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# Shipping site opens

By Gregory Hahn  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Looking to broaden its shipping options and expand its processing capabilities, the 95-year-old Independent Meat Co. is building a 36,000-square-foot cold storage facility and distribution center.

The multimillion dollar building is set to be completed Dec. 1, and will begin operations within a few weeks after that. Around 25 employees would be moved to the new facility at first, said Pat Florence, the company's chief executive officer, but it

## Independent Meat becomes first tenant at intermodal center

and the company's Twin Falls meat processing plant should continue to grow.

"We've added about 100 employees in the last few years," he said. "This will give us the opportunity to do that again over the next few years."

The local company is the first to officially locate at a train-and-truck

facility developers have pushed to build for 2 1/2 years.

The announcement came at Wednesday's groundbreaking for the "intermodal center," with about 70 people watching, standing on dusty ground rezeoned in 1997 from prime agricultural to industrial use - with out any specifics about any company that might move in, or any guarantees that any company would.

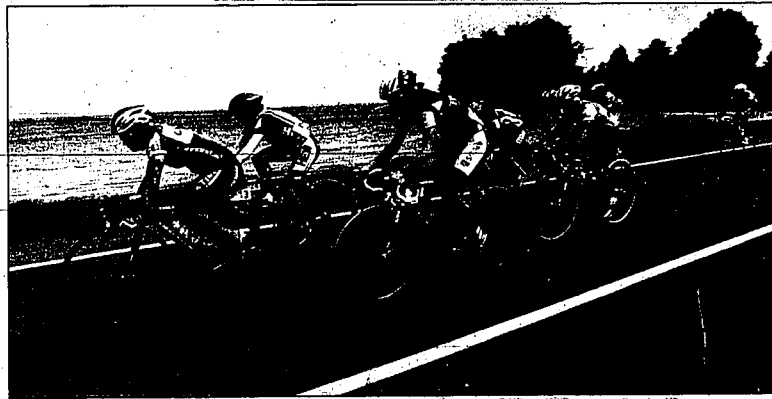
But Florence said Wednesday that the transportation hub and industrial park helped the company decide to expand in Twin Falls. The distribution center could have gone any-

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InCom Development Co. partner Ken Stutzman, left, speaks to Independent Meat owner Pat Florence after Wednesday's groundbreaking for a new truck-train transport project south of Twin Falls.

# PEDAL POWER



The leading pack of cyclists jockeys for position outside of Hansen in the Burley-to-Buhl leg of the HP LaserJet Women's Challenge bike race. Sarah Ulmer won Wednesday's stage of the race, beating the old course record by 23 minutes.

# Road race winds through TF today

By Jeff Rosen  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Note to anyone harboring plans to drive any where near Blue Lakes Boulevard North this morning: Grab a comfy lawn chair and prepare to wait.

The 13-stage, 693-mile \$125,000 HP LaserJet Women's Challenge bicycle road race launches its 10th leg today at 11 a.m. in the parking lot of the Best Western Cavanaugh's Canyon Springs Hotel on Blue Lakes Boulevard North and Colville Road north of the Perrine Bridge. For a detailed look at today's race route, see Page B1.

**Blue Lakes backup**  
Pedals will kick traffic briefly this morning between the Best Western Cavanaugh's Canyon Springs Hotel on Blue Lakes Boulevard North and Colville Road north of the Perrine Bridge. For a detailed look at today's race route, see Page B1.

Hagerman and wind through Bliss and King Hill before reaching Glens Ferry at around 2:15 p.m. Several gold-medal Olympians and 17 of the world's top 25 road racers are among the 114 riders taking part in the 12-day event, considered a North American women's equivalent to the Tour de France. "They're serious women," said race coordinator Patty Peoples. "They're not out here for recreation." Idaho is represented by two Boise riders - Brooke Blackwelder and Andrea Foster. A

third Idahoan, Theresa Korn, dropped out of the grueling race several days ago. Already, the route has passed north from Boise, south over scenic Galena Summit and down through the Wood River Valley. Following today's stage, the race will leave Friday morning from Swan Falls and bolt for Melba, weave through downtown Boise Saturday and run from Middleton to Boise's Hyde Park Sunday. After that, points will be tallied and prize money will be doled out.

# NATO disarms rebels

Military seeks to guarantee safety for Serbs who stay

The Washington Post

**PRISTINA, Yugoslavia** - With ethnic Albanian guerrillas establishing offices, erecting checkpoints and occupying police stations in Kosovo where Serbian forces have withdrawn, NATO commanders moved for the first time Wednesday to rein in the newly empowered rebels and allay Serbian concerns about possible rebel reprisal attacks.

In the first major confrontation between Kosovo Liberation Army weapons and the Marines allied forces, U.S. Marines

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took away

weapons from about 200 guerrillas in the Kosovo village of Zegra. It followed a tense standoff in which the KLA members refused to surrender their weapons until the Marines reved up armored personnel carriers and called in Cobra helicopters to intimidate them. The Marines then led away six rebel leaders in handcuffs.

With the last Yugoslav army and Serbian police units withdrawing from southern Kosovo, the pace of refugees returning to the shrinal province picked up steam despite appeals by relief officials and NATO, concerned about the lack of food and preponderance of land mines, that they are withdrawing from home. More than 11,000 ethnic Albanians crossed into the Serbian province through the Morin border station in northern Albania during the day, creating a three-mile long, four-hour traffic jam from the refugee camps in Kukes 10 miles away.

As the deployment of NATO troops into Kosovo proceeded through a fifth day, forces of the Kosovo Liberation Army continued to take up positions on the heels of departing Serbian forces, who are withdrawing under the terms of last week's peace deal. The increasingly visible KLA presence has alarmed the Serbian military and civilians, thousands of whom are fleeing Kosovo for Serbia proper out of concern the rebels may seek to take revenge against them for atrocities committed against Kosovo's ethnic Albanian majority.

# Nation's symbol recovers; ready for de-listing

**WASHINGTON** - The bald eagle is about to soar off the endangered species list. The majestic national bird was emblematic of how America poisoned its environment when it nearly disappeared from the lower 48 states 35 years ago. Now its recovery symbolizes how the nation can solve its ecological problems, experts said. With hoopla befitting a nation's

*'This is one of the big success of this century.'*

- Frank Gill, editor of 'The Birds of North America'

al symbol's recovery, the Clinton administration will announce its proposal to take the bald eagle

off the critical list on or near the July Fourth holiday, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service officials told Knight Ridder. That will mark the start of a yearlong bureaucratic process to remove the bird from the endangered species list. "It's entirely appropriate that on the Fourth of July we focus on the symbol of our country in wildlife," said Mark Van Patten, president of the nonprofit National Wildlife Federation. The bald eagle will be the

eighth species to recover and escape the endangered species list. The federal government is in the process of delisting the peregrine falcon, Fish and Wildlife spokeswoman Cindy Hoffman said Wednesday. And the agency will propose removing the Aleutian Canada goose later this summer, she said. "Of all the endangered species, none have attracted the public's

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# Panel to suggest cap on gambling

Combined wire reports

**WASHINGTON** - Citing risks to addicted and problem gamblers, a federal commission will recommend a moratorium on further expansion of legal gambling in the U.S. and a ban on internet gambling, in a report to be released Friday. What might Americans think about this idea? Not much, according to a new poll. Legal gambling in America enjoys broad public acceptance, reflecting the steadily increasing role that lotteries, casinos and

other games of chance have come to play in the nation's culture. Nearly two-thirds of American adults approve of legal gambling, a Gallup poll said Wednesday. Three-quarters of those surveyed said they approve of state lotteries, while 67 percent said that opening a casino helps a community's economy. Many of those who approve of gambling reasoned that people should have the right to choose what to do with their money and how to enjoy their free time. But the poll did not represent

an unqualified endorsement of gambling. Almost half of those polled favored maintaining the current level of legal gambling, while 22 percent favored expansion, 16 percent wanted to roll it back and 13 percent supported a gambling ban. Rep. Frank Wolf, R-Va., author of legislation creating the National Gambling Impact Study Commission, said Tuesday that he intends to introduce legislation that would impose a 1 percent tax on legal gambling proceeds to treat addicted gamblers and assist their families.



Janette Jack plays the nickel slots Wednesday at Four Jacks Casino in Jackpot.



# Awards celebrate unsung heroes

WASHINGTON (AP) - Like many other Americans, Dr. Ramona Tascoc was horrified by the carnage on the U.S. embassies in East Africa were bombed last August.

But Tascoc was not satisfied to watch from continents away. Even after the State Department rejected her offer to assemble physicians and travel to Kenya and Tanzania. Instead, she tapped several willing donors, and in less than two weeks was on her way with a private group of doctors and \$300,000 worth of medical supplies.

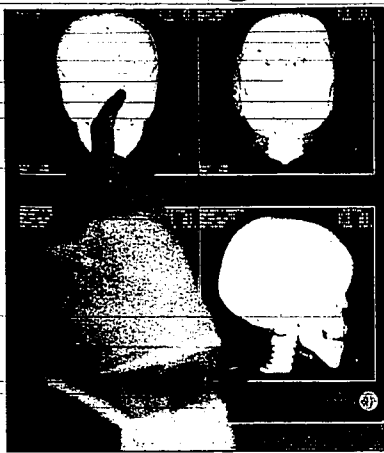
Tascoc will join 40 other private citizens in Washington on Friday to receive the Jefferson Awards for contribution to public service. "I felt it was important for the Kenyans to know there were Americans who were hurting because of their pain," said Tascoc. A San Francisco resident and a faculty member at the University of California at Berkeley.

She helped treat some 5,000 people injured by the blasts, looking for both physical and emotional scarring.

Sponsored by the American Institute for Public Service, the annual awards drew attention to individuals who through their personal - and often ingenious - efforts have tried to improve the lives of others.

Several award recipients said they were drawn into public service by formative moments in their lives.

Dr. William Magee Jr., a plastic surgeon in Norfolk, Va., traveled to the Philippines in 1981 to operate on children with cleft



Dr. William Magee Jr. points to x-rays of Amine Maki, 5, of Morocco, at Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters last week in Norfolk, Va.

lips and other facial deformities. There were so many children with the deformity, which can render it impossible for them to speak or eat, that hundreds had to be turned away.

Magee and his wife then founded Operation Smile, an

organization which sends volunteer doctors to perform the reconstructive facial surgery for children worldwide. "It wasn't a strategic plan," said Magee. "It was just a matter of emotion and passion to make sure children didn't have to live this way."

# House toughens gun measures

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - The House Wednesday approved tough mandatory penalties for young people convicted of using a gun in a crime but rejected new curbs on the entertainment industry, as lawmakers began work on a wide-ranging package of measures aimed at curbing youth violence.

The action came during an emotional, day-long House debate over juvenile justice legislation that had assumed center stage on Capitol Hill.

The debate will continue today when lawmakers consider a series of closely contested measures on gun control, including competing plans to require background checks at gun shows.

At stake Wednesday was a juvenile justice bill that had stalled for two years until the Littleton, Colo., school shootings in April. The basic measure would provide an extra \$1.5 billion to the states to help combat juvenile crime, but lawmakers worked through the evening on a series of amendments offering a variety of additional approaches to the problem. Final passage of the overall bill is not expected until Thursday, or possibly Friday.

On one of the most closely watched amendments, lawmakers approved 249 to 181 a plan by Rep. Bill McCollum, R-Fla., to impose stricter penalties on

juvenile offenders. Under the measure, the maximum penalty for juveniles convicted of illegally possessing a firearm would be increased to one year, while those convicted of possessing a firearm with the intent of taking it to school would face a maximum of five years.

While members of both parties appeared eager to get tough with juvenile offenders, an even larger bipartisan majority rejected a proposal to crack down on the entertainment industry - which many Republicans have tried to finger as the culprit in Littleton.

On a 232-146 vote, lawmakers shot down a proposal by House Judiciary Committee chairman Henry J. Hyde, R-Ill., that would have made it a crime to distribute or sell to minors any movies, video games, books magazines or other materials that contain

explicitly sexual or violent material.

Hyde portrayed the measure as necessary to "show the flood of toxic waste into our kids' minds," but many other lawmakers - backed by an aggressive lobbying campaign by the entertainment industry - saw it as an infringement on the First Amendment.

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# Study: AIDS, breast cancer get high amount of NIH funds

The Associated Press

A study suggests that diseases like AIDS and breast cancer get a disproportionately large share of federal research dollars in relation to the toll they take on public health.

The study, published in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine and conducted by researchers at Johns Hopkins University, is the first systematic comparison of National Institutes of Health funding for specific dis-

eases and the burden imposed by these illnesses. Overall, the study found a strong correlation between NIH funding in fiscal 1996 and the years of life lost to disability and death from 29 diseases in the world's industrialized nations - a measure called disability-adjusted life years, or DALYs.

That's good news for NIH, said Dr. Cary Gross, who led the study. "A lot of people have been critical of the NIH for funding a while in saying their funding allocation was arbitrary," Gross said.

# Supporters of Y2K bill confront possible White House veto

WASHINGTON (AP) - Supporters of legislation to curb Y2K-related lawsuits, encouraged by a strong Senate vote, say the U.S. economy is at stake and that the White House should reconsider its veto threat.

"I hope that the president would not veto" the bill, said Sen. Dan Feistenberg, D-Calif., who joined 11 other Democrats and 50 Republicans Tuesday in the 62-37 vote to pass the bill.

The legislation, passed in a different version by the House and now heading for a House-Senate conference, has been avidly backed by the high tech and business community, which say it can help prevent billions of dollars in lawsuits arising from computers that could produce a variety of problems by misreading

the year 2000 as 1900. But the administration, backed by consumer groups and trial lawyers, has threatened a veto, saying the bill undercuts legal rights to seek damages and would discourage companies from fixing computers.

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# FOCUS: THE BALKANS

## HAPPY REUNION



Ethnic Albanian Yahir Ahmeti, 36, greets his children at the Blace, Macedonia, border where they were waiting to re-enter Kosovo. Yahir had been hiding inside Kosovo for three months after his family left the province for safety in Macedonia. Refugees streamed over the border Wednesday, despite warnings from NATO about safety concerns in some areas, to return to their homes.

## Search for father ends in sad discovery

The Washington Post

VLASTICA, Yugoslavia — Skender Ibishi arrived home Tuesday to search for his father. He wanted to come sooner, but the Serbs were in control of the area until Monday.

The house is a pile of bulldozed rubble, in a village of rubble. The population of this eastern Kosovo village used to be 2,100. Now it's zero. Every house has been burned. Every window has been broken. Every single thing has been destroyed.

And somewhere in the rubble of the home, Ibishi says, are the remains of his father and 12 other people, all of whom were shot, set on fire and buried by a bulldozer in mid-April.

He reaches into his left pants pocket and pulls out a pocket-watch that he just found. My father's, he says.

Now he sees a burned green-and-white striped shirt. The shirt my father was wearing, he says, and he bends down to touch it, and now he lifts it up, and a small soot spandily fills the air that it makes him spit and almost vomit.

"The bodies," he says, "are some where under here."

He walks over to another section of the rubble, where there's an old stove. The stove has a drawer, covered by a piece of cardboard. Look, he says, removing the cardboard to show what he has put in the drawer, and there, arranged neatly, are half-dozen pieces of blackened human bones. One is a ball-and-socket joint; another looks long

enough to be part of an arm.

"Thirteen people," he says. And unable to stay in this place for another moment, at least Tuesday, he leaves and heads a few miles north to the city of Gnjilane, where a celebration of the ethnic Albanian's liberation is under way.

There are thousands of people on the streets, many out for the first time in months. Long lines of cars parade in every direction, with honking horns and

*Hyzeni was shot first. Then the soldiers worked methodically down the line. Each person was shot two or three times.*

flashing headlights and people hanging out of the windows waving flags.

Ibishi ignores them. He heads to a quiet side street and goes through a blue gate. Inside is a 13-year-old girl named Vjore Shabani, who has short black hair and a beautiful face and a deep red dent in her left cheek and a left pinkie finger that is mangled and bruised.

Shabani, it turns out, was in the room where the 13 people were lined up and killed. She was also shot, but survived.

It happened in her house, she says. There were two Serbian soldiers. They told her family to line up and not move. They ran out and brought in another fami-

ly, and then another. There were 23 people in all, she says; and they all were told to sit in a row except for her grandfather, who was told to be down.

"Why are you shooting at us?" she says a neighbor named Hyzen Hyseni asked the soldiers, who were just inside the doorway. "We're not shooting at you." At which point, she says, the shooting began.

Hyzeni was shot first. Then the soldiers worked methodically down the line. Each person was shot two or three times, she says.

"In the head, all in the head. Most of them in the forehead." She knows this, she says, because she watched, at least until the guns swung toward her mother. That's when she turned away.

She says they killed her mother, Zjaver, 38, her father, Selami, 45, and her brother, Fikri, 2 1/2. They killed four Shabanis and seven Hyzenis and one Berisha and one Ibishi, she says, and they wounded three more, and left six untouched, and then they swung their guns once more, toward the last person in line.

"Me." One shot. "I was hiding my head," she says. "I heard the gunshot. I felt nothing. I just saw my finger was almost severed."

This was the pinkie, which she had resting on her cheek as she tried to hide her head.

"It was just hanging," she says, "and I saw blood."

The Serbs, she says, ran off.

## Russia predicts end to dispute this weekend

HELSINKI, Finland (AP) — The United States and its NATO allies will be "as creative as we can" in trying to accommodate Russian troops in Kosovo's peacekeeping, just Moscow says it must accept that NATO is in command, Defense Secretary William Cohen said Wednesday. His Russian counterpart predicted the issue would be resolved by the weekend.

Cohen and Russian Defense Minister Marshall Igor Sergeev began a series of meetings in the ornate Hall of Mirrors in the presidential palace. The two defense chiefs, with about a dozen aides each, sat around a long wooden table for an opening session to be followed by a working dinner. A second day of talks was expected Thursday.

"If we didn't have a measure of confidence we wouldn't have come here," Sergeev said through a translator when asked whether he was confident of solving the problem. He declined to say whether Moscow would put its troops under NATO command. Cohen said it was too early to say how the impasse might be ended. His initial round of talks with Sergeev lasted longer than scheduled.

## Outside NATO areas, residents wait in fear

SAJKOVAC, Yugoslavia (AP) — For the frightened villagers of northern Kosovo, the advance of NATO troops is a race against time. They're not sure who will get to them first: vengeful departing Serb forces, or the alliance troops pushing northward as the Serbs retreat.

"We can only wait," said Rexhap Rexhapi, an ethnic Albanian father of nine sheltering Wednesday with his family in a field livestock stable in this village about 18 miles northeast of Pristina. "It's not that we feel safe here, only that we have nowhere else to go."

Serb police and troops have until Sunday night to leave northern Kosovo, and ethnic Albanian villagers and townspeople in the region are now afraid they could be swept up in a final burst of ferocity.

The fears are well-founded. Serb forces vacating a southern swath of Kosovo earlier this week torched villages in their path and sniped at motorists on desolate

stretches of road. On Wednesday, sullen Serb gunmen roamed within sight of NATO's advancing columns, and smoke could be seen rising from the town of Podujevo, which NATO has yet to enter.

With stragglers who had been hiding out in the hills still arriving Wednesday, Rexhapi and his family considered themselves lucky to have a roof over their heads, even one made of mud and straw. In a field just outside the stable, dozens of families have been living for weeks or months in the open.

During the course of the 2 1/2-month NATO bombardment and the simultaneous Serb campaign against the province's ethnic Albanians, the village's population swelled tenfold, from 3,000 people to 30,000. Except for the presence of plastic sheeting and rusting tractors, the scene could be split from another country; shelters made of tree boughs, people cooking over wood fires, rough wooden carts.

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# Sinking homes, hopes

## Philly neighborhood faces evacuations

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — For years, people living in the row-houses along Hegerman Street had complained of cracked walls and floors so slanted that doors would stick and eggs would slide out of the frying pan.

Finally, last week, the city came knocking on the doors of seven homes in the blue-collar northeast Philadelphia neighborhood with an urgent message: Your houses are sinking into the ground and could collapse at any moment. You must evacuate NOW.

Before the news could sink in, city-leased moving vans were rumbling down the narrow street and crews were hurriedly loading belongings from the small, meticulously maintained row-houses.

People scrambled to pack many cleaned and swept out their homes before closing the doors forever.

That was Friday. Since then, the displaced residents' disbelief has turned to anger at city officials who aren't sure whether they will provide financial help. Aïd neighbors on an adjacent street are waiting for word on whether they will need to go.

The homes were built in the 1920s on top of old creek beds that were filled with a 21-foot layer of ash and cinders. Residents had complained for years about-crooked-floors



Augustus Williams of the Philadelphia Water Department uses a jack-hammer to dig down to the water main in Philadelphia Tuesday. Water department employees were shutting off the water in preparation for the demolition of seven sinking homes.

and windows.

The city buttressed several of the homes, then determined two months ago that the problem had worsened.

Roseanne Allen, whose son David and his wife lived for seven years on Hegerman Street,

said she was shocked by the shifting and cracking during a recent visit.

"I was cooking an egg on the frying pan, and it slid out and fell on the kitchen floor," she said. "I couldn't believe my eyes."

# For many House newcomers, election to Congress means bigger paycheck

WASHINGTON (AP) — Many of the 40 freshman House members got a nice raise when they came to town in January, while some sacrificed sizable incomes for a seat in Congress. But few experienced financial swings as dramatic as Oregon Democrat David Wu.

Wu, an attorney, reported earned income of only \$3,501 on the 1998 financial disclosure forms that were released for House members Wednesday. He has seven investment funds, but each returned only up to \$200 last year. He says he actually lost money through his law practice, although that wasn't reported.

## Idaho lawmakers — C8

The annual financial disclosure records show Americans what their lawmakers owned and owed, the investments they bought and sold, outside earnings, travel paid for by private interests and speech honoraria that must be donated to charity. Fifty-four representatives asked for extensions prior to the May 15 deadline, although many have since filed their forms.

Floor leaders in the House make \$151,800, and the speaker's compensation is fixed at \$175,400. Another newcomer, Republican Rep. Paul Ryan of Wisconsin, reported just \$1,800 in earned income for "marketing consulting" last year. But Ryan got money from investments,

including rental property that produced \$15,001-to-\$50,000 in income.

More typical in the freshman class was Massachusetts Democrat Michael Capuano, who as mayor of Somerville, Mass., made \$72,500 last year, and collected a bit more from two rental properties. Still, Capuano's election to Congress almost doubled his earned income.

On the other hand, freshmen such as Republican Johnny Isakson of Georgia will see a sharp decline in their incomes, as outside earnings are limited to \$20,505. Isakson, who replaced former Speaker Newt Gingrich from a suburban Atlanta district, made \$308,775 from his real estate business in 1998 and another \$17,550 in fees for serving on corporate boards.

## NATION IN BRIEF

### Study: Hazardous arms sold

WASHINGTON — Some 100,000 rounds of armor-piercing ammunition were transferred from the military to the civilian market over the past year, a congressional study found.

The transfer was done under a government program set up to help the military dispose of surplus and obsolete ammunition, said the study released Wednesday by the Democratic minority of the House Government Reform Committee.

The report said the Pentagon sells surplus 50-caliber shells designed for long-range military sniper weapons for \$1 a ton to a West Virginia manufacturing company.

Talon Manufacturing dismantled 98 percent of the rounds for scrap, but it refurbished the remaining 2 percent and offered them for sale, including to foreign military and civilian buyers, the report said.

