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Work to widen busy intersection begins

By Pat Marcantonio
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Randy Hansen Chevrolet will lose 20 feet of its lot, but general manager Dan Massie said they will gain a smoother flowing intersection and better access.

A state project to widen the intersection of Blue Lakes Boulevard and Pole Line Road began Wednesday evening.

"It needs to be done," Massie said.

"It will move twice the amount of traffic through that area in the same amount of time by doubling up the left turn lanes," said Bill Kyle, owner of the McDonald's restaurant at the intersection. "That is where everything stacks up."



Dan Massie, general manager at Randy Hansen Chevrolet, surveys the southeast corner of the intersection at Blue Lakes Boulevard and Pole Line Road in Twin Falls. Construction begins at the busy intersection Wednesday night that will cut into the auto dealership's lot.

Easing congestion was the reason for the work, Idaho Transportation Department officials have said. State studies show between 35,000 to 40,000 vehicles drive through the intersection daily, making it one of the busiest in the state.

On Saturdays, cars are backed up down Blue Lakes Boulevard, Massie said.

Crews will work at night because that's the way the ITD bid the project and the way neighborhood businesses wanted it because of the traffic and to minimize the construction effects.

"(Traffic) is the challenge on this particular project," said Dewey Bailey, project manager with contractor Walton Inc. of Heyburn.

Bailey said he didn't know how much the night work added to the costs, such as for lighting. But the night work should be more efficient because there will be less traffic which to deal with. For example, they can't allow traffic to back up onto the Perrine Bridge because of a load concern, he said.

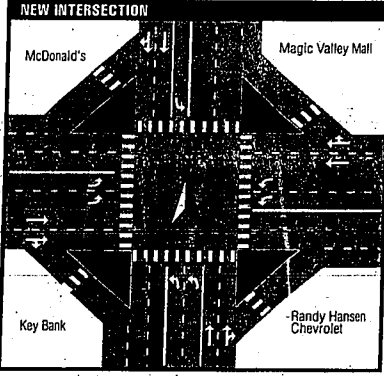
Less traffic also means more safety for crews and the public, he said.

The construction will result in some delays, but the intersection won't be closed during the work, Bailey said.

A 20 to 40 foot chunk of land will be taken from the Magic Valley Mall for the project but access to the mall will be improved.

"We feel it will be positive," said Shellen Gilliland, mall manager.

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About the project

- New turn lanes, new signals and improved approaches to businesses will be added.
- Work will take place at night from 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. Sunday through Friday.
- Completion is expected July 22.
- The cost is \$800,000.

When it's finished this is what drivers can expect

Heading north: Additional left turn lane and new right turn lane.
Heading south: Not much change.
Heading east: Additional left lane.
Heading west: Additional left lane and new right turn lane.

Want to keep informed?

Starting Feb. 22, a meeting will be held every Monday at 3 p.m. at the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare building on Pole Line Road to inform the public about the project's progress.

Source: Walton Inc. and ITD.

Wood agrees to stay

Would-be water judge candidate who gets the job may be an assistant

By N.S. Nokkentved
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The eight would-be water judges, who showed up to be interviewed by the Idaho Judicial Council Monday morning, got a little surprise.

The candidates thought they were applying for the district judge's spot to head the Snake River Basin Adjudication. But the person who gets the job might be just an assistant in the case, and might be assigned other District Court duties.

The judicial council was in Twin Falls Monday interviewing candidates for the district judge's vacancy. Today the council will submit names of two to four finalists to Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, who will select a judge.

The council gave no indications Monday afternoon of its choices.

At the beginning of interviews, Supreme Court Justice and judicial council member Linda Trout told each candidate that District Judge Barry Wood of Coalinga would preside over the adjudication on an interim basis for another 12 to 15 months.

Wood has presided over the adjudication.

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Fish pioneer, Box Canyon seller dies

By Brian Haynes
Times-News writer

BOISE — Earl Melville Hordy, the Boise businessman who recently agreed to sell Box Canyon to the state, died Saturday after battling a terminal illness.

A pioneer in the trout industry, and often controversial, Hordy agreed to sell Box Canyon in December following years of opposition to his plans for a major fish hatchery there.

"He leaves a great legacy to the Magic Valley through the Box Canyon project," said state Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, who first proposed that the state buy the canyon in 1966.

Box Canyon, which lies about 10 miles north of Buhl, contains the 11th-largest spring in the nation and one of the last free-flowing springs along the Snake River.

Hardy bought the area in 1969 with plans to build a fish hatchery, but those plans were foiled by red tape and legal opposition.

In 1989 a citizens' lawsuit brought a preliminary injunction.

In 1992 the Division of Environmental Quality rejected Hardy's permit for a hatchery at the mouth of neighboring Blind Canyon and divert water from Box Canyon Creek. The operation would have added to the Snake River pollution problem, the DEQ said.

Hardy lost his appeal in 1993. That same year Hardy was embroiled in a dispute over water rights from a Niagara Springs, which supplied water to Hardy's Rim View Trout Co., a state steel-head hatchery and Idaho Power Co.

An agreement between the parties averted a lawsuit filed by Hardy against the Idaho Department of Land and Forestry, which operated the steelhead hatchery.

Hardy had been asking for \$20 million for Box Canyon, but agreed to sell it for \$5 million. The sale has not closed, but the deal should continue despite Hardy's death, Noh said.

Conservationists who often opposed Hardy were glad to see

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New study debunks U.S., Mexico team up in drug war

midlife crisis notion

Chicago Tribune

When Dick and Diane Fox passed through their 40s and 50s, there was never a feeling that they were caught up in any "midlife crisis."

In fact, the Arlington Heights, Ill., couple, now in their 60s, Monday at the idea that they're even middle-aged. Midlife crisis never entered their vocabulary, even as their four children married and one by one left the house.

Diane Fox said she thought about it "for about five minutes."

"I think the idea of a midlife crisis is ridiculous nonsense," said Fox, 60, a homemaker, during an interview Monday at a health club in Arlington Heights. "It's just this psychological talk that doesn't apply to us. I never want to go to a center where I lose control of the future as long as I'm healthy."

Their comments echo findings from groundbreaking new studies that debunk conventional wisdom about middle age. Instead of being a time of turmoil, unbearable stress, hormone loss, loss of control, falling health, bad backs and crumbling marriages, for most people middle age turns out to be the most fulfilling time of life, the study found.

The study, the largest ever done

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Knight Ridder News Service

MERIDA, Mexico — President Clinton on Monday all but assured Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo that the again would certify Mexico as a cooperative ally in the war against drugs, brushing aside disappointing results and U.S. congressional criticism.

"The fundamental question is are we better off fighting it together or separately, and perhaps sometimes at odds with one another," Clinton said in an outburst of a meeting with Zedillo in this sun-washed town on the Yucatan Peninsula.

Clinton cautioned that "neither country has won the drug war," but added that there is reason for optimism on both sides of the border.

"Finally, we've got a lot of the indicators going in the right direction in a United States. And cooperation with Mexico has clearly improved under President Zedillo's leadership," Clinton said.

Accompanied by first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton on the 23-hour trip, Clinton also made his first remarks on post-inauguration politics since the Senate acquitted him Friday.

"He vowed to cooperate with the Republican Congress that tried to oust him, saying it is the only way to enact needed reforms. A 24-member congressional delegation, including four Republicans, joined him on the trip.

"This is a time for reconciliation and renewal," he said. "We can't solve the challenges of Social Security and Medicare and education and these other things, we can't keep the American economy going, unless we have a level of cooperation."

Clinton also said he will support his wife if she decides to run for the Senate from New York. Democrats there are urging her to run for the seat being vacated by next year's retirement of Democratic Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan.

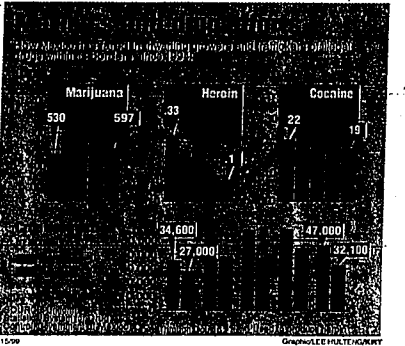
"I don't think it had ever occurred to her before a lot of people started calling her and asking her to do it," Clinton said. "I think she would be terrific in the Senate."

He said his wife has not talked to people about the possible campaign.

"She has a lot of other opportunities for public service that will be out there, and she and I both would like to continue to be useful in public affairs when we leave office," he said. "But it's a decision she'll have to make."

But it was the subject of drugs that dominated the talks here.

Clinton's annual certification of Mexico is necessary to keep U.S. aid to Mexico flowing. It is due in two weeks, though he has not yet formally announced his decision. It would take a two-thirds vote of Congress to overturn his decision.



NATION

John D. Ehrlichman dies

Nixon adviser served time in jail for Watergate role



AP Photo

John D. Ehrlichman testifies before the Senate Watergate Committee in Washington in this 1973 photo. Ehrlichman, President Nixon's domestic affairs adviser who was imprisoned for 18 months for his part in the Watergate conspiracy, has died. He was 73.

ATLANTA (AP) — John D. Ehrlichman, President Nixon's domestic affairs adviser who was disgraced and imprisoned for his role in the Watergate cover-up that ultimately led to Nixon's resignation, has died. He was 73.

Ehrlichman died Sunday of natural causes at his home in Atlanta. He had suffered from diabetes, his son, Tom, said Monday.

Ehrlichman and Nixon's chief staff, H.R. Haldeman, were virtually indistinguishable to the public. Both were close to Nixon and they became known as the "Berlin Wall" because they constituted a kind of palace guard that shielded the reclusive Nixon from unwelcome encounters.

Ehrlichman coined a phrase that became part of the nation's political lexicon when he advised Nixon to allow L. Patrick Gray Jr. then acting director of the FBI, to become the fall guy for Watergate and to leave him "twisting slowly, slowly in the wind."

In April 1973, as the cover-up began to unravel and pressure mounted, Nixon held a painful meeting at his presidential retreat at Camp David, Md., with his two intimate and powerful advisers — the iron-willed

Haldeman and the self-controlled Ehrlichman. By that time, Nixon's counsel, John W. Dean 3rd, had implicated them in the Watergate cover-up.

Dole woos college leaders

Potential candidate favors school choice

WASHINGTON (AP) — Elizabeth Dole, who's considering a bid for president, courted the nation's college-and-university leaders Monday and laid out an education platform centered on better quality.

Mrs. Dole also championed school choice and accountability ideas popular with fellow Republicans. And she stressed to the educators that she was one of them and wasn't there to bash them.

"I've refused to join those who describe her own stint teaching often find it expedient to turn teachers into rhetorical punching bags," said Mrs. Dole, who described her own stint teaching 11th grade history in suburban Boston.

"We should expect the best out of our teachers. Yes, we should reward outstanding performances. ... But let us never forget that the true heroes of our society are not to be found on a movie screen or a football field. They are to be found in our classrooms."

Mrs. Dole, 62, also promised the American Council on Education she would champion higher learning. The council is a nonprofit lobbying group for all accredited college and universities.

"I don't know where the future will take me," she told more than 1,000 educators. "But I do know that if you are recruiting soldiers in the battle to strengthen federal investment in research, I'm ready to enlist right now."

Mrs. Dole — who has held cabinet posts in the Bush and Reagan administrations — has left little doubt whether she might be heading. Last week in New Hampshire, one of the early primary states, the potential candidate for the Republican nomination said America needed a president "worthy of her people."

Polls find the former Red Cross president gaining on top GOP contenders and find that education will be a key issue in the 2000 race.

She told the educators that while university tenure and financing issues dominate discussion of higher education, the focus should be on turning out teachers better equipped to instruct a generation of students.

"There should be a zero tolerance policy toward bad teaching," she said. "If teaching is to become a prestigious profession, teachers must undergo rigorous training and hold prestigious degrees."

"We all know the results of poorly focused learning," she said. "Our colleges and universities have to pick up the slack."

Nobel nominees include Clinton, Holbrooke

OSLO, Norway (AP) — President Clinton, U.S. peace envoy Richard Holbrooke, U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan and Pope John Paul II are among 118 nominees for this year's Nobel Peace Prize.

Awards committee secretary Geir Lundestad said Monday the number of nominees could increase, but would probably fall short of the record 139 candidates last year.

"I can't set a record every year," he said. The five-member awards committee accepts nominations postmarked by Feb. 1, and can add its own candidates.

The Nobel prizes are announced in October. The amount for this



Bill Clinton, Richard Holbrooke

year's prizes has not been set, but in recent years each prize has been worth about \$1 million.

In keeping with the committee's strict policy of secrecy, names of candidates — 65 individuals and 33 organizations this

year — are not released.

