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U.S. PLANES AWAIT GO-AHEAD IN EUROPE



Ethnic Albanian refugees from the neighboring Kosovo province wait to register with authorities outside a police station Tuesday in Skopje, Macedonia. The escalating violence in the southern Yugoslav province has caused thousands of ethnic Albanians to flee to Macedonia.

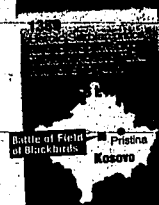
NATO agrees to strike

Congress OKs Clinton request to aid bombing in Yugoslavia

The Associated Press

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — NATO's secretary-general ordered airstrikes against Yugoslavia Tuesday, after President Slobodan Milosevic rebuffed a last-ditch peace offer for Kosovo and revved up his war machine by declaring a state of emergency. In Washington, President Clinton sought — and got — support from Congressional leaders for military action and gave a scathing description of Milosevic's treatment of ethnic Albanians in Kosovo. "If you don't stand up to brutality and the killing of innocent civilians, you invite them to do more," Clinton said.

NATO chief Javier Solana did not say when attacks would start, but more than 400 aircraft from allied nations stood ready to begin bombing within days or hours. Half a dozen U.S. Navy ships were ready to launch cruise missiles.



Battle of Field of Blackbirds, Pristina, Kosovo

"We must stop an authoritarian regime from repressing its people in Europe at the end of the 20th century. We have a moral duty to do so. The responsibility is on our shoulders and we will fulfill it," Solana said in Brussels, Belgium.

Albanians claim they are Kosovo's original inhabitants displaced from ancient Illyrians. Serbs claim they inhabited the land during the Middle Ages.

Citing an "imminent threat of war," Yugoslavia declared a nationwide state of emergency — the first since World War II — and began a massive mobilization of troops and equipment to keep its grip on Kosovo, a southern province where heavily armed government troops have been battling ethnic Albanian separatists for over a year.

Yugoslavia's defense minister, Please see STRIKE, Page A2

Dump critics appeal ruling

The Times-News and The Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — An environmentalists pushed Tuesday to delay opening a national dump for plutonium-contaminated waste, an Idaho senator said he has an assurance that the dump would accept waste from Idaho within eight weeks. The Southwest Research and Information Center in Albuquerque, N.M., asked the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia to bar the government from shipping any material to the Waste Isolation Plant 101 in Plant N ew Mexico d u m p w h i c h would take waste now stored in Idaho and other states.

The petition came less than 24 hours after U.S. District Judge John Garrett Penn dismissed similar requests from the center, this state of New Mexico and three other environmental groups. The state said it would not appeal Penn's decision, and Energy Secretary Bill Richardson, a former New Mexico congressman, quickly announced the first shipments from Los Alamos National Laboratory would leave before dawn Thursday on the 270-mile trip to the \$2 billion plant near Carlsbad.

The Energy Department also moved quickly to assure Idaho's senior senator that WIPP would soon take Idaho waste. Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, said Tuesday that he had received word from the Department of Energy that it would file an eight-week "notice of intent" of its plans to ship waste from the WIPP to New Mexico. "At last WIPP, which should have been open 15 years ago, can begin its role in the cleanup and safe storage of the nation's radioactive waste," Craig said. "I am encouraged that DOE has taken this step and look forward to the first barrels moving out of Idaho."

The Energy Department must file 60 days' notice before shipping waste to WIPP. That doesn't leave enough time to meet a key Idaho deadline. The Energy Department faces an April 10 deadline to begin moving plutonium-contaminated waste out of the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Please see DUMP, Page A2

Officer resigns, faces charges

Minidoka County files misdemeanor after fatal car accident

By John T. Huddy Times-News writer
RUPERT — Deciding it was better both for himself and for the Idaho State Police, Steven Rodriguez has resigned as a police officer. His resignation came Monday, as the Minidoka County prosecutor's office filed a misdemeanor charge of unlawful operation of a motor vehicle against Rodriguez. The charge came in connection with a fatal accident involving Rodriguez.

"I joined the state police to help people," Rodriguez, 30, said from his Rupert home Tuesday, his wife Janae Rodriguez at his side. "This is very troubling. We've done a lot of prayer and soul searching since this happened. I don't know if I ever want to wear a uniform again."

While responding to an emergency call Feb. 20, Rodriguez crashed into a van, killing 76-year-old driver Lily Hobbs of Rupert and seriously injuring her 82-year-old husband, Dale Hobbs.

Rodriguez, who had his lights and sirens on, collided with the Hobbs' vehicle at the intersection of Onida and F streets in Rupert. Rodriguez was going 54 mph at the time of the accident, a Minidoka county sheriff's report said. The Hobbses had the green light. Rodriguez is scheduled to appear in court at 3 p.m. today at the Minidoka Please see OFFICER, Page A2



Steven Rodriguez and his wife Janae play with their 6-month-old daughter Aurora at their home Tuesday.

OPEC nations vote to cut oil production, drive up prices

The Associated Press
VIENNA, Austria — OPEC nations voted Tuesday to cut crude oil production deeply and maintain the reductions for a year, a decision that could further drive up the cost of driving, flying and shipping products in the United States.

However, economists predicted that the U.S. impact will be moderate, allowing corporations to remain profitable and putting only a minor dent in the buying habits of consumers. "The economy is so strong, it's kind of hard to imagine consumers scaling back substantially because gasoline prices are up a

dime," said Dan Seto, an economist with Nikko Securities International Co. OPEC, as had been widely anticipated, voted to cut daily production by 2.1 million barrels. If the decision sticks — and that's always an open question — it would decrease the supply of oil on world markets by about 2.6 percent.

Previous OPEC promises to cut production have often been undermined by many of its 11 member states that have pumped more oil than their individual quotas allowed. However, evidence suggested that this time the oil cartel may show greater discipline. Oil producing nations have

been struggling with budget deficits, depleted coffers and other forms of economic pain inflicted by the lowest oil prices in more than a decade. Desperate to boost revenues, they seem motivated by an exceptional desire to close ranks and honor their curtailed production levels in the hope of nudging prices higher.

NATION

Case for intervention still has critics

Eight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — As President Clinton prepares to send U.S. pilots into Bosnia, many over Yugoslavia, many Americans from Main Street to Capitol Hill wonder if he has made a compelling enough case...

He made his most forceful argument to date Tuesday, saying the United States has a vital national interest in stopping the fighting in the Kosovo region before more innocents are murdered there and before the bloodshed spreads to other parts of Europe...

But critics countered that the military intervention appears motivated more by a humanitarian interest than by the only Americans at risk will be the pilots themselves.

Those who claim that there is a vital national interest in stretching the truth, said Michael Gury Roskin, a political scientist at Lycoming College in Pennsylvania...

Humanitarian interests alone, said Sen. George Voinovich, R-



Alman Michael Allen pulls the safety pins out of the ejection seats as he prepares an F-16 Fighting Falcon for take off Tuesday during flight operations out of Aviano Air Force Base in Italy.

Glinn, are not meant to justify the attacks. "One could argue that if we're there, we should be in Bosnia" or any one of a number of worldwide spots around the globe, she said.

And Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, said the airstrikes are naming NATO from

a defensive alliance into an aggressor.

"I do not think the president has a right to declare war," she said. "Under the War Powers Act, it takes an emergency. This is not an emergency. We are not being attacked. United States troops are not in harm's

way at this point."

Clinton once enjoyed greater trust from Americans, but have faced more difficulty making the case for military intervention since setbacks like the war in Vietnam or the attack on U.S. Marines in Lebanon.

"People are not as likely to believe the president knows best," said Barbara Sinclair, a political scientist at UCLA. "The problem is, there is no obvious definition of the national interest."

Clinton, who appeared at times Tuesday to struggle with his argument for military action, conceded that, "I don't like to use military force, and I do everything I can to avoid it."

But he insisted that air strikes against the Serbs are the only way left to damage their military abilities and force them to stop their war against the ethnic Albanians.

And he argued that it is vital for the United States to maintain a peaceful and prosperous Europe as a good customer for American goods and services.

"If our country is going to be prosperous and secure, we need a Europe that is safe, secure, free, united, a good partner with us for trading," he said.

Kosovo families flee as Serbs seek revenge

Los Angeles Times

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia — Mahije Mala is running out of places to hide, and after seeing a Serbian policeman kill her teenage daughter's throat she knows what may happen if the worst people find her.

Mala, 39, is the wife of a founding commander of the separatist Kosovo Liberation Army. With her village captured in an offensive by Serb forces and houses burned down, she joined an estimated 20,000 refugees streaming to Kosovo's capital, Pristina, over the past several days.

But to flee, Mala and her children first had to get past Serb police who wanted information about her husband, one of the first to take up a gun with legendary KLA fighter Adem Jusufi.

Mala said a policeman put his knife to the throat of 17-year-old Miriana and said "Tell me, who is your father?"

He let her and the rest of the family go, but set their house on fire, Mala said. She headed southeast 15 miles to Pristina thinking it was the safest place for her five children.

Just a few days earlier, she would have been right. But as NATO prepares to bomb military and special police targets in and around Kosovo, its capital can't escape war's vortex any longer.

She was close around 4 p.m. People hurry home to get off the streets before dark. Even behind their own locked doors they are afraid because no one can tell when NATO's bombs might fall, and who might come looking for revenge.

Serbian special police units, armed with assault rifles and patrolling in armored vehicles, have come down hard in Pristina after gunmen killed four policemen at a checkpoint Sunday night.

One of the slain policemen, 25-year-old Aleksandar Kocovic, was buried beside his mother Tuesday with a 12-Kalashnikov salute.

His grave, in the ethnically mixed village of Devet Jugovica just north of Pristina, is near the monument to the battle of Kosovo, fought in 1389, when Ottoman Turks handed the Serbs a humiliating defeat that Serb nationalists pledge will never be repeated.

For three nights now, Mala and her children have tried to get some sleep in a small classroom. They in the wooden benches, because the concrete floor is too cold.

Most of the night, Mala lies awake in the dark, listening for

the next gunshot or a knock on the door. She is terrified that if NATO attacks, Serbs looking for revenge will find her and her children.

Mala agreed to be interviewed on condition that her husband not be identified by name. In any case, she said she hadn't seen him for days before she left Pristina, and doesn't know whether he is dead or alive.

"I'm afraid, very much afraid."

Mala said Tuesday, gently rocking her 5-year-old son in her lap as she began to cry. "Last night, there was shooting everywhere around us. I don't know what was happening. Some boy was killed."

Mala was speaking of Kustrim Gashi, an 18-year-old student, who was shot in the back around 5:30 Monday night while trying to get out of Pristina's Sunny Hill district during a police sweep.

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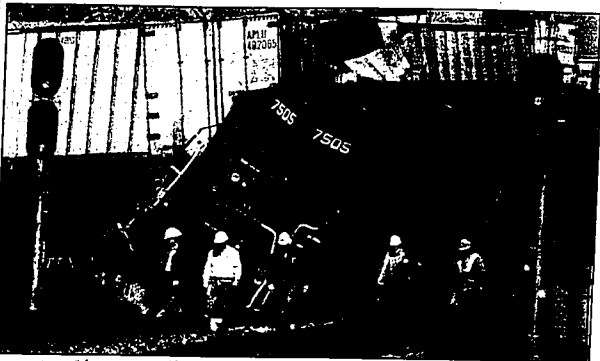
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NATION

TRAINS COLLIDE



Railroad officials walk past the scene of a Tuesday-morning collision between two freight trains in Woodmont, Ill. The crash occurred just miles from the site of an Amtrak passenger train crash that killed 221 last week. About 100 people received minor injuries. The accident involved an eastbound Conrail train loaded with general freight, which collided just after 7 a.m. with a southbound Union Pacific train carrying auto parts.

Families of Matthew Shepard, James Byrd push hate crime bills

WASHINGTON (AP) — The day before one of her son's accused killers goes on trial in Wyoming, the mother of gay student Matthew Shepard lobbied tearfully for passage of federal and state hate-crimes laws, saying they could deter future acts of violence.

Her plea was seconded by a relative of James Byrd Jr., the black man who was chained to the back of a pickup truck last summer and dragged over miles of East Texas roads before he was decapitated.

Judy Shepard and Byrd nephew Daryl Verrett appeared at a Washington news conference organized by the Human Rights Campaign and the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, calling on Congress and state legislatures to enact new statutes against hate crimes.

"There is no guarantee that these laws will stop hate crimes from happening. But they can prevent them," Mrs. Shepard said haltingly, her statement punctuated by sobs.

"They can help change the climate in this country, where some people feel it is okay to target

specific groups of people and get away with it."

Her son, a University of Wyoming freshman, was pistol-whipped, lashed to a fence and left for dead last October. The first of Shepard's two accused killers, Russell Henderson, goes on trial today.

Mrs. Shepard declined to discuss the trial, saying only that she and her husband "want to allow justice to run its course."

In Byrd's case, the first of three white men accused in his slaying, white supremacist John William King, was sentenced last month to death by lethal injection.

Byrd's nephew took issue with Texas Gov. George W. Bush and others who question the need for special hate-crime statutes.

"People, when they commit a crime, have hate in their heart. I think it's hard to distinguish between one degree of hate or another," Bush said Monday.

But Verrett said hate crimes, unlike most of our crimes, are meant to have impact beyond the immediate victim.

"Hate crimes are done to send a message of terror to persons of

different color, religious beliefs, sexual orientations, ethnicity, nationality or sex," Verrett said.

"The message is if you are minority like this individual, you are hated, you are subhuman, you have no right to be on this earth, and if possible, all people like you should be exterminated from this earth."

The savagery of the Shepard and Byrd slayings horrified the nation, giving new impetus to consideration of hate-crimes laws in Washington and state capitals.

Measures pending in Congress would make federal prosecution of hate crimes easier and would expand existing statutes, allowing the Justice Department to prosecute crimes based on a person's sex, sexual orientation or disability.

Now, the statute only covers crimes based on race, color, religion or national origin.

More than 40 states, including Texas, have hate-crimes laws, but only 21 cover sexual orientation.

A bill that would have set guidelines and penalties for hate crimes in Wyoming fell on a 30-30 vote in the state House in January.

Reno vows to look into farm mergers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General Janet Reno agreed Tuesday to increase scrutiny of mergers within the agriculture sector after hearing from more than a dozen farm state senators about the effect of concentration on America's farmers.

Reno met in a closed meeting four more times last year with a bipartisan group of senators. She promised to increase anti-trust scrutiny and recommend legislative changes if necessary, attendees said.

Also, Justice Department antitrust chief Joe Klein will travel to the Midwest next month to hear more about the concentration issue, senators said.

"We're convinced part of the reason we have price collapse is a concentration in agriculture," said Sen. Kent Conrad, D-N.D., and organizer of the meeting.

Both Republican and Democratic farm state lawmakers have expressed concern about increasing mergers within the industry, and the House and Senate have held hearings in recent months.

Until Attorney General Janet Reno this the Department of Justice might be more aggressive in addressing agricultural concentration, or they need

to work with us in Congress to propose and pass legislative remedies that strengthen the anti-trust laws that apply to agriculture," said Sen. Tim Johnson, D-S.D.

Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan., said lawmakers urged Reno to "examine mergers and acquisitions of agricultural companies and whether they are adversely affecting farm prices."

"Her actions are an essential part of achieving an effective response to this problem," said Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota.

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House votes to limit burials at Arlington

WASHINGTON (AP) — Burial at Arlington National Cemetery would be restricted to a select few, including those who die in active military duty, under legislation that passed the House Tuesday.

The measure, an outgrowth of disputes several years ago over waivers granted by the administration, passed 428-2. The bill also won House approval in the last Congress but was not taken up by the Senate.

Under the bill, burial at Arlington would be limited to members of the Armed Forces who die on active duty, military retirees, recipients of the Medal of Honor and other top awards, former prisoners of war and the president and former presidents.

It would eliminate the need for a waiver for a spouse and immediate family to be buried together with an eligible veteran.

The bill would also end presidential waivers, but would allow Congress to grant individual waivers on a case-by-case basis.

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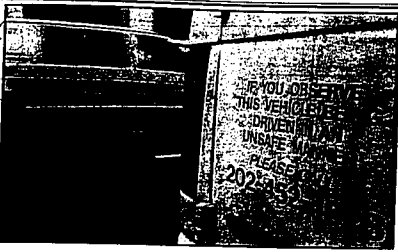
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NATION



Decals that solicit reckless driving complaints, such as this one found on a delivery truck in Washington, D.C., are affixed to hundreds of thousands of vehicles throughout the country.

Truck-safety effort brings mixed reviews

WASHINGTON (AP) — David Reiner nearly rumbled his pickup into a delivery van that braked suddenly on a busy road in Southern California. The van driver glared at Reiner in his rearview mirror, then stomped on his brakes again — and again — and again.

Reiner grabbed his cell phone and dialed the toll-free "How's My Driving?" number on the back of the van.

"This driver — I don't know what I did to make him angry — but he kept slamming his brakes in front of me. It almost seemed like he was trying to get me to rear-end him," Reiner of Arleta, Calif., told a representative of FleetSafe, a Georgia company that fields unsafe driver complaints nationwide.

Now affixed to hundreds of thousands of 18-wheelers and other commercial vehicles rolling across America, decals that solicit reckless driving complaints can result in reprimands and warnings — and sometimes even pink slips for drivers who accumulate complaints.

Some companies answer their own complaint calls from motorists. Others hire firms like FleetSafe or DriverCheck, both in Atlanta, Safety Alert Network in Metairie, La., and DriverAlert in Boca Raton, Fla., to collect the comments and compile incident reports.