### FBI arrests longtime fugitive Soliah

MINNEAPOLIS — A long-sought member of the Symbionse Liberation Army was arrested Wednesday, 25 years after the terrorist group kidnapped newspaper heiress Patty Hearst and most of its members died in a shootout, the FBI said.

Kathleen Ann Soliah, who was known in St. Paul as Sara Jane Olson, a married mother of three, was arrested without incident.

Soliah, 52, was indicted Feb. 26, 1976, by a grand jury in Los Angeles on felony charges including conspiracy to commit murder of police officers and possession of explosives. Soliah was involved in bombings and bank robberies with other SLA members, the FBI said.

Last month, on the 25th anniversary of the deadly SLA shootout in Los Angeles, the FBI offered a \$20,000 reward for Soliah, and she was featured on the television show "America's Most Wanted."

Wednesday's FBI announcement didn't say what led to the arrest.

FBI agents from Minneapolis and Los Angeles carried out Wednesday's arrest with help from St. Paul and Los Angeles police.

The Olson family lives in a well-kept, ivy-covered home. Neighbors said Sara Olson lived with her physician husband and their three daughters.

"This is America, where everyone is innocent

until proven guilty," neighbor Ron Whitcomb told WCCO Radio of Minneapolis. "I stand by the Constitution. Having been an old 1960s war protester myself, let's see how it all shakes out."

He described the Olsons as "quiet, very unassuming neighbors."

—The Hearst case was one of the most sensational news stories of the 1970s.

The SLA, a band of leftist radicals, kidnapped the then 18-year-old Hearst from her Berkeley, Calif., apartment in February 1974.

### Senate OKs disability-to-work bill

WASHINGTON — After months of delay, the Senate voted 99-0 Wednesday to make it easier for people with disabilities to return to work.

The centerpiece of the bill would allow many of the nation's 9 million adults with disabilities to retain their health insurance when they take jobs.

"If America means anything, it means not leaving people out or people behind," said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., who helped spearhead the bill. He called it a "real invitation to people with disabilities to be part of the American dream."

Although the bill had 77 co-sponsors, Sen. Phil Gramm objected to its reliance on tax changes to pay for it.

So the Senate put off finding a way to pay for the \$800 million, five-year measure. Instead, it directs future negotiators to come up with unspecified spending cuts.

Kennedy predicted that wouldn't be a problem, saying that President Clinton personally promised to find cuts.

### Fish beating brings assault charge

SAN DIEGO — A man was arrested on suspicion of assaulting his girlfriend in a supermarket parking lot with a 10-pound tuna.

Nicholas Anthony Vitalich, 24, could be charged with assault with a deadly weapon, police said. He was arrested Tuesday.

"People will use whatever weapon they have available. In this case it was a fish," said Lt. Jim Barker of the police domestic-violence unit.

He added: "It's a serious incident."

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## EDITORIAL

### Let the Randy Weaver debacle quietly fade away

Former U.S. attorney general Ramsey Clark gets around. He turned up in Tehran during the Iran hostage crisis, in Baghdad during the Gulf War - and just this spring went to Belgrade during the NATO bombing campaign.

On each occasion, he took every opportunity to denounce American foreign policy and to commiserate with its adversaries at the time - even while those adversaries were shooting at American soldiers and airmen and kidnapping American diplomats.

Last week, Clark visited a Pasadena, Calif., federal court to urge a three-judge federal panel to let Idaho prosecute FBI Agent Lon Horuchi. Horuchi was the sniper who shot and killed Vicki Weaver during the now-famous standoff at Ruby Ridge in northern Idaho in the summer of 1992. When the Bonner County prosecutor at the time tried to prosecute him for manslaughter, a federal judge ruled that Horuchi had constitutional immunity because he was acting within the scope of his job.

Clark, who is representing Idaho in the case, wants the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals to reinstate the manslaughter charge.

The Ruby Ridge operation, designed to arrest white separatist Randy Weaver on a weak federal weapons charge, was an unmitigated disaster. Three people, including Weaver's wife and son and an FBI agent, lost their lives, and a Boise jury wasted little time acquitting Weaver of the charges against him.

But hounding Horuchi in the federal appellate courts won't bring Vicki Weaver back.

The blame rightly has been assigned to the FBI and the Justice Department, and Randy Weaver has won his civil lawsuit against the government. It's time to move on.

We're not sure whose idea it was to recruit Clark to argue Idaho's case, but it was a mistake. His vintage '60s radical blame-America-first philosophy is an affront to the thousands of veterans who served in Operation Desert Storm and the hundreds of Idahoans now in the service who put their lives on the line for Kosovo.

Ramsey Clark doesn't speak for Idaho anywhere else. There's no reason he should be doing so in a court room.



## Principals' fear of not making the grade

American public school principals are as nervous as 16-year-olds facing a semester final. More and more of them are being required to publish annual summaries of how they and their teachers are doing. The school report cards, as they are usually called, compare each school's test scores to state and national averages and provide data on everything from teacher qualifications to disciplinary mishaps.

In principle, this is not a bad idea. Everyone from the newest kindergarten parent to the president of the United States agrees that schools must be accountable. Unfortunately, the report cards, like other government mandates imposed on schools, often do more to distort than clarify what is happening in class.

This is particularly true of data on college-level courses and tests, such as Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB), which have become a vital part of high school curricula. Many teachers are using the demanding courses and the independently written and scored tests to enliven the learning process for hitherto marginal students. But this effort fails to come across because of the clumsy way the states require these courses and tests be reported.

More about the subject and are better prepared for college than if they had never tried the course. They have gone one-on-one against the academic equivalent of Reggie Miller and lost, but they have a much clearer idea of what they need to get to level.

Under the school report card system, however, their school suffers for letting them take that risk. A school such as Millburn High in affluent suburban New Jersey can brag about its 94 percent AP pass rate even as it bars dozens of eager and well-qualified students from taking AP courses and tests. A school such as Hayfield Secondary in Fairfax County, Va., can welcome students into its courses and see a heartening 14 percent increase in the number of AP test takers last year, but still have to defend its 54.8 percent pass rate.

Many students, considering an already unwilling to learn, catch fire when exposed to a rigorous course designed to prepare them for a test over which their teacher has no control. Teachers use the daunting prospect of the test to motivate slacker and unifi classes fractured by clique-ridden high school culture.

Teenagers like the idea of being graded not on the curve but on whether or not they meet a high national and international standard. Distracting competitive juices evaporate. Adolescents who come to school for no other reason than to see their friends find, to their pleased surprise, that they are rewarded for working together toward the common goal of acing the test.

What if they flunk the test and miss out on college credit? The teacher can still give a hard-working student a passing mark in her class, since her assessment is entirely separate from the grading of AP or IB tests. More important, students who have failed an AP or IB test usually discover that they still know

Some states have added a slightly better statistic - the percentage of students in AP classes. Unfortunately, there are schools that create AP courses to impress parents but discourage the suburban New Jersey can brag about its 94 percent AP pass rate even as it bars dozens of eager and well-qualified students from taking AP courses and tests. A school such as Hayfield Secondary in Fairfax County, Va., can welcome students into its courses and see a heartening 14 percent increase in the number of AP test takers last year, but still have to defend its 54.8 percent pass rate.

What the report cards should reveal is the percentage of students taking the AP or IB tests or the average number of tests per student. That kind of risk-taking distinguishes a school. Teenagers love mountain bikes, roller coasters and scary video games.

It should not be too much to ask all high school students to take at least one demanding course and test - still to them as an adrenaline fix, the classroom equivalent of Tomb Raider II, something to light up any report card.

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### Can we handle the truth?

Some people say if evolution is taught in schools, they should also teach creation. But there is a great difference between the two. With creation, all people have to do is say God created everything. This made it very simple for primitive man to tell his children.

On the other hand, evolution has to be learned just like people have to learn to read and write.

Truth does not come easy. It can be hid for millions of years, but it never dies. Advancing truth is one of the greatest things man can do.

Of all the wonderful things man has dreamed up, most intelligent people would rather have truth.

WILLIAM HAFNER  
Twin Falls

suggestions on ways to spend your tax dollars which went up in attendance? I know for a fact you were not here at any of the meetings. Why? Most, if not all, of your questions were answered. If you think you have all the answers, where were you when the School Board members needed your input? Have you listened to their reasons for the bond? Well, have you?

Your children cannot receive a quality education as long as they have to try to learn in an overcrowded classroom. If you would have bothered to attend a single meeting, you would be educated. The Citizens for Better Schools Committee did not sit in these meetings looking for ways to throw your money down the drain. If the investors were not sold on the past bonds, did they do their homework and become informed? Did they just vote no because it was not their solution to the problems?

Yes, Lamont, learning does continue after high school, but it still takes some effort on your part. If you don't know something, do you just sit there until someone else tells you the answer or

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solves the problem? My guess is you probably wait for someone else to find a solution so you can complain. "That is not the way I would have done it." With limited space I cannot answer your questions. You know where to find me, and I will be happy to answer yours, or anyone else's, questions. It is people with your "don't let it cost or inconvenience me" mentality that will keep us the bathroom community of Twin Falls. Let's take pride in our community and make it a better place to live. Let's hound our tax base and make Jerome a place where people want to live and raise a family. It won't be easy and it won't be all fun. Support projects that help build and improve Jerome.

Lamont, do your homework, I beg you! Your eyes will be opened and you will see that you will get your money's worth. Will more money result in better education and more business in Jerome? Yes, really!

NANCY LEE  
Jerome

**Games aren't what they used to be**

I have seen and read many articles discussing at length the incident in Colorado.

I started to think more and more about what our kids are seeing in movies and video games. I decided to go to the local video game place at the Magic Valley Mall and see what types of games are out there now. I thought (being a video game addict when I was a little younger) that the games would probably be about the same as when I frequented those hang-outs. Most of the games were Karate games, one pinball and a couple of racing games. The two games that really caught my attention were the games with guns as the interactive instrument. I decided to watch to see just what kids would be shooting and how graphic it would be.

One was not too bad called "Area 51." It showed pictures of skeletons being shot that would disintegrate when killed. It didn't seem to be overly bloody or graphic although you were shooting at "living beings." But the second game called "Carn Evil" was shocking and disturbing! This game depicted the player shooting dead people with a toy revolver. The first shot from the player's toy gun would split their head open in a mass of blood and

flesh, but the creature would keep coming. The second shot blew half of their head off in much the same manner, but this did not stop it either. The half-mutilated head creature would still walk; the third shot from the player's toy gun would blow the rest of the creature's head off in a grotesque mass of blood.

I was ill, literally ill. It was so real it made me dizzy and sick to my stomach. Keep in mind that I am a person that has played many, many video games. I was disgusted to say the least.

I can now see how kids are desensitized to killing from playing these video games. I will do everything within my power to prevent my children from ever playing this type of video game.

Please keep in mind that I am not saying that these games are at the root of the problem that caused the incident in Colorado, because I'm not. The breakdown of the family is the problem, but this video game is taking advantage of angry youth and desensitizing them to brutal killings.

CLINT CARTER  
Twin Falls

### Doonesbury



### By Garry Trudeau



### Mallard Fillmore



### By Bruce Tinsley



# Legal ways shape city clean-ups

Through much of the 1990s, Baltimore was hailed as "the jewel of urban revival" for imaginatively revitalizing its once shabby Inner Harbor area with sparkling new shops, eateries, sports stadiums, museums and affordable housing.

Unfortunately, some dark clouds are now gathering on Baltimore's horizon. And they appear to be a harbinger of things to come for numerous other American cities.

With the help of celebrity trial lawyer and Orioles' owner Peter Angelos, Baltimore is about to get a new slogan: "First in contingency fees, near-last in the American League East."

Angelos initially made tens of millions of dollars—enough to field one of baseball's highest paid teams—selling asbestos manufacturers. He stands to pocket up to \$1 billion as a result of Maryland's recent tobacco settlement.

Now he has another money maker up his sleeve. He and Maryland Gov. Parris N. Glendening are in the final planning stages of a national lawsuit that will target companies that formerly made paint containing lead.

Milwaukee and Pittsburgh reportedly are the two other launch cities. Like Baltimore, much of their housing was built before 1978 when lead-content paint was banned for residential use. Other cities likely to be targeted down the road: New Orleans, Cincinnati, Detroit, St. Paul, Houston, Buffalo and Atlanta.

While studies show that higher percentages of inner-city children have higher levels of lead in their blood, it's unclear how much of that should be attributed to lead-content paint—especially when you consider the industry voluntarily phased it out in the 1950s when health risks first came to light.

It's true that children who ingest paint chips and paint dust in deteriorating inner-city homes can suffer lead-poisoning. But lead also is present in a lot more places and in much riskier ways than old paint—including automobile exhaust, old pipes and even drinking water.

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Fact is, the mere presence of lead paint need not be a health risk—not if it's adequately bonded to the paint surface, or buried under layers of non-toxic paint, or located where kids can't pick at it.

Cities like Chicago already have successfully tackled the problem of deteriorating lead paint by passing ordinances requiring landlords to remove it or seal it in with fresh non-toxic paint. The cost runs anywhere from \$1,000 to \$10,000 per home.

Chicago and other municipalities also have developed effective programs to educate parents and children in high-risk areas about the hazards of crumbling lead paint.

Both programs place responsibility for lead-paint cleanup explicitly where it belongs.

The lead-paint lawsuits are the latest in a series of legal actions advanced by trial lawyers and government officials as a part of a new tactic often referred to as "legislating by litigating."

More appropriately, it might well be called "taxation through litigation" because when all is said and done, it imposes a hidden tax on consumers and small-business owners in the form of higher prices and substantially increased business costs.

Armed with this new legal theory and inspired by last year's successful assault on Big Tobacco, trial lawyers and attorneys general are joining forces to sue industries for making products that, some individuals may abuse or improperly maintain.

The driving force behind the lawsuit suits ostensibly is to prevent innocent children from growing up to lead mentally or physically stunted lives—certainly a worthy cause that no one opposes.

But rippling just below the surface of the pending attack on the paint industry are some less than

altruistic motives: First, trial lawyers in such cases typically receive awards ranging from 20 percent to 50 percent plus expenses—sums that often run into multi-millions of dollars.

Second, governors, attorneys general and other cooperative state officials benefit in several ways: they get generous campaign contributions from appreciative trial lawyers, and they get millions in additional tax revenues to dispense on patronage and pet projects.

Third, many politicians see the lawsuit as a way of putting into place expensive, entitlement programs that budget-conscious legislators increasingly are turning down. Many of those pet projects are long-term efforts that continue to run long after the damage-award money runs out. Invariably, the taxpayers get stuck with the tab.

At a time when Maryland is being outpaced by its neighbors in job creation, pinning the state's prosperity on an alliance with trial lawyers to sue entire industries sends the wrong message to companies considering moving into the state.

Not too long ago, Gov. Glendening was quoted as saying, "Give me three more Peter Angelos, and we don't have to worry about the budget."

As much as I admire the self-made attributes Peter Angelos has demonstrated over the years, my response would have to be: "Spare us, Governor. Overly litigious lawyers like Peter Angelos already are putting a damper on the booming economies of far too many states."

State legislatures can stop such madness by shunning off campaign contributions from the plaintiff bar and passing strong tort reform measures.

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# End of history? We're far from it

When in 1988 Gorbachev declared competition the essence of socialism, Francis Fukuyama said: "We've reached the end of history." In 1989, the year of the fall of the Wall, Fukuyama published in *The National Interest* quarterly, "The End of History." Widely read, fiercely debated and frequently misunderstood, it had remarkable fecundity as the catalyst of serious thought about political choices after the death of communism.

Since then, Gorbachev has appeared in a Pizza Hut ad, and Fukuyama's thesis—call it melancholy triumphalism—has seemed confirmed. It is that the exhausts of ideological alternatives to bourgeois liberalism—rights-based, pluralist, market societies—presages the unification of mankind in agreement on the fundamental aims of life.

History, he argues, is directional, progressive and approaching its destination. However, the agreed-upon aims of life are human, constitutional and consumerism, a world made safe by tamed governments and publicised by material satiation.

This tranquillity will be mar-chased by the revitalization of fundamental aims of life.

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However, throughout history the best, too, have usually had passionate intensity, without which bravery and other forms of nobility are unlikely.

Ten years on, Fukuyama, now with George Mason University, has published, again in *The National Interest*, "Second Thoughts." He affirms the premise of his earlier argument. However, he retreats, for ominous reasons, his conclusion about the human project approaching finality.

His premise is that two motors drive history. One is economic,

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meaning applied science—from steam power to computer chips—which increasingly punishes societies that do not maximize, through markets, the dispersal of decision-making. History's second motor is what Hegel called the individual's "struggle for recognition," meaning equal dignity as a moral agent, which liberal democracies affirm with a panoply of rights.

In the 1990s U.S. foreign policy looks like Fukuyama's premises transmuted into policy through what he calls "three interlocking propositions constituting a 'democratic syllogism.'" The propositions are:

First, liberal democracies rarely fight one another.

Second, the correlation between a certain level of economic development and democracy strongly suggests that economic development is the most efficacious promoter of democracy.

Above a level of \$5,000 per capita GDP in 1992 parity purchasing power," says Fukuyama, "there is not a single historical instance of a democratic country reverting to authoritarianism. Spain, Portugal, Greece, Taiwan and South Korea all made their transitions to democracy at or near this magical figure."

Third, the best way to promote growth is globalization—integrating nations into international trade and capital markets.

Fukuyama says the "evolutionary logic" of history, imparted by "the integrating forces of economic modernization," is not refuted by the persistence of pre-modern nationalisms and ethnic conflicts in Rwanda, Somalia and the Balkans, or the cultural resistance of Islamic theocracies. In 1999, even more clearly than in 1989, only democracy legitimizes a regime, and supposed alterna-

tives to market arrangements, principally the "Asian development model" exemplified by Japan's state-directed development, seem discredited.

And yet, says Fukuyama, his "end of history" thesis was wrong. It assumed that human nature is a known constant. But to assume that, there would have to be an "end of science," and particularly of biology, the source of the new neurophysiology, and perhaps soon much else.

Just with the widespread use of Ritalin and Prozac, "a major revolution in the control of human behavior has been launched in the past decade without fanfare or significant debate." And that major revolution is minor compared with the potential alterations that may be made possible by manipulations of the structure of DNA.

Our understandings of political justice and general principles of morality reflect our understanding of human nature. Hence all bets about the destination of directional history are off when that nature becomes malleable—something not given by God or evolutionary inheritance but by human artifice. This artifice can produce new motors of history, with unknowable potentials for good and evil.

In a sense, Fukuyama's thesis—that human history is no longer driven by passionate differences—is not vulnerable to what science does: It will not really be refuted if human nature is abolished and post-human history begins.

Meanwhile, his thesis is largely unscathed by a decade's events: Liberal market democracy still is the only alternative for peoples wishing to participate in modernity, as all peoples seem to wish to do so now as their societies become porous to today's information technologies.

So far, so good. The trouble is, a decade, even one, is not full as when 1989. It is but a blink in the human story.

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## LETTER

### We must find a solution

After a long discussion on the serious adverse effects of livestock concentration camps (industrial dairies and hog factories) and nuclear waste incinerators, a good friend of mine said, "Bill, you sound bitter." That statement made me stop and think, because I am not by nature a bitter person despite my three decades of fighting against environmental degradation and socio-spiritual decay.

I reflected on the words of an Albanian refugee whose family had suffered rape and death at the hands of the Serbs when he was asked about "hate." He said, "I am not by nature a hateful person, but after this I do hate." One of the great drivers called disregard for the public's health, safety and general welfare by the proponents of industrial livestock operations and nuclear waste incinerators. These issues have more in common than not.

At the hearing before the Idaho House of Representatives Agriculture Committee, Sen. Laird Noh said, in introducing legis-

lation that would have given the counties more say in the siting of what are called CAFOs, (confined animal feeding operations), that he was joining forces to sue industries for creating a "Bosnia like situation." Some members of the committee and CAFO proponents snickered. When I spoke, I backed up Sen. Noh's assessment. The quality of people's lives are being seriously affected, their property values diminished, a way of life threatened. The environmental and health consequences are getting minimal attention from the bureaucracies and politicians entrusted to do so.

I am not the only one becoming embittered. In one two-week period, not long ago Gooding County approved the expansion of 36,000 more animals for CAFO operations. Twin Falls County has one application of the books for 13,500 animals on a property near Balanced Rock, another 7,100 animals for a dairy out on Bell Rapids south of the Owsley Bridge. These operations have so many side windows on the balance sheet of wisdom they'll never see black.

Before it is too late, before we have destroyed this place, before bitterness becomes hatred, we bet-

ter sit down and discuss these matter with an eye to solution and sustainability. This is a wake-up call for us all. Let's not sleep in.

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WORLD

# New South African president takes over for Mandela

PRETORIA, South Africa — Thabo Mbeki became South Africa's second post-apartheid president Wednesday, taking over leadership of a racially divided country from Nelson Mandela with promises to improve the lives of millions of impoverished blacks.

Seconds after Mbeki took the oath in Zulu, English and Afrikaans, Mandela and his successor held hands high above their heads in a victory salute.

The ceremony marked the first transfer of power in South Africa between two democratically elected governments, and recalled the inhumanity of apartheid. It was also full of hope for racial harmony — exemplified by choirs of black and white children who sang together.

A warplane emblazoned with the colors of South Africa's flag screeched over an amphitheater where the ceremony was held, drowning out the cheers of hundreds of dignitaries.

Tens of thousands of South Africans crowded onto a huge lawn nearby, watching the inauguration on a giant television.

Mbeki — who inherits leadership of Africa's richest country but one plagued by crime and uneven, racially based distribution of wealth — paid tribute to Mandela and others who led the anti-apartheid fight.

## Tension runs high on Korean peninsula

SEOUL, South Korea — U.S. Navy and Air Force planes joined South Korean aircraft Wednesday in patrolling over disputed waters in the Yellow Sea, after a high-seas shoutout sank one North Korean gunboat, damaged five others and may have killed 30 sailors.

Five North Korean warships stopped just outside the boundary and did not try to move into the disputed waters, the South Korean Defense Ministry said. Early into the contested zone by North Korean ships provoked Tuesday's brief battle.

North Korea, describing the situation as grave, released a statement that suspended visits by South Koreans to the capital, Pyongyang, but not other parts of the country. The order would apply to some 2,000 South Koreans now traveling in the North Korea for sightseeing or business. The statement did not directly mention a scheduled government meeting with South Korea in Beijing on Monday.

The meeting of vice ministers would be the first government

## BY ANY MEANS NECESSARY



Independence lawmaker Lo Fu-Chu, whose face is being mangled by his colleague, is embroiled in a brawl involving more than 10 lawmakers as Legislature took a vote Tuesday on a controversial bill to give the central government the exclusive right to run lotteries.

contact between the two Koreans in 14 months.

The disputed waters lie between the North Korean mainland and five South Korean islands, 60 miles northwest of Seoul. An armistice that ended the 1950-53 Korean War, signed by the U.N. Command and North Korea, never outlined the maritime border off the Korean Peninsula's central western coast.

## Back on his feet, pope returns to his birthplace

WADOWICE, Poland — Back on his feet after a brief bout of flu, Pope John Paul II returned to his birthplace Wednesday, recalling his old friends, his days as an altar boy and his mother who "filled my childhood with love."

"Welcome home, welcome home," the 160,000 townspeople and visitors gathered to greet him shouted repeatedly, starting as soon as his helicopter landed. With his long and arduous pilgrimage winding down, the pope turned to the nostalgic side of the trip, which became uncertain when he came down with a slight fever Monday night. The Vatican said the 79-year-old pope had recovered and would complete the 13-day trip as planned, after canceling all public appearances and staying in bed a day earlier.

