of year, has frozen only to a thickness of 5 to 6 inches.

7,000 ice anglers flock to derby for thrills, chills

The Washington Post

MEREDITH, N.H. — At 10 a.m. Saturday, the thick cold darkness of frozen Lake Winnepesaukee breaks only at the northernmost tip of Meredith Bay. Along shore, Tom Fairbrother sits inside a trailer beside a thermos of coffee. No books, magazines or television in sight. Nothing to distract the man or his attention.

Fairbrother's attention is fixed on the white makeshift scoreboard out back. Hanging there, under a dozen spectators, are his chagers: 50 frozen fish that are the bounty from day one of New England's richest ice-fishing contest.

Perch, pickerel, cusk and trout hang from the scoreboard in order of weight, the heaviest at the top. Ice and fish and cold inspire passion in 8 million fishermen across the United States, according to the editor of *An Fisherman* magazine. It is passion that turns Fairbrother from plumbler by day to head fishwrecker by night.

"I make sure nobody grabs them and runs," he says, matter of factly.

At least 7,000 people with a passion to fish poured into Meredith this weekend for the Meredith Rotary Fishing Derby. In its 20th year, the derby draws anglers from across the Northeast and beyond: California, Georgia, Scotland. More than 500,000 prizes are awarded, including two boats and lots of cash. Beneath 16 to 19 inches of ice, eleven lakes across the state are swimming with tagged rainbow trout, courtesy of New Hampshire's Fish and Game Department. The heaviest one hanging on the fish board at 3:30 Sunday afternoon wins the grand prize — a 19-foot boat.

Beneath the normally quiet winter towns surrounding this fishing derby hub have braced themselves. Beer was replenished, and bait was imported from Lewiston, Maine. Signs went up: "Welcome all you hungry fishermen! Open at 4:30 a.m.," proclaimed one diner.

At 6 a.m. Saturday, the race was on. Winnepesaukee buzzed with snowmobiles, tents and ice-fishing houses, which New Englanders call bobhouses, that make up a small town on the frozen lake. Men in snowsuits and face masks hustled at 6 a.m. sharp to drill holes and drop in lines.

Local radio stations broadcast live updates about the catch.

The first tagged trout — 2.09 pounds — arrived with the sunrise. At the scoreboard, one man declared it a winner. "That's it, that's a \$150,000 boat," he gumbled.

But bigger tagged trout were arriving in fives.

Community groups set up shop around the trailer, raffling motorcycles and snowmobiles and selling hot chocolate. Local merchants opened for business on the ice. Foxy Babes Hot Dogs was a magnet for the fishermen. Cigars were sold from one shanty, while T-shirt vendors at a tent were offering: "When hell freezes over, I'll fish there, too!"

Some ice shanties had all the comforts. Fishing fathers and sons from Thompson, Conn., were sipping a homemade concoction of blackberries and peach wine and munching piles of bacon they had cooked on a grill outside. Inside another shanty was David Orr, a derby first-timer from Uillepool, Scotland-Outside, Scotland's royal colors waved.

"At home," you need the Queen's permission to fly this," Orr said. "But I don't think Lizzie would mind this. It's so fantastically different from Uillepool."

He pointed toward the ice and said, "There are some grand stories."

In 1992, the derby's grand prize winner was found to be a fish fraud and taken to court. Derby judge Steve Bennett testified.

"In order for the fish to have come from the lake like the man said it did, that fish would've had to climb a 12-foot dam. And even a reasonably intelligent trout won't do that," Bennett remembers telling the court.

From the post at the weigh-in station, Bennett presses his fingers into the flesh and opens the

mouths of every fish brought to derby headquarters. As chief judge and debunker of fish tales, Bennett regales passersby with the story of one three-fold discovery in a weighty contest: D cell batteries shoved into a yellow perch shoved into a cusk.

It is Bennett's eighth year in the job, which requires his presence from 6 a.m. Saturday until the moment of truth Sunday. As a trained ichthyologist, he has an eye for fish; as a retired state trooper, he has an eye for funny business.

By midday Saturday, his hands were permeated by the odor of fish he had prodded. "Nothing suspicious to report, yet," he said.

