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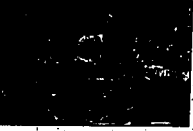
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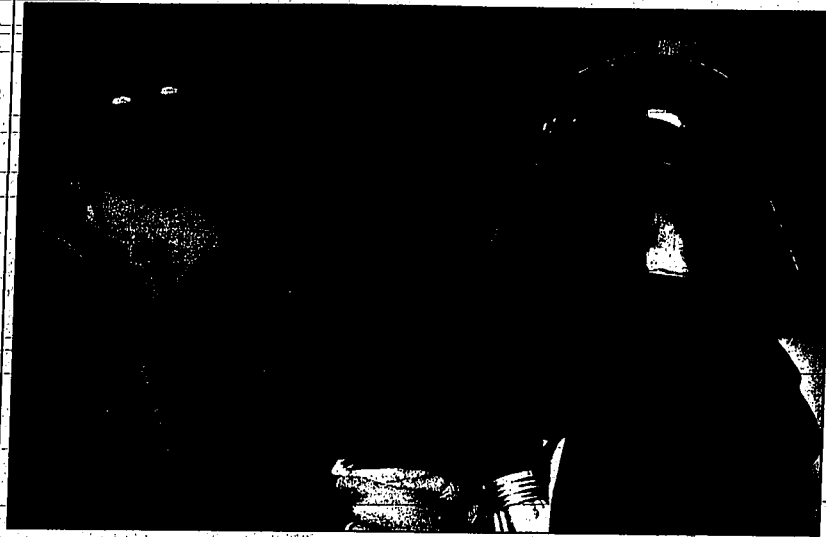
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DUELING DARTHS



New and old villains from the 'Star Wars' saga face off Wednesday in the line for the concession stand at Twin Cinema 12 in Twin Falls. Robert Cappa, left, said he couldn't see out of his Darth Maul mask. Jeff Pousen didn't have that problem. He drove to the theater in his Darth Vader costume. Twin Cinema 12 will show the movie on two screens at noon, 12:15 p.m., 3 p.m., 3:15 p.m., 6:15 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9:15 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. It shows at Jerome Cinema 4 at 3:45 p.m., 6:45 p.m. and 9:45 p.m.

Elderly may take cuts

Older Americans Act needs updating, senator says

By Gregory Hahn Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Sen. Larry Craig and others in Washington, D.C., hope to have a reauthorized "Older Americans Act" on the floor by this summer, but he cautioned the money for some programs may not be included.

Talking by phone Wednesday to almost 200 participants at the 1998 Governor's Conference on Aging at the College of Southern Idaho, Craig and his Twin Falls field agent Mike Matthews discussed Social Security and other issues with a knowledgeable, inquisitive crowd.

Craig said the Older Americans Act, which expired in 1992, but continues to direct federal spending for senior programs, needs to be reauthorized and modernized. He said the bill's backers are hoping to start moving it through the process at the end of July or after Congress' August recess.

Among the group of caregivers and senior center volunteers — and many others — were people who see how that act affects older Idahoans, and they asked Craig some tough questions about funding and programs.

Russell Spain, the director of eastern Idaho's Agency on Aging, asked Craig if the \$225 million family caregivers program was included in the reauthorized act, and the \$547,000 that program brings to Idaho.

And if it's not, Spain asked, "what can we do to change your mind?" "That's called 'putting you on the spot,'" Craig said good-naturedly, getting a laugh out of the participants. On the program's fate, though, Craig was serious.

"I have not yet committed myself to it," he said.

Any additional money would have to come from the Social Security trust fund, and the country's expenses

are already running the budget surplus.

On Social Security, Craig said retired people, and those getting ready to retire, have nothing to worry about. The existing program will pay them back an average of \$3 for every \$1 they paid into it.

But actuaries predict the fund will start spending more than it's taking in in 2021, Craig said, and the government will have to raise taxes or lower payments in 2030.

Right now, people entering the working world can expect only 50 cents for every \$1 they pay into Social Security, he said.

The program needs to be changed soon. "You don't make them in 2030," Craig said. "You don't make major taxes or take major cuts."

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Idaho court clears way for school facilities trial

The Associated Press

BOISE — The Idaho Supreme Court has cleared the way for a trial to be scheduled on whether the Legislature is meeting its obligation to ensure public schools are providing safe learning environments.

The high court this week rejected former Justice Robert Huntley's request that it reconsider part of a December ruling that largely backed the stand of a group of school districts he is representing under the coalition

School prayer ruling — EA

name Idaho Schools for Equal Educational Opportunity. No Magic Valley school districts are involved in the lawsuit.

Huntley, a Boise lawyer and failed Democratic gubernatorial candidate last year, wanted the court to find a constitutional requirement for districts with stronger tax bases to essentially subsidize the facilities needs of those less well off.

But the justices refused, citing a 1975 opinion that the requirement does not extend beyond the state's role of providing a formula for equalizing tax funding of local school maintenance and operations.

Huntley and the coalition of school districts, however, won on the primary issue in December's opinion.

The court said 4th District Judge Daniel Eismann, was wrong to have dismissed claims that ensuring school buildings are safe falls within the state's

constitutional mandate to provide a tough system of public education.

The justices ordered Eismann to conduct a trial on the issue, but that order was held up while the high court considered Huntley's reconsideration request.

With Monday's decision, Eismann can set a trial date. Huntley said on Tuesday that he would ask the judge for a mid-June scheduling conference with the goal of getting a trial started early this fall.

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Kniesel prepares for second try

The Associated Press

GRAND CANYON WEST, Ariz. — Daresyoff Robble Kniesel was thwarted in his first attempt to jump a portion of the Grand Canyon on motorcycle, but he's back.

Wind, snow, fog and near-freezing temperatures derailed the attempt in late April. Kniesel, the son of Evel Kniesel, plans to try again today. "You're talking about one of the seven wonders of the world, and I want to do it," said Kniesel.

Evel Kniesel, who has been ailing since a recent liver transplant, had wanted to jump the Grand Canyon but never got the opportunity, his son said.

Canyon in Idaho in a rocket in 1974, but his parachute deployed too early and he failed to make the 1,800-foot jump. He had to be rescued by helicopter from the rock bottom of the canyon but suffered only scrapes and bruises.

The jump on a portion of the Hualapai Indian Reservation, west of Grand Canyon National Park, will be televised live on Fox for East Coast viewers and tape-delayed for the rest of the country.

Kniesel, 36, wants to break his world record series of 223 feet. Failure to clear the jump will send him plunging as many as 2,500 feet down.

He will use an ordinary 500cc motorcycle and refuses to wear a parachute. Kniesel achieved notoriety in April 1998 when he jumped the foundations at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas.

COMING TO AMERICA



A U.S. soldier helps a Kosovar refugee with her infant as she arrives at McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey on Wednesday after being airlifted from the Balkans.

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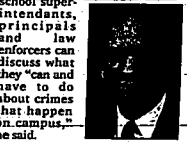
Class safety

County leaders will discuss campus crime

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The county's top education and law enforcement officials will meet next week to talk about dealing with crime in schools.

The Wednesday meeting was called by Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loebbs to area school superintendents, principals and law enforcers can discuss what they can and cannot do about crimes that happen on campus, he said.



Loebbs hatched the idea in the wake of the high school shootings in Littleton, Colo., and the numerous incidents at Magic Valley schools that followed, he said.

In the weeks after the April 20 massacre at Columbine High School, schools throughout the Magic Valley saw bomb threats, guns brought on campus and other threats of violence. Those incidents led to dozens of suspensions and some arrests.

Loebbs wanted to bring the parties together to find out if these crimes are a product of Columbine copy cats or if they are increasing for other reasons. They will also make sure the efforts of the schools, law officers and courts are coordinated to handle future problems, Loebbs said.

"It's a good thing," Twin Falls Police Sgt. Don Hall said. "Communication is always a good thing."

Drug-free workplace advocates get victory

The Associated Press

BOISE — A divided Idaho Supreme Court has handed a major victory to advocates of drug-free workplaces, upholding a zero-tolerance dismissal policy that is not linked to competence on the job.

In a 4-1 ruling issued Wednesday, the high court validated the drug-free workplace policy that electronics maker Zero Defects Inc. relied on to deny unemployment benefits to Marjorie Smith after a random urinalysis found amphetamines in her system. There was no evidence that Smith was impaired while working.

Justice Gerald Schroeder, writing for the majority, said the policy is not linked to competence on the job. Page A2

THE REGION

Camas Prairie
 High: 66 Low: 31
 Cloudy today with a slight chance of showers, light winds. Same tonight. Partly cloudy Friday, chance of showers, high 67.

Treasure Valley
 High: 73 Low: 45
 Mostly cloudy today with chance of showers, light winds. Same tonight. Partly cloudy Friday, breezy, high 74.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley
 High: 66 Low: 31
 Cloudy today with a slight chance of showers. Same tonight. Partly cloudy Friday, chance of showers, high 67.

Eastern Idaho
 High: 74 Low: 44
 Partly cloudy today with chance of showers, light winds. Same tonight. Partly cloudy Friday, chance of showers, high 69.

Northern Idaho
 High: 68 Low: 44
 Mostly cloudy today with chance of showers. Same tonight. Partly cloudy Friday, high 69.

Northern Utah
 High: 80 Low: 50
 Partly cloudy today and warmer. Partly cloudy tonight. Mostly cloudy Friday, high 78.

Northern Nevada
 High: 77 Low: 43
 Mostly cloudy today with chance of showers, light winds. Same tonight. Partly cloudy Friday, breezy, high 73.

MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
High: 76 Low: 44 Partly cloudy with chance of showers. Same tonight.	High: 72 Low: 42 Lingering clouds with chance of isolated rain showers.	High: 78 Low: 46 Partly cloudy and warmer.	High: 78 Low: 46 Mostly sunny and warm in the valleys.	High: 78 Low: 46 Mostly sunny and warm in the valleys.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Twin Falls	Precipitation	Yield
Yesterday: 71	Yesterday @ Twin Falls: .00	Normal: 41
Last year: 71	Montli: 4.4	Normal mo. to date: 4.6
Normal: 74	Water year to date: 12.31	Normal year to date: 8.06

Idaho

Boise	Max	Min	Pcp	Miles: High	78
Burley	74	41	—	degrees at Payette	—
Fairfield	m	m	—	Low: 30 degrees at	—
Hagerman	m	m	—	48 at Madras	—
Idaho Falls	72	42	—	Nadine: High, 102 at	—
Jerome	68	35	—	Coos Bay, 102 at	—
Letovion	68	45	.05	21 at Coody, 71/90.	—
Malta	72	46	—	Mean humidity: 60%	—
McCall	61	30	.04	Normal: 60%	—
Pocatello	72	44	—	Normal: 60%	—
Salmon	72	39	—	Normal: 60%	—
Stanley	xx	xx	—	Normal: 60%	—
Sun Valley	66	34	—	Normal: 60%	—

Idaho weather
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Boston	73	55	.02
Chicago	74	46	—
Dallas	81	58	—
Denver	81	58	—
Detroit	76	48	—
Houston	88	72	—
Indianapolis	73	48	—
Kansas City	78	51	—
Las Vegas	88	73	—
Los Angeles	81	62	—
Memphis	79	72	—
Miami Beach	80	71	—
Minneapolis	77	47	.01
New Orleans	87	72	—
New York	86	56	—
Oklahoma City	80	53	—
Omaha	80	53	—
Phoenix	93	69	—
Pittsburgh	67	43	—
Portland, Ore.	64	55	—
Portland, Me.	67	43	—
Raleigh	77	51	—
San Antonio	77	51	—
San Diego	88	63	—
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Washington	79	56	—
Yuma	93	78	—

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ACROSS THE NATION

Idaho: A weather disturbance moving northeast from south central Nevada brushed the southeast corner of Idaho Wednesday afternoon. The result was cloudy skies with the potential for thunder-showers moving across the southern corner of the state. Towering cumulus clouds with light showers of rain were visible over the remaining southeast of Pocatello and north over the Snake River plains.

Across the rest of the state, skies were mostly sunny. Statewide temperatures ranged mostly from the middle 50s to the low 70s.

Elsewhere: Stormy conditions were seen throughout the Northeast on Wednesday, while the Midwest and Plains generally saw fair conditions.

A cold front extended from a low pressure center north of Montreal south along the Atlantic Coast to the Florida Panhandle. This system has been moving east across the country, the past several days and has resulted in heavy rainfall amounts.

High pressure has built in behind the front in the Plains and Midwest. Clear skies and cooler temperatures accompanied the high pressure as it continued to push south and east.

Fired docent defends frank talk to students

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A volunteer tour guide at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art was fired for delivering frank officials was a sexually frank lecture to a group of fifth-grade girls.

Stephanie Riskey says she was merely following an approved script in describing "Back Seat Dodge '38," a sculpture by Edward Kienholz that depicts a drunken couple embracing in the back seat of a car.

Riskey conducted the museum tour in March for the 10 girls from an elementary school in the central California town of Visalia.

She stopped at the sculpture, an actual 1938 Dodge with beer bottles and sculptures of a faceless man and woman embracing inside.

Riskey said she told the group the piece was an expression of the artist's first sexual encounter.

"They can see their own reflections in all the mirrors and they understand what I feel he was trying to express. That you only get one first sexual experience, so think before you act," she said she told the group. "Make it meaningful, make it special," she said.

Sharon Bressler, head of the council that fired Riskey, said the lecture was inappropriate.



Stephanie Riskey talked with fifth-graders about a sculpture of a Dodge that includes figures in the back seat making out.

"It's not our place to teach religion or sex education," she said. Riskey is fighting the termination and demanding an apology.

U.S. scientists study genes to predict leukemia relapses

SEATTLE (AP) — Scientists are studying genetic fingerprinting to try to predict in advance which leukemia patients who go into remission eventually will relapse.

The work so far is experimental, but preliminary results are promising, said Dr. Jerold Radich of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle, who explained the procedure at a hematopathology meeting here this week.

The idea: "If you (fight) the disease when there's less of it, the chance of relapsing is less," Radich said. "It's a lot higher," Radich said.

Oncologists attempt to wipe out all leukemia cells with chemotherapy before declaring a patient in remission. But Radich said the method of determining

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remission is poor: They examine patients' bone marrow under a microscope, which can miss low levels of residual cancer cells.

A DNA fingerprinting technique, known as polymerase chain reaction, or PCR, is more sensitive at detecting hidden leukemia cells. PCR can detect 1 cancer cell out of about 100,000 healthy ones.

A study from France last year used PCR to detect traces of cancer in 42 percent of 178 children in remission from acute lymphoblastic leukemia. Within three years, 40 percent of those found to harbor residual cancer had relapsed, compared with just

8 percent who had appeared cancer-free.

But a PCR test simply tells if any cells are present or not, and a positive test doesn't always mean relapse—"the question is how many remission cells it takes to put someone at risk."

Radich's lab has added a laser probe to PCR to try to measure the level and answer the question—Is a twist or how often treating virus-infected patients track how much virus is in their blood and adjust treatment accordingly.

By tracking how brightly the laser light shines in reaction to certain enzymes during PCR, Radich attempts to plot a patient's starting level of residual cancer and then measure whether that level rises.

Republicans allow voting on gun control

WASHINGTON (AP) — Churning through a juvenile-crime bill, Senate Democrats declared new victories when Republican leaders allowed votes on measures that would impose additional restrictions on gun sales.

Republicans immediately attacked Sen. Frank Lautenberg's vetoed gun-control amendment, which would close loopholes in firearms sales at gun shows.

"The goal very simply is to satisfy the American people," said Lautenberg, D-N.J. "It's their belief that anybody who buys a gun ought not to be anonymous in that purchase."

Sen. Jeff Sessions, R-Ala., said the amendment opens the door for a new tax and does little to encourage more prosecutions. "Is this just show?" Sessions asked on the Senate floor.

The mass killing at Littleton, Colo., school loomed large over the proceedings as senators tried to close loopholes in gun-control amendments in a seventh day of debate on the crime measure Tuesday. At the end of the day, Senate voted 78-20, to require safety locks on secure firearms to be sold with every handgun. The amendment also would provide liability protections for a gun owner who uses a safety lock and whose gun is stolen and used in a crime.

Drug

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covering any detectable level of drug or alcohol. Plainly expressed to Smith when he was hired, was reasonable.

"Zero Defects has a right to expect its employees to refrain from conduct that may bring dishonor on the business," Schroeder wrote. "Testing positive for illegal drugs while manufacturing highly technical elec-

tronics equipment is the type of conduct that could bring dishonor to a business like Zero Defects that stakes its reputation on an image of 'zero tolerance' for error."

"The 'zero tolerance' policy it adopted is reasonably related to that interest," Schroeder wrote.

Chief Justice Linda Copple Trout was the lone dissenter. While the corporate policy was

Facilities

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State officials, however, will try to convince Eismann to hold off until after the Legislature's 2000 session to give lawmakers another crack at helping local districts address a school building backlog estimated at hundreds of millions of dollars.

The House on a tie vote in

March defeated a leadership-backed bill that would have allowed school trustees to levy property taxes without voter approval as a last resort to give health and safety problems.

Almost as close was the House rejection of a plan to give districts more authority to levy

taxes with less than the two-thirds supermajority required of bond issues.

Senate President Pro Tem Jerry Twigg and House Speaker Bruce Newcomb hoped to enact the now-rejected bill to at least show Eismann they were making a good-faith effort to address the problem.

CORRECTION

Buhl School Board incumbent Byron Stutzman received 53 votes in Tuesday's election, losing to Zone 2 challenger Jay Anderson. An article in The Times-News incorrectly misstated Stutzman's vote total. The Times-News regrets the error.

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 19 NUMBERS

FAST
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NATO peacekeeping mission evolves

Latest plans call for more ground troops

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States administration originally envisioned for NATO to implement a Kosovo peace accord is taking on a new look. The ground force would be much larger, and some allies think it ought to be prepared to move even before Belgrade signs on to a peace deal.

If peacekeepers moved in early, they might face scattered resistance from remnant Serb forces, the Pentagon says.

The intent is still to use this multinational force to implement a peace, not launch a ground war, but NATO's Operation Allied Force entered its ninth week Wednesday, alliance and U.S. officials said questions remain on how soon the peacekeeping force should be assembled and when it should cover Kosovo.

The timing is important because of the degree of risk and cost entailed in the mission, and because NATO wants to end the conflict and get the hundreds of displaced ethnic Albanians in Macedonia and Albania back into their villages in Kosovo under NATO protection before the onset of winter.

"Obviously, there are going to be (NATO) ground troops of some type" in Kosovo, Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon said. The issue is whether the force should be prepared to enter Kosovo without the consent of Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic, once Serb forces are too weakened to offer much resistance.

The U.S. position remains that "we need an agreement or a U.N. Security Council resolution" first,



This satellite video image made available by CNN Wednesday shows graves in the Kosovo area of Izbica, the U.S. Department said. The mounds and other remains include one of a pile of bodies, are evidence of a massacre of more than 100 ethnic Albanians, a spokesman said.

Bacon said.

"Earlier this week, however, Bacon said it was possible that an international peacekeeping force could enter Kosovo without Milosevic's consent. "You don't have to have an agreement to do that," Bacon said on Monday, so long as the Serb forces simply stopped the violence in Kosovo and withdrew from the province.

In other matters:

- Russia's special envoy made no apparent breakthrough in nearly eight hours of talks Wednesday with Yugoslav President.
- Diplomacy was in high gear, with U.S., Finnish and Russian

negotiators flying in and out of several European capitals and a C-8 meeting being held in Germany to try to resolve the nearly 2-month-old Kosovo conflict.

After nearly eight hours of talks with Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic, Russian envoy Victor Chernomyrdin said any peace must be based on the principles drawn up two weeks ago by the Group of Eight, which comprises the world's top industrialized countries and Russia.

The United States reported rising unrest in Kosovo, saying it had received reports that more than 500 Serb soldiers deserted.

In reports of new dissent, an independent newspaper, Glas Javnosti, said protest rallies in the southern city of Krusevac occurred for the second straight day Tuesday by families of men drafted to serve in Kosovo.

NATO officials have spoken of growing dissent in Yugoslavia over Milosevic's handling of the Kosovo crisis, but his government insists the country is fully united behind him in the crisis.

Air raid sirens sounded over Belgrade, NATO jets roared over the city, followed by the sound of anti-aircraft fire. Several loud detonations boomed from two Belgrade suburbs.

House panel OKs spending plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Over Democratic objections, a House committee approved a Republican plan Wednesday to cut billions of dollars from education, housing and other domestic programs next year.

Though the House Appropriations Committee vote approving the blueprint was a party-line 31-23, even some Republicans said of enraging U.S. losses from the EU ban on such meat.

"I think we're headed for another debacle," said Rep. John Edward Porter, R-Ill.

The president's reply of last fall's negotiations with Clinton in

which the president got Congress to provide billions more in spending than it originally wanted.

Porter chairs the Appropriations education, labor and health subcommittee, which under the plan would get \$78.1 billion in fiscal 2000 — \$10.7 billion less than this year, the deepest of the proposed reductions.

The planned GOP cuts honor spending limits imposed by Congress' 1997 budget-balancing deal with Clinton, which did not envision the annual federal surpluses that have emerged. Most leaders of both parties have said they intend to honor those limits, even though many lawmakers say privately they believe they will eventually be scrapped.

Military cemeteries near capacity

WASHINGTON (AP) — World War II servicemen are dying at a rate of more than 1,000 a day, prompting veterans groups to press for new and bigger military cemeteries.