## Mexico assesses damage from quake

PUEBLA, Mexico — Blue-

masked soldiers sweating under the noontime sun struggled Wednesday to lift boulders toppled into the streets of the

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## World in brief

Mexican colonial city of Puebla by a powerful earthquake. The death toll rose to 16.

The magnitude 6.7 earthquake Tuesday brought down church towers and damaged other colonial-era buildings.

In Puebla, capital of the state by same name, the sound of shovels hitting stone echoed through the streets.

President Ernesto Zedillo declared the state a disaster area after the earthquake, which injured hundreds of people.

## Mass grave probe begins in Sri Lanka

JAFFNA, Sri Lanka — Workers began digging Wednesday at a suspected site of a mass grave thought to hold the remains of nearly 300 minority Tamils who disappeared while in military custody three years ago.

The Sri Lankan government ordered the digging after a soldier convicted last year of the rape and murder of a Tamil family told judges he had helped bury the victims of other soldiers.

More than 58,000 people have been killed in fighting between the government and Tamil Tiger rebels since 1983.

The rebels have been fighting

to establish a separate homeland for Sri Lanka's minority Tamils.

## Brazil's top AIDS official urges preschool sex ed

SAO PAULO, Brazil — Sex education for preschoolers is an important step in stopping the spread of AIDS, Brazil's top AIDS prevention official said.

Classes about sex for children as young as 4 would reduce AIDS among teen-ages and help avoid unwanted pregnancies, said Pedro Chequer, coordinator of the Health Ministry's AIDS prevention program.

Chequer's comments Tuesday were widely endorsed at a meeting of educators debating ways to curb AIDS, but the view is likely to stir controversy in the world's largest Roman Catholic country.

The clergy in Brazil has opposed government programs urging safe sex, and the idea of discussing sex among children will learning their ABCs is likely to face even more opposition.

The quick spread of the disease has made Brazil a world leader in AIDS cases, and educators at the conference, which ended Wednesday, said there is no harm in starting education young.

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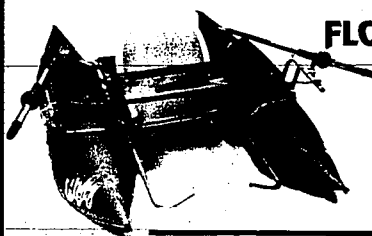


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BUHL - Somewhere across Eastman Park, lines were forming for postrace chow. Someone was pulling a mist of trout. Across the park, sweet smells reeled them in. All but one. Andrea Foster didn't feel like chow yet, anyway. Food wouldn't do a thing for the hunger she felt after succumbing on Stage 9 of the 1999 HP LaserJet Women's Challenge.

Foster, one of two Idaho racers left in this year's running of the international event, spent most of Wednesday riding and surviving west toward the Trout Capital of the World somewhere in the middle of the peloton - the main pack - only to burn out on the five-mile uphill climb to the finish.

"They just climbed the hill really fast," Foster said after the race, seated in the shade wiping sweat from her brow. "That was definitely a hill where you needed explosive, fast power."

Foster, a graduate of Boise High School, remembers watching the Women's Challenge storm through Idaho's capital city as a child in the late 1960s. "Some day, she thought, 'I'd see it come through and then I'd really like to ride with these ladies,'" Foster said.

Some day wasn't Wednesday, but it may be today. Or tomorrow. Such grand unknowns define the allure of stage racing. Each stage presents a new shot at beating 113 other women.

Foster's quest to play with the big girls is but one of myriad subplots unfolding this week. Andrea Ulmer's victory was another.

"My longest tour before this was seven days," said Ulmer, Wednesday's Stage 9 champion. "It is grueling, but I'd rather be doing this than working in an office."

The women racing through the Magic Valley this week hail from more than a dozen countries. They are physicians, urban planners, Ivy League grads, chemists and work-at-home moms. Their presence here has not gone unnoticed. Curious crowds lined the race route Wednesday, eager for a peek at what in a world that's lost its chain for mountain biking is so hot an oddity.

Sady, in the realm of American cycling, the name most often associated with two fast wheels is Robbie Kniewel. People elsewhere, meanwhile, know that a French woman named Jeannie Longo-Ciprelli has come to Idaho seeking her 57th career cycling victory.

They know she's already the most successful cyclist - male or female, non-mechanics category - on the planet. Sitting in first place in the overall standings with four days left in the 1999 Women's Challenge, she is the queen of the road.

To the legendary Longo, adulation means little. On Tuesday's Massacre Rocks-to-Pomerelle stage, she worked to the front only to suffer a flat tire. Her support car was nowhere in sight, having retraced its tracks back to the site of a 25-rider wreck far behind.

So, alone, waiting, the 1996 Olympic Gold Medalist reflected on why she still races at 40.

For her, and for most of those whom she races against, it comes down to deep personal satisfaction. "My team is pushing me," Longo-Ciprelli said. "Just to be there the first day and start with them, that will be happy."

In a seemingly individual sport, team is the most crucial aspect of stage racing. Strategy develops and riders watch their supporting mile assistants box out the opposing mile better a teammate's position. Linda Jackson won Tuesday's stage up Pomerelle thanks largely to a helping hand.

She was one of the riders who dumped less than 10 miles into the stage. "Linda's team dropped back to help her up," said race coordinator Patry Peoples, a former road racer and triathlete. "If she didn't have a strong team, she never would've won."

The drama continues today. Foster will look for her first stage win, Longo-Ciprelli will seek to increase to one of two, and Ulmer will try to repeat Wednesday's stage victory.

These in the Magic Valley who know a good show when they see one race by will be watching.



DOWN IN FRONT
Jeff Rosen

Cyclist shatters record

Sprint background benefits winner of ninth stage

By Jeff Rosen
Times-News writer

BUHL - An omnipresent-tailwind positioned Team Elita's Sarah Ulmer for a shot at winning Wednesday's Stage 9 of the 1999 HP LaserJet Women's Challenge.

Sheer will and a bicycle sprinter's speed sealed her victory. "The 23-year-old New Zealand native rode away from the 114-woman field in the eighth mile west of Burley, remained with a breakaway group through Buhl and down into the Snake River Canyon, then made a daring and decisive move on the uphill grade back into Buhl for the finish at Eastman Park.

With a steep three kilometers remaining in the 64.2-mile race, Ulmer, a former 3-kilometer sprinter, oozed off the front of the pace-setting pack with pedals ablaze. When she crossed the finish line alone with arms stretched skyward, she'd shattered Clara Hughes' three-year-old stage record by 23 minutes with a time of 3:01:32. The win was her first major international stage victory.

For a near-rookie stage racer - Ulmer made the leap last year after a respectable career at lesser distances - uncorking the burst with 3,000 meters left seemed only natural. "It's awesome," Ulmer said. "It's my biggest road victory by far. It's a bit of a novelty, to be honest."

Ulmer and several other racers benefited Wednesday from fewer breezes than the day before - a 25-rider pile-up marred Tuesday's scramble up to Pomerelle. Their relatively low standing in the overall Women's Challenge points race didn't hurt, either.

With four stages of 13 left to go, road-race legend Jeannie Longo-Ciprelli (Italy), last year's winner Linda Jackson (Times) and American Mari Holden (HP Toner) own the top three spots in the overall, or general classification, standings.

However, none mounted a serious threat to win the stage skirting Twin Falls. "Rather than expend undue energy with another grueling leg, looming today to Glens Ferry, strategy dictated that those atop the leaderboard left the pack of seven - nay a top-10 rider in the bunch - back five. None gained enough time to significantly affect the overall tally.

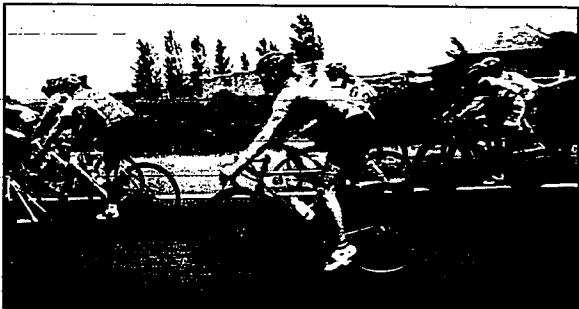
"It was not dangerous for me or my jersey, so I just controlled the top," said Longo-Ciprelli, who finished 25th at 3:04:38 but still donned the ceremonial blue race jersey given to the current overall leader.

For Ulmer and the seven others who remained as much as four minutes ahead of the peloton, on the other hand, the hilly trek to Buhl was all about making a move. Colorado's Brenda Black (Scapin) initiated the break, and several others - Ulmer included - sensed the urgency and drafted in behind her.

From there, teamwork took over. Though competing against one another, riders in the lead group expended precious little energy - more than 75 miles by passing the lead front to back in a counter-clockwise rotation. A steady tailwind blowing them westward helped sustain a top speed of 35 mph through the rolling farmland, with sprints

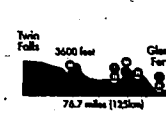


Sarah Ulmer laughs during an interview after she winning Wednesday's leg of the HP LaserJet Women's Challenge in Buhl.

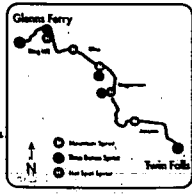


Above, Boise's Andrea Foster (69) finished sixth and one-half minutes behind the leader. She is one of two Idahoans left in the race. Right, Burley area fans cheer on the racers just after the start of the race.

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clocked near 45 mph. Black was the first and only racer of the leading group to fade. The rest stayed strong and unchallenged by some 100 competitors.



"The whole (lead) pack was really loose to do the work," said Ulmer, who is taking part in her third Challenge. "This stage was a priority for us." Fellow Kiwi Susy Pryde was

the early favorite, taking the first two of three time bonuses in sprints at the 22.1- and 57.8-mile marks, but Ulmer's jump on the six-percent grade out of the canyon and back into Buhl proved crucial. Several minutes after passing a smoldering stretch of grassy hillside and map-up five crests, she shot free when "I got a gap," Ulmer said. "Susy didn't chase me down. That helped. I was running to the finish, really."

A hard-spiriting Pryde finished first among a group of five riders at 3:02:05 on chains secured overall. Barbara Delvec (Office Depot of Italy) crossed the line at 3:02:18, while a number of riders

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Today's route is up and down

By Jeff Rosen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Entrants in the 1999 HP LaserJet Women's Challenge won't leave the Magic Valley without receiving a gritty helping of Idaho terrain. Course planners have seen to it that the two stages running through Twin Falls - like the stage that coursed down through Ketchum and Hailey last week - offer road racers plenty of ups, downs and pavement trail dust.

Here's the itinerary for today's 76.7-mile Stage 10, due to roll from Twin Falls to Glens Ferry (keeping in mind that only the start time is set in stone - the rest of the race will unfold, well, how it unfolds).

Spectators are encouraged and appreciated by race officials and contestants alike, and are only asked to keep vehicles clear as the entrance process, which may take up to 10 minutes.

- 11 am: Start in the parking lot of the Best Western Cavanaugh's Canyon Springs Hotel on Blue Lakes Boulevard North, heading north out of town on the Perrine Ridge.
• 11:07 am: Left on Golf Course Road (heading west)
• 11:17: Right on Lincoln Road (heading north)
• 11:25: Left (west) on Bob Barnes Road
• 11:53: Left (south) on New Road, begin steep descent into canyon, then cross the river and ascend
• 12:04 pm: Right (west) on 4300 North Road
• 12:18: Right (north) on Melon Valley Road
• 12:22: Right (north) on 1200 Highway 30
• 12:42: Left (north) on Highway 30
• 12:58: Left (west) onto old Hwy 30
• 1:30: Cross Interstate 84 on Pioneer Road
• 1:38: Reach King Hill
• 2:17: Cross Interstate 84 again, headed to Glens Ferry
• 2:32: Right (west) on Frontage Road
• 2:45 pm: Finish in Glens Ferry on Frontage Road, just past Commercial

Spurs ride high over Knicks, win 11th straight playoff game

The Associated Press
SAN ANTONIO - A calm, efficient 33 points from Tim Duncan and grabbing 16 rebounds, Jackson had the hot hand when his team needed it in the fourth quarter and the Spurs defeated the Knicks 88-77 Wednesday night. Jackson had five 3-pointers and scored 17 points for the Spurs, who never let the Knicks make a serious run down the stretch.

Game 2 is Friday night at the Alamodome, and the Spurs will have a chance for the longest playoff winning streak for one season in NBA history. This was their 11th straight win in these playoffs, tying the 1989 Los Angeles Lakers. If there's any solace for the Knicks, maybe it's the fact that the Lakers' big streak a decade ago didn't lead to a title. The Spurs haven't won one yet, either, but they sure looked ready to be a championship team.

San Antonio closed the first half with a 14-2 run to take the lead for good. It made New York play catch-up after that and slammed the door shut midway through the fourth by preventing the Knicks from gaining anything resembling an easy basket. Duncan did a little of everything offensively, making seven

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SPORTS

CSI rodeo team drops to third

CASPER, Wyo. (AP) — First-day leader College of Southern Idaho dropped to third place in the men's standings of the College National Finals Rodeo at 255 Wednesday.

Mikkelsen, a junior, roped his calf in 9.4 seconds to move into second place in the third round of that event.

with 235 points, followed South Dakota State's 200 and Colby, Kan., Community College with 190.

Bicycle

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—including Tuesday's Stage 8 winner and 1998 overall champ Jackson—finished at 3:04:38.

forcing one simple fact. The Women's Challenge is anyone's race to win.

Stage 10 begins in Twin Falls today at 11 a.m. Riders will head north on Blue Lakes Boulevard over the Perrine bridge into Jerome.

Spurs

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jumpers from anywhere between 6 and 20 feet, six layups and seven foul shots.



New York Knicks guard Latrell Sprewell, center, shoots past San Antonio Spurs center David Robinson, bottom, during the first game of the NBA Finals in San Antonio.

coasted the rest of the way. Johnson was on the court for only 2:11 at the start of the game, and it was foul trouble not his knee that sent him to the bench.

Kurt Thomas replaced him and made an impact in the first quarter, grabbing seven rebounds — the same as all the Spurs combined — and scoring six points to help New York take a 27-21 lead after the first quarter.

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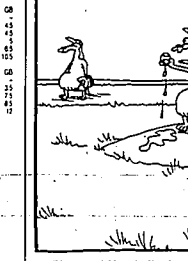
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SPORTS IN BRIEF

**Huff cards hole-in-one at Canyon Springs**  
**TWIN FALLS** - Golfer Gary Huff on Saturday aced the 148-yard, No. 11 hole at Canyon Springs using an 8-iron.  
 Witnessing Huff's first-ever hole-in-one were Rocky Reece and Doug Freeman.

**Vineyard Greens has new tee boxes**  
**GLENN'S FERRY** - Vineyard Greens Golf Course has announced the addition of 3 new tee boxes on holes #1, 2, and 4.  
 The new tees will not only lengthen the course by over 100 yards, but introduce more challenging shots as well.

**Stallions to hold press conference Friday**  
**BOISE** - Stallions owner Jim Carlson and the rest of the staff will be holding a press conference this Friday to announce the new direction the team is taking. The conference will begin at 1:00pm at the Stallion offices at 415 Parkcenter Blvd., suite 114. Question are welcomed and food will be provided.

In other Stallions news, defensive lineman Lance Sellers is officially out for the rest of the year with nerve damage to the lower back. Sellers suffered the injury during the last road game against Hawaii.

Stallions offensive lineman Egelagi Clarke will miss this Saturday night's game against Texas because of an immediate family emergency. Clarke flew back to Hawaii this morning to attend the emergency. His intentions are to return to action as soon as possible. Andre Watkins will take over the right side of the line Saturday.

**Kleinkopf leads PGA junior event**

**TWIN FALLS** - Brett Kleinkopf, Twin Falls, Idaho, leads the overall division at the 1999 Magic Valley PGA Junior Championship, presented by Pepsi, after firing a one-under-par 67 today at Twin Falls Golf Course, Twin Falls, Idaho. Laura Skinner, Boise, Idaho, shot a 73 to take the lead for the girls division.

The juniors battled gusts of wind and small, fast greens at Twin Falls Golf Course, which didn't seem to bother Kleinkopf, who is a local junior star in Twin Falls. His round included three birdies on holes 1, 8, and 18. Last year, Kleinkopf won his age division with scores of 80-66-146. Bradley Stanger, Murtaugh, Idaho, Mark Dance, Idaho Falls, Idaho and Cooper Warren, Billings, Montana are tied for second at 70. Defending Champion, Taylor Pearson, Pocatello, Idaho, is four strokes back at 71.

In the girls' 17-year-old division, Skinner continued her strong play this summer with her 73, which included birdies on holes 13 and 15. Jennifer Hedberg, Twin Falls, Idaho, and Lexie Jensen, Rigby, Idaho share second place at 79.

In the boys' 12-14 division, Cooper Warren leads by one stroke over David Hughes, Jackson, Wyoming. Rachel Warren, Billings, Montana, shot an 88 for tie lead in the girls' 12-14 division.

The top juniors from the Rocky Mountain PGA will finish the 36-hole championship tomorrow starting at 8:00 a.m.

**Shoshone loses two close contests**

**SHOSHONE** - The visiting Bear Lake Bears took two one-run games from the Shoshone American League baseball team Tuesday, 7-6 and 11-10.

Shoshone had the lead after two innings in each game, but lost the 4-3 advantage in the third inning of Game 1 and watched Bear Lake come back from an 8-3 deficit by the fourth inning of Game 2.

Zack Henage homered for Shoshone in the first game, but later was the losing pitcher in the nightcap after coming to the mound in the fourth inning.

**Reynolds brothers guide Buhl squad**

**BUHL** - Brothers Eric and Adam Reynolds both upped their individual records to 4-0 while improving the Buhl American Legion baseball team to 12-0 on the season with two wins late Monday against Wood River.

Pitcher Eric Reynolds allowed four hits and five 3-for-3s with 3 RBI and teammates Brad Ross, Chris Flynn and T.J. Cline each had two hits and one homer for six more RBI as Buhl won the opener 10-0 in five innings.

The Tribe scored two unearned runs in the sixth inning of the nightcap, as Adam Reynolds allowed two runs on seven hits.

Buhl hosts the Idaho Falls Senior All-Stars Friday night for a doubleheader.

**Stark, Anderson lead Rupert ladies**

**RUPERT** - The Rupert Ladies Golf Association held a Ladies Day Tuesday with 22 ladies playing for "most specs." Ardeith Stark and Lois Anderson tied for first place, with Lila Patterson in third. Keran Artlett, Lucille Wakewood and Barbara Carney tied for fourth.

Next week's play will be "Least Putts." A Friday night scramble begins Friday at 5:45 p.m.

**BSU alumni to raise money with tourney**

**BUHL** - The Boise State University Alumni Association will hold its annual golf/barbecue Friday at Clear Lake Golf Course.

The five-man scramble shotgun start is scheduled for 1 p.m. The entry fee is \$85, which includes green fees, cart, tee prizes and the barbecue. Tickets will also be sold for those wishing to attend the barbecue and not play.

For more information, call the alumni office at 426-1959.

**Try the last Try a Triathlon of the summer**

**BURLEY** - With the Burley Spudman and the Twin Falls Triathlon approaching, athletes are invited to test their skills at the third and final installment of the Try a Triathlon Summer Series Saturday at the Burley Racquetists Health and Fitness Club.

The race distance will be 3/4-mile swim, 18-mile bike and 4.5-mile run.

The entry fee is \$15 and includes a T-shirt. Teams as well as individuals are welcome, and new entrants are encouraged.

Streaking O's sweep Royals

**BALTIMORE (AP)** - Sidney Ponson scattered nine hits and Jeff Reeboutel drove in the tiebreaking run with a lengthy seventh-inning-bunt as the Baltimore Orioles won their seventh straight, 2-1 over Kansas City on Wednesday.

Ponson (7-4) blanked the Royals over the final eight innings for his AL-best third complete game. The right-hander struck out four and walked two to help the Orioles finish a three-game sweep.

Baltimore's seven-game run is its longest since a nine-game winning streak last July. B.J. Surhoff struck out in the first inning to extend his hitting streak to a career-high 17 games.

Jose Rosendo (4-6) pitched a seven-hitter for the Royals, who have lost five straight.

**Rangers 3, Yankees 0**

**NEW YORK** - Rick Helling pitched seven shutout innings and Lee Stevens hit a two-run homer as Texas stopped a seven-game losing streak in New York.

Texas also ended an overall four-game losing streak - its longest since last July 24-26 - in beating New York for the second time in eight meetings this season, including five in Yankee Stadium.

Stevens followed a second-inning walk by Juan Gonzalez with a drive off Orlando Hernandez (7-6) that landed nearly halfway up the right-field bleachers.

Helling (6-6) allowed four hits, dropping his ERA to 4.18, its lowest since opening day.

**Red Sox 5, Twins 1**

**BOSTON** - Mike Stanley had two RBI doubles - giving him 200 doubles for his career - as Boston beat Minnesota.

Rookie Brian Rose improved to 4-

American League

0, allowing one run and seven hits in six innings as Boston built a 4-1 lead. Mark Guthrie got four outs for his first save.

It was the third straight win for the Red Sox, who can sweep the series Thursday night. They had won just two of their previous nine games before Minnesota, which has the AL's worst record, came to town.

Twins starter Dan Perkins (1-4) continued his season-long struggles as he lasted just three innings, giving up four runs.

**Mariners 7, Tigers 1**

**DETROIT** - Jamie Moyer won his seventh straight start to match a career high, pitching Seattle past Detroit.

Moyer (8-4) struck out nine in eight innings. He walked none and gave up seven hits.

Moyer, who also won seven in a row in 1996, has one no-decision since last July 24-26. His last loss was to Boston on May 1.

Ken Griffey Jr. hit two doubles and Dan Wilson homered for the Mariners.

Dave Milcki (3-6) took the loss.

**Blue Jays 3, Angels 2**

**TORONTO** - Tony Fernandez raised his average to .404 and singled to set up Darin Fletcher's go-ahead single in the eighth inning.

Fernandez, playing his 2,000th game, went 2-for-4. He leads the majors in hitting.

The Blue Jays won their third in a row.

Reliever Scott Schoeneweis (0-1) won his second straight game as he gave up a single to Fernandez before Fletcher lined a single to left field.

Graeme Lloyd (2-2) pitched a scoreless eighth. Billy Koch pitched a hitless ninth for his fifth save.



Toronto Blue Jays shortstop Tony Blalock, right, avoids the sliding Anaheim Angel Randy Valdez after making the double play throw to first base during fourth inning action in Toronto Wednesday.

**Indians 9, Athletics 8**

**CLEVELAND** - Kenny Lofton hit a two-out, tying single off pitcher Billy Taylor's glove, stole second and scored on Omar Vizquel's single as Cleveland rallied in the ninth inning.

The Indians scored four runs in the eighth to make it 8-7, then recorded their 24th come-from-behind victory of the season.

Enrique Wilson hit a one-out triple off Turner (0-4) in the ninth. Turner struck out Chris Turner, but had Lofton's grounder glance off his glove. Shortstop Miguel Tejada might have had a play had not Turner touched the ball.

After Lofton stole second despite a pitchout, Vizquel hit a liner under the glove of first baseman Jason Giambi.

Steve Karsay (6-1) pitched a scoreless ninth for the victory.