Throughout the contest, hundreds of spectators and fishermen stopped by the fish board. Much admired was the record-setting, 10-pound untaged rainbow trout from Ossipee Lake.

By Sunday afternoon, the fish on the board have bounced around like checkers. Snowmobiles and trucks rush in, dropping off fishermen at a run to beat the clock. With one minute to go, the crowd turns to watch a man charge up with a pink plastic sled and a long, still-heaving pickerel. Another man follows with a stringer of perch, slidding into the line just as Bennett raises his hands and declares: "The line is closed. That's all for this year."

Two days and hundreds of fish later, the race is over. In all, only one truck and one snowmobile went through the ice. Foxy Babes sold thousands of hot dogs, and Paugus Bay Sport Shop is lighter by 20,000 smelt.

The sun fades as winners wait their checks and prize-winning fish. Bennett watches, smiling. "This is one of the cleanest years I can remember," he says.

"A good crowd and some beautiful fish."

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At 73, ski patroller still enjoys Colorado slopes at full speed



Todd Elston, 73, stands outside his Glenwood Springs, Colo., home.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colo. (AP)—Sealing two of his best friends bobble into a bar in Wisconsin on crutches, each with a broken leg, prompted Todd Elston to learn to ski.

"I thought it sounded like a fun sport," Elston said. Almost 40 years later, the fun still hasn't worn off. Now 73 years of age and the oldest member of the Sunlight Ski Patrol, this septuagenarian still points the boards downhill to have a good time.

"If you're going to work, do something you like to do," Elston says.

For the past 24 years, this father of two has worked on Sunlight's Ski Patrol, serving as a full-time patroller, then as the director and now as a member of the volunteer ski patrol. At one point, he also served as a board member for the National Ski Patrol, helping to shape the ski-

ing industry. Prior to moving to Colorado, Elston worked on the ski patrol at Mount Wilmonitun Wisconsin, the mountain where he first learned to ski. He also enjoyed a healthy racing career, which didn't even begin until he was 40.

"All I used to do was work and come home," Elston said referring to his days in the refrigeration business before he got bitten by the ski bug. For the last four decades, he hasn't been able to get it out of his system.

"The minute it got cold, I was back up on the mountain," he said.

Elston laughs when he talks about Sunlight officials naming "Todd's Run" after him for surviving an avalanche.

"I heard something and looked back up and the whole thing came down on me," Elston said. Although the avalanche, punctured a lung and broke two ribs,

he didn't stay off the slopes for long. His years of experience taught him not to fret such disasters because it takes away from the fun.

As a longtime skier, Elston has seen more changes in equipment and clothes styles than single candies in a large bag of M&Ms. He likes the fact different kinds of people enjoy the mountains now rather than just the well-to-do.

And, he describes snowboarding as a "sport that has arrived," but wishes boarders would gain an awareness of the rules of aging.

While many people with his number of years under their belts have started to slow down, Elston seems to defy age. A young-looking, physically-fit 73, he still spends every Friday and Saturday up on the mountain patrolling.

"You go up and make checks and make sure all of the signs are up," he said, reminiscing about a time when the patrollers used to

hand write the slope signs. "Every time an hour we'll do the because most of the accidents happen on the beginner runs."

Again, the age question crosses up. Elston said the funny thing is when he goes to see the doctor, the doctor can't see anything wrong with him.

"Mentally, it's what makes me young and keeps me young. I guess my body will tell me when I have had enough."

If that time comes, Elston said he hopes to keep working for the ski patrol, maybe as a dispatcher or in the first aid office. His love for the mountains and the sport will likely keep that from happening too soon.

After all, this is a man whose motivation for starting a sport was two men on crutches. To most, that wouldn't be an inspiration. To Todd Elston, it was a sign that changed his life.

Army engineers plan to raise Idaho's Lake Pend Oreille 4 feet next year

SANDPOINT (AP) — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers intends to keep the level of Lake Pend Oreille 4 feet higher next winter, which state biologists claim is necessary to preserve the resident kokanee salmon population.

But the Pend Oreille Public Utility District vows to keep pushing to lower the lake for power generation.

On Monday, corps water managers submitted the elevation of 2,055 feet above sea level as part of power supply planning for the coming year.