About a decade old, "How's My Driving?" decals get mixed reviews.

Some truckers and fleet safety officials think they're a good idea.

"I'm not scared of answering to safety," Dan Hallford, a trucker from Montgomery, Ala., said at an Interstate 70 truck stop in Frederick, Md.

Convinced they make drivers more safety-conscious, some insurance companies offer discounted premiums to fleets whose trucks carry the decals. Fireman's Fund Insurance Co. pays for monitoring 30,000 commercial vehicles operated by companies it insures, says Paul Farrell, loss control manager.

And it pays off, he said: "Fleets that use the program have 20 percent fewer accidents."

Others are skeptical.

"I don't think it makes the roads any safer. You get too many people getting mad at truckers and just calling in," said Wallace Harris of Vernon, Ala.

who has been driving trucks for 30 years. "People will call in and I will have no way to defend myself."

FleetSafe could not disclose what, if anything, happened to the van driver who slammed on his brakes in front of Reiner.

To verify complaints, motorists are quizzed about each incident they report.

FleetSafe's call center asked Reiner: What type of vehicle was it? ("A white van.") Was the weather clear and dry? ("A little cloudy.") Was traffic light or heavy? ("Moderate.") His complaint then was faxed to the delivery company, which would decide whether to discipline the driver.

Still, safety directors at some trucking companies worry the decals give motorists a venue to vent frustration.

Bored motorists with cell phones sometimes call in petty complaints, says Donna Eastman, safety director for LaValle Transportation Inc. of Poughkeepsie, N.Y., which has 50 trucks displaying the company's phone number.

"If a truck passes their car and it's raining and they get their windshield all yucked up, someone will call and say 'Well, he was really speeding,'" Ms. Eastman says. "Sometimes you get somebody who has a grudge against a driver and is just calling to get them in trouble."

— Dan Hallford, trucker

Dialysis patient shoots nurse, self

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — A dialysis patient shot a nurse before killing himself today, apparently angry over being denied something to drink.

The man was undergoing dialysis, a treatment to remove waste products from the blood of patients whose kidneys have failed, when he asked for a drink. The nurse refused — standard procedure during dialysis — and the man began arguing about it. St. Mary's Hospital spokeswoman Paul Tur said.

About an hour after being discharged, the man returned to the nurse's office and shot her before shooting himself in the head, Tur said.

'Sit.' department tells employees

SEATTLE (AP) — The Police Department didn't make the motorist stop after two employees slipped off their rolling desk chairs and fell on the floor.

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EDITORIAL

Larry Craig should get behind bill to kill SNRA access fees

Anyone fed up with paying an access fee to enjoy the Sawtooth National Recreation Area has an ally in California.

Congresswoman Mary Bono, widow of the late entertainer Sonny Bono, has introduced a bill to end the fee faced by Americans on America's national forests. Her proposal seeks to eliminate the Recreational Fee Demonstration Program that began in 1997.

Rep. Helen Chenoweth, R-Idaho, appears likely to take a pro-Bono position, and Rep. Mike Simpson, R-Idaho, has telegraphed his support.

"I have misgivings about requiring people who already pay taxes for public land management to pay an additional fee," Simpson said.

Sen. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, says he'll back Bono's bill if it reaches the Senate. But Idaho's senior senator, Larry Craig, still supports the fee concept.

Craig swings a big bat on natural resource issues, so his support is essential if the SNRA is to become a free-zone.

There is a lot of pent-up anger over fees among many Idahoans. We know plenty of people who resent having to pay Uncle Sam to:

- Picnic near the Sawtooth Mountains.
- Take a short hike east, west or north of Ketchum.
- Wet a fishing line upstream of Stanley.

America's national forests belong to all Americans. Every April 15, we pay Uncle Sam to manage them for us. He can't sell us the same right twice.

Idahoans don't often rally behind congressmen from California, but they should support Bono's bill. We'd like to see Craig join his Idaho colleagues in allowing the public to enjoy using their public lands without opening their wallets yet again.

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More tax dollars at work

If Smokey Bear is so strapped for cash that he has to panhandle visitors, then why are we preparing to give hundreds of thousands of dollars to a Utah public relations firm in a deal gobbled by the wife of the Wasatch-Cache National Forest supervisor?

In January, the PR firm of Harris & Love Inc. had a contract worth up to \$600,000 with officials from the Forest Service's Intermountain-Region office in Ogden, Utah. The idea was to arrange favorable press coverage of the Forest Service during the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City.

The Intermountain Region gang wanted happy stories about the recreational opportunities and swell environmental programs that abound on National Forest lands.

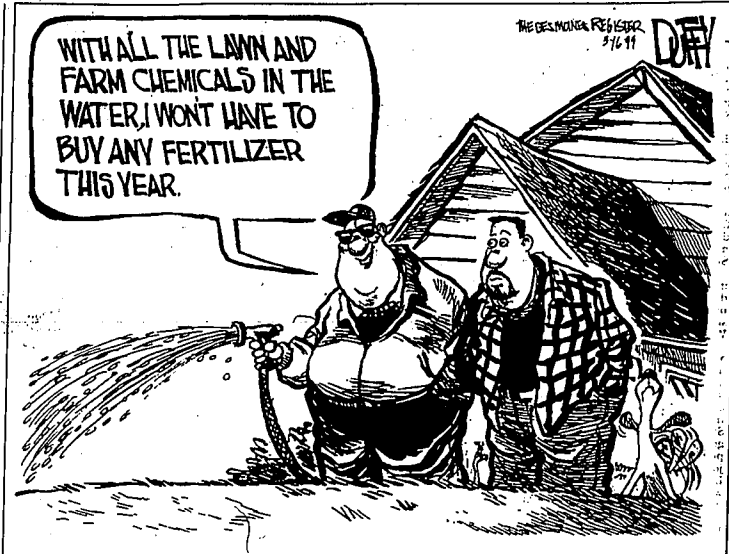
Forest Service officials in Washington blocked the contract, calling it unauthorized, unusual and possibly illegal. In the end, it was just another bad deal that got stopped in time.

We're left to wonder: How many other shady Forest Service deals never got derailed? Maybe the Forest Service's Intermountain Region needs a closer audit than it's been getting.

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Speak out about the city's future

To the citizens of Twin Falls and the surrounding area:

We are excited to have the opportunity to invite you to help us create a vision for the Twin Falls area's future. As part of our strategic plan for 1999, we have identified the need for Twin Falls to assess what's happening to our community as it grows and changes and to set a direction for our city's next century that addresses our concerns and desires for the Twin Falls area.

Twin Falls is a great place to live and work. In fact, we think we live in the finest city in the Intermountain West, but with the pressures associated with growth, things could change. We want to face our challenges and opportunities head-on and be prepared for Twin Falls' next century. It is important for us to effectively and efficiently deal with your concerns as our community grows so that we can add value to our community

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through our public decisions and investments. Bottom line, we want Twin Falls to meet your expectations for the future and maintain the quality of life that we all enjoy. To do this, we need a comprehensive plan which will provide guidance for the future development of Twin Falls. This week, we start to create this vision as we begin to develop the Twin Falls 2nd Century Plan and update the city's comprehensive plan. We want and need you to help us.

You are invited to attend an enjoyable and informative public forum from 5 to 9 p.m. Thursday in Room 276 of the Taylor Building at the College of Southern Idaho.

This is an important forum that will provide you with the opportunity to let us know your desires and concerns about the growth and changes Twin Falls will experience during the next century. This is the first step in a one-month process that will include four forums and three workshops, as well as other opportunities for you to participate in developing the Twin Falls 2nd Century Plan.

A great vision for Twin Falls' future can only be developed and achieved through broad community participation and support.

We encourage everyone to come out to the public forum and have your ideas heard.

The Twin Falls City Council includes Mayor Gale Kleinkopf, Vice Mayor Howard Allen and council members Lance Clow, Art Evans, Tom Mikscall, Elaine Steele and Chris Talkington.

LETTERS

Idaho Power double-crosses Scouts

Way to go Idaho Power. Way to shaft the Boy Scouts. Now while you're on a roll, let's stick it to the widows and the Red Cross. Nice job of trying to shift the blame off on government regulators, too. You probably could have pulled it off if you had a reputation for being trustworthy.

When you really meant to say that you would rather not spend any money to provide an alternative site and you really don't care about the youth of this valley when it means having to face the stockholders.

Like when you spent a fortune persuading people to build all electric lines from homes, then double-crossed them with a higher rate than those with a gas furnace.

Like when you said we would be out of electricity if we didn't let you build the Pioneer coal plant. But what you really meant to say was that there was a glutinous marker outside of Idaho who was eager to pay a premium price for that precious juice, even if it meant ruining the agricultural area of Magic Valley.

The Boy Scouts took you for your word when you proceeded to do their part developing a recreational lake for water activities, building trails, buildings, campsites, shooting ranges, archery ranges, irrigation systems, waste systems. They planted trees, battled weeds and constant vandalism at a cost of thousands of dollars and countless man hours of work. In return, our youth and leaders became better citizens of this great country.

Now the leading fighters against

crime, substance abuse and moral deterioration are suddenly compelled to battle a giant like Idaho Power for a criminally irreproachable training ground at Camp C.T. Roach. All of this is to protect a few rare species that have co-existed nicely with the Boy Scouts for more than 30 years.

There are definitely some endangered species in this great land, the rarest of these being clear-thinking, intelligent, trustworthy human beings. Are there any at the head desks of Idaho Power?

THOMAS L. HUTCHISON
Kimberly

Clinton sells out America

Every citizen of this country should read "Year of the Rat" by Edward Timperlake and Wm. C. Triplett II.

In this book, Clinton and Gore's treason is detailed comprehensively. References are given to support the statements made in the book. It is stated that the Chinese government set up Charlie Trie in Arkansas for the express purpose of promoting Clinton into the governorship and toward the presidency and that Chinese money supplied the impetus, with Chinese intelligence then directing the U.S. government control. The Chinese now have warehouses directed at U.S. cities. The Chinese also have a former naval base in Long Beach, Calif. They have had a spy at Los Alamos (he just got fired!) The Chinese were given secret missile technology!

Clinton has entertained in the White House Chinese know-it-all, General, a drug lord and an operator of a house of prostitution! Pictures of all this are in the book with Clinton standing

right with them! Of course, he can't remember it, I'm sure, or has no recollection.

It's disgusting that the Congress and the Republicans couldn't react on this matter (Nor Starr include it in the impeachment!) But they always let Clinton do his thing (and the people of this country apparently believe all the "polls").

We've been sold out.
XENIA WILLIAMS
Jerome

Hiring shows district's vision

In answer to your Friday editorial titled "Is another administrator the way to help students," the answer is an emphatic no.

That test score Svengali you allude to is no magician with numbers but an eminently qualified educator who has developed just the right formula for creating the proper atmosphere for teachers to teach and students to learn. What is wrong with that?

Put yourself in the place of Superintendent Donitch, a man of vision in his own right. A school district in another state wants to hire the most talented educator to come to Twin Falls "in one God knows when." What is Dr. Terrell Donitch going to do, just let him get away? Of course not, common sense dictates better than that. A position where he can better serve the needs of all teachers and students in the Twin Falls Unified School District is just the right answer.

And we tell you, \$66,000 per annum is a bargain for the taxpayer when you figure how much money this man is going to save more families with college

bound students because their children will ultimately be better equipped to compete for college scholarships.

This is not strictly about test scores; this is about motivation. A student, through constant drilling and preparation that prepares her or she to score high on a test, is more motivated to achieve because they have already seen the positive results of thorough and disciplined preparation.

Dr. Steven H. Smith, in his four years at Harrison Elementary, has made each student from kindergarten to sixth grade responsible for their actions. Each student has had to learn there is a negative consequence for bad behavior and a positive consequence for good behavior. It not only has had a resounding effect on the morale of the students but the teachers and support staff as well.

A simplistic approach - but it works! Oh sure, Dr. Smith has his detractors. I bet some of them even helped to lend credence to your news editorial. But as the old saying goes, "Success breeds contempt."
HAROLD M. PRINGLE
General Manager
Harrison Elementary School
Twin Falls

Parent wants input on dating

Since when do we as parents allow our 12-year-old children to date? I have a 12-year-old daughter who comes home from the seventh grade and asks permission to go on a double date with her "boyfriend," another girl and her boyfriend. She said that they wanted to go to the movies together. Upon my immediate response of a resounding "no,"

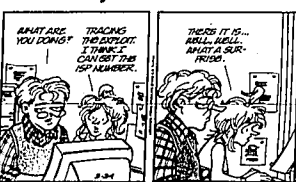
she complained that other kids in her class are doing it all of the time with their parents' permission to do so. I reminded her that until she is 16 and can prove it with a driver's license, she was not going to date in any fashion.

I see no problem of her request as long as there is parental supervision present (sitting in the row directly behind them). However, this has left me wondering, is she just trying to pull one over on ol' dad or are there aliens among us posing as parents really out there giving permission to their 12-year-olds to date? If so, I would like to meet these creatures and get a photo. I would then call the "X-Files" hot line and report them.

Parents must be on the same team and be talking the same language to our kids if we stand any chance of keeping them out of trouble and from harm's way. This issue of dating was not supposed to come up until she was 14 or 15. I did not think that her mother and I would be dealing with this so early. As parents, we have high trust for our daughter and do not feel that she would do anything to compromise her morals. However, we would not intentionally place her in a position that might put her to the test as such an early age. There are enough issues to deal with our teenagers these days to hear with this so early in my class are letting them do it."

I would like to hear from other parents that are experiencing the same problems with their kids in hopes that I'm not alone in the search for these ET parents.
MATT CLAWSON
Twin Falls

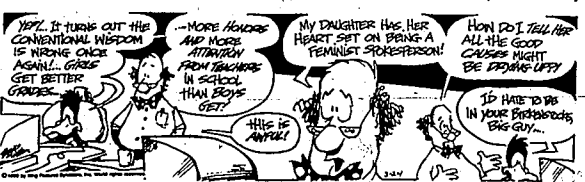
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By Garry Trudeau



Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

OPINION

Clinton is still the life of the party

Forget all that recent unpleasantness. Forget Monica. Forget grand juries. Forget the impeachment furore. Bill Clinton is ready to wipe out the past. His political strategy is clear: Charm the press, turn the page, mock his scandalous past, move on to Kosovo and the next crisis.

Sure, that's a brassy ploy by a disgraced president once on the brink of being heaved out. But it will probably work, given the bang-bang attention span of our high-tech era.

After all, Clinton — supreme artist of survival — has polished a fatalistic attitude about the scandal that rolled the country for 14 months. Hey, nobody's fault. Stuff happens.

His charm offensive moved into blitzkrieg gear the last few days as Clinton held a full-blown press session and performed as star jockeymeister at two glossy Washington dinners.

The speed with which Monica Mania is slipping into a big hole was demonstrated at his news conference. Clinton's first in 11 months. He stonewalled a couple of scandal-related questions. When agless reporter Sarah McClendon asked why he got into such deep trouble, the prez started to do a little joke: "A man says, 'Why me, Lord? I pay my taxes. I go to work every day. Why me?' And a thunders voice says, 'Son, it's your best something about you I don't like.'"

That seems Clinton's newfound philosophy on his scandal pain — he was sandbagged by fate, not mistakes.

Sure, he was quick and knowledgeable in the news conference. (Clinton's the best of any presi-



SANDY GRADY

dent since Jack Kennedy in such forums.) And that night he did a witty standup at the Radio and TV Correspondents dinner, zap-ping them with his hapless Teletubbies.

But Saturday night's Gridiron dinner threatened a tougher test of Clinton's sang-froid. He could have been tempted, like Grover Cleveland, to stiff the dinner.

Hillier Clinton managed to avoid the roast by conveniently traveling in North Africa. No secret the Gridiron roster of 60 print journalists would wallow in the Monica Morsus.

In view of the white-tie crowd of media moguls and political superstars, Clinton chuckled at or tolerated satires on his sex-paades.

Maybe he was fascinated by three hairy-legged reporters in drag dancing as breast-toppers. Monicas while 13 downs tumbled as House managers in a "Trial of the Century." He laughed at columnist Carl Rowan, who is black, as bewigged Linda Tripp. And at a Gridiron tenor portraying lawyer Charles Ruff singing, "See, I'm a Clinton Thing." He grinned at a wooden Al Gore crooning to "Embraceable You," "Impeach Me, So I'll Be Popular Too."

The prez who has launched so many cruise missiles bridled at imitation chiefs of staff doing a takeoff on Bill Hulse's classic "Rock Around the Clock" with bellicose words: "Bomb Iraq,

around the clock tonight." But he cheered as the real Sen. John Glenn leaped on stage in a sereno-suit to gustily sing. "This may sound a little tripe, you don't have stuff that's right."

What's eerie about Clinton is that despite the ferocious scandal, he can operate in front of a dinner mob with witty detachment.

Sure, he had the help of White House gag writers. But he delivered one-liners with deadpan timing.

"It was a year I wouldn't wish on my worst enemy." Pause. "I take that back."

"I still believe in a place called hell."

"After this year, I can't believe all those Republican presidential candidates saying, 'Wow, I'd like a job like that.'"

"I heard the vice president say he invented the Internet. Well, I invented ... George Stephano-poulos."

Clinton said he was writing a book, "Just for the money." He held up a large cardboard takeoff on Monica's cover: "My Story — And I'm Sticking to It."