**White Sox 3, Rays 2, 11 Innings**

**CHICAGO** - Reliever Norm Charlton walked in the winning run as Chicago overcame Jose Canseco's major league-leading 26th homer.

Though Frank Thomas was thrown out at home on Carlos Lee's single in the 11th, Magglio Ordonez made it to third and Lee was safe at first. Charlton (0-1) then walked Paul Konerko, leading the bases with two outs.

Charlton's first three pitches to Greg Norton were balls, and the White Sox fans were on their feet. He managed a strike on his fourth pitch, but then threw a ball to force in the winning run.

**Cardinals 5, Expos 4**

**ST. LOUIS** - Kent Bottenfield became the NL's second 10-game winner and Fernando Tatis homered as the St. Louis Cardinals beat the Montreal Expos.

Bottenfield (10-3) lasted five innings and allowed two earned runs.

He's one victory behind league leader Jose Lima of Houston after one game in the year with a career record of 18-27.

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Tatis hit his 16th home run, and only his second since May 27, off Miguel Batista (5-3) to lead off in the third. Tatis had a sacrifice fly in a three-run first and also singled in the fifth.

New York Mets win on Valentine's Day

**CINCINNATI (AP)** - The New York Mets won a game without manager Bobby Valentine on Wednesday as Mike Piazza extended his hitting streak to 19 games and Brian McKee drove in three runs for a 5-2 victory over the Cincinnati Reds.

While the suspended Valentine watched from an over-the-shoulder managerial seat, Piazza, who has hit 10 home runs, bench coach Bruce Benedict managed the Mets to their eighth victory in 10 games.

Valentine also will miss a game Thursday in St. Louis, completing his two-game penalty for returning in disguise after being ejected from a game last week.

Masato Yoshii (6-5) allowed seven hits and two runs over six innings to get his first victory since May 25. Steve Parris (4-1) took the loss.

**Giants 15, Rockies 2**

**DENVER** - Jeff Kent homered

National League

twice and drove in six runs to help Mark Gardner win for the first time since last September.

Rich Aurilia added three hits and a career-high five RBIs for the Giants, who ended Colorado's four-game winning streak and prevented the Rockies (9-12) from reaching the .500 mark for the first time since early April.

Gardner (1-5) pitched a six-hitter to end a career-long five-game losing streak that spanned 11 starts. His last victory came Sept. 23 against Pittsburgh.

San Francisco had not led in the three-game series until Kent's two-run homer capped a three-run first inning against Darryl Kile (4-4). He added a three-run shot in the first off Bobby Jones to make it 13-2 in the seventh.

**Brewers 11, Cubs 4**

**MILWAUKEE** - Hideo Nomo allowed two runs in seven-plus

innings to beat one of the teams that released him earlier this season.

Nomo was released by the Mets in spring training before signing with the Cubs. After three starts in Tripoli-A, the Cubs cut him loose and he has since become Milwaukee's best starter.

Nomo (4-1) allowed four hits and struck out seven as he continues to show the form that helped him win the NL's Rookie of the Year in 1995 for Los Angeles.

He even drove in Milwaukee's first run with an RBI single in the second inning off Steve Trachsel (2-9), who leads the majors in losses.

**Braves 3, Astros 1**

**HOUSTON** - Greg Maddux struck out a season-high 10 in 6 2/3 innings and retired 17 straight batters, leading the Atlanta Braves over the Houston Astros.

The Astros, playing their third game since manager Larry Dierker collapsed in the dugout, have lost two in a row for the first time since May 7-8.

This U.S. Open could be a wide open affair

**PINEHURST, N.C. (AP)** - The U.S. Open has a tendency to be a take 156 players and start weeding them out. The vast number who have trouble keeping it straight and narrow off the tee are in for a short week. Short-game wizards are stripped of their advantage in the clumpy collar of rough around the greens.

If that's not enough, an attitude check is always a good indicator. "I used to love listening to them gripe," Jack Nicklaus said. "The rough is too high - check him off. The greens are too fast - check him off. You just check guys off as they complain, because they complain themselves right out of this championship."

Nicklaus, playing in a record 43rd consecutive U.S. Open, has been startled by who he has heard this week - nothing but praise for Pinehurst No. 2, nothing but accolades for the way the USGA has set up Donald Ross' masterpiece.

"Too bad. "You're going to have so many guys who have a chance to win," Nicklaus said.

When the U.S. Open gets under way on Thursday, no one is quite sure what to expect. Occasional rain over the past two days will keep the turdball greens from being as firm as the USGA would like, at least until the weekend. The fairways may be more green-

ous, the rough not as deep, but the slopes and hollows around the greens can be unpredictable.

Perhaps that is what led Greg Norman to call this an "open" Open.

"A lot more players could win this golf tournament than we've seen in the past," he said Wednesday.

**Greene sets world record in 100 meters**

**ATHENS, Greece** - On a nearly windless night in an Olympic stadium, a runner from America's heartland made history by shattering one of track and field's most hallowed marks.

Maurice Greene, a 24-year-old from Kansas City, Kan., broke the 100-meter world record Wednesday night with a time of 9.79 seconds. He did it during a preliminary race for the "world's top sprinters" at the stadium that will be used for the 2004 Olympics.

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SPORTS

# Mia Hamm plays reluctant role

## Standout soccer player shoulders job as spokesman

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CHULA VISTA, Calif. — There is a common, almost predictable reaction when people spot Mia Hamm out in public.

"People say they don't recognize me at first because I look smaller than they thought I'd look," Hamm said recently, clearly amused.

Poor folks. They were of course expecting MIA!, the larger-than-life superhero to the more than 7 million women who play soccer in this country, the best player in the world, the most famous female athlete in America, the poster girl for this summer's FIFA Women's World Cup. A woman who now soars into a stratosphere inhabited by Air Jordan.

And now millions of women globally, two television networks and a string of corporate sponsors are banking that the 5-foot-5 Hamm can lift her sport and women's athletics to new levels.

"Mia's got a lot on her shoulders this summer," said Australian forward Julia Murray. "She's the one in the spotlight."

A worldwide television audience of more than a billion is expected to watch U.S. forward Hamm headline WWC '99, the largest, most anticipated and most expensive women's-only sporting event in history.

Women's soccer's all-time leading scorer, named one of People magazine's 50 most beautiful people, she is the personality that allowed the sport powers-that-be to put a face on a previously obscure competition and sell it to corporate America.

"She's given out just herself but the sport a lot of credibility," U.S. forward Tiffany Milbrrett said. "A tournament originally planned to be played in small stadiums in the Mid-Atlantic region is now a five-star event; a three-week, \$30 million extravaganza that will be played in eight cities coast to coast and will draw more than 500,000."

"A breakthrough event for women's athletics," said Alan Rothenberg, chairman of WWC. "A team of directors, not just women's soccer."

And Hamm, 27, is its leading lady. Between the U.S.-Denmark tournament opener Saturday at Civic Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J., and the final July 10 at the Rose Bowl, Hamm will be on ESPN more than Dan Patrick.

But she plays the role only reluctantly.

"Celebrity is something that chafes on her," said Anson Dorrance, who coached Hamm at North Carolina.

"She is the cover girl who didn't want the cover. The reluctant icon. Garbo in Nikes. Perhaps no other current figure in international sports has climbed so high yet been so unimpressed with the view. For Hamm fame is something to be endured, not enjoyed.

"It wears on her," U.S. forward Kristine Lilly said.

Hamm wears her star not with relish but out of a sense of duty. She is the Air Force brat still playing the good soldier.

"If it helps get our team out there, I'll do it," she said. "It's not for me, not for personal gain. I don't look at it as celebrity status. I've had lots of opportunities, but my motivation is not about personal gains. I want to do as much as I can to get the sport out there."

"Her attitude is like, 'OK, they've chosen me to be this role model for women's soccer, so I will do this to give back to my game,'" Dorrance said.

Hamm's immediate task is twofold—help the United States regain the World Cup and do so in a manner that will convince Madison Avenue there is enough demand for women's professional soccer in this country to bankroll a league of their own.

"Having a professional league is really important if (the U.S. national team) is going to maintain the level that we're at right now," Hamm said.

### A PIVOTAL FIGURE

Already, she is a pivotal figure in the history of women's sports. To millions of American women she represents a promise kept. Born in 1972, the year Title IX was passed, Hamm has given a face to the federal legislation guaranteeing female students equal rights on the playing field. To the masses of young girls who follow her around the country dressed in replicas of her No. 9 U.S. jersey, Hamm has filled a void for a generation starved for athletic female role models.



U.S. Women's World Cup soccer player Mia Hamm, left, drills with Julie Foudy Wednesday during a practice at the Pingry School in Marlinsville, N.J. Hamm has become a reluctant spokesperson for the team and for women's soccer nationwide.

"Before there really wasn't somebody like Mia," Milbrrett said.

She is the first American soccer player—male or female—to truly transcend the sport. She finished atop an ESPN poll to determine the most popular female athlete in the country. Sports Business Daily named her the nation's most marketable female athlete, picking her over figure skaters Michelle Kwan and Tara Lipinski and tennis player Venus Williams.

She owns Peris Puff shampoo, PowerBar and Soccer Barbie for Mattel. Nike has named a soccer shoe and the biggest building (450,000 square feet) on the company's Beaverton, Ore., world campus after her. Other buildings on campus bear the names of Michael Jordan, Joe Paterno, Bo Jackson and the late Steve Prefontaine.

In a recently released TV spot for Gatorade she even talks on Jordan. "Anything you can do, I can do better" goes the soundtrack as the two North Carolina alumni square off in a series of sports.

The real competition was between takes. Jordan showed no mercy in taking Hamm to the hole on the basketball court. She returned the favor by pushing a soccer ball through an embarrassed Jordan's legs.

During the commercial's judo shoot, Hamm grabbed Jordan, threw her hips into his and flung him to the mat.

Talk about impact players.

### 'I AM A SHY PERSON'

Hamm also has opened plenty of eyes globally for a women's game that has in the past received a cool reception from the world-wide soccer establishment.

"When I was playing, they said soccer was a man's world and that women should remain on the sidelines," Pele said. "All I can say is I'm glad I never had to go up against Mia Hamm."

Against Brazil last month, Hamm scored her 108th goal for the United States, setting a world record for goals in international matches. In one stretch during 1997 and '98, she scored 38 goals in 37 matches. In leading the United States to victory in the Goodwill Games last summer, she scored five goals in two matches.

"It was a Michael Jordan-type performance," said U.S. coach Tony DiCiccio.

She does not, however, share Jordan's ease with stardom. She tirelessly signs autographs until the line of girls is exhausted. In interviews and public settings she is warm, funny and polished, yet also uncomfortable, as if after all these years in the spotlight she still wants to shield her eyes from the glare.

"The reluctant diva," Sports Illustrated called her.

When Sports Illustrated's Women Sport was doing a feature on her she asked not to be put on the magazine's cover. Nearly untoppable on the pitch, she is even more elusive off it.

During the writing of her recently released book, "Go for the Goal," Hamm's editors at HarperCollins repeatedly pleaded with her to go into deeper detail about her life. Hamm wouldn't do it.

"Truth be told, I am a shy person who will never be completely comfortable with all the attention," she said.

### A PRIVATE LIFE

Hamm is married to Christian Corry, a Marine Corps helicopter pilot, and the couple lives in Pensacola, Fla. She usually dances away questions about her personal life with variations of the standard answer.

"I really live a kind of boring life outside of soccer," she recently said at the Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista while eating her post-practice lunch—a cereal bowl full of peanut M&Ms and large Coke. "I play golf, I cook sometimes. I read a lot, and that's about it."

Mariel Margaret Hamm was born March 17, 1972, in Selma, Ala. Her father, Bill, was an Air Force colonel. Her mother, Stephanie, was a former ballerina, who named her daughter after a favorite dance instructor. Shortly after Mia was born, the family moved to Monterey, and a year later to Florence, Italy.

"But just as I was getting my ciao and buon giorno down," Hamm wrote in her book, the family moved to Virginia. Later the family move to Wichita Falls, Texas, then to San Antonio, then back to Wichita Falls.

"While my mom and dad became very good at packing," Hamm said, "I found stability in the soccer field."

At 15, she became the youngest player—male or female—to play



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### Women's 1999 World Cup Soccer

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**GROUP B**  
Korea DPR  
First Women's World Cup. Finished 2nd at the 20th Asian Cup and the 1993 Asian Games.

**GROUP C**  
Nigeria  
Third Women's World Cup. Won 1988 African Women's Soccer Championship.

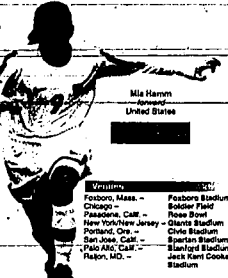
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Denmark  
Third straight Women's World Cup. Unseeded in European Group. Play to earn a berth in 1999 WWC.

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**GROUP G**  
Mexico  
First Women's World Cup. Defeated Argentina in two-game playoff for final WWC berth.

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Italy  
Second Women's World Cup. Finished 6th in their only WWC appearance in 1991.



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of the U.S. national team, making her debut against China in Tianjin. She led North Carolina to four NCAA titles and twice was named national college player of the year. Hamm was a starter on the victorious U.S. side in the inaugural FIFA Women's World Cup in China in 1991.

It was during the build-up to the 1995 World Cup, in which she could create and the impact it can have on the sport. I think that's so much more important than how we feel individually or as a team about the pressures."

In February, Hamm was running off the field after a match against a world all-star team in San Jose when shrieks of "Mia! Mia!" stopped her in her tracks.

She walked toward a chain-link fence where a dozen young girls, dressed in No. 9 jerseys and wearing pigtails, just like their hero, thrust programs and scraps of paper at her.

As Mia signed they stood frozen in awe, wide-eyed, mouths open. In soccer shoes she looked like a giant.

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Buhl man charged with kidnaping

**TWIN FALLS** - A Buhl man was charged Wednesday with kidnaping, shooting and handcuffing a woman in his home.

William Henry Brazil, 36, was charged with first-degree kidnaping in connection with the May 24 incident that sent Wanda Vulgamore to the hospital with two bullet wounds to her left hand, and the Twin Falls County sheriff's report said.

Vulgamore had gone to Brazil's house, which she moved out of 1 1/2 weeks earlier, to find some court paperwork. The two searched and eventually fell asleep in Brazil's bed. Vulgamore awoke when Brazil bit her on the lips and head, the report said.

Brazil sat on top of Vulgamore and brandished his loaded .22-caliber pistol. He told her to tell him to what she did and fired two shots into the bed next to her head. Then he shot her twice in the hand before handcuffing her wrists and ankles, the report said.

When Brazil walked outside, Vulgamore scrambled to her telephone and dialed 911. After finding out Vulgamore called for help, Brazil carried her to a car outside. He went back in the house and Vulgamore drove away. When she returned with authorities, Brazil was gone, the report said.

Brazil was missing until this week. He's in jail on a \$50,000 bond awaiting a June 25 preliminary hearing.

### Jerome Middle School students plead guilty

**JEROME** - Two Jerome Middle School students pleaded guilty to possession of a weapon by a minor Wednesday afternoon.

Both Jason Mead, 13, and Steven Fields, 13, were originally 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.

In both cases, the boys pleaded guilty to the possession charge. The second count of carrying a gun on school property was dropped.

The boys have been charged with a house arrest since they were charged on May 4. Magistrate Judge John Varin placed both boys under modified house arrest, which puts their guardians in charge of them instead of the court system. However, both boys will have to check in with the probation office once a week.

Sentencing hearings for Mead and Fields are scheduled for July 14. Mead is set for 10:15 a.m. and Fields is set for 10:30 a.m. at the Jerome County Courthouse.

### Magic Valley schools test classroom projects

**TWIN FALLS** - Nine schools in the Magic and Wood River valleys have been awarded grants to try new programs, the Idaho Department of Education announced Wednesday.

Idaho public schools and school districts can apply for grants to develop creative and innovative instructional methods, curriculum, staff training, staff evaluation, or alternative forms of staff compensation. Grants cannot exceed \$10,000 and are awarded by a committee of parents, teachers, principals, school district superintendents and Department of Education staff.

It's the 10th year the state has supported the grant program, and this year the Legislature increased the funding from \$25,000 to \$425,000. Sixty-four applications were awarded.

"The programs chosen highlight the creative approaches and good ideas of many of the teachers in our state," Idaho Superintendent of Public Instruction Marilyn Howard said. "I'm pleased that we can provide some of the seed money needed to bring these ideas to fruition."

Local schools to receive grants are Wood River High School, \$5,750; Raft River and Almo Elementary schools in Owyhee County, \$8,475; Dworshak Elementary School in Burley, \$9,000; Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School in Twin Falls, two grants totaling nearly \$10,000; Lincoln Elementary School in Twin Falls, \$3,239; I.B. Perrine Elementary School in Twin Falls, \$1,000; Sawtooth Elementary School in Twin Falls, \$10,000; Filer High School, two grants totaling nearly \$18,900.

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# Panel moves closer to compromise

The Times-News and The Associated Press

## Senate group, Clinton want nuclear waste deal

**WASHINGTON** - Senate Republicans took a major step Wednesday toward compromising with the Clinton administration over the disposal of commercial nuclear waste, abandoning their demands for a temporary storage site in Nevada.

Instead, legislation to keep the waste at nuclear reactors in 34 states, with the federal government taking ownership of the waste, cleared the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee by a 14-6 vote. All 11 Republican members of the panel voted for the measure, which awaits Senate floor action.

While the Clinton administration has not

fully embraced the bill, it marked a possible breakthrough in the five-year controversy over the government's refusal to assume responsibility for more than 40,000 tons of highly radioactive waste kept at nuclear reactors.

Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, who has pushed for the temporary site in past sessions, inserted amendments to require the federal government to maintain its commitment to the timely cleanup of federal sites in Idaho and the responsible storage of nuclear waste. The amendments would make Idaho one of the first states to transport waste to a permanent national repository;

codify former Gov. Phil Batt's settlement agreement with the federal government; and ensure that spent commercial nuclear fuel will not be stored in the state.

"I am tremendously pleased with the chairman's agreement to recognize not only Idaho, but our nation's need to clean up and dispose of its defense-generated nuclear waste," Craig said. "Time is marching on, and expected Northeast summer brownouts are forcing us to face the reality that a permanent solution is needed. It's beyond reason to shut down our productive nuclear power plants for lack of spent nuclear fuel storage space."

Energy Secretary Bill Richardson in February offered a similar approach, with the government taking title of waste at reactors, but there remain disagreements over the establishment of radiation health standards at a future waste disposal site.

Over the past five years, supporters of a nuclear waste bill have repeatedly been stymied in attempts to enact legislation to establish a temporary central storage site for nuclear waste in Nevada until a permanent burial site is approved and built in the state's Yucca Mountain area.

The industry has argued that the government was committed to taking the waste and finding a temporary site. But President Clinton has insisted an interim storage site.

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## WEED KILLER



Wes Stevens pulls the weeds from the sidewalk in front of a relative's house on Elizabeth Blvd. Stevens and his wife are visiting from the southwest and came to Twin Falls to get away from the heat.

## Jerome schools budget funds for coming year

By Theresa Jacoby  
Times-News writer

**JEROME** - Jerome School Board members were surprised to learn that only \$3,365,869 of a \$17,714,978 budget for the 1999-2000 school year is funded by local tax levies.

That figure helps explain why Jerome School District places 109 in 112 Idaho districts in per pupil expenditure for all funds. Business Manager Mike Gibson said.

Gibson said the budget was written assuming voters pass the upcoming \$1.2-billion supplemental override levy.

Superintendent Jim Cobble said the rest of the budget is made up from federal and state grants and funds.

The budget, which was approved by the School Board Tuesday night, exceeds revenues in the maintenance and operations fund and the plant facilities fund, but Gibson said the district retains a fund balance contingency of \$651,443 to meet the projected shortfall.

Other budget items include:

- A 3 percent increase on salaries. The starting salary for teachers on a 190-day contract is \$20,306 - bringing the starting

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## Idaho's airports stand to receive \$11.4 million in federal funding

States News Service

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** - Idaho airports stand to receive \$11.4 million in federal funding thanks to an aviation bill passed late Tuesday in the House.

The bill would split the money between 20 Idaho airports, including Halley, Twin Falls, Burley, Gooding and Jerome.

"In Idaho, we depend on rural airports to get us where we need to go," said Rep. Mike Simpson, R-Blacksfoot.

"The money we pay in airfare taxes should go back to the taxpayers in the form of improved aviation infrastructure. This bill ensures that every penny of the \$14.3 billion in airport taxes is used for airports and not other programs."

Under the legislation, the airports can use the money for upgrading runways, hiring a sufficient number of air traffic controllers and other safety officials, and triples the small airport fund. Also,

the bill increases the Federal Aviation Administration's budget to improve the current air traffic control system.

Halley would receive \$1.5 million; Twin Falls, \$1.5 million; Burley, \$151,600; Gooding, \$48,400; and Jerome, \$121,600. This represents an enormous jump in funds for all the airports. Both Halley and Twin Falls currently receive \$500,000 each from the federal government. Burley receives only \$758, while Gooding and Jerome receive even less - \$242 and \$608 respectively.

"At the Fredson Memorial Airport in Halley, the money will likely be used to increase safety measure at the airport, according to Rick Baird, airport manager."

"It will all be used for improvements to the airport of course, and probably most of it will be used for the master plan implementation," Baird said. The master plan is to make the facility a standard airport for size of aircraft that currently use it.

## Company makes pitch for Magic Valley Regional

By Theresa Jacoby  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Hospital managers Wednesday heard a presentation from a Nashville, Tenn.-based company interested in buying Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Community Health Systems gave a presentation Wednesday on a possible purchase of Magic Valley Regional. Officials from the Twin Falls County-owned hospital attended, and a couple of officials from Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital were there to observe.

"We're not on the same page," Schultz said after the presentation. Last year Community Health Systems was one of seven entities - both for-profit and not-for-profit - that expressed interest in purchasing the hospital. Now, the consensus is the hospital will continue to follow a path that emphasizes work-

hospital. The company gave another presentation to county commissioners this year.

Magic Valley Regional Board Chairman Terry Schultz said commissioners asked the hospital to meet with the company.

"The purpose of the meeting, Schultz said, was for Community Health Systems to put its purchase presentation on the table."

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# M-C area officials warn merchants of counterfeit money

By John T. Huddy  
Times-News writer

**RUPERT** - While counterfeit notes are rare in Minidoka County, clerks and local merchants might want to keep their eyes peeled anyway.

Counterfeit bills begin showing up in Mini-Cassia in summer, Minidoka County Prosecutor Rick Bollor said. An influx of people coming in for the summer might be a factor.

"We see a lot of fake bills around the Fourth of July," Bollor said.

In the past few years, counterfeit bills have circulated throughout Mini-Cassia. Two years ago, Rupert saw a flurry of fake \$20 notes, with five confiscated in the city. Recently, a few counterfeit bills have popped up in Rupert. While most bills are noticeably fake, others look more authentic, Bollor said.

Minidoka County Sheriff Paul Fries said it's a good idea for mer-

chants to always be alert.

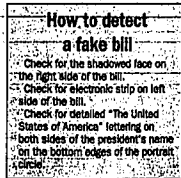
"(People with counterfeit bills) pass the money over very quickly," Fries said. "They catch a business in the busy time when the bill won't be recognized until they are long gone."

One way for businesses to detect fake money is to use a marker that will change color when applied to a counterfeit bill. The markers cost about \$5 each and are a quick and easy way for businesses to check, said Ed Struchen, owner of Ed's Office Supplies in Burley.