Those making nominations, however, often announce them and this year's known American nominees include Clinton and former President Jimmy Carter, along with Holbrooke.

Clinton has been nominated several times for the award. Though the specifics of this year's nomination were not released, past nominations have cited his efforts to maintain peace and stability throughout the world.

The pope was nominated as a symbol of peace in the world, and Annan for his efforts to avoid or stop many of the world's armed conflicts. Holbrooke was nominated for his work to bring peace

to the Balkans. The Salvation Army, Doctors Without Borders, and NATO, for its role in European peacekeeping, have also been nominated.

The Norwegian news agency NTB said it had reason to believe that the late King Hussein of Jordan had also been nominated, but the peace prize cannot be awarded posthumously.

Other notable but unconfirmed candidates included Mexico's Bishop of San Cristobal de las Casas Samuel Ruiz Garcia, as a human rights champion for his country's Chiapas Indians, and Chinese pro-democracy campaigners Wei Jingsheng and Wang Dan.

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NATION

4 states enact campaign finance reform

Legislation makes headway elsewhere

Knightrider News Service

WASHINGTON — Preoccupied with impeachment, Social Security and the 2000 elections, members of Congress have pushed campaign finance reform to the bottom of their "things-to-do" list.

But that doesn't mean the idea is dead. Across the country, activists are trying to limit the power of private money in state elections.

Citizen groups in nearly 40 states are working to pass voluntary "clean-money" laws that would use public tax dollars to fund the campaigns of qualified state candidates who agree to forgo large private contributions and adhere to strict spending limits.

Advocates say publicly financed campaigns give voters greater choice by allowing more candidates to run respectable races, particularly those representing low-income areas, where contributions are typically smaller and harder to come by. Public financing also allows candidates of modest means to spend less time chasing money and more time serving voters.

The push for this type of legislation is being led nationally by several organizations, most notably Public Campaign and Common Cause. Though the movement is just beginning, four states — Arizona, Massachusetts, Maine and Vermont — have adopted the legislation.

Many states already provide some public campaign money, but those that do also allow candidates to raise private funds. "Clean election" advocates say this doesn't deal with the real problem of private contributions — the fact that most of the money comes from a few wealthy people and private interest groups. And many feel this undermines the political needs, access and influence of those who can't afford to contribute.

But some critics contend that public campaign funding is inhumane to "election warfare." Others argue that challengers need to be able to raise all they can to offset the name recogni-

tion, media exposure and other perks of office that incumbents enjoy. And some people just can't accept the idea of tax dollars going to politicians whose views they may oppose.

"Are we serious in suggesting that African Americans in Louisiana should pay for the campaign of a David Duke?" asked Roger Pilon, director of the Constitution's Center for Constitutional Studies, using the example of the former Ku Klux Klan leader. "Thomas Jefferson said it is tyranny to force people to contribute money to support positions they abhor and yet this is what public funding will do."

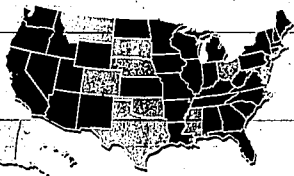
Still, support for public campaign funding appears to be growing. Last November, after gathering enough signatures to put the issue on the state ballot, traditionally conservative voters in Arizona and historically liberal voters in Massachusetts both passed "clean election" laws. Maine voters did the same in 1996 and Vermont lawmakers adopted similar legislation in 1997. None of these laws take effect before the 2000 elections.

In New Mexico, a bill was just introduced in the legislature. Oregon is close to getting the necessary signatures to place the proposal on a ballot initiative. And in Wisconsin, organizers are

States' campaign finance reform

Status of campaign finance reform for state elections:

Laws in effect	Working toward legislation, ballot initiative	Early stages of organization	No action
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SOURCE: Public Campaign

pushing to adopt the law for state judicial races only.

"There's a very real public demand for cleaning up the system," said Don Simon, national vice president and general counsel for Common Cause. "Wherever these proposals have been on the ballot, they've passed."

While each system varies slightly, the laws generally allow a non-federal office-seeker to get public financing for primary and general election campaigns by collecting a set number of \$5 to \$100 donations from registered voters in their district. This is meant to weed out non-serious candidates.

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Jasper grits its teeth for trial

Knight Ridder News Service

JASPER, Texas — The memorial ribbons that hung from doorways, light poles and businessmen's lapels in June are gone. The billboard on U.S. 96, which then read "God Bless Our Town," now advertises the Texas High School Rodeo.

But life is not back to normal in Jasper, a town of 8,000 residents, about 45 percent of them black. People say that whatever normal was, Jasper may never again get back to it. In fact, much of Jasper doesn't want to.

Today, in the second-floor courtroom of the restored 19th-century Jasper County Courthouse, John William King, 24, will go on trial for capital murder in the dragging death of James Byrd Jr., a 35-year-old black man. He is the first of three white men to be tried in the June 7 killing.

"Jasper ain't never going to get over this," said Willie King, 53, a black engineer who has lived here all his life. "As long as things were going along fine with the status quo, everything was fine. All of a sudden we had this murder take place."

"Everything has its place," King continued, and he said his feeling was that the place — the purpose — of Byrd's death was "for the world to look at Jasper" and force Jasper to look at itself.

It was a particularly brutal crime. Byrd was an affable man who was known for his punning playing in the high school band but who, King said, had in recent years battled alcohol and "kind of fallen through the cracks in life." That night, seeking a ride home after a family party, he instead was beaten, chained behind a pickup truck, and dragged almost three miles down an isolated blacktop road. His body came apart before the mangled remains were propped against the fence of a predominantly black cemetery.

Three men — John William King, Lawrence Brewer, 31, and Shawn Berry, 23 — were quickly

charged with Byrd's murder. Sheriff Billy Rowles stated unequivocally that it was a hate crime motivated by race and immediately invited the FBI to conduct an investigation. Jasper has reacted so positively and so united in its attempt to show that nation how to deal with the problem ... I think Jasper can be a catalyst for change nationally, maybe in the whole country."

What Jasper did, after recovering from its initial horror, was start making. A series of public meetings were held, there were prayer vigils and a mayoral task force was formed to begin exploring the economic and educational issues that many regard as underlying sources of the community's racial problems.

"There was shame and shock," said the Rev. Louise Row of First Presbyterian Church, who is president of the Jasper Ministerial Alliance. "For the first time, blacks and whites started addressing some things which had been on their minds, things they might not have talked about before because blacks were afraid of losing their jobs and whites were afraid of being branded flaming liberals," she said.

"We began to acknowledge the subtle racism that exists everywhere in the form of denied bank loans and job applications not being taken."

Jasper also largely turned its back on outside groups, from the New Black Panther Party to the Ku Klux Klan, that flocked to the town to hold rallies.

"There was a small, small minority of both races who were attracted to that message," Diggels said. "For Jasper, the masses said, 'This is not what we are about.'"

One of them was Walter Diggels, 45, executive director of the Council of Governments, which administers federal and state grants to cities and counties in East Texas. Diggels was recent-

ly named Jasper Chamber of Commerce "Man of the Year." "It is going to be real difficult for the community to overcome that stigma," Diggels said this month. "But to this point, Jasper has reacted so positively and so united in its attempt to show that nation how to deal with the problem ... I think Jasper can be a catalyst for change nationally, maybe in the whole country."

What Jasper did, after recovering from its initial horror, was start making. A series of public meetings were held, there were prayer vigils and a mayoral task force was formed to begin exploring the economic and educational issues that many regard as underlying sources of the community's racial problems.

'Jasper ain't never going to get over this.'

—Willie King, talking about the dragging death trial that begins today in the small Texas town

Killer flu of 1918 may have survived for years

WASHINGTON (AP) — The 1918 flu that killed more than 20 million people may have quietly percolated for several years, maybe even trading back and forth between pigs and people, until suddenly growing strong enough to become the world's worst pandemic.

That's the latest theory from the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, which reported Monday that researchers for the first time have completely analyzed a critical gene from the killer influenza virus.

The gene likely "was adapting in humans or in swine for maybe several years before it broke out as a pandemic virus," said molecular biologist Ann Reid, lead

author of the study published in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

But "we can't tell whether it went from pigs into humans or from humans into pigs," she said. "Different influenza strains circle the globe annually. Every so often a strain tough enough to kill millions emerges, and experts warn that the world is overdue for another pandemic."

That's why understanding the 1918 flu's genes are important. Scientists need to know what made that strain the deadliest ever — and why it struck down mostly young, healthy people — to better react if similar killer flu emerges again.

Most experts believe that

genetically stable flu viruses reside harmlessly in birds, but that occasionally one of these bird viruses infects pigs. The swine immune system attacks the virus, forcing it to change genetically to survive. If it then spreads to humans, the result can be devastating.

In two other pandemics — the 1957 Asian flu and 1968 Hong Kong flu — viruses apparently made a fast jump from birds to pigs to humans.

That's because human flu genes from those pandemics appear very similar to avian flu genes.

But the new study finds no similarity between those bird genes and a key gene in the 1918 flu.



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Scorpios, today is your day for power plays

IF FEBRUARY 16 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are sensitive to degree of being psychic. Pisces, Virgo persons play significant roles in your life, be ready for shake up during May, marriage or change of residence or both.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): New Moon, Solar Eclipse in your Eleventh House - wish is fulfilled in extraordinary manner.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Give full rein to intellectual curiosity - ask questions, demand answers.

HOROSCOPE
 Sydney Omarr

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Mechanical tests at home will cause worry until repaired.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): What seemed out-of-place will soon fit perfectly. You'll be asking, "Ain't life amazing?"

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Attention revolves around home; protection of family, insurance,

ness that fits your mood.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You'll be dealing with Pisces and another Virgo - key is to be on guard against deception.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): A Tuesday you won't soon forget! New Moon, Solar Eclipse in last degree of Aquarius, your "House of Joy."

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Power play day - fighting spirit will see you through to victory.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Make fresh start, emphasize independence, originality, willing-

ness to participate in hot love session.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Saturn and the Moon combine, you benefit as result. You'll be sighing, "People really do like me."

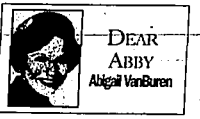
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Popularity increases, you'll be counted on to provide entertainment. Sagittarian, missing of late, comes back in dramatic fashion.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Feeling of being trapped is temporary. Welcome delay, play-waiting game.

Girl's claims set family apart

DEAR ABBY: I have custody of my granddaughter, "Natasha," because my son and daughter-in-law divorced when Natasha was 3 months old. My daughter-in-law got involved with drugs and gave the baby to my son. My son had an accident and gave custody of Natasha to me because he could no longer take care of her.

When I turned 57, I sent Natasha to live with my daughter and son-in-law because I thought I was getting too old to have a 9-year-old.



DEAR TROUBLED MOM: Your daughter is in denial, and there's no guarantee she'll ever get over it. Had there not been corroborating evidence to back up the accusation, I'm sure there wouldn't have been a conviction.

A year ago, I found out that my son-in-law had been molesting Natasha, and I took her back. We went to the prosecuting attorney. After a year of counseling and trials, my son-in-law was found guilty of child molestation in the first degree.

Abby, when will my daughter stop blaming Natasha and me? She's telling everybody that Natasha lied - that her husband never touched the child. She insists Natasha lied because she never liked her uncle. It has been a year now. Will my daughter ever get over it?

— TROUBLED MOM IN WASHINGTON

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Scots love their vodka

Q. Why do Tanzanians touch elbows instead of shake hands?
 A. Religious leaders told them handshakes transmitted numerous diseases including the deadly cholera. So they adopted another way.

Rose Kennedy said: "I'm like an old wine - they don't bring me out very often, but I'm well preserved."

Q. Among professional men, you said, the accountant is least likely to be divorced. How about professional women?
 A. The school teacher, according to our Love and War man's files. The moment you take your eye off a skyscraper, it's torn down and a new one is built in its place. Or so it seems in some great cities. Sardonic men now refer to that instant as "the Hong Kong blink."

Q. If women are twice as likely as men to suffer severe depression, as the medical statisticians report, why are four out of five suicides committed by men?
 A. Women talk it out, men don't. As though embarrassed by it. Or so doctors conjecture. They're not through with the subject of this one.

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 Dieting remains a preoccupation of more women than men. But it was men almost exclusively who dieted until shortly before

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World War I. First dieter of record was an overweight London undertaker named William Banning in 1862. He dropped from 209 to 153 pounds on lean meat, fish and fruit. That did it. He ballyhooed his accomplishment, and other men tried his regimen. But not women, not for another 50 years.

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This may be the wave of the future

More line up for hand transplants

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Matthew Scott smiles as he ponders the personal triumph he longs to achieve with his famous new left hand — like slipping on his wedding ring and hoisting his two young sons.