State researcher Melo Manolis was elated by the news and is convinced the higher water will increase the landlocked salmon's

spawning habitat. The members of the fish have plunged. Besides being popular with anglers, kokanee are a major source of food for larger fish. If they die out, biologists say, it could mean the end of sport fishing in Idaho's largest lake.

The Corps of Engineers manages Albemarle Falls Dam, which in turn controls the lake level. The higher level, which is an extension of a three-year experiment to help kokanee, received overwhelming support at a Thursday public meeting in Sandpoint.

"I'm disappointed, but not surprised," said Bob Geddes, Pend Oreille Public Utility District manager.

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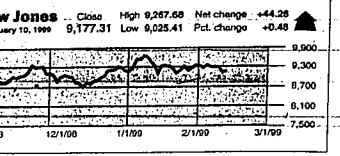
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Last-minute buying lifts Dow

NEW YORK (AP) - Last minute buying lifted the Dow Jones industrial average into positive territory today, but a recovery in the shares of large technology companies ignited the rest of the stock market and left broader indexes mixed.

At the close of trading on Wall Street the Dow Jones industrial average was up 44 points after swinging narrowly between positive and negative all day.

The gain in the Dow, which followed a 148-point loss on Tuesday, would have been less had it not been for IBM, which ignited the rest of the stock market right now is in technology stocks.

Traders and analysts have become increasingly worried that the only strength in the market right now is in technology stocks.

"The rallies are incredibly narrow; the sell-offs are broad," said Larry Rice, chief investment officer at Josephthal & Co. "You're not going to get a sustained move to the upside without the participation of the entire market."

Internet stocks continued to drop on disappointment that Lycos didn't get a premium in its three-way deal with USA Networks Inc. and TicketMaster Online Citysearch Inc.

Grads

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Amy Lindgren is president of Primate Career Services, a St. Paul firm specializing in career transition and job-searching strategy. Send your ideas or questions to Amy Lindgren, 626 Armstrong Ave., St. Paul, MN 55102. Or use her e-mail address: gretjob@ioncom.net.

MUTUAL FUNDS

Large table of mutual fund prices and performance data, including columns for Name, City, and various fund metrics.

Snake River dams draw national attention as breaching topic heats up

LEWISTON (AP) — The Inland Northwest's hottest new environmental topic is catching on across the continent.

Smithsonian, Audubon, Sierra and Outside are among the magazines that in recent months have run articles about removing dams in general, and Idaho's four Snake River dams in particular.

Newweek and Field & Stream were also of the game, publishing articles about eastern Washington dams more than a year ago.

Consumers who open the latest Patagonia catalog will be able to read about the issue Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt calls "the next big test for river restoration."

Even Robert Kennedy Jr. likely will address the topic during a speech at Eastern Washington University this week.

Charged by Congress with restoring threatened runs of salmon and steelhead, federal agencies are studying the possibility of breaching the four lower Snake River dams. It would end

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barging on that reach of the river and reduce power generation, but some biologists believe it is the last hope for restoring healthy fish runs in Idaho.

Others, including most of Idaho's leaders, have objected to any headlong rush to breach the dams, insisting there is no assurance that either it will work or that more limited Idaho water

will be needed after breaching to move salmon and steelhead.

Environmental and fishing groups are flush with victory on Maine's Kennebec River, where the federal government for the first time has ordered removal of a hydroelectric dam to save fish.

Now, some of those groups are turning their attention to the Northwest.

"Clearly the Snake River dams are the largest dams under consideration so that has focused people's attention," said Rob Masmons, Northwest director of hydropower issues for American Rivers. "The stakes are very large."

Kennedy maintained the dams represent a huge public giveaway to heavily subsidized industries at the expense of wildlife.

As in New York, where most people stopped using the Hudson River because it was so badly polluted, the Snake and Columbia rivers are being constituents who might otherwise scream for restoration, Kennedy said.

IDAHO IN BRIEF

New Idaho bridge shows rust

RIGGINS — The Zone Bridge, a new \$125 million bridge built over the Salmon River to replace the old 1930s era span, already is showing signs of stress though it is not yet open for traffic.