"Counterfeiting has been a real problem in the past," Struchen said. "I've heard about a couple of incidents where people have run off when a clerk pulled out a pen to check the bill."

Struchen said his store has never had a problem with counterfeiters, but other stores have. Some local businesses and banks have invested in the pens as a precautionary measure.

"We try and push businesses to buy the pens," Struchen said.



But Dennis Crandall, a resident agent in charge of the Secret Service in Salt Lake City, said the agency does not endorse using pens to detect counterfeit bills.

"The pens are about 50 percent accurate," Crandall said. "If merchants will just take the time to look at the bills, they'll see that most of the counterfeit notes passed are obviously fake."

Crandall said notes have been created with the help of laptop computers and color copiers. While the counterfeit creation



Tammy Kraus, a customer service representative for D.L. Evans Bank in Burley, inspects a \$50 bill for authenticity. Local officials are warning merchants to keep their eyes peeled for counterfeit bills.

process may be fairly easy, the final product is far from the real thing. Images and security precautions on them like microprinting, a water-

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# MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

## Jerome resident voice cheese concerns

By Dixie Thomas Reardon  
Times-News Reporter

JEROME — Some local residents testified in favor of the annexation of the Jerome Cheese Plant Tuesday at a public hearing at Tuesday's City Council meeting. The ordinance to annex Jerome Cheese will be read in more times before the council votes on it in late July.

Jerome Cheese, which originally located in the Jerome Industrial Park in 1991, Jerome Cheese Plant Manager Jon Davis said his father first came to the Magic Valley in 1989 to look at cows. The family had a cheese plant in Minnesota and while on that trip a plot of land was located in the county for a cheese plant. Local economic developers began courting cheese plant officials and recruited the plant into the industrial park at the south end of town.

Davis said the recruiters offered the cheese plant a "year search" but he would rather have your promise of an annexation if the cheese plant would help the city get a bigger water treatment plant. The deal was struck and sealed with a handshake. The cheese plant kept its promise but the city didn't, Davis said.

"We have always done business with a

handshake now the city doesn't want to honor that handshake," Davis said. "The agreement was not put in writing. That was our mistake."

"Handshakes aren't worth 10 cents on the dollar these days," said resident Ted Gardner. He said if a company is getting city services it should be annexed.

Retired city employee Jory Linnz agreed. "I'm sorry that handshakes are no good these days but the recruiters probably made promises that they shouldn't have," Linnz said.

Resident Charlie Halloran said Jerome Cheese is a great company but "you were snatched into a corner. Now you have to pay for it."

Linnz said Jerome's taxes are too high. "Jerome has between the fourth to sixth highest tax rate in the state of Idaho," Linnz said. "Lots of people in the city live on less than \$1,000 per month."

Davis said an estimated \$250,000 in city taxes that Jerome Cheese will be paying after annexation is about 20 percent of the Jerome city budget. He said he hopes the citizens of Jerome get a 20 percent tax reduction after annexation.

Councilman Joe Stang said he agreed. "Jerome's taxes are too high. I have no

doubt that the economic development enthusiasts told Jerome cheese officials that they would not be annexed but there is no record in writing on tape or anywhere else. Whoever they were, they had no right to make such promises," Stang said.

Davis said if they could move the plant elsewhere, they would, but "the pipes are in and we are staying. We will be making the required minimum payment on the waste water treatment plant bonds. We were misled and I know who made the promises. I can look at myself in the mirror in the morning. I wonder if they can."

Davis would not name the people who made the no annexation promise.

Council member Marge Schmidt said the council is responsible to be "good stewards of the public trust. Everyone should share the cost of services."

Mayor Dennis Moore, a part-time groundskeeper at Jerome Cheese, excused himself from the hearing and council proceedings concerning Jerome Cheese to avoid any conflict of interest and left the room. Councilman Ralph Peters conducted the hearing in Moore's absence.

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

## Kemphorne sees little spending for next year

BOISE (AP) — Gov. Dirk Kemphorne sees little prospect for any major new initiatives in the budget proposal he will put together for legislative consideration next winter. His priority, Kemphorne told the City Club of Boise on Wednesday, will remain fostering a generation of healthy, well-educated children.

"It's no secret the economy is slowing down," the governor said. "It's probably going to be status quo. I don't like status quo so we're going to do all we can to invest in the base—the children."

With revenue growth expected to remain at or near the relatively anemic 4 percent for the budget year that begins July 1, Kemphorne said his spending blueprint for 2000-2001, probably for about \$1.7 billion in general tax receipts, will simply continue the emphasis on early childhood development reflected in his inaugural budget plan.

"The programs I outlined are going to be sustained," he said. "These are our priorities."

Kemphorne, who just became what is essentially chairman-designate

of the Western Governors' Association and will take over that group in mid-2002, repeated that he has no plans to commit any general tax money to the Head Start program in Idaho. He cited limited financial resources and the need to focus on programs that foster the development of even younger children than the 4-year-olds attending Head Start.

"I can't not address the needs of children from both to age 4 with limited funds," he said.

"It's not a disappointment, but I wish there were more resources

than we have right now," the governor said. "It's tough for a governor to say no, and I have to say no a lot because of a lack of resources."

But while he spoke of the "challenge of finding more resources," Kemphorne gave no hint that any revenue raising proposals are in the works. And constricting his future budget plans is the likelihood that the cost of health care for the poor will run millions of dollars more than allocated in the next year and contending with an escalating prison population could add \$7 million to corrections costs.

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## Another polygamist may be linked to child abuse

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Yet another member of the polygamist Kingston clan has been linked with a potential child abuse case.

Seven children and their parents are in custody after authorities found them unattended in squalid conditions in a Sandy home reportedly owned by Elley Kingston.

lines and lived in the home, which was occupied and registered as a day care center by Maurine Gustafson.

The agency would not confirm the parents' identities. But Sandy police say Kingston probably is the father.

"I believe all of them are (this children), but we don't know that for sure," said Sandy police Sgt. Kevin Thayer. Kingston is a cousin of Daniel Kingston, who recently

pledged to consent to child abuse after beating his 16-year-old daughter when she fled what was described as a forced marriage to her uncle, David Orrell Kingston, was convicted June 3 of unlawful sexual conduct and incest with his niece.

A closed hearing to determine who should take care of the seven children was scheduled for Wednesday afternoon, but the hearing was postponed. The children were undergoing

medical and mental health examinations to check for neglect or abuse, said Heber Tippetts, Cottonwood Regional Director for the Division of Child and Family Services.

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## Wendell leaders ask county for ambulance

By Sharon Metcalf  
Times-News correspondent

GOODING — By the time a Wendell group led by Fire Chief Red Orr and Mayor Gwen Rost arrived to speak to Gooding County Commissioners at Monday's meeting, the issue was no longer whether Gooding County had mailed the QRU vehicle title to Wendell or not.

"We really don't want the emergency response, we want the ambulance," Rost said. Commissioner Tom Faulkner said he understood that it seemed unfair to the Wendell group that the ambulance was based in Gooding, but that it was a logical choice given the location of Gooding County Memorial Hospital in the same city.

Orr requested documentation of emergency ambulance calls south of the main power line (Wendell side) vs. north of the line (Gooding side), saying he did not want hospital transports to Jerome insured. He also wanted to know the tax base distribution for support of the ambulance.

"I think we ought to put a rebel flag up a pole and secede from the county," Orr said. "What have you done other than give us a vehicle with no title, then dropped the insurance?"

Early in Director Krista Merrill's tenure at Gooding County Emergency Medical Services there was an ambulance and crew in Wendell and Gooding, which failed to free up enough funds to keep up with basic maintenance. The QRU unit was set up in Wendell and the county donated an ambulance to the unit. QRU units consist of volunteers who respond to emergency calls and stabilize the victim prior to ambulance arrival and transport. Bliss and Hagerman also have QRU units in Gooding County.

A recent accident involving Wendell's QRU unit revealed the ambulance was not insured. Wendell QRU personnel reported

never having received the title, while Gooding County said they had mailed it at the time of the donation. By the time things calmed down at Monday's meeting, the county had offered to donate \$2,500 to the Wendell QRU for insurance and Merrill said she would contact those volunteers she had formerly trained to try and fill a severe staffing shortage.

Since changing to the single first out ambulance and making changes in method of billing, the Emergency Medical Services operation has been able to reduce the contribution from Gooding County to \$10,000 annually. Tom Stoltman-Hamilton, director of community relations for the Walker Center, expressed an interest in leasing the former Frahm cafeteria building, remodeled by and presently housing The Brown Schools. Brown Schools was told that the county would be interested in receiving a proposal for lease of the facility for a juvenile residential treatment facility.

Murray Doggett, director of The Brown Schools operation in Gooding, said that ground has not yet been broken in Mountain Home for the permanent facility, which means it will possibly be the first part of 2000 before the group can relocate. Doggett also said there are still consulting positions open at the Gooding facility.

Gooding County Fairgrounds Manager Don Gill said he had been approached by the Gooding County Historical Society about donating a spot on the fairgrounds where the society could erect a building. Gill will relay the commission's response to the society to work out the particulars and also will talk to County Attorney Phil Brown about the matter.

The society is raising funds for a larger building to house its collection.

Times-News correspondent Sharon Metcalf can be reached in Gooding at 934-5292.

## OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0331, Ext. 273, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. Death notices use a base service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

### TWIN FALLS

Michelle Suzanne Durand Hansen, 35, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, June 15, 1999, at her home after a courageous battle with cancer.

Michelle was born on October 2, 1963, in Castro Valley, California, the daughter of Dan and Vicki Durand. She attended schools in Richfield and graduated from Richfield High School in 1981. She went on to further her education at the College of Southern Idaho where she received her associate of science degree as a Registered Nurse in 1984. From 1989 to 1990 she attended the University of Phoenix, Utah campus in Ogden, Utah. At the time of her death she was employed as Clinical Manager of Home Health at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Michelle loved her work and loved helping people. She was loved and respected by many co-workers and friends.

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### Nolan L. Nebeker

Nolan Lamar Nebeker, age 41, died June 15, 1999, in Salt Lake City, Utah, due to injuries and complications arising from an auto accident in which he was a passenger on May 19, 1999.

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## SERVICES

Khalil Milton of Wells, Nev., and formerly of Oakley, 10, a Pacific Time today at the LDS Chapel in Wells, Nev. friends and family may call one hour before the service call at the chapel in Wells (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

Keith Miles Riemann of Boise, remembrance gathering 10 a.m. today at the rookery in the Kathryn Albertson Park in Boise.

Katherine Adell Packham King of Fairfield, 11 a.m. today at Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Glady Marie Rush Greenwell of Paul, 11 a.m. today at Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 West Main St., Burley; friends may call 10 p.m. Friday before the funeral at the chapel.

Leroy Fowler, formerly of Jerome, 11 a.m. Saturday at the Howarth Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Thelma "Betty" Carpenter of Eden, 11 a.m. Friday at Valley Assembly of God Church in Hazelton; friends may call 9:30-11 a.m. Friday at the church (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

Anthony Vitale of Jerome, vigil services at 7 p.m. tonight at Jerome's Catholic Church in Jerome.

Jerome, with the funeral Mass 2 p.m. Friday at the church (Howarth Funeral Chapel, Jerome).

Opal Belle Petersen of Caldwell, a memorial service will be held Saturday at Smiths Funeral Home in Sunnyside, Wash.

Delpha Rupp Latimore of Reno, Nev., and formerly of Twin Falls; memorial service 3 p.m. Saturday at the First Congregational Church, 527 Sunnyside Drive, Reno (Obit. Rogers and Crosby Funeral Home, Reno).

## HOSPITALS

CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER of Declo.

Admitted  
Ted Brower of Burley; Ferrell Ball of Paul; Ruth Doran of Heyburn; Norma Kunau of Declo; and Nicki Larson of Heyburn.

Released  
Bertha Fernandez, Laura Hernandez and Heather Woodland, all of Burley; George McDonald and Lauren Wall, both of Rupert; Cindy Phillips and Michael Woodland, both of Paul; and Debra Vaughan of Heyburn.

Birch  
A baby was born to Norma and Richard Kunau.

MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Some names have been omitted at patient's request.

Admitted  
Patricia Gibson, Levi Osterhout and Leona Wilkie, all of Rupert.

Released  
Levi Osterhout and Patricia Gibson, both of Rupert.

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# Students build computers for schools

By Lorraine Cavenor  
Times-News writer

**RUPERT** — The Minidoka County School District will get more than 100 computers this fall, put together by students.

Seventeen Minico High School technology students will build the computers under the eye of Kent Jackson, the district's technology coordinator.

With the students' help, the department should be able to build 30 computers a day, Jackson said.

Unlike many Idaho school districts, the Minidoka district is behind in terms of technology and does not have a computer in every classroom, Jackson said. The student-built computers will give the district one full multimedia computer in every classroom.

"Just one in the classroom makes a big difference," Jackson said.

Being able to access the Internet and experience other forms of computer-related education will be a big plus for the district. The project will give technology students experience in building computers, and save the district money, Jackson said.

The district has a \$300,000 computer budget. This project will give it an extra 100 computers, Jackson said.

Students in their second year of technology classes will install the computers.

Three district schools will receive new computers rather than the student-built machines. Earlier this week, Minidoka County School Board members approved new computers for Paul and Heyburn elementary



Daniel Hill, 15, who will be a junior at Minico High School this fall, reconfigures a computer at the Minidoka County School District's technology department, located in the district's bus garage building. Technology department students will assemble more than 100 computers for the Minidoka County School District this fall.

schools and West Minico Junior High School so the schools can start accelerated math and reading programs at the beginning of the school year.

Originally, the district had planned to protect babies who are exposed to harm because of drug abuse by parents wants to change state law.

They did not want to wait for the student-built computers. That would interfere with the curriculum, which needs to start at the beginning of the year.

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## Labor movement strength has union official optimistic

**LEWISTON (AP)** — While the secretary-treasurer of the national AFL-CIO sees the next two years as crucial for the labor movement, he is optimistic union membership will increase.

"We have come a long, long way," Richard Trumka said Tuesday during the Idaho AFL-CIO's annual convention. "Next year and this year we will climb higher, because we care about blue collars, white collars and no collars."

But Trumka warned of an alarming loss of manufacturing jobs where unions have been historically able to negotiate commensurate wages and good health care and pension plans.

The American economy lost 330,000 manufacturing jobs in the same period that total employment increased by 2.8 million, he said.

"The de-industrialization of our country is one of the biggest challenges facing us in the 21st century," Trumka said, and that unions need to do a better job educating and energizing current members while organizing hundreds of thousands of new members.

It is absolute critical we take back control of our government, especially at the federal level,"

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he said.

Unions currently must play defense on attacks on the Davis-Bacon Act, compensatory time, "psychic deception" and workplace safety protections in the Republican-controlled Congress, Trumka said.

They will be fighting to strengthen Social Security and Medicare, he said, and also will try to stop Social Security privatization schemes and proposals to raise the retirement age, reduce the cost of living increases and cut benefits.

Union members also would like to see more money spent on education programs and trade laws designed to keep good jobs from going abroad, Trumka said, in addition to an increase in the minimum wage.

## Utah Legislature debates gun controls in public schools

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)** — Most Utah legislators are opposed to banning legally concealed weapons at public schools, their leaders said, but they may be willing to close loopholes that can get guns in the hands of convicted felons and some mentally

unstable persons. The Legislature's majority Republicans consider the guns-in-schools debate a "red herring," Assistant House Majority Whip Greg Curtis said. At issue is the ability of school employees or visitors with con-

cealed-weapons permits to carry their guns at schools. Those people aren't shooting up schools, Senate President Lane Beattie, R-West Bountiful, said. The concealed-weapon restriction championed by Gov. Mike

Leavitt is "the weak link" in a volley of gun-control proposals taken up Wednesday at the Capitol, Beattie said. It is of "very little public safety importance," said Paul Boyden, director of the Statewide Association of Prosecutors.

## Groups work to protect children from parental substance abuse

**CALDWELL (AP)** — A group working to protect babies who are exposed to harm because of drug abuse by parents wants to change state law.

The Southwest Idaho Child Protection and Advocacy Coalition has drawn up a resolution advocating legislation "to better protect children from maternal and parental illicit substance abuse" and provide "education, prevention and treatment for substance-abusing pregnant women and mothers, rather than criminalizing the activity."

The resolution claims Idaho is one of the highest-ranking states for per capita methamphetamine use and per capita child abuse, and one of the lowest-ranked states for per capita spending on child welfare.

Caldwell pediatrician Kathryn Wells, one of the organizers of the

group, said Idaho Medical Association "President-elect Theodore Colwell endorses the resolution."

It also has received endorsements from the Idaho Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics and the children's care administrator at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center, Dr. Jerry Hirschfeld.

"We're going to sit down and iron out what changes we'd like to see in the Child Protection Act and see who we can utilize to help us set up for legislation," Wells said.

The advocacy group, made up of doctors, law enforcement officers, social workers, residents and a judge who will meet this week, has decided that the first step toward protecting children would be to make illegal substance abuse a basis for negligence charges.

## State deals another \$2 million for economy

**IDAHO FALLS (AP)** — Another \$2 million has been awarded to eastern Idaho's Regional Development Alliance to help reduce the area's economic dependence on the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

The grant from the settlement fund set up under the state's unprecedented 1995 nuclear waste agreement with the federal government brings to \$14.5 million

the amount so far awarded to the regional alliance, which is credited with projects that should eventually create over 2,100 new jobs.

The alliance's Gov. Dirk Kempthorne said in announcing the award on Tuesday as he returned from the Western Governors Conference, "has achieved significant results in a short period of time, and it has done so through regional cooperation and teamwork."

## Waste

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proposed for Nevada, would interfere in development of the permanent underground Yucca facility.

Sen. Jeff Bingaman of New Mexico, the ranking Democrat on the committee, opposed the compromise — along with five other Democrats — because they said it would strip the Environmental

Protection Agency of authority to regulate radiation exposure levels at the future Yucca waste site.

"That's a show stopper with the administration and with me," said Bingaman. He sought approval for a virtually identical alternative measure that would continue to allow the EPA to regulate exposure levels, but it was voted down 13-7.

## Budget

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salary to \$20,915. Gibson said the raise complies with the teachers' negotiated contract.

Two staff members will be added at Jerome High School, an additional four-tenths of a position for school psychologist and one additional staff person in the day treatment program.

The district will move an ESL teaching position from federal funds to the general fund at Jerome Middle School.

The district plans to move one teacher into the detention center and eliminate one classified position with the move.

The implementation of technology will not include any added staff positions, but the Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition program has changed the duties of some of the staff.

A 15 percent increase in the cost of health insurance.

Funds allow only for the maintenance of existing school programs; no new programs will be added.

State funding will decrease in the substance abuse program as the legislature restructures how the state uses tobacco taxes. Voters have turned down four bond issues and one supplemental override levy since September of 1996. The \$1.25 million supplemental override levy, which is the district's sixth attempt to reduce the overcrowding problem, will pay for the addition of eight class-

### Jerome School District budget proposal

The Jerome School District's proposed \$17,714,978 budget will distribute \$13,736,611 into the district's general fund and \$3,978,367 in all other funds.

GENERAL FUND		
Item	Expenditures	Percentage of Budget
Total revenues	\$7,887,095	57.43%
Total benefits	\$2,443,131	17.78%
Total purchased services	\$1,357,594	9.88%
Total supplies, materials	\$978,100	7.19%
Total insurance	\$1,260,250	9.2%
Other revenues	\$55,000	0%
Subtotal	\$12,445,670	90.59%
Transfers	\$1,292,940	9.41%
Total expenditures	\$13,738,610	100%
OTHER FUNDS		
Item	Expenditures	Percentage of Budget
Total salaries	\$938,600	73.6%
Total benefits	\$387,650	30.5%
Total purchased services	\$24,200	1.9%
Total supplies, materials	\$442,200	3.4%
Total insurance	\$1,657,536	12.9%
Total transfers	\$305,792	2.4%
Investment judgments	0	0%
Capital	\$1,576,367	12.3%
Reserves	0	0%
Total	\$3,978,367	30.5%

rooms at Jerome High School. Voters have turned down four bond issues and one supplemental override levy since September of 1996.

Opening places will be open from noon to 8 p.m. and will be located at Harmon Elementary School, Jerome High School and

Jerome Recreation District. Gooding County residents may vote at the Chris Gibson residence at 3021 S. 2400 East in Jerome.

Times-News writer Theresa Jacoby can be reached at 733-0931, ext. 259.

### Times-News receives AP awards

**SALT LAKE CITY** — The Times-News won five awards in the Utah-Idaho-Spokane Associated Press Association's annual contest.

Awards were announced Friday night at the newspaper organization's annual awards banquet. The Times-News winners are as follows: Personal columns first place, Steve Crump; second place, Denise Turner; third place, Darin Oswald; third place, Bruce Shields.

### TF Municipal Band to perform today

**TWIN FALLS** — The Twin Falls Municipal Band will play at 8 p.m. today at City Park.

The program will include Ralph Hermann's "Kiddie Ballet," a medley of TV cartoon themes and a suite of music from westerns by Daniel Bulech.

The band invites everyone to wear something a child would wear.

Compiled from staff reports

## Hospital

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ing with other health care providers in the Magic Valley.

For example, Magic Valley Regional is talking about collaborating with — but not merging with — Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital.

Presentations such as Wednes-

day's meeting are not uncommon, Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital Administrator Michael Aerehart said. Typically, a hospital will hear three to five similar proposals a year from outside entities.

Community Health Systems describes itself as the leading oper-

ator of acute care hospitals in rural markets. It owns, leases or manages 45 hospitals with 4,276 beds in 18 states.

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## Money

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and an electronic strip, Crandall said. "But a lot of merchants won't even look at the bills because they think they are too ugly or look like 'Monopoly' money."

Crandall said counterfeit money comes in bursts in the Magic Valley.

There are usually two to three-week spurts, when \$20, \$50 and

\$100 notes will pass through. The counterfeit bills will be given to convenience stores, bars and other locations.

The manufacturing and distribution of counterfeit notes is a federal crime, carrying a prison sentence of 15 to 20 years.

Cities and counties can set up penalties for lesser charges of distribution. "If some merchant gets a bad

bill, we'll go out and collect it and then notify the Sheriff's Office," Cassia County Sheriff Billy Crystal said.

However, he said, anyone caught in the act of passing a note will be charged with a misdemeanor.

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

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# CSI looks to expand role in Blaine

## Official says it's time for college to redefine role

By Barb Nelwort  
Times-News correspondent

**HAILEY** - The College of Southern Idaho is exploring ways to enhance its educational programs in the Wood River Valley.

Coming up on the 15th anniversary as a satellite center from the college's main campus in Twin Falls, Blaine County Center Coordinator Joan Davies said it was time the junior college analyzed and redefined its role and mission in the county.

arts proponents, CSI officials held a brainstorming session earlier this month in Sun Valley to measure the pulse of the community.

"Because of the structure of the tax base in Blaine County, the community is going to be the one to identify what they're willing to support," Davies said.

Unlike Twin Falls and Jerome counties that directly tax property owners for CSI operations, Blaine County taxpayers pay CSI an assessment fee of \$50 for each credit hour taken by Blaine County students, Davies said. CSI currently offers courses through its Blaine County Center in Hailey where classes are offered on site and through a microwave link from the campus in Twin Falls. Students can receive most of the credits they need at the Blaine County Center for certain

associate degrees, but must take some classes in Twin Falls.

Dr. Jerry Beck, CSI vice president of instruction, said it is important to develop innovative ways to deliver more education and training to the area. Community leaders came up with many ideas to expand the college's presence in the valley.