"I'm very aware of what I've been lucky enough to receive," said Scott, 37, the nation's first hand transplant recipient.

But even while he rejoices, Scott reflects on others who've lost hands or other limbs and are waiting for their own medical miracles. Scott said he hopes they'll someday savor his joy and new outlook on life.

"If this goes well ... I just hope to be the first step of many steps," the paramedic from Absecon, N.J., said in an interview last week.

"In 20 or 30 years, I'd like to be forgotten," Scott said. "I hope in 20 or 30 years the science of transplantation and working with limbs has become so common a place that I'm a footnote and not the story."

Others already have already volunteered to follow in Scott's footsteps. Carrie Marcell, hand transplant coordinator at Jewish Hospital, said more than 100 people have contacted her since Scott's historic 14-hour operation Jan. 24-25 at the Louisville hospital.

Surgeons hope to perform sev-



A close-up of Matthew Scott's surgically attached left hand is shown during an interview at Jewish Hospital Wednesday in Louisville, Kentucky, two weeks after he received a new human hand to replace the one he lost 13 years ago in a fireworks accident.

eral other hand transplants to gain a more thorough understanding of the procedure's effects. A couple of other people have completed the review process and are deemed appropriate candidates for hand transplants, Ms. Marcell said.

Once the surgery was done, it really started picking up," she said. The hospital has heard from people in Germany, Japan, India, South Africa, Turkey, Colombia, Argentina, Brazil and the Middle

East, she said. Potential candidates are put through medical, psychiatric and psychological tests. Their medical histories are scrutinized and they are bluntly told of the risks associ-

ated with the medication that suppresses the immune system, which is necessary to prevent the body from rejecting the foreign tissue in the new hand, taken from a cadaver.

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Hary Cole, first black Maryland senator and judge, dies at 78

The Baltimore Sun

BALTIMORE — Retired Judge Hary A. Cole, the first black to serve on Maryland's highest court and the first elected to the state Senate, died Sunday at Church Hospital in Baltimore of complications from pneumonia. He was 78.

Cole made history in 1954 when he became the first black to win a state Senate seat and again in 1977 when he was the first black named to the Court of Appeals, where he served until his retirement in 1991.

Among his most notable accomplishments during his 14-year tenure on the court was writing the unanimous opinion that upheld the right of the state to fund abortions for poor women.

The son of a tailor and one of five children, Cole was born in Washington on New Year's Day in 1921. His father died when he was an infant, and his mother moved the family to Baltimore, where she had grown up. He spent the last two years of

World War II in the Army, serving in Europe and the Pacific. After the war, he returned to Baltimore to attend the University of Maryland School of Law, graduating in 1949.

Four years later, he was hired as an assistant state attorney general, the first black lawyer to work in the office.

A Republican, Cole had run unsuccessfully for the House of Delegates in 1950 and for the City Council in 1951. But in 1954, he succeeded in knocking off incumbent state Sen. Bernard S. Melnicove by 37 votes in a bitterly contested election.

Though he had forever altered the political landscape, Cole served only one term. In 1958, he lost by 2,000 votes, a year after he lost in a bid for the City Council. He maintained a private legal practice and in 1967 was appointed by then-Gov. Spiro Agnew to a seat on the Municipal Court. A year later, he was appointed by Agnew to the Supreme Bench, now known as the Circuit Court, the city's principal trial court.

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EDITORIAL

Leonard Arrington lived the history of the West

Most historians write about what they've read. Leonard Arrington preferred to live his history.

(His) own experience encompasses nearly three-quarters of Idaho statehood," fellow historian Merle Wells wrote in the forward to Arrington's 1992 book "History of Idaho." "Historians who study their own time ... can understand and articulate concepts and assumptions that their contemporary citizens take for granted."

The Twin Falls-born Arrington, who died Thursday at the age of 81, took little for granted. For him, history was heritage — the way that people give context to their lives. To neglect the past was to bankrupt the future, for they're cut from the same cloth.

In Arrington's case, that cloth was homespun. His scholarship was unquestioned, but he doted on the Mormons and dreamers and hardscrabble no-counts who settled the Intermountain West.

He loved their stories — Rupert's Duke Clawson, water-witching great-grandson of Brigham Young who made large-scale deep-well irrigation possible; Lynn Driscoll, Boise banker who saved Idaho from economic collapse during three harrowing summer days in 1932; Diamondfield Jack Davis, the range-war gunslinger who survived to get run over by a taxi.

These were the kinds of folks — saints and scoundrels — whom Arrington had grown up with on the Twin Falls Tract, and because of them, he became skilled at assaying character. And character is at the heart of Ar-

ington's most famous books, "The Mormon Experience" and "Great Basin Kingdom" — still the two most respected independent histories of Mormonism.

As a member of the church, he wrote with reverence and insight, but Arrington never, ever pulled his punches.

That independence got him cashiered as the church's historian in 1987.

His was history based on people and events that move the human experience forward — a style of involvement of Indians and women, and the rape of the environment.

All of those outrages are chronicled well enough in Arrington's works, but he never wasted time on an agenda — his or anybody's else. The facts are compelling enough.

"History of Idaho," a state-sponsored project championed by Sen. Laird Noh of Kimberly, among others, could serve as a textbook for any serious student of Idaho history for years to come. But it doesn't read like a textbook.

It's more like a long letter from an old friend with stories to tell that Idahoans — now and in the future — need to hear.

They're stories about a people with promises. Leonard-Arrington's greatest legacy is that they'll still be told long after those promises have been kept.

When written by Twin Falls native Leonard Arrington, history read like a long letter from an old friend.



Now is the time for Clinton to call it quits

TOM FIELDLER

A few years ago a Japanese jumbo jetliner crashed into a remote mountain, killing several hundred passengers and crew. The disaster created a national trauma, so much so that the airline's chief executive resigned. He said his honor demanded that he accept responsibility. I thought about that business leader last week as debate on the impeachment articles against President Clinton trudged toward anti-climax. Of course it wouldn't be accurate to call this process a national trauma; sordid fiasco would be closer.

Still, now that the Senate has slapped the House's charges to their proper place, history's trash can, the questions linger: What does the man who is fundamentally responsible for this do now? How does he repair the tattered pieces of his leadership? How does he explain himself to future generations? How does he reshape his historical legacy?

Much talk emanates from the White House about Mr. Clinton's determination to pick up his agenda where it left off, a kind of back-to-business approach in the hope that time will heal all wounds. I sense this is what most of America wants. But there seems also to be the back-room talk about using this victory to take political payback on so-called presidential advisers" told the New York Times last week that the president intends to throw his energies into next year's congressional election with the goal of toppling the Republican majority. These sources also say he personally would like to go after those Republicans who led the impeachment quack, although most represent safe districts.

In the wake of that, official White House spokespeople pool-pooled talk of vengeance. To me, however, the newspa-

would become a commonly used political tool.

Now, with Friday's vote, the Founding Fathers' initial standard has been affirmed. Impediment remains the capital punishment of politics, to be used only in the most egregious of cases.

But acquittal doesn't exculpate Mr. Clinton of his duty to take responsibility for his actions — and by that I mean by making more than a heartfelt, lip-biting speech. By using victory as an opportunity to resign, he may actually regain much of his lost respect.

First and foremost, he would demonstrate to his wife and daughter that they come before all else. Second, in turning away from Al Gore Jr. now, he would show that he cares more for Clintonism, the political philosophy of moderation, than he cares for Clinton.

Vice President Gore can be a more-effective advocate of Clintonism from than can the man who defined it. And Mr. Clinton wouldn't be leaving in disgrace. To the contrary, he could remain available to tackle those problems where his stature remains undiminished, the Midwest, for example.

But most of all, a resignation at this moment of triumph would send the message that he understands that a basic tenet of leadership is to take full responsibility for one's actions. Business as usual doesn't show that, even if business as usual would be possible to attain. To seek revenge on his pursuers would be reprehensible.

The best model might have been constructed by that Japanese business leader; sometimes there can be honor in knowing when to quit.

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LETTERS

Dam breaching needs more talk

I was surprised and disappointed by the tone and content of your editorial Jan. 31 on the salmon issue. The best scientists inside and outside of our region tell us that breaching the four federal dams on the lower Snake River in southeastern Washington is the only option expected to produce good results in wild salmon and steelhead recovery.

And you say, don't debate it — you're wasting your time. Odd. Debates are coming down all around us. There are dozens of precedents for dam removal nationwide; for example, Quaker Neck Dam on the Neuse River in North Carolina was removed in 1997, and Newport Dam on Vermont's Clyde River was removed in 1996. More dams will be coming down soon.

The fact is that the health of rivers and fish runs does matter to a lot of folks. And it should. Rivers and fish runs are a part of God's creation. Our Judeo-Christian traditions teach us that humans are to rule, manage and compassionately care over the creatures, including salmon in our own back yards in the Salmon River drainage.

Good information is needed by folks in Idaho on the dam-breaching topic. Many have fears about the future of their businesses and farms, about electricity rates and transportation costs. All this needs calm and rational thought and exposition.

So let's get with the debate about breaching the dams to help Idaho's salmon. Let's talk about electricity — about the fact that 95 percent of Idaho's total supply comes from the four dams in question. Let's talk about the future of

electricity — about photovoltaic panels, fuel cells, new efficiencies and other opportunities to use less electricity.

Let's talk about Idaho's transportation system, where most commodities are shipped in rail cars or trucks and a little bit goes on water from the Port of Lewiston.

Let's talk about the endangered species-causing, mostly subsidized, 138-mile-long water highway that connects Lewiston to Pasco.

I suspect you are incorrect when you say, "Economic costs are simply too great" and "dam breaching is a fearful threat to north Idaho economic interests."

Let's discuss thoroughly this dam-breaching idea and then proceed with a decision that is in the common good. REID BURKHOLDER

Editorials, delivery are worthwhile

In regard to Doris A. Hoyle's letter to the editor Feb. 8 complaining about The Times-News editorials being "so prejudiced toward Republicans," I, for one, really enjoy The Times-News editorials. I find them to be more than one-sided.

Ms. Hoyle, you better face it, you are living in a conservative community. We lived in north Idaho for more than 20 years and the newspapers up there lean toward the liberal side more than not. It is very refreshing to read more than one point of view now.

Doris, you might contact the Coeur d'Alene newspaper so they can send you the Democrat point of view. I also think our delivery person gives us excellent service. MARGERY JORDAN

Castelford

Reader wants reports, not humor

If Damen Cloew wants to write sarcastic remarks about the college of Southern Idaho basketball team, maybe he should look for another side to the out-of-town games. I know a mule train going south; he'll fit right in!

Damen, just report on the games and leave the humor to Steve Crump. CONNIE HARDY

Animals have rights too

I read a letter to the editor in the Feb. 8 Times-News and was surprised at the opinion that person had on the animal shelter. I get a much different opinion volunteering there: The entire staff there is very much aware of potential abuse and is always prepared to send a lucky animal home. Through my own personal experiences, I have witnessed many times where the shelter has honestly convinced people to adopt a dog or cat and has also warned people of the responsibilities and problems that they could en-

counter adopting a certain animal. They're always enthusiastic about a pet getting adopted.

From every staff member at the shelter, I heard several times that a certain mamma and her puppies were going to go home; everyone was joyful as the news.

The director is also starting a campaign to spray or neuter your pets to prevent unwanted puppies or kittens that will get shipped off to the animal shelter. Some will, unfortunately, have to be euthanized, a process that the shelter that no one likes to hear about or do. The shelter receives many more animals than can adopt or unwanted, that it does have to put down more loving pets than it should.

I certainly hope that this campaign will change people's minds about fixing their pets, bringing pet awareness to what's going on in our community. I hope anybody that reads this letter will understand that a pet's awareness to what's going on for animals that there are, better. Too many lives of wonderful animals have to be snuffed everyday.

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I very much enjoy helping the animal shelter bring cheerfulness and joy to the community by giving a loving family or person a one-of-a-kind, genuine, animal-shelter pet. Any animal is a wonderful thing to have, including Heini 57's — they are nothing but fun and laughter to have. AUSTIN KRAAL

Twin Falls

Closed mind closes doors

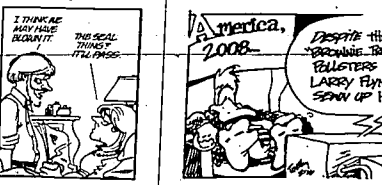
This letter is in response to Marci Lawmaster. My sympathy is with you and your family in your search to find housing, though I pity your racial remarks. What does your ancestry indicate? Were they leading immigrants? Think about it! My Hispanic husband and I own a large rental home and would gladly pay your bills on time; unfortunately, you've got one thing against you — a closed mind. SHEILA HUIZAR

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Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley



OPINION

LETTERS

Gilmore unfairly attacked

The editorial attack on Brad Gilmore by The Times-News and its Weekly was predictable. I was sure that anyone who implicated cattle in water contamination would be chastised to the furthest extent of your editorial power.

