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# Warplanes rip Yugoslavia

## First assaults plunge capital into darkness

The Associated Press

**BELGRADE, Yugoslavia** — Wave after wave of NATO warplanes and missiles struck Yugoslavia on Wednesday, razing military barracks, power plants and air defense batteries in an effort to force the country's defiant leader to cease his onslaught against Kosovo Albanians.

The NATO attack came after months of diplomacy failed to end a year of fighting between Yugoslav forces and ethnic Albanian separatists that has killed more than 2,000 people and left over 400,000 homeless in Kosovo, a Yugoslav province.

"Only firmness now can prevent greater catastrophe later," President Clinton said from the White House shortly after the bombing began. "Kosovo's crisis is now fully under way. We do not act clearly if it get even worse."

Yugoslavia declared a state of war shortly after the first attacks. The Yugoslav army said more than 20 targets were hit in the first hour but claimed that no air defense units were damaged — reportedly a major target of the NATO strikes.

Explosions resounded in Kosovo's capital of Pristina starting at 7:55 p.m. (11:55 a.m. MST), and the city of 280,000 was plunged into darkness when the electricity failed. The official Tanjug news agency reported four heavy blasts in the city, including three from the area of Slana airport.

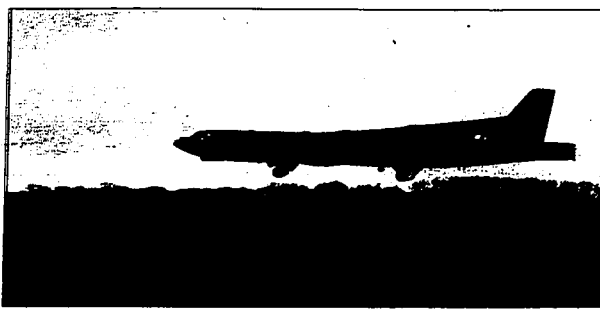
More than a dozen explosions were heard around Belgrade, the Yugoslav capital, including some near the main military airport and one near a power plant.

In neighboring Montenegro, which with Serbia forms Yugoslavia, an army military barracks in Danilovgrad was in flames after being hit. One soldier was reportedly killed and three others were wounded, officials said.

Reporters were not immediately able to get to the targets to see what effect the attacks had. The center of Belgrade was quiet and unlit, and state-media reported early Thursday that the air alert had been called off.

NATO bombing targets were spread throughout the country. In Kosovo, the targets appeared to be at least 15 miles from Pristina, in the west where it is dangerous to travel at night.

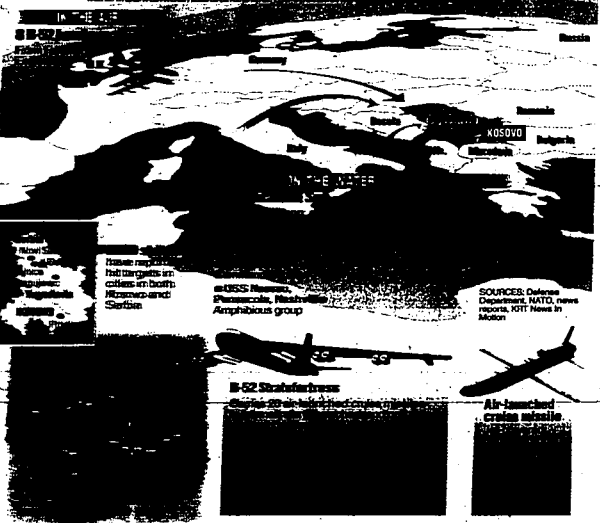
During the bombardment, about 25 foreign journalists who were in the city of the Hyatt Hotel in Belgrade were detained by police. Some were later released. CNN said those



An American B-52 Stratofortress takes off Wednesday from the Royal Air Force Base in Fairfield, England, as maintenance personnel watch from the ground. NATO's airstrikes began in Yugoslavia at 11:55 a.m. MST.

## Defending Kosovo

NATO forces led by the U.S. began the first wave of airstrikes against Yugoslavia Wednesday to force Serbian aggressors to stop their assault on the province.



detained included four of its producers and photographers. Explosions also were heard in the area of Slana Sad in northern Serbia, northwest of Belgrade. Scores of cruise missiles and one-ton bombs were fired at Yugoslav targets. Dozens of warplanes were used, including six U.S. B-52 bombers and two B-2 stealth bombers.

"We are attacking the military infrastructure that President (Slobodan) Milosevic and his forces are using to repress and kill innocent people," U.S. Secretary of Defense William Cohen said Wednesday in Washington. "NATO forces are not attacking the people of Yugoslavia."

## Where they stand

...in Kosovo  
...in the line of fire  
...in this century-old civil war is dangerous.

## U.S. group prepares for rescue operations

**WASHINGTON** — Fearing that NATO pilots might be shot down by Yugoslav gunners, the alliance is counting on some unusually tough help: Air Force commandos and all-weather helicopters normally used for raids deep inside enemy territory. Some 150 air commandos, paratroopers and other personnel from the 16th Special Operations Group at Hurler Field in Florida have assembled at a military base in southern Italy. Typically used in secret missions, such as ferrying Special Forces teams or Navy SEALs behind enemy lines, the unit will be responsible for rescuing U.S. pilots.

## Census 2000 will start Monday in Idaho

**By Gregory Little**  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Idaho's city dwellers will get their first dose of the U.S. Census 2000 next week. Around 80 local workers will be knocking on doors for the next three to six weeks.

By the spring of 2000, the Census will catalogue the more than 275 million U.S. residents — a task that will cost more than \$6 billion and employ around 850,000 people around the country. The numbers are used to reapportion Congressional and legislative districts and to refigure where federal money is spent.

But first, the Census Bureau needs to know where to mail the questionnaires, and that's what the local employees will be working on next week.

"We are building the foundation for building a good, solid address list," said Robert Clingman, a Census spokesman based out of Seattle.

Around 20 volunteers will be paid at least \$8.50 an hour to knock on every door in Idaho cities to create

### What's coming

Starting next week, the following items will be published in the Times-News:

- Special three-page U.S. Census 2000 preview
- Challenging activities in Idaho
- How to get the most out of your car
- How to get the most out of your home
- How to get the most out of your money
- How to get the most out of your health
- How to get the most out of your education
- How to get the most out of your retirement
- How to get the most out of your vacation
- How to get the most out of your life

## Top national land managers field tough questions in Boise

**By N.S. Noldentved**  
Times-News writer

**BOISE** — Think the government couldn't listen to ordinary Idahoans? Well, four top national land managers were listening Wednesday.

They listened to concerns expressed by representatives of the timber, mining and livestock industries, the non-Indians hunters and environmental groups. And they talked a lot about partnerships and collaboration with local residents, and about the importance of state, local and federal officials working together.

"Some of the things we have to do are not popular," U.S. Forest Service Chief Mike Donbeck said about 600 participants at a symposium held in Boise Wednesday.

Donbeck was joined by his counterparts at three federal agencies: National Park Service Director Bob Stanton; Bureau of Land Management Acting Director Tom Fry; and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Director Jamie Clark.

The very public lands are viewed as changing, Donbeck said. The more citizens and more issues, settled outside Washington, D.C., the better.

"There is not enough for everyone to have everything they want, so we have to share," Donbeck said.

And that's where it gets complicated. Participants at Wednesday's symposium, put on by the Andrus Center for Public Policy, said top officials should find ways to cut red tape, to streamline bureaucracy.

"There are too many rules, too many agencies," said rancher Brad Little, of the Little Land and Livestock Co.

Carl Pope, executive director of the Sierra Club, noted that unless Congress is willing to invest in the country's natural resources, then all the discussion Wednesday will amount to little more than "whistling in the graveyard."

In the past 20 years, the nation's economy has doubled, but expenditures on natural resources has decreased by 9 percent. Congress is soon going to vote on a budget to double that cut, Pope said.

Idaho's delegation is likely to vote for such cuts, he said, although that might not

# THE REGION

# MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

# YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

### Carnas Prairie

High 54 Low 37  
Cloudy today with slight chance of rain and light winds. Some tonight. Some clearing Friday, high 48.

### Treasure Valley

High 68 Low 40  
Cloudy today with slight chance of rain and light winds. Same tonight. Some clearing Friday, high 60.

### Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High 62 Low 33  
Partly cloudy today with light winds. Mostly cloudy tonight. Mostly cloudy Friday, chance of showers, high 54.

### Eastern Idaho

High 65 Low 33  
Partly cloudy today with light winds. Mostly cloudy tonight. Mostly cloudy Friday, chance of showers, high 58.

### Northern Idaho

High 58 Low 35  
Mostly cloudy today, chance of rain, breezy. Sun tonight but with snow. Mostly cloudy Friday, chance of rain, high 50.

### Northern Utah

High 72 Low 44  
Partly cloudy today with light winds. Mostly cloudy tonight. Mostly cloudy Friday, high 65.

### Northern Nevada

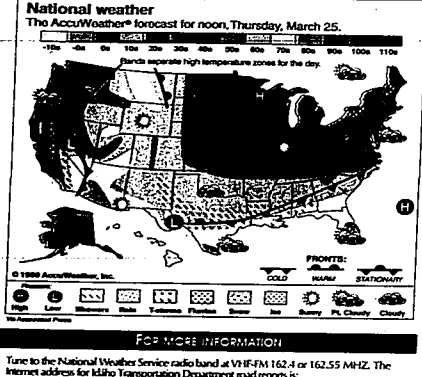
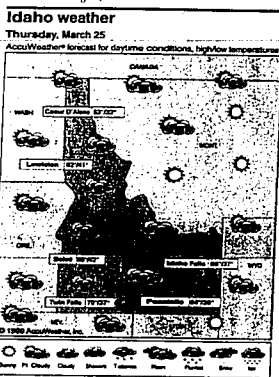
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Today	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
High 70 Low 37 Increasing clouds, Southeast winds 10-20 mph, and chance of rain tonight.	High 64 Low 32 Mostly cloudy with slight chance of rain.	High 50s Low 20s Cloudy, chance of morning rain or snow.	High 50s Low 20s Mostly cloudy, chance of afternoon rain.	High 50s Low 20s Mostly cloudy, chance of snow in mountains.

Twin Falls	Precipitation
Yesterday 68	30
Last year 51	11
Normal 55	29

### Idaho

City	Max	Min	Pcp	Idaho: High	Low
Boise	71	41	.....	73	47
Burley	68	32	.....	71	39
Fairfield	68	32	.....	71	39
Hagerman	73	29	.....	76	41
Idaho Falls	64	28	.....	68	33
Jerome	63	29	.....	67	32
Leiston	63	29	.....	67	32
Malad	67	31	.....	71	36
Malia	66	30	.....	70	35
McCall	46	18	0.01	51	23
Pocatello	62	30	.....	66	30
Salmon	64	27	.....	68	31
Stanley	49	17	.....	54	26
Sun Valley	61	30	.....	65	30



### INDV INDEX ROAD INFORMATION

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### ACROSS THE NATION

Idaho: A ridge of high pressure continues to dominate conditions over the region, with fair skies and measurably warm temperatures the rule over most of southern and central Idaho throughout the day. However, an upper-level disturbance continues to produce cloudy skies over northern and extreme western portions of the state this afternoon. Elsewhere, a band of rain and scattered thunderstorms curved across the South and up the East Coast on Wednesday.

## Rescue

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ing any downed pilots, said Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon.

The squadron is equipped with long-range MH-53J Pave Low III helicopters and shorter-range MH-60K Blackhawks. The Air Force's MH-53J has a range of about 600 miles, is capable of refueling in flight and is heavily armed. MH-53 crews saw heavy action in Panama in 1989 and the 1991 Gulf War.

From the base at Brindisi on the Adriatic Coast, the MH-53 could fly the 200-plus miles to and from Serbia without refueling. It is equipped with secure communications to prevent enemy eavesdropping, extensive electronic warfare equipment to divert any missiles heading toward it, armor plating, three 7.62 mm miniguns and a 50-caliber machine gun. Despite its size — it weighs 50,000 pounds — the helicopter can land and take off from ships.

Air Force air crews undergo more than a year of training at Kirtland Field Base, New Mexico to fly these helicopters. Often only dozens of feet from the ground, at night and in poor weather either to rescue pilots or drop off troops. Veterans of the school say it is the toughest flight

## Land

training in the Air Force, graduates are known as air commandos.

NATO may be relying on the group because of its high demand elsewhere for standard Air Force rescue units. Such units already are standing 24-hour alerts in Turkey and Kuwait in case of an emergency. They also do flights over Iraq's no-fly zones.

Air commandos are trained to return fire from the air, and parachutes built out armed with M-16 rifles and pistols to protect downed pilots from advancing enemy troops.

A rescue is complex, and involves not only the rescuers but fighter planes overhead. An E-3 AWACS surveillance plane usually coordinates the operation.

On June 8, 1995, Marines from the USS Kearsarge flew into Bosnia to rescue Air Force Capt. Scott O'Grady, an F-16 pilot shot down by a Serb SA-6 surface-to-air missile. Giving the rescuers cover were F-18 fighters and EA-6B radar-jammers from the USS Theodore Roosevelt.

O'Grady had signaled the Marines with smoke. After a few seconds on the ground in which they took fire from the Serbs, the Marines loaded the pilot onto an MH-53 helicopter and flew him safely out to sea.

## The Nation

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Allanquerque	66	49	.....
Atlanta	52	34	.....
Boston	52	34	0.02
Chicago	56	38	.....
Dallas	67	48	.....
Denver	63	34	.....
Des Moines	49	31	.....
Detroit	48	30	.....
Houston	68	50	.....
Indianapolis	61	63	.....
Kansas City	54	37	.....
Las Vegas	75	51	.....
Los Angeles	64	49	0.07
Memphis	64	49	0.07
Minneapolis	39	28	.....
Miami	62	26	.....
Minneapolis	50	56	.....
New York	52	47	0.05
Omaha	53	27	.....
Phoenix	51	36	.....
Portland, Ore.	44	26	0.03
Portland, Me.	58	31	.....
Reno	64	34	.....
San Diego	60	35	.....
San Francisco	57	51	0.05
Seattle	52	47	0.01
Spokane	59	38	0.01
Washington	59	45	0.02
Yuma	80	.....	.....

## Canadian Cities

Calgary	62	23	.....
Montreal	39	29	.....
Vancouver	57	45	.....

## The B-2 Stealth bomber

B-2s, which carry precision or cluster bombs, are available for use in the NATO attack against Yugoslavia.

### B-2 Advanced Technology Bomber

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Length 69 ft.  
Wingspan 172 ft.  
Approach speed 161 mph  
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Max altitude 50,000 ft.  
Crew 2

Source: Defense Dept. RFF News in Moscow

## Bomber makes combat debut

WASHINGTON (AP) — The B-2 stealth bomber made its combat debut Wednesday, dropping 2,000-pound satellite-guided bombs on targets in Yugoslavia. The missions came more than a decade after the \$2 billion bat-winged plane first rolled out into public view.

Built to unleash nuclear weapons on the Soviet Union, the B-2 instead participated as a small part of a conventional attack on one of Moscow's longtime allies.

Flying nonstop across an ocean and two continents, a pair of B-2s each carrying 16 precision-guided weapons attacked multiple "hardened" targets, including command bunkers.

## Census

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an up-to-date and accurate list of addresses. The list will be confidential, but local governments can use it to check their own address files, if they agree not to use the Census data for anything else or to distribute it to anyone.

"Title 13 is the privacy title," said Portland-based Census official Tara O'Sullivan. "It hasn't been violated. Period."

The final count plays a big role in how state and local governments are funded, and it dictates how much money federally sup-

ported programs such as Head Start get.

In 1990, Hispanics among the nation's poor were disproportionately high, and the Idaho Migrant Council hopes that doesn't happen again.

"We want to make sure folks are getting counted," said the council's Andy Rodriguez.

In parts of the state including the Min-Cassia area, the Latino population is much greater than current numbers show. The council plans to educate Spanish-speaking Idahoans about the

process and make it clear how important it is to be counted. Idaho Latinos won't be the only ones to benefit from an accurate census.

"All levels of government suffer from a low count," Rodriguez said.

The bureau estimates the federal government disburses between \$125 and \$200 per counted person per year. Oregon conservatively estimates its Census numbers bring in \$168 million a year, California figures \$2 billion.

Nationwide, \$182 billion is distributed based on Census counts, Clinegan said.

The money is one of the reasons the "block canvassing" that starts next week is so important. For every 1 percent of the population that receives and returns a questionnaire next year, Clinegan said, the bureau saves \$25 million it would otherwise have to spend going door to door.

Times-News staff writer Gregory Hahn can be reached at 733-0931 Ext. 231.

## Corrections

Clark said "I think it's healthy."

Dombek said top managers from the Forest Service and BLM were scheduled to meet today.

An drus said, if they sit down together, they find 90 percent of their differences disappear. And Idaho was fortunate to have a whole day with these four top public land management leaders, he said.

These leaders shared some stories from the field.

Stanton noted an effort between the National Park Service and Jerome County to protect an eight-mile area along the Snake River.

Fry talked about the increasing pressure on federal lands as the public's demand for open space and urban sprawl collide. But to protect open space, the BLM has to work with local communities and governments.

Clark said wildlife refuges offer some open space for recreation and places to enjoy the country's biological heritage — land where wildlife comes first. She noted the importance of approaching endangered species on an ecosystem scale.

"We're not going to preserve our biological heritage one species at a time," she said, adding that the greatest wildlife victories are won on the land, not in the courtroom.

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### LOTTERY UPDATE

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Wednesday, March 24 Numbers

POWERBALL 7 19 20 26 27

POWERBALL NUMBER 12

Wednesday, March 24 Numbers

WILD CARD 8 16 21 31 32 34

WILD CARD: ARCH OF SPACES

Wednesday, March 24 Numbers

FAST 8 13 17 28 30

### Corrections

A news item in the Times-News Wednesday incorrectly listed the date of a special Kimberly School Board meeting. The meeting was held Tuesday.

The caption to a front-page photograph, published in the Times-News Sunday, misspelled Twin Falls librarian Jennifer Leavitt's name.

The Times-News regrets these errors.

# Court backs native fishing rights

## Justices also question need for reporters on police raids

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a case closely watched by Indian tribes, the Supreme Court on Wednesday upheld the Chippewa's right to hunt and fish on 13 million acres of public land in central Minnesota free of state regulation.

Eight Chippewa bands got the hunting and fishing privileges under an 1837 treaty, and neither a presidential order in 1850 nor Minnesota's statehood took them away, the court said in a 5-4 decision.

The issue has been hotly debated in Minnesota, largely because of fears that the Indians would take too much fish from Lake Millie Lacs, one of the state's prime walleye lakes. Gov. Jesse Ventura recently drew criticism

for saying that Indians who assert treaty rights "ought to be back in birch-bark canoes."

The decision was a welcome victory for Indian tribes nationally, who had been losing some key legal battles with state and local governments, including a 1996 Supreme Court decision that gave states the upper hand in conflicts over Indian gambling operations.

In another case, the court appeared determined to stop police from letting TV cameras and other news media accompany them into people's homes to observe arrests or searches.

Justice David H. Souter balked most emphatically at being told "media ride-alongs" can help deter crime and police excesses, and should trump concerns for personal privacy. "What's the help provided here?" he asked. "I don't see why you have to take the news media people into someone's home. It sounds like fluff."

When a lawyer contended that

such ride-alongs are commonplace, Justice Sandra Day O'Connor shot back in incredulous tones. "Ride right into the house?"

In all, six of the court's nine members asked pointed questions or voiced concerns, suggesting a willingness to let people sue law enforcement officers who let journalists enter someone's home.

For such liability to exist, the court must rule protection against unreasonable searches and seizures when they take journalists with them. If so, another legal issue looms: Can the journalists be punished financially too?

Twenty-four news organizations, including The Associated Press, have sided with law enforcement officers in two cases from Maryland and Montana the court will decide by late June. They cite the news media's role as a watchdog, but First Amendment rights were barely mentioned Wednesday.



Los Alamos National Laboratory technicians load boxes of radioactive waste into stainless steel containers Tuesday. The U.S. Department of Energy is set to send them across New Mexico to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant near Carlsbad.

# New Mexico nuclear waste set to receive 1st shipment today

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — After 25 years, hundreds of studies, countless hearings and innumerable protests, the U.S. Department of Energy loaded a truck with radioactive waste Wednesday and prepared to send it to an underground dump in southern New Mexico's salt beds.

Just after midnight, a semi-tractor trailer carrying three huge stainless steel containers was expected to head down a high mountain plateau on a historic, 270-mile trip.

The rig will travel from Los Alamos National Laboratory, birthplace of the atomic bomb, to the \$1.8 billion Waste Isolation Pilot Plant near Carlsbad, WIPP. It is also scheduled to receive waste from The National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory. Barring any last-ditch lawsuits

or truck-stopping protests, the load would arrive about eight hours later, the first to be stored in the nation's first nuclear waste repository.

Excavated in ancient salt beds nearly half a mile below the surface, WIPP will contain protective clothing, gloves, tools and other materials contaminated with plutonium during the nation's weapons work.

The U.S. Court of Appeals on Wednesday denied an effort by a group of environmentalists to block the shipments pending a state permit for the repository. Hours later, it rejected a similar request from another environmental group.

"We are moving forward," said Anne Elliott, a spokeswoman for the Energy Department. State officials expect protests Thursday, particularly as the

shipment skirts the capital city of Santa Fe on a newly constructed highway bypass. The state's top police official warned any attempt to disrupt the shipment would mean arrests.

"We recognize this has been a long, hard-fought battle by the opponents and that, right now, emotions are very high," Department of Public Safety Secretary Darren White said. "So we simply say we understand anybody's wanting to continue to protest the shipments, but if they disrupt the flow of those shipments there's a good likelihood they'll be arrested."

The latest appeals involved a hazardous waste permit the state has yet to issue for the facility and a pending lawsuit against the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's certification of the repository.

# Dems rip census bill, director

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Democrats claimed victory Wednesday after Republican leaders delayed a final vote on a bill that would allow local officials to review and challenge census data before they become final. But the measure will be brought up when lawmakers return from a weeklong recess that begins Monday, a House Government Reform and Oversight subcommittee spokesman said.