Sending their message to Congress just before Memorial Day, the organizations will tell a House Veterans Affairs subcommittee Thursday that it takes five to seven years to plan and build national cemeteries — and the effort must begin now.

There is no specific date when most cemeteries would be out of space, but a Veterans Administration official said most of the burial grounds would last until 2030.

"We continue to evaluate the

need to establish new national cemeteries based on veteran demographics, and we are currently building four new ones," said Ken McKinnon, a VA spokesman. He refused to comment further in advance of Thursday's hearing.

Rep. Terry Everett, R-Ala., chairman of the House Veterans Affairs investigations subcommittee, said, "We're losing more than a thousand World War II veterans a day."

Senate panel clears tax break for private schools

WASHINGTON (AP) — Parents could contribute up to \$2,000 a year to IRA-like accounts and withdraw the money tax-free for private school expenses — under legislation approved Wednesday by the Senate Finance Committee.

The bill, vetoed by President Clinton last year, cleared the panel after majority Republicans shot down a Democratic attempt to substitute a version of Clinton's \$25 billion school construction proposal.

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said the GOP believes federal help is better spent on giving parents freedom to choose the best schools than on construction projects that don't address the quality of classroom education.

"Many working Americans, taxpayers, are trapped in these failing schools," Gramm said. "They are more capable than we are of deciding what is best for their children."

The legislation, expected to reach the Senate floor in June or July, would broaden the use allowed for education IRAs. Current law lets people use such money only for higher education.

The proposal would expand that to allow withdrawals for kindergarten through 12th grade expenses in public, private,

parochial or home schools.

The annual contribution cap would be raised from \$500 to \$2,000, and withdrawals would be tax-exempt for such expenses as tuition, books, supplies and required uniforms.

"We have a responsibility to help Americans with these high costs," said Finance Committee Chairman William Roth, R-Del.

Clinton argued last year that the cost of the accounts — about \$2.6 billion of the bill's overall 10-year price tag of \$7.6 billion — is money better spent to repair or replace crumbling public schools.

Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., indicated the president would veto the bill again this year because it mainly helps "a certain upper-income class of kids."

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EU criticizes U.S. position on beef ban

GENEVA — The European Union accused the United States Wednesday of using scientific studies suggesting hormone-treated beef can cause cancer and of exaggerating U.S. losses from the EU ban on such meat.

The United States says it will seek permission from the World Trade Organization on June 3 to impose \$200 million in punitive tariffs on the EU for refusing to lift its ban.

The United States claims the EU has been uncooperative and unreasonable in negotiations to avert a trade war, but EU Ambassador Federico Abbond said the United States itself has shown little flexibility.

"I am extremely angry when I read this kind of thing. I think this is designed for the United States audience, but I hope you won't be misled by this kind of rhetoric," Abbond said.

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President promotes funding

NEW YORK (AP) — President Clinton urged Congress on Wednesday to approve \$50 million for converting a New York post office into a massive transportation hub reminiscent of the city's grand but demolished Penn Station.

The president took part in a ceremony launching the redevelopment of the 1.4 million-square-foot James A. Farley Post Office into a new Pennsylvania Station terminal with access to Amtrak's high-speed train, commuter and subway rails, as well as airports, buses and taxis.

"Beautiful public spaces really help us build a community," Clinton said. The facility sits above platforms for the existing Penn Station, which is one of the nation's busiest passenger terminals, pouring a half-million people into the heart of New York each day. The current basement-level station replaced the original, which was razed in 1963.

Clinton was joined by Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater, Gov. George Pataki, former Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., and Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., who had pushed for the project since 1993.

Absent was Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, who complained about the project's cost and questioned its financing. "When I see the money, you'll see me there," he said.

The president said he would ask Congress to appropriate \$50 million over three years to pay for the renovation. He asked lawmakers to approve it without party partisanship "as a tribute to Senator Moynihan and because it's the right thing to do."

Clinton later went to small fund-raiser at the home of Democratic supporter Jack Rouse. The event, with about 30 to 40 guests giving a least \$10,000 each, was expected to raise \$345,000 for the Democratic National Committee. Clinton said while the new Penn Station cannot fully replace the majesty of the old one, its design is close enough to "take the best elements of the old and create a remarkable station for the future."



Under a portrait of George Washington, first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton announced Wednesday \$30 million in preservation grants to restore such national treasures as the flag that inspired 'The Star-Spangled Banner.'

Preservation plans include INEEL funds

WASHINGTON (AP) — Silent films, lab coats in the Manhattan Project and remnants of the Apollo space program are among the national treasures that will be preserved through \$30 million in federal grants announced Wednesday.

Hillary Rodham Clinton warned of risks to the nation's collective memory if historic and culturally significant sites and artifacts continue to deteriorate. Those treasures, she said, represent "the creativity and ingenuity that have always fueled progress in America."

The 62 sites and artifacts receiving grants are in 24 states, the District of Columbia and the Midway Islands. The selections were based on recommendations by a panel of five preservation experts.

"They sketch a breathtaking portrait of America's diverse culture and rich history," Mrs. Clinton said in a briefing to White House East Room. "A country that loses its history loses its collective memory. We cannot allow that to happen."

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Francisco will get \$1 million to save silent films, which Mrs. Clinton referred to as the "precursors to the latest 'Star Wars' production."

Mrs. Clinton is to visit Mesa Verde on Saturday as part of a four-day tour of national treasures in the Southwest. The grant announcement was the kickoff for the tour.

NATION IN BRIEF

Satellite apparently out of power

LOS ANGELES — A Boston University-built satellite launched this week on a \$12.3 million ionosphere research mission was apparently orbiting powerlessly today after failing to fully point its solar panels toward the sun.

The Terriers satellite "seems to have run out of battery power," the university said. The batteries were good for eight hours without being recharged by the solar panels.

Dan Cotton, senior researcher at the university, said he was hopeful the solar panels will slowly charge the batteries and that eventually Terriers will turn itself on. The orbit and spin were believed to be correct. The satellite was developed under a NASA program to increase students' access to space. More than 60 students and faculty members worked on the mission since 1995.

Nobel winner joins search for life

SUNNYVALE, Calif. — Nobelist Baruch S. Blumberg is joining the search for life in outer space. Blumberg, who won the 1976 prize for physiology and medicine, was named Tuesday as the first director of NASA's Astrobiology Institute, based here at the Ames Research Center.

Blumberg should bring "powerful and committed leadership" to the search for life in outer space, said space agency head Daniel Goldin.

Shuttle may be ready for launch

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — NASA completed repairs Wednesday to space shuttle Discovery's half-damaged fuel tank and remained on track for a launch next week.

But this morning, managers said they have a better shot now of launching the shuttle as early as May 27.

Newspaper: Dean forced to resign

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — Harvard Divinity School's dean was forced to resign after pornography was found on his computer, The Boston Globe reported Wednesday.

Harvard University asked for Ronald F. Thieman's resignation last fall for "conduct unbecoming a dean" after the matter was brought to the attention of President Neil L. Rudenstine, the newspaper reported, citing unidentified Harvard sources.

The explicit material was allegedly found last fall after Thieman requested more disk space on a school-owned computer at the office in his Harvard-owned residence, according to the Globe's sources.

The material was not child pornography or in any other way illegal, sources told the Globe.

Woman removed from life support

ORLANDO, Fla. — A woman paralyzed from the neck down by a bullet was taken off life support as her request and died Wednesday, clearing the way for prosecutors to bring murder charges against the person who shot her — her mother.

Georgette Smith, 42, had won a judge's ruling a day earlier forcing doctors at Lucerne Medical Center to disconnect her ventilator. She argued that she couldn't bear to live in such a condition. Even though Ms. Smith made the decision to die, prosecutors planned to charge her mother with murder, creating a highly unusual — and perhaps unprecedented — case that will be watched closely by legal experts.

Ms. Smith's mother, Shirley Egan, 66, has already charged with attempted murder. Ms. Egan, a frail, 85-pound woman who is blind in one eye, allegedly shot Ms. Smith in March after overhearing Ms. Smith and her boyfriend talking about putting Ms. Egan in a nursing home.

Compiled from wire reports

Women's group gets use of house where student parks

BARRINGTON, Ill. — A couple beset by complaints after they bought an extra house near their son's high school just so he could have a place to park are letting a support group for single mothers use the home.

Dr. Chihakamari Yeshwant, an oncologist, and his wife, Akilleswari, an internist, bought a \$17,000 bungalow near Barrington High School so their son, Srinu, could park his new truck in the driveway.

The family lives in a larger home in South Barrington. With the parking place at the bungalow, Srinu can sleep later because he doesn't have to fight for a spot in the school lot.

But neighbors said they resented how the house was nothing but a parking lot for the boy and five of his friends. Town officials began investigating.

Upset by the negative publicity, the Yeshwants agreed to lease the house for free to a not-for-profit agency called Women in Need Growing Stronger.

Disaster losses continue to grow

WASHINGTON (AP) — Short-sighted development policies have increased the nation's vulnerability to major natural disasters rather than lessening it, a new report issued Wednesday says.

"We are responsible for the losses in future disasters. It is not God. It is not nature. Because we make the decisions on what to put in harm's way," said Dennis S. Mileti, a University of Colorado sociologist.

"There is a fundamental flaw in the way our nation and culture have tried to solve the problem of natural disasters. It is based on the fantasy that technology can make us safe," said Mileti, who headed a panel of 132 experts who spent five years studying how the United States copes with disasters.

Disasters over the past 20 years have cost the United States more than \$50 billion and the toll is rising, due to an increasingly complex society and more people moving to disaster-prone areas, according to the report released Wednesday by the National Science Foundation.

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High school senior Kyla Merkle, left, and junior Chris Nelson, right, study together in their French class earlier this month in Paxton, Ill. Their school, Paxton-Buckley-Loda High, has no French language teacher and uses a correspondence course to teach the class.

School overcomes teaching shortages

PAXTON, ILL. (AP) — Kyle Merkle and Chris Nelson's cheery "Bonjour, Madame" doesn't get much of a response in French

explain how to conjugate a verb," Merkle said. Added a laughing Nelson: "The rewind button is probably broken on that tape recorder."

A U.S. Department of Education survey found almost 25 percent of school districts had difficulty hiring a foreign language teacher compared with just 3 percent for an English teacher. The problem isn't confined to foreign languages. The Education Department estimates 2.2 million new teachers will be needed in the next decade.

After all, the teens have to push a button to hear their teacher. Since their school was unable to hire a French instructor this year, Merkle and Nelson are taking the class by correspondence. Listening to audio tapes and filling out workbooks that get mailed off to be graded. "We didn't have a teacher to help. When this, then this" or

Schools across the country are having trouble as the number of qualified foreign language teachers isn't keeping up with student demand. "We get desperate calls every year from administrators," said Ed Seibold, executive director of the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages. "A qualified foreign language teacher can probably walk next door and get hired."

One reason for the shortage is that the number of college students who want to teach has remained stable while a large number of working teachers are reaching retirement age.

Conservatives may form third party

CONCORD, N.H. — Conservative Republicans may move to start a third party because they believe too many Republicans are abandoning the conservative plank of the party's platform, GOP presidential candidate Bob Smith says. Smith, a conservative senator from New Hampshire, says he does not advocate a split. But in interviews with The Washington Times and New Hampshire newspapers this week he said frustrated conservatives are seriously considering forming a third party centered on gun rights, national defense, school prayer, low taxes and opposition to abortion. "I believe you may well have seen the beginnings of a third-party movement in this country, which will spell the end of the Republican Party," Smith said. "If it happens, I'm not leaving my party — my party is leaving me," he said.

John F. Street, a former City Council president who was endorsed by Mayor Edward G. Rendell, won Tuesday's Democratic mayoral primary. He immediately became the favorite in the Nov. 2 general election to beat Republican financial consultant Sam Katz, who ran unopposed in the GOP primary. "It is not just the fact that we won, it is the way that we won that makes it so important," said Street, thrusting his fist into the air. Rendell, a popular Democrat who is credited with bringing the nation's fifth-largest city back from the brink of financial ruin, is barred from seeking a third consecutive term.

Ultrasound found effective in treatment

Ultrasound treatment can give short-term relief to people with painful tendinitis in the shoulder, a study found. The study, published in today's New England Journal of Medicine, looked at the effectiveness of ultrasound in breaking down the calcium deposits in the rotator cuff that cause shoulder tendinitis. Shoulder tendinitis affects hundreds of thousands of Americans and is most common among people between 30 and 60. Women and people with sedentary jobs appear to be at higher risk. In some cases, tendinitis can become chronic, causing pain even when the shoulder is at rest.

Scientists slow progress of disease

Scientists have found a way to slow the onset of Huntington's disease and slow its progress in mice by targeting an enzyme that is believed to trigger cell death. The findings, published in today's issue of the journal Nature, is a promising lead for drug researchers working to extend the lives of Huntington's sufferers.

"I think this is important and exciting. This is the first demonstration of a drug that can slow the progress of HD in an animal model," said Dr. Christopher Ross, a Johns Hopkins Medical School professor and a scientific adviser to the Huntington's Disease Society of America.

Compiled from wire reports

Quayle attacks 'legal aristocracy'

WASHINGTON — Dan Quayle, who cited a TV sitcom character in his 1992 critique of the American culture, has created himself a new family values villain for his 2000 presidential campaign: "the legal aristocracy." The former vice president coined that phrase to describe liberal lawyers, legal advocacy groups and federal judges in an address today to mark the seventh anniversary of his Murphy-Brown speech. Quayle and his wife, Marilyn, are lawyers. "It will take courage to challenge this self-anointed group," Quayle said in a speech prepared for delivery Wednesday to the Commonwealth Club of California.

Philadelphia ready for new mayor

PHILADELPHIA — A politician's odyssey from fiery liberal activist to button-downed financial conservative has brought him a step closer to becoming Philadelphia's second black mayor.

Democrats protest GOP plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — It was political "Star Wars" in the House on Wednesday as Republicans and Democrats battled over a GOP move to strip from a \$42 billion NASA funding bill an Internet earth-viewing project initiated by Vice President Al Gore.

Democrats said the elimination of \$32 million to continue Gore's Triana satellite project was an attempt to embarrass the party's 2000 presidential front-runner. Republicans said the program was unnecessary. White House aides said NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin might recommend a presidential veto of the bill, which also funds the space station and the space shuttle over the next three years, if the Triana money is not restored.

Gore last year initiated the idea of putting a satellite in orbit that would provide 24-hour views of the earth for TV viewers and Internet users. NASA, agreeing the project had scientific and educational value, plans to launch the Triana spacecraft in December next year. But the House Science Committee, on a party-line 23-18 vote, decided to eliminate funding and close down the program.

Rep. David Weldon, R-Tex., who initiated the amendment, said he considered it an "insult" that NASA was laying off 600 workers at Kennedy Space Center at the same time it was "funding tens of millions of dollars to fulfill a vision for the vice president."

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EDITORIAL

It's appropriate to ask questions of potential F&G commissioners

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game is widely acknowledged to be wandering in the bureaucratic woods. Politically beset, organizationally bewildered and financially boxed in, the department and the commission overseeing it desperately need to find their bearings.

So when Gov. Dirk Kempthorne tries to provide direction, his critics should hold their fire.

Kempthorne has the challenging and important task of selecting four Fish and Game commissioners—a majority of the seven-member panel. His choices will determine the agency's direction (or lack thereof) for the foreseeable future.

The governor has set up a screening committee representing affected interest groups to winnow the applicants.

The committee began its work by distributing a questionnaire to the applicants.

That's when trouble started.

Russ Biagne, president of the Idaho Wildlife Federation, protested last week that some of the questions were too pointed. He complained that by asking for the candidates' opinions on such issues as grizzly bear reintroduction and endangered species policy, the screening committee was drawing the new commissioners.

The new commissioners should be chosen for their qualifications, not their political views, he argued.

Biagne couldn't be more wrong. The four appointments give

Kempthorne a unique opportunity to put his own stamp on Idaho's fish and wildlife policy. He has a chance to set the agency's agenda by selecting commissioners who share his goals and philosophy.

If Kempthorne simply selects four well-intentioned "good government" types and then hopes for the best, he'll have squandered a rare opportunity.

Instead of moving in a positive direction, the commission would be likely to drift—or worse, to let the department's wildlife biologists control the dialogue.

In our view, that would be the wrong direction. Fish and Game is funded by sportsmen's fees, and its long-standing mission is to steward Idaho's wildlife resources for the public's benefit and enjoyment.

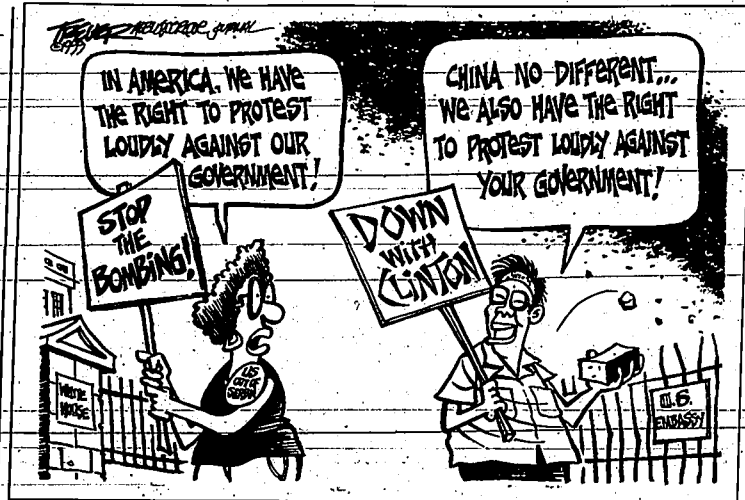
It should not be allowed to become another captive bureaucracy of the environmental movement. Such an outcome is not what Idaho voters had in mind when they elected a Republican governor.

If Fish and Game is to regain its political and budgetary footing, it must be perceived as in tune with Idaho's citizens.

Kempthorne needs to find four commissioners who not only are qualified, but who also share the right vision for the agency.

The governor has a one-time opportunity to influence Fish and Game's future. He shouldn't flinch from using it.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne needs to find four Fish and Game commissioners who not only are qualified, but who also share the right vision for the agency.



'Value-free' psychology makes a splash

The American Psychological Association's publication of a study calling for the "value-free" labels of "adult-child sex" to be applied to "willing encounters" between adults and children has sent shock waves through our culture.

A coalition of family groups, psychologists and members of Congress have called on the APA, as well as the American Psychiatric Association and American Psychoanalytic Association, to renounce the study referred to by Dr. Laura Schlessinger as "junk science."

"A Meta-Analytic Examination of Assumed Properties of Child Sexual Abuse Using College Samples," published by the APA's Psychological Bulletin, concludes that "child sexual abuse does not cause intense harm on a pervasive basis' regardless of gender in the college population."

The three professors who wrote it claim that if pedophilia causes "positive reactions" on the part of the child, then it can't even be termed "child sexual abuse." One has to wonder about academicians who believe that a child must undergo an experience before they can decide whether he should have done it or not.

It's disturbing enough that an organization as reputable as the APA is willing to give a forum to such a study. What may be even more chilling, because not as

GINA R. DALFONZO

widely publicized, is the way that forces in our culture are making pedophilia look attractive to its potential victims, many of whom are not yet old enough to understand what it can do to them.

Such blatant irresponsibility can be difficult to understand, especially when those behind it refuse to admit any wrongdoing. Indeed, Janie Kellner, CEO of the WB network, claimed high moral ground in the controversy over a story line on the network's "Dawson's Creek," one of the hottest teen shows, that treated a teacher-student affair like a star-crossed summer fling.

In kids' soap operas, just as in those movies for adults, premarital sexual relationships get downright dull, since every one is having them. So writers and directors try to spice up the mix with adultery, "open marriages," moon-chasing of partners than a Fred Astaire movie—and pedophilia. Thus, "Dawson's Creek" and teen flicks like "Crucial Intentions" and "Decision" toy with the notion of "adult-child sex" as they explore other titillating themes in graphic detail.

There's a logic to their thinking, pervasive for adults. Anyone who watches TV for any length of time quickly gets used to

the idea of frequent and promiscuous sex going among teenagers. If they're mature enough to choose to have sex with each other, why wouldn't they be able to choose to have sex with an adult?

Tragically, while this once forbidden topic makes a splash in academic circles and is dangled like candy in front of teenagers, real-life kids continue to have their lives ripped apart by it. Sam Manzie, a straight-A student, was 14 when he met pedophile Stephen Simmons in a homosexual chat room. Almost immediately after they began what both termed a "consensual" relationship, Sam began a downward spiral of hostility and violence. He was recently sentenced to 20 years for sexually assaulting and murdering an 11-year-old boy who came to his house selling candy.

Many parents would probably change the channel if Sam Manzie's story came on the news, and for good reason. Nevertheless, it's less dangerous than what their children are already seeing, because it shows the true face of pedophilia. It's not necessarily abusive, and it doesn't pander to kids' desire to feel grown up and able to make sophisticated choices. It hasn't made advertisers a lot of money. But it is real—and it's time for it to stop.

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Nursing homes get a bad rap

This letter is in response to a letter written by Carmelo Ebb. "Who stepped on your toes?" I say—

It is not fair for anyone to judge nursing homes by your opinion. You stated, contact the Bureau of Facility Standards and certification Board. I presume you did. There are always state and federal laws we must abide by.

I have had family and friends in Buhl, Jerome, Twin Falls and Wendell nursing homes. I was employed by one nursing home almost 20 years and never did I see or hear of what you are implying.