With the help of public lands ranchers - who say they'll go broke without government subsidies - The Times-News will smear any government worker who seems irreverent toward cows.

Brad Gilmore is a good public employee. It is a shameful fact that ranchers would like to replace him with a docile servant of their own. I know how this works, and I have tapes and video to prove it.

Mr. Gilmore used a pen name in order to serve a public need. Why does The Times-News, by the way, refuse to sign its own editorials?

DON'T categorize immigrants To Deb Caster: Not all immigrants freeload. When immigrants decide to move to this country, which is a much freer place to live in, they pay a very heavy price to our society.

When these "freeloading immigrants" as you call them, buy clothes, food, cars and homes, do they not pay taxes? Yes, they do. I don't have any statistics, but I would be more than happy to get some as to who is really freeloading from the government and educate you on these points.

Destroying guns a good idea After listening to the news on Feb. 5, I was a little disturbed. I guess there is a lot on the news that could disturb a person, but there is one thing that set me agast.

small amount that was just destroyed. Third, unless I missed something, I haven't heard of any major gun manufacturers closing down. Unless I am doing my math wrong, that means those guns were already being replaced by newer models. As I see it, there are plenty more where those came from.

Beware of flap surgeries In 1980, I underwent surgery in the steps to breast reconstruction following breast cancer. A portion of the latissimus dorsi was freed from the upper back and tunneled under the arm to the chest wall.

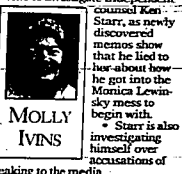
Reader applauds police I'm sick of these protests by a small minority about the police destruction of confiscated guns. All most of these cry-babies want is a chance to buy guns at a cheap price or resell the guns at a nice profit.

In spite of an article, "How Good are Our Breast Reconstructions" in "Plastic Surgery Journal," requesting a serious dialogue of the failures of breast reconstruction surgery, there have been no long-term studies of the impact of flap surgeries, yet they are still promoted as a panacea for women who have already been operated upon in life.

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One last tango with Monica and Bill

A w. Goe. It's over. Back to real life. But before we leave our beloved scandal, let us note a few of the diffamerments that have made it such a joy to live through - those golden minutes when we knew it couldn't possibly get any weirder:



There is only one exception to this rule. The only player in the whole mess who showed real class from the beginning to the end was you, the American public. Through ups and downs and ins and outs, the people of this country were consistently clear: The president's sex life is none of our business, and Kenneth Starr transgressed all bounds of fairness in his efforts to nail Clinton.

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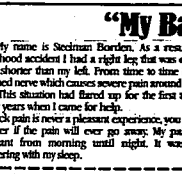
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At this grand slim finale of the whole deal, who should we find sitting in the middle of the road, soppy a censure of President Clinton, but Phil Gramm? Yep, the Texas senator had a fit about the bipartisan scheme to censure Clinton since they couldn't convict him; Gramm threatened to filibuster, and that was that.

Linda Tripp now says she was acting like Monica Lewinsky's mom. It was maternal instinct that drove her to secretly tape her friend, rat her out to Starr and

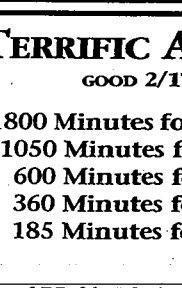
Hey! I'm cute and full of energy and they call me a Lhasa Apso. I'm not quite perfect but that's why people train dogs - right? I will try to learn everything my new owner teaches me.



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NAUTION

Mardi Gras madness takes hold in New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — On the eve of Mardi Gras, tens of thousands of revelers were already gathered, bawling in hand and bends around their necks. Parades filled the streets and music filled the air. ...

and Pleasure Club were meeting as part of a giant open-air music and fireworks show heralding Lundi Gras, or Fat Monday, a warm-up for the raucous city-wide Fat Tuesday street party that precedes Lent. ...

she was enjoying the food more than anything else. "Crawfish etouffe, oysters and all the fried foods. And the seafood gumbo," she said. ...

They weren't Carnival outfits, though that's what they always wear, Hingle said. Tom Phelan's shirt front was hidden under string upon string of beads, most the long shiny sort paradegoers screamed and pleaded for — and sometimes bared flesh to get from those passing by on floats. ...

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How the media survived a year with Monica

NEW YORK (AP) — Kathleen Hall Jamieson was shocked to open her newspaper the other day and find something other than Monica Lewinsky. ...

What would it take to displace the non-news of Clinton-Lewinsky from the front page? The answer was King Hussein, said Ms. Jamieson, dean of the University of Pennsylvania's Annenberg School of Communication. ...

She's not alone. From the beginning, the news media have been pilloried for Clinton-Lewinsky overkill. They have been criticized for inaccuracies, and for reliance on unidentified, manipulative sources. ...

Now, more than a year and untold amounts of ink later, the unending story has reached an end — at least for the moment. ...

"I think the mainstream press ... did under the circumstances a superior job, and they were also screwing up," said Gene Roberts, a former top editor at the New York Times and Philadelphia Inquirer and now a professor at the University of Maryland. ...

When someone made a mistake, there were so many people working on the story that immediately, it was pointed out. ...

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Avonmore may take Gaelic name

TWIN FALLS - Avonmore West may change its name to reflect its roots and products.

The Magic Valley cheese-making operation said its parent company has proposed changing its name from the Avonmore Waterford Group to Ghabia. The word is a melding of the Gaelic words "gha," meaning pure or clear, and "bia," which means food.

"We are unified in our commitment to supply our customers with 'pure food' - the highest quality products and service in the industry," said Avonmore West president Dave Thomas of Twin Falls.

Shareholders of Avonmore Waterford, an Ireland-based company, will vote on the name change shortly. If approved, the company and its subsidiaries will implement the name change in March, a process that could take two years.

A change came about in the wake of a 1997 merger of Avonmore Foods and Waterford Foods, the company said. At its global reach has gone unnoticed because its subsidiaries operate under different names.

Avonmore West will continue doing business under its current name until early in 2000. The company employs 375 people at four locations in the Magic Valley and sells itself the largest producer of cheese and whey products in the Northwest.

Police identify victim in fatal accident

ALBION - Police have identified the victim of a fatal rollover Saturday.

Colleen Gillette, 42, of Burley died when she lost control of her vehicle late Saturday on Idaho Highway 77 near Albion.

The cause of death was head trauma and other injuries suffered when Gillette was ejected from her car, said County Coroner Paul Young said.

Gillette was on her way back to Burley from Malin when the accident occurred on the Pomerelle Grade, according to the Cassia County Sheriff's Office.

No other information on the accident was available as of Monday evening.

Commissioners will look at development

HAILEY - Blaine County commissioners will meet at 8:45 a.m. Monday at the old county courthouse, 206 First Ave. S.

A public hearing is scheduled on the Antelope Springs planned-unit development. County planners have recommended that commissioners deny the proposal.

Two public hearings are scheduled for the afternoon: a plat amendment application for the Heald and Subdivision; and a plat amendment application for the Riverwoods Subdivision.

Closed executive sessions are also planned to discuss indigent applications.

Halley planners will meet this evening

HAILEY - A regular meeting of the Halley Planning and Zoning Commission will be held at 7 p.m. today at the Halley Town Center.

A public hearing is regarding Roundup Corral's application for a planned-unit development subdivision is on the agenda.

Ketchum council to discuss rec programs

KETCHUM - The Ketchum City Council will meet at 5 p.m. today at City Hall.

Discussion with the Blaine County Recreation District regarding district funding, capital projects that benefit city residents is on the agenda.

A closed executive session to discuss personnel and land acquisition will conclude the meeting.

Shoshone council to discuss stop signs

SHOSHONE - The Shoshone City Council will meet at 7 p.m. today at City Hall, 207 S. Rail St. W.

Discussion includes the sand pit building, stop signs on North Birch and West Fourth, and a land-use planning act revision.

Compiled from staff reports

HAZARD REMOVAL



Mark Schelwie of Filer, working for Twin Falls Crane, is lowered away from an abandoned smokestack at Gooding's old tuberculosis hospital Monday. Schelwie had cut through the top section with a Newtron. The Idaho Department of Lands had ordered demolition of the 110-foot, 17,000-pound steel stack.

Jerome council to hear rezoning request again

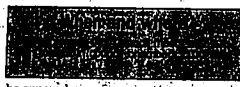
By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - A proposal to rezone land at 100 South and 100 East from rural to residential will receive a second reading at tonight's Jerome City Council meeting.

Keel Corp. of Burley is proposing building a nursing home on the property.

At a Feb. 2 hearing, the council heard criticism from Dr. Ron Hendrickson, a dentist who lives at 56 E. 100 S. Hendrickson expressed concern about increased traffic in the area and requested the council rezone only the land used for the home, not the entire area.

Mayor Dennis Moore said in order for the center to receive city services it must



be annexed.

In another business:

John Carlson, a professor at the University of Idaho, will present results of a community survey on Jerome's future.

The university's social survey research unit surveyed Jerome residents; 372 eligible households out of 800 responded, addressing perceptions about growth, recreation and city services.

A public hearing will be held to add \$70,723 to the 1998-99 budget. The money

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Young leader: Minico young attends national conference

By Lorraine Caveron
Times-News writer

RUPERT - As military secretary for a day, Lisa Linard was worried the United States would have to attack Pakistan.

Her role at The National Young Leaders Conference in Washington, D.C., was a learning experience in hypothetical situations.

As one of 350 young leaders chosen, Linard helped decide what to do if China sided with Pakistan in a war against India.

"We decided to go with India because India has a larger democracy," Linard said.

The students were divided into groups of 22 and asked to play roles in many political situations. They debated issues such as tobacco reform, physician-assisted suicide, and foreign policy.

"It made me want to learn more about people and their different viewpoints and opinions," she said.

Linard was the only student from Idaho who attended during the week she attended, from Jan. 26 to Jan. 31. Students

from all 50 states were there.

"It was a culture shock," she said. "But it impressed upon you the importance of getting involved in your country."

Linard is involved in the academic debate team at Minico High School. She is also a member of the French Club and National Honor Society. Last year she was a member of the yearbook staff.

Her mother, Diane Linard, said Lisa Linard needs no encouragement to do her homework.

"She has been pretty much on her own from the beginning," Diane Linard said.

Her father, Rick Linard, agreed.

"She is pretty independent and self-driven," he said.

Diane Linard was impressed with how much her daughter learned in one week.

"She learned more about American government there than she will probably learn in a whole trimester," she said.

"(The conference) is geared for top young leaders," said Michael Linsard, executive director for the conference. "Students who attend are already leaders. The conference, we hope, motivates them to do more."

A mini-Boston Tea Party, an anti-breaching resolution

The Times-News

BOISE - It's not often the president pro tem of the Idaho Senate pulls his own bill, but Monday, Sen. Jerry Twigg did just that.

He co-sponsored a measure that would have allowed school districts to raise levy rates - without elections - to pay for immediate health and safety needs. The idea, which could give districts the power to raise property taxes without a vote, was drafted in response to a lawsuit filed by several districts that found the state liable for safety in public schools.

Conservatives from around the state cried out when the bill was introduced; it even elicited a small-scale recreation of the Boston Tea Party - Idahoans for Tax Reform sent a tea bag to each of the state's 35 senators.

But opponents shouldn't celebrate victory yet, the measure is simply going to be reintroduced into the House Revenue and Taxation Committee, Twigg said. The Legislature's rules say any bill that increases revenues through taxes must go through that committee first.

Just say no to dam breaching - A trio of Lewiston lawmakers introduced a resolution Monday that would declare the Legislature's opposition to breaching the four lower Snake River dams to save the salmon runs.

The measure, which was opposed vocally in its preliminary hearing only by Rep. Kenneth Robinson, D-Boise, would state the lawmakers are against breaching and



Legislature Extras

attempt to require the federal government to get permission from the Legislature before introducing or reintroducing any animal species to Idaho.

The bill comes after the wolf recovery program and controversial plans to bring back grizzly bears. Some questions remain whether the state can require Washington, D.C., to do this, but if the measure passes, it could support an Idaho lawsuit against the government.

Online legals - Idahoans may soon be able to peruse state and local legal advertisements online.

A bill being pushed by the Allied Daily Newspapers, of which *The Times-News* is a member, would allow newspapers to display the meeting notices, rules changes and proposed ordinances on their web pages. An estimated 1 billion people could have internet access by 2005, supporters say, and the most trafficked community web pages are often those changed regularly by local newspapers.