He drew boffo laughs in the nature of these inebriated, formal dinners. The disconnect was strange — as if the Monica sleaze were 19th-century history.

"It's over," said Sen. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn., once Clinton's eloquent critic. "Move on."

Don't discount Clinton's art of survival. He's a master at turning bitter scandal into an offhand gag. Hey, it was just karma; he was a good ol' boy who ran into bad luck.

Sandy Grady is Washington columnist for the Philadelphia Daily News.

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LETTER

And the awards go to ...

Worst legislation awards: Special interests made history by taking more of your individual rights in the 1999 legislative session.

Fourth worst goes to Rep. Lake and Field for HO-242, an amendment giving food processors a preferred right to pollute. This unconstitutional bill will allow you to enjoy the water, odor, flies, dust and noise because old obsolete "agricultural" processing plants and new substantial "agribusiness" processing plants now have pollution preferences over the rest of us.

Third worst goes to Rep. Jim Kempton and Sen. Judi Danielson for a record number of bills designed to strip counties and municipalities of the power to protect your property rights. Kempton has failed to dupe the legislators so many times that this year Sen. Danielson helped him introduce S-120, S-121, S-117, S-1121, S-1124, et al. Rep. Culliter was on reserve with his old right-to-use HO-296 for slumlords. Fortunately, all but one of these bills failed. It would take an intellect like Robert

MacNamara to conceptualize thismess that someone who agrees as much consideration for human rights.

Second worst goes to the Oceanwide California Times-News. Its pro-animal factory vendetta started well before the legislative session by brutalizing the city of Twin Falls and a Twin Falls city employee who questioned the expediency of industrial hog operations.

Subsequently, they attacked the three Twin Falls County commissioners for turning down Dame's hog factory. To add insult to injury, they loaded up the editorial guns and came out repeatedly against all legislation that was introduced to allow counties and municipalities to control animal factories.

Worst of all goes to a Coalition of the Farm Bureau, Idaho Dairyman's Association and Idaho State Department of Agriculture. This gaggle of highly paid political hacks was successful in filibustering an animal factory control bill to death in the House Ag Affairs Committee. People from all over the state were sent home from Boise without being allowed to

testify. Subsequently, all but a couple of the House Ag Affairs members obediently followed the coalition of political hacks over to the Farm Bureau building for a private half-day behind-closed-doors lecture on how they should vote.

The animal factory control bill failed, along with your personal rights.

Idaho is still ruled by a special interest territorial trust controlled from the Farm Bureau building. What are you going to do about it?
MAX D. HATFIELD
Dallas, Texas

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Governor ponders weapons measure

BOISE - A bill that was written to ban adults from carrying weapons on school property is attracting a lot of attention, as Gov. Dirk Kempthorne decides whether to sign it.

Kempthorne spokesman Mark Snider said the governor's office is hearing a lot from both sides of the issue. Kempthorne has not yet acted on the measure, and it's unclear when he will.

The bill, written by freshman Rep. Randy Hansen, R-Twin Falls, was intended to keep all guns off school property, but National Rifle Association-backed amendments allow students to have weapons in their cars, and concealed weapons permit holders could carry guns on campus.

Twin Falls police officer Jim Furtle, who had the idea behind the bill, has said the changes could actually make schools less safe than they are now.

U S West phone service outage hits Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - As many as 200 phone lines may have been off Tuesday afternoon in a U S West service outage in Twin Falls.

Company spokesman Mike Reynolds said he did not know the cause of the outage, or exactly how many people were affected.

Crews worked on repairing the lines into Tuesday evening, and Reynolds said the company expected to have the problem fixed by the end of the Tuesday's work shift.

Twin Falls centennial committee to meet

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Centennial Committee meets tonight to set tasks for committees planning the city's 100th birthday in 2004.

The group will review the outcome of a strategic-planning session with consultant Mike Pepper and will set specific courses for its committees. Chairman Jeff Gooding said:

The meeting is from 7 to 8:30 p.m. today at the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce, 858 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Board to hear from Bickel, Harrison schools

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls School Board today will continue folding its series of reports by district principals on progress in their schools.

Gordon Armstrong, principal at Bickel Elementary School, and Steven Smith, principal at Harrison Elementary School, are scheduled to address the board.

In other business, the board will bear an update on block scheduling. It's a way of organizing the school day to allow for longer class periods in secondary schools.

The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in the district building, 201 S. W. Call 733-6900 for more information.

Kimberly School Board holds bond issue session

KIMBERLY - Kimberly School Board will hold a study session today to discuss and possibly approve a building proposal to put before voters in a May 18 bond issue election.

The school district wants to raise an eight-story building that houses half of Kimberly High School and build a new gym.

The board also is scheduled to hold a closed executive session to discuss a real-estate acquisition.

The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. in the library at Kimberly Middle School.

Chamber of Commerce plans to hold trade fair

TWIN FALLS - A trade fair planned for this year is a new event for the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.

The chamber's Business After Hours Events is set for 6 p.m. at the Tux Club, 734 Falls Ave.

Twenty-five member companies will display products and services to improve lives and businesses, a chamber newsletter said. Door prizes, a no-host bar and hors d'oeuvres are planned.

Compiled from staff reports

Scientists call for action

Group asks Clinton to act to save Idaho salmon

By N.S. Nickschewitz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Biologically, the best way to recover endangered Idaho salmon is to enlarge the lower Snake River to a free-flowing river, says a group of about 200 scientists.

"The weight of scientific evidence clearly shows that wild Snake River salmon and steelhead runs cannot be recovered under existing river conditions," says a March 22 letter to President Clinton, signed by about 200 scientists.

Politically, it may be impossible to call for breaching the Snake River dams, say the Snake River dams say.

Recovering endangered salmon has raised contentious issues that include southern Idaho irrigation water rights, Nez Perce tribal fishing rights and barge traffic to Lewiston.

Among the options for salmon recovery is a proposal that would divert 1 million acre-feet of water from Idaho irrigation reservoirs in addition to 427,000 acre-feet already being diverted to help endangered salmon past dams on the Snake River.

It is not clear whether breaching the Snake River dams would reduce the federal agencies' thirst for Idaho water. But the groups of scientists say leaving those dams would most likely mean the end of Idaho salmon and steelhead.

"Never before have so many prominent scientists sent such a strong message to political leaders on the need to take drastic action to avert an ongoing wave of extinctions," said Scott Boone of Idaho Rivers United in a prepared statement.

In the letter, the scientists -

most of them fisheries biologists from Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Montana and Alaska - say that recovery efforts are poised to send endangered salmon over the brink of extinction. They urge Clinton to support reopening the Lower Snake River to a free-flowing river.

But scientists can be as political as anyone else, said Pat Barclay, executive director of the Idaho Council on Industry and the Environment.

The National Marine Fisheries Service will choose a long-term

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Enough is Enough

Anti-drug activist gets \$175K for campaigns

The Times-News
and The Associated Press

BOISE - Anti-drug activist Milton Creagh, the star of the "Enough is Enough" campaign since 1997, has been paid \$175,000 for three recent appearances throughout Idaho.

It's a price worth paying, a proponent of the anti-drug campaign said.

"I think it's worth every penny," Burley Mayor Doug Manning said.

Doug Armstrong, general manager of KTVB-TV in Boise, who helped organize Enough is Enough, said the payments to Creagh included \$35,000 for the most recent 13-day crusade - the most expensive yet.

That means the average payment for the previous two years was \$70,000 for fewer appearances.

"I think if he saves one person from having their lives destroyed, it's worth it," Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver said.

Mayor Brent Coles, another Enough is Enough organizer who helped sell the concept to local officials throughout the state, said most area businesses contribute to pay Creagh.

Armstrong said the Atlanta-based Creagh's events during the last three years have included more than 100 seminars involving an estimated 152,000 people. With television and radio coverage, he estimated that as many as 5 million people have heard Creagh's anti-drug message.

This year's effort was capped by a march and Satoshonze rally on Monday that drew about 1,000 people, as well as Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and other state officials. Creagh has heard Creagh's anti-drug message.

Coles said Creagh has not committed to returning either next spring or for a June 22 symposium hosted by the Boise Metro Chamber of Commerce to help small businesses develop policies to become drug free.

The show must go on

'Fiddler' cast gets ready for new opening date

By Shannon D. Rodriguez
Times-News writer

OKALEY - Some cast members might be wearing casts, but the show must go on.

With two more "Fiddler on the Roof" cast members out of the hospital, the Okaley Valley Arts Council is preparing for the show's opening night.

The play was postponed when 11 of its cast members were hospitalized Tuesday. Inquiries in a one-vehicle rollover March 12. Now, it's scheduled to premiere on April 1.

Ken Severe, the play's director, said the cast began rehearsing Monday night and will rehearse again Thursday, minus one cast member.

"Lucas (Handy) is still in the hospital and he was transferred out of the intensive care unit at LDS Hospital in Salt Lake City to a regular patient room. He was listed in serious condition Tuesday, hospital spokesman Jess

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Kids try out international cuisine

Students rate nachos high at food fair

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Kids slurped Luscious and munched stuffed grape leaves like the kind they eat at Cyprus, at a smorgasbord prepared by international students Tuesday.

Students learning English as a second language at I.B. Perrine Elementary School served favorite dishes from their own countries. Cuisine from about 10 nations was represented.

Instructor Sophia Cameron, who helps the students learn English, said she hoped the food fair would teach them to be proud of who they are and where they come from.

Fifth-grader Sandra Hopovac, 11, said she and her mom made what they call Bosnian pie. The hamburger and potato dish is the Bosnian student's favorite - she would've mind cooking it on the school lunch menu.

Hopovac, who has lived in Twin Falls for three years, said nachos chips were among the favorites for foreign snacks she sampled Tuesday.

The nachos along with Chinese fortune cookies were widely popular with students.

Fifth-grader Jessica Dawson, 10, who gave the Chinese rice pie reviews, said she wanted to know how to make some of the dishes.

"I think they should give us the recipes," she said.

Sixth-grader Zachary Marabon, 12, liked the Mexican fare. "The tamales were excellent."

He and his pals sorted off a box of American food they would serve to represent their heritage. As they discussed whether they would pick pizza, tacos or German chocolate cake, they learned a lesson about their homeland.



All smiling heartbeats before accepting a stuffed grape leaf from Sandra Hopovac at Perrine Elementary School in Twin Falls. The school held an international food fair featuring such familiar fare as spaghetti as well as exotic foods.

Ex-lawmaker proposes another route for U.S. 93

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A highway along the canyon floor is the key both to routing U.S. Highway 93 around Twin Falls and to relieving traffic load on the Perrine Bridge, a former legislator from Jerome proposes.

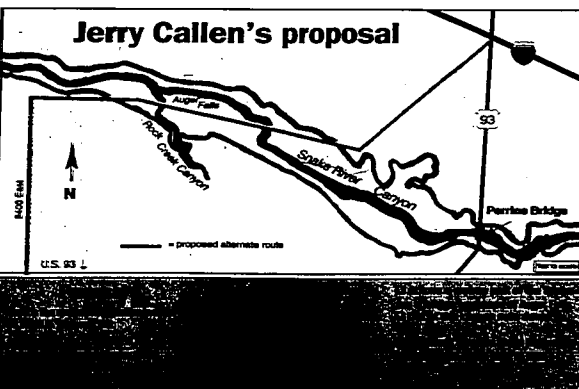
But it's the first proposal of its kind, and an Idaho Transportation Department official warns that road-building in the canyon would be disruptive.

Jerry Callen has his idea to the ID's Shoshone office and to some Twin Falls County farmers recently. Callen, a state representative from 1981 to '88, lives north of the Snake River Canyon and west of 300 West in Jerome County - in the probable path of another possible Snake crossing.

He doesn't plan to push the issue, but he expects farmers may like his proposal. Environmentalists probably won't, he said.

As if long-range highway plan, a bridge the canyon bottom would be cheaper than spanning the Snake with a high bridge north of the U.S. 93/U.S. Highway 30 junction, Callen said.

The shape of the canyon wall



at his proposed west-side entry appears conducive to a grade, and the grades would cut parallel to the rim rock, he said.

Powerful modern trucks shouldn't have trouble climbing out of the canyon. The route would open access

to the canyon bottom and to a potential park near Anger Falls.

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Asakan slopes had conditions for avalanche; two still missing

TURNAGAIN PASS, Alaska (AP) — The steep slopes of this popular recreation area in the Chugach Range had danger written all over them last weekend. Eight feet of new snow had been dumped in recent days on top of older, packed-down snow on the mountains rising above Turnagain Pass. Add a warm spring sun beating down all day Sunday, and the conditions were prime for an avalanche. "We were nervous as cats because everyone wants to go in the nice weather," said Jill Fredston, co-director of the Alaska Mountain Safety Center in Anchorage. Fredston was among the 140 searchers probing a mountain-side Tuesday for two men engulfed by a mile-wide wall of snow seven to 15 feet deep that broke off late Sunday afternoon, killing at least four snowmobilers caught in its path. "This is a big accident — it's a very long fracture," Fredston said. "And the thing that makes (the search) very hard is that we had multiple paths."

Two men are identified as Tech Sgt. Victor Jones, age unavailable, of Elmendorf Air Force Base and Aaron Arthur, 29, of Fairbanks. The four known victims were identified by authorities as Jodi Combs, 26, Jeff Saunders, 29, and Christopher Scott, 28, all of Anchorage; and Dan Demers, 37, of Eagle River. Joseph Skeets of Anchorage, a friend of Combs', helped recover that man's body on Monday. "At least we found him and didn't have to wait until spring," Skeets said Tuesday, while getting ready for another day of searching. "That gives the family some closure."

Arthur's snowmobile was discovered Sunday night high on the mountain. But witnesses say he was tossed so violently by the slide that his body could be far away. "He could be anywhere," Fredston said. Jones was on the lower part of the mountain when the avalanche hit, witnesses said. Nine teams of searchers equipped with 10-foot poles were conducting a methodical, foot-by-foot probe of the snowy debris, said to be 30 feet deep in places. Frustrating the searchers were the many false strikes when they jammed the poles into the snow, which also contains plowed-over trees, rocks and chunks of ice. A hand-held electronic sensor and a metal detector were also being used to try to find any signs of the missing men.

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Arraignments and appearances James G. Colom, 42, 300 First Ave. W., Jerome; assault; pleaded innocent; \$100 fine; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. Joel Cano Cruz, 27, 607 Barton Highway, Wendell; failure to purchase/valid driver's license; transportation of open container; failure to appear at hearing; status hearing Thursday; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. Donis Marie Rice, 32, 170 E. Ave. A, Wendell; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; driving without privileges; pleaded innocent; sentencing April 15; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. Brandee A. Key, 27, 301 Sixth Ave. W., Gooding; driving without privileges; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; continued arraignment April 15; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. Melissa Janice Wells, 19, 220 Gen. St., Ketchum; possession of controlled substance; possession of drug paraphernalia; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

lta; failure to appear at hearing; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Sentencings

Douglas R. Bowyer, no age available, 60 S. Filizeros, Jerome; Fish and Game violation of exceeding bag limit by four moose; \$100 fine; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. William J. Brunson, 24, 2923 S. 3300 E., Wendell; driving without privileges; amended to failure to purchase/valid driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$750 fine; \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. Wayne Carpenter, 25, 225 S. 1400 E., Gooding; driving without privileges; amended to failure to purchase/valid driver's license; \$750 fine; \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. Jimmy Dale Griggs, 30, 2025 E. 3050 S., Wendell; driving without privileges; amended to failure to purchase/valid driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$750 fine; \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. Jay LaVelle Hall, 38, 521 Idaho St., Gooding; probation violation on driving without privileges; admitted violation and driving under the influence; one month supervised probation until fine and costs paid; begins Aug. 10, 1999; \$30/month probation fee; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. Darcy Glenn Murrieta, 37, 521 Nevada St., No. 1000; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine; \$250 suspended; \$78.50 court costs; \$100 public defender fee; 180 days in jail; 178 suspended; 12 months' probation supervised at discretion of probation officer; \$30/month probation fee; 180-day driver's license suspension at end of existing suspension; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. Mar Snow, 55, P.O. Box 402, Gooding; placing debris on public/private property; pleaded guilty; \$25 fine; \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. Timothy C. Snow, 27, 229 12th Ave. S., Gooding; placing debris on public/private property; pleaded guilty; \$25 fine; \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. David D. Transee, 40, 729 10th California St., Gooding; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$200 fine in jail; 178 suspended; 12 months' probation, supervised at discretion of probation officer; \$30/month probation fee; 30-day driver's license suspension, 30 days absolute immediate; Alcoholic Anonymous one week for 26 weeks; maintain employment or three job interviews per month; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Albertson names entrepreneur president

CALDWELL (AP) — Albertson College of Idaho has named Kevin Learned, an entrepreneur, university professor, to succeed the retiring Robert Henderson as president of the private, liberal arts school. Henderson, who has been president since 1987, announced last year that he would retire this June. Learned will officially take over in July as the 10th president of Albertson, formerly the

College of Idaho. His "passion for education, coupled with his success as a businessman in the high-tech industry made him a top candidate early on," Ray Smelek, vice chairman of the Albertson Board of Trustees and College Board and head of the presidential selection committee, said Tuesday. "This is a tremendous honor," Learned said. "It's a great opportunity to lead this college and help it to excel."

Learned, 53, grew up in Boise and is a former business partner of one Idaho Department of Commerce Director Gary Mahn. He has a bachelor's degree from the University of Idaho in business administration from The Wharton School of Business and a doctorate in entrepreneurship and strategy from Texas Tech.