One thing, with your attitude, I would not care to have you caring for my family or friends. If your attitude is this bad on the outside of the nursing home, I'm sure it is the same on the inside. You would busy yourself doing your work, maybe you would not see so many errors for you say. Stop by, you just should try to make it a better nursing home on the inside and not run the facility so low on the outside. Maybe the nurses would be a better care.

If you have something to say, report it to the board and don't put a bad name on all nursing homes.

You should find another profession or career. In my mind, you

are not compassionate enough to care for people—You are too bitter and have a big chip on your shoulder.

GLENNIA RUFFING
Wendell

Jerome school needs upkeep

Once again, the superintendent is at it again. Now he is saying that the high school is the one needing expansion. What is it? Does the high school need expanding or is it the middle school that needs expanding? If it's classrooms that are needed, why is there a gym being figured into the expense?

Once again, it brings up the subject of Washington School. To say it's an eyesore is putting it mildly. It is a disgrace to this community and a total neglect on the part of the school administration. Last December of 1998, the superintendent stated that everything was under control. Now new weeds are coming up and the old weeds, leaves and other rubbish are still in this area with absolutely no concern being shown about getting it cleaned up. The question that lies at hand is, "Why should the children that are using this area be exposed to this monstrosity?" To my understanding, school policy states that there is to be a clean and safe environment for the children. Where's the concern? If this school is a problem for the school administration, why not sell it and use the money toward expansion of classrooms?

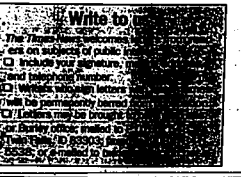
The old saying is if you are not going to do the job then step aside and let someone else do it. From the looks of things at Washington School, perhaps it is time for the superintendent and maintenance supervisor to resign and allow someone else to come in that has more community pride and a bigger interest in the upkeep and maintenance of our schools.

F. DALLMAN
Jerome

Stop the incinerator permit

Why is Idaho giving away an air quality permit to build a plutonium incinerator? Why would our politicians volunteer Idaho to import plutonium for incineration, which will release millions of these cancer-causing particles into our fresh air? You'd have to ask DIRK if his donations from Morrison, Kootenai and other nuclear businesses are more important than keeping plutonium out of our air.

There is a public meeting for the incinerator permit on May 26, 7 p.m. at Canyon Springs Inn. Other states have fought off incinerators, but our politicians have intentionally weakened Idaho's permit requirements. That's what they are paid so well for by their nuclear business buddies. This is still stoppable, but only if you make your



LETTERS

politicians come clean.

In the 1950's, the government would give the wind to blow toward Hawaii before blowing up their atomic bombs in Nevada. Later they moved the Tennessee's RALA project here because of the large amounts of radioactive iodine released, and who really lives in Idaho anyway? Now we will import Tennessee's plutonium for incineration. Our politicians are OK with opening new onsite plutonium dumps so what's the difference between friends? Are we the peasants of Chernobyl or patriots blessed to live in and protect God's country? Before this 30-year marriage to the plutonium incinerator is consummated, it's time to speak up now or forever hold your breath.

DR. PETER RICKARDS
Twin Falls

Wolves, bears pose little risk

I read your editorial in *The Times-News* regarding the introduction of grizzlies and wolves in the lower 48. I don't think the Lord had annihilation in mind when he said he would have dominion over every living thing. The grizzlies and the wolves have a right to a place to live just as we do.

Part of the enjoyment and exhilaration of visiting Glacier and Yellowstone is the thrill of seeing and co-existing with the grizzlies and the wolves found

there. If you are worried about being eaten by a bear or wolf, go to the Cascades or the Colorado Rockies where the bears and the wolves have been extirpated. Just some facts, in which your article seems to be remiss: The chances of being killed or injured on your drive to Glacier or Yellowstone are hundreds of times better than being killed or injured by a bear or wolf while camping there. Your womenfolk can rest easier—scientific studies have determined that menstrual blood is not linked to increased grizzly interest. A private organization reimburses the ranchers for depredation caused by grizzlies and wolves. I am sure if you polled the ranchers near the reintroduction areas, they are more concerned with losing government-subsidized grazing allotments than livestock.

I agree that the West has changed and "now the lower 48 is laced with cities, towns, hamlets and hermits." But there are still a few roadless, uninhabited areas of the West left for the animals God put on this earth. Albeit they are succumbing fast to logging, mining and recreational enthusiasts. Why can't we, as human beings, try to co-exist with these wild creatures and give them a small place where they can live undisturbed by humans?

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OPINION

Anti-religionists create a moral vacuum

The school killings in Littleton, Colo., have raised the death toll to nearly 30 students and teachers since the Oct. 1, 1997, shootings in Pearl, Miss.

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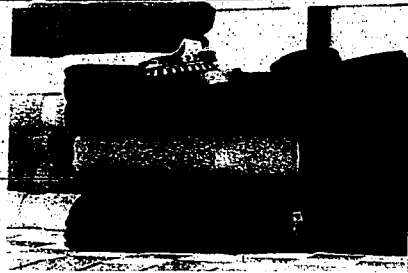
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OPINION

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The school killings in Littleton, Colo., have raised the death toll to nearly 30 students and teachers since the Oct. 1, 1997, shooting in Pearl, Miss.

Add to that the several scores wounded, the loss to survivors and friends, and the human cost of eight school shootings in just over a year and a half is unacceptably high.

The phenomenon of school violence is predictable from the moral vacuum wrought by the American Civil Liberties Union and other anti-religionists of the Madelyn Murray O'Hair variety. What did they expect to happen when they pushed America down the slippery slope of eradicating the Christian expression from the public square?

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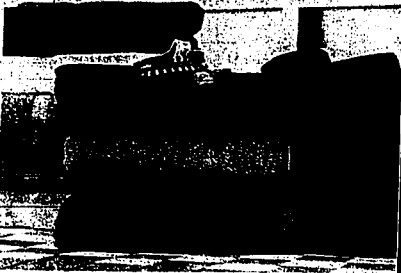
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WORLD

Russian parliament approves new prime minister

MOSCOW — Russia's parliament handed Boris Yeltsin another victory Wednesday, meekly approving loyalist Sergei Stepashin as new prime minister just days after the Russian president fired Premier Yevgeny Yuzvich and fended down an impeachment attempt.

"This probably means one thing: Yeltsin will not be ousted after his unusually easy confirmation," said Yuzvich. "We're all united by pain for our motherland and our people and the wish to see our country finally become normal, civilized, rich, prosperous and decent."

Stepashin, who headed the country's police and internal security forces as interior minister, didn't describe exactly how he would accomplish those goals, but said urgent measures were needed to kick-start the country's stalled economy. Lawmakers made it clear they were still united with Yeltsin for sending his last prime minister, Primakov. Several questioned how long Stepashin could last, and whether Yeltsin would allow him to carry out the policies needed to rescue the country.

Government proposes jury trial restrictions

LONDON — The right to a jury trial, handed down from ancient times and the Magna Carta, is being abused by defendants and needs to be restricted for certain crimes, the government said Wednesday.

Home Secretary Jack Straw, the Cabinet official in charge of criminal justice, announced a legislative proposal to curb the automatic right, saying many defendants are "working the system," wasting time and money.

Lawyers and advocates for minority groups immediately said they would fight to protect the right, and a former judge accused the government of simply trying to pinch pennies.

The government said that under the legislation, magistrates will decide whether a jury or a judge should try cases involving offenses such as theft, burglary, assault and criminal damage. More serious offenses will continue to be tried in Crown Court before juries. Less serious cases such as moving offenses and drunkenness are already tried exclusively before magistrates.

Last year, Straw said, the courts logged 18,500 cases of the type that would be affected by the legislation, in which defendants demanded jury trials.

North Korea starts rabbit campaign to fight famine

TOKYO — North Korea, faced with a daunting food shortage and famine in parts of the country, is encouraging people to raise rabbits as a source of food.

"The animals provide lots of fur and meat and grow fast on very little feed, the North's Rodong Shinmun newspaper has reported. "We should thoroughly learn about rabbits and make rabbit raising a national movement," the newspaper said in its May 9 edition. "The country has been largely dependent on foreign aid to feed its 23 million people since 1985, after decades of economic mismanagement and several years of bad weather devastated its farming system."

Iran's supreme leader won't ease antenna ban

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — Iran's supreme leader has opposed relaxing a ban on satellite antennas, which powerful hardliners in the Islamic government accuse of spreading "corrupt" Western influences among Iranian youth.

Ayatollah Ali Khamenei said

World in brief

Iran should not be discouraged by the possibility that technological advances will make it difficult to enforce a ban, newspapers reported Wednesday.

Ho Chi Minh Trail turns 40 amidst celebration
HANOI, Vietnam — Nearly

6,000-Vietnamese held reunions Wednesday as part of celebrations to mark the start of work on the Ho Chi Minh Trail 40 years ago. — The Vietnam, coming from all over northern Vietnam to a new museum outside Hanoi devoted to the trail, swapped tales from the war and tried to catch up with their former comrades-in-arms.

Work on the trail began May 19, 1959, the birthday of revolutionary leader Ho Chi Minh.

At first, it was no more than a muddy path used by some 500 porters on foot and bicycles, but it expanded until the end of the war in 1975.

By then, it had become a comprehensive network of five main, roughly parallel roads and 21 crossroads that covered nearly 12,500 miles and carried supplies and troops from North Vietnam to battlefields in the South.

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SPORTSQUOTE

“I think players are made in the playoffs.”

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Miami Heat center Alonzo Mourning, named the NBA defensive player of the year Wednesday

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

College baseball
NJCAA Bi-regional playoffs
• CSI at Central Arizona, 3 p.m.

High school baseball
A-1 state tournament at Meridian (Storey Park)
• Twin Falls vs. Timberline, 4:30 p.m.
A-2 state tournament at Ontario, Ore. (Treasure Valley CC)
• Buhl vs. Lakeland, 11 a.m.
• Wood River vs. Sogahalem, 4 p.m.

High school softball
A-1 state tournament at Post Falls (Quad Park)
• Twin Falls vs. Idaho Falls, 1 p.m.
A-2 state tournament at Post Falls (Quad Park)
• Filer vs. Shiley, 5 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Baseball bash set for 5 p.m. today

RUPERT - A "We Love Baseball" fund-raiser will be held from 5-7 p.m. today for donors and funders on Warburton Field at Minico High School. The party is one of the fundraisers planned to raise money to install lights on the baseball field. One of three A-1 division schools without lights. Members of the community and local businesses making the "Fit and Run List" were invited to participate in the "Big Slugger On An Unlit Field" with participants on the field with lawn chairs, umbrellas, phones, books and cellular phones to call and collect pledges. The cellular phones were donated by US Cellular. To "get out" or "off the field," individuals will raise pledges. Anyone who pledges \$100 or more will have their name engraved and placed around the backstop area. Anyone interested in purchasing a brick may contact Russ Wright at Minico at 436-4721.

Donations may be mailed to Warburton Field Improvement Fund, Minico High School, attn: Russ Wright, 292 W. 100 St., Rupert, Idaho 83351. Checks should be made payable to Minico High School.

Steelheads ink center Pietroniro

BOISE - The Idaho Steelheads announced Wednesday that they have agreed to terms with center and 1998-99 team captain Marco Pietroniro. Idaho's career leader in game-winning goals and short-handed goals, Pietroniro joins center Marc Genest, left wings Dan Marcotte and Darcy Loewen, right wing Cal Ingraham, defenseman Scott Davis and Rob Dumas and goalie Nicolas Charbon as players who have resigned or agreed to terms with the hockey club.

Nielsen sets sights on Clear Lake

BUHL - Local speed golfer Mike Nielsen, in his quest to hit all the courses in the Magic Valley, will hit Clear Lake Country Club Monday at 10 a.m., two hours before the normal course opening. This will be the fourth Magic Valley course he has played, with rounds already recorded at Canderidge, Twin Falls Municipal and Canyon Springs.

Correction

In Wednesday's section, the Leo Swan Memorial Golf Tournament was listed as being held Saturday. The tournament is Sunday at 1 p.m. at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course. The Times-News regrets the error.

Compiled from staff reports

Eagles head to duel in the desert

Best-of-three series starts today

By Jeff Rosen
Times-News writer

TEMPE, Ariz. - The Central Arizona College baseball field lies half a mile east of Signal Peak, a 5,000-foot butte draped in blooming saguaro, ocotillo and cholla cactus. Dust devils may breeze by and the odd rattlesnake might slither across

the outfield, but for the most part it's a deathly quiet and sunbaked place.

The College of Southern Idaho hopes to liveen things up today, when the Golden Eagles square off against the Vaqueros in Game 1 of a best-of-three affair.

Southern Idaho coach Jim Walker, a veteran of eight JUCO World Series, brided when asked about what might come next - namely, a trip to Grand Junction, Colo.

"I'm very superstitious," he said. "I don't like to talk about it, and I don't like people to mention it, because I feel like it

jinxes us. So I just close my ears. It's silly, but it works that way."

There's no getting around the fact that today's game is huge. A first-day win gives the victor two days to deal a death-knell-out-here-in-the-middle-of-nowhere.

"You know, we started out a little slow," said Central coach Clint Meyers, who's team finished the regular season 43-17-4 overall, third place at 23-14 in the Arizona-Community College Athletic Conference. "But we've been playing pretty well lately. We feel good."

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Portland reels from fourth-quarter collapse

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY - The first three quarters of the Portland Trail Blazers' opening game against the Utah Jazz went according to plan. Then they played the worst fourth quarter in NBA history.

The Blazers' deep frontcourt had hounded, harassed and hucked Karl Malone into ineffectiveness for three quarters. Portland's team speed, youth and rest were making Utah look slow, old and tired.

Everything was positioned for a Portland win when the fourth quarter began - the Blazers' shots mysteriously stopped falling. Their posse soon evaporated into a cloud of turnovers and ill-advised shots as Utah exploded past them for a 93-83 win in Game 1.

"We just had a whole lot of things go wrong at the same time," Portland coach Mike Dunleavy said. "Once we lost that momentum we had built up, we were vulnerable, and the Jazz know how to take advantage of that."

Game 2 in the series is tonight at the Delta Center. Portland's Greg Anthony called it "a must-win game for us, because Utah is too tough to give a two-game lead."

At practice Wednesday morning, the Blazers weren't sure how much they should change their approach there. "I think everything worked - that is, until nothing did."

"It's hard to pinpoint a turning point there," said Damon Stoudamire, who committed four turnovers and missed two shots



Portland Trail Blazers guard Damon Stoudamire, left, defends against Utah Jazz guard John Stockton in the fourth quarter, Tuesday, in Salt Lake City.

in the fourth. "When you miss 14 of your 16 shots like we did, you're not going to win any game."

Portland scored five fourth-quarter points, the fewest in any fourth quarter since the inception of the shot clock and the fewest in any quarter of any playoff game.

"It kind of breaks your spirits a little bit when that happens at

the end of a game," forward Brian Grant said. "We've just got to put it behind us, because it can't do us any good now, only harm."

For the Jazz, it was their fourth straight game decided in the final minute. In the previous two, the Sacramento Kings pushed Utah to the brink of playoff elimination before letting the Jazz back in with missed

shots and bad defense.

"We don't be ourselves, and sometimes in the playoffs, that's our difference," Malone said.

"We haven't played that well yet in the postseason, but we don't get caught up in the pressures of a high-intensity situation like the playoffs. We just take what they give us, and sometimes they'll give you the game if you let them."

Spurs take 2-0 lead over Lakers

The Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO - Tim Duncan made the go-ahead-basket-with a second shot, as the San Antonio Spurs beat the Los Angeles Lakers 79-76 Wednesday to take a 2-0 lead in the their Western Conference semifinal series.

Trailing 76-75, Duncan took a pass from Mario Elie and scored on a right-handed jump hook to draw a roar from the Alamodome crowd.

The Lakers had another chance to score, but lost the ball rebounding it as Avery Johnson knocked the entry pass away. Sean Elliott then made two free throws for the Spurs, and Kobe Bryant missed a 34-footer at the buzzer.

Duncan led the Spurs with 21 points and eight rebounds, while Elliott added 19 points.

Game 2 in the best-of-7 series will be Saturday at the Great Western Forum.

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Los Angeles Lakers forward Kobe Bryant (8) goes for a layup between San Antonio Spurs defenders Sean Elliott (right) and David Robinson during the first quarter of Game 2 in San Antonio.

but no victory for the vibrant Philadelphia 76ers.

The Sixers staged another strong first-half rally Wednesday night, but when Allen Iverson's poor shooting night ended appropriately - with an airball - all they had was another close loss, 85-82 to the Indiana Pacers in the Eastern Conference semifinals.

Now the 76ers trail 2-0 headed to Philadelphia for Games 3 and 4.

Iverson, who suffered through a 74-28 shooting night, passed the ball in the closing seconds to teammate Larry Hughes, whose potential 3-pointer was long.

Matt Geiger tipped the ball back out, and all Iverson could do was manage an awkward attempt as the buzzer sounded.

Indiana's Rick Smith finally found his offense for the Pacers, scoring 25 points. Iverson led the Sixers with 23 - 13 in the final period.

Dallas Stars focus on Avalanche, recuperation

Night Rider News Service

FORT WORTH - It's not the rivalry most had hoped for, but the Stars and Colorado Avalanche expect to forge a new conflict in the Western Conference finals beginning on Saturday, February 27.

The Avalanche ripped the Detroit Red Wings, 5-1, in the semifinals Tuesday night and knocked out the defending Stanley Cup champions from the playoffs in six games. And while Stars center Mike Modano says he wanted a rematch of last season's conference finals with the Red Wings, the Stars say they'll be looking to put away the Avalanche just as much.

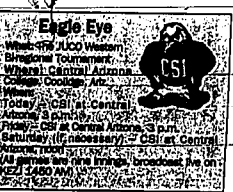
"They're a great team with a great goalie, and they're really on a roll right now," said Stars winger Mike Keane, a former Avalanche player who helped Colorado win the Cup in 1996. "Playing them would be a hard challenge as playing anybody."

In fact, Stars coach Ken Hitchcock went so far as to suggest his team is the underdog.

"I think the general feeling right now is that Colorado has to be the favorite," he said. "They're coming off a huge series with Detroit, and they've beaten the defending champion."

Game 1 with the Stars is expected to present a strong battle of wills. The Stars are 5-0 at home in the playoffs this season, and the Avalanche is 6-0 on the road. One team will walk out of Game 1 with its streak broken.

They're a great team with a lot of weapons, and we have to



Cardinals scramble for alternate plan

The Associated Press

MESA, Ariz. - The Arizona Cardinals who campaigned for a new stadium without bothering to create a backup plan, examined alternatives Wednesday after voters rejected their dream arena.

One option is to leave Arizona, the state owner Bill Bidwill adopted in 1988 after giving up on the idea of getting a new stadium built in St. Louis.

Houston businessman Bob McNair jumped at the bait Wednesday, offering to talk to Bidwill about relocating the Cardinals in Texas.

Local possibilities include another try at getting a stadium with a broader funding base or with NFL seed money, or renovating Sun Devil Stadium, the aging college facility where the Cardinals have played since their arrival in the Phoenix area.

Mesa voters turned out in unexpected numbers Tuesday to reject a \$1.8 billion convention and sports complex by a 3-to-2 margin.

It was a blow to Bidwill, who did not return phone calls to his office Wednesday.

Even McNair, who has an exclusive agreement with the Harris County (Texas) Sports Authority to build a \$310 million stadium to replace the

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find a way to deal with that," Hitchcock said. "I think what's most interesting is that they've had a Team A and a Team B this season, and we haven't really seen any of it."

The Avalanche added winger Theo Fleury in a March trade with the Calgary Flames, and he has been an offensive dynamo. They also added right forward Dale Hunter. Fleury has five goals and nine assists for 14 points in the playoffs. Combined with Avalanche teammates Peter Forsberg (six goals, 11 assists) and Joe Sakic (four goals and 10 assists), Colorado has three of the top four scorers in the playoffs. The Stars lost a 2-1 game to the Avalanche in the regular-season finale April 18, but the Stars did not dress a full roster.

"They're a tremendously talented team up top, but I think a lot more depth than most people realize," Hitchcock said. "But what you notice most is that talent that's in the playoffs."

Hitchcock said that with the NHL moving the start of the Western Conference finals to Saturday instead of Sunday, his team needed to get its rest up with the St. Louis Blues over with Monday (a 2-1 Stars victory) to rest for the Avalanche.

"We've got a bunch of guys on one leg and one lung right now," Hitchcock said. "We need that rest; we need the time to heal."