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

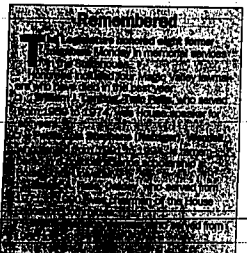
Legislature honors its own

By Gregory Hahn
Times-News writer

BOISE - Rep. Doug Jones remembers the first time he sat in House chambers at the Statehouse.

He was around 10, on a field trip with his grade school class. His good friend's father was William Lanting, whose eight-term tenure under the dome would encompass parts of three decades. The two boys were allowed to sit in folding chairs against the then-curtained back wall of the chamber.

"We sat like church mice," Jones, R-Filer, recalled Monday in a House memorial service for lawmakers who died in the past year. "But I was so impressed with the building and with the chambers and with the process."



Lanting, a former House speaker, died at age 80 in April 1998 in Hollister.

Jones' personal account of Lanting's life was the highlight of a moving service that included music, prayer, some laughter and a couple of lessons for lawmakers.

Lanting was a leader in the state's push

for a primary election system to give the people more control over who leads them. Under his six-year speakership, the

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TF City council to review U.S. 93 alternate route tonight

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The future of Twin Falls transportation and its future are on the agenda of tonight's City Council meeting.

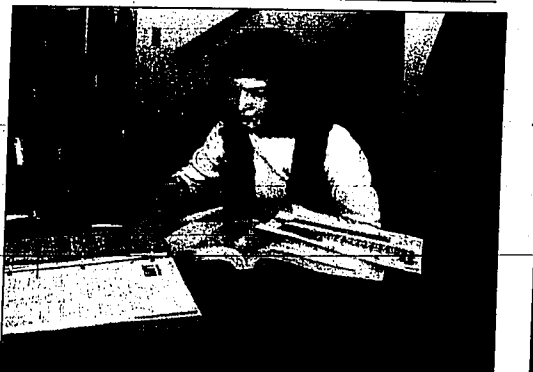
The council will review the two proposed alternate routes for U.S. Highway 93, and it will hear a report from the citizen committee on the city's long-term water supply alternatives. The meeting begins at 5 p.m. at City Hall.

The Idaho Transportation Department has narrowed the proposed U.S. 93 alternate routes to two: A cross-country path between the U.S. Highway 30 junction and Pole Line Road at Grand View Drive,

and a route along 2400 East and Pole Line Road.

In a letter to the City Council, City Engineer Gary Young recommends strong support for the cross-country route because it is an opportunity to build a freeway belt route that will serve the area for a long time to come.

Many Twin Falls residents have been joined by the Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Administration, and the county's Association of Highway Districts in supporting the 2400 East-Pole Line Road plan. That route avoids more farmland and would be more compatible with any future Snake River Canyon crossings than the cross-country route, they say.



Lisa Linard of Rupert works on chemistry homework. She recently attended The National Young Leaders Conference in Washington, D.C.

Giving a gift of life

Minidoka residents donate blood

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

RUPERT — A slight primrose spread over Tom Perry's face as the needle was pushed into his vein.

"OK, just relax," American Red Cross Nurse Darcy Harty said. "This will take about five to ten minutes."

Perry, 78, of Rupert was one of more than 120 other Minidoka residents who donated blood at the Rupert Civic Center Monday, part of the American Red Cross Lewis and Clark Region blood drive.

"It makes me feel good to help people out," Perry said. "I try to give blood when I can."

The American Red Cross Lewis and Clark region serves 150 hospitals in Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Montana and Utah. The annual drive is held in Minidoka and Cassia counties. Mini-Cassia Red Cross Chapter Executive Patricia Blum said.

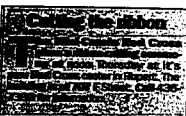
"This year marks the 150th anniversary of life-saving service in the region," she said.

"We have people coming back each year to donate," she said. "Some have donated more than 20 gallons of blood over the years."

Donors have to be at least 17 years old and in good health. They are interviewed by a nurse before giving blood. When they finish, donors are treated to refreshments to help replenish the body's system with



Darcy Harty takes blood from Rupert resident Dave Hansen at the Rupert Civic Center Monday. The American Red Cross Lewis and Clark region celebrates its 150th anniversary this year.



minerals, Hussen said. People are encouraged to give blood, Harty said.

"This is very important for the community," she said. "There's generally not enough blood for emergencies so there is always a

need for donations." The pints of blood will be taken to Boise to be tested. Then they are sent back to Minidoka County Memorial Hospital, Harty said.

"The blood is targeted for the communities we do the drive in," she said. "If the blood is not used, then we send it somewhere it will be used."

The pints will be used, and in most cases they are used in life or death situations, said Shannon Prece, a medical technologist at Minidoka Memorial Hospital.

"People understand how important it is to give blood," Prece said. "Each unit of blood is absolutely life giving to people in a dire situation."

Belva Heinze of Paul has donated more than 92 pints — 11 1/2 gallons — of her blood in the last 30 years.

"I started giving blood because I knew it was needed," Heinze said. "Maybe it was to get away from work for a while too."

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Young Marines look to expand in Mini-Cassia

By Damian D. Rodriguez
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Young Marines, a national organization, is looking for a few good boys and girls to join a chapter in Burley.

"My oldest son, who's 16, got involved in the Young Marines," said Penny Damron, the chapter's executive officer. "He was excited for hours. He got my husband and me involved and now my 10-year-old son has joined."

The local program began in August 1998, and now has 14 boys and girls, 12 from Minidoka County schools and two from Cassia County schools.

"It's wonderful. It will be a positive influence in the community," Damron said.

Commander Bill Rhodes said Young Marines was founded in 1958. Focusing on honesty, courage, respect, loyalty, devotion to God, family and community, Young Marines has grown to more than 150 units throughout the United States, and became an international organization in 1995.

Rhodes, a former Marine who works for the Army National Guard full-time as a supply sergeant in Burley, said the Damron of Rupert approached him about starting a chapter in this area.

Ike Damron, 18, an acting pla-

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toon sergeant and Minico High School student, said Young Marines has given him an insight of military standards and conduct, and has been a big help in school.

Young Marines pledge to maintain a drug-free lifestyle and encourage family and schoolmates to share this commitment.

"Young Marines keeps you out of drugs, and helps you with your homework," he said. "We tutor you if you're having trouble in school."

Ike Damron plans to join the U.S. Marines after graduation in 2001. The organization promotes the U.S. Marines, Rhodes said, and the local unit prepares students who want to join the military.

One advantage to joining Young Marines is advancement. Young Marines can be promoted ahead of Marines.

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Judge fines snowmobilers \$200 each

BOISE (AP) — Two snowmobilers have been convicted of violating a road closure order in the Payette National Forest.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Larry Boyle last week fined 46-year-old Paul Kameron, McCall, and 39-year-old Victor Ludwig, Council, \$200 each.

Forest managers closed the road because extensive logging posed a danger to the public. Evidence at the trial showed both

men rode their snowmobilers on the road and Kameron drove his pickup truck on it.

The court ruled that the men were adequately notified of the closure since the area was clearly marked with signs and the order itself was posted at the forest boundary.

The case was investigated by the National Forest Service with the support of the Adams County Sheriff's Department.

State hesitates to spend federal welfare money

BOISE (AP) — Alarmed by fast-shrinking welfare rolls and cautious about embarking on new programs, Idaho officials have left millions of federal dollars uncommitted for state welfare programs untouched.

And while expending savings some of the money will come as a cushion to finance expanded welfare programs should the economy slow, they remain concerned Congress may alter some of its funds back if they are not used.

But Acting Health and Welfare Director Dave Manning has made it clear to legislative budget writers that the more than \$36 million in federal welfare grant money that is in surplus right now is not available to balance the federal budget. The savings on it are relatively small, Manning said, although the Kenyon administration is being so inattentive as it can to maximize the state's welfare reform.

Idaho's reluctance to tap the grant is in part due to a plunge in

its welfare cases. The number of Idaho families receiving cash assistance fell by more than 80 percent between 1997, when state welfare reform laws took effect, and September 1998. There are fewer than 1,400 cash welfare cases active today, Manning said.

But while that dramatic took pressure off the use of the federal welfare money, state officials are leery about the caseload remaining that low, and they have been less than enthusiastic about launching the state into new welfare programs that state lawmakers would have to pick up if federal grant money is curtailed — one even eliminated — when the current grant program ends in 2003.

The entire situation has rattled some lawmakers, who expected welfare reform to ease pressure on the state budget.

"The fact is we're not going to save any money with welfare reform," state Sen. Stan Hays, R-Boise said. "We're just going to redirect it."

Former judge points to weak response to crime in Utah

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah is clueless when it comes to solving its crime problem, according to two experts in the field.

Former 3rd District Judge Michael L. Hutchings and Gerald W. Smith, director of the University of Utah Criminology Program, say the crime rate is increasing in Utah because the state's criminal justice agencies have been slow in developing a comprehensive

and coordinated plan.

"This is a glaring weakness in the whole fabric of the criminal justice system," Hutchings and Smith wrote in the February edition of the Utah Bar Journal. "No plan with no goals means no focused effort and accordingly, no reductions in crime."

It's like a football team without an offense, they added. "It doesn't matter how good the defense, you can't win the game without an offense."

Jerome

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comes from grants, donations and collections.

Here's a breakdown of the money:

- General fund: economic development grant from Wal-Mart, \$1,000; COPS universal hiring grant - U.S. Department of Justice, \$24,300; program development grant, Idaho Department of Lands, \$1,750; tree planting grant, Idaho Department of Lands, \$1,500.

Library fund: Idaho humanities grant, \$1,700; donation, Arden Council, \$5,000; U S West Foundation grant, \$5,473.

Sewer fund: collection for reserve capacity, \$30,000.

The council has directed the formation of a second urban renewal area on South Lincoln Street from the Jerome Recreation District south to the interstate. The council will review a resolution directing the agency to begin work.

Honor

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Republican Party gained 13 House seats.

Rep. Fannie Lou Hamer was remembered as a "fireball," said House Minority Leader Wenzel Jaquet, D-Kentwood. Though she was always essentially respected and grounded, her death was so messy the pages once named it "more likely to harbor small animals."

Highly served for 20 years, involved largely in transportation and education issues. His legacy lives on, said Rep. Jim Kempton, R-Albion, in 70 grandchildren and 43 great-grandchildren. He was a vocal and effective advocate of less government who pointed to the thick and always thickening Idaho and federal budgets.

Cade, His virtues are best taken to heart by today's lawmakers, Kempton said.

And Rep. Waldo Martens, a World War II veteran who farmed

and ranched in the Magic Valley after retiring from the service, pushed through a law requiring the use of seat belts in Idaho. He also was a quiet, unassuming man with "no desire to have his name in a newspaper," said Rep. John "Bert" Stevenson, R-Rupert. The House honored the men and women with official memorials, and greeted their family members who watched from the gallery above.

"It is these kind of people,"

Jones said, "that we are privileged to follow in these chambers."

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Enforcement brings long-awaited surge in seat belt use

WASHINGTON (AP) — After being stalled for years, the percentage of Americans wearing seat belts increased in 1998 — the same year police organizations started widespread campaigns to enforce seat belt laws.

The national percentage jumped from 62.2 percent to 65.1 percent

around the Memorial Day holiday, and again from 69.6 percent to 70.1 percent around the Thanksgiving holiday, said the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in figures the agency was releasing Tuesday.

Those jumps coincided with week-long crackdowns in which 4,000 law enforcement agencies erected check-

points and ticketed drivers who were not wearing seat belts. They also broke a three-year trend in which national seat belt usage hovered in the 60 percent range.

Government officials and seat belt advocates plan to use the evidence to encourage more states to pass primary seat belt laws.

Under such laws, which have already been adopted in 14 states and the District of Columbia, police can pull over drivers for not wearing their seat belt.

Under more widespread secondary laws, police can ticket drivers for not wearing a seat belt only if they have been pulled over for another reason.

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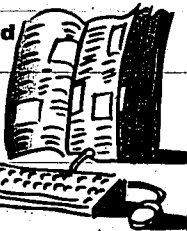
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News on-line: It's just as good

Among Internet users, on-line news appears to rank as credible as news from other sources. In a recent survey, 80 percent of World Wide Web users said they trusted the accuracy of on-line news.



Categories of news being accessed

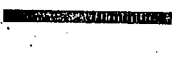
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Pager 950: New product that performs with panache

By Gareth Branwyn Special to The Baltimore Sun

Two-way pagers are nothing new, but they've had a few problems. The pagers are too expensive, too large and cumbersome. Their keyboards are hard to use, battery life is too short and the service fees for messages have been high. But Research In Motion's Interactive Pager 950 addresses many of these issues with panache.