Also Wednesday, Census Bureau Director Kenneth Froot, appearing before the House Appropriations subcommittee that funds his agency, was criticized for not having a final budget estimate for conducting the 2000 census.

The bill, by Rep. Dan Miller, R-Fla., would give local officials 45 days to review and challenge census data, if they choose to participate in the program.

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# Johnny Carson doing OK following surgery

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — Johnny Carson underwent successful quadruple heart bypass surgery and doctors expect him to recover fully, a hospital spokesman said Wednesday.

Carson, 73, was taken from his Malibu home to Saint John's

Health Center at 3:30 a.m. Friday and doctors performed the surgery a few hours later, Lindi Funston said.

She said Carson had the surgery to treat coronary artery disease and he is expected to be released in a few days.

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# Home schooling scores home run

The Washington Post

Home-schooled children score well above the national median on standardized tests often study above their normal grade level and have parents with better incomes and educations than do most American students, according to a national study released Tuesday.

The Home School Legal Defense Association, which sponsored the study, embraced it as an endorsement of the quality of instruction received by the estimated 700,000 to 1.2 million children nationwide who are being taught at home. "We just want to say to the government: We are doing a good job, so leave us alone," said Michael P. Farris, president of the Purcellville, Va.-based association.

But the study's author, Lawrence M. Rudner, cautioned against reading too much into the results. Rudner, director of the Educational Resources Information Center Clearinghouse on Assessment and Evaluation at the University of Maryland, said that although the test scores of home-schooled students were "exceptionally high," the study "does not demonstrate that home schooling is superior to public or private schools."

The study of 20,760 home-schooled students was the largest of its kind conducted, Rudner said. The participating families were contacted through the mailing list of the nation's largest home-school testing service at Bob Jones University in South Carolina.

The students in the study took the Iowa Test of Basic Skills or the Tests of Achievement and Proficiency, depending on their grade level, and their median scores for various grade levels were mostly in the 70th to 80th percentile among all the



students nationwide who took those exams. The report also said that at least 25 percent of home-schooled students were studying at a level one or more grades above normal for their age.

But the home-schoolers' success, Rudner and other education analysts said, is attributable more to their family backgrounds than to their educational setting. Eighty-eight percent of home-schooled parents continued their education beyond high school, the study found, compared with 50 percent of all American adults.

# Defendant's affair with Clinton urged

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Sen. Doug Engel's late ex-wife encouraged her to claim she had an affair with Bill Clinton so Kenneth Starr's prosecutors could "get" the president before the 1996 election, Mrs. McDougal testified Wednesday.

She also said James McDougal tried out different versions of his own "outlandish" story about Clinton and a fraudulent loan in an effort to satisfy the independent counsel's office and get out of having to go to jail.

She is on trial for contempt and obstruction of justice for refusing to answer questions before a federal grand jury in the Whitewater probe.

# GOP criticizes aid deal for North Korea

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional Republicans registered doubts Wednesday about the Clinton administration's plan to send \$60 million in food aid to North Korea.

Despite U.S. concern over

North Korea's totalitarian rule, the country now is the largest recipient of U.S. foreign aid in East Asia, said Rep. Benjamin Gilman, chairman of the House International Relations Committee.

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Yugoslavian President Slobodan Milosevic addresses the nation from Belgrade Wednesday in this television image.

# Like Saddam in Iraq, Milosevic draws strength from misery of his own people

By Tom Hundley  
Chicago Tribune

**BELGRADE, Yugoslavia** — Defeat and disaster have long been the keys to success for Yugoslav strongman Slobodan Milosevic.

No matter how many wars he loses, no matter how much territory he surrenders, no matter how isolated Yugoslavia becomes in the international community, no matter how cut off he becomes from those he rules, Milosevic's grip on power only tightens.

Like Saddam Hussein in Iraq, he draws strength from the misery of his own people.

Milosevic, a banker by training and communist apparition by nature, began his rise to power in the late 1980s by fanning the flames of ethnic hatred in Kosovo, the benighted province in southern Serbia that had been the cradle of the Serbs' medieval empire before it was snatched by the Ottoman Turks in 1389.

As the ethnic hodgepodge of Yugoslavia was beginning to unravel in the late 1980s, Milosevic, then a high-ranking party operative in Serbia, invoked the historic imagery of Serb victimhood and defeat associated with Kosovo and told Serbs that no one would ever again defeat them.

He promised that they would be the masters of Yugoslavia. Thus was fueled the feverish dream of "Greater Serbia" that led to the collapse of Yugoslavia.

First, Slovenia broke away after a short military campaign. Croatia and Bosnia followed with brutal wars of ethnic cleansing — intentional campaigns to rid geographic areas of certain religious groups. Macedonia was the only republic to escape Yugoslavia without a war.

Serbia and miniature Montenegro, with a population of 600,000, are all that remain of Yugoslavia. Now, with ethnic

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Albanians demanding independence in Kosovo, Serbia itself is starting to crumble.

The West imposed punitive economic sanctions on Yugoslavia in a bid to restrain Milosevic during the Bosnian war. Yugoslavia became a pauper state, and as other ex-communist countries in Eastern Europe quickly adopted the democratic and free-market habits of the West, the Serbs slid into sullen isolation.

Isolation suits Milosevic. He is an awkward politician, uncomfortable with crowds, cool and distant even with close associates. Suicides run in his family: His mother and father both died by their own hand.

Few people can accurately describe themselves as his friend, although he has surrounded himself with a bevy of sycophants, many from his home town of Pozarevac.

He is very secretive. He gulps alcohol when under stress but is not normally a drinker. His main source of news and information are police reports, and he derives pleasure from catching people in need of his aid. He has written the only authoritative biography of Milosevic.

His closest confidante is his wife, Mira Markovic, a former university professor and unconstructed communist. Unlike his

wife, Milosevic is not especially interested in ideology, only power. His style of governance is to create a crisis and present himself as the only one who can solve it. He did this in Bosnia, posing as the peacemaker at Dayton. He is attempting to do it again in Kosovo.

He's always creating a bigger crisis to cover up a smaller crisis. That's how he thrives," said a Western diplomat.

For a while, it suited the U.S. to play by Milosevic's rules. As long as he could deliver, the U.S. was willing to let Milosevic be the Strongman of the Balkans. But with the eruption of fighting in Kosovo over the past year, the Clinton administration began to distance itself from Milosevic.

State Department spokesman James Rubin signaled the shift when he stated toward the end of last year that the U.S. now viewed Milosevic as the problem, not the solution, in the Balkans.

Since then, the hints have been unambiguous: The U.S. would like to see Milosevic toppled.

"Long-term, we are doing a lot to undermine him," said one U.S. official. He leaked off a laundry list of U.S. support for the democratic institutions in Yugoslavia, few and feeble that they are.

In the Milosevic-controlled state media, the current crisis in Kosovo is about a foreign invader — NATO — trying to wrest Kosovo from the Serbs. It fits perfectly to the Serbs' longstanding sense of victimhood.

But Milosevic has "surrendered" Serb lands in the past, and NATO is gambling that he is willing to absorb a first round of strikes, which would then give him the necessary political cover to reach a settlement on Kosovo.

Milosevic, who helped provoke four wars over the succession to communist Yugoslavia. Anything that can speed up his departure will be welcome in Washington and Brussels.

NATO Secretary-General Javier Solana hinted at this in his visit last week to Washington, although he stressed he was speaking in a personal capacity. "The time has come for a complete policy in the Balkans," he said. "We have to be able to give the people some prospect, and a light at the end of the tunnel. For that it is necessary that the leadership of many of these countries be changed."

The biggest question facing the West is what will replace the Yugoslav sovereignty which NATO finishes its bombing of Serb positions, and, if all goes as expected, its military presence in Kosovo.

Clinton has stated repeatedly that NATO's aim is to preserve Kosovo within Yugoslav sovereign control, but Yugoslav officials have concluded that in the past few years of foreign military presence restoring full autonomy, the province will be lost forever.

# President tells Americans reasons for attack, but leaves out timetable

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Clinton told the nation Wednesday night why he commenced the bombing of Serb targets in Yugoslavia, but he was less specific on when and how the airstrikes — and U.S. military involvement in that Balkan region — might end.

If Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic "will not make peace, we will limit his ability to make war," Clinton said in his 13-minute televised speech. Citing Serb atrocities against Kosovar civilians, the president said, "ending this tragedy is a moral imperative" that is in the United States' direct interest. "Our children need and deserve a peaceful, stable and secure Europe."

Despite pressure from congressional members and others to specify an exit strategy in the conflict, the president kept his options open. The goal, he said, is "to get as deeply as possible the Serbs' ability to attack Kosovar Albanian guerrillas and civilians. Beyond that, Clinton and his aides refused to say much more on how long the airstrikes might continue and what they might do if Milosevic's forces show a surprising ability to absorb the blows and keep fighting.

In addressing the nation twice — in a prime-time televised speech and a brief afternoon statement — Clinton said Serb atrocities against Kosovar Albanian civilians had justified the U.S.-led NATO airstrikes against Milosevic's forces.

"Kosovo's crisis now is full-blown," Clinton said in his afternoon statement, which he dramatically underscored with barely 15 minutes' notice to White House reporters and camera crews. "And if we do not act, clearly it will get even worse. Only firmness now can prevent greater catastrophe later."

Clinton refused to take reporters' questions Wednesday, and his aides fended off queries about how long the airstrikes might last. Press secretary Joe Lockhart asked if Clinton was prepared to deliver with the new stage of action for months, weeks or days, replied: "I think it's impossible to answer that, to put any particular time frame on it."

Even as bombs and missiles were falling on Serb targets, some congressional leaders again pressed the administration to explain how the United States will avoid an open-ended military commitment in which objectives

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— President Clinton

and exit plans become murky. "Everyone wants to know what Plan B is... and so do I," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., a likely presidential candidate who voted

Tuesday to authorize airstrikes. Clinton did not speculate on possible actions should his main goals be only partly achieved.

"Our strikes have three objectives," he said in the afternoon. "First, to demonstrate the seriousness of NATO's opposition to aggression and its support for peace. Second, to deter President Milosevic from continuing and escalating his attacks on helpless civilians by imposing a price for those attacks. And third, if necessary, to damage Serbia's capacity to wage war against Kosovo in the future by seriously diminishing its military capabilities."

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# Kosovo mission redefines NATO role

By Roy Gutman  
Newsday

WASHINGTON — NATO's decision to intervene in Serbia's rebel province of Kosovo is a sharp departure from the alliance's mission of the past half century and even from its role in nearby Bosnia.

The deployment of troops, the alliance intends to take charge of a region within Yugoslavia, a sovereign state, over the vehement opposition of the legal president, Slobodan Milosevic. The strategy puts NATO, an alliance created to prevent invasion, in the uncomfortable position of taking an offensive action that is generally viewed as an act of war.

"We are going to bomb a sovereign country because of its mistreatment of people within that country, the province of Kosovo," said the most outspoken critic of U.S. intervention, Sen. Roy Bailey, Hutchison, R-Texas. "We are... basically declaring war."

Officials, including President Clinton, have justified this extra-

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ordinary shift of goals on strategic grounds to prevent the fighting in Kosovo from igniting a wider regional war — and on humanitarian grounds, to halt a "humanitarian catastrophe" in the making. At least 2,000 people have been killed the past year, and 250,000 ethnic Albanians have been displaced from their homes.

But, the deeper reason for NATO intervention is rarely stated openly. From the European perspective, Yugoslavia is a failed state, whose collapse is only a matter of time. Once a multiethnic state of six republics and two autonomous provinces within Serbia, it is now reduced to a rump consisting of Serbia and tiny Montenegro, which is eager to break away.

The West is also wary of

# Yugoslavs refuse to be afraid

Belgrade residents carry on with lives despite danger

By Knight Ridder News Service

**BELGRADE, Yugoslavia** — NATO bombers are in the air and the Yugoslav government has declared a state of emergency. But in the Yugoslav capital of Belgrade on Wednesday afternoon, the sun was out, the forsythias were blooming and people were going about their lives.

"We refuse to be afraid," said Niko Jovic, 66, a retiree who was sitting with three friends, all white-haired veterans of World War II, on a Belgrade park bench enjoying the good weather.

"We are aware that NATO is more powerful than we are, but the one who defends himself is always in a better position," added Milan Bokelj, 80.

"Luck is with the courageous," Jovic said.

It was the same story Wednesday all across this sprawling city of 2 million. A NATO bombardment of Yugoslav military targets was expected to begin within hours. But everywhere people were waiting for buses, eating pizza at sidewalk cafes, strolling through parks and playing with their children.

NATO General Secretary Javier Solana authorized the use of force against Yugoslavia late Tuesday, after Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic fired off a last-ditch bid by U.S. envoy Richard Holbrooke to cut a deal to end the conflict in Kosovo, Serbia's southern province. More than 2,000 people have died during a year of fighting between government forces and secessionist rebels who represent Kosovo's ethnic Albanian majority.

With hours of Solana's announcement, Yugoslav authorities declared a state of emergency — one step short of a declaration of war — the country's first since World War II. Soon after, federal defense minister Pavle Bulatovic appeared on state-run television



Shoppers in Belgrade wait in line at a supermarket Tuesday as they stocked up on food and other necessities in preparation for bombing by NATO forces.

and announced that airstrikes were imminent. But Bulatovic reassured viewers that NATO cruise missiles would target only military installations and it would be safe for civilians to go about their business.

On Wednesday, schools and banks were open and postmen delivered mail.

There were a few signs of panic. In several Belgrade apartment buildings — gray concrete behemoths from the communist era — hundreds of people rushed to their air raid shelters shortly after midnight Tuesday, expecting NATO to strike at once.

All day Tuesday and into Wednesday, lines for gasoline grew steadily, stretching five blocks at one downtown location. At another, on the main highway

that links Belgrade with neighboring Croatia and Macedonia, a police officer kept order among the waiting cars.

Traffic was unusually heavy as many Belgraders left town for the homes of relatives in villages and stocked up on water and food. In the neighborhood of Banjica, home to a Yugoslav military barracks, rumors were flying that the area could be a NATO target. The shops were empty and one man spotted climbing into his car said he was heading out of the country for Budapest.

But the shops downtown were full and doing normal business. At one small grocery in the fashionable Novi Belgrade, customers were stocking up on bottled water. One man arrived with an "emergency shopping list" of cig-

arettes and bananas. But otherwise, "everything is normal," said shopkeeper Momo Kalkan, 51. He and his wife, Milanka, 42, were cheerful and unconcerned about NATO strikes.

"Why shouldn't we smile?" Milanka said. "It is our last weapon."

Native Bosnian Serbs, the couple survived the siege of Sarajevo, where their home was destroyed. They watched NATO Tomahawk cruise missiles fall on military targets in Banja Luka, another Bosnian town. Now they are here in Belgrade.

"This is our third war," Momo Kalkan said. "We survived Western bombing in Bosnia. We did see that they paid attention to what they are targeting. They didn't hit civilians."

# Reporters fear for safety in Kosovo

**NEW YORK (AP)** — With NATO bombardment looming, Yugoslav authorities confiscated Western television transmission equipment Wednesday and reporters fled the troubled province of Kosovo for safer ground after being threatened.

A TV transmission facility at a Belgrade hotel was shut down by government officials who removed equipment while ordering personnel to stand against a wall, said Enzo Jordan, president of newsgathering and international networks for CNN.

"The facility was operated by the European Broadcasting Union and used by CNN and other U.S. television networks, including ABC, CBS and NBC."

Networks turned to Yugoslavian state-run television to transmit taped and live reports. However, CNN's Christine Amazeur noted that she would be subject to censorship, and the ability to transmit

reports as often as CNN wanted would be curtailed.

"The leadership is hunkering down and, frankly, doesn't see outside journalists as a useful right now," Jordan said.

The shutdown also affected Associated Press Television News, but it was able to transmit reports through the state-run television, said Sandy MacIntyre, managing editor of AP's field operations.

Some reporters were leaving Kosovo as the situation deteriorated there, said CBS spokeswoman Sandra Genellus. CBS was waiting to decide whether

its reporter, Allen Fizey, would stay, she said.

CNN's Brent Sadler reported being threatened by officials when he and some colleagues transmitted a report today from the Kosovo capital of Pristina. One of the gun-toting men held two bullets in his hand, pointed at CNN personnel and said, "these bullets are for you," Jordan said.

*CNN's Brent Sadler said a gun-toting official in Pristina, Kosovo, held two bullets in his hand, pointed at CNN personnel and said, 'these bullets are for you' a CNN executive said.*

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# Russians say bombing may threaten accords

**MOSCOW (AP)** — Prime Minister Yevgeny Primakov returned home Wednesday after aborting his trip to the United States, and Russian officials said NATO's bombing of Yugoslavia might prompt Moscow to abandon international agreements.

"I do not think that the strikes will help stabilize the situation in Kosovo," Primakov said on arrival. "On the contrary, it will be destabilizing, and damage will be inflicted both on our relations with the United States and with stability in Europe."

Meanwhile, Kazakhstan's Foreign Ministry claimed ownership Wednesday of six Soviet-era fighter jets aboard a cargo jet that was detained in Azerbaijan last week.

The massive An-124 plane, carrying six disassembled MiG-21s,

stopped in Baku, Azerbaijan, to refuel last Tuesday after taking off from a town in Kazakhstan, according to Azerbaijani news agencies. Customs officials refused to allow it to leave after they discovered the MiG on board.

The Azerbaijani authorities suspected it was going to Yugoslavia, which is under an international arms embargo. The crew said it was bound for North Korea.

And Russia said its destination was Slovakia.

Responding to the bombing, Russian Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov said Russia — which has political and cultural ties with Serbs — may push for the lifting of the international arms embargo against Yugoslavia.

Russia might even consider withdrawing from the embargo unilaterally, Ivanov said Wednesday.

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## EDITORIAL

### Stop the yapping and let F&G leaders reshape agency

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game is suffering from a confusion of aims. Everyone, including newspaper editorial boards, seems to have a vision for the agency's future.

Now it's time for the agency to develop its own vision. That can only begin when Gov. Dirk Kempthorne makes four appointments to the Fish and Game Commission and the commissioners select a new director.

It's tough to concentrate on vision when everybody is yelling, so Fish and Game's critics need to tone down their shrillness. Give the new commissioners (and the board) a chance to hear themselves think.

The first step would be for Kempthorne to check the windage with a series of structured, roundtable discussions. That doesn't mean public hearings. The goal should be to minimize misunderstanding and maximize constructive discussion about what Kempthorne should look for in his new commissioners. Legitimate interests groups should be invited, and traditional hunting and fishing interests should be well-represented.

Fish and Game is clearly out of balance somewhere. Commissioners should seek to restore balance by evaluating the agency's core commitments. As long as hunters and anglers love the agency's bills, programs to benefit game animals and catchable fish should enjoy higher status than non-game programs.

Fish and Game should be led by commissioners with a strong understanding of how their policies affect

farmers, ranchers and other resource users. Former Gov. Phil Batt was on the right track with his efforts to return Fish and Game to its resource-management roots. That trend should continue.

An idea from Melba resident Jim Pratt to transform the seven-member, appointed commission into a four-member, elected board is downright daffy. The notion that only holders of hunting or fishing li-

censes should be able to vote enters the realm of the absurd. Requiring a would-be voter to buy a license sounds ominously like a poll tax, and poll taxes have been illegal for a long, long time.

More profoundly, claims that an elected board would be less political than an appointed board are ludicrous. Anyone who is elected by voters is, by definition, a political animal. Fish and Game has enough animals to look after. It doesn't need any political ones.

Everyone in Fish and Game - from conservation officers to commissioners - should steer clear of political fights such as the argument over salmon recovery. Employees should keep their distance from activist environmental organizations. That change alone could go a long way toward restoring a sane and civil debate.

Big problems continue to loom in Fish and Game's future, but the divisive bickering must stop before workable compromise can be found. It's time for sportsmen's groups, resource users and department leadership to aim at the same target.

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### Candy-coated education rises in prevalence

It seems to me that the need for education in this country is a lot greater than the effort we're putting into providing it. We're doing the worst job at the lowest level, too. We've got too many dumb little kids who are turning into dumb high school kids. First thing you know, they're having kids.

Everyone seems to recognize the problem but we're thrashing around trying to figure out what to do about it. Two of the things we spend the most money on are defense and education, and there always seems to be more urgency on the part of the government to provide weapons than books. We don't spend anywhere near as much on education as we do on defense. I'm not knocking that. It may be necessary but it seems a shame.

We don't know what to do about the quality of education in America because we haven't worked out the science of teaching. There are whole programs in universities devoted to nothing but studying too many theories. We aren't sure what teaching methods to use. We don't know whether to sweat talk kids into accepting an education or knocking their heads together once in a while to make them swallow it. I pass a school with cutout paper flowers pasted to the inside of the windows. I often wonder if taking so light-hearted an approach to learning, even in kindergarten, is right for chil-



ANDY ROONEY

dress at any age. School can't always be just a lot of fun. There's a certain amount of dogwork that goes into learning anything and kids should get to understand that right off. Too much education at a lower level comes candy-coated. We can't even decide what subjects to teach. We have a grudging in college who took a course in pottery-making this freshman year. Like a pot as much as the next person but I don't think of learning how to make one as an essential part of a higher education. I remember reading that education for Greeks in their glory days was simple and basic. They studied Homer, mathematics, gymnastics and music. That seems a little restrictive, but maybe we're giving kids too many subjects - although I don't believe the subject makes as much difference as the learning.

The element that gets left out of any high-minded study I've seen about theories of education is the teacher. That's the hard part. If you don't have a good teacher, forget all the theories. I think when I think about some of the people who have jobs as teachers, they

must make the good teachers cringe, too.

One of the great statements about education was made by James Garfield after his term as president. As William C. Calkins, one of Garfield's teachers had been the legendary Mark Hopkins. In a talk about education in New York, Garfield said, "I am sure willing that this discussion should focus without mention of the value of a true teacher. Give me a simple pig with Mark Hopkins on one end and I on the other and you may have all the buildings, apparatus and libraries without him."

Most college professors know that quaternary but it doesn't stop them from spending half their working hours trying to raise money from old alumni for new buildings.