In the battle with the Blues, which included four overtime games, every player seemed to be one that could have turned the series. The Stars seemed to show repeated mental strength, to recover from a 3-1 deficit in Game 1. Goalsie Ed Belfrage bounced back from a wild Game 2 in which he allowed four goals and still lost the 5-3 game. Stars

CSI

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Southern Idaho practiced at the Vaqueros' spartan complex for nearly two hours Wednesday under the watchful eye of several Central Arizona players and a few geckos. Walker too was pleased with what he saw.
"If we play our game, it's our destiny to win," he said. "We're showing a lot of confidence, so I'm really not worried about our team. I'm more worried about them."

start this afternoon. "He's the ace of the region down here," Walker said.
At the plate, the Vaqueros aren't overly powerful. They play in a deep park (340 feet to the corners, 417 in dead center), and as a team, belted just 56 homers to the Eagles' 84. Driving 27 triples to CSI's seven and stealing 136 bases to the Eagles' 86, their forte — on a Bermuda grass infield tailor made for sharp liners — is speed.
No Central Arizona player hit more than 10 home runs, but sophomores Bobby Pierce and Ryan O'Donnell and freshman Jason Lind all hit better than 400, and are lethally fast.
"They're a lot like us, in that they're very aggressive," Walker said. "The ball is going to get through."
With six lefties in the Vaqueros lineup, Walker will start 1998 All-American southpaw Craig Moeckler today. Ten-game winter and 1999 All-Region 18 first-teamer Cameron Reimers, who gave up

14 hits in less than five innings at the scenic West tournament, starts Friday.
"We want to know how they run, how they move," pitching coach Bobby Matia said. "Then we'll start Reimers."
"If Mosher throws strikes and doesn't try to nipstick," Walker added, "we have a good chance of winning."
Wednesday's practice demonstrated a final Central rebel: balls hit up at Central get lost in the sun. Along with advising them to sidr clear of poisonous reptiles, Walker urged his players to communicate on pop-ups.
"It's hard," he said. "Especially in right field. I didn't want to make a big deal about it because (right fielder) Adam (Manley) tends to psyche himself out, but there's a lot of big sky up there."
Southern Idaho would love nothing more than to win twice today and Friday — and be done in Coalgate. A third game will be held Saturday, if needed.
Quick hits: Bi-regionals alter-

nate each year. 1998 Region 18 champ Dixie hosted last year, Central hosts this year. Next year, it's back to a Region 18 site. The obvious absentee this week is Yavapai College, which forfeited all of its Region 1 wins when a Cochise College coach noticed that one of Yavapai's pitchers was suiting up for the third year in a row. Yavapai's defense that the player's redshirt request was lost during a recent changing of the guard at athletic director fell on deaf JUCO ears. Ironically, the only AOCAC school that did not benefit from Yavapai's implosion was Central, which beat the nationally ranked squad in three of four meetings this season anyway. ... Following a unique semifinal-final-playoff format, Central's path to bi-regionals mirrors CSI's. The Vaqueros lost in the semis to Glendale, then had to beat the same team twice to qualify for the final against South Mountain. ... Dave Henson is done. The freshman pitcher from

Belgrade, Mont. left the team last week with a career-threatening shoulder injury. "He may never pitch again," Walker said. "It's too bad. The kids liked him." ... Infield coach Boomer Walker has it on good authority that temperatures could fall into the 80s later by the weekend. If it does stay warm, said pitcher Keimers, so be it. "I think it's great," he said as the mercury pushed 100. "It only takes one pitch and you're loose." ... Boomer Walker hasn't forgotten the hit that delivered the Eagles' Mike Gillies two-out blooper in the ninth inning against Dixie two weeks ago. "To be honest," Walker said, "Mike's ball dropping was the first break we've gotten in three days of tournaments. We needed it. It was about time."

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Astrodome, took note of Bidwill's anguish.
"They worked very hard, and it was very important for them," he said.
Houston lost the Oilers to Kansas in 1998.
After the NFL chose Los Angeles over Houston as an expansion site two months ago, McNair wrote to eight owners, including Bidwill, to see if they were interested in selling. Bidwill, whose family has owned the team since 1932, wasn't interested.
But McNair said in an interview with Houston station KRIV-TV that he wanted to reopen the Oilers.
"If there's some way we could participate with them, either buying it or being partners with them and inserting it in Houston, yes, we would have a definite interest in that," McNair said. "But it's important to us that we have Houstonians owning the Houston team."

SCORES AND STATS

BASEBALL

All-Region 18

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All standings

Table showing regional standings for various teams.

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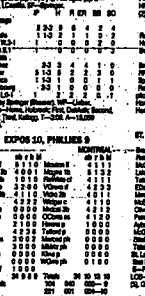
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SPORTS IN BRIEF



Baltimore Orioles third baseman Cal Ripken Sr. is first base in a vain effort to beat Anaheim's Troy Glaus in the ninth inning of a game at Camden Yards in Baltimore Wednesday. Glaus was credited with a single and later scored.

Boston blanks Yanks 6-0

BOSTON (AP) — Emergency starter Brian Rice pitched seven shutout innings and Jason Varitek went 4-for-4 with two homers as the surging Boston Red Sox beat the slumping New York Yankees, 6-0, Wednesday.

Rice replaced the AL East leader with a 6-3 win over them on Tuesday night, increased its lead to 1 1/2 games with its 11th win in 13 games. New York is 1-7 in its last eight games and 0-2 since manager Joe Torre returned from a two-month absence following surgery for prostate cancer.

Indians 13, White Sox 7
CHICAGO — Richie Sexson drove in a career-high five runs with his second career grand slam and an RBI single as the Cleveland Indians used an 18-run attack to complete a three-game sweep.

David Justice, Jim Thome and Manny Ramirez each drove in two runs for the Indians, who outscored the White Sox 39-16 and out-hit them 48-23 in the series. Charles Nagy (4-3) gave up only one run and four hits in eight innings, but the White Sox scored six runs in the ninth off Mike Jackson on Jeff Liefers' RBI single, a three-run homer by

Carlos Lee and a two-run shot by Brock Fordey.

Royals 14, Athletics 3
KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Chad Kreuter drove in five runs, spoiling Tony Candiani's bid for his 15th victory, and the Kansas City Royals beat Oakland to win their first home series of the year.

The loss was the second straight but just the fourth in 15 games for the A's and dropped them one game behind Texas in the AL West.

Rangers 7, Devil Rays 6
ARLINGTON, Texas — Rafael Palmeiro hit two home runs and the Texas Rangers hit three consecutive homers for the second time in club history to beat the Tampa Bay Devil Rays 7-6 Wednesday.

The two teams combined for seven home runs, including Jose Canseco's major league-leading 16th for Tampa Bay. Eleven of the 13 runs came on homers.

Jeff Zimmerman (3-0) pitched 2 1/3 perfect innings, tying a club record by retiring 23 consecutive batters. John Wimbush pitched the ninth for his 12th save in 13 opportunities.

Tigers 7, Blue Jays 3
TORONTO — Juan Encarnacion hit a tie-breaking three-run home run in the seventh inning, one of three Detroit homers off the struggling David Wells, as the Tigers beat the Toronto Blue Jays 7-3 Wednesday night.

Bobby Higginson added a two-run shot and Denny Pate hit a solo homer off Wells (4-4), who has lost his last three starts for Toronto.

Brian Moehler (4-3) had his two consecutive quality outings since returning from a 10-game suspension for using sandpaper to doctor the baseball. Moehler allowed three runs and six hits in six-plus innings. He struck out five and walked three.

Angels 5, Orioles 4
BALTIMORE — Andy Sheets doubled in two runs with two outs in the ninth inning as the Anaheim Angels rallied to defeat Mike Timlin and the Baltimore Orioles 5-4 Wednesday night.

Randy Valadez homered for the Angels, who were 1-20 when trailing after eight innings.

Anahiel trailed 4-3 before coming back in the ninth against Timlin (4-3), who blew his third save opportunity in nine tries. Troy Glaus hit a one-out single and Orlando Palmeiro singled before Matt Walbeck struck out. Sheets then hit a liner to center to put the Angels ahead.

Al Levine (1-0) worked the eighth and Troy Cervical got three outs for his ninth save.

PULLMAN, Wash. — Washington State starting running back Kevin Brown and two teammates were charged Wednesday with residential burglary and theft by the Whitman County prosecutor's office.

Brown, Jason M. White and Ramlin J. White, who are not related, were arrested on Friday.

The players were arrested early Sunday morning for investigation of burglary and theft at a student's apartment. They are free on their own recognizance.

The men were arrested after witnesses said they saw them enter an apartment through an unlocked back door and leave with a laptop computer and other electronics gear, police said.

Police said \$1,500 worth of electronics equipment was recovered, including 72 compact discs.

Coch Mike Price and athletic director Rick Dickson have declined to comment on the arrests.

NBA fines Malone, O'Neal
NEW YORK — Karl Malone of the Utah Jazz and Shaquille O'Neal of the Los Angeles Lakers were fined by the NBA Wednesday for their actions in the opening games of the conference semifinals.

Malone was fined \$10,000 for elbowing Portland's Brian Grant with 3:27 left in the second quarter of their game Tuesday night. The Jazz won the game 93-87.

Grant and Malone, both of whom talked tough about physical play before the series, had two altercations in the first half. Grant appeared to trip Malone as he went for a breakaway layup, and minutes later, Malone elbowed Grant in the face while going for another basket. They exchanged words after the second incident.

O'Neal was fined \$7,500 for falling to leave the court in a timely fashion and verbally abusing officials after the Lakers lost to the San Antonio Spurs 87-81 on Monday night.

Mourning takes defense honor
MIAMI — For Alonzo Mourning, being chosen NBA Defensive Player of the Year isn't much of a consolation prize.

"This is great," he said Wednesday. "Can I trade it in to be playing Atlanta?"

The Miami Heat center was a lopsided choice for the honor three days after his recent season ended against the New York Knicks.

Mourning received 89 of a possible 118 votes in balloting by a panel of sports writers and broadcasters from the United States and Canada.

Sampiras helps U.S. team win
DUESSELDORF, Germany — Yet to win a title this year and warming up for the French Open, Pete Sampras helped the United States sweep Slovakia on Wednesday at the World Team Cup.

Sampiras, who has lost his No. 1 ranking to Yevgeny Kafelnikov, defeated Karel Kucera 7-6 (7-5), 4-6, 6-2 in an event leading to next week's clay court major, the only Grand Slam tournament he has not won.

"You need a lot of luck to win the French Open," said Sampras, who is seeded second in Paris. "You need a good draw," he said.

Doubles specialist Richey Reneberg opened the best-of-3 series by upstaging 31st-ranked Dominik Hrbaty 6-3, 3-6, 6-3. The Americans completed their 3-0 victory when Reneberg and Jonathan Stark beat Hrbaty and Tomas Cisar 7-5, 6-3 in doubles.

The \$1.65 million tournament features the top eight teams, which compete in two groups. The group winners advance to the final.

NFL players file complaint
WASHINGTON — The NFL Players Association filed a disciplinary complaint Wednesday against agent William "Tank" Black, who, in turn, plans to file a suit after the U.S. Attorney's office to investigate the union's action.

The NFLPA, through its agent disciplinary committee, alleged that Black provided improper cash payments in 1997 and 1998 to college players before their eligibility was completed. The complaint also claimed Black acquired new autos in 1998 for players before their college eligibility expired.

Hamilton improves speed; Unser tests 220

Special to The Times-News

INDIANAPOLIS — Idaho native Davey Hamilton made a big jump in speed while Johnny Unser of Haley tested at 220 mph for the first time during practice Wednesday for the 83rd running of the Indianapolis 500 at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

Hamilton's fastest lap was 222.085 mph; 21st among 42 drivers on the track, with a speed gain of two mph over Tuesday.

"A big gain in speed is exactly what I was looking for," said Hamilton, who is seeking his fourth start in the Indianapolis 500.

500. "It was a big gain for us, but a lot of teams raised their speeds today. The car is not trimmed out yet, so we haven't been able to work on a qualifying set-up yet."

The car was driven by the added Hamilton, driver of the Galle Racing Oldsmobile Aurora V8.

Unser recorded his fastest lap of the week Wednesday at 220.518 mph in his Hemelgarn Racing Oldsmobile Aurora. Unser ran only 20 laps after teammate and 1996 Indianapolis 500 winner Buddy Lazier recorded an earlier lap of 224.646. Unser's lap was 30th fastest Wednesday.

"Buddy shook down my car and I runned 220 (mph) in the last 20 minutes of practice," Unser said. "The car had a slight push, but the crew will just keep working on it. The car will come around."

Tony Stewart recorded the fastest speed of Wednesday of 223.683 mph. Greg Ray, fastest for the first three days of practice, was second at 226.085 mph with two-time Indianapolis 500 winner Arie Luyendyk running third at 225.096.

Practice continues through Friday, with qualifications slated for Saturday and Sunday.

The race goes off May 30.

Cincinnati wallops Colorado 24-12

DENVER (AP) — Jeffrey Hammonds had his first career three-point game and Sean Casey added two homers and a career-high six RBIs as the Cincinnati Reds beat the Colorado Rockies 24-12 Wednesday to complete a three-game sweep.

The outburst was Cincinnati's biggest since scoring a team-record 26 runs against the Boston Braves on June 4, 1911.

Steve Farris (2-0) pitched 3 1/3 innings in relief of Denny Neagle, who didn't make it out of the second.

Giants 8, D'backs 3
SAN FRANCISCO — Luis Gonzalez went 0-for-4 with three strikeouts, ending his hitting streak at 30 games, and San Francisco moved back into a tie atop the NL West with Arizona.

Jeff Keiser hit a tie-breaking homer leading off the sixth off Andy Benes (2-5) and Rich Aurilia added a two-run shot two batters later as the Giants avoided getting swept by Arizona in the three-game series.

Gonzalez, who had the longest hitting streak in the NL since Jerome Walton of the Chicago Cubs also hit in 30 games in 1989, became the 12th player to have a hitting streak end at 30 games. Only 23 players have had hitting streaks, including Ty Cobb and George Sisler who each did it twice.

Kirk Rueter (3-2) allowed three runs and six hits in seven innings for the Giants.

Braves 7, Pirates 3
ATLANTA — Brian Jordan hit a sixth-inning grand slam off a tir-

ing Francisco Cordora (0-2) as Atlanta swept the three-game series.

Tom Glavine (3-1) allowed three runs and five hits in six innings for the Braves, who won their fourth in a row.

Expos 10, Phillies 9
MONTREAL — Rondell White drove in the winning run with a sacrifice fly as the Montreal Expos scored four runs in the ninth off Philadelphia closer Jeff Brantley to beat the Phillies 10-9 Wednesday night.

Steve Kline (1-1), who struck out one, allowed one hit in two innings of relief for the win.

Cubs 8, Marlins 7
MIAMI — Henry Rodriguez hit a two-run home run in the ninth

inning; his second homer of the game, to spoil John Boles' surprise return as Marlins manager and gave the Chicago Cubs an 8-7 win over Florida on Wednesday night.

The Cubs blew a 5-0 lead before rallying in the ninth off Marlins closer Matt Mantel (0-1) to hand Florida its ten-record 11th straight loss at home.

Rodney Myers (3-1) pitched a hitless eighth inning for the victory. Terry Adams struck out the side in the ninth for his first save.

Brewers at Mets, ppd., — the game between the Milwaukee Brewers and New York Mets was postponed by rain Wednesday and will be made up as part of a doubleheader today.

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Spicing up: Burley mayor hopes sprucing up land around a little caboose that sits idle off U.S. Highway 30 will inspire other residents. Page C3

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AROUND THE VALLEY

World Trade Day to include workshops

BOISE - The Idaho District Export-Council will hold its annual World Trade Day Friday in the Student Union Building at Boise State University.
John Mitchell, Western region economist for U.S. Bancorp, will be the keynote speaker. Mitchell writes "U.S. Territory," an annual regional economic overview, and "The Bank's Economic Update," a monthly in-house newsletter.
Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., and workshops start at 9 a.m. Participants may register for the workshops and luncheon or just for the luncheon and Mitchell's talk.
A shotgun golf tournament is set for 1 p.m. on Friday at the Quail Hollow Golf Course.
For more information or to register for the luncheon or a workshop, call Dean Olsen at (208) 338-0555 or Bill Bach at (208) 472-4700; for the golf tournament, call Olsen.
World Trade Day provides a forum for both small and large businesses to investigate opportunities within the export market, and learn about ways to increase and expand international business through international markets. Seminars, workshops and trade show booths are part of the event.
The IDEC sponsors four \$500 scholarships each year. To be eligible to apply, a student must have graduated from an Idaho high school or be majoring in international business at an Idaho university or college.
A District Export Council is a group of international business people appointed by the secretary of commerce to provide leadership and guidance to the international business community. Its functions as a council to the U.S. Department of Commerce. DECs encourage and support individual companies in international trade efforts, export expansion activities and opportunities to promote greater export activity. Programs include counseling local businesses, creating greater export awareness, identifying issues that impact export trade and building local export assistance partnerships.

New manager named at INEEL

By N.S. Nokkentved, Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The federal Energy Department has named a former Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory employee as the site's new manager.
Energy Secretary Bill Richardson Wednesday named Beverly Cook to replace John Wilczynski as manager of the department's Idaho Operations Office. Wilczynski left the INEEL in February to become director of field management at Energy Department headquarters in Washington, D.C.
"With an impressive background in managing facilities and research and development programs within the department and as a DOE contractor, and her experience as a staff member with the

New boss will take over operations June 1

Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, Beverly Cook will bring a broad perspective to the management of this important field office," Richardson said in a prepared statement issued late Wednesday afternoon.
Cook will take over the reins of INEEL June 1.
"My priorities are fulfilling DOE's promises to the state of Idaho, while also growing the scientific capabilities of the laboratory," she said.
She has been with the department since 1991 in a variety of management roles.
From 1975 to 1989 she worked in nuclear reactor design and accident research for EG&G Idaho, a major contractor at the INEEL before Lockheed Martin Idaho Technologies Co. took over the site in 1994.
Since leaving EG&G, Cook has worked with the department's Office of Nuclear Energy, which was responsible for the fabrication, quality assurance and safety of the nuclear-powered, thermoelectric generators used by NASA on the Cassini mission to Saturn, launched in October 1997.
She has 20 years of management experience and a bachelor's degree in metallurgical engineering from the University of Washington. And she's looking forward to returning to Idaho.
"All of my toys remain in Idaho," she said, "and I'm looking forward to being

reunited with my kids."
Acting manager Warren Bergholz will remain in his former position as deputy manager.
"I'm very excited about her appointment and I believe she and I will make a great team," Bergholz said.
Sen. Mike Crapo said he was glad Richardson had picked someone with management experience and experience at INEEL.
"Her familiarity with the site and its operations from her 14-year tenure is a significant benefit," he said in a prepared statement.
Information on Cook's salary was not available Wednesday.

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GUBERNATORIAL VISIT



Gov. Dirk Kempthorne reacts when a Department of Health and Welfare employee asks him his e-mail address.

Technology advances at Jerome HS

By Theresa Jacoby Times-News writer

JEROME - The technical facility at Jerome High School will be updated this summer.
The district plans to remodel the facility to get ready for the Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition program, said Chris Gibson, director of the district's technology and federal programs.
When the project is completed, the technical facility will include two main-computer labs, a network lab and a student commons area, said Terry Gibson, a technology instructor at the high school. He said the facility will house 70 to 75 computers.
Gibson said ARTEC will also provide a video link that will allow students to communicate between the Jerome School District and outlying rural schools. The remodeling project includes a new wall, upgrading the electrical system and restrooms, and the purchase of some furniture, said Mike Gibson, the district's business manager. He said the heating and cooling system will also need to be upgraded.
The project will be funded by a \$178,000 grant from ARTEC and \$35,000 that was budgeted by the district, Mike Gibson said.
Renovations are expected to begin sometime next month.

Times-News writer Theresa Jacoby can be reached at 733-0931, ext. 255.

County office closed for maintenance

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls County Department of Motor Vehicles building will be closed today for maintenance.
This affects new licenses, drivers' licenses, veterans and commuters' licenses. The county's Bull office, at 201 Broadway, will be open regular hours.
Compiled from staff reports

Valley residents donate hair

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley residents donated one year's growth of hair to create three customized wigs for children who have lost their hair without hope of it growing back.
Twin Falls High School students Logan Hillman and Jessica Williams began the collection drive in March. The hair will be sent Ritzy to Locks of Love, a nonprofit organization in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., that provides hair prostheses for children. The organization's expensive wigs - that can start at \$3,000 - fit so well, children can swim or do cartwheels without worrying about the wigs falling off.
"We have a good community response - from all over Magic Valley," said Connie Jones, a teacher assisting with the drive.
Donations have been received from people who were donating to get their hair cut, she said. But other donors decided to donate after they learned about Locks of Love. One woman dying of cancer said that her grandchildren were cutting their hair to give as donations in her honor, Jones said.
Donations will continue to be accepted at the high school this year and next year. Call Jones at 733-6551, Ext. 23055, for more information.
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Kempthorne stops by H&W office

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Gov. Dirk Kempthorne praised Idaho's Health and Welfare caseworkers Wednesday and told employees of the Division of Environmental Quality he would continue to push for that agency to be its own department.
"For a couple of hours between a meeting in Jackson Hole, Wyo., to discuss Yellowstone Park's brucellosis problems and a television appearance, Kempthorne stopped by the Twin Falls Health and Welfare office to tour the building and talk to employees.
"You're making a difference," he told a room full of state



"It's not that I don't know how to do it - it's just that they don't let me stay in the office long enough."

- Gov. Dirk Kempthorne on his e-mail capabilities

Health and Welfare workers. Kempthorne talked about child abuse, and about bringing Health and Welfare and the Department of Juvenile Corrections together to find ways to seal the cracks between them where children sometimes fall.

He said he always wants to hear stories about Idaho youth and families that can help him show the state needs change.
"I believe we need to attack the problems head-on," he said.
But when asked his e-mail address so they could send some tales, the governor was stumped.

"It's not that I don't know how to do it," he said, red-faced and laughing. "It's just that they don't let me stay in the office long enough."
Kempthorne also spoke with some DEO personnel. He and DEQ Director Steve Allred talked about the need to make the division a full department, and about legislation being drafted to join management of water quality and water quantity.
The two need to be planned together, Allred said, and he guaranteed any bill would make it clear that the administration of water quality would not deprive any owner of a water right of that water.