Some parents question benefits of immunizations

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — State health officials are concerned that some Idaho parents purposefully are skipping their children's immunizations because of fears the shots could do more harm than good. In the wake of a recent campaign championed by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne aimed at increasing the state's immunization rates, health officials say some residents are taking their children to alternative health care providers that choose natural remedies to safeguard against immunizations. Vaccinations can harm a very small number of children, but parents who do not get their children immunized could be putting them in harm's way and increasing the danger of a widespread outbreak. "The risk is twofold," said Merlene Fletcher, head of the state immunization program at the Department of Health and Welfare. The risk of getting the shots is small, but if they could be at an increased risk of severity. "We're a chiropractor Henry West encourages his patients to consider alternatives to vaccination. The father of six admits vaccines have helped control deadly diseases like polio, but claims the medical establishment has down played their dangers. Proper hygiene, a good diet and use of herbal medicines to boost the immune system can do a great deal without the risks that come with vaccines, West said. The opposition is not just local. Organizations such as the National Vaccine Information Center monitor immunization policy and warn of vaccines' potential risks.

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SERVICES

Albert Ivan Dickson of Gooding, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the United Methodist Church in Gooding. Shirley Bentzinger of Jerome, 11 a.m. today at the Jerome First Baptist Church (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel).

Catholic Church, 1601 Oakley Ave. in Burley; Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. Thursday at the church. Burial will follow at noon Friday at the Cloverdale Cemetery in Boise. Friends may call 5 to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday and one hour before Mass Thursday at the church (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

Jean L. Bowman of Twin Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. Friday at the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may gather at the cemetery shortly before time of the service (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome).

Alta Fay Shill Smith of Oakley, 11 a.m. today at the Oakley LDS Stake Center. Friends may call from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. before the funeral at the church (Payne Mortuary). Elmo Austin Ford of Buhl, 1 p.m. today at the Buhl First Assembly of God (Farmer Funeral Chapel). Larry Lee Pawson of Kimberly, 2 p.m. today at White Mortuary Chapel.

Carol H. Colfack TWIN FALLS — Carol Holton Colfack, 54, of Twin Falls, died Friday, March 19, 1999, at Lake City, Utah, from complications of heart surgery. A memorial service was held March 22 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls. The funeral and burial will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday in Adkisson, Neb.

Charley C. Gaskill BURLEY — Charley Clay Gaskill, 94, of Burley, died Tuesday, March 23, 1999, at the Highland Estates in Burley. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Kenneth Adam Noll of Kimberly, graveside service at 2 p.m. today at the Twin Falls Cemetery (Reynolds Funeral Chapel). Rubye Elizabeth Edwards of Heyburn, rosary at 6:30 p.m. today at the Little Flower

Andrew Torres III TWIN FALLS — Andrew Torres III, infant son of Andres Torres Jr. and Elizabeth Quintanilla of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, March 23, 1999, at Magic-Valley Regional Medical Center. A graveside service will take place

Verna L. Cummins Verna Leah Cummins, 83, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, March 23, 1999, at her home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

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She is survived by her children: Adelina Knorr of Hermiston, Oregon; Arnie Arthur (Mary) Iles of Chandler, Arizona; Lyle Luther (Janice) Iles of Austin, Texas; and Wayne Adam (Lynn) Iles of Hagerman, Idaho; sisters, Millie Emily Westergaard and Bortha Donavan of Seattle, Washington; and Pauline Logan of Bakerfield, California; brother, Christian Chris (Uvi) Rupert, Idaho, 13 grandchildren, and 6 great-grandchildren. Services will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday, March 25, 1999, at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Rupert with Pastor L. G. Miezner officiating. Burial will follow in the Rupert Cemetery. Family and friends may call at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel on Wednesday, March 24, 1999, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., and one hour prior to the service at the church on Thursday, Arrangements under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

TWIN FALLS

Ronald A. Holmquist Ronald Albion Holmquist passed away January 3, 1999, after a long and courageous battle with cancer. He was born July 15, 1921, in Idaho, on January 30, 1942, to Harold and Billie Jean Holmquist. He served in the U.S. Air Force, after leaving the service, he made his home in Texas for many years, before moving to Idaho. Ron is survived by five children, Angela, Tommy, Harold, Catherine and Ronald Jr.; two sisters, Mrs. Roger (Sherry) Murray of Strongsville, Ohio, and Mrs. Dan (Kathleen) Skene of Boise, Idaho;

and one brother, Dennis Holmquist of Littleton, Colorado. Ron was preceded in death by his grandparents, parents and one son, Joseph. Graveside services will be held at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls, Idaho, at 2 p.m. on March 27. Officiating will be Ron's Uncle Don Holmquist of Twin Falls. The family would like to thank Dave and Vallee Johnson and Todd Larson of Eric, Colorado, for all the kindness and caring for Ron over the last two years.

Katherine A. Iles Katherine Amelia Iles, 96-year-old Rupert resident, died Monday, March 22, 1999, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital Extended Care Facility. She was born July 8, 1902, in Odessa, Russia, to Christian and Louise Louisa Hirling Unit. She came to the United States with her family in 1905, and settled in North Dakota until 1914. They moved to Kimama in 1914, and to Rupert in 1920. She attended school in Kimama. She married Adam Iles June 5, 1924, in Edon, Idaho. He preceded her in death in 1979. Adam and Katherine farmed. Rupert until his retirement, at which time they moved to town. She was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in Rupert. She enjoyed making doll clothing, alphanis, crocheting and doing needlework.

Alta J. White Alta Jensen White, 77, of Palm Springs, California, died Sunday, March 21, 1999, at Desert Medical Hospital in Palm Springs. She was born July 15, 1921, in Jerome, Idaho, to George and Elsie Kobold. She married John Johnson and was a mother and homemaker. She was a member of the Murrtaugh LDS Church. She is survived by a husband, Charles White of Tigard, Oregon; two daughters, Dianna Spreier of Palm Springs, California, and Christine Alvers of Albany, Oregon; four grandsons; eleven great-grandchildren; three sisters, Gladys White of Idaho, and Emmamiae Cobb of Houston, Texas; and Helen Hanson of Billings, Montana; and a brother, Charles Smith of Woodbury, Calif. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, March 26, 1999, at the Murrtaugh LDS Church. Burial services will be held at the Twin Falls Cemetery. Friends may call from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Twin Falls church. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

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Marshal takes work to slopes

LAYING DOWN THE SOD



Big Valley Landscape owners Ron Russell and Ken Whitte, foreground, and employee Don Whitte, background, lay sod at the new Ripley Rite Aid. The trio recently laid 34,000 square feet of sod as the final step in the store's fresh visage.

ALTA, Utah (AP) — Town Marshal Jerry Larson "walks the beat" with a work each winter. As for Utah law enforcement, it's Larson's job to flush out lawbreakers. In Alta, that means patrolling the mountains — on skis.

Sometimes it's always trying to enforce an ordinance on Alta's slopes with a marijuana joint, he said. So duty calls — and Larson and his ski are happy to answer.

In 14 years, the ski has never turned a marijuana case. "I've never paid for a ski lift," he said.

A marijuana case, Larson came to Alta, he said, to live a ski bum's life.

"It's enforcement was the furthest thing from my mind," he said.

He eventually moved on to a more responsible job — although Larson and his deputies never stray far from the mountains. During pre-opening ski days and snow-buried weekends, Larson and his ski are happy to answer. "It's my first patrol in the park," he said.

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Record number of ski deaths in Colorado spur search for answers

DENVER (AP) — Michael Shenkey of Austin, Texas, was a vibrant 13-year-old who recently got his dream — his own bedroom.

Edward "Buggy" Clemons was a 51-year-old millionaire from Hazard, Ky.

Nicholas Rodriguez, 20, of Santa Fe, N.M., enjoyed skiing and so did Bryant Boisvert, 18, of Fort Worth, Texas.

All had one thing in common — they died this year on Colorado's ski slopes.

And that's about the only thing they had in common, which has Colorado ski experts searching for answers after the state set a record 12 for the number of ski deaths in a year.

"We really haven't been able to find a common thread," said Paul Witt, spokesman for Vail Ski Resorts, which recorded 10 of the deaths on slopes owned by the company in Colorado.

"The deaths occurred in all kinds of snow, on all kinds of ski runs, at all times of day and all levels of skiers," he said.

"It's basically a string of unfortunate circumstances," said Barbara Jennings, spokeswoman for Colorado Ski Country USA, a trade group based in Denver.

The increase in fatalities occurred despite a 5.5 percent drop in skier visits through the end of February in Colorado.

Last year, seven people died on the slopes in Colorado, a drop from the year before when the parks set a record of 10 fatalities was set.

Utah recruits experts to help find source of odor

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Utah Division of Air Quality has solicited help from federal experts and computer technology to trace the origin of noxious odors reported in Salt Lake and Davis Counties.

Division employees have started entering when and where the fumes were reported into a specialized computer program. The reports will be analyzed with computers of local wind speed and direction to trace the fumes to the source. Preliminary results may be available as soon as today.

"We're hoping it can point us in the right direction," said Brock LeBaron, technical manager for the Utah Division of Air Quality.

In addition, a team of experts from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency was expected to arrive in Salt Lake Monday with sophisticated air-monitoring equipment capable of detecting even minute amounts of chemicals.

"We're hoping this will help," said Carol Sisco, spokeswoman for the Utah Department of Environmental Quality, which only has simplified versions of this equipment.

Local monitors have been unable to determine the exact makeup of the fumes since they were reported Thursday. Accidents They were originally thought to be petroleum vapors that escaped when the Chevron refinery burned off excess butane and propane. That butane as a safety measure. Several buildings were evacuated in Salt Lake City on Thursday and Friday, and dozens of people were taken to area hospitals complaining of nausea, dizziness and respiratory difficulty.

But scarce reports of the odors persisted — they were detected in Bountiful on Saturday and in southern Davis County on Monday — prompting environmental experts to look for another source.

Checks of area oil refineries and water treatment plants have come up empty. In fact, Chevron spokesman Walt McGuire said the odor waited until the refinery Monday morning.

"People who have worked here for years said they have never smelled anything like this around the refinery," he said.

Party turns deadly for Salt Lake woman

HERRIMAN, Utah (AP) — A Salt Lake woman was shot and killed Tuesday morning after reportedly getting into an argument at a party.

Rachel Karen, 20, was with friends about 1:30 a.m. at the home of Darren Bluemel. She and Bluemel reportedly got into an argument, Salt Lake County Sheriff's Sgt. Jim Potter said.

Police allege Bluemel then took out a handgun and shot the woman twice. She was found lying on the ground outside the home.

Bluemel was arrested and booked into the Salt Lake County Jail for investigation of murder.

Police say they know very little

about the events that led to the woman's death. "We're still not clear about a motive," Potter said.

Bluemel and Karen met recently through mutual friends, one of whom may have brought Karen to Bluemel's for a party Monday night. Two other people were present in the home when the shooting occurred. One person left immediately and called police from another location, Potter said.

Bluemel did not flee the scene and walked out of his house when sheriff's deputies arrived and began setting up a perimeter around the home. He was arrested without incident.

Father gets up to 15 years for shaking infant

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A father has been sentenced to up to 15 years in prison for shaking his baby so hard the infant is now mentally and physically handicapped.

Brian Phil Childs, 20, pleaded guilty last month to second-degree felony child abuse, admitting he shook his crying 3-week-old son out of frustration on April 9. Neeta Keegan Childs, now about 1 year old, will probably never talk, see, or crawl.

The first District Judge Pat Brian gave Childs the maximum sentence.

"The punishment must reflect the egregious nature of the crime," Brian said. "Fifteen months is a lifetime of abuse for a very small child."

Utah rep crusades against polygamy ban

TAYLORSVILLE, Utah (AP) — A state lawmaker who wants to reconsider the ban on multiple marriages hosted a group of polygamists at his home and brought a TV crew to record the gathering.

State Rep. David Zolman, R-Taylorsville, said he sees the fight to legalize polygamy as a civil rights debate.

"My intent is to enfranchise a group of people who are being discriminated against and who have as much right to access state government as anyone else," he said.

The Montana-born Mormon and family historian, a legislator since 1996, had his proposition to study the possibility of legalizing polygamy voted down this session.

He met at his home Monday with several supporters of polygamy and a Fox news crew from Denver. Last week he debated with members of an anti-polygamy group in a televised session for NBC's "Dateline."

respect to which path it would take and whether it will be built at all, Carmohan said. That's due to public controversy.

Twin Falls County, the Twin Falls City Council and public comment favor a route along Pole Line Road and 2400 East.

But one the Pole Line Road then takes off cross-country southwest to the U.S. 93/US. 30 junction is ahead in the state's comparisons of route to study impacts effects on farmland, irrigation, relocations and historical properties; and construction costs.

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Callen said. It would consume little farmland and wouldn't disrupt communities.

Callen's is one among many river-crossing proposals, the ITD's Chuck Carmohan said.

"That's the first new one I've seen," he said.

The state's crossing feasibility study — considering a new or improved bridge in the area from Clear Lakes Grade to Hanson Bridge — will consider all recommendations.

The plan for an alternate U.S. 93 route is to be utilized to the existing Perrine Bridge — is 20 years from being completed, according to planning and funding, Carmohan said.

"It's not clear whether Callen's proposal will have any bearing on the alternate. Callen predicts the state will proceed with one of two alternatives, as a temporary fix."

"That's the recommendation, however, could disrupt many environmentally and socially important

'Fiddler'

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Gomez said.

"He was one of our dancers," Severe said. "Several people will play his parts. When he comes back, he'll slip back into the roles."

Hilary Hundt, 14, was released Friday from the Primary Children's Medical Center in Salt Lake City, hospital spokeswoman Brenda Davis said.

Kristine Handy, who suffered a crushed foot, was released Saturday from the LDS Hospital, hospital spokeswoman Brenda Davis said.

Lucas Handy was the driver of the van when he lost control on Idaho Highway 77. The vehicle rolled 112 times and ejected 10 people.

The accident still is under investigation, Cassia County Sheriff Billy Crystal said. Officials will not decide whether to file charges against Lucas Handy until he is released from the hospital.

The play was scheduled to open at the Howell's Opera House in Okley the night of the accident.

Jan Davis of the arts council ticket office said tickets for the rescheduled play will go on sale Monday.

"We're trying to rearrange the reserved seating for those who already purchased tickets," she said.

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Salmon

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necessary plan for Snake River salmon and steelhead by the end of the month. The agency's decision will rely largely on an environmental impact statement being completed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The study will evaluate the river's salmon recovery strategies.

Two of these strategies rely heavily on the practice of barging and trucking juvenile fish past the dams, a method that began more than 20 years ago.

"The transportation program has been one of the most important — survival ones that is needed to begin rebuilding wild Snake River salmon and steelhead stocks," said the agency. "It has failed even to halt their decline."

Recent data show that a rise to 15-fish increase in survival rates is needed to meet recovery goals, they said.

Barclay says the problems is not getting the young fish to the ocean, but getting them back up the river to spawn.

The third strategy relies on bypassing the four dams on the Lower Snake River — a strategy that critics, including Idaho Department of Water Resources Director Karl Dreher, say is politically infeasible.

"There is building scientific consensus that the surest way to restore wild Snake River salmon and steelhead runs is to reclaim a 140-mile-long reach of their migration corridor by bypassing four dams on the Lower Snake River," the group said.

"Over the last thirty years wild salmon and steelhead runs have declined by nearly 90 percent following the construction of four federal dams on the Lower Snake River," the letter says.

The letter cites the Idaho

Department of Fish and Game, which has called the natural river option "the best biological choice for recovering salmon and steelhead in Idaho," saying it is "logical, biologically sound, has the highest certainty of success and lowest risk of failure, and is consistent with the preponderance of scientific data."

Barclay takes issue with that. "I think you can gather 200 scientists on the other side as well," he said.

The decline of salmon is the result of a lot of things, not just dams, so why focus on the dams, he said.

The list of scientists who signed the letter includes about 114 from Idaho—some of them are Idaho Department of Fish and Game biologists.

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Howell's Opera House

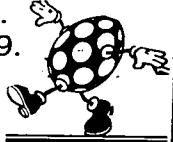
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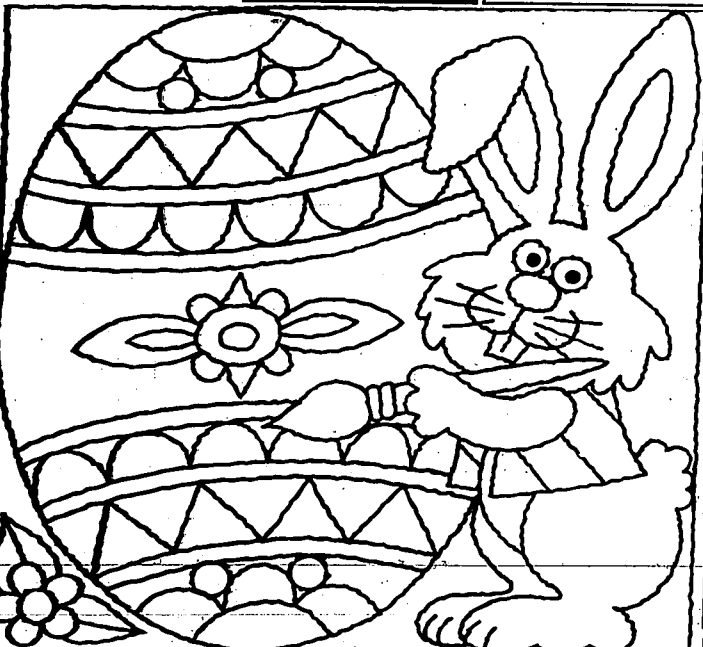
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County settles lawsuit with Aryan protesters

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Kootenai County has agreed to settle a lawsuit over the arrest of protesters at last summer's Aryan Nations march, but a claim is still pending against the city of Coeur d'Alene. Officials from the Moscow chapter of the Anti-Racist Action group said in a statement that the county will pay protesters \$80,000 in damages and admit that the arrests were wrongful and that the activists were treated abusively. "The fact that someone protests a Nazi march does not mean that they have waived their right to unlawful search and seizure," attorney Larry Hildes said. But Kootenai County Sheriff Pierce Clegg issued a statement on Tuesday denying any acquiescence to a settlement of the legal claims. "The Sheriff's Department denies that arrests were made were unlawful or that anyone was treated with abuse," Clegg said. He also disputed the group's claim that his department had refused to participate in crowd control during any future Aryan Nations marches. Lori Graves and Jonathan Crowell were arrested last July 18 for obstructing officers after they refused to allow police to search their backpacks during the white supremacist parade through Coeur d'Alene.