Admittedly, some subjects are harder to teach than others. Not all education ought to be directed toward solving problems. If you lie in bed at night and think about when you stand in life, the sleeping position should have learned the kind of education that enables you to calculate how long it takes Bill to drive 340 miles at an average speed of 67 mph. The most difficult problem that students face these days is one that can't be solved even by the best teachers. That is learning to teach too many kids. It's a task that should have learned at home before they ever came to school.

Andy Rooney is a commentator for 60 minutes.

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### Stop beating the dead horse

As the dust settles from the last school bond election in Jerome and the warring factions assume their positions for the next onslaught of preparation for a new school bond, it is time to stop and think. Jerome schools are not unlike schools across this nation that are being stretched to the limit for space, materials and funds. Instead of beating a dead horse, why not try to take ideas from other states' approaches that have worked and eased the school crunch on funding.

In California, they have spent the last 10 years struggling with increased school enrollment and dwindling funding. The following are approaches to school funding that are being used to help those schools:

• First, companies and corporations have adopted schools in their areas. The corporations team up with parents and teachers to help fund and support projects in the school they adopt. Employees from that company volunteer time, often allowed during normally scheduled work days, to tutor students or direct weekend projects at the schools with parent support.

• Second, the state of California allows school districts to charge a school

developer fee (\$1.93 per square foot) on all new construction and on all remodels over 500 square feet. Over 500 square feet, the fee is based on the total square footage. A check is written to the school district in which the work is being undertaken, and the building inspectors receive it signed off before work can begin. This law is reviewed by the Legislature every two years and rates are adjusted. This assessment allows for those building for the first time, companies moving into the area or others remodeling their property to fund schools without penalizing only home owners.

The repeated defeat of the school bond is not against children and education. It is against the tunnel-vision approach to finding a quick and burdening load of tax money carried by a few, many retired and on fixed incomes. Everyone in the county needs to be paying into education as well as

benefiting from it. Funding must be broad-based and equally distributed.

VELLA BLADES  
Jerome

### Hailey's mom should ignore rumors

I am writing on behalf of the sad story of Hailey Williams. I have been hearing some horrible rumors floating around, and I am sure that the mother, Angela Williams, has gotten wind of some. I just wanted to say to her: Be tough! It's sad that, in this country, people always attack the people who have been the most. In the end, it is all going to come down to the facts, not ridiculous rumors.

Have they forgotten that an innocent child has died? How would they feel if it were their child? What would be the best way to mourn their child's death?

To Angela: As the Bible says, "If someone strikes you on one cheek, turn to him the other also." God will be with you and he will carry you when you can walk no more.

MARY DIANE  
Shoshone

### Cowardly pap displeases reader

It never ceases to amaze me how

conciliatory and accepting the United States leaders are when dealing with China. So what if they run over their people? So what if they threaten to force their women to get abortions, sell the aborted fetuses as a dietary "delicacy," harvest political prisoners' organs, force their citizens into slave labor, threaten to nuke Los Angeles and sell our nuclear technology to belligerents in the Arab world while spying on the United States? No one is perfect.

Which brings me to James M. Klurfeld's latest damage control, spin doctoring ("Let's not overplay that Chinese spy scare") that *The Times-News* felt compelled to print on us.

Klurfeld's patronizing pleas for "reasonableness" and apologies for China's latest outrage rings hollow when contrasted to Clinton's current war drumming for intervention in Kosovo. Why are we going to Kosovo? Well, it's the "right" thing to do. Why do we continue to grant China most favored nation status with nearly zilch in tariffs (even though they charge more than 30 percent on what few goods of ours they will allow into their country)? Well, because China "isn't going away and we have to deal with them." In other words, principle where it

surfs us and pragmatism when dealing with one of the bloodiest regimes that ever existed. Absolute hypocrisy. Pulitzer prize winner Alexander Solzhenitsyn, in his famous commencement address at Harvard wrote: "A decline in courage may be the most striking feature that an outside observer notices in his West today. Such a decline in courage is particularly noticeable among the ruling and intellectual elites."

"And the decline in courage, at times amazing, which could be traced back to medieval, is ironically emphasized by occasional outbursts and indecisidity on the part of those same functionaries when dealing with weak governments and with countries that lack support."

No offense, Klurfeld, but you can take your patting and cowardly spin and spread it on someone else's field. As far as me and the other "Patrick Buchanan's of the world" we'll stand, such our founding fathers, on the principles of freedom and justice. Policy based on principle is the sign of a healthy country. Cowardly pragmatism and compromise is the sign of a country in decline.

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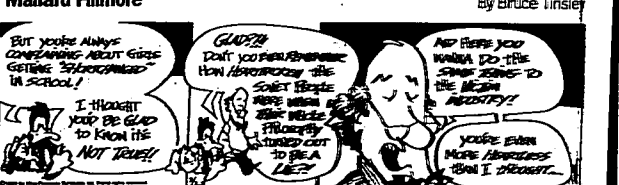
## LETTERS

### Doodlesbury



By Garry Trudeau

### Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsler



# A few questions for Hillary Clinton while on the campaign trail

**H**illary Clinton may make herself a gift to the state of New York, which must replace Sen. Pat Moynihan, who is retiring. So she may wish to prepare answers to the start of questions she can expect, such as:



**GEORGE F. WILL**

about it. Moynihan said, "The American people got it clear enough." He said your plan clearly aimed "to cut the number of doctors in the country by a quarter" in order to cut demand by limiting supply. "If you have fewer doctors you have fewer doctor bills. But you don't associate it

with improving medicine." And, Moynihan noted, your bill aimed to cut costs by cutting "the number of specialists in half." Moynihan vehemently objected, arguing that specialists are a function of science — new discoveries create new specialties. Moynihan, defending New York's great teaching hospitals (have you heard of them?) which produce specialists, said, "We are not swamped with specialists; we abound in them. And that is surely the glory of this great moment of medical discovery." Should the most intellectual senator be replaced by an advocate of anti-

scientific, dumbed-down medicine? Your health care task force met in secrecy that was challenged in a lawsuit by the American Association of Physicians and Surgeons. The judge, imposing \$286,000 in sanctions against the administration for the AAP's legal fees, denounced what he called the "cover-up" of efforts to keep the health care planning secret. Noting that "reprehensible" misstatements had been made to him, he denounced decisions "made at the highest levels of government," which must be held

accountable "when its officials run amok." He said the executive branch "was dishonest with the court" and declared that "some government officials never learn that the cover-up can be worse than the underlying crime." Does such behavior run in the family? • Webb Hubbell, the felon who is your former law partner, was made the third-highest official in the Justice Department during your supervision of the staffing of the most politicized, least trusted department in modern memory. Will you promise that if you are elected you will not serve on the

Judiciary Committee? • Some say the \$100,000 you made as a "broker" investor with a \$20,000 plunge in cattle futures looks awfully like a bribe. You say it didn't. It was just the fruit of reading The Wall Street Journal. If you are that gifted with money, will you promise to seek a seat on the Finance Committee? • Was there a wee barb in Moynihan's statement that your candidacy would bring "Illinois-Medicaid enthusiasm" to New York? • *George F. Will is a Washington Post columnist.*

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### LETTER

#### Inside is what counts

Page 602 in the Sears Roebuck, back when it was a good song, a person had to see the book to remember the song. Now that was the good old days and there wasn't much wrong with the song because it was a good song and something good should come back but some old goodie said it was dirty and so they took it off the radio and probably that will all come and go just as the song. All the trouble that is happening at the White House, pictures and writing that is going on. So much of it was half-truth, just like kids, they play while and take a nap. Well, so much of what's going on at the White House will be thrown in the garbage, just as long as they don't use the people's money on the trials and besides, pretty is only skin deep. What counts is what's inside.

Well, ladies and gentlemen, if you were asked when you go looking for a nice good home-type man or woman, do you look for them in bars? Nine out of 10 it won't work, you wouldn't bring home a person that drinks heavy. Too much drinking isn't good, so why not take your beer home and set it by the TV with the family and have one or two and you will find it's much better all around. And talking about all the sex, let's put it away and talk of the other things that needs done. The president's wife is a smart lady; she will take care of herself. In fact, bring out the song and listen to it and enjoy the music for this is a lot better than what we have heard, so be happy and let's all enjoy the peace and quiet. And if the people that's going to run up for president and trying to make everything else for the run, then it's not a trunshid thing and we all could do the same thing and run for president. I might as well, for what is going on now. A man and a wife has a closed door that should be private and take care of the country and its people and other things that need more care.


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**WORLD**

**Ukraine's nuke safety net could melt down**

**KEEV, Ukraine** — The nuclear power industry in the country where the Chernobyl disaster on June 30 is so scragged for cash it has virtually stopped funding routine safety maintenance, analysts said Wednesday.

As a result, the number of malfunctions at the five nuclear reactors in the Ukraine increased 20 percent in 1998 over the previous year, said the Ukraine Nuclear Society, an independent group of former senior nuclear plant managers and industry experts. "The situation in the nuclear sector has dramatically worsened," said noted UNIS board member Mykola Shramberg.

Ukraine's Soviet-era nuclear plants have pruned safety concerns since the 1986 explosion and fire at the Chernobyl plant, the world's worst nuclear accident. Ukraine insists it needs nuclear power as an efficient and relatively cheap alternative to its aging coal-powered plants. Ukraine's nuclear power facilities account for more than 40 percent of the former Soviet republic's electricity production.

**World In brief**

began Wednesday with six former drug addicts showing up for the shots at a Thai medical center. The AIDSvax vaccine being tested is produced by VaxGen Inc., a California-based company. Last June, the company started the world's first trial of the vaccine in the United States with a planned 5,000 volunteers.

Although about 30 possible AIDS vaccines are being developed, AIDSvax is the only product that has reached so-called Phase Three testing, which involves large-scale tests on humans.

**Tokyo court rules editor was worked to death**  
**TOKYO** — Overworked to the death of a newspaper editor, a

Japanese court ruled Wednesday, ordering the government to pay his wife compensation, funeral costs and legal expenses. The Mito District Court ruling reversed the March 1990 refusal by the government to pay compensation to the family of Yasuo Murakami. Murakami, an editor in the Bunkai Shinbun newspaper's publishing department, died of a stroke Feb. 20, 1988, at the age of 38.

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**Apartheid leader faces jail for theft conviction**

**CAPE TOWN, South Africa** — Completing the spectacular fall of an anti-apartheid hero, a court sentenced Allan Boesak Wednesday to six years in jail for stealing and misusing donated by singer Paul Simon and others.

Boesak, 53, who once traveled the world as one of the most visible faces of the fight against white-minority rule, struggled to hold back tears as the sentence was read out. His wife Etha and son Allan Jr. were by his side.



Allan Boesak

After the sentencing, Judge John Finlayson denied an application for appeal. Defense attorney Mike Minton said he would fight the decision before the appellate court. He has three weeks to make the motion, during which time Boesak can remain free.

In a throwback to the days when he helped lead the campaign for black liberation in Cape Town, Boesak addressed a crowd of 300 cheering supporters on the steps of the city's High Court.

**Britain's high court backs Pinochet's arrest**


**LONDON** — Britain's highest court Wednesday upheld Gen. Augusto Pinochet's arrest on charges of human rights violations, dashing the former Chilean dictator's hopes of immediately returning home. But the tribunal negated most of the charges lodged by Spain in seeking his extradition.



The general will avoid trial in the dock, but can face torture offenses committed before 1988, when Britain signed an international law banning the practice. Pinochet surrendered the presidency in 1990 after 17 years of hard-line rule, and remained in charge of the army for eight more years.

The ruling appeared to mark the first time a national court had denied a foreign head of state immunity from prosecution. Lord Chief Justice Nicholas Browne-Wilkinson said. Many experts have suggested successful prosecution of Pinochet would render all world leaders vulnerable to charges filed by other governments.

**Thailand kicks off trial run for AIDS vaccine**

**BANGKOK, Thailand** — The first large-scale trial of an AIDS vaccine in a developing country

  
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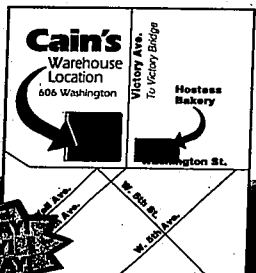
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## UP CLOSE

College of Southern Idaho

# Big freshman talks language of leadoff

By Jeff Rosen  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Asked about his chiseled left fielder during a recent practice, Southern Idaho skipper Jim Walker scratches his head for a moment.

"In high school, his tag was, 'He doesn't hustle,'" Walker said with a squint in the warm afternoon sun. "That's not it at all. He's just nonchalant."

In short, the no-hustle tag doesn't figure.

### Focus on

As a senior at Pocatello High School last spring, no one questioned the baseball savvy of Adrian Thomas. One of a half-dozen 1998 Indians to grace college rosters throughout the West this year, the barrel-chested 18-year-old was a key reason his high school squad finished fourth in the state. His American Legion team wound up third.

Gaining 30 pounds of upper-body muscle in one year, the 6-foot Thomas developed a well-deserved rep as a pure hitter who could field. Working out with weights two hours each day on top of weight training and practice at school, Thomas bulked up to a strong 196.

He and current Twin Falls senior Jake Robertson were two of the state's All-Region III outfielders last season.

No one was more puzzled by the no-hustle tag than Thomas.

"People perceive me that way because I'm a quiet guy," he shrugged. "But I've always been quiet. A lot of people, they seem like they don't enjoy playing every time they go out. I do. I'm just focused."

This year's Eagles are a better-hitting squad for it. Batting a second-team-high .446, Thomas has brought the team power in the reliable mold of Tony Gwynn. He's homered only once this season, but tops Southern Idaho with 18 doubles (Ben Johnston is next with 15).

"I kind of struggled with my timing at the beginning of the season," Thomas said. "Skip told me to get my foot down earlier, and that's helped."

Rather than fouling balls off, Thomas now sprays RBI line drives as if he's sprung a leak.

"I just try to hit the ball where it's pitched," he said.

Thomas has flourished under the trademark watchful eye of Walker's junior college program. "Coaches here teach the game," Thomas said. "In Pocatello I had to learn myself. Here, you learn the fundamentals of hitting. When you do something wrong, Skip is on your back."

Walker's travel regimen has also impressed Thomas. On board the team bus, players do not wear ball caps. Upon arrival in their host town, they are treated respectfully for meals — no shows allowed. Things like that stick with ball players the rest of their lives.

"It makes us behave like gentlemen," Thomas said. "It's been different. It's the way we present ourselves. It's been a good thing."

"This also appreciates the talent of his peers."

"All the players at this level are good, obviously," he said. "There are no players here that won't do anything for your team."

Walker's recent word of caution to his

### QUESTION AND ANSWER

- When did you start playing ball?  
When I was six, I played T-ball. My dad would take me to the backyard and pitch to me.
- Your dad shows up at a lot of games — even watched you play at a tournament in Las Vegas last month. What kind of influence has he had on your life?  
My dad's my biggest support. He works for the mill and comes out when he can. I appreciate that.
- Given the choice of big-college or pro ball, which would you choose?  
It would have to be a lot of money to get me to go on professionally. And I'm not a big money guy.
- Which is your favorite pro baseball team?  
How about favorite pro player?  
I've liked the Yankees since sixth grade. I was a pitcher when I was little, so I liked Nomo Ryan. Now, I like Ken Griffey Jr. and Barry Bonds.
- Can Newt beat the Colts?  
I don't know. They lost some key players. Pittsburgh should be good.

# Eagles fly south in conference trip

By Jeff Rosen  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The juggling continues.

Still hunting for that perfect look — one solid enough to collect a few conference wins — College of Southern Idaho coach Jim Walker and his assistants will unveil a whole new lineup against Utah Valley State College, a team currently 5-3 in the scenic West Athletic Conference and 12-13 overall.

Eagle fans following Walker's team to its conference road debut Friday and Saturday may do a double-take.

Then again, this isn't your average trip to Orem.

"This year's different," said Walker, whose Eagles trail the Wolverines at 6-6 in the SWAC and 20-9 overall. "We've got something to prove."

Grab a pencil with an eraser. Third baseman Mike Gillies has scored to first base, with Nick Bullen in at third. Despite lead-

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□ Saturday vs. Utah Valley S.C. (2), 1 p.m.

ing the team with 16 walks, J.P. Candalaria and his .164 batting average are out of the lineup

together — Dan Clements will step in at second — while J.J. Hoerlbeck will start behind the plate.

The only infield constant is shortstop Brad Maloff, who on the saying grace of his improved swing will remain in the six spot. Behind him, outfielder Adam Manley heads back to right, Adrian Thomas stays in left and Ben Johnston fills the gap in center.

The big shakeup continues in the starting rotation. Craig

Mosher is out at No. 1 and Nick Aiello is in, while Cameron Reimers stays No. 2.

For now,

"I'm either gonna be an idiot or a genius this weekend," Walker said. "I wish it worked, great I hope it works. I really do."

Aiello, a transfer pitcher from Grayson County (Texas) College, has been a pleasant surprise with his 4-1 record and SWAC second-best 2.68 ERA.

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# COURTING FAME



Westside High School student Kurt Oglesbee, 17, right, of Augusta, Ga., and his buddy Christopher Martin, 14, practice shooting foul shots Tuesday on the Augusta, Ga., court. NCAA college stars Ricky Moore and William Avery played pickup games on the court when they were students at the same high school.

## College rodeo rides into CSI

Team carries No. 1 rank into weekend event; rope tricks scheduled

Kelly J. Seizid  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — The rumble of hoofs and roar of the crowd will be heard again this weekend at the 23rd Annual Indoor Intercollegiate Rodeo at the College of Southern Idaho Expo Center.

CSI rodeo coach Shawn Davis promises competition as good as any professional rodeo with light shows, music and great entertainment. Tomas Candalaria "La Charrerita," who has performed for EuroDisney, will entertain the crowd during the rodeo with his rope tricks.

"College rodeo is lots of fun. There's more freedom, new people and different, and tougher competition than there was in high school rodeo," said Wendell's Kali Jo Parker, who competes in all of the women's events for CSI.

Parker is sitting in second place for the Rocky Mountain Region in barrel racing and fifth in breakaway roping.

The CSI men's team is currently in first place in the region, leading Utah State by 470 points, and the women are second by 95 points to Weber State University.

Davis said his is a very tough team this year with quite a bit of experience.

He recruits team members locally, nationally and abroad. This year's team members come from as far away as Hawaii, Canada and Australia and most of them have a family rodeo background.

"If there's a weakness in the men's team, it's that we have a strong rough stock team, but not timed events and most of our members only work one event," Davis said. "Our strength is our consistency. The men just don't make many mistakes."

"We also have the most talented women's team that we've had in several years. Some of them still have the freshman litters and make some mistakes, but they get more consistent all the time."

Cody DeMers, another local cowboy who competes while at Kimberly High School and now lives in Montrose, will compete in barbed wire riding and saddle bronc riding.

DeMers is currently seated fifth in the region in saddle bronc with 95 points and second in barbed wire with 205 points. Teammate Dusty Kluesner is leading the saddle bronc with 300 points.

"I drew Mr. Shorry for my first go and he's an honest, good jump and kick horse. Good for the average," Kluesner said.

## Road to Final Four goes through Georgia playground

The Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — The rims at Big Oak Park are thicker and 2 inches higher than normal, and jumpers from the corner are often blocked by a low-hanging pine tree that is always considered in play.

The aging concrete slab has no out-of-bounds lines, free throw lines or 3-point lines and it's full of cracks that make life difficult for ballhandlers. Avoid all these obstacles and there are defenders who pound anyone going to the hoop.

This is where Ricky Moore and William Avery learned the skills that propelled them to a state title at nearby Westside High and college stardom. Now, the one-time teammates and neighbors are on opposite sides of the Final Four, one game from playing each other for the NCAA championship.

"Most of the time if you were just an ordinary player and you didn't know many people out there and if you lost, you'd probably go home, because there was no chance that you'd get back on the court," said Moore who will start at shooting guard for Connecticut Saturday against Ohio State. "You had guys com-



William Avery



Ricky Moore

ing from all over Augusta to play at Big Oak."

Avery, who lives down the street from Moore, runs the point for Duke, which plays Michigan State and is favored to win the tournament.

If Duke and UConn advance to Monday night's final, Avery and Moore will be facing each other in an organized game for the first time.

Avery said that even at Big Oak, he and Moore would rarely guard each other, although their one-on-one battles after practices are legendary at Westside.

"We're real good friends, but we've never competed against each other — not

even on the playground we have been on opposite teams," Avery said. "It would be different: We know each other so well, each of us would probably be able to stop each other right away because we know what the other one is going to do."

Avery is thought to be the better outside shooter. As a sophomore, he patrolled the perimeter for Westside while Moore did most of the penetrating. They led the Patriots to a 33-1 record and the 1995 Class AAA state title.

Avery honed his stroke at Big Oak, not the most friendly shooter's court, with the low branches and the high, stiff rims — adjusted to discourage damaging dunks.

Things are even tougher inside during brutal games of "21." No one calls fouls, meaning you score or you lose the ball, no matter how hard you get hit.

This is where Moore learned his slashing style, and his trademark defense.

Former coach Ken Wright said Moore probably developed his quickness trying to get out of the way of older brother Ous, who played tight end at Clemson.

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## Bobcats maintain winning streak

But Burley play defeating Jerome doesn't please coach

By Damien D. Rodriguez  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Although the Burley Bobcats baseball team defeated the Jerome Tigers 16-10 Wednesday to improve its flawless record to 6-0, Burley coach Matt Harr said his team made too many mistakes on the field.

"We didn't step on the field ready to play."

— Matt Harr, Burley coach

"We didn't step on the field ready to play," he said. "We were flat."

Burley (5-0) came out with six runs in the first inning and was able to score in all but one inning. Jerome started strong in the top of the first with three runs and added two more in the

third to cut the Bobcat lead to 6-5. The Bobcats answered with five runs in two innings.

Five straight Tiger batters scored in the fifth inning, cutting Burley's lead to 11-10, but the Bobcats held the Tigers scoreless in the final two innings.

Jerome coach Jay Ouliar said his team made too many errors, but praised his team for the great pitching from Marcoote.

The Bobcats play at home again Saturday against Blackfoot.



Catcher Jeeale Smith of Burley tags Jerome's K.C. Hills on the slide to steal home. The Bobcats defeated the Tigers 16-10.