Suggestions included offering a turf management program to coincide with the future construction of a public golf course in Blaine County, construction of a performing arts center, inclusion of an arts academy for high school students, aid in expanding facilities at Wood River High School, and additional programs that would allow Blaine County residents to receive degrees without leaving the valley.

De Joan Edwards, vice president of planning and develop-

ment for CSI, said that CSI will remain a neutral party in any proposals developed through the discussions. She said that if progress is to be made toward these or other educational goals, it must start with Blaine County residents coming up with their desired goals and inviting CSI to partner with the press.

CSI is willing to explore partnerships with others in the community, but they need a firm direction and commitment to move, Davies said.

A series of meetings will be scheduled throughout the summer to further address ideas and find means to undertake educational opportunities.

Times-News correspondent Barb Nelwort can be reached in Hailey at 788-9530.

# Buhl schools want to use armory for ARTEC program

By Mary Lou Potts  
Times-News correspondent

**BUHL** - City Council members heard a proposal from Superintendent of Schools Rick Hill on Monday requesting use of the armory for a facility to teach automotive classes for the Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition.

The council tabled the proposal until further research can be done. Hill said the school district is ready to sink a well in that area, a recap of the water supply and usage will have to be finalized.

In conjunction with College of Southern Idaho, the training classes will benefit the west end of the county and give the interested students a head start on their automotive education before entering CSI. The program will be funded with \$300,000 from the J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Foundation, part of a grant for technology education. The program will use the seed money to begin classes and at the end of three years, the Buhl School District will be responsible to keep it active using grants and state funds. Two classes a day will be scheduled - one in the morning and one in the afternoon. If enough interest is generated, evening classes may be considered.

Hill said the district plans to have the program ready by 2000 and will offer all phases of automotive education from mechanical to managerial classes. In addition to the ARTEC funding, General Motors, Toyota and Ford will supply all the necessary equipment and instructional vehicles, Hill said. The program will be open to high school seniors the first year and juniors the second year.

The students will earn certificates with some going straight to the job market and others continuing their studies at CSI.

Hill told the council that the district and ARTEC would be responsible for all remodeling needed to accommodate the program. The armory was originally slated to house carpentry classes for ARTEC at a later date but is better suited for the automotive program, he said.

• Fireworks sales permits were approved for safe and safe fireworks. An ordinance to prevent other fireworks, without a permit, within the city limits was also approved.

• An amendment to the no private wells in city limits ordinance was approved if city water is not available for a minimum of 10 days.

Mary Lou Gietzen gave the first

## Upcoming meetings

The City Council has rescheduled its meeting with Mountain View residents and the Twin Falls County Health Department on well contamination to 8 p.m. June 28 at City Hall. The council will hear budget proposals from the City Clerk and Public Works departments at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 29 at City Hall. The council will also hear the budget proposal from the police department. The next regular council meeting is scheduled at 7 p.m. July 12 at City Hall.

reading of a business/occupational license ordinance within the city limits and impact areas.

Fire Chief Mark Grimes and Police Chief Terry Tipton recommended the council renew the licenses yearly to keep all departments up to date on tenants and the dynamic nature of fires and combustion materials, within the city limits. Tipton and Councilman Bob Vandewater will work out the details.

• A proposal to hire the Twin Falls County Assessors Office to electronically handle the November city election was defeated because of cost.

• Councilman Vandewater and Councilmen Vandewater and Chuck Geska are up for reelection.

Mayor Gietzen presented Steve Gatz with a certificate of appreciation and a small key to the city for his two-year chairmanship of the Johnny Harison program.

• Ralph Smith was reappointed to a five-year term as Buhl Housing Authority Commissioner.

• Ellen Asay was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Library Board through December 1999.

• Public Works Director Gary Winn notified the council that weeds had been sprayed in the parks and city areas. Winn added that a Simplot donated the materials.

• Some council members plan to attend the Association of Idaho Cities Convention in Boise July 12-13. Councilman Geska is the association president.

Times-News correspondent Mary Lou Potts can be reached in Buhl at 683-8854.

# Mining industry braces for adversity

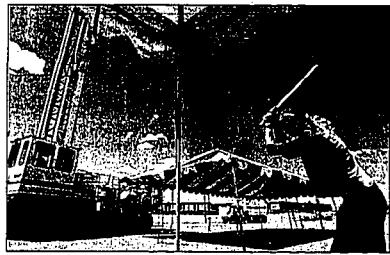
## Industry experts gather in Nevada

**ELKO, Nev. (AP)** - Experts from around the world gathered for the annual Mining Expo as the industry braces for an uncertain future fueled by the pending sale of gold reserves around the globe.

The 14th Annual Mining Expo kicked off Wednesday night with a dinner featuring Gov. Kenny Guinn. Other keynote speakers included Richard Griebel, vice president of F&H Mining Services in Buhl, Vincent, president of Alliance for America, and John Wilson, chief executive of Placer Dome U.S.

About 450 exhibitors signed up for the expo, which officially opens Thursday and runs through Saturday at the Elko Convention Center.

But while companies and vendors tout products and services, there's growing concern for the industry's immediate future



Kelly Goff helps set up for the 14th Annual Mining Expo in Elko, Nev. The event, which kicked off Wednesday night with Nevada Gov. Kenny Guinn giving the keynote address, will run through Saturday.

amid plummeting gold prices that have hit a 20-year low and the threat of still lower prices on the horizon.

Gold closed Wednesday at \$259.10 on the New York Mercantile Exchange, down \$1.91 an ounce from Tuesday.

ric tons of the precious metal from its reserve of 715 metric tons.

Swiss voters have also authorized the sale of treasury gold, and the International Monetary Fund is seeking members' approval to do the same.

"The price is still low, but mining industry officials wondering how low prices could go and gold producers searching for innovative ways to remain in business.

"In the past few days of the show," said Doug Heck, Newmont Mining Corp. spokesman in Denver. "It's our feeling the industry can't go on long term with these kind of prices."

Industry experts say companies in Nevada, the third largest gold producer in the world behind South Africa and Australia, is in the best position to weather the slump because they produce gold more efficiently.

"Even efficiency has its limits.

"Our break-even mark has been about \$275 an ounce," Heck said. "Obviously, that's not where-the-price-is-right-now. We're still trying to cut costs."

"I don't think we've seen the bottom yet," said a representative of a mining equipment manufacturer who asked not to be identified. "I hope I'm wrong."

Gold prices began their current slide on May 7 when Britain announced it would sell 415 met-

# Castleford aims for extracurricular participation

By Leandra Reuble  
Times-News correspondent

**CASTLEFORD** - Castleford administrators are looking at making long-term changes in classes and programs to better fit students' interests.

Students have not been as involved in sports and extracurricular classes as officials would like, Superintendent Kelly Murphy and principal Andy Wiseman said.

At the Castleford School Board meeting Tuesday night, Wiseman said enrollment in electives such as band is down for the upcoming year. The school might need to offer other programs and redesign classes to catch student interest.

"We've been going on, 'Build it and they will come.' Well, we built it and they didn't come," Murphy said.

School Board member Dave Smith said some classes might be getting "hurdled," and need to be reworked.

Murphy said administrators

are planning a study over the upcoming school year, to reevaluate student interests. No class or program changes are planned in the immediate future.

In other School Board business:

• According to the 1998-99 conduct report, 127 students received in-school suspension, 46 students received out-of-school suspension, one student was expelled and Wiseman held disciplinary conferences with 57 students.

• The board approved contract negotiations with staff, giving teachers, administrators and classified personnel a 3 percent raise and agreeing to cover a 12.9 percent hike in insurance premiums.

• Murphy reported the completion of the school calendar, with times and vacations set up to mesh with Buhl and Filer school districts and the College of Southern Idaho. The schedule change will help facilitate classes being offered via interactive video at four sites.

• Cooperative classes are going

to be nothing but positive," Wiseman said.

Some teachers in Castleford might have to change classrooms to accommodate the classes, but Wiseman doesn't see any major problems. Eight classes are being offered, including six for college credit, in areas such as calculus, chemistry and speech.

• Wiseman said the school may need to look at some alternatives for the annual. It costs \$52 to produce the book, which is sold to students for \$35. He said the difference is usually made up through advertising, but students were not able to sell enough this year to make a profit. Wiseman said there seems to be a decline in advertising possibilities, so organizers might have to find some other way to package the annual to reduce the expense.

• Murphy discussed a new state law requiring schools to offer summer school programs to kindergarten to third-grade students who do not read at their grade level. He would like to offer a full program, not just the

40 hours required by the state, and include math; he would also like to offer the classes to English as a Second Language students.

• The Buhl Highway District is providing labor to complete work on the parking lot in the rear of the school and around the ag shop. Murphy said the school is providing the materials.

• Murphy said the fencing project around the ag shop is almost completed, but a couple of gates are needed. The district might need to come up with pipe and perhaps volunteer welders to construct the gates to finish the project.

• The elementary school rewiring project is coming along, said Murphy, who added that the electrician on the job said the work is long overdue.

• The school and several community volunteers cut sod out of the football field and filled in the low spots with donated compost. He said the school also plans to use donations to put in several outdoor lights.

# Put Jackpot on the map, board member suggests

By Sam Feltnan  
Times-News correspondent

**JACKPOT** Advisory Board member Shert Summers said he wants to know why there are more road signs to Wells than to Jackpot.

Summers told her fellow board members at Tuesday's meeting that just about all the signs in Idaho point the way to Wells-but few give directions to Jackpot. Devin Rigby, district engineer for the Idaho Department of Transportation, said the Nevada Department of Transportation makes decisions about road signs to Nevada cities and towns. Rigby said the NDOT probably selected Wells instead of Jackpot for road signs because Wells is located on a major junction of U.S. Highway 93 and Interstate 80.

Rigby said road signs haven't been reviewed in a long time at the Idaho end and could be changed.

"The next step is to get it in a formal proposal," Rigby said. "That will get the wheels rolling."

The Jackpot Advisory Board started the wheels rolling by voting in a direct letter to the Idaho Department of Transportation and another to NDOT to get

## Swimming lessons

Jackpot Recreation Center is offering a week of swimming lessons for \$15. Free summer swimming is included with the \$15 fee. Sign-ups are still being accepted. 755-2653.

Jackpot on mileage and direction signs.

In other business Tuesday, Jackpot Fire Chief David Hutchinson reported that Jackpot has no formal agreement to operate in Idaho. He said although the Salmon Trust and Jackpot Fire Departments have been helping each other for years, "it has never gone through the formal ratification. It is the formal state that is incomplete."

Hutchinson said the two departments have had a working agreement for years but it needs to be formalized with a county agreement, but a state-to-state agreement.

"We're not going to stop at the state line," Hutchinson said. "We have a lot to offer Twin Falls County."

Hutchinson announced that EMT classes will be offered Aug. 3 through November. The classes

will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. The fee for the 120-hour seven-credit course will be about \$300 but scholarships will be available for those affliated with the Jackpot Fire and Rescue Team. Hutchinson said he hopes Jackpot employers will encourage their employees to take the course as business do benefit.

Hutchinson also asked if Jackpot Advisory Board meetings and other county functions, including the driver's license office, could be moved from the fire station to the Hayden building at the airport. He said they interfere with the Jackpot Fire and Rescue Team. Hutchinson said he hopes Jackpot employers will encourage their employees to take the course as business do benefit.

Also Tuesday, Jackpot Public Works Supervisor Ed Ellis reported that two new monitoring wells were dug at the sewer lagoons during the last month because one of the existing wells showed too many nitrates. He said the new wells show acceptable levels of nitrates. He said he has verbally agreed with county engineers to accept one of the new wells as the monitoring well. Ellis'

said the lagoon is doing the job it was designed to do and the flow is going away from the town and Jackpot's drinking water source.

Ellis also reported that bids are in on the Public Works building, and the District Improvement Fund's 42-inch water line extension. Elko County Commissioners will decide on whether or not to accept the bids at their next meeting.

In other action Tuesday, Jackpot Advisory Board Chairman Beth Winans reported she recently received a call from Ken Mc Bain of Nevada Rural Health Center Inc. who told her the prospect of Jackpot getting another clinic is promising and depends on a Federal Health Grant.

She said McBain told her the grant application is pending until Aug. 1 and if the grant is approved, the clinic could be up and running as soon as it can be staffed. He said they plan to have a full-time physician and plan to use the facility vacated by Family Health Services.

Times-News correspondent Sam Feltnan can be reached in Jackpot at 755-2351.

# Superintendent: Politics led to job elimination

LEWISTON (AP) - The Idaho Department of Education's food services supervisor alleges her job is being cut because her late husband worked for schools.

Superintendent Marilyn Howard's controversial predecessor, Anne Fox.

"I think it was partly retaliation because of Ann's role in the restructuring of Dr. Fox's administration," said Patricia Ruyle, who \$61,672-a-year position is being eliminated in mid-July.

Asa Ruyle, a former Boise State University vice president for finance and administration, served on the transition team for Fox after the Republican was elected in 1994. He also worked as an education vice president.

Asa and Patricia Ruyle contributed \$375 to Fox's 1994 campaign, according to campaign finance records. Ruyle died in February.

His widow, who worked for the Education Department for more than 16 years, said Democrats cried foul when she was appointed as Fox's child nutrition supervisor. But she insisted she was qualified for the job.

Howard, a Democrat and former Moscow elementary school principal, said she wants to eliminate Mrs. Ruyle's post as part of a broader plan to reduce hierarchy inside the Education Department and

"This is all part of that restructuring and to get as efficient and effective as we can be in the department."

The child nutrition program will be part of a smaller bureau, and Howard said Mrs. Ruyle's responsibilities will be divided among existing employees.

Howard also is eliminating the \$75,712-a-year position of Deputy Superintendent for Finance and Support Services Jerry Pelton and moving the deputy superintendent's duties to include Mrs. Ruyle's job. The 63-year-old widow, said in a prepared statement.

"At that time Dr. Howard told me to continue working and the assumption was that she was going to allow me to keep my job if she could determine that my performance was good."

Howard said she talked to the heads of all her departments' divisions, including Mrs. Ruyle - in January and has done that again.

"I tried to give myself six months to analyze how individual programs in the department operate and how it would operate best," she said.

Howard said that was a part of that, Howard said.





MORNING BREAK

Bogart, Hepburn top list of 50 best film stars

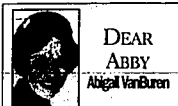
LOS ANGELES (AP) - Humphrey Bogart and his "African Queen" co-star Katharine Hepburn led the American Film Institute's list Tuesday of the 50 greatest screen legends...

Film legends

The complete list of the 50 best screen stars and star pairings of the century... BOGART AND HEPBURN: The most iconic duo...

Pictures of open casket are worth angry words

DEAR ABBY: Less than two weeks ago, I lost a friend of more than 40 years. He had been in poor health for the better part of two years and succumbed to the many complications of emphysema...



DEAR ABBY Abby Warburton

he looked so good, better than she had seen him look in a long time. The widow demanded the exposed roll of film, for which she offered to reimburse her sister-in-law, but was refused...

DEAR ONE WHO HAS LOST A FRIEND: The sister-in-law was wrong to promise the widow she would refrain from photographing the open casket and then going back on her word...

The roster was unveiled during a three-hour special on CBS... Cary Grant was No. 2 on the list of greatest male actors...

Following Miss Hepburn among female legends were, in order: Bette Davis, Audrey Hepburn, Ingrid Bergman, Greta Garbo, Marilyn Monroe, Elizabeth Taylor, Judy Garland, Marlene Dietrich and Joan Crawford...

The evening before the funeral, there was a viewing that was attended by many friends and relatives. At that time, his sister told the widow she would like to take some pictures of the floral arrangements...

the open casket. At the graveside service the next morning, she also took snapshots of the people attending the service, and even went so far as to take pictures of the casket as it was being lowered into the ground...

She called her sister-in-law the following day and expressed shock and disappointment that anyone would commit such a morbid, insensitive and uncaring act. The sister-in-law rationalized that the pictures were her own personal memento of her brother - since

she looked so good, better than she had seen him look in a long time. The widow demanded the exposed roll of film, for which she offered to reimburse her sister-in-law, but was refused.

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## THANK YOU LETTERS

### Family extends thanks to doctor, hospital staff

The family of Zelta C. Miller would like to take this opportunity to offer their sincerest thanks to Dr. James Emery and the Intensive Care Unit staff at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. The sincere, compassionate and professional manner with which they conducted themselves during her passing was greatly appreciated.

**ROBERT X. MILLER**  
And Family  
Twin Falls

### Troop 63 calls pasta dinner a tasty success

St. Edward's Boy Scout Troop

63 would like to thank the individuals and businesses that helped make our Authentic Pasta Dinner a success.

Joe Rockney (Albertson's); Bill/Arly Nicholson (BHP Printers); Joy Duggan/Scott Rappaport (Gem Linen Supply); Chet McFarland (Farmer Brothers); Marie Sharp (Key Bank); Mike McBrine (Independent Meat); Deano (Mountain Dairies); Shane (Smith's); Jerry Swensen (Svenmar); Craig Hawkins (Grocery Outlet); Mark/Mary Melni (Microchips); Fran Hernandez and Father Robb Keller (St. Edward's Catholic Church); Katrina Brumbaugh/Pat Murecantonio (The Times-News); Idaho Catholic Register; Pat Hillman (KTFT NBC 38); Lee

Wagner (KMVT CBS Channel 11); KSAW Television ABC; TCI Cablevision; Kar-Mix 103; Gary/Nate - Bondelid; Neil Harpster; Mark Garcia; Jim Ponce; Randy Stone; Robb Steink; Pat/Barbara Delmore; Bob Dyson; John/Teri; Robert Wilkenson; Lanny Sucher; Shelly; Megan and Elise McFarland; and the Scouts of Troop 63 who served dinner and bused the tables.

**DIANA E. NOGLER**  
Activity Director, Troop 63  
St. Edward's Catholic Church  
Twin Falls

communities for the support that you gave us during the Seventh Annual Gooding Jaycees Boxing Smoker.

We thank you, 5th District Rodco, for all of your help and support through the years and are happy to share in the glory with you. We especially appreciate Emily (Em. J.) Thomas for all of her hard work. Thank you go out to all of the Idaho Jaycees that helped set it up and take it down.

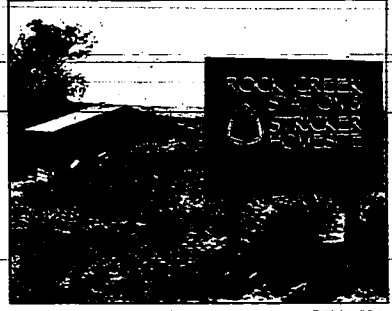
Some of the proceeds from the Smoker have gone to help the American Legion send a boy and a girl to state, a scholarship and future donations to the community and local food banks.

**MINDY JAMES**  
President, Gooding Jaycees  
Gooding

### Boxing Smoker raises funds for young people

The Gooding Jaycees would like to thank the surrounding

## A BIT OF HISTORY



Free tours of the Stricker home are now available every Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. until Oct. 31. The grounds of the Rock Creek Station Historic Site are open throughout the week, but the home only is open for viewing on Sunday, says Joannette Meyers, Stricker Ranch board member. The ranch is located south of Hansen on 3200 N road.

## LUCKY TICKETS



The Mini-Casino Community Concert Association drew the winners from early renewal ticket buyers to receive a \$20 refund. Robert Hamblen, treasurer, present checks to Clio Helyak and LeAnn and Ralph Mangham. Not pictured are Joyce Hirsch, Judy Jackson and Ann DeWald.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Schofield presents senior piano recital

**BUHL** - Anna Schofield, daughter of Lani and Kathy Schofield of Buhl, will present her senior piano recital 7 p.m. Sunday at the LDS Chapel on Fair Street in Buhl.

The recital, free to the public, will include works by Beethoven, Bach and Chopin. Schofield, 17, has studied piano for 10 years and is a student of Pezin Bellini-Percin. Schofield has received the Young Womanhood award and is a 1999 graduate of Castleford High School. She will attend the College of Southern Idaho to pursue a degree in dental hygiene, her family says.

### West Magic Rec Club hosts father's breakfast

**SHOSHONE** - The West Magic Lake Recreation Club will host its annual Father's Day breakfast 9 a.m. to noon Sunday on the club deck at West Magic Lake Reservoir.

Breakfast will cost \$5 and will be served by the mothers, organizers say. The public is invited to the meal, followed by fishing.

For more information, call 487-1202.

### Writer's league meets for lunch, critiquing

**TWIN FALLS** - The Idaho Writer's League will meet noon to 2 p.m. Saturday at Idaho Joe's Restaurant in Twin Falls.

The group will critique manuscripts, organizers say.

For more information, call 324-7694, or e-mail helms@north-rin.net.

### Habitat group seeks donations for yard sale

**TWIN FALLS** - Habitat for Humanity will hold its second annual fundraising yard sale from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 10 at 1520 Princeton Dr., Twin Falls.

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ing the organization's next house, in Twin Falls, coordinators say.

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### Craft show organizers call for crafters

**JACKPOT** - A craft show will be held July 3-4 on the lawn of the Horseshoe Casino in Jackpot, Nev.

There will be no booth fee and organizers are looking for crafters who would like to display their products.

To reserve a space, call 775-755-2700.

### Planetarium showing benefits MDA on Friday

**TWIN FALLS** - A special showing of "How to Build a Planet" at the Faulkner Planetarium will benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

The family show at 8:15 p.m. Friday at the College of Southern Idaho's Herrert Center will be free and donations will be forwarded to the association, the college says.

The moon will be visible before sunset on Friday, allowing for a viewing using the planetarium's telescopes immediately following the show, coordinators say.

### Master Gardeners hear about wildflowers

**TWIN FALLS** - Twin Falls Master Gardeners will meet at 1:30 p.m. Monday in the County Extension meeting room, 246 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls.

The public is invited to hear Dennis Petygrove present a talk

and slide show on Idaho wildflowers, coordinators say.

For more information, call Louise Koontz at 733-7115 or Delores Frey at 734-8781.

### Soroptomists install officers Friday at lodge

**RUPERT** - The Soroptomists of Minidoka's annual officer installation is at noon on Friday at the Rupert Elks Lodge, 200 W. 85 S.

The group placed first and brought home the Governors Award from the spring convention April 1-May 3 in Boise.

Ruth Simpson will be the installing officer and the program director.

The new officers include Betty Fisk, president; Karen Roberts, vice president; Ruth Balles, secretary; Loreta Klingenberg, treasurer; Kitty Andrews, advisor; Mildred Meuleman, corresponding secretary; Veda Shufeldt, parliamentarian; Annie Phillips, one-year director; and Roxanne Thompson, two-year director.

### Deaf and blind school hosts summer camp

**COPING** - The Idaho State School for the Deaf and Blind will host Sawtooth Camp for the Deaf and Blind through June 26 at Smoky Lodge in the Sawtooth National Forest.

The camp is for Idaho youth entering grades 6-9 whose primary handicapping condition is being hearing-impaired or deaf, coordinators say.

Campers will participate in a variety of activities including rafting, fishing, hiking and backpack riding.

The camp costs \$50.

For more information or to register for the camp, call Roddy Cabbage, camp director, or Carl Peterson, director of student services, at 934-4457, or e-mail callison@isdb.state.id.us.

### Foster, adoptive parents support group meets

**TWIN FALLS** - The Foster and Adoptive Parents Support Group will meet at 6 p.m. tonight at the Prime Cut restaurant in Twin Falls.