More than a year ago about 11,000 bolts had to be replaced by the bridge's contractor, Harcon, Inc., after they were tightened too much in a fabrication plant in Colorado, and began showing signs of stress. The company replaced the bolts at an estimated cost of between \$80,000 and \$100,000, according to Dave Kuisti, resident engineer for the Idaho Department of Transportation.

Now, some of the 69,000 remaining bolts are beginning to show surface rust. A sample of the bolts will be tested to make sure they are safe, Kuisti said.

"The bridge is safe now," he said. "We just want to make sure we have long-term stability." The bridge is scheduled to open for traffic in June, Kuisti said.

The observatory, about 60 miles southeast of Boise, features a 25-inch Obsession telescope. The scope gives viewers a glimpse at the heavens matching that of the 200-inch Mount Palomar telescope in California.

Trust Joist, Yankee Machine Shop and Leatham & Krouh Architects each donated about \$25,000 worth of services and supplies for the project. The Legislature also approved \$80,000 to renovate an unused building in the park for a dormitory, laboratory, classroom and computer operations room.

Former BSU vice president dies

BOISE — Asst. Atty. Gen. Raymond H. "Ray" H. Rayle, a former Boise State University vice president and one-time adviser to former state school superintendent Anne Fur, died Monday in a Boise care center. He was 78.

Rayle was vice president for finance and administration at Boise State for 18 years, from 1976 until his retirement in 1994. He later advised Fur early in her term.

The World War II fighter pilot also served during the Korean conflict and remained in the Air Force Reserve until 1980.

He came to Boise State when John Keiser was hired from Sangamon State to be the university's president in 1976. While in Boise, he oversaw construction of such projects as the Morrison Center, the Pavilion, the Simplot-Micron Instructional Technology Center and the Engineering and Technology Building.

Group awarded for park work

BOISE — The state Department of Parks and Recreation has presented members of a local astronomy group with the 1998-1999 Volunteers in Parks Award in recognition of the group's work at an observatory complex at Brunson Dunes State Park.

Mike Blackburn, president of the Boise Astronomical Society, accepted the award Tuesday on behalf of the group at the department's board meeting.

Compiled from wire reports

IDAHO LEGISLATIVE LOG

The Associated Press

Completes for Wednesday

Signed by Governor

- SB1012 (Finance) — Makes emergency appropriations of \$1.3 million to the Board of Medicine, \$31,800 to the Board of Nursing and \$19,100 to the Board of Pharmacy.
- SB1013 (Finance) — Makes an emergency \$98,800 appropriation to the Department of Agriculture's Plant Industries Program.
- SB1014 (Finance) — Makes an emergency appropriation of almost \$1.8 million to the Department of Lands for the Forest and Range Fire Protection Program.
- SB1015 (Finance) — Makes an emergency \$11.2 million appropriation to the Department of Transportation.
- SB1026 (Finance) — Makes an emergency \$92,500 appropriation to the Idaho Educational Public Broadcasting System.

Sent to Governor

- SB1061 (Finance) — Makes an emergency \$100,000 appropriation to the Office of the State Appellate Public Defender.
- HB18 (Newcomb) — Adds quality assurance specialists and investigators to the Board of Health to the list of nonclassified employees.
- SB1062 (Finance) — Reduces the Department of Correction's appropriation by almost \$1.23 million.

Confirmed by Senate

Pat Takasugi, Wilder, as director of the Department of Agriculture.

Karl Dreher, Boise, as director of the Department of Water Resources.

Introduced in House

HB204 (State Affairs) —

Provides for emergency interim succession of legislators who die.