SPORTS

Minnesota keeps Boston in a skid

BOSTON (AP) — The Minnesota Twins were feeling down after a weekend loss at home to the Los Angeles Clippers. They took it out on the Boston Celtics.

Kevin Garnett scored 22 points and grabbed 14 rebounds, while Dennis Scott had 22 points as the embroiled continued Boston's slide with a 87-68 win over the Celtics on Wednesday night.

The loss was the 10th in 31 games for the Celtics, whose only win during the slide came against the Clippers last week.

"Right now it feels like a nightmare," Boston guard Ron Mercer said. "I wish it was."

After an embarrassing 113-86 loss in Cleveland on Tuesday, Boston coach Rick Pitino lambasted his team's defensive effort. On Wednesday, it wasn't defense that was the problem.

Kenny Anderson scored 16 points for Boston, which shot just 30.5 percent from the field.

"I didn't think it could get worse, but it just did," Pitino said. "I think our players can't feel very good about themselves. I think

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their self-esteem is about as low as possible.

Minnesota won for only the second time in seven games.

"We wanted to get the bad news out of our minds for the Clippers game," Minnesota's guard Earl Barron said.

It wasn't when a man's name playing well," Minnesota coach Flip Saunders said. "When teams aren't shooting well and the crowd's going up, things get worse."

After shooting 25 percent in the opening half, Boston fell behind by 27 points early in the final quarter. For most of the period, the crowd booed and jeered almost every Boston move.

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Charlotte's bench and the Hornets capitalized on the absence of Toni Kukoc to beat the Chicago Bulls.

Miller scored 12 of his season-high 25 points in a second-quarter run that put the Hornets in control on the way to their sixth victory in 10 games under new coach Paul Silas. Kukoc, the only member of the Bulls averaging more than 12 points, stayed in Chicago to rest a sore back.

Pistons 84, Nets 71

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — The Detroit Pistons limited New Jersey to a season-low 71 points and only 23 field goals, which tied a franchise low for the Nets.

Ron Dale scored 19 points and Jerry Stackhouse added 17 for Detroit, which shot 51 percent from the field. Keith Van Horn led the Nets with 27 points.

Hawks 103, Pacers 102

ATLANTA — Mookie Blaylock hit a 10-footer in the lane with 1.9 seconds remaining, giving Atlanta its 10th victory in eight days over the top team in the Central Division.

Steve Smith scored 25 points and

Dikembe Mutombo had 19 points, 14 rebounds and four blocks for the Hawks, who also beat the Pacers on March 10 at Market Square Arena.

Reggie Miller led Indiana with 26 points.

Rockets 88, Mavericks 78

DALLAS — Hakeem Olajuwon scored 24 points and rookie Curtin Mobley added 16 as Houston beat Dallas for the 11th straight time.

Charles Barkley added 16 points and 11 rebounds for the Rockets, who have won three straight and seven of their last nine. Shawn Bradley had 20 points, 13 rebounds and six blocks for Dallas.

Heat 84, Bucks 76

MILWAUKEE — Alonzo Mourning grabbed a season-high 21 rebounds, scored 19 points and blocked five shots to lead Miami over Milwaukee.

Tim Hartaway scored 15 of his 22 points in the second half as the Heat beat the Bucks 84-76 in their last 22 meetings.

Glenn Robinson scored 17 points for Milwaukee.

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"Ricky was probably the best all-around player I've ever coached, and William was probably the best offensive player I've ever seen," said Wright, who now coaches in Gallatin, Tenn. "There was no way to stem them both. And they both worked so hard, that they pushed each other."

Wright remembers Moore getting up at 5 a.m. to work out before school, then "playing like it was a game in practice."

"Then, since he had a single mom, he would go out and work a part-time job after practice," Wright said.

Avery, who went to prep school for this senior year to prepare academically for Duke, worked just as hard.

"I remember catching him out at 11 one night, well past curfew," Wright said. "He was out on the court, working on his moves."

In the summers, the two players still did the five-minute walk to Big Ole for pickup ball and games. It's just a short drive from the size of next month's Masters, to this neighborhood is a world away from the opulence of the Augusta National.

Kids and adults at the course are quick to associate themselves with the local legends.

"Just like my big Avery," said one young pro awaiting a lift-jumper from the dirt mixing the mud.

"Ricky's my cousin, and he's going all the way," 15-year-old James Fullea said. "Keith Regalini, about 6-foot-2 and 260 pounds, remembers Avery and Moore being great summer games as kids.

"Mary got beat out like every body else," he said. "But she made them mentally tough. And you can see where it's taken them."

arm streak."

Thomas would love to be drafted this year. For now, however, scenic West Virginia is all-important. He has been in Twin Falls long enough to know that losing three weeks off his season at Snow College, as the Eagles did last week, ain't good.

But no one here questions his hustle.

"I accuse him of having a heartbeat of 36 beats a minute, but he listens real well," Walker said. "He's been a positive influence on the field."

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Brin coach, players hold softball clinic

TWIN FALLS — Girls in Grades 3 through 8 are invited to the Brin Softball Camp — Spring Break '99, Monday through Wednesday, April 5 at Twin Falls High School.

Inline Hockey Assn. plans roller hockey

HEYBURN — The Mid-Casta Inline Hockey Association will be taking registrations Saturday for roller hockey teams at the Heyburn Rink next to the ball park.

Horsemanship clinic set for Sunday

TWIN FALLS — The 20th annual Winning Ways Barrel Racing, Pole Bending — horsemanship clinic will be conducted by Lana Parker on Sunday at the CSI Expo Center.

West beats East in all-star game

AMES, Iowa — Jonathan Bender scored 31 points, eclipsing Michael Jordan's game record of 30, as the West beat the East 143-128 Wednesday night in the McDonald's All-American game.

Carlo's Booter of Juneau-Douglas (Alaska) High School and Stanford recruit Casey Jacobsen of Glendora, Calif., which added 22 points for the West team.

Home crowd favorite Nick Collif of Iowa Falls, added 40 miles away, added 16 points on 8-of-9 shooting.

Jason Williams of St. Joseph's High School in Plainfield, N.J., and one of three Duke recruits playing in the game, led the East with 20 points. DeMarr Johnson had 19 and Damien Wilkins, son of Gerald Wilkins of the Orlando Magic, and Keith Bogans each added 18.

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SCORES AND STATS

BASKETBALL IN THE BLEACHERS

By Steve Moore

NBA standings

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Life in the Over-40 League.

CSA playoffs

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Pocatello at Jerome, 5:30 p.m.
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High school softball
Jerome at Twin Falls, 4 p.m.
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High school tennis
Nampa at Twin Falls, 5:30 p.m.
High school track
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BASEBALL

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Section C

## AROUND THE VALLEY

### 16-year-old charged in beating, stabbed

**TWIN FALLS** - A 16-year-old boy has been charged with aggravated battery in connection with a Feb. 20 beating and stabbing in the buttocks. Romeo Rolando Trevino was initially charged in juvenile court, but was later referred to adult court because of the violence of the case. He faces an April 2 preliminary hearing.

Trevino and 22-year-old Clifford Eil Elvasquez were charged in the attack of Michael Quinlan in an apartment at 442 Locust St. Quinlan was beat in the head with bottles and status in the buttocks eight times in the attack, a police report said.

### Convicted robber set for mental evaluation

**TWIN FALLS** - The sentencing of convicted convenience store robber Donald Shriver has been postponed until he is evaluated at a state mental health center in Boise. Shriver, who was convicted in October 1998 for the 1997 armed robbery of Larry's Quick Service in Buhl, was sent to the Department of Correction mental health facility earlier this month by District Judge Daniel Meehl.

Lawyers on both sides agreed Shriver needed the evaluation. So did Shriver.

In a letter to Meehl, Shriver said the judge had "the full and complete authority to get me the help I've needed and cried out for all my life ... Will justice finally have its day?"

Shriver's sentencing, which was scheduled for last month, is on hold until the mental evaluation is complete.

### Meeting will discuss Implant tort claim

**TWIN FALLS** - Packets regarding Dow Corning's bankruptcy have been mailed to area women with breast implants who are claimants in a tort against the company.

Those people are invited to a meeting at 7 p.m. Friday at the Obenchain Insurance Building, 264 Main Ave., S. Twin Falls.

Attendees should bring their packets. Claimants who didn't receive a packet and ballot can call 1-800-637-6700.

For more information, call Pam Dowd at 734-1883.

The Dow Corning Tort Claimant Committee will meet from 7 to 5 p.m. April 8 at the Holiday Inn Airport, 5575 W. Amelia Earhart Drive in Salt Lake City. Claimants may attend, and no advance registration is required.

Compiled from staff reports

# Denial will be allowed at trial

By Brian Haynes  
Times-News writer

## Judge decides on murder suspect's statements

**TWIN FALLS** - Statements of denial made by murder suspect Richard Dale Cheatham will be allowed at his first-degree murder trial next month, a judge ruled Wednesday.

Cheatham first told police in 1997 that he knew nothing about the death of Wayne Lafferty, who was found in the South Hills dead from blunt trauma to the head.

But Cheatham later said he was on the scene and helped Alicia Nicole Dyrangas, the second suspect in the slaying, move the body from Lafferty's home to the hills.

Defense lawyer Randy Stoker argued that including statements from the first interview had no relevance, and the state would use them to paint Cheatham as a liar.

Deputy Attorney General Scott James said whatever Cheatham said was admissible under the law, and those statements were relevant in reflecting the defendant's credibility.

District Judge Daniel Meehl agreed with James and will allow Cheatham's statements at trial.

Meehl granted a defense motion to

exclude statements by Lafferty's ex-wife, regarding a phone conversation she had with the victim.

Wilma Lafferty testified Wednesday that during an August 1997 phone call, Wayne Lafferty said "they" had left his vehicle titles on the kitchen table.

Wilma Lafferty assumed he meant Cheatham and Dyrangas, who had befriended Wayne Lafferty. Defense lawyer Rockne Lammers argued that "they" could have been anyone, including the many people who frequented the house.

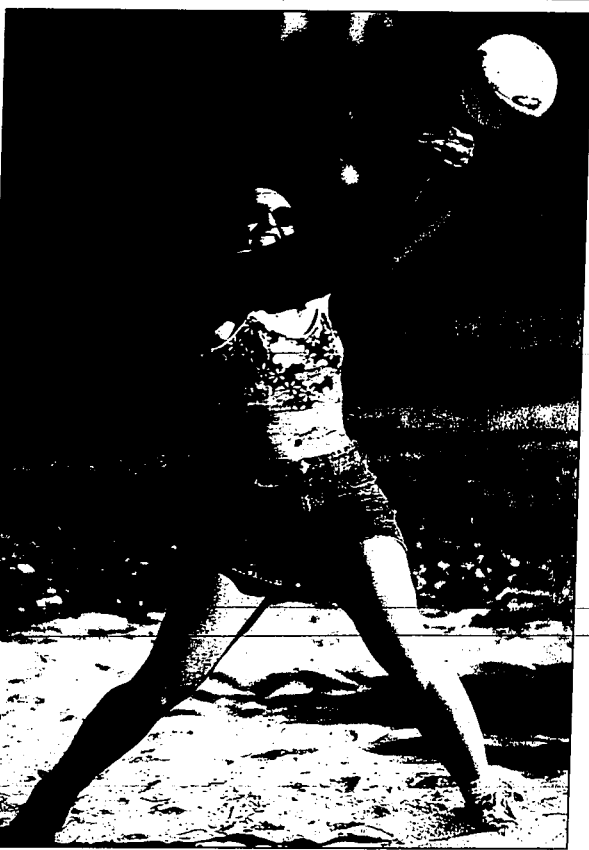
Wilma Lafferty also testified that Wayne Lafferty gave her the titles and told her to "put those where nobody will find them."

Prosecutors tried to use that evidence to show Wayne Lafferty feared Cheatham and Dyrangas, but Lammers argued that once he gave away the titles, his fear would be gone.

Meehl ruled that evidence that Cheatham and Dyrangas had left the titles on the table would not be allowed, but Wilma Lafferty could testify about the title exchange to show Wayne Lafferty's state of mind.

Times-News staff writer Brian Haynes can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 238.

## SERVING UP SPRING



Kristina Morrison takes advantage of spring temperatures to play sand volleyball with her friends at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls. The spring weather should continue tomorrow with a chance of rain on Friday.

# Officer pleads guilty for role in fatal collision

By John T. Huddy  
Times-News writer

**RUPERT** - With his wife Janice and 6-month-old daughter Aurora sitting quietly behind him, former Idaho State Police officer Steven Rodriguez was sentenced Wednesday to two years' probation and 100 hours of community service.

Rodriguez was involved in a Feb. 20 accident which killed 76-year-old Lily Hobbs of Rupert and left her 82-year-old husband Dale Hobbs seriously injured.

Rodriguez pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge of unlawful operation of a motor vehicle.

"As anyone involved in the matter realizes, this is a tragic incident," Magistrate Judge Roy Holloway said. "I can only imagine the grief of the Hobbs family and the considerable suffering and grief experienced by the Rodriguez family."

Holloway chose to put the 30-year-old Rodriguez on probation, instead of sentencing him to jail, based on Rodriguez's exemplary background.

Members of the Hobbs family wrote a letter to the court expressing their thoughts on the case. Holloway read the letter.

"We accept what the Minidoka County authorities rule on the case-and bear no animosity towards the Rodriguez family," the family wrote. "We know he (Rodriguez) and his family have suffered greatly because of this tragedy. We want to thank the prosecutors and the community for being so kind."

Rodriguez, who remained emotionless during the sentencing, declined comment on the ruling.

saying only, "Law enforcement officials are held to a pretty high standard."

Rodriguez's attorney, Joe Filicetti, echoed his client's thoughts.

"We did the best we could," Filicetti said. "We would have liked him not to be charged at all."

Rodriguez plans to move out of Rupert, where he rents a home. While Rodriguez works on his future employment and living plans, the community service requirement will be put on hold for 60 days.

After that, Rodriguez is required to decide where to serve. He must keep in direct contact with the Minidoka County clerk's office every month, notifying the office of any changes in address or progress in completing community service, Holloway said.

Rodriguez was responding to an emergency call when he collided with the Hobbses' vehicle. The accident occurred at Oneida and F streets in Rupert.

Rodriguez had his lights and sirens on when he entered the intersection, the Hobbses had the green light. Rodriguez, who was a rookie police officer, was completing 240 hours of training when the accident happened.

Times-News staff writer John T. Huddy can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.

# Jerome trustees mull classroom space options

By Dixie Thomas Roala  
Times-News correspondent

**JEROME** - After failing for the fourth time to pass a bond issue for school construction, the Jerome School Board held an open forum Tuesday to gather ideas and opinions to help solve overcrowding problems in the schools.

The board heard a range of suggestions, which it will take under advisement. The board will try to come to a decision in the next future.

One idea on hold, for now, is another bond issue.

By law, the School Board must wait six months before trying to pass another bond issue. Most people in attendance Tuesday agreed that another bond issue would be unlikely to pass.

Local attorney Rob Williams pointed out that the district has a tough sales job.

Fewer than half of the parents of school children are registered to vote. According to a recent city survey, 62 percent of residents are high school graduates.

That means some parents might not see the need for more classroom space.

Because of this, Williams said, any issue brought before voters needs to be narrow in focus.

So Tuesday, the options for

increased classroom space were scaled back to much more modest proposals.

Jim Coles, an architect from Design West in Boise, offered a proposal: a two-story, eight-classroom high school addition, costing an estimated \$1.1 million. This would address what superintendent

Jim Cobble called the district's most immediate need: high school classroom space.

This addition could be financed by a supplemental levy, which could be voted on by April or May, Cobble said.

Supplemental levies require only a simple majority, and could be used to fund \$1 million per year for two years, costing \$2 per \$1,000 of taxable property value.

That increase would bring Jerome up to the average property tax in the Magic Valley, Cobble said.

If the supplemental levy can be passed, the addition could be in place by February 2000, Coles said.

Another plant facilities levy could be passed for up to 10 years at \$1 million per year, and requires a 60 percent majority. This levy could be used to fund a series of smaller projects. The failed bond issue, for more than \$12 million,

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## Schedule change falls in place

By Jennifer Sandmann  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Students at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School will have longer class periods and another elective next school year.

The Twin Falls School Board on Wednesday gave the junior high school approval to buy the modular classroom space it needs to accommodate the scheduling changes. The board had previously approved the plan contingent on whether more classroom space could be found.

O'Leary will pay \$118,500 over three years for a new, 3,600-square-foot building with

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## Sun Valley set to sail with paragliding event

By Margot Higgins  
Times-News correspondent

**SUN VALLEY** - Bald Mountain is not only a playground for skiers, hikers and mountain bikers, it's also an ideal takeoff point for a growing number of paragliders.

This weekend, more than 50 paragliding pilots are expected to participate in Sun Valley's first annual Paragliding Family Fly-in and Exposition sponsored by the Sun Valley/Ketchum Chamber of Commerce, Sun Valley Paragliding and Trinity Springs Waters.

Only a decade old, paragliding is a fast-growing sport. The purpose of this weekend's event is to bring pilots together to learn new skills and make new flying acquaintances.

Event organizer Sharon Eagan



said this weekend's festivities will also "raise awareness of Baldy as a great flying site."

Eagan said most paragliding expos take place "in remote areas." Sun Valley is one of the rare fly-in sites that offers activities for the...

"It is such a beautiful fly-off

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## P.S.

### Horse and rider reunite for world competition

**KETCHUM** - Wood River Valley equestrian Vicki Koss will travel to England today to reunite with her award-winning horse Barney and compete in two world-class equestrian events.

Barney, officially named Goldmill, recently was recognized as the American Eventing Horse of the Year. The competition isn't until the beginning of May, but Koss must begin training Barney for the grueling competition, the triathlon of equestrian events.

Koss is one of eight American riders who qualified for the event. She and Barney placed 32nd out of 85 horses last year at the Badminton Horse Trials. They were the top American finishers.

"He's so beautiful. He's really wonderful. He has the biggest heart," Koss said of her crossbred bay gelding.

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# MAGIC VALLEY/IDAHO

## Governor uses classrooms to promote reading

NAMPA (AP) — Sitting at a child-size activity table with 14 first-graders, Gov. Dirk Kempthorne punctuated the campaign to improve reading skills of public school students by signing into law the first piece of the Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Plan.

"This makes sure that all Idaho children will be able to read," the governor told his young charges. "No one is going to be left behind."

Kempthorne used more than a dozen different pens to sign the bill Wednesday morning and then gave one to each child in the first-grade class at Parkridge Elementary School.

He then left for the eastern side of the state where he signed the second piece of the three-bill

package among students at Temple View Elementary School in Idaho Falls.

"The final piece is being signed later in the week by the University of Idaho in Moscow. The sweeping multimillion-dollar initiative was the product of a year of work by a special task force and legislation. It was then it was signed by the debate former State Schools Superintendent Anne Fox began about reading, and the various methods of teaching it. The issue was highlighted by a 1997 survey of Idaho study of fourth-graders that showed one in five were reading below grade level and three in five had inadequate comprehension.

The legislature embraced the product of that effort, including

the \$39 million to finance it in his initial state budget. Using it as a major piece of the agenda he laid out in launching what he called the Generation of the Child.

"The initiative establishes teacher education and certification requirements, sets specific standards that kindergarten through third-graders should meet as they are evaluated twice a year and directs all 113 Idaho school districts to offer a summer intervention program for students who have fallen short of those standards.

"It signals the end to the acceptance of a mediocre performance by our students, by our schools, in reading," state Sen. Darrel Deide, the former Caldwell School District superintendent, said.

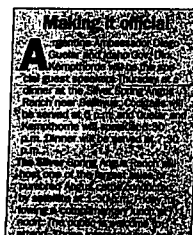
## Trade talk from Kempthorne, official will accompany Bellevue cattle sale

By Rachel Denney Times-News correspondent

BELLEVUE — Diego R. Guelar, Argentine ambassador to the United States, is in Idaho this week to discuss international trade issues, including the inter-commodity beef trade, and to attend one of the largest sales of purebred Angus cattle conducted by satellite.

Guelar and Kempthorne will be the special guest speakers at a dinner Thursday at the 3500 Angus Silver Spring Angus Ranch located on Price Lane, one mile north of Highway 20 near Bellevue. The evening will begin at 6 p.m. with cocktails followed by guest speakers at 6:30 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. and the public is welcome to attend.

The fifth annual Silver Spring



"It is a singular honor to host the ambassador in Idaho and have the opportunity to introduce him to our best industry and our state," said Tom O'Garra, president of the Silver Spring Angus Ranch, in a news release.

"We are very interested in looking forward to hearing his views on important international trade issues, as well as having an opportunity to share our views with him."

Ambassador Guelar has headed the Argentine embassy in Washington, D.C. since 1997. He held previous ambassadorial positions in Brazil and as Argentina's ambassador to the European Union. He also served in the Argentine House of Representatives and has long been active in international economic issues, the news release said.

Those interested in attending Thursday's dinner are asked to call Lynn Naber at 1-800-788-3098.

## OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0931. Ext. 276, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 8 p.m. every day.

### TWIN FALLS

**Marguarita** was born September 12, 1924, in Bohler, Nebraska, to Herman and Emma May (Marin) Gillilan. She moved with her family from Nebraska to Twin Falls in 1925, where she grew up and attended schools. She married William L. Baker in Boise on October 24, 1943. Marguarita received her Licensed Practical Nurses Certificate in Twin Falls. She worked as a nurse at the Magic Valley Hospital for several years. She also worked at Hazledine Manor as a chef and at several other private facilities during her career. She was elected LPN of the Idaho Nurses' Association in 1975. She was the first coordinator of Head Start in Southern Idaho and taught nursing at the Camille Hawkins School for several years. She was involved for many years with the blood drawing, the old welfare department and the Red Cross in various positions in the Twin Falls area. Marge was well known to get out and help a family who had lost their home due to fire or had just moved to the area. Marge often had a "hot" until all winter clothes, led and had a roof over their heads.

### TWIN FALLS

Marge was survived by two daughters, Bette (Kraus) and Lucille Smith. She is survived by four children, Sandra (Deems) Haynes, Halley Idaho, Roberta (James) Merrell of Paul, Idaho, Gary (Barb) Stratton of Boise, Idaho, and Cheryl (Ade) Friab of Danbury, Iowa; a brother, Robert (Doe) Friab of Boise; four grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. June was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph, and a sister, Lucille Smith.