Y2K workshop aids small business owners

By Correen Hart Times-News correspondent

BURLEY - The Y2K bug may not bite businesses that are ready to sweat it, said Diane Griffiths, a system network analyst for the University of Idaho.
Griffiths presented a Y2K workshop Wednesday for owners of small businesses at the Cooperative Extension office in the Cassia County Courthouse.
"There will be problems, but proper preparation should take care of most if not all of them," Griffiths said.
"They (the problems) have already started," she said. "Two years ago we started having credit cards issued with an expiration date in the year 2000 and store scanners were not programmed to deal with them."
She said small businesses are more vulnerable to Y2K, than large and midsize businesses because consultants and programmers target businesses with larger financial resources. That leaves small businesses without technical help. In addition, smaller businesses are



more likely to avoid dealing with the problem because they may lack the manpower or money. According to the National Federation of Independent Business, 82 percent of all small businesses are vulnerable based on the number, age and uses of their computers, she said.
Besides hearing about all the potential problems they could face, business owners also learned about solutions. They took home software to help them assess their businesses' Y2K compliance.
Griffiths also talked about a new law signed by President Bill Clinton on April 2 called the "Small Business Year Readiness Act." It provides loans for small businesses that need to update their computers and systems in order to continue operating past Y2K.
Ron Osterhout, who operates an accounting

firm in Burley, said he enjoyed the seminar.
"I got some great help in managing the (compliance) process and in bringing it on through the correction process," he said.
Peggy Ohlberg attended the workshop so she could help her daughter, who owns an Ashley Avery's Collectables in the Town Square Mall in Boise.
"Ohlberg said she doesn't plan to panic, but she could help her daughter, who owns a supply of food ready when the calendar hits Jan. 1, 2000. She also wants to be sure her daughter's store continues to operate, she said.
There will be an identical workshop presented in Twin Falls on Wednesday, with more scheduled around Idaho through June. The workshops are sponsored by the Idaho Department of Labor, the Idaho Small Business Development Center, the Small Business Administration, TechHelp Boise, the University of Idaho, the Idaho State Cooperative Extension System and the Idaho Department of Labor.

Boy pleads guilty to gun possession

The Times-News

JEROME - One of four boys charged with carrying guns at Jerome High School plead guilty at a pretrial hearing on Wednesday.
Curtis Lemons, 14, plead guilty to one count of possession of a firearm on school property, according to court documents.
Lemons is scheduled for sentencing at 9:45 a.m. June 9.
Micha Wegner, 15, also appeared before the court at a pretrial hearing on Wednesday.
Magistrate Judge John Varin said after an assessment of danger is completed, his defense attorney may request a court hearing to consider releasing Wegner from the Snake River Detention facility.
Wegner was charged May 4 with one count of possession of a weapon by a minor and two counts of carrying a weapon or firearm on school property, according to court documents.
Wegner's trial is scheduled at 10 a.m. June 16.
The other two boys charged with one count of possession of a weapon by a minor and one count of carrying a weapon or firearm on school property, according to court documents, filed a plea and were also scheduled to go to trial at 10 a.m. June 16. The Jerome School Board would decide by a 2/3 vote on the district's non-prosecution plan. The district's non-prosecution plan would require a court hearing to consider releasing Wegner from the Snake River Detention facility.

It's time for a caboose make over

By John T. Hudny
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Mayor Doug Manning hopes sprucing up land surrounding a little caboose that sits off U.S. Highway-30 will inspire other residents.

"We expect merchants and residents to clean up their businesses and lots cleaned up and weed-free," Manning said. "We're not going to allow our town to fall into disrepair."

The area around the caboose was plagued by weeds and dead areas. That area soon will be the site of a botanical garden, Manning said.

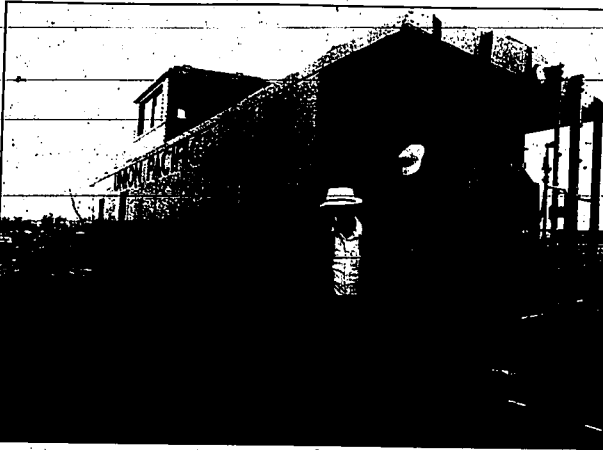
The city officials will keep the "Urban Pacific relic" area.

In January, after the city received more than 100 letters and phone calls from people interested in taking the caboose, the city had planned to give it away.

Dale Whipple, president of the Oregon Trail Botanical Garden Foundation, said the garden should set an example for other residents.

Foundation members will plant the garden and the city will help maintain it, Whipple said.

"We're going to do the best we



Dale Whipple and Al Thornton of the Oregon Trail Botanical Garden Foundation check out the old caboose. The foundation plans to create a botanical garden around the stored relic.

can to make the garden and the caboose look nice," he said. "We're happy the city is working with us very closely."

Whipple said the city promised to install water lines for a sprinkler system around the caboose in four to six weeks. Once the water lines are hooked up, planting can begin.

The garden will not be finished for at least another year.

Whipple said, "It doesn't grow overnight," he said. "It takes time. It's a long process to get going."

Whipple said the garden's future still looks bright. "The garden will start out small," he said. "But we'll just let nature take its course."

storage facility for the National Guard armory, said Dennis Peterson, director of the Burley Parks and Recreation Department.

Manning said the caboose could be used as an office for the Oregon Trail Recreation District.

Times-News staff writer John T. Hudny can be reached in Burley at 677-0442.

Cassia construction project stays ahead of budget

By David Lee
Times-News writer

BURLEY - After three years, three new high schools, several new additions and buildings and \$27 million, the Cassia County school district's latest project stayed ahead of its binding budget by \$424.

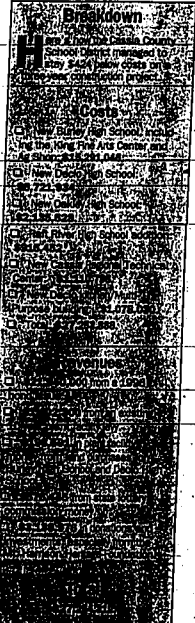
"That's what we tried to accomplish," said Jim Pehrson, the district's finance director. "It all began in 1996, when county voters passed a \$21 million bond issue to help build new high schools in Burley, Declo and Oakley, and make additions to Declo Junior High School and Burley High School. The bond issue also helped pay for the new Cassia Regional Technical Center and the King Fine Arts Center in the Burley High School. Money from several other sources will help with the project, which is mostly completed."

Pehrson said district officials had watched the construction budget throughout, to make sure it never went over, so he had been "hoping and expecting" the numbers would check out.

"We were keeping good pace and made decisions based on available money," he said. "I'm glad we did it all along."

The extra \$424 still needs to go toward new buildings and construction, so it likely will be used to pay for speed bumps on Burley High School driveway, Pehrson said. The district has a budget for maintenance and building upkeep.

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Breakdown
The school district managed to stay under budget by \$424.

Cassia school district may have to pay state for wrong allocations

By David Lee
Times-News writer
And the Associated Press

BURLEY - The Cassia County School District is one of four in Idaho that could have to pay back money it mistakenly was given by the Department of Education.

The mistake comes from state allocations that resulted in excessive state aid.

Acting Superintendent Jerry Doggett said he hopes the mistake, only just laid out in the future rather than retroactively, but he said he has heard about the problem three weeks ago, has asked the department to send him a letter detailing its decisions. As of Wednesday he had not received it.

"I have no problem with the future as far as the rules are concerned, but to take money from our budget?" he said. "I was their error, not ours."

The problem involves school buildings that are closer together within the district than are permitted under the state aid allocation formula. Secondary schools must be 15 miles apart and elementary schools 10 miles apart to receive funds.

Albion Elementary School, which has been getting state aid since 1961, is 9.2

miles from Declo Elementary School. Declo Elementary School had not been getting the aid because it is less than 10 miles from the district's central office in Burley, Doggett said.

Albion Elementary School received \$70,000 in aid last year, Doggett said, adding that he heard districts may be penalized only for the last three years, so this means the district may have to pay about \$200,000.

"That was to happen," Doggett said. "The district may lose a teacher at the Albion school, with some students switching to the Declo school."

Doggett said he did not know how much the district would have to pay if it

had to go all the way back to 1961. He said he still hopes the district will not be penalized at all.

"That's certainly what we would press for," he said.

The other affected districts are in Grangeville, Orofino and Whitepine. "We didn't expect any of this, and for them to do this now isn't right," said Grangeville District Superintendent Wayne Davis.

"It's not just loss of dollars, but it's basically the loss of teachers that go with the money."

Education Department spokeswoman Allison Westfall said a review of the allocations was prompted when the problem

was discovered for the Whitepine School District and Deary high schools earlier this year.

"We decided it would be wise to take a look and see if there are any other situations like this," Westfall said.

The Grangeville district is facing the loss of \$308,000 from this year's appropriation plus the prospect of having to pay back \$1.2 million from previous overpayments. The Orofino district will be cut \$250,000 and face repayment of possibly \$1 million.

Whitepine could lose \$204,000 this coming year and have to repay over \$600,000, Superintendent Harold Orr said.

Veterans object to restrictions

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - Veterans groups have lent their voices to those of other critics of the city council's new restrictions on parades following last year's Army-Nations march.

More than a dozen veterans groups maintain their service is being denigrated by the prohibition on weapons within 1,000 feet of a parade except in the hands of police, active military, military reservists or guardsmen.

Rick Seward, chairman of the Kootenai County Veterans Council, said the prohibition will deny veteran group color guards that include two riflemen accompanying flag bearers in what he sees as a slap in the face of men who served the nation.

The city, which is defending the new restrictions against

charges of unconstitutionality, replied that if veterans were allowed to be armed, everyone would have that right, Seward said.

"Most of us have combat experience and respect weapons," Seward countered, calling the right to march with their weapons "a matter of national pride."

Coeur d'Alene City Council President Nancy Sue Wallace acknowledges the veterans' concern but maintains the issue is difficult to resolve.

"If we let nonactive military, military reserve or National Guard have weapons, then we have to let anyone in any parade carry weapons," Wallace said. She also expressed confidence that what she called a narrowly tailored ordinance would withstand court challenges.

Dry conditions, winds portend bad fire season

By Jim Clarke
Associated Press Writer

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) - A fast-moving wildfire pushed by a stiff breeze threatened dozens of homes near Palmer before firefighters began to get the upper hand early Wednesday.

But even as this week's fire battles appeared headed for successful conclusion, Alaska fire managers were warning that 1999 could be a busy year for wildland blazes.

"It's not just that Southcentral Alaska has been dry, said John See, the state's fire manager for the region.

What's really got See and others worried is the thousands of acres of dead spruce trees on the Kenai Peninsula and Southcentral Alaska, the state's most populous region.

Dead trees provide more fuel, and they also make way for more grass. The trees have been killed by the spruce bark beetle, an ambitious, persistent pest that has been moving steadily north in the state for at least a decade.

See said state fire officials fear more grass fires this year because of the dead spruce.

As the trees die, grass takes over the area.

The change can be dramatic, See said. Research so far indicates areas once full of spruce typically have just 5 percent of the area covered with grass. Once the trees die,

that can go up to more than 50 percent.

That's trouble for firefighters because grass fires burn faster and six times hotter, he said.

The Palmer fire was expected to be completely contained by the end of the day, a spokesman with the Alaska Division of Forestry said Wednesday.

That fire started dry earlier, but it's not yet clear how it was whipped along by 30 mph wind gusts before firefighters could get between it and a subdivision.

Other families were briefly evacuated before police and fire officials felt the homes no longer were threatened.

By late Wednesday, the fire had charred about 120 acres, and 85 firefighters were strengthening fire breaks around it.

Firefighters used helicopters to drop water on the blaze's advancing front while they dug fire breaks along its flanks, said forestry spokesman Wren Menefee. The fires spread quickly, but calmer winds, higher humidity and cooler temperatures have helped firefighters get the upper hand.

Elsewhere in the region, fire officials suspended open burning and a ban on campfires, heightening alert because of the dry, windy conditions.

Grand Targhee approved for lift

ALTA, Wyo. (AP) - Over the objection of conservationists, some of the new owners say, they dropped opposition to the lift at that time because the resort promised not to privatize any federal land at the resort's base.

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Event to honor Native American traditions

HAAGERMAN - "A Day with Native American Idaho" will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Malad Gorge State Park picnic area.

The event will provide insight into the Native American tribes that inhabit Idaho by highlighting the stories, songs, dances and drumming of each tribe.

Shoshone-Bannock and Shoshone-Paiute tribes will share their traditions and crafts.

This will be a wonderful way to celebrate the beginning of summer and learn about the first Idahoans while enjoying the scenery of Malad Gorge, a park release said. Malad Gorge is located off I-84 at exit 147. The event is free.

Boy pleads guilty to handling gun on middle school grounds

The Times-News

JEROME - One of four boys charged with carrying guns at Jerome Middle School pled guilty at a pretrial hearing on Wednesday.

Kevin Lemons, 14, pled guilty to one count of possession of a weapon by a minor and one count of carrying a weapon or a firearm on school property, according to court documents.

Lemons is scheduled for sentencing at 9:45 a.m. June 9.

Steven Wagner, 15, also appeared before the court at a pretrial hearing on Wednesday.

Magistrate John Varin said at the assessment of Wagner is completed, his defense attorney may request a court hearing to consider releasing Wagner from the Snake River Detention Facility.

Wegner was charged May 4 with one count of possession of a weapon by a minor and two counts of carrying a weapon or firearm on school property, according to court documents.

Wegner's trial is scheduled at 1:30 p.m. June 16.

Steven Fields, 13, and Jason Mead, 13, are each charged with one count of possession of a weapon by a minor and one count of carrying a weapon or a firearm on school property, according to court documents.

Fields and Mead are also scheduled to go to trial at 1:30 p.m. June 16.

The Jerome School Board voted Tuesday to adhere to the district's zero-tolerance weapons policy and suspended Fields, Mead and Wegner for one year. The board decided to extend Lemons' suspension for no more than 45 days.

Crapo introduces bill to bring environmental projects to lab

IDAHO FALLS (AP) - U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo wants to increase financial support for environmental projects at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

The Idaho Republican introduced the Environmental Stewardship and Natural Resources Act in the Senate this week. It would make the INEEL laboratory a leading center for developing technology to protect the land and resources surrounding government installations across the country.

It also creates the Natural Resources Institute at the Idaho laboratory to bring together scientists, scholars and others in the field of natural resources management to study complex resource issues.

But Crapo's bill does not ask for money to underwrite either program. If enacted, it will be up to the Energy Department to decide how much cash to allocate toward the effort.

Part of the financing for the Natural Resources Institute would come from private organizations or public utilities or government agencies that would contract with the institute to conduct

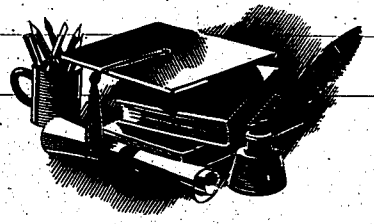
Land management at department facilities like the 890-square-mile INEEL took a back seat during the height of the Cold War when the focus was on nuclear research, Crapo said.

"Protection of the ecosystems and natural resources on which our nuclear arsenal was built, did not rate high as a priority in the agency's planning," he said.

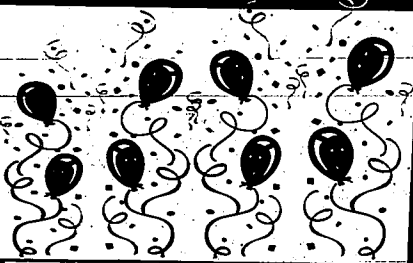
The creation of the Natural Resource Institute would allow universities, government agencies and the private sector to take advantage of geographic and satellite-imagery technology available at the Idaho facility for solving environmental problems.

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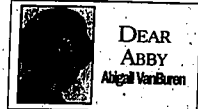
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Sick leave policy punishes all workers

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From left, Isach Bankole, Robert Diggs, Forest Whitaker and Jim Jarmusch get together at the Cannes Film Festival in Cannes, France. Jarmusch is earning praise for his film 'Ghost Dog: The Way of the Samurai' at the highly-acclaimed festival.

Two U.S. directors liven up the action at the Cannes Film Festival

By Jocelyn Noveck The Associated Press

CANNES, France — After a sluggish start to the Cannes Film Festival, American directors Tim Robbins and Jim Jarmusch have spiced up the proceedings with two highly praised works that play up their particular — and very different — skills.

Neither man is a stranger to Cannes. Robbins won an actor in 1992 for Robert Altman's "The Player," and also presented his own film, "Bob Roberts," here.

Now he's back directing an ambitious, "mostly true" period drama about Depression-era New York and a theater world threatened by anti-communist censorship.

"The Iceman" climaxes with the true story of the evening in 1935 when a theater troupe tried to open a polemical musical by Marxist playwright Marc Blitzstein. Earlier that day, amid congressional hearings into communist activity, authorities had shut the theater down.

The troupe marched through Manhattan with the public in tow — and the actors, forbidden by their unions from performing, bravely stood up from the audience, one by one, to play their roles.

Robbins' film is a mostly successful rendering of a time many young moviegoers know little about, featuring a star-studded cast: Susan Sarandon, Vanessa Redgrave, John Turturro and Joan Cusack, Bill Murray, Emily Watson, Angus MacFadyen and Hank Azaria.

"They're gentlemen to me, but they've also killed people."

— Jim Jarmusch, describing characters from his movie 'Ghost Dog: The Way of the Samurai'

Most of the characters are real, some more successfully rendered than others. MacFadyen looks like the young Orson Welles but falls short of an authentic portrayal, and Sarandon does not quite convince as an Italian mistress of Benito Mussolini.

Cusack, though, shines as an actor in Welles' company. John Cusack is funny as young Nelson Rockefeller, and Murray is terrific as an anti-communist ventriloquist. Though the film gets a big ovation from the international audience at its premiere, the French press was decidedly lukewarm, calling it "without finesse" and heavy-handed.

They surely won't be saying that about Jarmusch's film, "Ghost Dog: The Way of the Samurai," a brilliantly clever take on the dying world of the Mafia and the ancient world of the samurai.

"Ghost Dog is a tranquil-spirited contract killer, played with appropriate serenity by Forest Whitaker. He lives with a flock of birds on the roof of an abandoned, building and communi-

cates with his Mafia employers by carrier pigeon. He lives by a strict, ancient code — the Way of the Samurai.

Jarmusch weaves real passages of an ancient samurai text into the film, which has a wistful undertone: Both words, it says, are ill-equipped for modern times. "We're like two ancient tribes," Ghost Dog tells his Mafia boss at one point, "both almost extinct."

But the strength of the film is that it is wickedly funny, especially in its portrayal of the aging mobsters — men who can't get up the stairs on their way to a rebuttal without huffing and puffing. In one standout scene, the mobsters joke about the ridiculous names of rap singers and Indian chiefs. Then we learn their own names: Sammy the Snake, Handsome Frank and the like.

Jarmusch, who's won two awards at Cannes, says he built these characters from his experience living in New York's Little Italy, where he witnessed the death of the old Mafia order.

In fact, he says, some of his actors came from that world. "They're gentlemen to me, but they've also killed people," he says.

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Sale Time: 11:00 am LUNCH with Kathy

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Buhl schools hear about math program

By Mary Lou Potts
Times-News correspondent

BUHL — The Buhl School Board heard a presentation Tuesday from teachers who attended the National Math Conference in San Francisco, Calif. earlier this month.

The elementary school teachers displayed some of the learning tools they will use to get their students interested in mathematics. They also reported that the math curriculum in Buhl schools is up to date.

In other action Tuesday, Maintenance Supervisor Larry Finstad outlined a summer schedule of repair projects. Repairs include work on the district's ven-

tilation, heating and sprinkler systems, curbing the high school and replacing the bleachers at Buhl Middle School.

The district also plans to post "no trespassing" signs at Bower's Field to prevent vandalism. The public will have to get permission from the district before using the field. The district also plans to install video surveillance cameras in parking areas and main hallways. Finstad also reported that Dave Saks, a field representative with the Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition, recently toured the city's armory building which is being considered as a site for an automotive training center. The district will ask the City Council for permis-

sion to use the building at the June 14 council meeting.

Other School Board business:

- Buhl Elementary School Principal Helen Brow said the school plans to "loop" teachers with students to allow for a smooth transition to the next grade level.
- The district has scheduled crisis emergency planning Sept. 22 and school improvement planning Oct. 27 and Feb. 2.
- The board approved the hiring of Pauline Klahre as a special education teacher at Buhl Middle School.

Times-News correspondent Mary Lou Potts can be reached in Buhl at 543-8854.

Tribe holds hope for Internet lottery

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Despite federal opposition and a bill pending in Congress that would block such computer gambling, the Coeur d'Alene Tribe insists it is prepared to resume the nation's first Internet lottery.

The tribe started its U.S. Lottery operation in 1997, but suspended ticket sales last December after a federal court ruling that long-distance telephone carriers could not provide service for such games.