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New census underscores urbanization

BOISE (AP) — The latest population estimates underscore what some politicians have been warning is a shift toward the cities and the western and northern parts of the state that could dramatically affect the makeup of the Legislature in the next century. The Census Bureau estimates that Idaho's overall population grew another 1.6 percent from mid-1997 to mid-1998 to nearly 1.2 million, a 22 percent increase since the last official head count was taken in 1990. That is the third fastest growth in the nation. The growth rates of the three urban areas anchoring the southern and eastern side of the state were anemic by comparison. Twin Falls, Blaine and Bonneville counties all had growth rates below the statewide 1.6 percent from mid-1997 to mid-1998 and 22 percent since the 1990 census. On the other end, 15 of the 44 counties lost population during the last year, all of them primarily rural, and three — Custer, Madison and Shoshone — actually had fewer people than at the last census eight years earlier. The bulk of the extra 20,000 people claiming Idaho as their home during that year — and the almost 222,000 since April 1990 — were counted in the three largest — and most urban — counties. In fact, when an independent citizen commission redrews the legislative district lines after the April 2000 census, urban-based voters in the five northern counties could claim five Senate and 10 House seats on their own. They now share the fifth Senate and two of the House seats with Latah County.

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Bierocks, stuffed cabbage rolls are popular in Kansas

By Denise Turner
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Mariss Bombardier of Twin Falls writes, "I was interested to read in yesterday's paper that someone is looking for a recipe for bierocks. The way she described it — cabbage leaves filled with a meat mixture — sounds more like stuffed cabbage rolls. Bierocks are cabbage, meat and onion mixture in dough. I am including both recipes. Bierocks (pronounced BEE-ROCKS) are enormously popular in mid-Kansas, where there is a large Amish and Mennonite presence."

BIEROCKS
Dough:
2 cups warm water
2 packages dry yeast
1/4 cup sugar
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
1 egg
1/4 cup margarine
6 to 6 1/2 cups flour

Dissolve yeast in warm water. Combine sugar, salt, egg and margarine and yeast mixture in a bowl. Add 5 cups flour and beat thoroughly. Turn dough onto floured board and use 1 to 1 1/2 more cups of flour to knead until smooth and elastic. Chill in greased bowl for several hours.

Meat mixture:
1 1/2 pounds beef
1/2 cup onion
1 1/2 cups cabbage (finely cut), 1 1/2 teaspoons salt, 1/2 teaspoon pepper, dash Tabasco sauce. Cover skillet and continue cooking over low heat, stirring occasionally until cabbage is tender. Do not add liquid. Cool slightly. Roll out dough into thin sheets. Cut in 5-inch squares. Place 2 tablespoons meat mixture on each square. Finish edges together and place pinched side down on greased cookie sheet. Let rise 15 minutes. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 to 30 minutes. Serves 10. These are delicious frozen after baking and warmed up in the microwave for a quick meal.

NOTE: Mariss modifies the recipe by not chilling the dough, by using about 1/3 cup of the meat mixture per bierock and by not letting it rise before baking. This recipe makes approximately 25 to 28 bierocks, and they take 20 minutes to bake.

—From "More-with-Less Cookbook," commissioned by the Mennonite Central Committee and written by Doris Janzen Longacre

STUFFED CABBAGE ROLLS
12 cabbage leaves (if separate, remove from cabbage head, remove core and cover cabbage with cold water; let stand about 10 minutes; remove leaves)

1 pound hamburger
1/2 cup uncooked instant rice
1 medium onion, chopped (about 1/2 cup)

1 can (4 ounces) mushroom stems and pieces

1 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon pepper
1/2 teaspoon onion salt
1 can (15 ounces) tomato sauce
1 teaspoon sugar
1/2 teaspoon lemon juice
1 tablespoon cornstarch
1 tablespoon water

Cover cabbage leaves with boiling water. Cover and let stand until leaves are limp, about 10 minutes; remove leaves; drain. Mix hamburger, rice, onion, mushrooms (with liquid), salt, pepper, garlic salt and 1/2 cup of the tomato sauce. Place edges of square hamburger mixture at stem end of each leaf. Roll leaf around hamburger mixture, tucking in sides. Place cabbage rolls, seam down, in greased square baking dish — 8-by-8-by-2 inches. Mix remaining tomato sauce, the sugar and lemon juice. Pour over cabbage rolls. Cover and cook at 350 degrees until hamburger is done, about 45 minutes. Mix cornstarch and 1 tablespoon water in saucepan. Stir in liquid from cabbage rolls. Heat to boiling, stirring constantly. Boil and stir 1 minute. Serve sauce with cabbage rolls. Garnish with parsley if desired. Serves 4 or 5.

—From "Berry-Crocker's Cookbook"

A FEW GOOD MEN



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David Zampodri of Twin Falls waits for his dinner to cook as it sits on the engine of his Suburban. Not exactly a gourmet cooking method. Zampodri says on hunting trips, a warm engine works just fine.

Eight men add touch of testosterone to Homemaker School

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — David Zampodri was one of eight men who attended last year's Homemaker School, a sold-out event held in the Roper Auditorium.

This year's event is again expected to be attended mostly by females, even though "Men Who Run the Range" is a regular feature in Taste of Home magazine, which is published by Reimen Publications (sponsor of the Homemaker School).

Zampodri is a local cook who knows his way around both the kitchen range and the range where cattle and coyotes roam. He owns Equipment Finders Of Idaho, an agricultural equipment and truck locator.

When asked about his experience at the 1998 Homemaker School, he said he felt



On hunting trips, chill on an engine-heated potato with sliced frankies makes for a satisfying dinner.

Homemaker School

The Homemaker School, set for tonight in the Roper Auditorium, is sold out, but anyone may visit the booth and displays at its Women's Day Out Show, set for noon to 6 p.m. Today in the Twin Falls High School gymnasium for more information, call 733-0931, Ext. 265.

"totally alone ... a lone man in an auditorium full of women." But he and his wife, Julie, are hoping to attend again this year.

"My wife goes with me on coyote hunts, so I go with her to Homemaker School," he said. "It's not a Mr. Mom, but I love to cook — if more men would take an interest in cooking and helping with the children, there would be less divorces."

Zampodri grew up in an eight-child family. As a beans, meat and potatoes man, he likes to cook simple. As an Italian, he uses lots of olive oil in his cooking.

"It gives everything a special flavor," he said. "Even plain rice is good with olive oil."

Zampodri tells a story of an incident when he and his father went to Louie's Restaurant in Ketchum. Zampodri's father looked over the menu and asked, "Isn't there out Polenta?" Louie himself came out

and said, "For you, I will make it." Polenta is peasant food — "the real stuff," Zampodri said.

When his wife starts mixing up "something that looks weird," Zampodri knows it is going to taste good. "She does the exotic, gourmet stuff."

Zampodri got a couple of beef tongues last summer and remembered how his mother used to boil tongues to make sandwich meat when he was a child. Zampodri got some Yoshida sauce at Waremart and mixed the sliced boiled tongue and sauce together and "it made the best sandwiches," he said.

Last year, Sunnie Renshaw, Homemaker School home economist, demonstrated several dishes that Zampodri adopted for his own. Here is one:

HORSERADISH POTATOES
2 2/3 cups firmly-packed Ore-Ida Frozen Mashed Potatoes
1 1/3 cups milk
2 1/2 teaspoons prepared horseradish
Salt and pepper

Combine potatoes and milk; cook according to package directions. Stir in horseradish; season with salt and pepper to taste (can substitute 1 teaspoon dill weed for horseradish if desired). Makes 4 servings.

The best way to create interesting garden combos

A garden draws its character not just from its individual plants, but from how the plants are positioned in relationship to one another, how their colors and shapes interplay. Since a garden changes from season to season and year to year, planning pleasing combinations is an evolving process and one that requires experimentation on the part of even the most experienced gardener.

This is a vast topic, but here are some of the primary points to consider when choosing plants.

First, take into account when flowers will bloom, and be sure to plan for your entire gardening season. Many beginning gardeners make the mistake of shopping only for spring plants. You don't want to miss out on a combination of several flowers—that are in their prime. You might choose all plants for part of your garden, or a bolder scheme of complementary colors such as purple and gold.

When you find a combination you love, buy several of each plant, and plant them in clusters. You don't want to create what gardeners disparagingly call "potted daisies" of color. You can stick with the same color scheme all season long or vary it as the season progresses.

ASK
MARTHA
Martha Stewart

Don't plan your garden solely around flowers, however. Consider the color of foliage, too, as it will sustain your garden's design throughout the season. The range of shades of green seems nearly infinite: There's bright chartreuse, silvery gray-green and near-black, to name just a few.

Experiment with combining them or pairing less common shades with flowers. For example, a sea of chartreuse-leaved creeping Jenny (*Lysimachia nummularia Aurea*) pierced by a clump of deep-purple tulips creates an unforgettable contrast.

And foliage isn't always green; try purple celtis, gold or burgundy barberry or foliage that changes color in fall. All these can be as striking as any flower.

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Enjoy Easter dinner with desserts made ahead of time

Easter is coming, and if you have a crowd coming to it, think about whipping up some make-ahead desserts.

HONEY STRAWBERRY CHIFFON PIE

2 cups fresh or frozen strawberries, thawed if frozen
3/4 cup honey, divided use
1 envelope unflavored gelatin
1/4 cup cold water
1 cup light sour cream
Prepared crumb crust for 9-inch pie
In small bowl, mash strawberries with 1/4 cup honey. Set aside. In small saucepan, sprinkle gelatin over cold water. Let stand 5 minutes. Stir in remaining 1/2 cup honey. Warm over low heat until gelatin dissolves. Remove from heat. Stir in sour cream. Refrigerate 10 to 15 minutes or just until mixture begins to thicken. Using electric mixer, beat mixture at medium speed until light. Stir in strawberries. Mix until well combined. Pour into prepared crust. Cover and refrigerate at least 2 hours. Serves 8.



Photo courtesy National Honey Board
Make-ahead desserts allow you to spend more time with your guests.

HONEY SPONGE CAKE
3 egg yolks
3/4 cup honey, divided use
Please see EASTER, Page C2

Requests
Donna Holmes of Twin Falls is looking for a recipe she cut out of *The Times-News*. Please see RECIPES, Page C2

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Also consider the texture that foliage lends to a garden. One aspect of texture is shape, the visual outlines you see even from a distance. Juxtapose leaves of different shapes — big and bold hosta leaves with spiky iris or ferny bleeding-heart foliage, for example — and you'll achieve a wonderful complexity.

The other, more subtle aspect of texture is surface: the ribs, puckers, sheen or fuzziness of a plant's leaves. Increase the variety of the foliage textures in your garden, and you'll create a visual tapestry that is exciting for the eye to explore.

The growth habit, or height and shape, of the plants you are thinking about adding to the garden is another important factor. Borders certainly don't need to graduate in height as neatly as a set of bleachers, but you don't want tall plants to render shorter ones invisible, or a late-blooming plant to overwhelm its small, round neighbor.

In the right combinations of height and shape can complement each other dramatically. Roses, for example, look wonderful underplanted with violas and spring-flowering bulbs, which conceal the bareness at the base of the roses and tie them into the garden. Unconventional combinations can be effective, too. A

few tall plants can mingle with the shorter ones at the edge of a border, so they brush you as you walk by.

Finally, consider growth rates, especially for shrubs and woody perennials, and do your best to predict how a grouping will look two, five or even 15 years from now. Dwarf conifers, for example, grow slowly, while many deciduous shrubs grow rapidly larger and wider. You don't want to lose your garden's carefully considered proportions too swiftly.

As you seek the perfect combination of plants for your garden, don't be afraid to try new species and varieties — there's no better way to get to know a plant well. To supplement your trips to the nursery, subscribe to a variety of gardening catalogs, including both the comprehensive, well-known ones and smaller specialty catalogs. Make a list of several new plants you'd like to try each season.

An inexpensive way to try out new varieties is to start them yourself from seed. And keep good records — a journal with detailed notes and a diagram of your garden.

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Easter

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- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped crystallized ginger
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel
- 6 egg whites
- 1 teaspoon cream of tartar
- 1 1/2 cups cake flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon salt

Using electric mixer on medium speed, beat egg yolks, 1/4 cup honey and lemon juice 5 to 8 minutes or until light colored and thickened. Stir in crystallized ginger and lemon peel. Set aside. Using electric mixer at medium speed, beat egg whites (be sure to use a clean, dry bowl) and cream of tartar until foamy. Gradually add remaining 1/2 cup honey, continuing to beat at medium speed until honey is incorporated. Increase speed to high and beat until mixture is glossy and stiff peaks form. Fold in egg yolk mixture to egg whites. Fold together. In small bowl, combine flour, baking powder, nutmeg, ginger and salt. Mix well. Gently fold flour mixture into egg whites, 1/3 at a time. Pour into ungreased 10-cup angel food cake pan. Even out batter. Bake at 325 degrees F. for 35 to 40 minutes, or until top of cake springs back when touched. Remove cake

from oven and immediately invert onto glass bottle or metal funnel. Cool 1 hour. Remove cake from pan. Dust with powdered sugar, as desired. Serve with Pineapple-kiwi Sauce. In small

bowl, combine 1 can (6 ounces) undrained crushed pineapple, 2 medium kiwi, peeled and chopped, 1/4 cup honey and 1 teaspoon finely-chopped crystallized ginger. Cover and refrigerate for up to 1 week.

Don't damage soil

The Washington Post

Don't work soil that is still wet from snow and rain — you will damage it, said Rita Weismann, of Potomac Vegetable Farms near Washington. For an early start, sow lettuce seeds indoors in a cool, bright room; thin seedlings, and plant in the garden after they are two inches tall and wide. Leaves can be snipped for salads within a month.

Try building a raised garden this year

Longer, warmer days get us itching to get our fingernails into soil. Plant some seeds. Watch them grow. Eat some good, fresh food and grow some pretty flowers to look at on the table while you eat those good things.

Sometimes, though, we don't have a piece of ground that will work for growing a garden. Or we don't have the back or the knees we need to, so we gave up the rake and the hoe a long time ago. Don't have to. Here's what you can do.

How about building a raised garden? You'll need just some lumber or cedar blocks to make a bed a foot deep and as wide as you can reach across without straining — usually 2 feet across, 3 if you can get it from all sides. Try reaching across a yardstick to find out what a comfortable reach for you measures up to.

You don't have to bend over, either. Get a couple of sawhorses or a pile of cinder blocks to hold your garden bed up to a comfortable height for you. You can easily dig into a garden on sawhorses while seated, even sit in a wheelchair.

Find someplace where you'll be able to access your raised garden bed from all sides, if possible. That someplace should get full sun.



GREEN THUMBPRINTS Cathy Walworth

Set up the sawhorses, put a sheet of plywood on them, and build your 1-foot-deep sides with scrap lumber. Fill your creation with good potting soil and you're in business.

Because your garden-in-the-air is not solidly crafted, it will drain nicely. Because you mentioned how far you can reach without hurting something, your garden is small enough to fit on a balcony. You don't need big, heavy tools. You can do all the digging and watering you want with a dinner fork. All you need is a handful of seed packets and a planting can.

As long as your garden is a foot deep or so, you can grow carrots or any other root crop, as well as salad greens and sweet peas and salsa fixings. And no weeds.

You don't have to have a bad back to appreciate such a garden. If you have poor soil, or even asphalt, you can top them with a permanent raised bed and enjoy a garden.

Cedar fence boards will be going on sale any time now. They are inexpensive, about the right size for your project and resist rotting. (My handyman husband suggests 2-by-12 redwood, but that would be more expensive.)

This raised garden is nothing more than a large container garden. If you don't want to grow enough food to feed a family of four, why not stuff a few herbs and greens into a smaller, more conventional container and stick it on your front porch? Many of the new lettuce are beautiful as well as tasty. Kale is colorful and edible. Take a new look at your favorite herbs — picture them mixed into a pot of nasturtiums for an edible color spot.

There's no end to what you can create in containers, no matter what size you choose. Just have fun gardening with them.

What's bugging your garden? Write to Cathy in care of The Times-News, or e-mail her at: caw20@bernhillway.net.

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last summer — for fried rice recipe with large shrimp in it. Peggy Orr of Twin Falls needs a good, easy coconut macaroon cookie recipe. Another reader is looking for bagel recipes she once clipped from The Times-News. A third reader is hoping to find a recipe for warm pork pies, the kind sold at bakeries in Rhode Island.