First, it's small (3.5 inches by 2.5 inches by .93 inches) and lightweight at 4.9 ounces. Where other two-way pagers use a clamshell design that opens to reveal a screen and keyboard, the Pager 950 looks like a conventional pager with a teeny QWERTY keyboard on the front. It may look impossible to do any real typing on this pager, but I was amazed at how fast I could type after only a few minutes of practice.

Your interface on the backlit LCD screen is as well-designed as the keyboard. I figured out all the major functions without cracking open the manual (always a good sign). And where other two-way pagers get a week or less out of a battery, the Pager 950 can run up to 500 hours on one AA cell.

The Pager 950 allows you to send and receive conventional e-mail and two-way pages, send faxes, and even transmit text-to-voice messages.

For text-to-voice messaging, you compose your message in the usual way, send it to the phone number of the person you wish to reach and a synthesized voice (that typical robot with the slightly Scandinavian accent) reads your message to the recipient. The unit will store more than 500 names and contact numbers. One problem this impressive

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device has been able to address is the high price of two-way paging. The unit costs \$359 if you buy it outright, plus the monthly service fees which start at \$29.95. You can also rent the pager for six months, starting at \$25.95 per month. A dizzying array of options (including leasing) are available. Information: www.rim.net or (519) 888-7465.

If you're one of those road warriors who tries to read and (heavens forbid) enter data on your PalmPilot while cruising down the highway, you'll find the UniMount system is heaven-sent. These PalmPilot holders come in a variety of configurations. A windshield mount (\$69.95) uses suction cups to attach to the windshield between the driver and passenger seats. A floating stylius above the mount lets you access contact entries and other data without having to use the normal pen stylus.

A more expensive (and permanent) pedestal mount (\$119.95) attaches to the floorboard and includes a companion cell phone bay.

For temporary mounting of a PalmPilot, say in a rental car, there's a vent-mounted holder (\$54.95). The UniMount system is compatible with all PalmPilot models and the IBM WorkPad. Revolve Design sells a PalmPilot mount for your golf cart steering wheel, but if you can't part with your Pilot long enough to hit the links, you don't need a UniMount, you need quality time with a good therapist.

Information: www.revolvedesign.com or (800) 580-2210.

Women's online numbers climb

The days of Net stereotypes are gone

By Elizabeth Corcoran The Washington Post

Conjure up a picture of the "typical Internet user," and what do you see? Probably a slightly disheveled guy, with a programmer's paunch and glasses, munching on pizza as he leans over his keyboard? Try again. This year for the first time, the number of women

using online services is likely to match the number of men online, a new survey predicts. The number of women online "has really surged in the past year alone," said Frank Gens, a senior vice president at International Data Group, a market research firm in Framingham, Mass.

Just four years ago, "it was pretty much a male Internet," Gens said. But by late 1997, about 43 percent of the people online were women, according to a test drive. That number jumped to 48 percent by the end of last year and will probably

exceed 50 percent in 1999, she has concluded.

Already, more than half of America Online's members are women. "Our membership is 51 percent women, 49 percent male, mirroring the population," said Pam McGraw, a spokeswoman for AOL. There's no question that the technology for getting online and finding information has improved dramatically since 1994 and the early days of the World Wide Web. And there's far more to do online once you get there.

"As the Internet moves from being a curiosity to a tool that you can use to save time, it becomes more appealing, particularly to women who are stretched for time as they balance work and home," Gens said.

According to Gens, women spend less time per week online than do men: about 7.5 hours a week, compared with nine hours for their male counterparts. "Women aren't into just surfing the news away," Gens said. Instead, they tend to go onto the Internet with a specific goal in mind, get it done and get off.

Take free software on a rigid test drive

By John M. Moran The Hartford Courant

NECS, a small Israeli software company, faced a fundamental barrier in distributing its products: money.

Every step of the process was expensive — from creating disks to packaging and distributing the product to retailers, to promoting the software to consumers.

"It sounded like a very big deal and a complicated task to actually put the software in the market," said Ariel Kloitz, an NECS vice president.

So NECS decided on a different approach. It would simply give away demonstration copies of its products over the Internet in a strategy known as "shareware."

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Within weeks, tens of thousands of potential customers around the world were downloading NECS' software program — CWebmail and Mailplus Express — for a test drive. Many went on to buy the software.

For the uninitiated, shareware is a loose kind of honor system for distributing software programs to potential customers.

In essence, software programmers give away copies of their programs. Users, who typically download the software from the Internet, are asked to send in payment for the software if they continued to use it after a brief

trial period. In short, shareware isn't so much a kind of software as it is a distribution method. For programmers, shareware offers a fast, easy and inexpensive way to reach those prospective customers.

For customers, it's a nearly effortless way to try a software program before committing to a purchase.

In a world where commercial software often costs \$50 to \$100 and more, interest in shareware is booming.

"Because of the Internet, the use of shareware has absolutely exploded," said Preston Gralla, executive editor of the ZDNet Software Library, one of the Internet's leading share-

ware archives. The loose, decentralized nature of the system makes statistics on the shareware phenomenon hard to come by.

But the number of downloads from some of the Net's leading shareware archives gives some indication of the level of activity.

The ZDNet Software Library, for example, boasts about 34,000 different programs in its archives, up from fewer than 10,000 programs when the library opened on the Internet in 1996.

Perhaps the most amazing thing about the shareware phenomenon is the staggering variety of programs that it has spawned. By now, someone has written a shareware program on virtually every subject imaginable.

Format these photos properly for the Net

By Lou Dolinar Newsday

Q: We are having trouble sending a picture to my daughter in Boston on the Internet. We scanned the photo using Adobe Photodeluxe 1.0 and followed all directions but got nowhere. Could you give us some information on getting it on the Internet?

A: Have you saved it in the correct format? Photodeluxe lets you save files in "gif" format, but your daughter should be able to read it if she's using the Internet.

Readers: We've collected a fair number of additional suggestions from readers on the troublesome subject of how to print out Web pages.

Don Wade of New York City reminds us that Word97 allows you to read HTML files from the Web, then save them as text files.

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which strips out all the formatting.

"Since I already have Word, this is cheaper than paying for a shareware program," he writes. Evert Volkiers, who works in the reference department at the State University of New York at Stony Brook's libraries, also points out that you can use Print Preview in Netscape Communicator to good effect, since it shows you exactly what the finished product will look like.

For particularly nasty situations, Steve Martz of Ronkonkoma, N.Y., recommends Capture2e97 @ www.screencapture.com/cap97.htm, which will grab pretty much anything onscreen and turn it into a printable graphic format.

Julian Lennon single goes online

Newsbyte

Julian Lennon has released a free single from his upcoming album "Photograph Smile" on the Internet. The single, "Day After Day," will be available online as a free

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Students must achieve a set grade point while carrying a specified number of credit hours to be included in the list. The requirements vary among the different academic colleges.

Students on the UI Dean List from the south central region of Idaho are:

BURLY: Agriculture: Henry Hauger, Roger Wells and Steven Wells. Art and Architecture: Michael Wonenberg, Business and Economics: Sean Brown, Ryan Eckert and Monica Wilson. Forestry, Wildlife and Range Sciences: Russell Clark. General Studies: Jenah Thornborrow. Law: Vicky Elkin and Randall Probasco. Letters and Science: Kathleen Crismon and Vicky Elkin.

BURLEY: Business and Economics: Genefer Brice. Education: Deena Hatfield and Jennifer Stroud. Law: Brett Antkowiak and Paul Winward.

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RUPERT: Agriculture: Trent Ball and Casey Kolko. Business and Economics: Starr Fowler. Education: Jay Wayment. Letters and Science: Troy Preuit.

SHOSHONE: Art and Architecture: Julie Pendleton. Education: Jacob Uhrig. Forestry, Wildlife and Range Sciences: Jacob Uhrig. Letters and Science: Aileen Standlee.

TWIN FALLS: Agriculture: Kimberly Gladfelter, Yvonna Leaphart, Jessal Loughmiller, Elizabeth Quesnell, Nicole Strand, Jaime Tucker, Brian Winn and Stacie Woodall. Art and Architecture: Joshua Glavin and Lori Whitney. Business and Economics: Stacy Gurnand, Russell Loughmiller, Maryanna Potthoff and Sara Thompson. Education: Heidi Ainsworth, Lacie Astorina, Jandon Ainsworth, Karl Higbee, Shane Horner and Robert Williamson. Engineering: Rick Carpenter, Andrew Cluff, Jason Hansen, Joshua Larsen and Nicklas Raiger. Forestry, Wildlife and Range Sciences: Rebecca Dodds, Joe Edgington, Matthew Fletcher and Amanda Richardson. General Studies: Hannah Mickelson. Law: Benjamin Cluff. Letters and Science: Lacie Astorina, Kestee Brumbach, Stacia Carr, Matthew Crumrine, Gary Engel, Adam Fish, Jason Fuehrer, Katherine Hadley, Kari Higgins, Yvonna Leaphart, Mercedes Oshieski, Blake Pedersen and Britney Sojka. Mines and Earth Resources: Justin Stephenson.

WENDELL: Education: Katherine Walsh. Engineering: Chad Corbe.

WILDER: Agriculture: Casey Garrett. Business and Economics: Justin Cegnar. Engineering: Brandon Vin Slyke. General Studies: Nicolas Mer. Letters and Science: Justin Cegnar and Dana Marston.

By Barbara Nelwert
Times-News correspondent

HONOR SOCIETY

HAILEY - Who would have thought giving up just one cup of coffee could bring joy to a group of senior citizens? That's precisely what the 34 students of Wood River High School's National Honor Society (NHS) did. And they say it makes a difference.

Students in the society pooled the money they would have spent downtown at Jawn. Enough money was collected to buy a VCR for the residents of Blaine Manor.

For many years the Wood River chapter of the NHS had gone about its business quietly and unassuming. But this year, however, under his leadership this year, there has been a lot of change. It is a positive change that aims to make NHS students more visible in both their school and community.

"When I was a freshman, I didn't hear anything about honor society, so I didn't think WRHS had one," said junior Lucy Glazer. "Now I love the organization. We're doing things in the community and helping out a lot. We're doing a lot, but we could probably do more."

Tired of seeing media attention solely on kids in trouble, Boll said he wants to reflect and promote what's good about Wood River High School.

"These kids don't get a lot of attention, but they deserve it," Boll said. "They represent a microcosm of what our school is... a cross section of our campus with interests in Band, Debate, and other non-traditional sports such as skiing and hockey."

To support plans for the year, NHS has held fundraisers. With the proceeds, the group plans to adopt a child in a foreign country to aid his well being. And with the help of Sturtevant's ski shop, this past December NHS members decorated a Christmas tree which was auctioned during the Festival of Trees.

NHS members also given their time by helping the Child Find screenings identify young children for hearing, sight and speech disabilities. During parent/teacher conferences, NHS members act as hosts and hostesses for parents. They also provide tutoring during



Julia Harakay, Holly Nelson and Megan Grimes gather for a National Honor Society meeting at Wood River High School.

Upcoming events

- An informal dance to celebrate the end of the second trimester is set for March 5. Proceeds will go to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.
- NHS members will begin Openation Program with Blaine Manor residents. Students will devote one hour each week to have a one-on-one partnership with a senior citizen at Blaine Manor. Students and residents can exchange stories, read, play games or puzzles, or write letters.
- The process to invite new inductees to NHS leadership, character and achievements, and community activities. All sophomores, juniors and seniors who have a cumulative GPA of at least a 3.5 are invited to apply with the recommendation of two teachers.

finals week for students who seem to be struggling with workloads or upcoming tests.

The NHS recognizes students who reflect outstanding accomplishments in the areas of extra curricular activities,

This year's NHS members include: Claire Askew, Ben Brower, James Cordes, Allyson Decarufol, Shauna Dittmer, Fallon Flinn, Lucy Glazer, Garrett Goldberg, Megan Grimes, Kristen Hanggi, Kari Haugen, Julia Harakay, Bryson Hollenbeck, Claire Holley, Emily Johnson, Sarah King, Sarah Lowe, Sarah McCarthy, Louise Nagashima, Holly Nelson, Justin Nelson, Paul Neville, Katie O'Farrell, Jodi Parks, Erin Resko, Debbie Rubel, Katie Sanders, Andrew Schiers, Sonaji Shivdasani, Matt Stevenson, Rebe Thomas Crystal Ward, Brock Weber and Caleb Wright.