Marjorie Zarate, the tribe's lottery director, said the game could be back on line by the end of the year as the Coeur d'Alenes seek to be exempted from legislation targeting Internet gambling.

A Senate subcommittee last week cleared a bill that would make it clear the federal law against gambling via telephone wires applies to the Internet.

Under the proposal, businesses offering gambling over the Internet would be fined and their owners could be imprisoned up to four years.

Unlike a similar measure that passed the Senate but not the House last year, the legislation sponsored by Arizona Republican Sen. Jon Kyl would not impose penalties on individual bettors.

Zarate said that because the Coeur d'Alene Tribe launched its U.S. Lottery before the bill was introduced, "we want to be grandfathered in and elude the legislation."

Tribal officials also have argued that their Internet lottery is protected by the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988.

Rep. Bill Gooden, D-Ill., said he introduced the bill because he thought the Coeur d'Alene Tribe was gambling when he was in the

U.S. Senate. But spokesman Brian Whitlock said it was unclear how that opposition would apply now that Kempthorne is governor.

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County to seek domestic partner coverage

MOSCOW (AP) — Latah County commissioners will seek bids from health-care providers willing to insure same-sex couples in light of a request from an employee seeking coverage for her domestic partner.

If such coverage ultimately is authorized, Latah County would be the first government entity in Idaho to offer health benefits to gay couples.

The issue resulted in a heated debate Tuesday night between Commissioner Sam Duncan and resident Sherwood Hall, who cautioned officials about the moral message such a change might send.

"Shack-ups? Sodomy? Is that

what we're encouraging in Latah County?" Hall asked.

Duncan argued that the issue is health care, not what people do or believe.

"What other groups would you have us exclude?" he asked Hall. "Blacks? Jews?"

Coverage for same-sex couples is among possible changes in the county's health-care benefits being considered by commissioners. The domestic partners request came from auditor's office employee Sancy Chapman, 33, who wants her partner of seven years, Amy Wilson, 36, to be eligible for coverage.

Qualified, the county's current medical insurance provider, has

said it would extend health benefits to cover domestic partners for a 1-percent increase in premiums. That would cost the county about \$4200 extra annually.

The county's existing Qualified contract recognizes only employees, their spouses and children for health coverage.

Spouses are defined as part of a legal union between two people of the opposite sex, according to state law.

Lynn Cameron, the county's insurance broker, said Group Health is the only other provider operating in Idaho that offers coverage for domestic partners, said Lynn Cameron, the county's insurance broker.

Group proposes alternative plan

NAMPA (AP) — A group of southwestern Idaho businesses has formed a nonprofit organization to promote tourism on the heels of a similar effort announced by local chambers last week.

In the earlier plan, the Meridian, Nampa and Caldwell chambers of commerce proposed opening a tourism-promotion office underwritten by a hotel-motel occupancy tax.

This week, the Associated Innkeepers of Idaho established Canyon-West Ada Convention and Visitors Bureau to operate on funds from other sources, primarily grants. The group's members oppose additional hotel-motel room occupancy taxes as the chambers have proposed and that are used to finance tourism promotion in Boise.

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Patrons reject funding proposal again

TROY (AP) — Whitepine School District patrons failed to meet the required 55-percent support to approve a \$244,500 tax levy for electrical, fire-escape and flood-control improvements at 84-year-old Troy High School.

"People are not really looking to spend money in a school that might not be there in a few years," Whitepine School Board trustee Richard Ayers said Wednesday.

The plant-facilities levy supported by 51.1 percent of voters on Tuesday also would have financed a new floor in the multi-purpose room at Bovill Elementary School and a covered walkway and drainage system repairs at Deary School.

"This just means we can't fix the immediate problem that we have," Whitepine School Board Chairman Pat Nunan said. "It's always harder when it's a close one."

Voters did approve a \$1.1 supplemental levy for school operations and a \$30,000 levy for bus replacement.

And they approved a \$36,000 study on splitting the district, making one from Troy and another from Deary, Elk River and Bovill.

The measure received 61.7 percent support, even though voters in Bovill narrowly rejected the idea and Elk River patrons overwhelmingly voted no.

"I think this says people want

their own school," Ott said.

Less than a year ago, voters rejected a \$7.2 million bond issue that would have combined the Troy and Deary high schools and closed Bovill Elementary.

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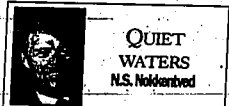
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The Times-News

Thursday, May 20, 1999

Close scrape with a great horned owl

Getting in touch with nature can be painful at times.
Not long ago, I pulled off the road between Carey and Richfield to stretch my legs. I spotted a great horned owl, so I grabbed my binoculars for a closer look. That's when I spotted a second owl, sitting on a nest.
I wondered if any owlets were in the nest. It was more than simply wondering. I was dying to know.
The second owl left the nest and, sure enough, I saw two or three little woolly heads jutting from the tangle of twigs that formed the nest.
The sight was simply irresistible. I loaded some film in my camera, but I didn't have my long lens. To compensate, I tried to worm my way as close to the nest as possible.



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The adult owls didn't approve of my stalking their nest. I heard a whole new range of noises that I didn't know owls could make - clicks and hisses, and a bark that sounded like a small dog. All were meant, I am sure, to drive me away.

I had often watched these great birds with fascination, but rarely had I been so close. When I finally got near the nest, I could have touched it from the ground.

I was wary of the big birds of prey, especially because adults range from 18 inches to two feet tall, with powerful muscles and wicked talons. They make a respectable adversary for a human armed with nothing more than a camera.

Great horned owls - *Bubo virginianus* - typically nest in another bird's abandoned nest, or a hollow tree or cliff. Females lay two or three eggs in a clutch. They are the biggest owl in southern Idaho, and their distinctive ear-ruffs and piercing yellow eyes are unmistakable. They eat small animals such as gophers, lizards, rabbits, even-skunks and the occasional grouse.

I knew better than to disturb nesting wildlife, but I couldn't beat back the breathy gasp of curiosity.
Keeping an eye on both birds wasn't easy, and at some point I knew I'd have to stand up and reveal myself to get a good picture. I tried to stay close to the bole of the large willow, but the two adults prowled the air, hooting and barking as they flew.

I stood up and clicked off several pictures. I was still in a crouch, about 50 yards behind me, and I could see the other in a rear head of me. Not satisfied with the shots I'd gotten, I stood up again - this time scratching on my hip, completely clear of the owl's reach.

When I was alone, I heard something unheard, feathery and hard as the same time hit me on the back of the head. It didn't hurt, much, but it startled me and nearly bowled me over.

One of the owls had seen the opening and seized its opportunity. It made no sound as it swooped down behind me. But I got the message loud and clear, so I clambered through the scrub and took refuge in my truck.

I felt the back of my head, and my finger tips came away bloody. I put a paper towel on the wound to stem the flow. I started the truck, turned around and got back on the road, with my left hand holding the paper towel.

It was only a couple of scratches. The bleeding quickly was freed.

My head stung for a while and the scratches hurt for a few days, but the experience will live forever in my mind's eye. I learned a valuable lesson about getting too close to wildlife with young.

Here's the lesson: Adults don't think they own any safety when protecting their young. They will do whatever it takes to drive intruders away.

I also realized that I was lucky. I was hit hard, seriously, but I could have been killed. Since that incident, I have stopped at the same spot to see how the owlets are doing. It's a great place to visit and I plan to stop again and again, hoping to catch another glimpse of these magnificent birds.

Next time, however, I will bring a long lens and keep my distance.

Like most people who live in the West, Times-News writer N.S. Nokerbed should know better than to argue with wild animals and their young.

Nimble and elusive creatures survive in the roughest country

By Stu Murrell
Times-News correspondent

Prowling mountain peaks with uncanny ease, bighorn sheep are among the most magnificent big-game animals of North America.

In late November and December, when the rut is in full swing, ardent males literally butt heads to win the favor of females. The distinctive crooked-curling horns is one of the most thrilling sounds in the high country.

The original range of bighorn sheep in the United States extended westward from the Dakotas to Texas, stretching clear to the West Coast in suitable habitat. Never as numerous as deer, elk or antelope, bighorns were relentlessly pursued by marker hunters who prized their delicious meat. Trophy hunters were drawn by their majestic horns.

Many herds were wiped out by the introduction of domestic sheep, which carried diseases and parasites that spread quickly in wild sheep.

Two types of bighorn sheep flourished in Idaho. The Rocky Mountain bighorn lived along the Salmon River in north Idaho, while the California bighorn (considered a subspecies of the Rocky Mountain) ranged along southern Idaho's Snake River and its tributaries, including the Brunson, Jarbridge and Owyhee rivers.

A good rule of thumb holds that Rocky Mountain bighorn live north of Interstate 84 and California bighorns live south of the freeway. California bighorns were reintroduced to southern Idaho in the 1960s from British Columbia.



A handsome devil, no? This Rocky Mountain bighorn was spotted along the Salmon River.

Several groups of California bighorns have been trapped in the Owyhee drainage and transplanted to Cottonwood Creek, near Oakley. Others can be spotted from Rock Creek Road, not far from Third Fork.

Though their numbers are increasing, life hasn't always been so good for Idaho's bighorn sheep.
The last of the California bighorns was shot near IDEX Peak (south of Oakley) in the early 1900s, according to historical records. The Rocky Mountain sheep were driven into the most remote and inaccessible ter-

rain, and their numbers were estimated at less than 200 in the early 1900s.

Protection from hunters, coupled with an active trapping and transplanting program, has allowed Idaho's bighorn population to climb to about 5,000 animals, said Randy Smith, Jerome-based regional wildlife manager with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

Bighorn sheep are uniquely adapted to survive in difficult terrain. Their hooves have a hard outer ring and a soft, spongy inner pad, which enables them to climb sim-

They also have a unique ability to turn their body in midair. They have been observed jumping from one side of a rock chimney to the other as they climb, making headway up a seemingly sheer cliff.

Their eyesight has been likened to that of a human with eight-power binoculars, which makes vision their main defense against danger. Many a hunter has learned this lesson the hard way.

Adult bighorns are generally brown, with a white rump patch that surrounds a black tail.

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Weather spurs climbers to get vertical

The Associated Press

JACKSON, Wyo. — Clinging precariously to a near-vertical crag close to a hundred feet above the floor of the Snake River Canyon, Mike Santamauro scrutinized the sun-baked rock above him while plotting his next move.

Santamauro had carefully inched his way up a difficult route on Rodeo Wall before stopping at a seemingly impassable three-foot overhang.

After a few tense moments, he confidently reached above the roof, grasped a secure hold and pulled himself up high enough on the rock that he could slip his toe into a tiny nook.

The 35-year-old veteran climber had found a "bucker," a relatively deep crevice wall-scalers on perilous perches are lucky to find.

Although Santamauro had a clear idea of where he was headed and never was in any real danger during the ascent, the pressure he challenged him to concentrate.

He relaxed with a casual smile after finishing the route and returning to the ground.

"It isn't as difficult as it looks," he said in his native Australian accent, reflecting on the tricky move. "It's like doing half a pull-up."

Santamauro is one of hundreds of Jackson Hole rock jocks who climb back to their favorite crags by spring.

Many spider up and down the area's three notable sport-climbing venues in Grand Teton National Park, a Shirden Chad Hoback Shield and Blacktail Butte — while dozens of others make short road trips to Idaho or Lander to indulge their passion for stone swarming.

A day after he enjoyed a wild 400-foot adventure on Prospecter's route in Grand Teton National Park, a Shirden Chad Strand comfortably reclined in a thickly padded Cray Creek cot on the narrow ledge below Rodeo Wall.

As he belayed his friend Dave Nelson, Strand, 26, said he was



Jon Pirtle, bottom, climbs Rodeo Wall's Copenhagen route above the Snake River Canyon last month in Jackson Hole, Wyo. Because of Jackson Hole's unpredictable and often nasty spring weather, many climbers head to lower elevations at this time of year. Two of the more popular destinations are Sinks Canyon State Park outside Lander, Wyo., and the City of Rocks National Reserve near Burley.

ready to put away his boards in favor of ropes and harness.

"Oh, yeah!" he said emphatically. "I did so much this winter it's time."

Over the winter months, dozens of climbers have flocked to the Teton Rock Gym in west Jackson to hone their skills

in preparation for the outdoor climbing season.

The rock gym features 30-foot walls dotted with intermediate to expert routes that have protruding holds and are marked by colored strips of tape.

Climber Sam Focke, 26, said climbing conditions "were cer-

templative" than working out in the gym. "Here (the gym) you know where you have to go, there you have to figure it out," the expert said.

Focke experienced her first adventure on an outdoor crag this spring at Blacktail Butte.

The rock was really cold, and my fingers were numb," she said. "The approach was snowy — that was the hard part."

Blacktail offers the valley's most challenging climbs.

Based on the Yosemite Decimal System, which rates the difficulty of climbing pitches on a scale from 5.0 to 5.14, the two limestone faces are near or beyond vertical with routes rated 5.9 to 5.13.

Under the rating system, rock climbing requiring ropes begins at 5.0 and gets progressively more difficult.

Because of Jackson Hole's unpredictable and often nasty spring weather, many climbers head to lower elevations at this time of year to seek consistently better climbing conditions.

Two of the more popular destinations are Sinks Canyon State Park outside of Lander and the City of Rocks National Reserve near Burley, Idaho.

Sinks Canyon's crags are south-facing, receive little snow and thus offer nearly year-round climbing.

Avid climber Nancy Johnson frequented Sinks several times throughout the winter, enchanted by the variety of routes found on the sandstone, dolomite and granite crags.

"It's like a little oven in there," she said of the canyon carved by the Popo Agle River.

At popular areas in southern Idaho such as massive Rocks, immense stone monoliths tower above the high-altitude desert. While the landscape is charged with drama, the names of the climbing routes supply comic relief.

One can find inner peace while scaling the Wall of Zen's Funky Buddha, for instance, or seek satisfaction from Sinks-Ban Thank You Ma'am atop Rocklight.

Expert fears whirling fish disease

The Associated Press

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — Dearly whirling disease, considered the greatest threat to Montana's wild trout, is certain to continue spreading, an expert predicts.

But Gov. Marc Radtson's special task force, by reaching out to its recommending of a watch-and-evaluate approach to the disease it has assessed for four years. The group said Montana waters where whirling disease is a risk should be monitored and anglers encouraged to do what they can to prevent spreading the disease.

Dick Vincent, whirling disease coordinator for the state Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks and a task force member, said the real issue is not the how far the disease spreads but how intense it is where it takes hold.

Vincent believes the disease, detected at 72 locations in nine Montana river drainages, will reach more waterways over time and will have a catastrophic impact on some fish populations of fish while doing relatively little damage to others.

Cold water seems to have hampered spread of the parasite that causes the disease, he said, and many streams in northwestern Montana are in the cold-water category.

The task force report, unchanged from a draft last September, recommends state officials evaluate the need for emergency fishing regulations when outbreaks or severe impacts are discovered.

Chairman Marshall Bloom said studies show fish such as grayling and trout play important roles in fighting the disease because they clean up dead fish.

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OUTDOORS

FLOWER GALLERY



Tulips blow in a cold wind at the U-Cities Invitational Golf Tournament at the University of Idaho golf course. Golfers from 20 high schools competed in the tournament last month.

47-year-old cyclist to take trip of a lifetime

By Deb Acord
The Gazette

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — On a recent weekday morning, Deborah Steddum works the room at the Manitou Bakery. Three men drinking coffee at one table tease her: "I bet when you come back, you'll be so skinny we won't even recognize you," one says. A couple eating breakfast at another table waves. The young woman behind the counter stops to chat.

Steddum has created a buzz at this locale's hangout with her plan to realize a lifelong dream and ride her bicycle, solo, across the country. "Everyone has gotten behind me," she says in amazement.

By June 1, Steddum plans to be in Fremont, Ore., where she'll straddle the old Raleigh touring bike and begin a 4,000-plus-mile trip. She hopes to arrive nearly four months later in mid-September at North Carolina's

Outer Banks

Steddum, 47, says the trip has been a dream since her first long-distance bike ride seven years ago.

"I'd just turned 40 and I rode my bike to Oremy and back. It was so much fun. I remember riding over Monarch Pass and down again, passing tourists who were driving slower than me in their cars."

That feeling of freedom is one of the reasons Steddum loves cycling. She doesn't own a car, but she takes her wherever she wants to go. Sometimes her destination is Dobra Rose Art Glass, a downtown studio she shares with Rose. Sometimes it's up the Pass, down to Cannon City or north to Denver.

Because she uses her bike as transportation, Steddum doesn't keep track of her mileage. But between the thousands of miles she's racked up and a climb up the old incline track near Massimo almost every day, she thinks she's

"as ready as anyone can be" for the ride. The west-to-east route will cross 12 states, from sea-level, across the Continental Divide and through dozens of mount.

Steddum, an artist, realized early in her planning that she couldn't afford this trip without a little help from her friends. So she began asking and people began offering help.

"It's unusual. I decided to try and involve the community and the response has been overwhelming."

Steddum organized a raffle. Mountain artist C.H. Beckey gave her a print. Chuck Marlowe donated an original oil study. Nancy Wellborn an original watercolor. Manitou musician Greg Adams donated a piano recital. The OMI House gave a night's lodging.

"People get excited," says Steddum. "And I don't think I was just my ride that did it. When we talked, they began expressing the idea that they could act on

their own dreams. I love that. I want people to go into their own lives and think about their dreams and talk to me about them."

That kind of conversation, Steddum believes, can connect people who tend to get "disconnected" because of all the stuff that chatters our lives.

A Colorado Springs company helped her set up a Web site where she plans to log a daily diary and engage in daily e-mail conversations. Steddum hopes some of the money raised by her raffle can help her buy a hand-held computer.

She'll pack her computer, a cellphone and about 50 pounds of gear onto her bike, and hopes to cover about 60-70 miles a day, camping along the way.

"It's in really good shape right now, probably the best shape I've ever been in," she says. "And here I am, middle-aged and excited. I want to play, and hopefully remind people they can play, too."

Bighorn

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Their massive horns show a growth section for each year of life, so the rings can be counted to determine their age. Most wild sheep do not survive past their 13th or 14th year. The ewes have horns that resemble those of domestic goats; they are vertical and much smaller than those of rams.

In late fall, the battles between males can be heard more than a half mile away. Revved-up rams stand on their hind legs, then charge together and smash their massive horns together. Now and

then there is a miscalculation, which is why many old rams sport broken noses and a few missing teeth.

Bighorn rams are promiscuous and will breed any available ewe. They have a unique physical ability to breed several times within only a few minutes.

After the breeding season, older rams band together and remain aloof from the ewes until the next breeding season.

Ewes leave their flocks when their lambs are born in May or early June. They select a rocky area for protection. Lambs

weigh about 8 pounds at birth and, within a week, they are beginning to nurse and graze. They then reject the flock, where they remain throughout the year.

Predators, including coyotes, mountain lions, golden eagles and wolves, will take some bighorn — but the major threats are disease and harsh winters. Deep snows are difficult for the short-legged bighorn, and predation is most significant when they are forced to move to lower elevations.

Bighorn sheep typically feed

early in the morning and are bedded down by 8 a.m. There may be a brief feeding period again around noon, but their main feeding and movement occurs in late afternoon. When the sun sinks low in the west, bighorn sheep retire to a permanent bed site.

Hunting is allowed on a strictly controlled basis in Idaho, and hunters are only allowed on sheep of the two subspecies in a lifetime.

Train hits, kills grizzly bear

KALISPELL, Mont. (AP) — A grizzly bear was struck and killed by a train near Essex this weekend, apparently was feeding on grain spilled along the tracks, state wildlife officials said.

The 12-year-old female grizzly was killed late Saturday night by a Burlington Northern Santa Fe freight train just west of the Java Bridge.

Grizzly management specialist Tim Manley said the bear had been radio-collared as part of an ongoing study of grizzlies using the highway corridor between Glacier National Park and the Great Bear Wilderness.

Meanwhile, game wardens are investigating the death of a second grizzly bear whose carcass was found Sunday on the east side of Hungry Horse Reservoir.

Disease

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saline infection that warps fish cartilage and causes them to swim erratically, often in circles. While the disease itself does not kill, the behavior it causes where they are kept in especially chilly water used spawning will result in an early spawning failure in future generations.

The impact on bighorn could be years away. Studies have suggested one solution is to encourage fish to spawn earlier in the season when river water is cold enough that infections are light. Exposure to a mild infection early can pre-

vent more severe infections later, Vinson said.

The answer is to impinge generations of fish with a drive to spawn early. Taking eggs from spawning grounds to a hatchery where they are kept in especially chilly water used spawning will result in an early spawning failure in future generations.

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OUTDOORS IN BRIEF

Guide to enlighten MV Fly Fishers today

TWIN FALLS — Jim Krunic will be the guest speaker at the Magic Valley Fly Fishers meeting at 7 p.m. today at the Rock Creek Restaurant, 200 Addison Ave. W.

Krunic is a local fly-fishing guide and a regular contributor to the Outdoors section of *The Times-News*. He claims to know where the hunkers hang out in the Big Wood River and Silver Creek. He will discuss which fly patterns work best, where the fish are found and the best time of year to fish for them. He also knows many other "hot spots" for trout and some good areas for bluegill, bass and other spiny-finned cousins.

Glen Bauscher will be the fly-tying guest and Jeff Barney, field representative for the Idaho Wildlife Federation from Boise, will give a short rundown on the federation's activities in the state.