Requests for recipes or recipes to share should be sent to: Denise Turner, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Please include name, address and phone number.

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Please note: Parking will be limited in the High School parking lots until 3:15 p.m. Both the large parking lot and the John Roger Auditorium parking lot will be available after 3:15 p.m.

The Times-News

Generator systems keep lights burning

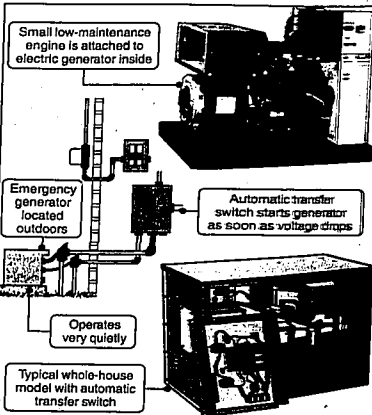
DEAR JIM: We have a newer home with all the convenience appliances, security system and more, but we have occasional power outages. Are there automatic whole-house sized emergency generators for homes?

DEAR CAROL: In today's homes, a power outage can be a severe problem and the outages are more common now. If you are away from home when the outage occurs, your lights are off and your security system is also down.

This is an invitation for thieves. Also, if you have a sump pump, expect a flooded floor too. There are automatic whole-house (natural gas, propane or diesel) generator systems that can power your entire home. When the power goes off, within seconds, the generator is providing its power again.

When talking with manufacturers, the only problem is getting one installed quickly. With the justified concern about likely black power outages on Jan. 1, 2000, there is a surge in demand for these systems by homeowners.

Keep in mind that, in the winter when the electricity is off,



Whole-house generators start automatically.

your oil or gas furnace stops too. In the summer, brownouts (lower than normal voltage) can be damaging to air conditioning devices, especially ones with motors. These whole-house models

look like a central air conditioner unit outside of your house. For a typical home, I would recommend a unit with an output capacity of 8 to 12 kilowatts. For exact sizing, call up the wattages of all the appliances you want to keep running during the outage.

Definitely have an automatic transfer switch (ATS) installed

too. Even before the power goes completely off, the ATS detects the lower voltage and starts the generator. It also disconnects your house from the power grid until the utility gets the power back on.

The best, and most convenient transfer switches, also have electronic brains. They start automatically the generator for 15 minutes every week to make sure it is always ready. It also keeps track of the total hours run for the maintenance schedule. It holds the voltage steady every minute.

Most whole-house generator systems are powered by a small air-cooled engine, like a motorcycle engine. Natural gas powered ones require only an oil change every 100 hours of operation. If you do not have natural gas, it can be powered by propane or diesel. They all operate very quietly.

The cost to run one, even for extended power outages, is not outrageous. When powered on natural gas, the fuel cost (dependent on your local rates) is equivalent to about 15 cents per kilowatt-hour. The only additional operating cost is changing the engine oil and an occasional tune-up.

Write Jim Upshaw, Bulletin No. 822 - Buyer's guide of automatic whole-house emergency generator systems, power outputs, fuel types, features, prices and a sizing chart. Please include S3 and a business envelope. Write to: Jim Upshaw, Bulletin, 6906 Regalwood Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45234.

Quick recipe combines almonds with green beans

The Seattle Times

The following is a quick recipe: **GREEN BEANS WITH SMOKED ALMONDS**

- 1 pound green beans, ends trimmed, halved crosswise
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- Pinch salt
- Freshly ground black pepper to taste
- 1/4 cup smoked almonds, coarsely chopped

- Bring a large pan of water to the boil, add the beans and time

about 5 minutes, or until tender. (Cooking time for beans can vary greatly; keep testing until you reach the desired tenderness.) Drain in a colander and rinse with cold water to stop the cooking. Pat with paper towels to remove excess moisture.

2. In a large skillet, melt the butter over medium heat. Add the beans, salt and pepper. Cook, tossing, 2 minutes. Add the almonds and stir an additional 1 to 2 minutes, or until the beans are heated through. Serves 4.



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Heloise presents best home hints

By Leslie Garcia
The Dallas Morning News

As surely as the word "net" follows "nylon," it's hard to say "hint" without thinking Heloise. This marks the 22nd year that Heloise has been writing the column her mother originated nearly 40 years ago. "Hints From Heloise" is published in 500 newspapers.

Heloise has a jillion household hints. Some are her own; readers have mailed, e-mailed and faxed to her. From this vast repository of ways to make our lives a bit easier, Heloise offers 10 home hints.

The first have to do with remodeling or building from the ground up.

1. Start a file. "I have what I call my wish list or my ideas file," Heloise says. Whenever she sees an interesting decorating idea in a magazine or newspaper, she tears it out and saves it. Then, whenever she is ready to do something to the house, she can pull out the file and find a nifty idea.

2. Bring a camera. On home tours, take pictures when you see something you really like. (Ask permission first.) Similarly, when house hunting, take a picture of the front of each house. Make a note: "Great staircase, pool in back, crummy den," for instance. Then, after looking at so many houses they begin to blur into one, pull out the pictures to remember which places were best.

3. Keep samples of wallpaper or fabric handy — not just when you're specifically shopping for something to match it. "One day, when you're wandering along and stumble across a perfect little shop, you can pull out your sample and match something," Heloise says.

4. Don't buy paint based solely on a paint chip at the store. "In your hand, it may look right,"

Heloise says. "But at home, tape it to the center of the wall. Turn the lights on and look at it, turn them off, open the drapes and look at it." She speaks from experience. When buying blue paint for the trailer in which she and her husband, plumbing contractor David Evans, pull their hot air balloon equipment, she chose too quickly. "I wish I'd taken my own advice, believe me," she says. "You can see this trailer coming."

5. Put electrical outlets on every wall. When she and David built their home in San Antonio, they did. They also put one on the floor. Now, she can rearrange furniture to her heart's content — not based on where the lamp cords won't show.

6. When you carpet a room, save useful scraps. Later, if there's a stain you can't get out (yep, that happens even to Heloise) or if part of it burns or if the cat — well, you get the idea — you can replace the ruined piece with a scrap. Similarly, when you paint, pour a little into a clean jar. Mark the date, brand of paint and name. Keep it handy for quick touch-ups.

7. On the inside of light switch plates, put a piece of masking tape with the paint name and brand written on it. Then, when it's time to repaint, you'll have the information handy.

8. Clean stainless-steel sinks with vinegar on a cloth or sponge. For a really nice shine, put a little vegetable oil on a paper towel and wipe out the sink.

9. Get rid of what she calls "bad breath in the garbage disposal" with this quick trick: Put pieces of citrus peel into the disposal and run it until they are gone. Flush with a lot of water and only the tiny smell will remain.

10. Keep drains free-flowing and fresh-smelling by pouring 3/4 to 1 cup of baking soda into the drain, followed by a cup of household vinegar. The mixture will bubble and foam; after three minutes, turn on the hot water and let it run for at least a minute. "If there's a clog or buildup and you run it just for a few seconds, it won't push all the way through," Heloise says. After she and her husband David moved into their first house, she would turn on the disposal, turn on the water, then turn it off. David told her to keep the water on. She said, "The food's gone, David." But she said, "No, he may show you." They sat on the floor and looked at the pipe under the sink. Then David, a plumbing contractor, led his bride through the house, following the pipe's path. Finally their journey led them outside. "Oh," she said. "I get it."

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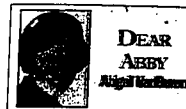
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Scrap-saver does her part to save earth

DEAR ABBY: My message to "Scrap of Scraps," the woman who wrote you to complain about receiving letters from her long-time friend, "Ellen," on odd pieces of paper is: Guess what? Your friend Ellen has become a "green senior" — an older environmentalist. By recycling odd pieces of paper, she's doing her part to conserve forests and her own resources. Go through your junk mail, select a letter with a clean side, and write her back!

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she was raised as a Jew, we were taught to "waste not, want not." I, too, use odds and ends of paper to write notes — even though I have pretty stationary. It recycle wrapping paper, pressing it with an iron to use it again. (My children and grandchildren tease me about it.) I also reuse paper towels on a rack to reuse if they've been used only to wipe up water.

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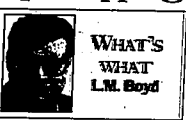
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TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Be up-to-date concerning fashion — remove yourself from fixed mental position. Avoid superficiality, most on valid information. Gemini individual desires to make fool of you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Be careful, what begins as humor could land you in court. Taurus does not want to be trifled with — don't do it lest you want to be told. Scorpio also in picture.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Cycle high; what begins as loss will progress into profit. Get rid of preconceived notions — the world is changing. You'll be asked to compose advertising copy. Romance.

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Blend here of Neptune and Mercury — people who claim to be experts will be close observers. See people as they are and not merely as you wish them to be. You are psychic.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Be realistic about carrying extra burden. Individual who claims, "My back hurts," could be crying foul. Don't "crush" but mail "Be either. Cancer native insists. "Be real!"

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How to slip 'em some spinach for their own good

By Jennifer Lowes
The Orange County Register

Evelyn Tribble's daughter said she hated cauliflower. So Tribble, an Irvine, Calif., dietician and author, did what every cooking mom does: She got sneaky.

The result: twice-baked potatoes, stuffed with a filling of steamed cauliflower that had been puréed with milk to look like mashed potatoes, then topped with reduced-fat Cheddar cheese.

Not only has the dish become a family favorite, but it's one of the "sneak" recipes in Tribble's new book, "Stealth Health: How to Sneak Nutrition Painlessly Into Your Diet" (Viking, \$24.95).

Her book of recipes, eating tips and nutrition know-how identifies the areas many of us have problems with: eating enough fruits and vegetables; getting enough calcium; overcoming fear of soy products; becoming "full of beans," which are high in fiber and protein; learning to be "fiber imbibers"; consuming foods high in iron; and trimming the fat.

Some sneaks: Use vitamin-rich orange juice and carrot juice as liquids for gelatin; chop carrots fine so they look like flecks of cheese in Cheddar chowder; use evaporated skim milk, which has twice the calcium content of regular milk, to

boost the calcium in chocolate pudding; crumble tofu into chili so that it resembles ground meat; cook and puree white beans to give a fiber-rich soup a creamy texture; use phyllo dough rather than pastry crust to make a lower-fat turkey pot pie; bake onion rings instead of frying them.

"Sneak good stuff into favorite recipes," Tribble says. If lasagna is a winner with your family, sneak in some kale — a source of calcium, iron and fiber. "Chop it up so it resembles basil and is not an in-your-face vegetable."

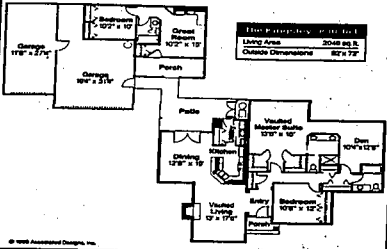
These potatoes are a favorite at Tribble's house; her cauliflower-hating daughter has no clue that's the "mystery" vegetable included in the dish.

TWICE-BAKED POTATOES

4 medium potatoes, washed
1 1/2 pounds cauliflower, washed, green leaves removed
5 tablespoons nonfat milk, divided use
3/4 teaspoon salt
3/4 teaspoon black pepper
1 cup (4 ounces) finely shredded reduced-fat sharp Cheddar cheese
Paprika

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Using a fork, puncture the potatoes. Bake 40-50 minutes until tender. Meanwhile, cut the cauliflower into about eight pieces and steam until very tender. Transfer the cauliflower to a food processor or blender (in 2 batches, if necessary). Add 2 tablespoons of the milk, salt and pepper. Puree until smooth; the mixture will resemble mashed potatoes and make about 1 cup of puree. Set aside. Cut potatoes in half lengthwise. Scoop out the pulp and place into a large mixing bowl, leaving thin shells.

Using an electric mixer on lowest speed, beat the potato pulp and the remaining milk until blended. Add the pureed cauliflower mixture and beat until well-mixed (do not overbeat). Stir in half of the shredded cheese. Divide the mixture among the potato shells. Top with remaining cheese and sprinkle with paprika. Return to the oven and bake until cheese melts, about 5 minutes. Yield: 4 servings.



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kitchen, housed in a combination utility/mud room that's also accessible from the patio.

Storage space is abundant in the bedroom wing. Three closets nestle into spaces in the hallway, and the master suite has two roomy walk-in closets as well. In bedroom two, a closet fills one whole wall. The Kingsley's master bath is fully outfitted with a double vanity, shower and private water closet. Space that could have been used to create a more luxurious bathroom has been devoted to a private den. Connected to the master suite by a hallway, this room could also serve as a small home office.

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Kids will love helping you cook these dishes

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My 4-year-old granddaughter came for a weekend visit recently and we put in some creative kitchen time having fun. She liked to cook, wash dishes, sew or do anything traditionally thought of as "women's work." Since she has expressed an interest in the culinary arts, I have tracked down three good children's cookbooks. Talk about a doting grandma. I even bought her duplicates so she could pressure Mom into doing some of the dishes at home.

If you want some springtime kitchen projects for bored children that don't involve coloring Easter eggs, try these dishes.

- ANIMAL CRACKER CIRCUS TRAIN**
- 1 large chocolate-covered graham crackers - or frost together 2 (2-by-1 1/2-inch) chocolate-covered graham crackers
 - 4-ounce can decorator icing
 - 11 animal crackers
 - 2 packages Life Saver candies (or substitute 22 Fruit Loops cereal)

To assemble each cookie, pipe a strip of frosting along the outer edge of one 2-inch side of 1 graham cracker. Press 2-inch edge of second graham cracker into the frosting side of the first to form a 4-inch rectangle. Using a writing frosting tip, pipe frosting around the outer edge of the rectangle. Place 1 animal cracker lengthwise in the center of the rectangle. Pipe vertical lines of frosting (for bars) about 1 inch apart over the graham cracker and over the top of the animal cracker to resemble an animal in a cage. Attach the Life Saver or Fruit Loop to the bottom of the cookies - cage to form wheels. Repeat with the remaining graham crackers, animal crackers, icing and candies. Arrange the cookies side by side on a decorative serving tray to form a train.

—Adapted from "Hillsbury's Poppin' Fresh Cookie Book"

- TURTLE BREAD**
- 2 1/2 to 3 cups flour
 - 1 package dry yeast
 - 1 tablespoon sugar
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 cup water
 - 1/3 cup milk
 - 1 tablespoon margarine or butter
 - 1 egg
 - Raisins

Mix 1 1/2 cups flour, the yeast, sugar and salt in a large bowl. Heat water, milk and margarine to 125 degrees; stir into yeast mixture. Stir in the egg. Stir in enough of the remaining flour to make the dough easy to handle. Knead on floured surface till the dough is smooth and elastic. Cover and rest about 10 minutes. Lightly grease a cookie sheet. Shape a 2-inch piece of dough



VALLEY COOKING
Dixie Thomas Reale

into a ball for a head. Shape 4 walnut-sized pieces of dough into balls for the feet. Shape a walnut-sized piece of dough into a tail. Shape the remaining dough into a ball for the body; assemble on a cookie sheet. Flatten the body slightly, attach the head, feet and tail by placing an end of each under the edge of the body to secure. Press raisins into the head for eyes. Cover and let rise 20 minutes. Heat oven to 375. Make crisscross cuts in the body, 1/4 inch deep to look like a turtle's shell. Bake the turtle bread until golden brown, 25 to 30 minutes. Brush with butter when it comes out of oven. Makes 12 turtle bread.

—Adapted from the "Gold Medal Alpha Bakery Children's Cookbook"

- TOASTED RAINBOW FRUIT SALAD**
- 1 red apple
 - 1 green apple
 - 1 banana
 - 1 orange
 - 1/2 cup fresh apple juice

Your choice of other fruit - pears, grapes, plums, peaches, apricots, etc.

- 3 tablespoons shredded coconut
- 1 tablespoon sunflower seeds
- 1 ounce chopped nuts

Wash the fruit, cut off any bad spots but do not peel. Cut into bite-sized pieces. Place into a serving dish along with the apple juice. Place the coconut, nuts and sunflower seeds into an oven-proof dish and toast under the broiler until they are a golden brown. Four over the fruit and serve at once with your favorite flavor of yogurt on the side.

—Adapted from "The Kitchen Crew: A Children's Whole Food Cookbook"

Dixie Thomas Reale welcomes comments on recipes. Her address is 512 W. Eighth, Jerome, Idaho 83338.

Critters try to make your home their home

By Mary Beth Breckenridge
Knight Ridder News Service

Uninvited guests can be annoying. Uninvited guests who tear up your house, make noise in the middle of the night and leave a smelly mess behind are downright exasperating. That's what wild animals can do when they find their way into your house.

Brian Miller, a nuisance-wildlife trapper from Ohio, and others who remove nuisance animals from homes recommend doing all you can to keep the wildlife from getting into the first place. Don't feed the critters, and don't leave pet food dishes outside at night. Keep your garbage in a trash can with a locking lid, or use bungee cords to hold the lid on. And any opening in a house is an open door to wildlife. Chimneys are a common entry point, particularly for birds. You can cover the chimney opening with hardware cloth — a type of wire mesh — bolted in place with concrete bolts or attached with heavy wire.

Other suggestions the animal-control authorities recommend for animal-proofing your home are:

- Look for and repair even small openings in your home's exterior, especially in fascia boards and soffits.
- If your fireplace has a clean-out door on the outside of the house, keep it latched.
- Check vent covers periodically for deterioration. Don't overlook the dryer vent.
- Feed the fireplace damper closed.
- Don't leave windows or doors open without screens.
- Don't keep brush piles in the yard, which can harbor wildlife.