Dinner will be followed by speaker Krystal Schvaneveldt of CASA at 7 p.m., the group says.

For more information, call Berdell Lesneski at 536-6561.

### Cruisers 'Father's Day Run' begins Sunday

**RUPERT** - The Minidoka Cruisers "Father's Day Run" will be begun at 1 p.m. Sunday at the Rupert Square.

The annual classic car run will head to Burley and stop at Freedom Park, the Dairy Queen, and the Wal-Mart parking lot before ending at the Burley Boat Dock.

For more information, call 531-4152.

### Burley cheerleaders host yard sale Saturday

**BURLEY** - The Burley High School cheerleaders are hosting a yard sale from 7:30 to 4 p.m. on Saturday at the Tech Center just west of the old high school.

The sale will feature baked food and clothing.

Proceeds from the sale are designated for camps and uniforms.

## FOCUS ON PEOPLE

### Association names Holiday dietitian of Year

**RoseAnna Boyle-Holliday**, a 1988 Twin Falls High School graduate, has been named the 1999 Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year by the Idaho Dietetic Association.

She received the honor at the association meeting in Boise April 30 and will be honored at the annual meeting of the American Dietetic Association in Atlanta, Ga. in October.

Holliday, a child nutrition program specialist with the Idaho State Department of Education, was recognized for her efforts to improve nutritional status of children throughout the state, the association says.

"She graduated from the University of Idaho, earned a master's degree in public health from the University of Minnesota and is a former Miss Idaho. Her parents are Darwin and Esther Boyle of Twin Falls. She now resides in Meridian.

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Lisa Knapp, 15, of capital High of Boise, watches a metal ball go through a tube of olive oil and uses a stop watch to calculate how fast it travels from top to bottom in the engineering building at Boise State University. About 50 students from different parts of the Treasure Valley were invited to learn more about the basics of engineering and science.

# Retiring Chenoweth finally pays off loans

BOISE (AP) - It took nearly five years, but retiring U.S. Rep. Helen Chenoweth has finally paid off the \$110,000 in loans she and her campaign incurred in 1994 in her first run for Congress. "She's in good shape," a campaign treasurer Rich Jackson said.



Helen Chenoweth

Her personal financial disclosure statement released on Wednesday showed that Chenoweth's campaign repaid her, the remaining \$5,850 of the \$60,000 she loaned her political committee to get her through the critical four-way May 1994 Republican primary.

Although the statement, required under the Ethics in Government Act, covers only financial dealings during 1998, Chenoweth noted that she received the final loan repayment this Feb. 12.

Chenoweth got the money from the sale of a half-interest in property she owns in Orofino. The value of her continued interest in the 53-acre tract remained under \$50,000 for the second straight year, according to the report.

The report also showed that a late 1994 loan she received from

former business client Joe Krygoski of Menominee; Mich., had dropped back under \$50,000 after increasing markedly in 1997 because of accruing interest. Krygoski has been a consistent \$1,000 contributor to her campaigns.

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## Supreme Court agrees rape conviction, sentence are void

BOISE (AP) - The Idaho Supreme Court agreed with an appellate ruling that a judge was wrong not to let a defense witness testify, so Mark Steven Harris must get a new trial on a 1995 Ada County rape charge.

The unanimous opinion issued Wednesday upheld a July 1998 decision from the Idaho Court of Appeals that 4th District Judge Thomas Neulle abused his discretion by keeping John Williams from testifying.

The justices agreed with arguments that Williams' testimony would have contradicted the

story of a woman Harris was charged with raping in a Boise printing business, and might have led to a different verdict.

"The trial court did not weigh any prejudice that might be suffered by the state against Harris' right to a fair trial," Justice Gerald Schroeder wrote.

"The error was compounded by the fact that the trial court placed the determination of whether the state could interview and respond to the testimony within the discretion of the prosecution."

## Congressional earnings

Mike Simpson, Idaho, freshman, earned income: \$55,978; honoraria: all donated to charity; Net worth: \$54,392; Merrill Lynch IRA, \$38,925; state pension, \$14,690. His wife, Katherine, also had a Merrill Lynch IRA worth \$52,969 and employed investment adviser worth \$72,780; net worth: \$50,000; girth: None; Simpson, a dentist and former Idaho state representative, earned \$40,300 in salary from his dental practice and \$15,676 from the legislative position. His wife, earned \$41,327 in income from Lockheed Martin Idaho Technologies Co.



Mike Simpson

## Bingham County continues impact area discussions

BLAKEFOOT (AP) - Changes being proposed to Bingham County's zoning ordinance could make negotiations with city officials easier as the two determine whether to expand the city's area of impact.

Talks between the county and city to determine new boundaries have not occurred since March.

The county has been busy revising its zoning ordinance. Now that it is close to being approved by county commissioners, they are ready to consider the city-county impact area, said Sue Betty, the county's planning and zoning director.

Some of the proposed changes to the county's zoning ordinance could make determining where growth is expected in the next few years easier, Betty said.

The changes recommended by the county Planning and Zoning Board to commissioners ensures development does not grow hap-

hazardly where housing developments meet farmland, Betty said.

The biggest proposed change in the zoning ordinance comes where land is zoned for agriculture and natural resource areas.

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## Under fire on a Snake River trip

The gunshots weren't alarming at first, but I started to get concerned when a bullet kicked up water 30 feet ahead of my canoe. Then came another shot, followed immediately by the distinctive "zing" of a nearby bullet.

Then another shot, another "zing," and the terrifying thud of something crashing into the boat.

It was time to panic, so I did. I dove over the side. My friend lumbered down in the bow, but her dog sensed the bedlam and jumped into the water after me. The river was high, fast and icy, but I was glad to be out of the boat. I suspect the dog was, too.

This wasn't what I was expecting on a Saturday afternoon.



**FORCE OF NATURE**  
William Brock

My friend and I were paddling the South Fork of the Snake River, about 40 miles east of Idaho Falls. It's a place where a majestic river braids around countless islands in an isolated canyon. It's a place of cottonwood trees, soaring eagles and craggy rock walls.

It's a place to relax, not fear for one's life.

Yet there I was, dogpaddling alongside my canoe, yelling at the top of my lungs for the sniper to cease fire. My friend, wild-eyed with fright, nearly flung herself out of the boat. In the confusion, it's a miracle our canoe didn't capsize - which would have meant the loss of the boat and all our gear.

It was an absolutely terrifying few minutes. We didn't know if the next bullet would hit us in the head and we might go out forever. Maybe we'd get hit in the shoulder, or the knee. Maybe the dog would take a round.

The suspense was killing us, so we took cover in the lee of a steep bank. After a couple of minutes, we paddled like mad and left the gunman behind.

Needless to say, it gave me plenty to think about for the remainder of the trip. Now I'm wondering how society can keep guns out of the hands of idiots.

There are only two ways to canoe why my friend and I were raked with gunfire, and both are rooted in idiocy. One, the boat(s) were deliberately shooting at total strangers; or two, the boat(s) were aiming at something between them and the river - and didn't know, or care, where their bullets wound up.

Both scenarios are troubling.

Maybe they were shooting at us simply to see what we'd do. I'm picturing two or three guys, probably around 19 or 20, with some beer, some guns and a beat-up cross-bed-de-river. They probably thrashed their way to the canyon rim, then began shooting at anything they damn well felt like shooting: magpies, fence posts, the far wall of the canyon and - hey, looky there - a canoe.

"C'mon Bobby," I picture one of them saying, "put one over their heads and see what they'll do."

"Aim a little closer, Bobby. Do it. They'll never catch us."

The other scenario isn't quite so malevolent, but it is equally damning to my faith in the common sense of the common man.

They were shooting at something between them and the river, probably something in a tree, probably a hawk. They figured their bullets were going into the river, and figured that was good enough for safety's sake.

What they didn't figure was that Idaho rivers are dynamic places on hot summer days. People come and people go. At times, people get in a way of seemingly harmless gameplay.

Sometimes people get shot. Sometimes they don't. My friend and I were lucky. The next boatload of people might not be.

So here's the moral of my story: For those of you who chase wild without knowing where your bullets are going, it's time to wise up. Be sure of your backyard.

Outdoors Editor William Brock learned safe firearms technique more than 30 years ago from his father. He has shot elk, deer, antelope, springbok, wild pigs and birds - but no humans.

## Stur-Chimney provides trade route up Mount Heyburn



Little Redfish Lake reflects the glory of Mount Heyburn, left, and Horsmann Peak in the Sawtooth Mountains south of Stanley.

# A Sawtooth classic



**M**ount Heyburn is one of Idaho's signature peaks.

Located in the Sawtooth Mountains, its twin summits and serrated southeast ridge dominate the skyline above the shimmering waters of Redfish Lake.

Anyone who has traveled through the Sawtooth Valley on Highway 75 has seen its chiseled profile. It is arguably the most photographed mountain in Idaho.

At 10,229 feet, the summit of Mount Heyburn appears to float above the surrounding forest. Its stunning northeast face is a complex bulwark of granite ribs and spires that harbor ribbons of snow and ice late into summer.

Of the mountain's two summits, it is the blunt, westernmost peak that is the true high point.

The west summit was first climbed in 1935 by the famous eastern climber Robert Underhill. On his pioneering ascent, Underhill was accompanied by his wife Miriam and a Stearns Basin homesteader named Dave Williams.

Their route traced a line up the southwest ridge, often on rock so rotten Underhill later described it as "caked mud." Following the first ascent, other routes were forged up the mountain but, like Underhill's route, all were cursed with sections

of perilously loose rock.

It wasn't until 1958 that a European mountaineer pioneered a surprisingly moderate and now-popular route to the top of Mount Heyburn.

Louis Stur approached the summit from Heyburn's relatively hidden west side, on scree slopes that rise to within 300 feet of the summit.

Stur, who hailed from Hungary, had been smitten by the Sawtooths in 1952. He followed a large cleft that splits the 300-foot west face from bottom to top. Stur's line followed solid rock with good ledges, excellent handholds and fall-safe places to anchor their ropes.

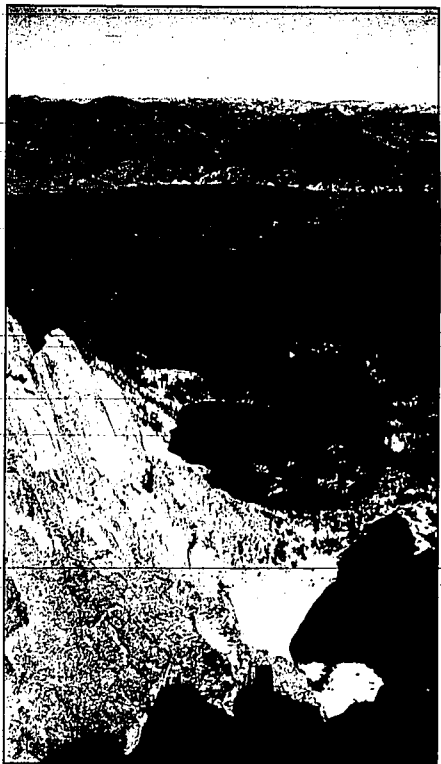
The Stur-Chimney, as it was called, quickly became a classic as climbers beat a path up the mountain's west flank.

Louis Stur went on to climb Mount Heyburn many more times. His 21st ascent of the peak came on September 2, 1983 - which was also his 59th birthday. In 1989, after more

Big holds lead to growing confidence for Jim Leitach on the Stur Chimney route up Mount Heyburn. The Stur Chimney is rated 5.6 and makes it ideal for intermediate climbers.

than 30 years in the jagged peaks of the Sawtooths, Stur fell to his death on nearby Mount Ebert. He was climbing alone and his fall remains a mystery.

But the film in his camera showed that he'd reached the summit of yet another Sawtooth peak.



The view stretches away to tomorrow from the summit of Mount Heyburn. Here, the Bench Lakes give way to Redfish Lake and, finally, to Little Redfish Lake.

### The Stur Chimney on Mount Heyburn

(Grade 1, 5.6, 2 pitches)

From either the Redfish Inlet Transfer Camp, or Redfish Lake Lodge, hike to the Bench Lakes. The trail will peter out, but press on to the highest Bench Lake. From there, ascend the crag below Mount Heyburn's northeast face, gaining the saddle and continue

to the west face proper. The Stur Chimney ascends the large fissure on this face.

This is a difficult route to locate and the approach is extremely strenuous. Many climbers choose to camp at the highest Bench Lake.

Mount Heyburn was always Stur's favorite, so it's a fitting tribute that the mountain's most-legendary climbing route bears his name.

— Story and photos by Mark Weber

Times-News correspondent

OUTDOORS

# Climber's Everest belongings go on display, but mystery endures

Los Angeles Times

TACOMA, Wash. — A handkerchief of burgundy and blue, wrinkled and stained, monogrammed with the initials GLM. A pair of goggles, their green-tinted lenses scratched, the silver frame bent on one side. The rope that probably killed him when it broke, frayed horribly at one end. These are the things that came down from "Mount" Everest when George Mallory did not.

Spread out on a table at Washington's State Museum of History in their first U.S. display, the contents of the legendary British mountain climber's pockets are what remain of the ill-fated 1924 expedition that might have been, but probably was not, the first ascent of the world's highest peak.

Now, leaders of the May expedition that located Mallory's body shrouded in snow 27,000 feet up the mountain are attempting to determine what should become of the mementos they brought down: the altimeter, pocket knife, scissors and packet of beef bouillon lozenges found in his pocket, a spent canister of oxygen, a list of camp supplies, the three letters from family members — an unknown woman — wrapped carefully in a pocket near his heart.

"It's just kind of amazing to think that George was blowing his nose in this," Eric Simonson, the Ashford, Wash., mountaineer who led the quest for Mallory, said Friday as he held the crumpled handkerchief, now safely encased in a plastic bag.

Expedition leaders have deposited the artifacts for safekeeping at the Tacoma museum, home of a major exhibition on one of America's premier climbing mountains, Mount Rainier. Now, with interest in displaying and publishing the finds all over the world, the owners of the property must be determined and a plan for exhibiting them decided.

Already, Mallory's son has expressed anger that a photograph of the dead climber, his mangled white-buck exposed to the air from 75 years of hellish winds ripping at his clothes — was sold and published.

The letters found in Mallory's pocket, one from a sister, one from a mother and one originally thought to be from his wife but now believed to have been written by another, unidentified, woman, could present a dilemma to the premier climbing charity.

"Because they were found in Tibet, does 1924 Tibet copyright law apply, Simonson mused? Or the law in Britain, from which Mallory hailed? Or South Africa or California, where his heirs reside?"

"An intellectual property lawyer would have a field day with this, because he could possibly bill for the next 20 years researching it," Simonson said.

The one question that the expedition had hoped to answer — did the 38-year-old British school teacher and his 22-year-old climbing companion, Cambridge, England, student Andrew Irvine, make it to the top — wasn't. A camera that might have documented a summit ascent was never found.

Some who have looked at the available evidence now believe it is still possible the pair reached Everest's summit 29 years before Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay were credited with its first official ascent in 1953.

But Simonson and several of his climbing partners believe otherwise. One of the goals of the expedition was to determine whether the formidable Second Step, a sheer wall of rock and ice near the summit now equipped with a ladder, could have been climbed by someone like Mallory, with limited gear and no way of finding the only possible route up it.

Simonson expedition member David Hahn helped a partner free climb the dreaded passage, without ladder or ropes, and indeed it was possible. But that was only because they started early in the day and in an advance which was the correct ascent route, he said.

## PERFECT 10



10-time Everest climber, Appa Sherpa, left, stands atop the world's highest mountain May 19 during his latest ascent, along with American alpinist Gheorga Dilmareacu, 38. Sherpa, who is Nepalese, is the only person to reach the summit of Everest 10 times.

Hahn came away doubting that Mallory could have climbed that face, an equally-challenging one below it, and the difficult traverse between the two — not as late in the day as he is believed to have begun his ascent from camp at 27,000 feet.

Indeed, the evidence suggests that Mallory and Irvine were roped together and took a fall that sliced through the rope, hurling both their bodies back toward camp level. Mallory's waist was bruised and cut where the rope violently twisted around him, but his injuries were not severe enough to suggest he fell very far, Hahn said.

All of this has required a bit of emotional reassembly for Clare Millikan, the 83-year-old daughter of Mallory, who lives in Santa Rosa, Calif., and who always had assumed her father had died peacefully.

"Since this occasion, I've thought about it more and more, and wondered if retroactively someone can look back through time and comfort someone as they're dying. He must have been in some pain lying there, with his leg broken, sort of holding his hands out," Millikan said. "All those years, I had rather hoped he would be like the Ice Man, and he would be there sort of leaning against a rock and going to sleep against the cold."

Millikan never knew her father well. He was off at war in her early years, then on a series of expeditions to Everest. But she became a climber herself, going on frequent rock-climbing trips into Wales and the Lake District of England, and a climbing trip to the Alps.

With her American husband, a medical school professor and amateur climber, she wandered the American West, stopping for

short climbing excursions, "lying by creeks and reading Shakespeare by day." On one trip, as the couple climbed with several other people in Tennessee, her husband was scaling a sheer rock face and was killed instantly when a boulder slammed into his head.

They had been married 8.5 years. They had two children, the youngest just 2. Millikan felt for her husband's pulse, waited until his body grew cold. The only consolation was that, coming home, she knew what to say to her children. She had heard it from her own mother. "Your father is dead, and he will never come back."

If Mallory's handkerchief was recovered, and also the letters, the altimeter, the watch, the man himself, and Simonson, were covered with rocks so his body wouldn't be found again. The recovery team never did see his face, frozen as it was into the snow. Did it look triumphant? Frightened? In pain? That was a riddle that didn't need an answer.

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# FAMILY AFFAIR

## Wakeboarding mom rears world's No. 1 and No. 4 performers in sport

The Providence Journal

PROVIDENCE — Everyone will be watching the Bonifay brothers as the Mountain Dew Pro wakeboarding tournament resumes in Roger-Williams Park on Sunday.

Since the Bonifay boys were just infants, life at the end of a tow rope has been a family affair. "Parks is in the Guinness Book of records," Bet's beams. "He was waterskiing when he was 6 months and 29 days. Basically, he's walked on water since he was born."

Betty Bonifay is a professional waterski instructor at Cypress Gardens in Florida. Today, she mixes her own performing career with time on the road, traveling with her sons on the MasterCraft Pro Wakeboard tour. The last time she was in Providence was 1996 when Parks won the X Games. She returned this week as both of her boys compete in the first event of the Vans Triple Crown of Wakeboarding.

When Parks was still an infant, she and her husband put him on his belly on the baby-sized ski and towed him behind a boat. "He was wearing a life jacket that turned his face out of the water when he fell off, and I'd dive in to get him," she remembers. "By the time he was 5 months, he could pretty much stand on the skis... (even though) he couldn't walk."

A waterskiing instructor, too, Betty Bonifay taught Parks enough of the finer points of performing so he could appear regularly as a two-year-old in the shows at "Cypress" Gardens. "When he turned seven he had to retire to go to school," she says. When Shane came along three years later, she taught him how

to waterski. Now the roles are reversed as the boys are teaching their mom some of their tricks on the wakeboard.

"I don't think she did too good," Shane said Saturday after Betty competed in the opening day of amateur competition. The boys are known for their aggressiveness and inventiveness in performing anti-gravity flips and mid-air spins.

"I still haven't gone upside down," says Betty. "I've spent my whole career — 25 years as a show skier — trying to stay right-side-up. I just picked up wakeboarding last year as a way to entertain the boys with my falls, basically." As often as she has seen her sons do double-flips and other risky stunts, Betty Bonifay still bites her lower lip when they're practicing and performing some of their hairier maneuvers. And when one of them pulls off a particularly tricky move, she has been known to clutch the arms of nearby strangers as she hoots "that's my boy!" She is so loud that her waterskiing students can hear her from across a lake.

"We can hear you, but we can't see you," one of them said Saturday, presenting Betty with a huge, sequined sun hat which has become a kind of trademark for her. (While wakeboarding, she wears the same kind of baggy pants her boys do. In practice Thursday, she was wearing Shane's.)

The Bonifay brothers are on the road with their mother from April until September. "We go home for five days at the end of this trip," says Betty. "and then we don't come home until August."

"Most of the time, it works really well. The greatest thing about it is that it keeps the gener-

ation gap away. We have something that we can all relate to — skiing. The hardest part is that sometimes I have to tell them to be here for training or be there for a sponsor, and then when I want them to take out the garbage, it's like "I'm always telling them to do something. That's the only negative part. Fortunately, almost everything that we have to do is fun."

Betty is the boys' manager, she keeps track of every detail while they're on the road. "I probably do more than I need to," she says, "but I want everything to be fun for them. They're 17 and 14, and they will have plenty of time to work. This (competition) is still fun for them, and that's probably why they do so well — because it is fun for them."

Parks and Shane developed their own tricks either on a snowboard or a trampoline. Their mother's contribution to their performance is a sense of showmanship. "That's what show skiing does," she says. "The bigger the crowd, the better my boys ski. That's what they've grown up with."

Finals in The Mountain Dew Pro in Roger Williams Park begin at 9:30 a.m. and run through 3:30 p.m. Admittance is free.

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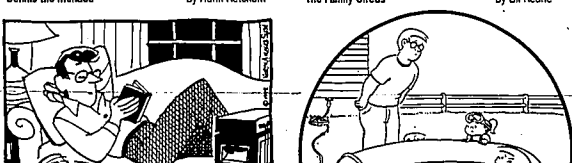
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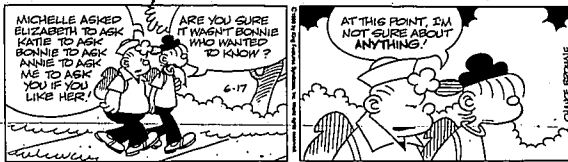


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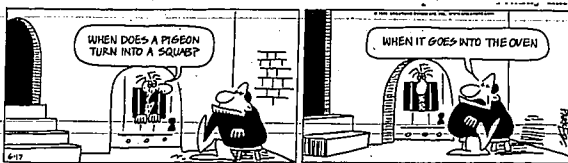
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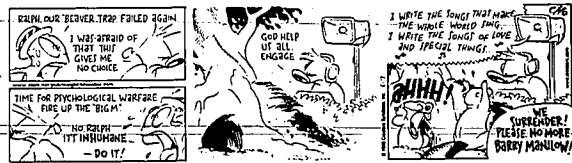
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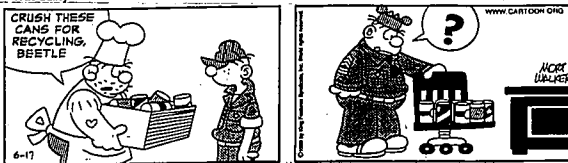
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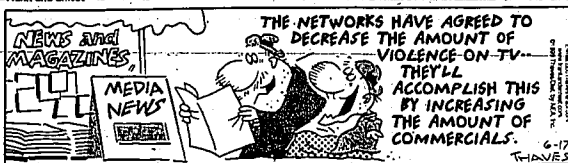


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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Home Depot will add California megastore

MANTECA, Calif. — Developers here announced they have signed a contract with home-improvement megastore Home Depot, which also has said it is negotiating for a parcel of land for a Twin Falls store.

The announcement in Manteca ended months of rumors that the Auburn-based company would open at Spreckels Park, a 362-acre retail, industrial and home development.

Home Depot spokeswoman Amy Friend said the new California store will create 150 to 175 jobs and attract an estimated 20,000 to 30,000 shoppers a week. But Friend said the contract will still have to be approved by Home Depot's top managers before the company buys the property.