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



Nick Cozanos, left, received the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce Volunteer of the Year Award from Norma Ryburn, past president. Cozanos has been active in the community since 1972. He has served as executive director of the chamber and organized volunteers for projects including staffing the visitor's center.

Mother of the Year winner will be announced at BSU

CALDWELL - The 1999 American Mothers, Inc. Mother of the Year selection will be announced at 7 p.m. on March 4, 1999, at the Jordan C. Ballroom of the student union building on the campus of Boise State University. Linda Eyre author of "Teaching Children Values" and other books relating to child rearing and developer of a pre-school program (Joy School) will be the keynote speaker. Contest winners will be named in the music and literature fields also. A luncheon will be served. Cost is \$10. Visitor parking passes can be purchased from Boise State University Security/Safety Office for \$4.

American Mothers, Inc. is an organization which began 64 years ago with the purpose of strengthening the moral and spiritual foundation of the family and home. Each state selects a Mother of the Year and a Mother of Young Children who represent each state at a yearly convention. This year's convention will be hosted by the state of Hawaii with a theme of



Joy Weller Miller

"Cherish the Hands that Nurture the Child."

This year's Joy Weller Miller from McCall, Idaho, is serving as Mother of the Year 1998 and Cyndi Wallace Mother of Young Children 1998 of Idaho Falls. These two women have helped to promote the purpose of the organization. All are invited to attend. Please make reservations by Feb. 25, also for information regarding joining the American Mothers. Call Joan Spencer, at (208) 459-2336 or Porcia Loozier at (208) 653-3312.

MV students receive a different kind of education

By Rachel Denny
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - Students all over the Magic Valley are receiving a different kind of education due to the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, the Magic Valley Fly Fishers and several public school districts.

The program - Trout in the classroom - first arrived in the Magic Valley in 1996. It has grown over the years to encompass seven schools.

Every year in February, partially developed trout eggs are placed in aquariums, which have water-chilling units, where students watch the eggs develop into fully grown trout.

Each refrigeration unit costs \$550. The Magic Valley Fly Fishers purchased them for the schools.

Ben Collins, Magic Valley Fly Fishers member, said that he first came up with the idea four years ago when he ran across a woman in California with a similar project.

She started the program to encompass several different disciplines, which convinced Collins it could be beneficial.

"If I could see how the program would be valuable," he said, "she would be able to see it."

"She gave it so the students could write it, do chemical experiments and calculations. They

get to watch and actually see how the fish form; there's biology right in front of your eyes. As the fish grow, they watch them put on weight, some of them die and they got to have a discussion as to why."

Teachers are free to develop the program any way they would like, and Fish and Game biologists are there to provide any instruction the teachers might want.

"Fish and Game personnel emphasizes fish life history, developmental biology, conservation and ecology, the role of fish hatcheries, as well as the role and value of adequate habitat for maintaining a population of wild trout," Fish and Game biologist Chuck Warren said.

Warren's overall goal is helping students understand how the natural world works in terms of aquatic life.

"What do they need to exist in our waters here, what sort of habitat do they need to exist here?" he said. "That's what I'm hoping they'll come out of the program with. I hope they understand where hatcheries can be beneficial. Sometimes the habitat just isn't there for the early life stages of the trout."

Overall, teachers like the program and believe it is beneficial.

"We do math and science," said Emily Nelson, gifted and talented teacher at Central Elementary School in Jerome.

"The kids really enjoy checking on the fish and watching them grow and develop. It's more hands-on. I'm lucky that it's such a small group that we can do things others can't do."

Warren agrees with Nelson.

"They always seem to be really interested in the program," he said. "I would say they do react well to it because when I come in and start talking to them about these things they usually seem to be very interested."

After the fish have grown, the kids release them and have a farewell party. The program completes the cycle in kids' minds about the life of a trout, Collins said.

"Taking it from the very beginning, raising the eggs, watching them develop and then going out and catching one completes the whole cycle," he said. "It's one thing we do espouse in our fly-fishing club. We believe in conservation through education. It's more than just fly fishing. There's more to fishing than just fish."



From left, Jodi Crozier and Hilary Warren at Central Elementary School in Jerome listen to Idaho Department of Fish and Game biologist Chuck Warren describe the growth process of the trout.

Group protests fat-bashing ads used by popular fitness chain

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — More than 100 overweight people chartered "Fat Army" vans and performed aerobic on the sidewalk in front of a health club to protest a new ad campaign they say stigmatizes fat people.

The "fat advocates" banded together to protest a 24 Hour Fitness billboard campaign that depicts a hungry space alien reading "When they come, they will eat the fat ones first."

"I may be fat, but I'm fit, I'm happy, I'm sexual, I'm all of those things. How dare an ad man decide for society that I'm not allowed to be something," Ms. Bridges said.



Jody Sol, of Oakland, Calif., protests in front of a 24 Hour Fitness gym Monday in San Francisco. Sol, wearing top sign is in reference to a new ad campaign by the fitness club, alerting people that when aliens come they eat the fat ones first.

Ship parts may be towed out, sunk

COOS BAY, Ore. (AP) — Crews took another shot Monday at igniting the oil left on a 500-gallon tanker ship. Officials said they were confident they could burn off 90 percent of the oil.

found so far and oyster harvests ordered halted. Shellfish samples were being analyzed for contamination.

JEROME

Ronald M. Merkle
Ronald M. Merkle, 62, of Jerome, died Sunday, Feb. 14, 1999, at his home following an extended illness.

Rupert
Rupert was born Oct. 31, 1906, at Logan, Utah. The son of Max C. and Gwen Reeder Merkle. Ron was reared and educated in Twin Falls, graduating from Twin Falls High School in 1924.

Survivors include his wife, Alice, of Jerome, children, Grand (Drew) Spaulding of Victorburg, Mississipi; Harvey (Debbie) Taylor, Cheryl Surgeson of Morrow of Gooding, Idaho; Shelden Taylor all of Jerome, Les Taylor of Salt Lake City, Kelly (Kerr) Taylor of Pictou, Idaho; and Gwen Merkle of Gooding, a nurse. Max (Don) Morrow of Gooding, and three granddaughters, Dawn Morrow of Portland, and several grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father.

Funeral services for Ronald M. Merkle were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18, 1999, at the Light House Assembly of God Church, 29 East Broadway. Rev. Jerome by Pastor Craig Werner. Borial will follow at the Jerome Cemetery. Burial will be in the Jerome Cemetery. Family suggest memorials to Idaho Home Help and Hospice. Funeral services will be conducted at the Hansen Mortuary Chapel in Jerome.

BURLEY

Wallace L. Banner
Wallace Lavell Banner, 69, of Burley, passed away Sunday, February 12, 1999, at the Park View Care Center in Burley. He was born December 12, 1930, in Burley, to Samuel and Harnet O'Neil. Banner had a young son, and he developed the habit of a mature, dependable worker. Spending long, hard days driving a farm and working his family, he never let his hand stop him down. He loved playing basketball and was a member of the team. He excelled in football as well as scholastically, earning a scholarship to Idaho State College. He was married to Annella Swett, June 25, 1931, in the Fall Lake Temple. They were blessed with two daughters, Lois and Lorna.

Wallace was a successful farmer, a fine welder, a good driver, and operated the Banner Rubor Car Wash. He was active in the LDS Church and served as a stake president. He was a member of the bishopric and high council. He was a member of the Pioneer and the temple attendance. Community service was always prominent for him, and he enjoyed serving in many capacities. He served on the board of directors for View Water Development Co., Fairall Nursery and Landscaping, Cooperative Utilities Association, Cassia County Zoning Commission and View School District. He was a member of the Elks Lodge and the Power Co. for 27 years, 17 as the president. He was honored as a Citizen of the Year in 1981. He was a member of the Pioneer and the temple attendance. Community service was always prominent for him, and he enjoyed serving in many capacities. He served on the board of directors for View Water Development Co., Fairall Nursery and Landscaping, Cooperative Utilities Association, Cassia County Zoning Commission and View School District. He was a member of the Elks Lodge and the Power Co. for 27 years, 17 as the president.

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Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday, February 18, 1999, at the Park View Care Center. Burial will follow at the Elks Cemetery. Friends may call at the Hansen Mortuary and Chapel, 29 East Broadway, Burley, Idaho, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1999.

FALS AND LORNA

Fals and Lorna (Frank) Gillette of Co. 11, graduated 44 great-grandchildren, and three great-granddaughters, live sisters, Verla Wrigley of Burley, Sylvia Doggett of Boise, Lavone Gooch of Boise, and four brothers: Leroy, Truman and John, and one granddaughter, Connie.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, February 18, 1999, at 11 a.m. at the View LDS Ward Chapel at 850 S. 400 E. Burley. Bishop Clark Harmon officiating. Borial will follow at the Pleasant Hill Cemetery. Friends may call Wednesday evening, February 17, 1999, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the View LDS Chapel, located at 176 West 600 South. Burial will be in the Hansen Mortuary Chapel, 321 E. Main, and one hour prior to services at the church.

RICHARD H. MEIDINGER

Richard H. Meidinger, 84, died Sunday morning, February 14, 1999, at the Park View Care and Rehabilitation Center in Boise.

He was born February 9, 1915, in Wishek, North Dakota, the son of Ferdinand and Bertha (Jolley) Meidinger. He married Pauline Hejny on November 5, 1939, at Wishek, North Dakota. In December of 1946, Richard moved his family to Rupert, where he was employed at Workman's Pontiac until his retirement in 1977.

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OBITUARIES

The West, the harmony of nature and the cultivation and productivity of the earth. He made his time on earth most precious, courteous and compassionate.

A funeral service in Boise, arranged by Relysa Funeral Chapel, will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 18, 1999, in the Boise LDS Ward Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3200 Cassia St. A memorial gathering will be held Wednesday evening, Feb. 17, 1999, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Relysa Funeral Chapel and on Thursday at the church one hour before the service.

Eleanor Viola Hartley
Eleanor Viola Hartley, 83, of Boise, died Saturday, Feb. 13, 1999, at her home.

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MANTU, UTAH

Ruth Amanda Johnson Peterson
Ruth Amanda Johnson Peterson, 94, passed away on Sunday, Feb. 14, 1999.

She was born March 14, 1904, in Mantu, Utah, to Alma and Margaret Estella Honne Johnson. She married Henry Earl Peterson on October 24, 1925, in Mantu. Temple Ruth graduated from BYU with a teaching certificate. She taught at the Park View Elementary School until 1960. She was very active in the LDS church and served in many capacities, which she executed faithfully. Ruth was an active homemaker and partner with her husband. She loved to read and was an avid reader. She enjoyed friends and family. She loved Mantu and its people.

The Associated Press

Sent to Governor
SB102 (State Affairs) — Restores 30-day limit on emergency declarations requiring a legislative action.

Confirmed by Senate
SB102 (State Affairs) — Restores the state constitution to allow 60 percent of the population to petition for a referendum.

SB103 (State Affairs) — Approves the state constitution to allow 60 percent of the population to petition for a referendum.

SB104 (State Affairs) — Approves the state constitution to allow 60 percent of the population to petition for a referendum.

SB105 (State Affairs) — Expands the scholarship for children of disabled or ill police or fire fighters.

SB106 (State Affairs) — Clarifies contract requirements for mandatory teacher evaluations.

SB107 (State Affairs) — Sets criteria for evaluating teachers.

SB108 (State Affairs) — Sets a minimum percentage for teacher evaluations.

SB109 (State Affairs) — Sets a state Head Start program.

SB110 (State Affairs) — Includes student credit for military and nursing education.

SB111 (State Affairs) — Creates the Pat Boone Promote Scholarship Program.

SB112 (State Affairs) — Repeals review of state charter schools.

SB113 (State Affairs) — Modifies the early teacher retention incentive program.

SB114 (State Affairs) — Clarifies conditions for teacher probation.

SB115 (State Affairs) — Revisions the land use planning law.

SB116 (State Affairs) — Authorizes a liquor license for rehabilitated liquor buildings.

SB117 (State Affairs) — Revises membership of the State Council For Technology in Learning.

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WORLD

Serbia rejects NATO peace force

PARIS — Serbia is willing to make major compromises and grant rival ethnic Albanians broad self-rule, but it adamantly opposes having NATO troops police a Kosovo agreement, the republic's president said Monday.

For the first time since a Kosovo peace conference started Feb. 6, Milan Milutinovic indicated Serbs were willing to give up most of the demands that have stalled the talks — with the exception of NATO peacekeeping troops.

"We don't think that the troops are needed if the agreement is good and acceptable to the majority of people living in Kosovo," Milutinovic told The Associated Press, adding that the Serbs had agreed to a "strong NATO demand" for a peacekeeping force was a "precondition" for any eventual peace deal.