Here are ideas from the Ohio Division of Wildlife's Dan Huss and nuisance-wildlife trapper Cathy Schultz on what to do about some

types of animals that might get stuck inside your house. In general, however, both recommend calling in an animal-control professional if the animal won't leave on its own or can't be helped out easily. As a first step, close off the area where the animal is to keep it from escaping to other parts of the house.

- **Birds:** Open doors and windows and try to chase them out. Do it in the daytime, since birds don't normally fly at night. If a bird has a nest in your chimney, leave it be if you can live with it. The birds will leave when the young are grown.
- **Squirrels and chipmunks:** Bait a box trap with sunflower seeds or peanut butter spread on a cookie or cracker.
- **Bats:** A bat in the living areas of the house must be dealt with cautiously because of the chance — albeit small — that the animal could have rabies. Huss says. Try opening doors and windows, but if the bat won't leave on its own, he recommends calling in a pro. Seek medical advice if you have a small child in the house, he says. A child can be bitten or scratched without your knowing. To rid an attic of bats, Huss suggests going outside at dusk to see where the bats enter and leave. The next day, seal up every crack and hole except the bats' main entry point.

- **Raccoons:** You can use just about any food to bait a box trap for a raccoon, but Huss recommends marshmallows because they won't spoil and don't attract most other animals. Use a trail of marshmallows to lead the animal to the trap.
- **Opossums:** These animals may hiss at you if you disturb them, but they're not dangerous, that you should be able to push them out with a broom or pick them up by the tail, Huss says. Put on heavy gloves first.
- **Skunks:** Professionals know

how to capture skunks without angering them. You know what happens when a skunk gets mad.

- **Other advice:** If you hear a noise in your chimney, keep the damper closed and bang on it with a fireplace poker. If a raccoon has her young in there, she'll move them, Schultz says.



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FOOD & HOME

Try peanut butter baskets

Rich, buttery cookies become even more delightful when they're topped with peanut butter cups and candy. These are from Darlene Markel, of Sublimity, Ore., and were featured in Taste of Home magazine.

PEANUT BUTTER BASKETS

- 30 green gumdrops
- 3/4 cup creamy peanut butter
- 1/2 cup shortening
- 3/4 cup sugar, divided
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 egg
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 1/3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 30 miniature peanut butter cups, halved

60 cake decorator candy flowers

Flatten the gumdrops, cut into small leaf shapes and set aside. In a mixing bowl, cream peanut butter, shortening, 1/2 cup sugar and brown sugar. Add egg, milk and vanilla. Mix well. Combine flour, soda and salt. Add to creamed mixture and mix well. Shape into 1-inch balls. Roll in remaining sugar. Place on ungreased baking sheets.

Bake at 350 degrees for 10 to 12 minutes or until lightly browned. Remove from oven and immediately lightly press one peanut butter cup, cut side down, into each cookie to form a basket. Press candy flower onto cookie so it appears as if a flower is coming out of the basket. Press gumdrop leaves next to flowers. Cool on wire racks. Makes about 5 dozen.



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By Barbara Isaacs
Knight Ridder News Service

Pets

LEXINGTON, Ky. — A great family pet is a healthy thing — a furry, stress-busting therapist, an all-natural blood-pressure reducer and, in some cases, even a loyal exercise companion.

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Fluffy, Fido and Slinky have the potential to transmit more than 100 diseases to their human friends — through the bacteria from bites and scratches, by handling them or their waste products without washing hands afterwards, and other means.

Most ER-treated bites are from dogs. Children, the most common victims, tend to be bitten in the face, neck or scalp, said Dr. Mark Rukavina of Central Baptist Hospital's emergency room, whose rule is that children and pets should always be supervised together — particularly if the child is under 5 years old.

Bites can pass on a variety of bacteria. One of them, pasteurella, is transmitted in at least half of all dog and cat bites, according to a recent report in the New England Journal of Medicine. The bacteria can cause serious meningitis.

Tetanus shots should also be brought up to date after a bite. Cat bites, because of the puncturing nature of a cat's teeth, tend to become infected more often than dog bites and often need medical attention.

Many people fear rabies, though that's rare among domestic animals. Bats and skunks, not household pets, are the most common rabid animals.

Still, dog bites are a big deal. Insurers paid \$250 million in U.S. dog bite claims in 1996. Some insurers have begun to question homeowners more closely about their dogs, and some may refuse to insure homes that include particular breeds.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have even made a list of the highest-risk breeds, including pit bulls, rottweilers, German shepherds, huskies, Alaskan malamutes, chows, Doberman pinschers, Great Danes, Akitas and St. Bernards.

"Certainly, some breeds are more aggressive," said Dr. Eric Headley, a veterinarian with the

Chery Chase Small Animal Clinic in Lexington. "When time is not spent with a dog in training, they can be a liability." But, he added, there's no magic formula — not all pit bulls are mean, and even a placid golden retriever can bite.

Also, large doesn't always mean dangerous. Headley himself owns two 100-pound hounds and has three children under age 5, but he picked laid-back dogs.

Veterinarian Dr. Bianca Zaffarano, who treats every sort of exotic animal at her PetVetVet Small & Exotic Animal Hospital in Lexington, said, "Reptiles are not appropriate pets for kids. Salmonella is a very real concern."

One San Francisco pet store study found in 1997 that nearly 60 percent of all iguanas, turtles and snakes carried a strain of salmonella bacteria that could give people gastrointestinal illness if they didn't wash their hands well after handling them. Reptiles also aren't recommended for people with immune system problems because salmonella can make them seriously ill.

Zaffarano thinks most children under 11 shouldn't own reptiles — snakes, lizards, turtles and the like — until they can handle the hygiene demands.

Zaffarano's list of good unusual pets for kids include "pocket pets" such as guinea pigs, domestic rats and hamsters. She said domestic rats are very gentle, as are guinea pigs, though occasionally hamsters can "be a little nippy."

Smaller birds, such as cockatiels and parakeets are also good, though all birds can bite. Rabbits are also good pets for kids, though they require more maintenance and attention than the smaller pocket pets.

Proper hygiene is crucial for handling all pets. Use gloves when scooping or cleaning up pet waste; Some nasty germs are often in there, including some human parasites such as giardia and cryptosporidium, which cause gastrointestinal illnesses. Also, wear gloves when cleaning a fish tank.

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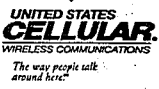
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FOOD & HOME

Leave the oven door open when you broil

By Kathleen Purdie
Night Rider News Service

A kitchen can be a scary place. Some people's brothers scare them to death. Do you really understand your broiler? Do you know, for instance, that you're supposed to leave the door open when you're broiling? Do you know the medicine oven rack placement for thick food and thin food? Do you know ambient heat? Or the Mailbird reaction? Do you know broiling produces low-fat, speedy food?

Mark Bittman, who wrote "How to Cook Everything," has a section on broiling that lists 50 varieties, from "broiled asparagus" to "broiled basics." The grill and the broiler have a lot in common, Bittman explains. Both use the same cooking methods that use direct heat. So you stand between the food and the heat source.

Broiling, Bittman explains, is "fast, dry, high heat." Remember that Mailbird reaction? That's what you call it when sugars and proteins react to give the rich flavors of broiled foods. In her book "CookWise," food scientist Shirley Corriente explains that the intense heat of broiling gives that rich, browned flavor right on the surface while the quick cooking time keeps the interior of meat from getting dry and tough.

The idea is to get the broiler rack, put the food under it very briefly, whip it back up before it burns. But there are two problems with home broilers: flat and small.

Professional kitchens have a piece of equipment called a salamander. Salamanders get very hot, concentrating a lot of heat on a small area. Like a plate of food. The broiler in a home electric oven doesn't get nearly so hot. Bittman's solution is to direct broast the oven to 500 degrees to get the air inside the oven — the ambient heat — very hot. Then switch the oven to broil, give it a few minutes to preheat, and put the food under it.

So, what about leaving your oven door open? You'll need to consult the owner's manual for your oven, and gas ovens work differently. But most electric ovens are designed to have the door open while using the broiler. Many oven doors even have a catch so they will hold themselves open several inches. If you leave the door open and turn on the fan in your range hood, you'll also keep up with the smoke, instead of letting it build up inside the oven.

To adjust the heat in most home ovens, you move the oven rack up and down. Thin cuts of meat or vegetables won't take much time to cook through, so you place them very close to the broiler. A thick piece will burn on the outside before it cooks on the inside, so you have to place it lower.

You could serve this with a rich sauce like hollandaise, or chill it and serve it with unguenise. But we've also provided ingredients for serving it with a healthful Cucumber Mint Sauce.

BASIC BROILED SALMON STEAKS

- 4 salmon steaks, 1/4 to 1/3 pound each
- 1 tablespoon peanut or olive oil
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Lemon wedges
Cucumber-Mint Sauce

- 1 medium cucumber, peeled if desired
- Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste

- 1 cup plain nonfat yogurt
- 2 teaspoons minced onion, shallot or scallion
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 3 tablespoons minced fresh mint

Preheat the broiler with the rack about 4 inches from the heat source. Rub the salmon steaks with oil and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Broil the salmon steaks from 3 to 5 minutes per side, turning once. Use a thin-bladed knife to peek at the flesh near the bone.

Don't overcook: fish should just separate into flakes and be opaque. Serves 4.

To make sauce: Cut the cucumber in half lengthwise and scoop out the seeds. Chop it into 1/2-inch dice and combine with all remaining ingredients. Refrigerate until ready to serve. Can be made up to 3 hours in advance. Serve fish with sauce and lemon wedges. —From "How to Cook Everything," by Mark Bittman

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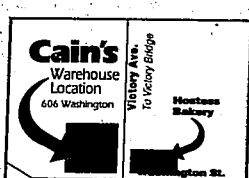
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SPORTS

Majerus says he'll stay in Utah despite interest from other teams

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah's Rick Majerus said Tuesday night that he's staying put, despite interest and offers from other teams. Majerus told KUTV in Salt Lake that he had withdrawn his name from consideration for Notre Dame's vacant head coaching position and doesn't plan to field other offers. "I'm delighted about coming back next year and I can say that with certainty," he said. On Monday night, Majerus turned down San Diego State's offer to take over its moribund men's basketball program. He had been San Diego State's No. 1 choice since Fred Trezkle announced Feb. 11 that he was resigning as coach's end. He said his decision to say no to San Diego State "had nothing to do with anything other than some personal issues in

my life" which he wouldn't elaborate on. But he still led the rumor list to succeed John MacLeod at Notre Dame, with hazy reports of meetings between Majerus and Notre Dame officials. Majerus had said several times that he was 99 percent sure he would coach at Utah next season — with Notre Dame making up the other 1 percent. Now he's ruling out the Irish altogether. Instead, Majerus said he is working on recruiting and relaxing before next season begins. "We'll have a good club next year, how good is anybody's guess right now," he said. "I'm more concerned with what Bob is going to try to do on right now than the inevitable arrival of next season."

Tennis

Continued from D1. 6-0, 6-2 victory. Graf extended her winning streak in the Lipton to 21 consecutive matches by beating Natasha Zvereva 6-2, 6-4. Kournikova lost to Barbara Schett 6-1, 1-6, 6-1. Pierce retired with a sprained ankle while trailing Amanda Coetzer 6-1, 4-2. Krajicek, who reached the Lipton semifinal for the first time, is the only remaining player ranked in the top 14. His opponent in the semifinals Thursday will be 15th-ranked Thomas Enqvist. "Rankings-wise it looks like the best guys aren't playing," Krajicek said. "But the guys left are really playing well." Krajicek, 27, is ranked No. 7 and rising after undergoing knee surgery last November. Sampras, who has committed 32 unforced errors to 10 for Krajicek.

"He has the tools, but tools can only take you so far," Sampras said. "It's just a matter of if he has the heart and the mind to be the best player in the world." "That's a question I ask myself also," Krajicek said. "How long can I answer it over the next two years." Krajicek, the 1996 Wimbledon champion, has always been an imposing presence. At 6-foot-5, he's one of the few players to make Sampras look small. "When he gets his serve going, there's not much you can do," Sampras said. "It's like it's coming down from a crane." That analogy came after Krajicek heeled nine aces, reached 137 mph with his serve and was broken just once. He kept constant pressure on Sampras, who committed 32 unforced errors to 10 for Krajicek.

"I make him play maybe a little bit different," Krajicek said. "Against me, he has to maybe rush a little bit more than he would like to." Krajicek took to the second-seed tiebreaker doomed Sampras. He double-faulted to make the score 4-4 and floated an easy backhand volley to fall behind 7-6. Krajicek then blasted a 132-mph serve, charged the net and put away an easy volley for the victory. Sampras continues to struggle following his controversial decision to skip the Australian Open and take 10 weeks off this winter. He's 7-3 in 1999 and hasn't reached a final in his four tournaments. "I know I might struggle a little bit this time of year," Sampras said. "But I needed the break. It's a little more regular. The year is still very young."

CSI

Continued from D1. "Regardless of what the community demands, as a coach, you go home with the game every night, and that's where the ultimate pressure comes in." The Pacific West Athletic Conference has undergone a major facelift since Jones began in 1989 as an assistant to Fred Trezkle, the Magic Valley anomaly who led 19-24 records at CSI. "I think the league has gotten so strong in every sport that it's just not as easy to run through it like it used to be," Bate said. CSI is recruiting from CSI recruited. We set a standard and people are living up to it. You see the same thing in volleyball. Now Bate has the task of recruiting players to a national tournament team — something Jones did his first five seasons at CSI. "Marcia (assistant coach Mussmann) and I sat down immediately and reevaluated exactly what we're going to do," Bate said after returning the Jvins Falls. "We're looking at the extent of denying the regional athletes. It's to the extent of understanding exactly what tools you need to succeed there."

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Court expands use of expert witnesses

WASHINGTON (AP) — The rules for judging the reliability of scientific expert testimony in court also apply to non-scientific experts, a unanimous Supreme Court said Tuesday in a decision of enormous importance to American businesses.

Expanding the scope of a 1993 decision that established rules for considering whether scientific evidence should be allowed, the court said the same rules may be used by judges in determining whether other types of expert testimony are let in.

"We conclude that (the 1993

ruling's) general holding... applies not only to testimony based on "scientific" knowledge, but also to testimony based on technical and "other specialized" knowledge," Justice Stephen G. Breyer wrote for the court.

By a separate 8-1 vote, the justices ruled that a federal judge in Alabama correctly barred an engineer testifying as an expert witness in the trial of a lawsuit over a 1993 traffic accident.

The engineer was prepared to testify that he believed a manufacturer's or design defect had caused a tire blowout that led to

the Baldwin County, Ala., accident in which one person was killed and seven others injured.

The trial judge rightly doubted whether the engineer's methodology could reliably determine the cause of the tire's failure, Breyer said.

The nation's highest court in 1993 told judges deciding on the admissibility of expert evidence to consider whether the theory or technique had been tested, whether it was reviewed by other experts, its possible rate of error, and whether it was generally accepted by the scientific community.

The guidelines were aimed at allowing trial judges to act as gatekeepers and keep unreliable "junk science" out of the courtroom in product-liability disputes and other legal controversies.

The Atlanta-based 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that those rules do not apply to non-scientific testimony. Its ruling gave the Patrick Carmichael family another chance to show that engineer David Carlson's testimony should have been allowed in their lawsuit against the Kumho Tire Co.



First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, right, walks through the columns of the Temple of Luxor Tuesday with daughter Chelsea, left, and Dr. Gustaf III Gabella, secretary general for the Supreme Council of Antiquities.

First lady spreads message of tolerance

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Hillary Rodham Clinton visited some of Egypt's most important Muslim, Christian and Jewish sites Tuesday, then exhorted the people of the Middle East to "reject the calls to violence and prejudice and discrimination."

The American first lady's appeal for tolerance came in a country where Islam is the state religion, but the largely secular government has been under fire for years from Muslim militants.

Mrs. Clinton said before she left on a 12-day trip through Egypt, Morocco and Tunisia that she was counting on news coverage to spread her message beyond North Africa's borders. Her touring in Cairo generated news photos of Egypt's religiously diverse history.

With daughter Chelsea at her side, the first lady marveled at the air shaft of a pulpuit used to keep the tomb cool as they peered into the mildewed crypt of St. Sargius Church, where Mary and Joseph were said to have sheltered among bulrushes. And she peered into the mildewed crypt of St. Sargius Church, where Mary and Joseph were said to have sheltered among bulrushes. And she peered into the mildewed crypt of St. Sargius Church, where Mary and Joseph were said to have sheltered among bulrushes.

In her address at the American University in Cairo, Mrs. Clinton seemed careful not to offend diplomatic sensitivities. Several times in her 40-minute speech, she noted that the United States is "not perfect" and that church burnings and hate crimes back home give evidence of intolerance.

"We have to reject the calls to violence and prejudice and discrimination," Mrs. Clinton said. "In every religion, there are those who would drape themselves in the mantle of belief and faith, only to distort its most sacred teachings — preaching intolerance and resorting to violence against believers of other faiths."

Egyptian Christians, known as Copts, were frequent targets of the insurgent Muslims at the height of their violent unrest in the late 1980s and early 1990s. The government condemns its strong and often-violent tactics have succeeded in quelling the domestic terror.