### TWIN FALLS

A rosary and prayer will take place at 7 p.m. today, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. The funeral will take place at 11 a.m. Friday, March 26, 1999, at St. Edward's Catholic Church, 1001 W. Main St. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call at Reynolds Chapel today from 2 p.m. until the time of the rosary. The family suggests memorial contributions be given to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, 1000 Reynolds Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303.

### Verna L. Cummins

Verna L. Cummins, 83, of Twin Falls, went home to her Lord on Tuesday, March 23, 1999.

She was born Feb. 10, 1916 in Buffalo, N.Y., to William J. and Mildred Christian Cummins. During World War II, she served in the U.S. Coast Guard (SPARS), stationed in Washington, D.C. After the war she belonged to the Coast Guard Reserve and was again called into active duty during the Korean Conflict, stationed in Cleveland, Ohio. She was a charter member, past commander, of the Enoco Women's Post in Buffalo and was also a member of the Fleet Reserve. In 1979 she retired from the Railroad Retirement Board in Buffalo and moved to Twin Falls. She was a member of the American Legion Post #7, Twin Falls, the 20th Century Club and National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NAFEE). She always had a smile for everyone and was happiest when spending time with her family or fellow club members. She was an avid reader and had the greatest compassion for all animals. She was a warm, generous lady and she will be sorely missed by all who knew her.

### Verna L. Cummins

Verna's survivors include her sister-in-law, "Higgins" of Jordan; nephews, Terence W. (Shirley) Hughes and Rory K. (Karen) Hughes, both of Jerome; Paul (Pam) Cummins of Amherst, N.Y.; Jeffrey Hughes of California, James Hughes of Texas, and Benjamin J. Hughes of Twin Falls; and a niece, Ruth Koch of Amherst, N.Y.; her brother, William J. Cummins of Georgia; and a nephew, Robert A. Cummins of California.

Memorial services for Verna L. Cummins will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday, March 29, 1999, at White Mortuary with Rev. Dale Metzgar officiating. Military rites will be conducted by the Magic Valley Area Veterans and Auxiliary. The family suggests memorials be given to the Humane Society, P.O. Box 1163, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303, 1163 or to the Twin Falls Library Foundation, 432 2nd St. E., Twin Falls, Idaho 83301.

### Kristena K. Beito

Kristena Kay Beito, 50, of Spirit Lake, died Sunday, March 21, 1999, of cancer in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

She was born September 2, 1948, in Spirit Lake, ID, to Ewen A. and Anna L. (Roth) Beito. Growing up in Spirit Lake, she graduated from Lakeland High School in 1966. North Idaho Junior College in 1968 (went to Nampa on the debate team), and graduated from the University of Idaho in 1971. After working in a salmon cannery in Alaska, a brokerage firm in Beverly Hills, and dealing "21" in Reno, she returned to the University of Idaho, earning her Juris Doctorate in 1977.

She practiced law in Twin Falls, ID, for 14 years and was active in the Guardian Ad Litem program for abused children, and on the board of directors for the Walker Center, a shelter for women fleeing violence and the Magic Valley-Rehabilitation Center. A middle revolution put her back to Boise State University where she graduated in 1997 with a teaching certificate in elementary education. She became a sixth grade teacher at Alton Elementary School, where she was employed at the time of her death. She traveled extensively worldwide, studying yoga in India and Nepal. She loved outdoor sports, auctions and good conversation.

She is survived by her mother, Anna Beito, and sister, Alice Beito, both of Coeur d'Alene, as well as numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

A celebration of Kristena's life will be held in Twin Falls sometime in the near future. Memorial services will be held on Saturday, March 27, 1999, at 11 a.m. at Coeur d'Alene Memorial Funeral Home. She will be buried at Greenwood Cemetery in Spirit Lake, ID. A short graveside service will be held at 4 p.m. on Sunday, March 28, 1999, at the Coeur d'Alene Memorial Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

### Emma 'Margo' Baker

Emma Marguerite "Margo" Baker, 74, of Twin Falls, and formerly of Coeur d'Alene, died Wednesday, March 23, 1999, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center following an extended illness. At the time of her death she was a resident of Woodstone Manor.

### June Smith

June Smith, 77, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, March 23, 1999, at St. Luke's Medical Center in Boise.

June was born April 1, 1922, at Cherokee, Iowa, to Lloyd and Phoebe Gates Friab. She grew up in an extended family in Coeur d'Alene. On March 21, 1938, she married Ralph Smith at Quincy,

### John L. Bowman

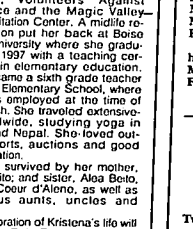
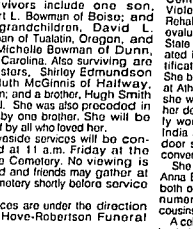
John L. Bowman, 79, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, March 23, 1999, at the Twin Falls Care Center of natural causes.

He was born at Bear, Idaho, the daughter of Jesse and Mary Ann Cornell Smith. She grew up on Bear and attended school in the Wolf's Canyon area. Jean Bowman attended Weiser High School, graduating at age 17. Later, she met and married Dolis Slim Bowman at Council Bluffs, Iowa, on October 24, 1938, and their marriage lasted 43 years until Slim's death in 1981. They moved to Jerome in 1970 and Jean moved to Twin Falls in 1977. She was active in the Order of Eastern Stars and the Rebekah Lodge in the 50's and 60's at Wendell. She also helped at Margo's Shoes in Twin Falls for nearly 20 years, starting in the mid-60's.

Survivors include one son, Robert L. Bowman of Coeur d'Alene; two grandchildren, David L. Bowman of Tualatin, Oregon, and Robert in the Queen of Angels, North Carolina. Also surviving are two sisters, Shirley Edmondson of Oregon; and a brother, Hugh Smith of Buhl. She also was preceded in death by one brother. She will be missed by all who loved her.

Gravestone services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday at the Johnson Cemetery. No viewing planned and friends may gather at the cemetery shortly before service time.

Services are under the direction of the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel.



## Coyote killing sparks reward offer

By Margot Higgins Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM — The Idaho Animal Advocates group is offering a \$1,000 reward for any information leading to the snowmobile responsible for chasing and running down a coyote in the Sawtooth Valley on March 12.

The incident angered local residents who made calls to Idaho Animal Advocates.

"The reward fund was established because so many people were outraged by the senseless brutality against innocent wild mammals," group president Marilyn



Martin said she has talked to many people who are shocked that chasing a coyote is legal in Idaho. In this case, however, the snowmobile is guilty of trespassing.

Most of the contributions have been donated through "word of mouth." Martin said that she took two redneck people to put a bad impression on all snowmobilers," store manager Mitch Marcroft said.

"Not everyone is out there to chase game."

## Planners reject request for rezoning

Ketchum officials deny bid for tourist zoning

KETCHUM — City planning commissioners turned down a request from Lari Rump and Idaho Investment Trust, owners of Heidelberg Inn, to rezone their property from limited residential to tourist zoning.

The Heidelberg Inn is considered a non-conforming use because it exceeds the density allowed in a limited residential zone.

"Because of that, the property has suffered from marketing problems. In a letter to planners, inn rep-

resentative BethAnn Skamser said, "If the hotel is destroyed more than 60 percent of it cannot be rebuilt."

Although the owners suggest that the 170 zoning of the area was a mistake, many Ketchum residents appeared to voice their concerns about rezoning the lot.

In a public hearing, attorney Terry Hogue spoke on behalf of Michael Angel, a homeowner within 100 feet of the Heidelberg property.

"My client objects to getting rid of the non-conforming use. The owner purchased the Heidelberg knowing it was a non-conforming use and now he wants to sell for more money. Tourist zoning would have a negative effect on neighbors." But Warm Springs business

owner Brian Barsotti told planners, "For businesses in Warm Springs the Heidelberg does provide the only real short-term accommodation left in Warm Springs."

He also said the Heidelberg serves a purpose for Warm Springs tourists.

In light of the denial, planners have suggested that Heidelberg owners supply for a "contract zone" in the area.

A contract zone allows a property owner and the city to enter into a contract that creates certain limits within a zoning ordinance. A contract might decrease the uses or density at a project site.

Skamser said the applicant would be willing to come to such an agreement with the city.

## DEATH NOTICES

**Wilson T. Harper**  
MORELAND — Wilson T. Harper, 81, of Moreland, died Monday, March 22, 1999, at his home near Idaho Falls.

A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Blackfoot West Stake Center. Friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday at the Hawker, Hill, Sandberg Funeral Home and one hour before the service Saturday at the church.

**Gilbert I. Parke**  
BURLY — Gilbert I. "Gib" Parke, 97, of Burley, died Wednesday, March 24, 1999, at the Burley Care Center.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Payne Mortuary.

**Services**  
Rupert (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

**May E. Roberts**  
BATTLE MOUNTAIN, Nev. — May E. Roberts, 87, of Battle Mountain, Nev., died Monday, March 22, 1999, at the White Pine Care Center in Ely, Nev.

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at Sunset Memorial Cemetery in Twin Falls.

**Ruby Elizabeth Edwards of Heyburn**, Mass. of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. today, at the Little Flower Catholic Church, 1601 Oakley Ave. in Burley; burial will follow at noon Friday at the Cloverdale Cemetery in Boise.

Friends may call one hour before Mass today at the church (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

**Alta Jensen White of Palm Springs, Calif.**, 10 a.m. Friday at Murtagh LDS Church; friends may call from 9 to 9:45 a.m. Friday at the church (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

## HOSPITALS

**MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER**  
Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Admitted  
Berniece Sullivan and Margaret Courter, both of Twin Falls.

**CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER**  
Maria C. Muxon of Burley; Dawn Cook of Paul; Maria Cuevas and Marianne Mabey, both of Heyburn; Walter McCann of Rupert; and Tiffany Russell of Almo.

Released  
Gerardo Mendoza, Celia Rocha and Bertha Spargo, all of Burley; Ivory Allen of Rupert; and Brady Bohon of Heyburn.

**MINDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Admitted  
Rebecca Lisombe and baby boy, both of Rupert. Released  
Allen L. Bohler Sr. of Rupert, and Hayley Price of Heyburn.

Births  
A son was born to Rebecca and Brent Lisombe of Rupert.

**BIRTHS**  
Babies were born to John and Tiffany Russell of Almo; Trivis and Dawn Cook of Paul; and Rafael and Maria Cuevas and Doug and Marianne Mabey, all of Heyburn.



# Kempthorne explains bills in Burley

## Signs legislation during visit

By John T. Huddy  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne took on the role of teacher at the Cassia County Courthouse Wednesday, educating the public on how a bill becomes a law.

Kempthorne made Burley his first stop on a bill-signing tour which included visits to Idaho Falls and Pocatello.

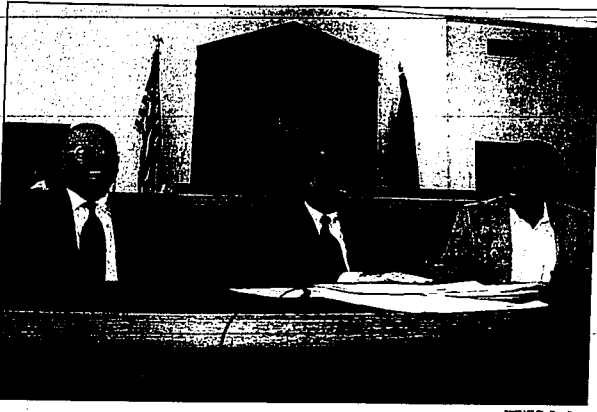
"We are happy to meet with the public," Kempthorne said. "Most people don't even know what a bill looks like or how it is put into law. This reminds us of what we're working for."

Kempthorne spent about an hour at the courthouse. Besides signing three new laws, he mingled with Cassia County officials and employees.

"Everybody was excited to see him," said Christina Fuentes, a deputy clerk at the courthouse. "It was important that our community. It makes us feel like we're known and important too."

The bills Kempthorne signed were a parole bond bill that would require parolees who choose to complete their parole out of state to post a bond; a law that creates a new guarantee on local school districts' bond issues; and a law allowing the governor to appoint members of the Pardons and Pardon Commission. The director of Corrections had appointed commission members in the past.

"It's nice to come out and see the bills from the local community," Kempthorne said to about 30 people in the district courtroom.



Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, center, enjoys a funny moment with state Sens. Denton Darrington, R-Deco, and John Sand, R-Hagerman. Kempthorne took time Wednesday to stop at the Cassia County Courthouse to sign three bills into law.

Kempthorne also commended Burley Mayor Doug Manning on his efforts with the Enough is Enough anti-drug program and the state's war on drugs.

"Mayor Manning did a tremendous job as the master of ceremonies at the march on the Capitol Monday," Kempthorne said. "He conducted himself with a great deal of class and spoke very eloquently."

Manning was happy to receive

the compliments.

"It's really neat that the governor is going through the communities and signing legislation," Manning said.

Kempthorne, who signed a bill Monday calling for a mandatory five-year prison sentence for methamphetamine manufacturers, said more drug-related legislation will follow.

"We're adding three more forensic criminologists to the

state lab," he said. "This will allow us to get caught up in paperwork and help combat the drug problem even more."

Kempthorne also signed a reading initiative bill in Idaho Falls and an Idaho State Police funding bill in Pocatello Wednesday.

Times-News staff writer John T. Huddy can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.

# Agriculture Department official will speak at annual symposium

TWIN FALLS — Agriculture Undersecretary Jim Lyons will be the keynote speaker at the 20th annual Snake River Symposium this week at the College of Southern Idaho.

Lyons, undersecretary for natural resources and the environment at the U.S. Department of Agriculture, will kick off the symposium at 8 p.m. Friday in the Fine Arts Auditorium, followed by a reception in the Taylor Building cafeteria.

A day of workshops will follow from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Topics will include public involve-

ment in natural resources, political action, a plan for managing the Snake River and public lands access. Workshops will include representatives from the Idaho Division of Environmental Quality, Bureau of Land Management, Southern Idaho Land Trust, Idaho Cattlemen's Association and Access Fund, a group working to maintain access to climbing areas at and near the City of Rocks National Reserve.

Call CSI Honors Program Director Mark Lindemer at 733-9554, Ext. 2106, for more information.

# Utah officials worry over rise of Great Sale Lake

HOOPER, Utah (AP) — The last time the Great Salt Lake rose to its peak level in 1984, Faye Fowers lost \$176,000 worth of livestock and farmland nearly drowned trying to save 28 heifers.

"It is the most destructive and forbidding I've seen in my 75-year-old Hooper residence. Part of her 200-acre farm in Davis and Weber counties, six blocks from here, ended up under water.

Fowers' recollections come on the heels of reports that the Great Salt Lake is again on the rise and beginning to worry state and federal lake watchers.

"I think there is some reason to be optimistic," said Jim Kohn of the U.S. Geological Survey office.

Kolva said the lake level, at 4,203.7 feet above sea level as of Feb. 25, is at its highest level since 1987 when it peaked at just under 4,212 feet.

"With a natural cycle ... it is entirely possible to get up to that level again," he said.

The lake began rising again two years ago following 10 years of declining levels.

Kolva said the lake should rise another two feet by June after the mountain runoff has been collected. He said that amount would bring the level near to 4,206, the level at which pumps

in the west desert can become operational.

The \$60 million pumps were authorized by the Legislature in 1984 after flooding caused by the \$250 million in property damage. But an environmental impact study would have to be conducted on the west desert before the pumps can again be turned on.

The 4,206 level is only two feet short of the top of the Antelope Island Causeway, which was built at 4,208. At that level waves could wash over the roadway when winds kick up, causing erosion.

"To that level (4,206), we don't expect much difficulty," said Davis County Public Works Director Sid Kelly.

Three-foot waves off the lake last month did wash away some soft shoulder protecting the pond. Smith said his property weather in the summer will reduce the lake level through evaporation.

In 1984, Fowers' west heifers officials said, would be a warmer-than-average spring, combined with a cooler summer.

In 1984, Fowers' west heifers after the lake generated about 10 feet of water on her shoreline farm. The lake water then froze, and under the weight some wandering animals broke, causing them to fall in.

# Area program unites teens, parents

## Graduation brings tears, laughter for Mini-Cassia youths

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News writer

PAUL — When 20 young people graduated last week from the Parent Project at West Minico Junior High School in Paul, the ceremony proved to be emotional for parents and teens alike.

Even before graduation, people say the program helped change lives.

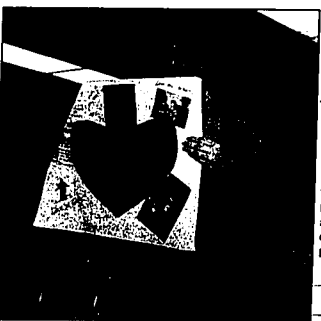
"It showed us how to get along better. We don't yell and scream like we used to. She has really changed a lot — miraculously," parent Betty Stephens said of her daughter, Karla Jo Stephens, 16.

The program changed the way the Stephens disciplined their daughter.

"We learned to control our anger. When we get mad we take time outs," Betty Stephens said. "We know how to share our disappointments and joys without hurting each other."

Part of the project's learning process involved making new friends.

"We learned we were not the only ones. There were so many others going through the same pain," she said.



Karla Jo Stephens reads a poem she wrote for the Teen/Parent Project graduation ceremony held last week. The project helps teens and parents deal with problems.

Critics say Kempthorne's salmon plan doesn't break new ground

LEWISTON (AP) — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's most recent salmon litigation strategy is being criticized as nothing more than a carbon copy of that of his predecessor.

Former Gov. Phil Batt's spread-the-risk policy was aimed at balancing putting more fish in the Snake River and barging the rest around the dams.

"It's last year's plan with 1998 crossed out and 1999 put on it," said Port of Lewiston Manager David Donoghue. "There really isn't anything on predation, lerns and seals."

Kempthorne has advocated so-called fish-friendly turbines as part of his salmon recovery strategy,

but there is nothing in the proposed plan about them, Donoghue said.

Lynn Tomning, a lobbyist for the Idaho Water Users Association, also cited the omission of information on the turbines and wanted more of an anti-breaching statement.

The Kempthorne administration's spread-the-risk policy was used only as a starting point because Kempthorne supported the policy as a U.S. senator, said Brian Whitlock, a spokesman for the governor.

"It is a draft plan and the governor hasn't signed off on anything in that draft," Whitlock said.

Project coordinator and the health nurse for the Minidoka County School District.

Gabriel Gonzales, 15, started the program when he started as a student at Burley's alternative school.

The project and the alternative school helped raise his grades from F's to As, Bs and Cs, he said.

"He turns his homework in. It was in the trash before," said his mother, Gloria Gonzales.

# LEGISLATIVE LOG

By The Associated Press

- Signed by Governor**
- HB152 (Resources and Conservation) — Includes Lake Cascade State Park and Lake Walcott State Park in the state park system.
- HB176 (Education) — Requires reading assessments for kindergarten through third grades.
- HB177 (Education) — Requires school districts to provide summer intervention classes for students with subpar reading skills.
- SB1173 (Transportation) — Revises the way state fuel taxes are divided up.
- SB1161 (Transportation) — Revises the distribution of special license plate revenue.

- HB204 (State Affairs) — Creates procedure for interim successor in cases where incumbent state lawmakers die.
- SB126 (State Affairs) — Authorizes state guarantee of school district bonds.
- SB1110 (Judiciary and Rules) — Gives governor power to appoint parole commission members and brings the Correction Department under legislative review.
- SB1088 (Judiciary and Rules) — Increase the value limits for certain exempt household items on attachments for financial obligations.
- SB1215 (Judiciary and Rules) — Requires prisoners paroled under interstate compact to post bonds.

# Schedule

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money the district allocates each year to the school's facility needs. It's not additional money for the school.

O'Leary wants to abandon the tradition of format of rotating students through seven class periods a day. The school day would be extended by five minutes in the morning, and students would take eight classes split into two blocks. They would attend four, 85-minute classes a day and alternate blocks every other day. The practice is called block scheduling.

Block scheduling is designed to give students more time for in-depth instruction. At O'Leary it also will increase teacher preparatory time, giving teachers more opportunities to work together developing interdisciplinary lesson plans.

A parent forum was held at the school board meeting earlier this week. About 80 people attended and were supportive of the scheduling plan, Principal Wiley Dobbs told the board.

Parents didn't come with a negative attitude about the proposal but had many questions, said school board member Chad Hafer, who attended the forum.

"I was impressed with the quality of questions," he said.

Board member Bryan Matsuoka expressed concern over how the program would be evaluated after the one-year trial period.

Student achievement and areas such as discipline issues would be reviewed at the end of the year, Dobbs said.

O'Leary didn't receive money for the extra teacher it requested. O'Leary requested the position to accommodate the scheduling changes.

Superintendent Terrell Donich recommended the School Board not approve the position because of scheduling limitations.

Scheduling logistics still can be accomplished but will be a tight fit without the extra position, Dobbs said.

In other business Wednesday, four fourth-graders from Harrison Elementary School tested the School Board's math skills in a lighthearted show of the students' math abilities.

Board members had one minute to complete a work sheet of 50 questions that tested their knowledge of square roots and other skills.

Jerry Clester, Abby McNeely, Monique Dabney, and Ashley Irons, all 10, dazzled their audience by almost instantly reciting answers to problems like the cubed root of 6,859, which is 19. The students said later they were surprised they had to help the students with the questions.

Steven Smith, their principal, brought them to the meeting to illustrate student achievement at Harrison.

Smith and Gordon Armstrong, principal at Bickel Elementary School, highlighted for the board progress at their schools.

Both principals cited emphasis on improving math and reading skills.

Armstrong shared a newsletter sent home to tell parents what students did in class for a week. The school is working to improve communication with parents, he said.

District principals are taking turns this semester giving presentations to the board.

Times-News education writer Jennifer Sandmann can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 241.

# Paraglide

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and riding the chair lift is a nice alternative to hiking," Eagan said.

Bald Mountain offers three launching sites at 9,360 feet and spring conditions on the mountain will allow for "smooth morning flights with thermal soaring flights in the afternoon," according to Greg Callaghan of Sun Valley Paragliding.