- HB205 (Judiciary, Rules and Administration) — Makes intentionally peering into occupied private property without a lawful purpose a misdemeanor.
- HB206 (Judiciary, Rules and Administration) — Makes manufacturing controlled substances for personal use a felony.
- HB207 (Judiciary, Rules and Administration) — Increases rates for publishing official notices in newspapers and allows newspapers to additionally publish official notices through the Internet.
- HB208 (Judiciary, Rules and Administration) — Makes the signature of a juvenile driver's license responsible for traffic fines if the juvenile does not pay.
- HB209 (Judiciary, Rules and Administration) — Allows for collection through a small claims action of the amount of a bad check in addition to damages.
- HB210 (Business) — Allows health insurance carriers to drop coverage of individual policyholders who move out of Idaho.
- HB211 (Business) — Changes from every five years to annually how often age may be considered as a factor by small employer health insurers in setting premium rates for individuals and nondependents 20 and older.
- HB212 (Business) — Expands the range within which health insurers may set premium rates.
- HB213 (Education) — Requires compliance with the Federal Military Selective Service Act for enrollment in state higher education institutions, or qualification for state education loans, grants, scholarships or other financial assistance or state or local government employment.
- HB214 (Business) — Rejects Department of Finance rules on the Idaho Residential Mortgage Practices Act.

Introduced in Senate

- SCR112 (Transportation) — Replaces Transportation Department rules with a permit conditions manual.
- SB1136 (Transportation) — Suspends transfer fee under the petroleum clean water trust program when trust reaches \$30 million.
- SB1137 (Transportation) — Requires public hearings prior to closure of public lands, highways or rights-of-way.
- SB1138 (Transportation) — Revises definition of functioning street department.
- SB1139 (Transportation) — Provides for gubernatorial appointment of the first members of a highway district board.
- SB1140 (Transportation) — Redefines steering axle and requires use of four tires on axle.
- SB1141 (Transportation) — Repeals registration requirement for manufactured homes.
- SB1142 (Commerce and Human Resources) — Requires insurance coverage of prescription birth control.
- SB1143 (Commerce and Human Resources) — Requires managed care operations generally to belong to the Guaranty Association by 2005.
- SB1144 (Commerce and Human Resources) — Provides incentives for employees with drug and alcohol free workforces.
- SB1145 (Commerce and Human Resources) — Has the Building Safety director approve the disclosure and buyer's information form for manufactured housing.
- SB1146 (Commerce and Human Resources) — Repeals warranty provisions for auto repair and replacement.
- SB1147 (Commerce and Human Resources) — Defines conditions for insurance policy cancellation.
- SB1148 (Health and Welfare) — Creates state regulation for naturopaths.

State cash commitment will stay same with or without new prison

BOISE (AP) — The debate over opening the new \$50 million prison early next year veered toward lawmakers when Corrections Director James Spalding indicated the cash impact on the state would be the same whether the prison is opened or not.

"The department operates under the guidelines and direction you give us," Spalding told legislative budget writers on Wednesday. "One of our obligations is to make sure we have enough space to accommodate the needs you place on us."

His remarks came amid squabbling between key lawmakers and Gov. Dirk Kempthorne over the governor's proposal to delay opening the prison until at least mid-2000. Spalding said if the current forecast of inmate growth averaging 1.8 a month proves out, he will need space in the 2000 budget plan to house those inmates in out-of-state cells.

Based on his estimates, which were not being disputed by legislative or administrative analysts, Spalding said he will need \$2.3 million more than Kempthorne has included in his 2000 budget plan to house those inmates in out-of-state cells.

The Legislative Budget Office puts the same price tag on the opening of the new prison at 60 percent



capacity next January. February. That would include 300 to 400 inmates housed or scheduled to be housed in other states and 350 to 450 inmates moved from dormitory-style prison facilities south of Boise.

The state currently has 200 inmates at a prison in Texas.

But Kempthorne's administration budget director Jeff Malmen continued to discount the early-opening option. The governor, he said, remains opposed to moving inmates already in Idaho cells just to create an operation-population level in the new prison because the fixed costs of the existing facilities still must be paid.

In fact, administration budget analysts said Kempthorne was willing to ship another 500 Idaho inmates to out-of-state facilities before opening the new prison.

But that is exactly what legislative leaders want to avoid, having been through the public hue and cry that accompanied the shipment of inmates out of state in

1997. At the peak, 748 inmates were being housed in Minnesota, Louisiana and Texas at rates as high as \$50 a day.

They also emphasized the cost estimate includes the administration's concern over fixed costs and still matches Spalding's projection for additional cash to house inmates outside Idaho. In addition, they point out that mothballing the new prison from its completion in September until mid-2000 could cost another \$500,000.