Milutinovic spoke as the Kosovo conference headed toward a fast-approaching deadline, with the United States pressuring the Serbians to make a deal with Kosovo Albanians or prepare to be bombed by NATO forces.

More than 2,000 people have been killed in a year of clashes in Kosovo between ethnic Albanian separatists and Serbian security forces. The province is in southern Serbia, the dominant Yugoslav republic, and 90 percent of its 2 million people are ethnic Albanians.

Milutinovic said any NATO deployment would "badly damage our sovereignty" and that NATO bombing raids in the absence of an agreement would amount to "an aggression and a war crime."



Flames engulf a Kurdish pro-terrorist after he set himself on fire during a demonstration outside the Greek parliament in Athens on Monday, demanding the Greek government offer political asylum to Kurdish rebel leader Abdullah Ocalan. The protester suffered serious burns to the face and hands, while at least one other demonstrator standing nearby suffered minor burns.

The shout in the Assembly led Gerry Adams' call for Protestant politicians to accept his IRA-milited party's democratic credentials "without preconditions."

Following debate that could last until Wednesday in the Assembly, elected in June to serve as the launching pad for Northern Ireland's new government, most of the legislature's 108 members are expected to vote in favor.

The vote is supposed to clear the way for Protestant politician David Trimble and Catholic politician Seamus Mallon to oversee the formation of a 12-member administration drawn from four parties: Trimble's Ulster

Unionists, Mallon's Social Democratic and Labor Party, Sinn Fein and Robinson's Democratic Unionists.

Guatemalan activist case appears in court
GUATEMALA CITY — In the middle of a civil war in which massacres, torture and disappearances were common, one killing came to symbolize for Guatemalans how determined the state was to crush criticism.

Nine years later, three former high-level military officers are going to trial for allegedly ordering the murder of Guatemalan anthropologist and political activist Myrna Mack.

The case says a lot about how the country is dealing with its tormented past after ending a 36-year civil war.

Two years after a peace accord ended the war, Guatemalans are unearthing mass graves, studying declassified CIA documents, compiling testimony both of victims and human rights violators and probing judicial cases many feel were swept under the carpet during the war.

Mack, who worked with a group that had accused the army of human rights violations, was stabbed 27 times by an attacker in broad daylight on the sidewalk outside her downtown office.

Iraq: Nations with U.S. air bases may be targets

The Washington Post

CAIRO, Egypt — Baghdad sided with Iraq over the mounting cost of its seven-week war of attrition with the United States and Britain, accusing them of killing five more people in airstrikes and expanding threats to launch missiles at neighboring countries that support the American and British effort.

The threats came Monday as Western forces launched a fresh round of strikes against Iraqi air defense facilities beneath the no-fly zones established by the United States at the end of the 1991 Persian Gulf War to protect Iraq's Kurdish minority in the north and its Muslim Shiite communities in the south.

Iraqi officials said the attacks killed five and wounded 122, although it was not clear if the deaths were military personnel or civilians. The strikes were the latest in a persistent air effort that began in December when Iraq started targeting and firing on U.S. and British aircraft. Coming at the end of the intense, countrywide bombardment called Operation Desert Fox, the confrontations in the two no-fly zones have allowed U.S. and British forces to slowly whittle down Iraq's air defense and communications systems.

The pilots are operating under expanded rules of engagement that permit them to pick from a range of sites if their planes are shot at or targeted by Iraqi radar.

U.S. and British warplanes to fly over their countries, Iraqi officials Monday added Turkey to the list of potential targets after a diplomatic overture to the Turkish government failed.

Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz traveled to Ankara this weekend hoping the country's new left-leaning Prime Minister, Bulent Ecevit, a critic of U.S. policy toward Iraq, could be persuaded to forbid patrols from leaving Incirlik Air Base.

The visit peeved U.S. officials but ended in a rebuff for the Iraqis. Offering closer diplomatic ties and encouraging Turkey to break a world trade embargo against Iraq, Aziz was instead presented with demands that Iraq comply with U.N. Security Council Resolutions on disarmament.

The visit approved at the end of the Gulf War, and that it stop when Turkey feels has been aid to Iraqi-based Kurdish rebels fighting against the Turkish government. Turkish President Suleyman Demirel refused to meet with Aziz.

After the meeting, Ecevit said Turkish military officials monitor the U.S. patrols to verify the pilots only fly on Iraqi sites if they are threatened by Iraqi air defenses.

"The U.S. and British pilots open fire only to defend themselves," Ecevit said at a news conference after meeting with Aziz.

A few hours later, Iraqi vice president Taha Yassin Ramadan said that the Incirlik base would be added to the list of facilities Iraq plans to target.

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Belfast politicians debate accord

BELFAST, Northern Ireland — Protestants heaped scorn on Sinn Fein leaders during a debate Monday that followed a peace process strained by approaching deadlines and the question of when — if ever — the IRA will disarm.

The Belfast Assembly was discussing plans that would create a joint Protestant-Catholic governing body for Northern Ireland when one speaker, a relative of an Irish Republican Army victim, yelled, "Hand in your guns, you murderers!"

Chinese welcome Year of Rabbit

Recession dampens some celebrations

MACAU (AP) — Red Chinese lanterns festooned European colonial buildings and firecrackers exploded to the beat of loud music Monday as Macau celebrated its last Chinese New Year under Portuguese rule.

While the Chinese majority rang in the Lunar New Year, the Portuguese residents watched the celebrations knowing that most of them would be gone for next year's bash. Macau will be handed over to China on Dec. 20 after 400 years of colonial rule.

China and Chinese communities throughout Asian countries welcomed the Year of the Rabbit, which begins Tuesday. But in some places, celebrations were muted by the economic slowdown hampering the region.

In Taiwan, the lavish New Year dinner that companies traditionally throw for their employees were often cut back. At food giant Taiwan Sugar, company officials said layoffs passed out box lunches, foregoing bonuses.



People scramble to do their last-minute Chinese New Year shopping at a temporary street market in downtown Macau Monday, Macau, which reverts to Chinese rule in December, is celebrating the last Chinese New Year under Portuguese rule.

of firecrackers. An estimated one-third of Macao's nearly one million residents are ethnic Chinese.

City authorities have often attempted to ban fireworks, the cause of an increasing number of fires and injuries each year. But municipal police official Kong aran admitted amid Monday's clamor that in the orders appeared to have failed.

"When we told people not to detonate fireworks on the ground, they would go to the fifth floor of a building," Kong Saran said.

At a makeshift market in Macao, members of the Chinese majority bargained for traditional holiday treats, like sugarcoated lotus seeds, cucumber slices and flowers. But hawkers reported edgy losses as people spent less amid the worst recession in years.

Many are hoping their eventual leaders in Beijing will bring an end to recent problems, including escalating gang violence and shrinking profits at

Mandela's ex-wife ranks highly

The Baltimore Sun

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — Winnie Madikizela Mandela, implicated last year in apartheid-era killings, kidnappings and torture, was named Monday as one of the ruling African National Congress' top 10 candidates for this year's election.

The former wife of President Nelson Mandela was listed ninth among 200 party candidates for the national legislature. Her high ranking provoked speculation here that she could be in line for a Cabinet position in the country's second black majority government.

The new Cabinet will almost certainly be selected by Thabo Mbeki, Mandela's heir apparent, and current deputy, after the general elections expected in May.

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Stop Mom (PG) Elizabeth (PG) Today 7:15-9:45

Private Ryan (R) 12:30-4:15-7:45

She's All That (PG) **My Favorite Martian** (PG) **Payback** (R) Today 12:30-4:00/6:00-9:15

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SPORTS

Dream pairing: Tiger vs. Faldo. White keeps promise to retire

The Associated Press This looks like the kind of match the PGA Tour envisioned when it announced the creation of the Match Play Championship three years ago...

down with good friend Fred Couples should both win their first two matches at La Costa Resort in Carlsbad, Calif.

missing the cut the next day. Woods had a 40 on the front nine, but he was 22-under over his final 63 holes...

MILWAUKEE (AP) - This time, Reggie White put it in writing. The NFL's career sacks leader turned in his retirement letter to Green Bay Packers general manager Ron Wolf on Monday...

that the only factor in his decision was "that I think the Lord wants me to do."

backer George Koonce under the long-term deals they agreed to last Friday.

Faldo, the three-time Masters and British Open champion, will face Woods in the first round of the \$5 million tournament next week...

Woods, the first of three World Golf Championship events. The pairing in the field of the top 64 players in the Official World Golf Ranking is contingent on No. 14 Jumbo Ozaki not playing...

Woods widened his gap over Duval in world ranking by winning the Buick Invitational in San Diego, making eagle on the last hole for a two-hole victory.

White's official retirement letter to Wolf on Monday said he had no regrets about his career...

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Faldo barely hung on to the 65th spot in the rankings released Monday, which were used to select the field.

Woods, meanwhile, solidified his No. 1 ranking by winning the Buick Invitational on Sunday.

David Tom, who took the week off to ski in Italy, will play Stephen Leany of Australia in the first round.

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Mark O'Meara and Davis Love III were tied for No. 3, but O'Meara kept the third seed because he has more points in the current year of the two-year rank system.

Faldo was up four strokes at the turn, but shot 40 on the back nine and wound up ahead by only one stroke, 72-73.

Tom's had a 12-foot birdie putt at the sixth hole that would have given him seventh place, although he missed and finished in a five-way tie for seventh.

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SCORES AND STATS

BASEBALL

Baseball Calendar table listing dates for various leagues and events.

NBA box scores

NBA box scores table listing game results and statistics.

HEAT 95, NOLA 72

Heat 95, NOLA 72 box score table.

ON THE AIR TELEVISION

On the Air Television schedule table.

Los Angeles Times Tennis Rankings

Los Angeles Times Tennis Rankings table.

SKIING

Skiing section with various news items.

FOOTBALL

Football section with various news items.

Knicks 76, Pistons 69

Knicks 76, Pistons 69 box score table.

Surfing tours

Surfing tours table listing tour details.

Women's Top 25

Women's Top 25 ranking table.

Continental Basketball Association Leaders

Continental Basketball Association Leaders table.

PGA TOUR Top Three Finishes

PGA TOUR Top Three Finishes table.

NBA STANDINGS

NBA Standings table for Eastern and Western Conferences.

NBA National Leaders

NBA National Leaders table listing top performers.

NBA Late box score

NBA Late box score table.

Monday's Women's College Basketball

Monday's Women's College Basketball results table.

West Coast Hockey League

West Coast Hockey League standings table.

PGA TOUR Money Leaders

PGA TOUR Money Leaders table.

NBA Team Statistics

NBA Team Statistics table listing team performance metrics.

Continental Basketball Association

Continental Basketball Association statistics table.

Men's Top 25

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HOCKEY

Hockey section with various news items.

TENNIS

Tennis section with various news items.

TRANSACTIONS

Transactions section with various news items.

COMICS

Peanuts

By Charles M. Schulz



Dilbert

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B.C.

By Johnny Hart



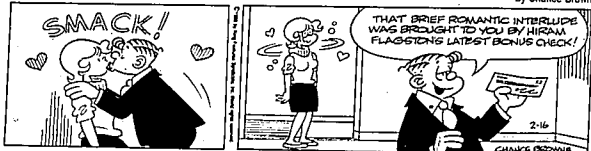
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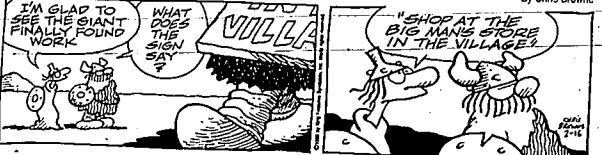
The Wizard of Id

By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



Hagar the Horrible

By Chris Browne



Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Frank and Ernest

By Bob Thaves



The Bomber

By Art Sansom & Chip



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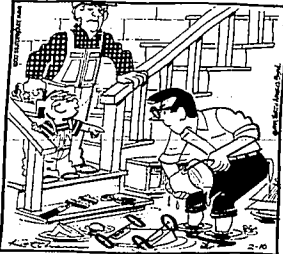
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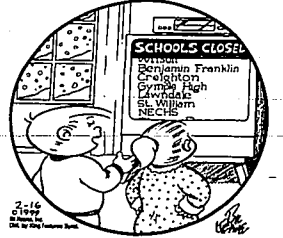
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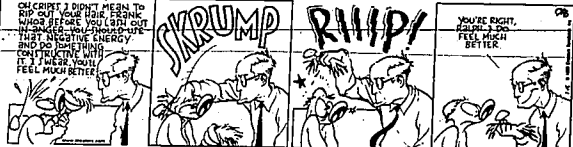


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Liberty Meadows

By Frank Cho



Zita

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Luann

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