Pilots must have a P2 rating to participate in the event.

"Some of the best pilots in the

world are expected," Eagan said. The event opens Friday and ends Sunday. One of this week-end's highlights will be an acoustic display at 7 a.m. Saturday. The weekend will also include commercial tandem rides, educational clinics for mountain flying, product displays, exposition, world class pilots, dinner and dancing.

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

# Jerome

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earned a 63 percent majority.

- Modular classrooms were constructed. They were an unpopular option, but could provide temporary classroom space.
- Year-round schools were another option. By using the buildings 12 months out of the year, the

school system gains classrooms.

Cobble said he'd consulted with Meridian school officials, where year-round school is successful with elementary school children, but less successful with middle or high school age students.

Coles said many large

California schools with 2,000 to 3,000 students have four tracks in school, with one track always on vacation.

- Busing was another option. These classrooms' worth of high school students could be bused to Washington School.
- Longer school hours were

another option discussed. Cobble pointed out that the school is now in session from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., with alternative school held at night.

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

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Road upgrade wins top priority from board

By Sam Feltman Times-News correspondent

JACKPOT - It was standing room only at the Jackpot Advisory Board meeting Tuesday with department heads vying for the top dollars.

The process begins this month and must be completed by June. The Board has made upgrading Ace Drive, the road to the golf course, its number one priority followed by leasing a truck and giving the fire station a fresh coat of paint.

Lynn Foreburg of Elko County Community Development said the total cost of the new community and school library will be about \$700,000. Elko County has applied for a \$160,000 Community Development Block Grant. The Town

of Jackpot will contribute approximately \$212,000 and the Elko County School Board is providing a \$76,000 gift of land and another \$120,000 for books, equipment and other needs. The remainder of the money will come from a \$100,000 real estate development loan.

The 3,500-square-foot library building will include a meeting room that can be expanded for future growth. Foreburg said parts of the project will go out to bid but they have already hired a ready-made prison work camp labor for most of the job.

Foreburg said Elko County Community Development will not know about the block grant until July but she and Elko County Commissioner Mike Nammi are confident they will be awarded the grant as the dollar

amount is less than half the project and the library will benefit both the school and the community. "This is partnered very well," Nammi said.

Jackpot may be on its way to having a health clinic again. Family Health Services closed its doors to the Jackpot Clinic in February and Jackpot residents have been traveling 45 miles to Twin Falls for medical services.

Jackpot Advisory Board Chairman Beth Winn and board member Darrell Jack recently met with representatives of Nevada Rural Health Center, a federally-funded program that has created primary care medical clinics in rural Nevada for almost two decades. NVRHC has applied for a grant for Jackpot and will know if it

will be awarded July 1. Jack said NVRHC needs letters of support from the community no later than March 29. The letters can be faxed to NVRHC at 775-887-7047.

In their action Tuesday, Foreburg informed the board that the Division of Environmental Protection wants an action plan by June. Too many states have been showing up in the monitoring wells at the waste water lagoons and the action plan must be in place by the end of September. Foreburg said the NDEP is willing to work with Elko County and an action plan is ready to be submitted.

Times-News correspondent Sam Feltman can be reached at Jackpot at 702-755-2351.

Kimberly council pores over water line work

By Margaret Jones Times-News correspondent

KIMBERLY - Representatives for JCB Engineers outlined the construction, and types of pipe, that will be used to repair a section of the water line in the subdivision.

Engineers Scott Babin and Mike Hayes said a section of the line on Middle Street was broken and increased width was needed, which caused some land to be lost.

The work is expected to be finished by the end of the year. The council discussed a policy for manufactured home dealers and contractors who obtain building permits to do work in the city.

The council also discussed a policy for homeowners whose private work is not up to code. The city zoning administrator and ordinance officer will compile a position for the city attorney's consideration.

in finished, and shelling and books will be moved in this week.

Fire station: The council discussed a policy for firefighters' suggestion, the council will draw up a pawnshop ordinance. Birmingham said ordinance controlling pawnshops in other towns could cause some shop owners to come to Kimberly.

Drug testing: The council will have to have employees drug testing done by Quick Care for a charge of \$35 instead of the \$45 charged by a different provider.

Manufactured homes: The council discussed a policy for manufactured home dealers and contractors who obtain building permits to do work in the city.

Kimberly School Board plans \$4.86 million bond issue

By Margaret Jones Times-News correspondent

KIMBERLY - The Kimberly School Board on Tuesday voted unanimously to ask voters May 1 to approve a \$4.86 million bond issue to build a new gymnasium and additional classrooms near Kimberly Middle School.

Board members studied plans for the project and hired the Boise-based Hummel architect.

Federal funds may have been used for suicides

Officials point to law prohibiting their use

WASHINGTON (AP) - Federal officials said Wednesday that there is a "remote possibility" federal dollars were used for services related to two assisted suicides in Oregon.

A 1997 law prohibits the use of federal dollars for assisted suicides. Oregon is the only state in the nation where assisted suicide for terminally ill patients is legal.

Oregon officials said Wednesday they will promptly refund the money if they find any federal dollars were used to help plan to complete an investigation next month.

The revelation came in a letter from Oregon's state attorney general, Nancy-Ann DeParle, administrator of the Health Care Financing Administration.

Although the letter itself says "we believe Oregon is in compliance," a five-page accompanying report said "there is a remote possibility a physician may have erroneously submitted claims related to physician-assisted suicide."

DeParle's statements were in response to a letter last month by House Commerce Committee Chairman Thomas Bliley, R-Va., and three other committee members.

Bliley asked the Clinton administration to review whether Oregon is complying with federal laws by covering assisted suicides in its health plan for 350,000 poor Oregonians.

The Virginia Republican has requested a briefing on the matter before the committee officials complete their investigation.

Meanwhile, federal officials are developing a method to recoup federal money spent in Oregon, just in case some were used for suicides.

Oregon on Dec. 1 began covering physician-assisted suicides under its health plan for the poor. No one has filed claims under the Death With Dignity Act since the law passed. Two patients who died under the law before Dec. 1 were covered by the Oregon Health Plan. It's possible that doctors for those patients also have submitted Medicaid claims that went through the system and

were reimbursed, said Eberh Crawford, who oversees the state suicide program for the severely ill.

State officials said that 15 terminally ill Oregonians used the Act to end their lives in 1998, the law's first full year on the books.

The Oregon Health Plan is funded in part by federal dollars. Both state and federal officials have tried to ensure that any costs related to the assisted suicide law are paid entirely by the state.

Crawford said he has tracked the time he spent talking to a reporter on the assisted suicide issue Wednesday so he could make sure that portion of his salary is paid from state funds.

The billing claims for assisted suicide are to be handled separately by clerks who are not being paid with federal money.

But Crawford said the state is taking new steps to prevent any potential problems.

They are changing the coding used on claims for physician-assisted suicide patients so the Medicaid computer system would automatically reject those claims.

Crawford also said the state will conduct annual reviews to make sure federal money is being spent on the program.

MINIDOKA COUNTY COMMUNITY AUCTION

SALE SATURDAY MARCH 27, 1999

LOCATION: 41100 East Baseline Road, 1/2 mile from the northeast corner of Rupert (watch for auction signs) on 1/2 mile east of the Baseline Road.

Sale Time: 11:00 AM. Check by Debbie A. J.

TRACTORS: John Deere 340 utility tractor, 1600000 diesel engine, power steering, 6 speed transmission with light bar, 4000 HPTX, 3 pt hitch, 16.000 rear rubber, 5000 front rubber, 2000 front loader, 3000 front loader, 1000 front loader, Massey Ferguson 65 gas tractor, power steering, 3000 HPTX, 3 pt hitch, 16.000 rear rubber, 5000 front rubber, 2000 front loader, 3000 front loader, 1000 front loader, Massey Ferguson 65 gas tractor, power steering, 3000 HPTX, 3 pt hitch, 16.000 rear rubber, 5000 front rubber, 2000 front loader, 3000 front loader, 1000 front loader, John Deere 340 utility tractor, 1600000 diesel engine, power steering, 6 speed transmission with light bar, 4000 HPTX, 3 pt hitch, 16.000 rear rubber, 5000 front rubber, 2000 front loader, 3000 front loader, 1000 front loader, Massey Ferguson 65 gas tractor, power steering, 3000 HPTX, 3 pt hitch, 16.000 rear rubber, 5000 front rubber, 2000 front loader, 3000 front loader, 1000 front loader, John Deere 340 utility tractor, 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# Searchers find another victim's body

Hundreds will return to site of avalanche

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — The death toll in a weekend avalanche rose to five Wednesday as rescuers found the body of one of two missing men who had been snowmobiling in Turnagain Pass.

The body of Air Force Tech Sgt. Victor Jones was found after searchers found his snowmobile under four feet of densely packed snow, State Trooper spokesman Greg Wilkinson said. Jones was the fifth person found dead after being buried by a mile-wide wall of snow that roared down a mountainside on Sunday.

Some of the 350 searchers who swarmed over the avalanche debris zone were concentrating on the upper part of the ridge, looking for Aaron Arthur, 29, of Palmer, who also disappeared in the avalanche.

Arthur's snowmobile was found shortly after the avalanche, but eyewitnesses said his body was thrown when the 30-foot wall of snow hit him. Trooper First Sgt. Paul Burke said the search would continue Thursday, but he was not sure how long it would continue.

The avalanche hit about 55 miles south of Anchorage. "This is a big accident — it's a very big tragedy," said Dan Fessler, co-director of the Alaska Mountain Safety Center in Anchorage, said Tuesday. "And the thing that makes this search so hard is that we had multiple parties."

As wet, clumpy snow fell Tuesday in Turnagain Pass, nine teams of searching plumbers and foot poles down into the snowy debris every foot, trying to locate Arthur or Jones.

The process led to many false strikes, which raised the hopes of searchers and then dashed them when their digging turned up mowed-over trees, rocks and



Avalanche expert Doug Fessler, right, probes the snow Tuesday as the search continues for a snowmobiler feared dead at Turnagain Pass, Alaska, about 60 miles south of Anchorage. Five bodies have been found so far.

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.

"As a rule, avalanche rescue and recovery is all about clue-finding," said Dan Hourigan, who heads the Alaska Mountain Rescue Group and one of the search leaders.

Arthur's snowmobile was discovered Sunday night high on the mountain, but witnesses said he was tossed so violently by the slide that his body could be far away.

"He could be anywhere," Fessler said. Jones was on the lower part of the mountain when the avalanche hit, witnesses said.

Authorities are relying on a jumpy videotape of the avalanche to provide clues about where to look for victims.

That tape, shot from a mile away, shows massive slabs of snow along the ridge line breaking loose and sliding down the mountain in a rolling, powdery cloud that swallowed at least four snowmobilers.

Fredston said hundreds of snowmobilers were in Turnagain Pass on Sunday, less than a week after up to eight feet of fresh snow was dumped atop older snow made brittle by below-zero temperatures last month.

The riders powered up the mountainsides to see who could leave the highest track — a game called "highmarking." Highmarking is considered one of the possible triggers for the deadly avalanche, said Greg Wilkinson, a spokesman for the Alaska State Troopers.

# Idaho immunization rates rise dramatically

BOISE (AP) — In a sharp turnaround, Idaho has made significant progress in immunizing its youngest children.

State Department of Health and Welfare officials on Tuesday said recent figures show 79 percent of Idaho 2-year-olds were vaccinated, up from 72 percent in previous reports.

The new numbers puts Idaho ahead of 29 other states and now matches the national average for immunization, said Karl Kurtz, director of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. But the improvement still falls short of Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's goal to have 90 percent of Idaho children immunized by age two.

"The governor put his personal reputation on the line when he said we will achieve 90 percent immunization in Idaho in two years," Kempthorne spokesman

Mark Snider said. "This news is encouraging, but it doesn't mean we've won."

The latest report was compiled by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, which charts immunization records twice a year.

The report tracked the percentage of Idaho 2-year-olds who are current on shots to protect against measles, mumps, rubella, polio, diphtheria, pertussis and tetanus. Two prior reports showed Idaho ranked 49th and 50th in the nation in its immunization rate.

Kurtz credited the state's doctors, hospitals and the Idaho Immunize by Two Coalition for the higher rate. The coalition is made up of doctors, nurses, business owners, parents and others that split into groups to tackle the problem.

# Meth lab found at Gowen Field; officials put janitor under arrest

BOISE (AP) — A janitor at Gowen Field has been arrested for allegedly operating a methamphetamine lab at the military base.

Brad Trammer, a contract employee not affiliated with the military, was charged with felony possession of a controlled substance.

A base fire marshal making routine safety checks Tuesday

afternoon found materials used to make the drug in a janitorial closet in the basement of the Army Reserve Center, said National Guard Lt. Col. Jim Ball. Drugs and cash also were found in lockers.

Boise Police arrested Trammer when he arrived at work. Trammer attempted to flee, but officers caught up with him outside the building, Ball said.

## WEST IN BRIEF

### Ongoing mudslide closes road

LEWISTON — A mudslide plaguing Nez Perce County for nearly a year now seems to have won the battle.

The Snake River Avenue slide began moving so quickly that emergency repair crews had to be pulled from the area, and the road has been closed indefinitely. "It's a whole new landslide," said Terry Howard of STRATA Geotechnical and Engineering Services, one of engineers working for Nez Perce County.

The road no longer exists, and state Transportation Department district engineer James Carpenter said nothing can really be done as long as the hillside is moving. It was moving at two feet an hour.

The road closure comes at a bad time as the area gears up for the recreation season and visitors to nearby Hells Gate State Park.

### Mother pleads innocent to charge

IDAHO FALLS — The mother of an 11-month-old infant who died of extensive head injuries will stand trial this summer on a charge of first-degree murder.

Leicia Castro of Idaho Falls pleaded innocent Tuesday to killing her infant, Isabel.

According to Idaho Falls police, Castro threw Isabel to the floor on the night of Jan. 16 and did not take the infant to the hospital until the next morning.

### Utah mother turns herself in

SALT LAKE CITY — The mother of a malnourished 6-year-old who wandered into a stranger's home and asked for food has turned herself in to authorities after a two-week search.

Lezie Magee, 40, handed herself over to Salt Lake County sheriff's detectives Tuesday afternoon.

Police say Magee's 6-year-old daughter, Kayla, walked into Debbie Castro's Salt Lake County home March 10 and devoured the pork chops, apples, rice and orange juice offered to her.

A medical examination later showed the girl had been physically abused over a long period of time. Kayla is now in protective custody with the state, and Salt Lake County Sheriff's Deputy Peggy Faulkner says she has gained weight and "is doing fine."

But police said Magee never asked about her

daughter as she was interviewed. "She didn't ask how Kayla was, where she was or if she could ever take her back," Faulkner said. "Not once in an hour."

Magee, who served 30 days in jail in 1991 in connection with the child-abuse death of another daughter, said that her three other children are out of state because she feared they would be taken away from her.

### County picks new magistrate

LEWISTON — Attorney Kent Meric has been named Nez Perce County's newest magistrate judge.

Merica, a partner in the Lewiston firm Knowlton, Miles, Roberts & Kovis, on Tuesday was chosen to replace Carl Kerrick, who is now a 2nd District Judge.

He was selected from a group of six finalists — including private attorneys, a county prosecutor and a tribal attorney — by the 2nd Judicial District's magistrate commission. He will take the bench in early May.

Merica, 45, said his philosophy about being a judge is simple. "I believe the challenge is to deal with people fairly and make just decisions, that's the ultimate goal."

### Tribe eyes site of former mill

PLUMMER — The Coeur d'Alene Tribe is discussing the purchase of at least part of the Rayonier mill that burned last summer, officials confirmed.

The tribe and the Stamford, Conn.-based company have had discussions about the mill property, Rayonier spokeswoman Wendy Pugnetti said, declining to comment further until a deal is completed.

Tribal spokesman Bob Bostwick said Tuesday a deal for a 4,600-square-foot remanufacturing building is "imminent." Bostwick did not immediately return calls for comment on Wednesday.

The building would provide space for a Tekoa, Wash., company to produce a straw-fiberboard product.

It would also house the Ironman Safe Co., a Hayden Lake business the tribe owns, Bostwick said.

The tribe also is considering buying the entire site and running the mill with another operator, Bostwick said.

Compiled from wire reports

## Officials identify skull in Arizona

KINGMAN, Ariz. (AP) — A skull found near Lake Mead has been identified as that of a missing California man.

Steve Johnson, the Mohave County sheriff's office spokesman, said dental records were used to identify the skull found on March 9. It was that of Ernest Mean.

The Glendora, Calif., man was last seen in 1994 when he was released from jail in St. George, Utah. He was 39 at the time.

Johnson said it may never be known how he died.

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## Voters approve levy in Idaho Falls

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — Voters have approved a \$5.85 million supplemental levy that will pay for the school district's teacher salaries and other expenses for the next two years.

District officials said Tuesday's vote means there will be no major budget cuts for the 1999-2000 school year, and teachers and programs should remain intact.

The levy passed with 61.5 percent voter approval. That margin is narrower, but just barely, than in years past.

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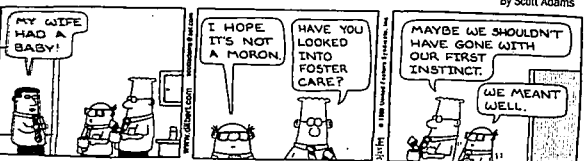
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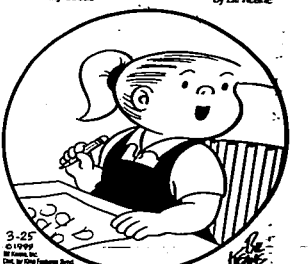
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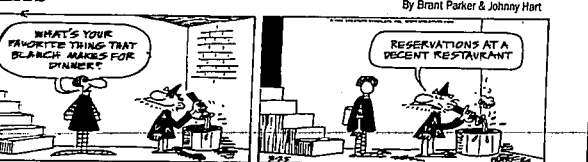
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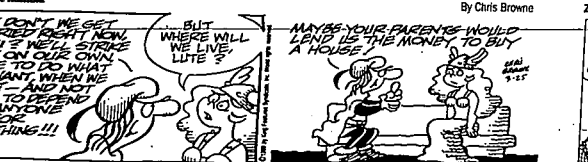
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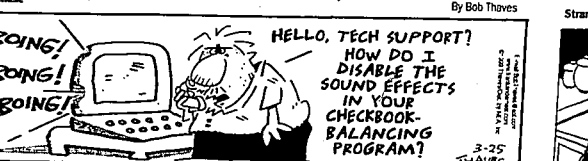
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# COMMUNITY

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## COMMUNITY EVENTS

COME AND GET IT

### Parents plan 1999 graduation party at meeting today

**TWIN FALLS** - Parents will meet today to plan the 1999 all-night, alcohol-free graduation party.

The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the faculty lounge of the Twin Falls High School. Organizers say lots of help is still needed for the event.

This year's co-chairmen are Deb Miciak at 733-1184 and Kyle Hodges at 734-5449. Parents of high school seniors are invited to attend.

### Magic Valley Chess draws players for tournament

**TWIN FALLS** - The 1999 Magic Valley Chess Club championship chess tournament will be held Saturday and Sunday at Weston Plaza, 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls.

Registration for the event will be Saturday from 8 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and the entry fee will be \$30 for adults and \$15 for minors under 19.

U. S. Chess Federation membership is required and will be provided on site.

The format will be a five-round Swiss system with rounds at 9 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Sunday.

The tournament is open to everyone who wishes to participate but a knowledge of tournament chess protocol is recommended, including basic rules of chess, how to keep score and how to play with a clock.

Call Barry Ecker at 733-6186 for more information or send e-mail to [ecb@cyberhighway.net](mailto:ecb@cyberhighway.net)

### Kardo Karate-a-ton kicks off Saturday to help child in need

**TWIN FALLS** - A martial arts demonstration and breaking-board event will benefit a young girl suffering from severe epilepsy.

A "Kardo Karate-a-ton," the demonstration, will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and a board "Break-a-ton" will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. on Saturday at the Twin Falls Fitness Center, 1881 Pole Line Road E. Both events will benefit 3-year old Valerie Owens of Logan Utah, who has grandparents in Jerome and Raret.

The fundraiser was implanted March 16 at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston, S.C.

Proceeds from the event will be used to meet financial obligations, event organizers say.

All donors will receive one week's free membership at the Twin Falls Fitness Center. A minimum \$5 donation is encouraged.

Lumber for the board breaking will be provided by Anderson Lumber Co. of Twin Falls.

### Homecoming dinner highlights American Legion convention

**WENDELL** - The spring convention of the 41st District of the American Legion will be held on Saturday at Post #41, 610 W. Main in Wendell.

Registration will begin at 10:30 a.m. and the meeting begins at 1:30 p.m. There is a luncheon at noon which costs \$5.

Saturday evening there will be a homecoming dinner for Dept. Commander Vernon Mason. A no host bar opens at 6 p.m. with dinner of prime rib served at 7 p.m. The cost for the dinner is \$12.

All Legionnaires and Auxiliary members are invited.

### Library presents puppet show for spring celebration Friday

**TWIN FALLS** - The children's staff members of Twin Falls Public Library will present two puppet presentations

and a Easter stories in celebration of spring.

The puppet show includes "The Easter Egg Hunt" and "Ester Rabbit's Basket." Couple these with the whimsical tale of "One, Two, Three, OOPS!" by Michael Coleman, the library says.

All interested children and families are invited to attend at 4 p.m. Friday in the Storywell Kiva at the Twin Falls Public Library.

### Ready to set, go, Running the Rock race set April 3

**CASTLEFORD** - Runners are lacing up for the Running the Rock fund-raiser kicking off at 10 a.m. April 3 in the Salmon Falls Creek Canyon.

Cost of registration for the 5-kilometer run/walk and 10-kilometer run is \$15 prior to race day and \$20 race day of the event, with an option of a \$10 entry fee for racers who do not want a T-shirt. All proceeds go toward the scholarship program at Castleford High School.

The 10-kilometer race is not for the faint of heart, say the race organizers. It begins at the base of Balanced Rock and follows a paved road in Salmon Falls Canyon with drastic elevation changes and a challenging one-mile climb to the finish. The 5-kilometer race, following both paved and gravel roads, begins with a one-mile ascent.