Learn-to-sail day Saturday at Lake Lowell

NAMPA — "Learn About Sailing '99" will be held Saturday at Lake Lowell.

Registration begins at 10 a.m. at the West Ramp area. Sailable rides and basic sailing instruction is set for 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and "pass for fun" sailboat racing is planned for 4 p.m. A family barbecue starts at 5 p.m.

The event is sponsored by the Southern Idaho Sailing Association. For more information, call (208) 853-1596 or (208) 424-3358.

Mountain bike race set for June 5

HAUNSA — Magic Mountain Ski Resort will host the eighth annual Revenge of the Singletack mountain bike race on June 5. The event is Round 3 of the 1999 Wild Rockies Unplugged Mountain Bike Series.

"We enjoy racing up at Magic Mountain," said race director Ron Dillon. "The trails are world class and the scenery is breathtaking. The race isn't called 'Revenge of the Singletack' for nothing."

More than 250 riders from across the Northwest are expected to compete in this year's race.

Thirty different racing classes, from 12 and under to professional, both male and female, will be offered. Entry fees start at \$15; no racing license or any kind is required. For more information, call Dillon at (208) 342-3910 or visit the Wild Rockies website.

MV reservoirs get extra steelhead

JEROME — A surplus of hatchery steelhead has been planted in some Magic Valley reservoirs.

The reservoirs that received these fish included Roseworth (23,400), Salmon Falls (25,000), Mountain Home (20,500) and C.J. Strike (46,860).

The steelhead were about 9 inches long when they were released during the first week of May. All fish had their adipose fin clipped, so anglers will know they have actually caught a steelhead. The adipose fin is the small fleshy fin located between the dorsal and the tail fin.

These fish are considered to be resident rainbow trout, so a steelhead tag is not required to fish for them. They should be counted as any other trout in the daily bag limit of six fish.

The A-run steelhead came from the Idaho Power Co.'s hatchery at Niagara Springs, south of Wendell. Idaho Power has a mitigation of about 100,000 pounds of steelhead smolts per year at Niagara Springs, and this is the first year since 1991 that the goal has been exceeded.

The National Marine Fisheries Service placed a limit on the number of hatchery steelhead that can be released into the Snake and Salmon rivers, which is why surplus steelhead must be released in lakes and reservoirs.

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Hatchery keeps runs alive

AHSAHKA (AP)—After swimming more than 500 miles, climbing 1,000 feet above sea level and passing through eight dams, adult steelhead at the Dworshak National Fish Hatchery get a free ride to their final demise.

An elevator lifts the fish to the spawning floor at the hatchery. They spill out when the elevator doors open and rush toward waiting workers.

The hatchery was built to preserve the salmon and steelhead trout runs native to the North Fork of the Clearwater River. The runs were cut off from their natural spawning areas when Dworshak Dam was built.

"Frankly, we're preserving the North Fork run," said Ralph Roseberg, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service biologist. "That is our mission."



A female steelhead at the Dworshak National Fish Hatchery is weighed and prepared to go under the knife Thursday for egg removal.

He measures each fish before it's spawned.

"'86," he calls out.

An assistant marks down a male measuring 86 centimeters in length.

"F75, F83, M94, that's a three-ocean, probably," Roseberg said of the big male.

He also notes when fish are scarred by seal attacks downstream. Many of the bites are old and hard to discern. Others are gaping and obvious.

"It's amazing. Some of them come back with just huge chunks taken out of them."

Roseberg sees one fish with a spinal disease that causes its back to be crooked.

"That sucker must have craved up here," he said.

Workers sort the fish by sex, with the males and females going down separate stainless steel chutes.

The males are checked for ripeness. If ready, they are milked of their sperm. If not, they go back into a holding pond.

The females are killed and laid on a steel table. One by one, hatchery workers hang them from a hook and slide a blade down the length of their bellies. The round, orange eggs, about 6,500 in each fish, spill into a waiting bucket.

Bob Semple, assistant hatchery manager, takes the eggs from "each fish and dumps" in a shot of sperm, or milt.

He adds a little saltwater and swirls the concoction around. The saltwater makes the sperm swim faster. The eggs will be fertilized in a matter of minutes.

From there, the eggs will spend six weeks or so in incubators, then fish are transferred to tanks as fry and later to the hatchery ponds. They will be released as smolts in about a year.

Those that survive the journey down the Clearwater, Snake and Columbia rivers, and their time in the ocean, will return in one to three years.

The majority of returning adults spend two years in the sea.

Some, called jacks, return after one year. A few spend three years in the ocean and are generally bigger when they return.

Many of the smolts are released right from the hatchery. Others are set free in the South Fork of the Clearwater. Dispersing the release spreads out their return and also spreads out the sports harvest.

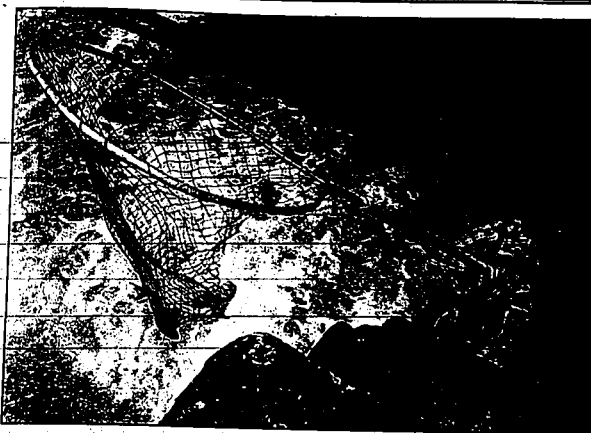
The hatchery raised about 2.1 million smolts last year and will release them in a few weeks. The hatchery also provides eggs to the Idaho Department of Fish and Game for several of its hatcheries, including the Clearwater Hatchery across the river from the Dworshak operation.

Roseberg said if Dworshak gets just 0.4 percent of the released

smolts back as adults, he will be delighted. That would mean about 8,400 fish.

The number of fish which return to the hatchery does not tell the entire story of the run, he pointed out. Many fish are taken in both tribal and sport fisheries.

Sometimes, when fishing conditions are poor, the hatchery will get a good return despite a small run. And conversely, sometimes when a run is exceptional and take limits are raised, the hatchery will not get many fish back.



Paul Bettencourt raises his net full of herring over the Omega Pond dam last month in East Providence, R.I.

Bait man gives herring a lift

EAST PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP)—Every spring when the Atlantic herring begin to run, Paul Bettencourt can be found at an old dam at the mouth of Ten Mile River.

Stooped over in his flannel shirt and Greek fishing cap, Bettencourt scoops up the herring with a net and puts them in a pond on the other side so they can spawn.

Without him, the herring would swim in vain in the churning waters below the 10-foot dam, trapped a few feet from their spawning grounds after a treacherous migration from the ocean and up Narragansett Bay.



Every spring Paul Bettencourt nets Atlantic herring at the bottom of the dam during their spawning run, and lifts them up and over for release on the other side.

Volunteers have joined him over the years, but locals know it's Bettencourt who brought the herring back to Ten Mile River.

"He's one of the last hunter-gatherers," said Andy Lipsky, a bait restoration specialist with the environmental group Save the Bay.

For Bettencourt, 59, a retired bait fisherman, it's simply a way to repay nature.

Before a bad back forced him out of the bait business, Bettencourt caught just about anything that wriggled, swam and fit on a hook.

Shiners, oaks, herring, crawfish, shrimp, snail. "You name it, I fished it," said Bettencourt, whose face is etched with the lines of a lifetime in the wind and sun.

"Next to my family, the water is my one love."

His interest in herring began

as a child in the late 1940s and early '50s, when Bettencourt and his brother caught and sold the fish door-to-door in the Jewish neighborhoods of Providence's East Side. People pickled or smoked them for food, others ate the females' pungent orange roe.

Bettencourt went into the bait business full-time as a young man, and he often found himself near the dam on Ten Mile River.

"It's shameful, he thought, that no herring could reach Omega Pond."

Unable to move the dam, Bettencourt decided to move the fish.

It was the early 1970s and the dam had long since choked off the pond. So, Bettencourt and his brother removed the back out from his best-kept '63 Ford, put in barrels and drove to a thriving herring run down the bay.

They filled the barrels, drove

back to Ten Mile River and dumped them just beyond the dam.

"We drove like hell, back and forth all night," Bettencourt said.

The next spring, Bettencourt noticed—a few herring—had returned, so he scooped them over the dam.

He made a few more trips in his old Ford, continued to scoop the herring over the dam every spring and slowly brought life back to the pond, where the hatchlings fatten themselves all summer before heading to sea in the fall.

The dam on Ten Mile River is like any that were built on rivers up and down the Atlantic coast to create power or reservoirs for towns and cities. As the dam went up in a wave of industrial progress, the herring, salmon and other fish that travel upstream to spawn suffered.

Author says catfish deserve more attention

By Ray Sasser
The Dallas Morning News

There's a new hardcover book available that at first glance seems almost too slick for its readers. Called "Fishing For Catfish," the 128-page volume is edited by Keith Sutton and has photos and illustrations that are the closest thing available to a coffee table book for catfish fans.

Keith Sutton is the nation's best seller in a sport dominated by cane poles, trotlines and stinkbait, consider the words of author Keith Sutton. "I've been fishing for catfish since I was five years old. We fished with cane poles, and just about any day we could catch a channel cat that weighed five to 10 pounds. I've been hooked on catfish ever since."

Sutton has been planning a catfish book for at least 15 years. He also is available at internet bookstores like Amazon.com, BarnesandNoble.com and Borders.com.

While Sutton is a lifelong catfish fan, his research taught him some things about catfish that even he didn't know.

The fish, for instance, are covered with taste buds. One scientist Sutton interviewed described catfish as swimming tongues. You can't taste anything anywhere with the tip of your finger without covering hundreds of taste buds, Sutton said. Touch the fish's gills and whiskers and you're covering thousands of taste buds.

Catfish, Sutton discovered, also have an incredible sense of hearing. Some will literally travel through the fish's body, vibrating bones in the head that are near

the catfish's brain. The fish can see better than most people assume. In fact, catfish eyes are so similar to human eyes that scientists are using the fish for researching eye diseases.

And, like a shark, catfish have special receptors that allow them to sense the electrical charges emitted by other animals. It all adds up to a fish that has no trouble locating food, even in total darkness.

Because catfish are well adapted to finding food, they can be relatively easy to catch. When fishing for catfish, Sutton has learned that it's easy to do the right thing. His research gained him an appreciation for how easy it is to do the wrong thing.

"When I go fishing now, I'm very careful about keeping gaso-

line or oil off my hands," said the author. "When fish have senses as keen as a catfish, they're just as easily put off by odd smells or tastes as they are attracted by something that tastes good to them."

Sutton believes catfish are destined for greater status because fishermen are increasingly frustrated by limits and regulations affecting how they fish for status species like trout, largemouth bass and striped bass.

Many states, he said, still have no limits or other fishing restrictions on catfish, despite the fact that state polls indicated that they were the preferred gamefish in four states, second in popularity in two states (including Texas) and third-most popular in nine others.

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Some topics of local importance are:

- removal of the 2 trout limit at Bell Rapids,
- increased winter fishing opportunity on Silver Creek,
- creating a quality walleye fishery on Salmon Falls Reservoir,
- removing the barbless hook requirement for catch and release,

Open House Meetings

- Twin Falls, Monday, May 24, KMVT Community Room, 6:30-9:00pm
- Halley, Tuesday, May 25, Blaine County Courthouse, upstairs, 6:30-9:00pm

If you cannot attend these meetings, write or call the Magic Valley Regional Office, P.O. Box 428, Jerome 83338, 324-4359, to comment on these and other fishing topics. Contact Fred Partridge, Regional Fishery Manager, no later than May 28, 1999.

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Young Buhl artists display talents at show

By Loretta Burkhardt
Times-News correspondent

BUHL — Eric Sonner, a Buhl High School senior and licensed taddermist, was the featured artist at the Buhl School District's 7th Annual Art Show.

All classes were represented and more than 1,000 pieces of art were displayed during the exhibit held in the middle school gymnasium April 23-30.

Sonner became interested in the art of stuffing and mounting animal skins after attending a workshop at his school when he was in the sixth grade.

"I really wanted to learn it (taxidermy) and I did... with help," Sonner says. Sonner's display included 17 exotic birds and water fowl.

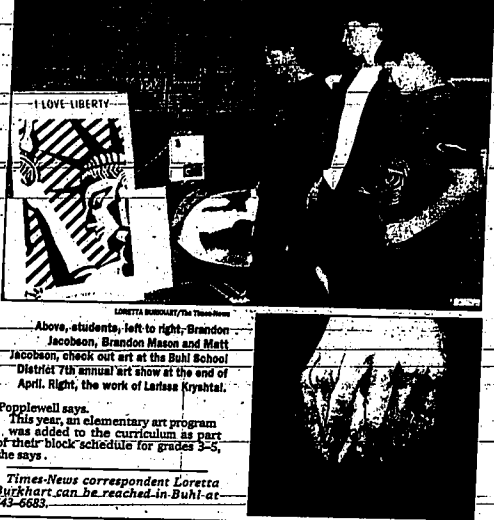
Seniors Jessica Gletzen, Josh Goodhart, Leah Ring and Jeff Zinn, also had special display setups. They will be included in their Advanced Placement Art Portfolios, a program for highly-motivated students doing college-level work, art teacher Joe Greig says.

Other exhibits at the art show included famous paintings on ceiling tiles, projects from the talented and gifted program and entries from economics, social studies, science and wood-working classes.

Art can have a major impact on a child's ability to learn, says teacher Lynn Poppellwell, the art show coordinator.

"Research has shown that (the arts) not only impact test scores, but also helps to build self-esteem," she says.

Art also can be a fundamental tool for communication for students learning English as a second language.



Above, students, left to right: Brandon Jacobson, Brandon Mason and Matt Jacobson, check out art at the Buhl School District 7th annual art show at the end of April. Right, the work of Larissa Kryshat.

Poppellwell says. This year, an elementary art program was added to the curriculum as part of their block schedule for grades 3-5, she says.

Times-News correspondent Loretta Burkhardt can be reached in Buhl at 543-6683.



Irish dancer Laura Bingham of Boise, a Twin Falls High School graduate, will perform in "A Celtic Evening of Dance" on Saturday in Twin Falls.

Irish dancers take to stage

TWIN FALLS — The spirit of the Emerald Isle will shine at "A Celtic Evening of Dance."

The event is presented by the Lori J. Head School of Dance at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the O'Leary Auditorium in Twin Falls.

The performance will feature the Irish Heritage Dancers of Boise. The nonprofit group will be exploring a group of people age 5 and up and from throughout Idaho who come to learn Irish step dancing.

The dances are traditional and the steps also have a different look and sound than those seen in the productions, such as "Riverdance," the group says.

Adult admission to the event is \$3 and seniors and children age 10 and under are \$2.

Wellness festival explores body, mind

SUN VALLEY — The realms of body, mind and spirit will be explored during a four-day festival in Sun Valley over Memorial Day weekend.

The 2nd annual Sun Valley Mountain Wellness Festival will feature programs, speakers and activities at venues throughout the Sun Valley/Ketchum area May 28-31.

Speakers will give presentations and conduct workshops. They also will be exhibits of products and services, and programs will spotlight music and dance, yoga, meditation, fitness and sports classes, coordinators say.

Other programs will include massage therapies, aromatherapy, acupuncture, energy balancing, reflexology, nutritional counseling, homeopathy, skin care therapies, flower essences, holographic reprogramming, dream analysis, animal wellness, stress reduction and a healthy home and building tour.

For more information, call 800-634-3347.

AND A 5-6-7-8...



The 5-6-7-8 Dance Company presents its spring recital at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday in the King Fine Arts Center, 2100 Park Ave. Performers, ages 4 through adult, will perform a variety of jazz, tap, ballet, Pointe and lyrical dances. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$3 for children ages 4-12 and children ages 3 and under are free. The adult class is, left to right, front row: Lonna Newcomb, Janet Sonderland, Lyn Schroyer and Kay M. Amen; and back row: Becky Martindale, Melanie Haynes, Sarah Pulkes, Carol McClellan, Bonnie McClellan, Julie Smith and Marty Smith.

West Minico's final concert of year set for Friday

PAUL — The theme, "Those Who Stirred Our Spirits" will honor educators and teachers at 7 p.m. Friday when the area bands perform the final concert of the year at West Minico Junior High School, 158 S. 600 W.

The Heyburn Elementary School and Paul Elementary School band students will join the Junior high school bands for the concert.

A variety of music from John Phillip Sousa to during small hours Saturday and Sunday will be performed.

The concert is free but donations will be accepted.

Trinity Lutheran Church hosts annual yard sale

RUPERT — Trinity Lutheran Church will host its annual yard sale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday at the church, 909 8th St.

Homemade goodies will be available during the sale that includes clothing, household items, books and children's clothing.

Some proceeds will go to the Good Shepherd Lutheran Home that provides ministry to people with development disabilities.

12th Annual Art Show shows talent this weekend
BURLEY — The 12th Annual Art Show will be held during small hours Saturday and Sunday at the Snake River Plaza in North Burley.

Dennis Arbogast sponsors the event for art students and members of the Desert Art Guild.

A drawing will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday for an oil painting.

For more information, call Arbogast at 678-0056.

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Kimberly thanks donors for making prom-a success

The Junior class of Kimberly High School would like to show its appreciation to the following businesses for their help in making our 1999 prom a success.

Kimberly Nurseries, KN Turf, Anderson Lumber and D&B Supply. Thank you for all your support.
JEAN SHAWBER
Adviser
Class of 2000
Kimberly

Dinner, raffle raises money for Castleford teenager

In April, a benefit dinner and raffle was held for the Graybell family in Castleford. Their son, Eric, was diagnosed with leukemia recently. Proceeds from the dinner and raffle will help the family meet medical costs. The benefit was successful because of our wonderful community. People and businesses in this area are phenomenal and responding to their needs.

While we attempted to get donations for the raffle, we were greeted with overwhelming generosity. Every person or business who gave something exceeded our expectations.

The dinner and raffle garnered more than \$10,000. Although this will not be enough to cover all expenses, it shows how much the community wants to help. It's nice to know we live in a community that takes care of its own.

Donations can still be made to the Eric Graybell Medical Fund-at-any First Security Bank.

On behalf of the Graybell family, thank you so much.
LAURIE FOWARD
ELLY LOAMAN
Castleford

Shoshone school calls Math-A-Thon a success

Shoshone Elementary School would like to thank all the merchants and the people in our community for their generous donations for our Math-A-Thon. Your contributions helped us to earn enough money to buy new playground equipment and school activities.

We truly appreciate your gifts and kindness.
ALICE HOCKLANDER
Principal, Elementary School
Shoshone

Release time program made possible by support

The board of directors of the Christian Education Release Time for Students in Jerome would like to publicly thank those who provided support for the program since its inception two years ago. The program was created for the purpose of leading youth to Christ, training up obedient disciples and serving Christ daily using biblical principles. Jerome High School students have

a choice to attend one CERTS class per school day if they wish to do so.

The board of directors appreciates the cooperative attitude which the Jerome High School has shown toward the program. The parcel of land located on the corner of Tiger Drive and Main Street near the High School, has been generously donated to CERTS. With continued support, plans have been made to construct a classroom building at the site.

The Magic Valley is truly a wonderful place to live and raise a family.
STACYE YOUNG

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CERTS Board of Directors
Jerome

Students make 'Sound of Music' production sing

We would like to thank the Mini-Cassia community for its overwhelming support in the production of "The Sound of Music" by East Minico Junior High School students. Our kids worked hard on the outstanding presentation, and your willingness to support their endeavors is greatly appreciated. It is a pleasure to live in a supportive community.

We wish to thank the many people and businesses who donated money and/or supplies: Parkview Furniture, Western Farm Service, Anderson Bank, Franklin Building Supply, Jolley Trails Transportation, American Linen Supply, Snyder's Surplus and many more.

Last, but not least, we would like to thank the students who performed so well. They were dedicated to this production and worked very hard to present a quality production which we were all able to enjoy. It is rewarding to know that we have such great kids in this area. It was a privilege to work with them.

JEAN PHILLIPS
Director
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MELANI MCBRIDE
Assistant Directors
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Hospital thanks fire department for work

To the Burley Fire Department: Our sincere thanks goes to those who assisted with our recent small fire and water cleanup. We commend your ability to respond quickly and work efficiently as a team. It's a luxury to have individuals like you serving our community.

MARCI SMITH
Administration and Staff
Cassia Regional Medical Center
Burley

COMMUNITY EVENTS

CSI financial aid advisor available every Thursday

BURLEY — The College of Southern Idaho will have a financial aid advisor in the Burley Center from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. each Thursday from May 27 through the end of July.

No appointment is needed. The center is located at 1600 Park Ave.

Rocky Top Cloggers present free performance Friday

TWIN FALLS — The Rocky Top Cloggers will perform at 6:30 p.m. Friday at the Twin Falls City Park band shell.

The presentation will be free. Hot dogs and drinks will be available for purchase, coordinators say.

The cloggers dance to a variety of music from Blue Grass to Hip Hop, and are directed by Shannon Edwards.

For more information on the Rocky Top Cloggers or scheduling performances, call 734-5863.

Twin Falls Scout receives his Eagle honor at court

TWIN FALLS — Jeremy Cutler, son of Mark and Shewna Cutler of Twin Falls, will receive his Eagle Scout in a Court of Honor 8 p.m. Saturday at the LDS Chapel on Caswell Avenue in Twin Falls.