Lawmakers also point out that Corrections Corp. of America, which has the contract to run the prison, needs six months from the time operating cash is approved for the state to actually open the prison, including the cash in the budget that takes effect July 1 would provide the lead time for opening the prison in 2000.

The issue for the administration appeared to be when the additional cash has to be put up. Juggling an extremely tight fiscal year, the state has left no maneuvering room, opening the new prison would require the governor to come up with \$2.3 million during this legislative session.

But deciding to send inmates out of state a year from now while the new prison remains closed is his own part of finding that cash until next January.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

Case No. CV-97-00621-0
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
ROCK CREEK JOINT VENTURE, an Idaho Joint Venture, Plaintiff, vs COGENERATION INTERMOUNTAIN, INC., an Idaho corporation, d/b/a COGENERATION, INC.; COGENERATION, INC.; STEPHEN HARMSEN, et al.

THENCE North 89°59'16" East 317.67 feet along the Northern boundary line of said NW1/4 of the NW1/4 of Section 25
THENCE North 89°59'16" East 177.67 feet along the Northern boundary line of said NW1/4 of the NW1/4 of Section 25 to a point on the centerline of Rock Creek and the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.

Township 9 South, Range 17 East, Boise Meridian in Twin Falls County, Idaho lying below the Snake River Canyon more particularly described as follows:
THENCE North 07°07'11" East 97.71 feet along the easterly boundary of said SE1/4SW1/4

Under and by virtue of a Writ of Execution issued on the 12th day of January, 1999, do and under the seal of the above-entitled court on a Judgment and Decree of Forfeiture recovered in said court in the above-entitled action on the 4th day of December 1998, in favor of the above-named plaintiff, against Cogeneration Intermountain, Inc., d/b/a Cogeneration, Inc., an Idaho corporation; Cogeneration, Inc., an Idaho corporation; Stephen Harmon; Kelly Harmon; Debra Aaleit, individually and as personal representative of the Estate of Phillip Aaleit, deceased; the Estate of Phillip Aaleit, deceased; John J. Straubach; Delbert W. Block; Bruce C. Meacham; Douglas M. Priestson; Jack B. Witherspoon; Gordon E. Beckstead; Camilo Beckstead Stockdale; Robert A. Norman; David N. Cooper; Marc A. Edson; Robert S. Johnson; JWC Credit Corporation, a Delaware corporation; First Security Bank of Utah, N.A., a federally-chartered banking corporation; West American Finance Corp., a foreign corporation; J-4-B Engineers, Inc., an Idaho corporation; TITLE FACT, INC., an Idaho corporation; and ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS, CORPORATIONS, PARTNERSHIPS OR OTHERS CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED NEAR AUGER FALLS IN TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO.

THENCE North 62°36'57" West 587.40 feet along the Southwesterly boundary line of the said Government Lot 19 of Section 23 to a point on the Canyon Rim boundary line of Government Lot 19 of Section 23 to a point on the Canyon Rim boundary line along the following courses and distances:

THENCE North 89°59'16" East 317.67 feet to the northeast corner of said SE1/4SW1/4; THENCE North 07°07'11" East 97.71 feet to the northeast corner of said SE1/4SW1/4; THENCE North 33°11'31" West 103.13 feet to the northeast corner of said SE1/4SW1/4; THENCE North 43°11'52" West 241.69 feet to a point on the Eastern boundary line of the SE1/4 of the said Section 23, said point bears North 07°03'31" West 344.44 feet along the said Eastern boundary line of the SE1/4 of the said Section 23 from the Southeast corner of the said SE1/4 of Section 23.

DESCRIPTION FOR ROCK CREEK JOINT VENTURE, INC.

ALL OF GOVERNMENT LOTS 10, 11 AND 12, SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST, BOISE MERIDIAN, IDAHO, AND A PORTION OF GOVERNMENT LOT 15, A PORTION OF THE NE 1/4 SE 1/4, AND A PORTION OF GOVERNMENT LOTS 12, 18 AND 19 AND ALL PART OF THE SE 1/4 SW 1/4, SECTION 23 ALL IN T.S. 9 R. 16E, B.M., Boise Meridian.

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