Each participant is treated to food and door prizes at the awards ceremony following the race, organizers say. The top three men and women in each event will be recognized and awarded a gold, silver or bronze coin, minted by Idaho artisan Scott Horton. Other awards include youngest and oldest participants and the top three men and women in each of eight age groups.

For more information, contact Geinnee Choate at 537-5511.

### Snake River Flats present 'A Love Affair' of music, song

**BURLEY** - An award-winning quartet will highlight "A Love Affair," presented by the Snake River Flats.

The concert will start at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday at the King Fine Arts Center, 2100 Paule Ave.

The Flats'finders/keepers will highlight the evening. The quartet is from Salt Lake City, Utah.

The annual concert also features local talent including The Snake River Flats Chorus, The Dependents, Extension Chords, Mini-Cassia Dokes and Profiles in Harmony.

The Snake River Flats sponsor a Teach the Children Valley project and select participants in the project perform yearly at the concert. Guest appearances this year are from the Heyburn Elementary School on Friday and White Pine Elementary on Saturday.

Tickets are \$6 for general admission, \$5 for senior citizens and students and \$4 for children. The popular concerts are frequently sold out in advance, organizers say.

Advance tickets are available at Welch Middle School, Burley, The Book Store in Rupert, from Snake River Flats members or by calling 436-047.

### Little Flower Catholic Church serves up spaghetti dinner

**BURLEY** - The Little Flower Catholic Church will be serving Spaghetti Dinner from 5 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, March 27, at 1041 Oakley Ave.

Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children 12 and under.

### Irrigation District sets water turn-in date for April 12

**RUPERT** - Minidoka Irrigation District has set a tentative water turn-

in date of April 12.

Water can be ordered by contacting local ditch riders on April 16.

Before turning in the water, the district will be turning canal, lateral and drain banks in preparation for water delivery. Water users should take appropriate preparations for any personal property located on the district's right of way.

### Area students pick up prizes for Pledge of Allegiance essay

**BURLEY** - Several area students won prizes in the Burley Elk Lodge No. 1384 county-wide "Pledge of Allegiance Means to Me" contest.

First place winners received a \$100 savings bond and second place winners received \$50 savings bonds.

Fifth grade winners were: Jennifer Garrard, first place, and Zenna Wardie, second place, both from Declo Elementary school.

Sixth grade winners were: Erin Jensen, first place, and Whitney Peterson, second place, both from White Pine Elementary.

Seventh grade winners were: Ashley Pitter, first place from Oakley Junior High School, and Kendra Booth, second place from Raft River Junior High School.

Eighth grade winners were: Frank J. Freiler, first place from Burley Junior High School, and Amanda Critchfield, second place from Oakley Junior High School.

First place entries were forwarded to the district chairperson in Jerome for state competition.

Other entries were received and 64 forwarded back to the schools for judging.

### Immanuel Lutheran accepts applications for school year

**TWIN FALLS** - Immanuel Lutheran Church is registering students in grades preschool through 8th grade.

There are two sessions of two-day preschool Monday and Tuesday afternoons, or Thursday and Friday mornings. The child must be at least 3-years-old by Sept. 1 to be eligible.

There are two sessions of three-day preschool through Wednesday mornings or Wednesday through Friday afternoons. The child must be at least 4-years-old by Sept. 1 to be eligible.

There are two sessions each of pre-kindergarten and kindergarten, offered five days per week in the morning or afternoon. The child must be 4-years-old by Sept. 1 to be eligible for the five-day preschool and 5-years-old by Sept. 1, to be eligible for kindergarten.

Immanuel Lutheran school also offers separate classes for grades 1 through 6. The school is state accredited with all certified teachers. If you have any questions or would like to see the school call Marge Ballmann at 733-7820 for an appointment.

### BID, TCI sponsor bridal show at The Ballroom downtown

**TWIN FALLS** - A Bridal Showcase will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at The Ballroom, 205 Shoshone N. in Twin Falls.

The event is sponsored by the Business Improvement District and TCI Cable Company and will give away more than \$2,000 in door prizes. The bridal fashion show will be from noon to 3 p.m. and the grand prizes will be given away at 3 p.m.

### Golden Years Senior Center heads to Elko next week

**SHOSHONE** - The Golden Years Senior Center is sponsoring a trip to Elko, Nevada, leaving March 30 and returning April 1.

Seats are available for this event. Call 886-2369 for reservations.

• Nicole Rutschke played the role of Daisy Mae in the recent Minico High School production of "LJH Abner." She has been a member of the Spartan Singers for three years and a member of the Reflections Show Choir. She is the daughter of Layne and Janie Rutschke of Rupert.

• Tyrell Spaulding is a senior at Minico High School. An honor student, she lettered in track and was nominated for Who's Who in America. She is the daughter of Bruce and Linda Spaulding of Paul.

• Krystal Thain, a Minico High School senior, plans to continue her education at Ricks College in Rexburg.

• Kristen Whitesides is an active 4-H member and took reserved grand champion last year. She is the daughter of Steve and Abby Whitesides of Rupert.

• Melanie Wilson has taken voice lessons for seven years. She is a member of the Minico Spartan Singers and will compete in the National Business and Professionals of America competition in Philadelphia, Penn. in April. A high honor roll student, Wilson is the daughter of Brent and Karla Wilson.



Ray Pond, Boy Scout Troop 9 committee chairman, flips pancakes for the March 12 dinner at the First Christian Church in Buhl. About 230 people were served and the proceeds go towards the troop camping fund.

## THANK YOU LETTERS

### Dare ski event at Magic called success by officers

We would like to thank all those Drug Awareness Resistance Education students and parents who came up to Magic Mountain and enjoyed a wonderful day of skiing. We had 130 people that traveled from Murrah, Hansen, Kimberly, Twin Falls, Filer, Hollister, Buhl, Castleford, Jerome, Wendell, Caldwell and Meridian that helped make it a fun and enjoyable day.

I would like to thank those that helped with the donations: Griggwald's Store in Murrah; Walr with Pepsi Co.; Twin Falls County Sheriff's DARE Program, Marty and Sherrie Jacoby of Magic Mountain for allowing us to have this wonderful time at their ski resort.

Again, we would like to thank all those that took the time to come up and make this even bigger and better than last year.

Your friends and DARE officers,  
RON KIRKLAND  
DAN THOM  
County DARE officers  
Twin Falls

### O'Leary Booster Club honors athletes at sports banquet

We would like to thank all of the volunteers and businesses for their hard work, support and generous donations to the O'Leary Junior High Booster Club All Sports Banquet.

The banquet held on March 3 was a huge success more than 400 students, parents and coaches attended this exciting night of team recognition and fun. The O'Leary Booster Club strives to be a positive reinforcement for the student athletes and support for the coaching staff. With your help in this project, the Booster Club was able to honor the accomplishments of the teams and the student athletes.

Please accept our sincere thanks,  
CAROL CLAIBORN, KATHY BARNES  
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KATHLEEN OLMSTEAD, DAWN WOOD, KAREN AND SCOTT FELD, BLAINE AND LAURIE POPE, CECIL SCHEIBINSKE  
Booster Club Committee  
O'Leary Junior High School  
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### Vendors compliment Craft Fair, acknowledge work

We want to thank the supporters of the Mini-Cassia Craft Fair. We look forward to these shows. We have been vendors for many years. It is wonderful to see everyone and see how the many communities are supporting local events. We appreciate the kids that help us unload and carry merchandise. We attend many local craft fairs and some out of the state. What many may not know is the work that goes into preparing for a show - creating items, packing, unpacking, setting up, repacking, going home to create new items.

We have noticed that the attendance has risen at these events. The public looks forward to attending craft fairs as much as vendors enjoy putting them on. None of this would be possible if facilities weren't available. Therefore, we give a special thank you to the administrators of the public school system that make it possible.

DIXIE WALKER  
SUE MARSH  
Heyburn

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## HAPPY, HAPPY



Richland Elementary School first graders and teacher Martha Cannon sing "Happy Birthday" to celebrate the birthday of famed children's author, Dr. Seuss. Students also created a large paper quilt showing Cat in the Hat and the Check Figures. Another class ate green eggs and ham, made famous in one Seuss book. Dead-a-thons also were held in several classrooms.

## Students perform today

**RUPERT** - A combined senior recital by students of Leslie Craton will be presented at 7:30 p.m. today at the Acquia LDS Church.

The public is invited to attend. Performers are as follows:

• Stephanie LeRay Lebsack has been a Minico Spartan Singer for two years. She has been a cast member in several productions at Minico High School and with the Oakley Valley Arts Council. The high school junior is the daughter of Steve and Dalea Lebsack of Rupert.

• Amy Nicole Oglevie is a senior at Minico High School and a member of the Spartan Singers. She is the daughter of Carol Oglevie.

• Tiffany Janae Pennick plans to attend the University of Idaho and pursue a medical career. She is the daughter of Jay and Rene Pennick of Norland.

• Dusti Michelle Rogers is the daughter of Dan and Joanne Rogers of Rupert. She is active in high school rodeo. She also is the captain of the Burley varsity volleyball team, president of the Business Professionals of America and a Pomerelle ski instructor.





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Section D

The Times-News

Thursday, March 25, 1999

## Celebrating the equinox in fine style

I've camped in my share of unusual places over the years, but Saturday night's bivouac - atop a pillar at Pillar Falls - was one of the best. Ever.

It was an evening with a little bit of everything: a boat approach at dusk, a nerve-wracking landing in rough water, a stealthy ascent of a hidden ladder and best of all, smiling faces around a roaring campfire. There was music, laughter and the subtle pleasure of meeting new people by firelight.

There were nearly 20 of us, companions in adventure, camped on a fairy-tale island in the Snake River. Everyone who was there is richer for the experience.



**FORCE OF NATURE**  
William Brock

It was a time for adventure because Saturday was the vernal equinox, which marks the transition from winter to spring. Long days, warm nights, wildflowers and flowing rivers are just ahead. The vernal equinox is an auspicious day on my calendar, so I was determined to celebrate its arrival.

The celebration began when five friends from Boise appeared upon my doorstep. The Boise brigade was ready to paddle the Murtaugh stretch of the Snake and wanted me along as a local guide. A buddy from Boise showed up at the same time, so there were two of us to uphold the honor of the Magic Valley.

We drove to the Murtaugh bridge, where the river was running a wink under eight grand. Some of the visiting skippers were apprehensive because the Murtaugh can be big medicine, especially on an early-season foray.

There were seven of us, and six of us got knocked over in a rapid within sight of the bridge. One by one, we heaved ourselves upright and wondered if we were in for a long day.

It turned out to be a wonderful day. I ran all the big lines - the left side at Paira-Dice, the Sturn at Hooker Bar, Door No. 5 - and even caught the Lemming shot were. Things went well that I'm afraid I may have peaked too soon.

Nobody got hurt, nobody got arrested, and at 5 p.m. the Boise boaters hit the road for home. There was just enough time for me to swap boats, pack an overnight bungee by the store for some grub and then bolt for Centennial Park.

It was 6:30 when I pushed my canoe away from the dock. At that point, the only enemy was time.

I was fighting a down-canyon wind and nearly 500 feet with a single-bladed paddle. Stroke-by-stroke I "rowed" my way upstream. Along the way, I passed a shy doe browsing at water's edge and a porcupine nibbling in the branches of a spindly tree.

A major Idaho city was only a stone's throw away, but my world consisted of the river and a few of Nature's children. I was paddling in the bosom of peace, where man is a visitor who does not disturb.

Evening gloom was thickening into darkness when the fire high atop Pillar Falls finally blew into view. The blaze was ringed with people. Angry red embers leaped and danced, and it looked like a Druid ceremony was in full swing.

The final approach to the pillar was spooky as the current dashed and savaged at my boat. I cinched down my life jacket and prepared for trouble.

Trouble never came. After a few tense moments, I eased in next to a powerboat moored on the downstream side of the pillar. I heaved my gear into the bigger boat, then boarded it myself and pulled my little canoe in as well.

Then I crept onto the pillar, found the ladder and clambered to the top. I dropped my bags and quietly merged with the group around the fire. No one noticed that I had infiltrated their island fortress.

Later, with a glass of elixir in hand, I watched as three young men put on a soulful performance with their drums. I peered through the fire, admiring the hypnotic movements of their hands and the searching expressions on their faces.

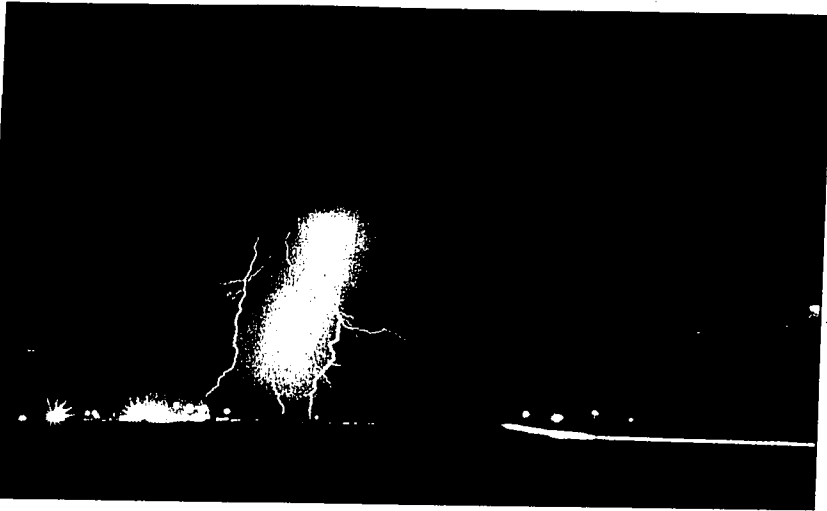
A few hours later, I crawled into a tent and dozed as the sky cleared through the night. My boots and my bag got a little wet, but nothing could dampen my enthusiasm for being there.

Outdoors Editor William Brock has soaked his boots on six continents.

### Share the adventure

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# Catching the Shutter Bug



Bridging the gap between heaven and earth, lightning touches down near the Hansen Bridge and Traveler's Oasis. It's surprisingly easy to capture photos of awe-inspiring lightning.

## Great photos don't happen by accident

Anyone who has visited a national park has seen plenty of people carrying cameras.

Nothing brings back memories like a photograph, which is why people want to capture nature's splendor on film. But leafing through the family photo album shows there's a big difference between a snap shot and a great picture.

Good photos don't happen by accident, but anyone with the right equipment and some basic photographic knowledge can shoot like a pro.

### Cameras

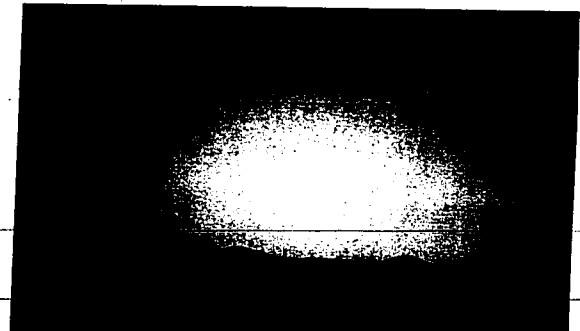
If you want to bring home eye-popping images, a good camera is the place to start. While today's point-and-shoot cameras perform well in most

circumstances, they have their limitations. One of the biggest drawbacks is the lack of manual features found on a good single-lens reflex camera (SLR). In contrast to point and shoot cameras, SLRs allow you to look directly through the camera's lens, which means you see what the camera sees. In addition, SLRs have interchangeable lenses. This means you can shoot vast, panoramic landscapes with a 28mm wide-angle lens, then stalk big game animals up close with a 400mm telephoto. Today's zoom lenses can eliminate the need for multiple lenses by zooming from 35mm to 300mm.

In addition to interchangeable lenses, SLRs allow the photographer to set shutter speeds and apertures to achieve desired effects.



Time stands still in this scene at Ross Falls, in the South Hills. A long shutter speed has blurred the water, creating a powerful sense of motion.



A crescent moon hangs above a lenticular sunset viewed across the western sky.

### Basic facts

Shutter speed and aperture settings are used in concert to produce the desired exposure for a single frame of film. The shutter is basically a door inside the camera that opens and closes to allow light to hit the film. The faster the shutter speed, the faster the door opens and closes. Most cameras have shutter settings that range from as long as you like to 1/1000 of a second.

Shutter speed is important because it allows the photographer to "freeze" the action, or to blur it.

Aperture refers to the size of the hole through which light travels when the shutter is open. The aperture (measured in terms of f-stops) can be decreased or increased, which affects photos in several ways. The most obvious effect is proper exposure, which means the photo is neither too dark, nor washed out.

A subtler effect is the photo's depth of field. Depth of field describes the "depth" of focus in a photo, a photo of a line of telephone poles with every pole in focus has a lot of depth of field. On the other hand, you can isolate a specific subject - say, a wildflower - in sharp focus while blurring everything else in the foreground and background.

The rule to remember is that a wide aperture (f-stop 1.8 or 2.8) will provide shallow depth of field with focus confined to a specific distance from the camera. This is a great way to eliminate non-essential elements in

your photos. A smaller aperture (f11 or f16) will give your photo more depth of field and ensure better focus for everything in the frame.

### Film

Many types are available, so choosing the best film can be overwhelming. Should you buy color print film, slide film, or black-and-white film?

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The film you choose depends largely on how you plan to view your photos. If the photo album and an occasional enlargement is what you're after, then print film is the right choice. If you have a slide projector and plan on hosting slide shows, or submitting your photos for publication, then go with color slide film. If you enjoy subtle textures, black-and-white film may be the ticket.

Another basic consideration is film speed. Common film speeds range from 50-400. The numbers indicate the film's sensitivity to light. The higher the number, the "faster" it is, which means you can use a faster shutter speed for proper exposure. This allows you to shoot moving subjects in low-light situations, such as deer at dusk, or crowds under cloudy skies. If most of your subjects

will be landscapes or in bright light, then a film speed of 200 or less will work fine.

A basic rule to remember is that slower film yields prints and slides that are less "grainy" in appearance, which means sharper enlargements.

### Getting creative

Armed with a basic understanding of photographic theory, it is easy to make your camera work for you. It takes a little practice, so you've got to be willing to squander some film, but it's surprising what you can achieve after a little experimentation.

For instance, few photos are more dramatic than a richly colored sunset. Fortunately, sunsets

are also fairly easy to capture on film. If possible, use a tripod because you'll want a relatively slow shutter speed. A tripod won't shake as much as your hands during a long exposure.

To add a distinctive touch to sunset photos, try including other elements within the frame - such as silhouettes of trees, the moon, or clouds.

### Lightning

Watching a lightning storm at night can be an awe-inspiring show. Capturing it is a little trickier, but it is possible. With your camera mounted on a tripod, set the aperture at f8, f11 or f22. Then put your shutter on the "bulb" setting, which allows the shutter to stay open as long as you want. Using a cable-release, depress the shutter and

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Story and photos by Mark Weber

OUTDOORS

# Kayakers revel in winter's surging rivers

WESTFIR, Ore. (AP) — In summer, it's just a creek, the water barely knee-high on a fly fisherman.

In winter, however, the Willamette surges out of the Cascades, gathering momentum like the steam railway engines that once hauled logs along its banks. The whitewater express careens over boulders and logs to slam into moss-covered rock walls, whereupon it ricochets off in another direction.

Perfect water, in other words, for kayaking.

That water drew Lee Peterson and several other kayakers to the Willamette's North Fork. In brightly-colored kayaks that stood out against the dark green water, the paddlers surfed on standing waves, played in holes and shot over a couple of small "drops" on a seven-mile run.

Ten years ago, it was a sight seldom seen this time of year. Steelhead fishermen were about the only boaters who ventured out on streams and rivers. But winter whitewater paddlers are becoming more common every year.

"This is our kayak season — wintertime," said Guy Santiago, owner of Oregon River Sports in Eugene. "In Oregon, winter boating is better because it gives us so many more options. We keep trying to push winter kayaking. It's a lot of fun."

The boom in winter boating is made possible by improved technology.

"Better, warmer gear, with a lot better insulation" makes being out in icy waters almost comfortable and "improved techniques and boating equipment has made it safer," Santiago said.

Even the Internet has helped. Kayakers can now get information about water levels and flows on hundreds of streams with a click of a computer mouse.

And 1999 should be a banner year for kayakers, rafters and other whitewater buffs, thanks to the La Nina weather patterns that have sent storm after storm over the Pacific Northwest.

Not only have the rains kept creeks full, but the record snowpack accumulating in the Cascades holds the promise of an extended paddling season on those waterways whose flows depend upon snowmelt.

At times, however, there's been too much water even for kayakers.

"If the water gets too high, it kind of turns it into a slits thing," Santiago said. "A lot of the beginning and intermediate boaters get left out of the equation then."



A group of winter kayakers paddles for a run on the Willamette River in Oregon in February.

Very high and fast water reduces the number of eddies, where paddlers can pull out of the main flow to rest and reconnoiter.

"Usually, when the water's in the trees, that's a bad sign," said Peterson as he pulled on his dry suit.

Today, however, the North Fork of the Middle Fork Willamette is running at about 2,800 cubic feet per second, according to a gauge at Westfir.

"That's at the mid- to upper-end of the recommended range," Peterson said. "It's just too hard." Peterson and his party tackled the North Fork's most challenging and dangerous sections. They were putting in just downstream of "The Gorge" — a narrow, rock-filled canyon that squashes the water like the nozzle on a fire hose.

"I've run The Gorge a few times last year, and the section up above that, the Miracle Mile, is really, really fun," Peterson said. "But I wouldn't take a guided group down there."



The Shiner guides his kayak through some intense water on the Willamette River in Oregon in February.

## Yellowstone park guides run rampant on the Web

The Associated Press

There are bison and geysers to watch, trout to pursue and even a chance you might be able to hear the eerie song of a wolf howling in Yellowstone National Park.

Start a virtual tour or begin planning a real family vacation at the Yellowstoneator pages — [www.nps.gov/yell](http://www.nps.gov/yell) — of the National Park Service.

You'll find a broad selection of information ranging from road maps to activities, from children's environmental education programs to places where you can fill your gas tank inside the park. They even tell you what delays are expected because of road repairs this summer and how warmly you should dress at various times of the year.