At St. Sargius Church, with its unmarked, basement-level entrance off an alley in Cairo's Old Coptic Quarter, Bishop Yohanna cast the best light on the situation for his American visitors.

"We feel that we are brothers and friends," he said. "We are one unit and one country. We love them, and they love us."

McDougal breaks silence, supports Clinton testimony

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Taking the witness stand after defying Kenneth Starr's prosecutors for 2 1/2 years, Susan McDougal said Tuesday she never discussed a fraudulent \$300,000 loan with Bill Clinton and "did not hear anything unethical" when the president testified at her 1996 trial.

At times crying, at times speaking animatedly to the jury in her criminal contempt trial, the Clintons' former real estate partner depicted herself as a "people person" who mostly left Whitewater financial matters to her husband and is "notoriously bad with dates." She said she couldn't even remember the year Clinton was first elected Arkansas governor — 1978. Her testimony opened the way

for Starr's prosecutors to get answers from Mrs. McDougal for the first time. They should question her in court later this week.

Mrs. McDougal's lawyer, Mark Geragos, led his client through a series of questions she refused to answer when she appeared before a federal grand jury in September 1996 and again in April 1998.

At the 1996 trial of James and Susan McDougal and then-Arkansas Gov. Jim Guy Tucker, all of whom were convicted, the president testified that he knew nothing about a fraudulent \$300,000 federally backed loan that went into the McDougals' joint checking account.

"I never discussed the loan with William Jefferson Clinton," Mrs. McDougal said.

Officials target 737 rudders

SPRINGFIELD, Va. — Government investigators used exotic computer simulations and dry investigative analysis Tuesday to argue that repeated stresses in the rudders on three Boeing 737s caused a pair of airline crashes and nearly caused a third.

The findings were presented during a National Transportation Safety Board hearing into the cause of the September 1994 crash of USAir Flight 427 outside Pittsburgh that killed all 142 on board. Not only may they explain that crash, but also the 1991 crash of United Airlines Flight 285 outside Colorado Springs, Colo., that killed all 25 aboard, and a 1996 incident in which the pilots of an Eastwind Airlines 737 barely lost control of their aircraft as they approached Richmond, Va.

The findings also raised questions about whether further changes are needed in the 3,100 737s flying worldwide. The twin-engine plane is the most common jetliner in the world, with 800 in the air at any time.

NATION IN BRIEF

Chocolate burns in truck crash
GRINNEL, Iowa — A tractor-trailer crashed into another big rig on a highway early Tuesday, killing one driver and setting off a stubborn fire — in a load of chocolate.

The accident happened about 2 a.m. in the westbound lane of Interstate 80 in central Iowa as a semi hauling chocolate products struck the rear of another semi, the Iowa State Patrol said. The first truck was either stopped or driving slowly when it was hit from behind in the right lane.

The driver of the chocolate truck, whose name was not released, was killed, patrol

spokesman Dave Garrison said.

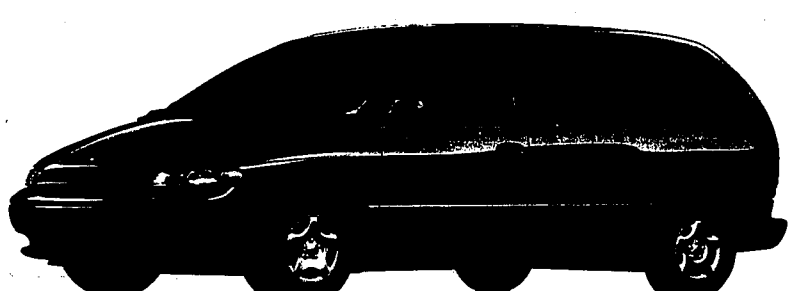
Cuban refugees found in Keys

BIG PINE KEY, Fla. — Forty-three illegal Cuban immigrants who were apparently brought ashore by smugglers were found in the Florida Keys over a 12-hour period, some of them trapped in the mud flats.

Two small children and 23 adults were found on Big Pine Key on Tuesday morning. Late Monday, 14 adults and four children were found stranded on the mud flats off Big Pine Key, about 30 miles east of Key West.

They had to be rescued from the mud flats by Coast Guard helicopter. No injuries were reported.

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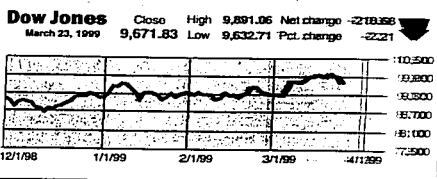
Dow Jones takes tumble

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The stock market fell victim to another wave of anxiety about corporate profits Tuesday, sending the Dow Jones industrial average plunging more than 200 points just days after the blue chip index crossed 10,000 for the first time.

The Dow fell 218.68 to 9,671.83, a loss of 2 percent and the second-worst point drop for the index this year. The Dow retreated below 9,700 for the first time since March 9, but it is still up 5.3 percent for the year.

The earnings confession season has hampered the bulls' charge," said Bryan Pitrowski, a market analyst at Prudential Securities, "and really never allowed us to establish a beachhead above 10,000."



The Dow crossed 10,000 during three sessions last week, trading as high as 10,085.31. But it couldn't manage a close above that milestone.

Broader stock indicators were also hard Tuesday. The Standard & Poor's 500 fell 34.87 to 1,262.14, and the Nasdaq composite fell 73.10 to 2,322.28.

Showing up in person might hold advantages for job-seekers

By Amy Lindgren, Staff Writer

How do you feel about cold calls? Many job-seekers dislike the practice of cold calls. People they don't know to inquire about job openings. Some of the obstacles they encounter include endless voicemail messages, stubborn receptionists, disinterested human-resources people and the feeling that their messages have been tossed to the voice-mail of a hired-and-fired staff member whose name was never removed from the phone list.

Even when the call gets through, some job-seekers choose not. No one is comfortable standing their case on the phone and asking for an interview.

Showing up in person might hold advantages for job-seekers. Showing up in person might hold advantages for job-seekers. Showing up in person might hold advantages for job-seekers.

Making it a success. If you want to add drop in meetings to your selection of job-search methods, here are a few tips to remember: 1. Dress for success. Assume you will meet the person who can make the hiring decision and dress accordingly. 2. Be strategic. Start with the companies closest to your home, and plan to stop at several that are near each other. Learn a little about each firm and decide what you might have to offer. 3. Be prepared. Bring your "interview list," complete with firm names, address of office, phone number, and a list of all the information, resumes and references you will need to bring along. 4. Be professional. Be on time. 5. Be confident. 6. Be polite. 7. Be concise. 8. Be enthusiastic. 9. Be prepared to answer questions. 10. Be prepared to ask questions. 11. Be prepared to negotiate. 12. Be prepared to say no. 13. Be prepared to follow up. 14. Be prepared to be patient. 15. Be prepared to be persistent. 16. Be prepared to be flexible. 17. Be prepared to be adaptable. 18. Be prepared to be resilient. 19. Be prepared to be optimistic. 20. Be prepared to be positive. 21. Be prepared to be confident. 22. Be prepared to be assertive. 23. Be prepared to be decisive. 24. Be prepared to be proactive. 25. Be prepared to be reactive. 26. Be prepared to be collaborative. 27. Be prepared to be team-oriented. 28. Be prepared to be customer-focused. 29. Be prepared to be service-oriented. 30. Be prepared to be results-driven. 31. Be prepared to be goal-oriented. 32. Be prepared to be achievement-oriented. 33. Be prepared to be growth-oriented. 34. Be prepared to be innovation-oriented. 35. Be prepared to be change-oriented. 36. Be prepared to be risk-taking. 37. Be prepared to be bold. 38. Be prepared to be courageous. 39. Be prepared to be brave. 40. Be prepared to be strong. 41. Be prepared to be powerful. 42. Be prepared to be influential. 43. Be prepared to be persuasive. 44. Be prepared to be convincing. 45. Be prepared to be compelling. 46. Be prepared to be inspiring. 47. Be prepared to be motivating. 48. Be prepared to be energizing. 49. Be prepared to be uplifting. 50. Be prepared to be encouraging. 51. Be prepared to be supportive. 52. Be prepared to be helpful. 53. Be prepared to be kind. 54. Be prepared to be gentle. 55. Be prepared to be soft. 56. Be prepared to be warm. 57. Be prepared to be friendly. 58. Be prepared to be approachable. 59. Be prepared to be accessible. 60. Be prepared to be open. 61. Be prepared to be honest. 62. Be prepared to be truthful. 63. Be prepared to be sincere. 64. Be prepared to be genuine. 65. Be prepared to be authentic. 66. Be prepared to be real. 67. Be prepared to be natural. 68. Be prepared to be relaxed. 69. Be prepared to be comfortable. 70. Be prepared to be at ease. 71. Be prepared to be calm. 72. Be prepared to be peaceful. 73. Be prepared to be serene. 74. Be prepared to be tranquil. 75. Be prepared to be quiet. 76. Be prepared to be still. 77. Be prepared to be motionless. 78. Be prepared to be immobile. 79. Be prepared to be stationary. 80. Be prepared to be fixed. 81. Be prepared to be permanent. 82. Be prepared to be lasting. 83. Be prepared to be enduring. 84. Be prepared to be long-lasting. 85. Be prepared to be permanent. 86. Be prepared to be everlasting. 87. Be prepared to be eternal. 88. Be prepared to be infinite. 89. Be prepared to be boundless. 90. Be prepared to be limitless. 91. Be prepared to be boundless. 92. Be prepared to be limitless. 93. Be prepared to be boundless. 94. Be prepared to be limitless. 95. Be prepared to be boundless. 96. Be prepared to be limitless. 97. Be prepared to be boundless. 98. Be prepared to be limitless. 99. Be prepared to be boundless. 100. Be prepared to be limitless.

Fathers praise child-time leave option

By Carol Kliban, Chicago Tribune

What do working fathers want? You may be surprised. "What fathers increasingly want is the ability to provide for and spend time with their children... Although work is a unquestionably powerful source of male identity and satisfaction, family is equally strong." That's the conclusion of James A. Levine, director of the Fatherhood Project at the Families and Work Institute in New York, and Todd L. Pittinsky, a researcher and former consultant.

They're the authors of "Working Fathers: New Strategies for Balancing Work and Family" (Harcourt Brace, \$13), and what they've found is that employed fathers, like employed mothers, keenly feel the conflict between work and family. In fact, according to Levine and Pittinsky, a 1996 survey of men in their 30s and 40s found that 84 percent believe "success (in life) means being a good father."

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MARKETS

VW's Passat speeds past Camry in Consumer Reports ranking

EAST HADDAM, Conn. (AP) — A new Volkswagen Passat... formed the Camry in 1998, but Consumer Reports declined to give it the top ranking then because testers at the magazine's East Haddam track said it was too new to gauge its reliability. The Passat took off after being redesigned in 1997. "We think the Passat was just as significant a car as the new Beetle for us, because it proves that Volkswagen can compete in the mid-range family car market," VW spokesman Tony Fouldpour said.

Fathers

Continued from E1. We and discussed the possibility of my leaving of absent when hers was up so that I could be with Jacob." The lawyer decided to ask for a year's absence — but not starting immediately. "November and December are busy months in a real estate law firm," he said. "I want to be around when I was needed most," he said. When Klawiter went to manager Partner Lee Miller, whom he describes as "a real good guy," he asked for three months of unpaid leave beginning in January. Miller granted the leave was granted. Before his leave began, when both he and his wife were working, relatives filled in at home taking care of Jacob. But despite Klawiter's strong commitment to his family, he says the decision he made was not an easy one. "At first I had feelings of doubt about whether this was the right decision, about the risk of my colleagues seeing me adversely affect my legal career and my standing among my peers, about whether this would be viewed by my colleagues as an absence of commitment to the firm."

Job

Continued from E1. The efficiency argument brings a chuckle. Since the goal of a job-search phone call, e-mail or fax is to get an interview, it's not efficient to skip these steps and go directly to the in-person meeting? "We're so used to the efficiency of those electronic contact methods that we have virtually turned ourselves into a nation of self-employed (but not self-starting) staffers, churning out endless "mailings" with questionable rates of return. One reason the door-to-door job search has fallen from favor is urban sprawl. As our cities have expanded, it has become a daunting task to reach businesses on the other side of town. To simply drop in on a variety of companies requires the logistical planning of a general in warfare. Issues of parking, bus routes and rush-hour traffic are enough to bring a whimper from the hardest foot soldier. If it's not efficient to go to the company office, why would you want to work there? If you're not careful, today's logistical challenges will lead to a commuting headache of a thousand tomorrows. Obviously, this drop-in style of search is a high rate of rejection. But it also carries the promise of quick success. If you catch the right person at the right time, you can be employed by afternoon. It's not for everyone, but if you have some courage and a good job fast, dropping in is a great way for you.

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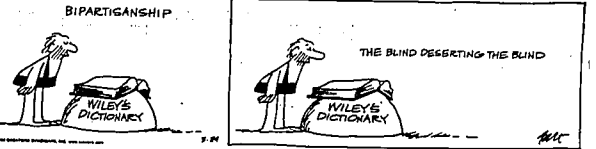
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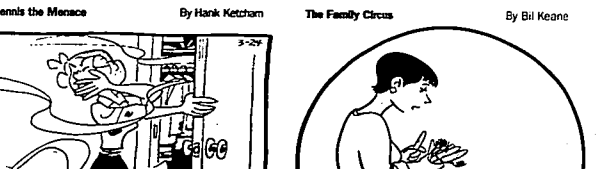
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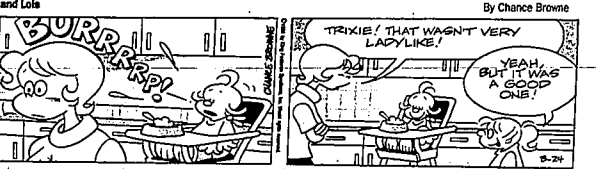
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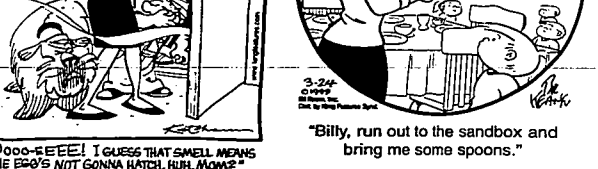
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305 CONTRACTS &
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 FIRST PAYMENT DUE AT LEASE SIGNING
 Unit subject to prior sale or lease O.A.C. 48 Month Closed End Lease. Tax and title not included in monthly payment.

1998 PONTIAC SUNFIRE
 Stock #991K. Cloth Seats, Manual Windows, Power Locks, AM/FM Cassette, Automatic Transmission, 2.4 Cylinder, 1200 Miles.
\$0 DOWN \$179 MO.
 FIRST PAYMENT DUE AT LEASE SIGNING
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1997 FORD ESCORT EX
 Stock #775K. Cloth Seats, Manual Windows, Power Locks, AM/FM Cassette, Automatic Transmission, 2.0 Cylinder, 1200 Miles.
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 FIRST PAYMENT DUE AT LEASE SIGNING
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1997 HONDA ACCORD EX
 Stock #776K. Cloth Seats, Manual Windows, Power Locks, AM/FM Cassette, Automatic Transmission, 2.4 Cylinder, 1200 Miles.
\$0 DOWN \$199 MO.
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 Stock #777K. Cloth Seats, Manual Windows, Power Locks, AM/FM Cassette, Automatic Transmission, 2.5L 4 Cylinder, 1200 Miles.
\$0 DOWN \$219 MO.
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 Stock #789K. Cloth Seats, Power Windows, Loaded, Manual, Color, Tilt, Air Cond., AM/FM Cassette, 5 Door, 4.6L V-8 Engine, 11,000 Miles, Clean Title.
\$0 DOWN \$259 MO.
 FIRST PAYMENT DUE AT LEASE SIGNING
 Unit subject to prior sale or lease O.A.C. 48 Month Closed End Lease. Tax and title not included in monthly payment.

1997 FORD EXPEDITION
 Stock #790K. Cloth Seats, Power Windows, Loaded, Manual, Color, Tilt, Air Cond., AM/FM Cassette, 5 Door, 4.6L V-8 Engine, 11,000 Miles, Clean Title.
\$0 DOWN \$369 MO.
 FIRST PAYMENT DUE AT LEASE SIGNING
 Unit subject to prior sale or lease O.A.C. 48 Month Closed End Lease. Tax and title not included in monthly payment.

1998 GMC 3500 CREW CAB
 Stock #791K. Cloth Seats, Power Windows, Loaded, Manual, Color, Tilt, Air Cond., AM/FM Cassette, 5 Door, 7.4L V-8 Engine, 11,000 Miles, Clean Title.
\$0 DOWN \$379 MO.
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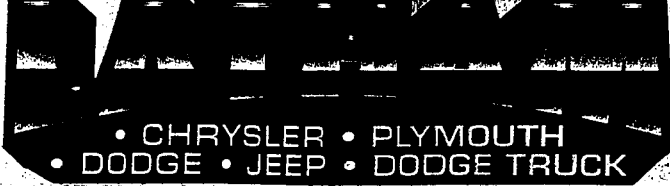
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 FIRST PAYMENT DUE AT LEASE SIGNING
 Two Available At This Price. Unit subject to prior sale or lease O.A.C. 48 Month Closed End Lease. Tax and title not included in monthly payment. Dealer retains rebate.

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 Cloth Seats • 3.1L V-6 Motor • Engine Air Conditioning • Alloy Wheels • Tilt • Air Bags • 3 Year 36,000 Mile Warranty • 24 Hour Road Side Assistance.
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