He is in Troop 84, which is sponsored by the LDS 4th Ward, and is a senior at Twin Falls High School.

For his Eagle project, Cutler applied to a storage shed at Valley House in Twin Falls to help meet code requirements and increase usable space

at the temporary shelter for the homeless.

Participating in track and National Honor Society, Cutler says he enjoys numerous outdoor activities such as camping, hunting, fishing and mountain biking.

Weekly arts, crafts shows set this summer in Filer

FILER — Artists and crafters will have a weekly opportunity to sell their creations in Filer this summer.

Primrose Lane Florist and Gift Shop and Williams Market will sponsor weekly Saturday shows 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the grocery store area on Highway 30.

The shows will run from June 19 and to Aug. 29.

Plans include demonstrations by local artists.

Spaces cost \$20 for a 10-foot by 10-foot area and items displayed must be made by the vendor.

Call 326-4754 for more information.

Herrett Center plans Astronomy Day events

TWIN FALLS — The public can discover the night sky on Saturday at the Herrett Center on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

The Faulkner Planetarium and Magic Valley Astronomical Society will host activities and demonstrations for Astronomy Day. They include:

- A scale model of the solar system on display north of the Herrett Center at 1 p.m.
- From 1:30 to 5 p.m. a safe way of solar observation will be demonstrated.
- At 2 p.m. and at 7 p.m., the Faulkner Planetarium will feature "How to Build a Flame."
- At 3 p.m., model rockets will be launched from the amphitheater just south of the center.

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Turbulence ahead

Despite record profits, Alaska Air Group faces troubles since leaving Magic Valley

Knight Ridder News Service

Alaska Airlines might appear to be a carrier in trouble. A slowdown by mechanics apparently is the reason hundreds of Alaska's flights have had to be canceled in the past month up and down the West Coast. An April 18 report by customer-service workers snarled dozens more.

The airline's on-time performance and lost-baggage statistics are among the worst of the nation's 10 biggest carriers, according to the Department of Transportation's consumer data.

A federal grand jury is investigating maintenance practices. So is the Federal Aviation Administration. Flight attendants are suing over illnesses they say were caused by toxic fumes inside airplane cabins.

But as alarming as all that might seem, it tells only part of the story as the airline's parent, Alaska Air Group, prepares for an annual meeting at the Museum of Flight in Seattle this week.

By just about any numerical measure, 1998 was a banner year for Alaska Airlines and sibling regional carrier Horizon Air. It was a year of record profit. Earnings were \$124.4 million, up 72 percent from 1997, thanks in large part to a 25 percent drop in the cost of fuel but also because of smart growth.

So-called available seat miles, a measure of passenger capacity, increased 9.5 percent. Expenses were up 4.7 percent, but that was more than offset by a 10.6

percent increase in revenue passenger miles, a measure of paying passengers, and an increase in operating revenue of 8.5 percent.

Most Wall Street analysts rate the stock highly. It closed Friday at \$43.88 a share, about midway between 52-week high of \$51.88 and a low of \$26. The price has dropped about 10 percent from a month ago.

The company should be on track for another year of record profit. But that will hinge on a number of factors: the price of oil staying low, the national economy remaining strong and, perhaps most important, Alaska settling four union contracts, the most contentious of which involves the mechanics.

The airline's top management is optimistic. "We're not treated like a growth carrier, even though we are a growth carrier," he said. "We're sort of forgotten by Wall Street and the analysts because we're so far from the center."

"We think that our value has just begun to be recognized," Kelly said. "We're young," said John Kelly, Alaska's chairman, president and chief executive officer.

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Sheri Hill, left, of Corvallis, Wash., and Linda Grason of San Diego, Calif., choose their preferred signs outside the Alaska Air Group shareholders meeting Tuesday in Seattle. Employees from Alaska and Horizon airlines are dissatisfied with the progress of contract negotiations.

In the sky and on the ramps, Alaska Airlines dominates the north-south routes of the West Coast, from Alaska to Mexico, offering fares competitive with curvate carriers such as Southwest Airlines and Shuttle by United.

Yet Alaska serves meals. When the curvate airlines emerged in the early 1990s, "we had to reinvent ourselves as a low-cost carrier," Kelly said. "But we were damned if we were going to go and be like the rest of the pack," he said. "That's not our way, that's not our spirit, so we still differentiate the product."

Some would say the Alaska Airlines product is not what it once was. A few years ago, TV ads featured a lauguid cabdriver who pulled up in front of a residence and asked his passenger which airline he would be flying on. "Alaska."

The driver's eyes suddenly bugged out as he hit the gas and drove like a maniac to the airport — the point being you'd better be there promptly if you were flying Alaska, because your plane would be leaving on time.

Recently, the Department of Transportation, which tracks self-reported arrival data, ranked Alaska eighth among the 10 biggest carriers for on-time performance during the year ending March 31.

That data can be skewed by bad weather in Alaska, where air travel is at once crucial and problematic. But even in the airline's key markets in the Lower 48, on-time performance in March, for example, was poor compared with the other nine top carriers.

Alaska had the worst on-time arrival record during March in Las Vegas, Los Angeles and San Diego.

Horizon Air has no plans to re-enter Twin Falls market

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Don't look for Horizon Air to return to Twin Falls.

"We have no plans to re-enter the Twin Falls market at this time," said Patrick Zachwieja, vice president of marketing and planning for Horizon, which discontinued its unprofitable Twin Falls-to-Boise flights in April 1997.

"The airline's smallest aircraft has 37 seats, and there's not enough Twin Falls traffic to support the minimum three flights per day, he said. Boise is so close that many travelers drive there to catch a flight.

"And I don't see that that's changed over the last couple years," he said. "When Horizon did fly out of Twin Falls, many passengers were headed beyond Boise. So the Twin Falls-to-Boise fare was an add-on. Once the short-haul fare was in place, the reason to the long-haul — from Boise to a final destination such as Seattle — people start driving, Zachwieja said.

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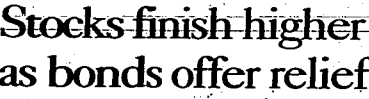
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Stocks finish higher as bonds offer relief

NEW YORK (AP) - Stocks rallied at the end of an erratic session Wednesday as investors pondered their next move following the Federal Reserve's warning on inflation. The Dow Jones Industrial average rose 28.44 to close at 18,552.29 after a choppy start several times during the session. Better stock indicators also closed higher after suggesting all day that a course. The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 10.91 to 1,344.22, and the Nasdaq composite index rose 15.94 to 2,527.80. "Everyone has adopted a wait-and-see attitude," said Don Alcorn, president and research director at Global Market Strategies Inc. in Gainesville, Fla. "Tuesday, the Dow fell 16.52, recovering from a 112-point slide that followed the Fed's decision to leave interest rates unchanged. But a warning from the Fed that rates are likely to rise if inflation reawakens led the market jittery Wednesday. Bond investors ultimately welcomed the Fed's determination to quell inflation, and pushed the yield on the 30-year Treasury lower from 8.5 percent from 5.88 Tuesday, that helped lift stocks. "We're looking to the bond market for guidance," said William Meekins, chief market analyst for Cantor Fitzgerald. Stocks suffer if rising bond yields offer investors a more attractive investment option. Banking and brokerage stocks, which have slipped in recent sessions, rose along with bonds Wednesday. Chase Manhattan up 1/16 to 80 3/16, led the gainers. But analysts said investors are still wondering what the next market trend will be, and many remain on the sidelines.

Alaska

Costumed man EZ Angles, Phoenix, Son Joe and San Francisco, K ranked fifth in Seattle. In Portland, it was in a three-way tie for second, behind Duke Air Lines. In the first quarter of this year, Alaska was ninth out of 10 among the top airlines in terms of baggage handling. Only United Airlines had more complaints per capita than mishandled baggage. Alaska spokesman Jack Erasmussen acknowledged the airline wants to improve its on-time performance and baggage handling in its 1993 survey. Erasmussen said the increase in passenger complaints could account for some of the problems. The airline plans to increase its passenger baggage equipment at Seattle this summer. While there have been passenger issues, the Justice Department and the FAA are still looking into allegations that unionism records were falsified among other things. The airline says its own investigation found no systemic problems. Kelly criticized irregularities in the actions of a few disgruntled employees and said the airline's Oakland maintenance facility, where the federal investigators are focused, is a "major operation." The result of the federal scrutiny, however, remains to be seen. Criminal charges or a civil penalty would be a major black eye for a business that can fall without a stellar safety record. But the fact remains that Alaska hasn't had a fatal crash since 1976 and has had only two fatal accidents in its 67-year history. And Horizon Air, which flies a mix of jets and turboprops, has never had a fatal crash in its 35-year history. Airlines seem to fade through periods of success and failure when it comes to keeping planes running on time and delivering luggage where it belongs. Alaska is well-entrenched and capable of weathering those sorts of problems. Both Alaska and Horizon are still perceived by many as among the nation's best airlines. In Canada Near Traveler's 1996 Reader's Choice Poll, Alaska was ranked second behind Midwest Express. Horizon was fifth.

METALS/CURRENCY

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LIVESTOCK

Table of livestock prices, including cattle, hogs, and sheep. Columns include item name, price, and change.

IDAHO/WEST

Man guilty of injuring baby seeks new trial

CALDWELL (AP) — A Nampa man convicted of felony injury to his son has filed a motion for a new trial.

Steven Young contends he relied on a physician's diagnosis and believes to have his son after the 8-year-old was severely scalded in a hot bath last July. Therefore, medical malpractice, his conduct did not violate the law.

The motion will be heard by 3rd District Judge Gerald Williams on May 22.

Young, 30, was found guilty in March of causing injury to his son by not seeking medical assistance for a 10-month-old boy who was in a bathtub. The child suffered second- and third-degree burns to his feet and buttocks, but was able to walk a few days after the scalding.

Investigators said Young gave his son a hot bath because the boy's father had been physically disabled, had ailed his eyes.

Young, sentenced to six years in prison with possibility of parole for the first 18 months, maintains he provided appropriate care for his son and that the verdict against him unfairly punishes the law and the evidence in his case.

Judge denies probation for Idaho convict

ARCO (AP) — A judge has denied probation for a Butte County man who shot at an Idaho Fish and Game officer's house last year.

Thomas Frust completed 120 days at a work camp at the Oregon Idaho Correction Center in Coquille, Ore., for a 19-year-old received disciplinary violations. Butte County Prosecutor James St. James denied probation and a medical Frust's original sentence to three to five years for Frust was convicted of firing a rifle at a game warden's house in Mosier, around midnight 13 months ago. One of the bullets came close to St. James's 9-year-old daughter, who was asleep.

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SAVE THE WHALES



Aasei Johnson, left, and Rozanne Lahr attend a candlelight vigil in Portland, Ore., Tuesday for a gray whale that was hunted and killed by the Makah tribe.

Canada pursues closer ties with western states in U.S.

EDMONTON, Alberta (AP) — Alberta Premier Ralph Klein will push fellow provincial chiefs to build closer ties with the American West to improve trade and cross-border disputes.

And the key would be formally linking the western premiers meeting with meetings of western governors, Klein said.

The tactic was disclosed in a confidential briefing document obtained by The Edmonton Sun.

The Western Governors Association has also expressed a strong interest in developing closer ties with the western premiers conference, "according to the briefing note, prepared for Klein by his Intergovernmental Affairs Department.

"As you are aware, western premiers have not taken up the offer," it said. "The Western Governors Association is a politically important grouping with considerable influence."

In order of priority, Alberta wants stronger ties with Montana, Washington, California, Texas and Idaho, the note says.

Bests strengthening trade links, discussion could occur on informally settling disputes and avoiding full-blown trade panels under the World Trade Organization and North American Free Trade Agreement.

"The recent agricultural disputes, which began in South Dakota, have brought home to Canada the importance of establishing good relations with western states," the document says.

Alberta Intergovernmental Affairs Minister Dave Hancock is scheduled to go to the western governors meeting June 13 in the state of Colorado. Hancock, and a number of other meetings, are planned between the two sides.

Gun killer admits he fired first in gunfight with Idaho trooper

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — The man who could face the death penalty for killing Idaho State Trooper Linda Huff admitted he fired the first shot in the gunfight.

Scott Yager, whose sentencing is scheduled for Friday, told KREM-TV of Spokane on Tuesday that he rode his bicycle to the State Police headquarters in Coeur d'Alene in June 1989 to provoke a gunfight with troopers because he was fed up with his life.

"Because I was broke and I had no money and I was tired of the reality that I lived in," said Yager, 35, of Rathdrum.

Yager was convicted of first-degree murder Feb. 16. After the sentencing hearing, First District Judge James Judd will sentence Yager to either life in prison or the state's electric chair.

"When I originally went down to the ISP, in my mind, it was full of policemen and they were all against me," Yager said. "I was going to a gunfight. It was like a cowboy thing."

But finding the doors locked, Yager was about to leave when Huff came out of the building and headed to her patrol car.

"And that's when I thought 'I'll just go rob this cop,'" Yager said. "She started smiling at me and her first words were 'How are you doing?'" Yager said. "And I said, 'I'm doing fine, how are you?'"

After Huff was seriously wounded and helpless, Yager, who had been wounded when Huff returned fire, reloaded his pistol and shot her point blank in the head.

"The fact that she had shot me and described she was still calling for help was the reason I shot and killed her," Yager said.

Huff, 33, was the mother of three and the first female law enforcement officer to die in the line of duty in Idaho.

It was only after he woke up in the hospital that he realized what he had done, Yager said.

"I asked God to forgive me for committing murder," Yager said. "Yes, I'm sorry I committed murder. I will live with that the rest of my life."

Prosecutors are seeking the death penalty because Yager killed an officer in the line of duty.

— Scott Yager, convicted in death of Idaho State Police trooper Linda Huff

Then Yager described how he raised his pistol and pointed it at Huff's face.

"And she stood there smiling at me. I didn't know what to say or do. I was shaking. I was holding a hammer back on my 9 millimeter, while it was pointed at her face and she freaked out."

Yager reached for her pistol while calling on her radio for help, and started to run away, Yager said.

During the trial, Yager's public defender had suggested that Yager might have fired in self-defense. But Yager, who did not testify during his trial, said that was not the case.

"I lifted my gun and pointed it in her direction and fired," Yager said.

International trade division names permanent director

BOISE (AP) — The trade specialist who has been the state's acting administrator for international trade is taking over the International Business Division permanently.

Vicki Thomas of Nampa was named administrator of the division by Commerce Director Gary Mahn. She has been running the operation since former Administrator David Christiansen retired a year ago.

Thomas, 29, a graduate of Northwest Nazarene College,

joined the Commerce Department as an intern in 1990 and became a full-time analyst a year later. She was named an international trade specialist in 1986 and began overseeing international business development 13 months ago.

The Kemphorne administration, headed by Washington, D.C. Representative also on the job, Jeremy Chou, a Boise attorney who served on Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's transition team, is focusing his economic development efforts on the 180 countries

that are doing business in the nation's capital.

The Washington office, complementing trade offices in Taiwan, South Korea and Mexico, was authorized by the board last winter after several used the issue to make a point about their unhappiness with what they felt was Kempthorne's lack of communication with the Legislature.

Chou had served as a staff aid to former U.S. Sen. Steve Symms and to Kempthorne when he was in the Senate.

State advocates of term limits attempt to ease complaints at local level

BOISE (AP) — In apparent response to increasingly open criticism of the state's term limits initiative, advocates of restricted elected service are moving to cancel plans for a ballot measure.

And at the same time, Citizens for Term Limits wants to increase the service constraint on state

lawmakers, who were on the verge of completely repealing the 1994 law last winter.

But even if successful, the effort would not stop the initial impact of the term limits law, which denies ballot status in 2000 to all elected county commissioners and school board members whose terms began on Jan. 1, 1995.

Only the residence of Republican Gov. Dirk Kempthorne kept total repeal from clearing both houses of the Legislature. Kempthorne acknowledged the arguments against term limits on state and local officials. But he promised to support repeal, despite to buck voters' opposition as continued public pressure for the concept.

Lawmakers rejected a compromise that would have repealed term limits on cities, counties and school boards, where the impact is expected to be especially disruptive, especially in rural communities. Some strategists believe continued pressure from local government officials is forcing the legislature to change his public stand on

total repeal when lawmakers convene again in January.

But term limits advocates filed two initiatives with the secretary of state — one repealing city, county and school board term limits outright and the other giving local governments the option of asking their voters if the limits should be repealed.

Federal appeals court dismisses Idaho graduation prayer suit after students graduate

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A federal appeals court dismissed a lawsuit filed by parents of students in an Idaho school district Wednesday, saying a parent couldn't maintain the suit because the students had graduated.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals' ruling allows the rural district to continue its prayer policy, but prevents its practice to

for parents who challenge religious practices in local school districts. The court said a parent who sues as a taxpayer, claiming the illegal use of funds, lacks standing — the ability to claim a violation of one's own rights — because prayers do not increase the tax-supported cost of graduation ceremonies.

The case comes from the Madison School District in eastern Idaho. For at least a decade, the district has allowed the top four students in the senior class to give the invocation at graduation speeches. The administration cannot censor content and can give only non-binding advice on the prayers.

Students in the heavily Mormon district have invariably

decided to include a prayer, usually at both the start and the end of the ceremony, said an American Civil Liberties Union spokesman. The court's decision challenges the practice.

Student-led prayer has been a much-disputed issue since the 1960s, and some federal compulsory prayer in public school classrooms in 1962, and at high school

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEES' SALE
On the 27th day of September, 1989, at the hour of 10:00 A.M. of said day, designated local time, in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, I, the undersigned, as Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the following described real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows:
Lots 11 and 12 in Block 15 of BLUE LAKE ADDITION to the Boise Falls Community, according to the plat thereon recorded in Book 21, page 20, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

CONCORD PROPERTIES LLC
Requests modification of a P.U.D. Agreement for approximately 2.3 acres of the 10-acre project located at the southeast corner of Caldwell Avenue and 1st Street in the City of Twin Falls to allow the applicant to install a parking lot in the C-1, C-2 and M-2 Zones of town home, thereby increasing the density to 32 units and redrawing building locations.

NOTICE OF RE-SCHEDULED TRUSTEES' SALE
On Tuesday, May 23, 1989, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. of said day at Alliance Title & Escrow, 311 Second Street North, Twin Falls, in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, I, the undersigned, as Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all the property situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows:
LOT 7 OF BONNIE VIEW SUBDIVISION, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREON RECORDED IN VOLUME 10 PLATS, PAGE 2, RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given by the Planning and Zoning Commission for the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, that a public hearing will be held on June 8, 1989, at Tuesday, at the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, at 10:00 A.M. in the Council Chambers, located at 321 Second Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho, to hear and consider the following:

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HAGERMAN JT. SCHOOL DISTRICT #233
CALL FOR
PUBLIC AUCTION
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of Hagerman Joint School District No. 233, Gooding and Twin Falls Counties, has determined that it is in the best interest of said district for a public auction.
 Said property will be sold at public auction May 29, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. at the Elementary Playground—A partial list of items will be available at the District Office.
 It will be the responsibility of the successful bidder to coordinate the delivery time so that the opening of school will not be delayed. The school district will not be responsible for storage.
 The Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject or to select any portion thereof any or all bids and is not bound by any technicality.
 /s/Bette M. Reed
 District Clerk
 Hagerman Joint School District No. 233
 304 North 2nd Street
 Hagerman, ID 83332
 Ph 208-837-4737
 Fax 208-837-4737

PUBLISH: May 13 and 20, 1999

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS.

MAGISTRATE DIVISION
 Case No. CV 99-000-000
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 In the Matter of the Estate of **DAVID R. BINGHAM**, Deceased.
THEODORE BINGHAM has been appointed Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be barred. All claims must be presented to the Personal Representative in care of attorney **Leon E. Smith, Jr.** at the office of **SMITH, BECKS & HOOGEES, ES.** 210 Sixth Avenue East, Post Office Box 506, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0506.
 DATED this 14th day of May, 1999.
SMITH, BECKS & HOOGEES
 /s/Leon E. Smith, Jr.
 Attorney for Personal Representative
 PO Box 506
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PUBLISH: May 20, 27 and June 3, 1999

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS.

Case No. CV 99-070
ANOTHER SUMMONS
GLOBAL POWER COMPANY, INC., Plaintiff,
 vs
JM GARCIA and DANIEL GUERRAMA, Defendants.

NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SERVED BY THE ABOVE NAMED PLAINTIFF. IF YOU DO NOT WANT TO ENTER AN ANSWER TO THIS SUMMONS AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE, YOU MUST RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS, READ THIS INFORMATION BELOW:

TO: GUERRAMA
 You are hereby notified that in order to avoid default, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above designated court within 20 days after service of this Summons on you. If you do not respond, the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the plaintiff(s) in the Complaint.
 A copy of the Complaint is served with this Summons. If you wish to seek the advice or representation of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in compliance with other legal rights protected. The nature of the claim against you is for collection of a debt.
 An appropriate written response requires compliance with Rule 10(b)(1) and (2) of the Rules of Civil Procedure and shall also include:
 1. The title and number of this case.
 2. If your response is an Answer to the Complaint, it must contain admissions or denials of the separate allegations of the Complaint and other defenses you may have.
 3. Your signature, mailing address and telephone number, or the signature, mailing address and telephone number of your attorney.
 4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to plaintiff's attorney, as designated above.
 To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above named court.
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