The Total Yellowstone Page — [www.yellowstone-national-park.com](http://www.yellowstone-national-park.com) — has sections beginning with "Accessibility Information" and running down a lengthy list to "Wolf Reports." Click on "Current Conditions" to check out the latest earthquakes — they're usually very small.

Want to know more about the park's geology and wildlife? Go to the Yellowstone Geographic — [www.yellowstonegeographic.com](http://www.yellowstonegeographic.com). For more reading on wolves and bears, consult Bear Man's Trailside — [www.gotomam.com/bearman/](http://www.gotomam.com/bearman/).

And to learn more after you arrive in the park, look at the educational programs offered by the Yellowstone Association — [yellowstoneassociation.org/index.htm](http://yellowstoneassociation.org/index.htm).

There's even a course on how to take your family traveling by horse in the park.

An outfit called Yellowstone Net — [www.yellowstone.net](http://www.yellowstone.net) — has information on wildlife, geysers, hiking and other subjects. This site also offers help in reserving tours and places to stay.

For more information about places to stay and things to do just outside the park, try the links posted by West Yellowstone Web Works — [www.myellowstone.com](http://www.myellowstone.com) — for the town of West Yellowstone, Mont., which sits on Yellowstone's western boundary.

Want to do more than just visit for a few days? Summer jobs are offered by Yellowstone National Park Lodges — [www.nps.gov/yell](http://www.nps.gov/yell) — the concessionaire that runs hotels in the park.

# Say it isn't so! Outdoor sports have gone to the Yuppies

By Angus Phillips  
The Washington Post

Have you seen the latest Sports Afield Talk about a sellout? Look at the best of the hundreds of outdoor magazines, SA in the April redesign all but abandoned its standard "Me and Joe Went Valley Fishing" line, in favor of "Justin and Pia and I Rented Sea Kayaks."

You don't even want to see the latest Sports Afield back-page photo feature: Some bearded, skinny Ivy League, top-up in a mud pool somewhere in Canada, covered in ooz and sipping a tin of mineral water. What do they have against Budweiser, anyway?

As anyone who has tried to get through the latest copy of Outside Magazine or Men's Journal knows, the money is now in yuppie sports. Even my boss, a flyfishing wannabe and at it me down last winter and say the words every old-school outdoor writer dreads to hear: "We'd like you to do more on..."

Which is why a brilliant, breezy, springlike day last week found me

and my old duck dog Kramer trudging up Kennedy Peak in the Massanutten Range with Catherine, Beth, Terrie, Tim and Lee, and not a shotgun or Dyrud in sight.

There was another dog, at least. Terrie brought along Princess Peabody, her tiny, snow-white Jack Russell terrier with the brown spot over one eye and legs about two inches long. Talk about cute. Look, Kramer, an ice cream cone! "I said to my 80-pound Lab."

The circuit hike up Kennedy Peak to the observation tower and back is eight miles, some of it strenuous. Can it be done on two-inch legs? "If she can't make it," said Terrie Sheaffer, Peabody's keeper. "I'll carry her. What will you do if Kramer quits?"

Fortunately, no dogs or people collapsed, though from time to time the men seemed to wheeze a bit. Terrie, a 5-foot-tall bundle of nerve, went straight to the lead while her husband, Lee, and Tim and I hung back. Kramer, says Anderson has nothing to prove, having walked the 2,450-mile

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length of the Appalachian Trail last year. And Lee, trip leader for the Potomac Appalachians Trail Club, which sponsored the mid-week hike, had to be sure no one fell on the back.

That left me in the middle in quick company. Beth Beam is the wife of a Methodist minister in Remondville, Va. They recently moved from the hills of western North Carolina where she crunched the rocky hills with goats. Randall Hill, said the mother of three small girls, is a bit of a wacky. "Too tame."

I asked Catherine Pipas of Falls Church, Va., how she managed to get a Thursday off. "I work part-time," she said first.

"Oh, really? Why?"

"Oh, I don't know. It seems like a winding, rocky trail of switchbacks and sunlight glinting off tin roofs of distant-Luray. You could see forever."

Lee Sheaffer checked the altimeter on his wristwatch and announced we'd made it to the top at 2,530 feet. Across the valley to the east lay the Blue Ridge, with Thornton Gap, Mary's Rock, Stonyman Mountain and Hawkbill Peak, at 3,800 feet the highest point in Shenandoah National Park, arrayed against the sky. West lay the Alleghenies, the Great Lakes, California, the Pacific.

"You're a doctor?"

"Yes," she said. "But only part-time."

Mountain-climbing dogs with two-inch legs and self-effacing physicians: what will they think of next?

"The view!" said Lee Sheaffer. Puffing, we rounded the last bend of a winding, rocky trail of switchbacks and melting snow to find arrayed below us the Page Valley

of Virginia, with the South Fork of the negligible Shenandoah River twisting snake-like through emerald fields and sunlight glinting off tin roofs of distant-Luray. You could see forever.

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Buzzards and hawks swooped along on warm thermals; gusts swept up from the valley floor to wash over us. It was a nice place to have lunch, which we did.

I peeled an orange and tucked bits of its skin under some damp

oak leaves. I didn't think much about it then but since have been plagued by the knowledge I left a little mess, albeit organic, to greet the next hiker who hauls himself up Kennedy Peak. Which reminded me that all along the trail, I'd not seen a hint of trash or humans other than footprints and a few blazes on the trees to mark the way.

All of which suggests that I'm going to have to go back and clean up those orange peels, which suggests I'm starting to think like a hiker, since no self-respecting Me and Joe guy worries about a few little scraps left behind.

So here I have before me my checklist and an application for membership in the Potomac Appalachian Trail Club, where dues are just \$25 a year.

Just one question: Is a budding yuppie now. Is that tax-deductible?

## Shutter

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wait for a lightning strike. If you want to catch multiple strikes on a single frame, try covering the lens with a black cloth to avoid overexposing the film.  
This technique also works well for capturing fireworks on the Fourth of July. It can even be used to track stars as they arc across the evening sky.

## Motion

Still photography freezes a single image on film, but it doesn't mean you can't capture movement in your pictures. A slow shutter speed is the key to showing motion.

For instance, if you want to capture the motion of a flowing river, try shooting with a slow shutter speed and a small aperture. This will turn an ordinary stream or waterfall into a silky white ribbon. Remember, try to use a tripod when using a slow shutter speed.

Another way to express motion is to "pan" the camera. Panning means following a moving subject, say a bicyclist, with your camera while using a slow shutter speed. This keeps the subject in focus and blurs the background, thus providing a sense of movement. This technique requires a steady hand and a li-

tle practice. Start experimenting with shutter speeds around 1/30th of a second.

## Bracketing

Nothing is more frustrating than getting photos back from the lab and discovering they're under- or over-exposed. To avoid this unpleasant surprise, try "bracketing" your exposures. Shoot one frame with the camera that you think is correct, then hedge your bets with an exposure one f-stop above and another exposure one f-stop below the original setting. Film is cheap, but once-in-a-lifetime photos are rare.



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# Arrival of sandhill cranes signals spring in Washington

OTHELLO, Wash. (AP) — For Jane Grant, the arrival of the sandhill cranes at her wheat-and-field-corn farm is a sign of the changing seasons.

"We kind of wait for them," she says. "Spring is kind of a special time for most farmers — you're outside a lot. They're a marker of spring."

Sandhill cranes are Othello's version of the swallows of San Juan Capistrano, which return to the California mission around March 19 each year.

This community of 5,500 is preparing to celebrate the cranes' spring stop here en route from California's San Joaquin Valley to breeding grounds in Alaska.

Next weekend's second annual Sandhill Crane Festival features guided field trips to see the red-capped, white-cheeked birds feeding and roosting in the wetlands and farm land or along the waterways of the Columbia River basin.

"It's a very recognizable bird, and it has appeal," said Randy Hill, a biologist for the 23,200-acre Columbia National Wildlife Refuge, 6 miles northwest of Othello.

The cranes' distinctive bugle sounds a bit like "a distant bagpipe. You usually hear them long before you can see them," Grant says.

"The sound is the most wonderful part — plus their elegant shape. They're like Condors." The long-legged birds, among the oldest on the evolutionary scale, stand 3½ to 4 feet tall and have a wingspan of about 6 feet.



Sandhill cranes fly over a field near Othello, Wash., March 28. Othello will be celebrating the birds' stop in eastern Washington on their migration from California to Alaska with their annual Sandhill Crane Festival this weekend.

Bird watchers enjoy their graceful flight and landings, as well as the leaping and dancing of courtship.

"One of the most thrilling sights is when they're soaring," Grant says. "They'll catch thermals (wind currents) and ride the

thermals in big circles. They fill the air with their sounds." Cranes aren't particularly attracted to the arid shrub-steppe habitat that occurs naturally here, but the vast Columbia Basin Project for irrigation raised the water table and created a lot

of wetlands that didn't exist before, Hill said. "They just started showing up around here 20 years ago or more," Grant recalls. "We were just enchanted with their sound — they have such a wonderful exotic sound."



Sandhill crane

At her farm 12 miles west of Othello, the cranes dig their bills into the soft soil, questing back and forth in search of bugs and grain.

"We've also put in some habitat areas, but a lot of it was naturally occurring. The crop lands in general around here are attrac-

tive to the cranes," says Grant, education chairwoman for the local chapter of the Audubon Society.

The cranes typically begin arriving in mid-February and clear out by mid-April, she says. "One year, they came in and landed in the middle of a blizzard and we thought they were all going to die, but it didn't seem to faze them," Grant recalls.

The Pacific Coast population is composed of about 25,000 birds, and Hill says he's seen as many as 6,000 birds in the area in one day.

Some of the cranes also stop off on their return trip to California in the fall.

The birds are found all over the country, with two small populations — the Cuba and Mississippi — under federal protection. Other communities celebrate the sandhill crane as well. Nebraska's Platte River Valley has its "Wings over the Platte" festival to mark the huge migration across the country's mid-section of some 500,000 cranes.

## FROM CONDORS TO HUMMINGBIRDS

# Birdwatchers find paradise in Arizona

PHOENIX (AP) — From California condors soaring on 10-foot wings above the Grand Canyon to thumb-sized blue-throated hummingbirds flitting among the wildflowers near the Mexican border, Arizona is a birdwatcher's paradise.

Southeastern Arizona is one of the world's most renowned bird-watching destinations, with upward of 500 species of birds living in and migrating through its desert washes, riparian woodlands and pine forested mountains.



Some are found nowhere else in the United States, such as the vireo-crowned hummingbird, Mexican chickadee and elegant trogon — an exotic tropical bird with a rose-red belly, shimmering iridescent green head and shoulders and long copper tail with a flared tip.

"There are so many opportunities to see anything you want except seabirds," says Sheri Williamson, director of the Southeastern Arizona Bird Observatory in Bisbee. "Some birds stray across the border from Mexico, which makes for very interesting and surprising birdwatching."

Birdwatching has become a big business in Arizona, attracting tourists from all around the world who come here for the sole purpose of seeing birds they've never seen before.

A study conducted in 1995 found that birdwatching was a \$128 million industry in the state. Many officials believe the economic impact has grown considerably as interest in birding has increased and word of Arizona's abundance of birds has spread.

This is an endangered Southwest willow flycatcher. Arizona is home to two of the five major flycatcher nesting areas. The diminutive songbirds are migratory and usually return to the same trees each year during the May-July nesting season.

Ramsey Canyon, Cave Creek Canyon, Madera Canyon and Sulphur Springs Valley are well known for their birding opportunities.

The Wetlands estimate that about 80 percent of their business comes from birdwatchers and other nature-oriented tourists, who drive, hike and bicycle through the nearby Huachuca Mountains, home to an assortment of owls, hawks, eagles and songbirds.

"We've had guests from all over the United States, Canada, England, Australia and Germany," Chuck Wetzel said. "If they see a bird, sometimes they're gone — mentally and physically. Birdwatchers get very charged up, very excited."

Sue Weinreis of Billing, Mont., gazed at a feeder outside the Wetzel's B&B on a recent winter morning and saw a Gila woodpecker, whitewinged and mourning doves, and a scaled quail.

each January with a festival featuring seminars and guided tours. Spring brings a colorful parade of warblers and rarities such as black-headed grosbeaks and green-tailed towhees on their northward migration.

In summer, several varieties of warblers, tanagers, orioles and hummingbirds nest in southeastern Arizona. In late summer, when drenching rainstorms generate a carpet of blooming wildflowers, "it's not unheard of to see 15 species of hummingbirds in a week's time," Williamson said.

Fall brings migrating birds of prey like peregrine and prairie falcons, merling rough-legged hawks and golden and bald eagles, which sometimes gather at the carcass of a road-killed javelina.

Perched nearby was a loghead shrike, nicknamed the "butcher bird" for its habit of impaling mice and insects on thorns to feast on later.

"I try to go birding somewhere every year and southeast Arizona is one of my favorite places," said Weinreis, who has seen 300 bird species in two decades of bird-watching and hoped to add the endangered spotted owl to her list on this trip.

"Winter is a good time to see birds here, but you come here in the spring and the birds are so thick they are practically flying in your face."

Williamson, of the Southeastern Arizona Bird Observatory, says each season offers its own birding highlights.

In winter, thousands of sandhill cranes descend upon marshes and farm fields around Wilcox, which celebrates the birds

where their ancestors feasted on seabrooth tiger carcasses thousands of years ago.

The giant vultures occasionally wing through the Grand Canyon, to the surprise and delight of tourists and river rafters. The 15 birds in the first flock reintroduced in Arizona in 1996 can often be spotted through binoculars roosting on rocky ledges in the Vermilion Cliffs, about 30 miles southwest of Page.

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New pensions may dilute benefits

Cash-balance plans prompt controversy

The Dallas Morning News

The fine print in pension plans is guaranteed to make most eyes glaze over. One relatively new form of pension, though, is doing quite the opposite.

Cash-balance plans, a change in the traditional defined-benefit pension, are prompting a buzz of controversy. Employers trumpet them as a better fit for the mobile work force of a new millennium. But as the new plans are adopted by more companies, critics are calling for more oversight and regulation. Several lawsuits have been filed, and legislators are starting to pay attention.

Few fault cash-balance plans in principle. The devil, they say, is in the details.

"They can be the best of both worlds. That's to say they can be good for younger and older workers," said Karen Ferguson, director of the Pension Rights Center, in Washington.

The problem is the abuse situation, which is why they're used primarily to cut costs for the company at the expense of older workers," she said.

It's an issue with broad impact. About 12 percent of large companies surveyed annually by benefit consultant Hewitt Associates LLC have shifted their traditional pension plans to a cash-balance format, up from 6 percent three

Cash-balance plans shift pension payouts

A new form of pension plan, called a cash-balance plan, spreads a company's pension contributions more evenly over employees' careers. That contrasts with a traditional pension, in which most of the benefits accrue toward the end of a career. In general, younger, more mobile workers do better under cash-balance. Older workers who long for a set firm do better under a traditional plan.

Workers age 65 and younger

Table with 3 columns: Years of service, Salary, Pension value (cash balance), Pension value (traditional). Rows for 10-15, 16-20, 21-25, 26-30, 31-35, 36-40, 41-45, 46-50, 51-55, 56-60, 61-65.

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NOTE: While the pension plan is a defined benefit plan, the benefit is based on a cash balance. The plan is not a defined contribution plan. The pension value is based on the plan's assumed rate of return. The pension value is based on the plan's assumed rate of return. The pension value is based on the plan's assumed rate of return.

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years ago. They include large employers such as AT&T, Bank of America, Central and South West Corp. and Cummins Engine Co. Marty Collins, a principal at PricewaterhouseCoopers, through which the new plans, estimates an additional 30 percent to 40 percent "are rarely looking" at converting.

Like traditional pensions, cash-balance plans are funded by employers. A cash-balance plan, though, takes employer contributions and spreads them more evenly over careers. In general,

long-term workers do better under the old plans. Workers who move from job to job do better under cash balance.

All traditional plans pay a lifetime annuity pegged to years of service and final salary. Workers who leave before retirement age, if they've vested, have some value built up. But it's likely to look pretty small decades down the road when they retire.

In contrast, cash balance works this way: The employer sets up a hypothetical account for each employee and contributes an amount to it based on salary, say 4 percent. The account earns interest at prevailing rates.

The payout is different, too. Once vested, an employee who leaves can roll the amount over into a new employer's plan or leave it to accumulate interest.

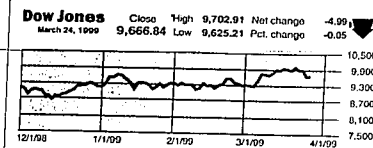
Workers like the personal "accounts" because they're easy to understand, like the popular 401(k) plans, said Don Shipman, an actuary for Hewitt in Irving, Texas.

"When you can show cash, it's just viewed more positively," he said.

So where's the rub? Most complaints about the cash-balance method flare up when a company changes from a traditional pension to the new plan.

Suddenly, a mid-career employee looking forward to the annuity at the end of the rainbow is moved to plan in which money accumulates more evenly, year by year.

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Stocks end mixed

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Stocks closed narrowly mixed Wednesday after a lackluster session as traders, chastised by Tuesday's big drop, refrained from placing any big bets.

NATO's launch of air strikes against Yugoslavia had no apparent effect on the market. Technology stocks, hit hard Tuesday, recovered some lost ground.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 4.99 to 9,666.84 after trading in a narrow range all day. Worries that earnings wouldn't meet expectations sent the Dow 218.68 lower on Tuesday, giving the blue-chip index its second-biggest point loss this year.

"It's the decline yesterday really confirmed the danger signal," said Hugh Johnson, chief investment strategist at First Albany.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index managed a 6.45 gain Wednesday to 1,268.59.

John Shaugnessy, chief investment strategist at Advest Inc. of Hartford, Conn., was unconcerned about earnings.

"Every quarter, you see a big dip in the market because of con-

cerns about upcoming quarterly earnings," Shaugnessy said, "and that's what we're witnessing. The key thing is that the underlying fundamentals remain very good."

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table of NYSE market activity including volume, high, low, and change for various indices and sectors.

MARKET SUMMARY

Summary of market activity for NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ, including volume, high, low, and change for various indices.

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

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INDEXES

Table of major market indices including S&P 500, Dow Jones, and others, with their current values and changes.

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Table of local market interest stocks, including companies like AT&T, Bank of America, and others.

AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Table of American Stock Exchange activity for various stocks.

HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Large table providing detailed market data, including stock prices, volume, and other financial metrics for various companies.



MARKETS

CLOSING FUTURES

Table of closing futures for various commodities including Corn, Soybeans, Wheat, and Oil. Columns include contract name, price, and change.

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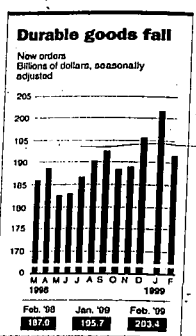
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Durable goods orders post sharpest drop in seven years

WASHINGTON (AP) — American manufacturers fighting to recover from the world economic slump suffered a setback in February with the sharpest drop in more than seven years in new orders for airplanes, electronics and other big-ticket goods, the Commerce Department reported Wednesday.



New orders: Billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted

Source: Department of Commerce

Options on Stocks & Com.

Table of options prices for various stocks and commodities. Columns include contract name, price, and change.

Grains

Values: Prices are for 100 bushels, U.S. No. 1. Prices include change without volume. Producers receiving 100 bushels of grain for 100 bushels of grain.

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The Washington Post: Moving quickly to integrate newly acquired Netscape Communications Corp. into its operations, America Online Inc. announced today that it will reorganize the combined company into four business units and lay off between 700 and 1,000 employees.

AOL announces layoffs

The pink slips will be roughly equally divided between AOL and Netscape workers, largely in administrative areas such as human resources and accounting rather than technical jobs.

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AOL also said that roughly 2,000 people from the new company and partner Sun Microsystems Inc. will be assigned to a project to develop electronic commerce technology for businesses. That group will be led by Mark Tolliver, a division president at Sun.

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AOL closed Wednesday at \$117.13, down \$3.87.

Pensions

Continued from E1: year. Unlike a younger worker, he doesn't have as many years to watch grow.

"A baby boomer who's been under a traditional plan to age 46 and now gets switched to cash balance will end up with the best of both worlds," Denver plaintiffs' attorney William Carr said.

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REGISTERED OWNER AND LIEN HOLDER:
Jose or Antonio Vazquez, PO Box 192, Nowdale, ID 83436

CODE, NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.
On this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust...

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CNA's, LPN's, RN's. Call for confidential interview.
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Need self-motivated responsible CNA's for 24 hr shifts.
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On bus. Stop by at 674 Eastland Drive and fill out an application today.
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Could you use extra money?
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Benefits include health and retirement.
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Screening and pre-employment physical required.
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MISCELLANEOUS
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For Charismatic office.
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Part-time and full-time.
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With experience.
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1998	Pontiac	Bonneville SE Sedan #P2535	\$18,465	\$15,590
1998	Oldsmobile	Intrigue GL Sedan #P2547	\$19,315	\$16,490
1998	Oldsmobile	Achieva SL Sedan #P2554	\$12,580	\$10,850
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1998	Chevrolet	Lumina Sedan #P2479	\$15,165	\$12,780
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1998	Chevrolet	Cavalier Sedan #P2495	\$12,090	\$10,350
1998	Chevrolet	Cavalier Sedan #P2469	\$12,750	\$10,850
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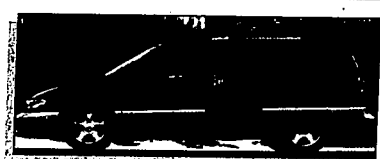
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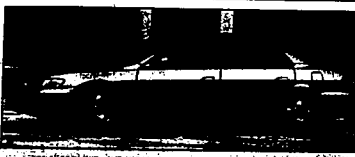
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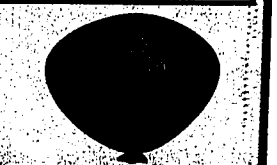
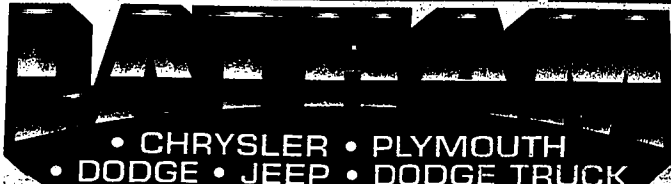
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