Home Depot has 813 stores nationwide, including more than 100 in California, Friend said. The company has about 15 percent of the \$200 billion home-improvement products market.

The arrival of giant retailers, so-called "category killers" like Home Depot, sometimes forces smaller stores out of business. But at least one hardware-store owner in Manteca isn't fazed by the proposed arrival of Home Depot.

"I think there's enough room for all of us," said Connie Meinastis, owner of Manteca Tru Value hardware. "We provide more personalized service."

### Boise Cascade to acquire distributor Furman Lumber

BOISE — Boise Cascade Corp. (NYSE: BCC) announced it has agreed to acquire Furman Lumber Inc., a privately held building supplies distributor.

Furman Lumber has 12 regional distribution centers in Eastern, Midwestern, and Southern states. Boise Cascade's 16 building materials centers are primarily in the Western half of the nation and distribute a variety of unemodified and value-added building products. When completed, the merged distribution operations will make Boise-based Boise Cascade a national distributor of building products, the company said.

The transaction should close in the third quarter, Boise Cascade said; financial terms weren't disclosed.

"Our goal has been to expand our building materials distribution system to cover the entire nation. The addition of Furman will allow us to achieve this," said Stan Bell, vice president for Boise Cascade's Building Materials Distribution Division.

Furman Lumber, formed in 1956 and headquartered in Billerica, Mass., recorded 1998 fiscal year sales of \$574 million. The company sells a wide selection of commodity and value-added wood products to retail lumber dealers, home-improvement retailers, and industrial customers.

Compiled from staff reports

## Panelists advise Magic Valley Mall merchants: Don't panic about Y2K

By Rachel Denny  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — When the year 2000 rolls around, the world is not going to end.

That was the consensus among panelists Wednesday at the Magic Valley Mall's fourth annual merchant breakfast. Panelists instead focused on practical steps people can take to get their businesses and themselves ready for Y2K.

"We have been conditioned to panic at some things we shouldn't panic at," said Doug Maughan, a spokesman for the College of Southern Idaho and facilitator of the panel.

But even if older computers fail, because they weren't pro-

grammed to recognize the year 2000, people may not be as affected as they may think.

"We are not as technologically dependent as we think," said Times-News publisher Stephen Hargren, a panelist.

And people are more prepared than many may realize. Any federally regulated bank and all power companies attached to the Western grid are required to be Y2K compliant by July 1, said Dan Olmstead, a community relations representative for Idaho Power.

"We're saying we'll be ready as well as our neighboring utilities," he said.

The Western grid consists of 13 states and parts of Mexico and Canada. In July 1996 that

grid went down and caused power outages all over the West.

That failure might have been a blessing in disguise, said Bob Rubel, a delivery service representative for Idaho Power.

"When it brought the system down we had to bring the system up in a cold start," Rubel said.

And it worked; the system was brought back online. There shouldn't be any problems on Jan. 1, 2000, and if problems arise, employees will be on standby, Rubel said.

"The one thing we'd like to emphasize is Idaho Power always operates on alert," he said. "When there is an outage we use all our resources. We have not found one thing out there that would interrupt your

power. The fact that we'll be on standby means we can respond much quicker."

Other panelists reassured employees that store alarms would continue to work and banks would continue to function. But they also discussed businesses' responsibilities.

"We're testing the water, electricity, gas and everything that supplies your store," mall general manager Brent White said. "But you have a responsibility that many of you probably don't understand."

Mall management will check to make sure everything operates smoothly, but each business must check out its computer and electronic equipment for Y2K compliance, he said.

## Y2K CRUNCH

### Money, banks and Y2K

• Avoid panic. Be wary, make sure you're careful and know what your options are in investing your money.

• Keep copies of your financial records from month to month.

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• Make sure your employer's systems are ready.

Source: Michael Kelley, First Security Bank

"You need to consider everything in those four walls as part of your store and get them tested," White said.

Times-News correspondent Rachel Denny can be reached in Twin Falls at 733-3780.



Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., left, and Sen. Jeff Sessions, R-Ala., listen to testimony Monday in Washington. The Congressional Joint Economic Committee held three days of hearings dealing with high technology issues.

## Critics say technology industry treats older workers unkindly

The Dallas Morning News

At age 42, Kenneth Berridge could see the future, and it wasn't pretty.

When his employer decided to close its Dallas office, Berridge decided that at his age in the information technology field he'd be better off independent.

"Quite frankly, I started looking at where I was going to end up if I didn't do something on my own. I'd be in my 50's looking for work," said Berridge, a programmer who moved into sales management. "I looked around at the number of guys I've seen that happen to."

He launched his Bedford, Texas-based technology marketing firm, Hunters Marketing Group, in January.

Berridge's perception is commonplace in information technology — an industry fraught with legends about young programmers pulling all-nighters, fueled on Jolt cola. Even as trade groups such as the Information Technology Association of America complain about labor shortages, critics say the technology workplace is inhospitable to older workers.

The issue flared up last summer during congressional debate about early year-of-age over 45. Forty-one percent of hiring managers surveyed by Computerworld magazine this spring said they see age bias in the information technology world.

Reliable, broad industry statistics are hard to come by, though — partly because occupational categories for government data don't match newer job titles. A work force study published this month by the Computing Research Association concluded that until government-mandated research on older workers is finished, "all discussion ... is likely to be speculative."

The age issue often boils down to a hot-skills issue, said Andrew Jackson, president of Bravo Technical, a Dallas provider of

technical talent.

"When someone comes to us and says they need someone with skills in Java (a programming language used on the Internet), we go to our database, and what we come up with is that 25 to 35 year olds," he said. "Does it happen? Yes. Is it intentional? No."

But Norman Matloff, a computer science professor at the University of California-Davis, argues that programming skills, in particular, are highly transferrable. A good programmer can be productive in a new language within a month, said Matloff, who testified in Congress against raising visa limits.

Some employers "have genuinely but mistakenly brought into the notion that they must have someone with Java and so forth," he said. "They feel that generic programmers are useless to them. They're wrong."

"That's true for related languages," said Peter Page, associate dean for engineering and computer sciences at the University of Texas at Dallas. But it takes longer to jump from proficiency in an older language such as C to new languages such as Java and C++, which are structured differently, he said.

Time and money to train can become barriers, whether for employer or worker.

Still, recruiters concede job descriptions can be overly specific.

"A lot of employers don't consider the opportunity cost of holding a position vacant," said Ed Rankin, president of People Solutions, a Las Colinas, Texas, human resource firm.

Cathy Rodevald, senior vice president and chief information officer for Amresco Inc., a Dallas-based real estate and financial services firm, said she trains existing staff but wants a

technical talent.

"I'd worked there for a month, and up until that day they'd been telling me what a great job I'd been doing," he said.

But not all older workers have had that experience, especially in a booming economy. Ask Sandra Higgenbotham, 49, about age bias and she says: "I've found the exact opposite, especially in the IT industry. It matters not what your age is. It matters what your experience is. After retooling in network technology three years ago, she earns "in the six digits" as a program manager for Xerox.

"In fact, the age issue is a complex one that brings up debates about how well technical skills transfer from job to job, as well as the availability of cheap labor and the difficulty of keeping up while working in a fast-paced technical environment.

"There is evidence that age makes it tougher to land a technical job. The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers found that its unemployed members must add three to five weeks to their job searches for each year of age over 45. Forty-one percent of hiring managers surveyed by Computerworld magazine this spring said they see age bias in the information technology world.

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### Older engineers jobless longer

A 1998 survey of 335 unemployed electrical engineers showed that older engineers stayed jobless longer.

Status	Average age
Re-employed full time as an engineer	47.6 years
Employed as other than engineer	49.5 years
Employed part time	51.4 years
Self-employed	53.8 years
Voluntarily unemployed	48.9 years
Involuntarily unemployed	54.2 years

SOURCE: Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, "An Analysis of Unemployment Trends Among IEEE U.S. Members," by Laura Langston, Ph.D.

### Stumbling blocks

Hiring managers give these main reasons why older workers may be having trouble:

Which of the following do you think is the biggest obstacle for older IT workers seeking employment today?

Younger candidates are more current with today's technology 33%

Younger candidates will work for less money 32%

Companies are unwilling to retrain older workers 13%

Age discrimination 9%

Don't know 7%

Other responses, one method each 4%

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SOURCE: Computerworld, December 1998 survey of 225 managers



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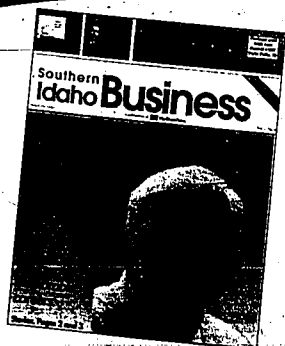
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Survey: Workers neglect retirement savings

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Even if you're only in your twenties: Even if it's only \$10 a week.

"They say, 'I can't afford it.' Everybody can afford \$10 a week," Messner, 39, at Emerson said. "You lose that time, and you never make it up."

It's a lesson not enough workers have learned, according to a survey released Tuesday by the Washington-based Employee Benefits Research Institute.

The survey of 751 workers and 251 retirees found that about 70 percent of those who responded were somewhat or very confident

Most expect to receive Social Security benefits sooner than they actually will

about having enough money to live comfortably in retirement. However, many may be misled.

The survey found that only 39 percent of the workers surveyed were well-prepared for retirement—measured by how much they had saved. The median amount saved for retirement was \$20,588 for those aged 25 to 39, \$45,238 for those aged 40 to 49, and \$71,250 for those 50 to 59.

These figures fall short of what EBRI would recommend by those ages. The amount of savings people will need for retirement, in addition to Social Security, varies greatly depending on individual

needs and resources. And only half of the workers had even tried to determine how much they will need to save by the time they retire—a key first step, according to EBRI.

Half of the workers in the survey said they plan to continue working until they are 65 or older, mostly for enjoyment and stimulation.

One man who extended his working years is Timothy Gerne, an education professor at William Paterson University in Wayne. Gerne is retiring this month at age 70. Gerne continued working beyond age 65 partly for love of his work. "I was

teaching the people who are going to teach the leaders of the 21st century. Wow!"—and partly because with 10 children, he faced a tidal wave of college tuition bills.

"But for many workers, staying on the job past 65 may be unrealistic. About 70 percent of the retirees surveyed actually quit working before age 65. And 43 percent say they left their jobs unwillingly, because of health problems, family demands, or layoffs.

"People say, 'I'll just work longer. That's another way of saying, 'I'll think about it tomorrow,'" said Cindy Houshell, head of the Women's Institute for a Secure Retirement in Washington.

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Stocks surge higher as prices level out

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks soared Wednesday as steady consumer prices calmed the market's jitters about encroaching inflation. The Nasdaq composite index, buoyed by recovering technology shares, achieved its largest one-day gain since May 3, when it rose 22.65%.

The Dow Jones industrial average advanced 189.95 to 10,800.47, its best one-day gain since May 3, when it rose 22.65%.

Boosted by strong earnings from business software maker Oracle, the Nasdaq composite shot up 103.16 to 2,517.83, surpassing its previous record for a one-day gain of 96.05, set Feb. 11.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 29.25 to 1,320.41.

The markets steadily advanced after the Labor Department reported that May consumer prices, excluding the volatile energy and food categories, rose 0.1 percent. Clothing and auto prices declined, while medical and housing costs edged higher.

"Inflation was tame on virtually all fronts," said Sherry Cooper, chief economist at Nesbit Burns, calling the market's advance a "relief rally."

The markets had been anxious

ly awaiting the report as a barometer of inflation in the prospering economy.

A surge in April's Consumer Price Index helped prompt the Federal Reserve's wariness last month that it might boost interest rates to slow the economy's growth. Traders have been expecting an increase at the next meeting of the Fed's policy-making Open Market Committee on June 29-30, and stock investors have been worried about the

effect higher rates would have on corporate profits.

"Today's CPI number increases the likelihood that if and when we get a Fed tightening, it's more likely to be a one-time event vs. a series of tightening," said Charles White, principal portfolio manager at Avator Associates.

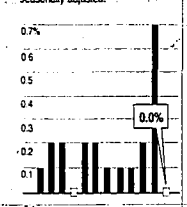
"It by no means indicates that we're out of the woods yet."

So far this year, the annual rate of inflation felt by consumers is 2.6 percent, compared to a 1.6 percent rise for all of 1998, the smallest in a dozen years.

In the bond market, which had also braced itself for signs of rekindled inflation, interest rates fell further from last week's 19-month high of 6.16 percent.

Consumer prices

Percent change, month to month, seasonally adjusted.



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics. AP

Consumer prices stabilize in May

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumer prices stabilized in May after a worrisome jump the month before, easing some inflation-fitters but failing to quiet speculation over whether the Federal Reserve will raise short-term interest rates.

Falling energy prices balanced rising food costs to help keep the Consumer Price Index flat last month, the Labor Department reported Wednesday.

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Core prices — which exclude the volatile energy and food categories and are the most closely watched by economists — rose a modest 0.1 percent as clothing and auto prices declined and

medical and housing costs edged up.

The May calm came after consumer prices — led by an energy price jump — rose a sharp 0.7 percent in April, touching off inflation fears.

Despite May's good news on inflation, some economists still believe the Federal Reserve will move to raise interest rates at its next meeting June 29 and 30 or later this year.

Economists said that to justify a rate increase, the Fed must expect to raise interest rates at its next meeting June 29 and 30 or later this year.

The Fed may also view America's strong 4.1 percent annual rate of economic growth

in the year's first quarter as a sign that an interest rate hike is needed to slow the economy, they said.

"If the Fed took the inflation number by itself, it wouldn't matter," said Mark Zandi, an economist with Regional Financial Associates. "If they put this number in the context of the April inflation number and all the other things that are happening in the economy, they probably will tighten."

Some economists said that if May's report had shown another big surge in inflation, there would be no doubt the central bank would raise rates this month.

But the fact that inflation held steady didn't quell speculation about a Fed rate hike at month's end or later this year.

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## LEGAL NOTICE

Twin Falls: such petition will be heard at such time as the court may determine and objections may be filed by any person who can, in such objections, show to the court a good reason against such a change of venue.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said District Court this 15th day of June, 1999. DATED this 21st day of June, 1999. /s/ Terry Lee Johnson Attorney for petitioner PO Box 200 Twin Falls, ID 83303 Robert S. Forney Clerk

PUBLISHED: May 27, June 3, 10 and 17, 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-98-4635 SUMMONS TO MICHAEL PAULK, Plaintiff, vs SARAH PAULK and DELIA B. RICHARDS and KEVIN B. RICHARDS, Defendants.

NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SERVED BY THE U.S. MARSHAL SERVICE. THE COURT MAY TAKE YOUR PROPERTY AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU COME WITHIN 20 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION.

TO: SARAH PAULK. You are hereby notified that in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written notice must be filed with the clerk of the District Court within 20 days after service of this summons on you.

A copy of this Complaint is available for such purpose. If you wish to seek the advice of or representation by an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly.

1. The title and number of the case. 2. The name of the Plaintiff. 3. Your signature, mailing address and telephone number.

4. Proof of mailing or delivery of your response to plaintiff's attorney, as designated above. 5. A copy of the above-named Complaint.

Dated this 30th day of December, 1998. Clerk of the District Court. By: Gory Daw Deputy Clerk

PUBLISHED: June 3, 10, 17 and 24, 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. SP-99-562 ABRETTA DORRICE BEARING, Plaintiff, vs BERTARD SCHRIFT, TRISHA SCHRIFT, LEVI SCHRIFT, LEVI SCHRIFT and TRISHA BRANDI SCHRIFT, Defendants.

A petition by Robert Darshen Schraft, Trisha Ashley Schraft, Levi Christian Schraft, and Trisha Brandi Schraft now residing at 259 Pleasant Road West, 608, Twin Falls, Idaho, proposing a change in name to the above-named parties.

PUBLISHED: June 10, 17, 24 and 30, 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. SP-99-546 In the Matter of the Application of JUAN EDUARDO BIBEROS, Plaintiff, vs JUAN EDUARDO BIBEROS, Defendant.

For Change of Name. A Petition of Juan Eduardo Biberos, born September 29, 1977 at Twin Falls, Idaho, and residing at 578 Aspen Street, Twin Falls, Idaho, proposing a change in name to the above-named party.

PUBLISHED: June 10, 17, 24 and 30, 1999

## LEGAL NOTICE

FOR HEARING: In the Interest of: NICKIE HEYTON, d.b.o. 08-17-84 BART LYNNE WILSON, JR. d.b.o. 12-02-85 GREGORY WILSON, d.b.o. 08-08-84 Children Under Eighteen Years of Age.

A Petition under the Termination of Parent-Child Act has been filed by the respondent, Nickie Heyton, et al. The matter of the petition will be examined in an evidentiary hearing on July 13, 1999 at 9:05 a.m. in the Magistrate's Court, Twin-Falls County Court-house, Twin Falls, Idaho.

The following individual shall personally appear at the hearing: BENNY SMITH, Father of Nickie Heyton.

The above-named individuals have been notified and he is entitled to be represented by legal counsel. If he is unable to obtain an attorney, he may apply to the Court, prior to the hearing, for appointment of counsel.

Said Benny Smith, father of the child, is further notified that pursuant to 16-1513 of the Idaho Code he may register his claim as father of a child born out of wedlock with respect to Health and Welfare, Bureau of Vital Statistics, on forms available from the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the Department of Health and Welfare. Said father is further notified that if he fails to complete, return to the Bureau of Vital Statistics, and what Form and fee needed before a Notary Public. Your failure to so complete and return the form will result in your being barred in your maintaining an action to establish paternity of the child and constitutes a prima facie case of abandonment.

16-2005 of the Idaho Code Dated 05-20-2005 by: R. Michael Rodden Magistrate

PUBLISHED: June 10, 17 and 24, 1999

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JEROME

Case No. CV-99-00108 SUMMONS TO JAMES HENDERSON and JANEY HENDERSON, husband and wife, vs CALVIN L. WILCOX and SUE E. WILCOX, husband and wife, et al.

WILCOX MAGIC VALLEY COLLECTIONS and REGENCY LOANS, and EQUIFAX REAL ESTATE SERVICES, Defendants.

You have been sued by E. Jack Henderson and Janey Henderson, et al. as Plaintiff, in the District Court of Idaho and for Jerome County, Idaho.

The nature of the claim against you is set forth in the complaint on real property. Any time after 20 days following the date of publication of this summons, the court may enter judgment against you as a defendant by the Plaintiff.

A copy of the Complaint is served with this summons. If you wish to seek the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly.

1. The title and number of the case. 2. The name of the Plaintiff. 3. Your signature, mailing address and telephone number.

4. Proof of mailing or delivery of your response to plaintiff's attorney, as designated above. 5. A copy of the above-named Complaint.

Dated: June 10, 1999. Jerome County District Court By Deputy Clerk

PUBLISHED: June 17, 24, July 1 and 8, 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-99-059 ALIAS SUMMONS CLARA SAKTON, Plaintiff, vs JEFFERY J. SAKTON, Defendant.

THE STATE OF IDAHO Served a summons on you in the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of Idaho, in and for the County of Twin Falls for the purpose of obtaining a divorce.

## LEGAL NOTICE

Complaint within the time herein specified, the plaintiff will be deemed to have waived his right to be heard against you as prayed-in and shall be bound by the judgment of the court.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court, the 8th day of June, 1999. /s/ Robert S. Forney Clerk

PUBLISHED: June 17, 24, July 1 and 8, 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-99-048 ALIAS SUMMONS BARBARA O. MCKINNON, Plaintiff, vs THE ESTATE OF BOBBIE LUMPHREY, DECEASED, ALL HEIRS OR DEVICES KNOWN OR UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS, OR PARTIES IN POSSESSION OF ANY RIGHT TO POSSESSION, THEIR HEIRS, SUCCESSORS OR PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY.

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## LEGAL NOTICE

firm of Cooper, Ritchie & June 1999. Robertson, 135 2nd Ave. W., Burley, Idaho 83303-0525. and filed with the court on the 17th day of June, 1999.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE On Tuesday, the 20th day of October, 1999, at the hour of 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, Charles W. Fewest, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all property at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit: LOT 15 IN BLOCK # OF THE FIRST AMENDED PLAT OF MAGIC VALLEY MOBILE HOME SUBDIVISION, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN BOOK 13 OF PLATS, PAGE 17, RECORD OF SAID COUNTY.

The Successor Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above (retained real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113, Idaho Code, the Successor Trustee has been informed that the street address of 281 Villa Road, Twin Falls, Idaho, is the location of the above real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to be shown on the Deed of Trust executed by TRAVIS L. SWEERS, an Unmarried Man, Grantor, Charles W. Fewest, as Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of FT MORTGAGE COMPANIES D/B/A PREMIER MORTGAGE INVESTMENT TRUST, as Successor Trustee, of 1995, as Instrument No. 1995015832, Mortgage records of Twin Falls County, Idaho, and assigned to the Idaho Department of State Lands, as Successor Trustee, of 1995, as Instrument No. 1995015833, Mortgage records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

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Dated: June 10, 1999. Twin Falls County District Court By Deputy Clerk

PUBLISHED: June 17, 24, July 1 and 8, 1999

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING MURTAGH/JUNIOR SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN TWIN FALLS & CASIA COUNTIES, IDAHO, vs BUDGET STATEMENT 1999 - 2000 School Budget

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the above-named School District, 418, Twin Falls and Casia Counties, Idaho, will be held on June 23, 1999 at 5:00 P.M. Boyd St. Murtagh, Idaho. The purpose of the meeting is to hear and receive public hearing on the maintenance and operation budget for the forthcoming school year.

This budget hearing is called pursuant to section 33-601, Idaho Code, and is subject to the provisions of the Board of Trustees is available for public inspection at the School District Office at 500 West Boyd Street, Murtagh, Idaho. A copy of the Notice of Hearing is being mailed to the date of this notice is the date of the hearing.

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REVENUES 1999-99 1999-2000

General Fund Carryover \$ 25,000 25,000 Local Tax Revenue 203,303 216,072 Intermediate Revenue 61,225 60,110 State Revenue 1,290,000 1,203,127 Federal Revenue 15,000 15,000 Transfers 15,000 15,000 TOTALS \$1,600,528 \$1,676,309

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A copy of the Murtagh School District Budget is available for public inspection in the Administrative Offices of the Districts 1 & 15, Block 4 of Hansen Townsite.

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## LEGAL NOTICE

1999 MUNICIPAL SOUTH WELL NO. 4 PROJECT SRF LEAN NO. DW-98-001 CITY OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO

ADVERTISING Separate sealed bids for the procurement of the 1999 Municipal South Well No. 4 Project will be received by the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, the Owner, at City Hall, 321 2nd Avenue North, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301, until 2:00 p.m., prevailing local time, on June 17, 1999. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Project consists of construction of a nominal 30" diameter well to a depth of approximately 350 feet including draw-down pump test.

Instructions to Bidders. Bid Form, Form of Contract, Specifications, Plans, Specifications, Documents may be examined at the following locations: Twin Falls City Hall, 321 2nd Ave. East, Twin Falls, Idaho

Associated General Contractors, 600 Falls Avenue, Twin Falls, Idaho

Associated General Contractors, 127 Second St. S., Twin Falls, Idaho

Associated General Contractors, 110 North 27th, Boise, Idaho

Intermountain Contracting, 110 North 27th, Boise, Idaho

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained from the Office of J-U-B ENGINEERS, Inc., (issuing office) upon payment of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00).

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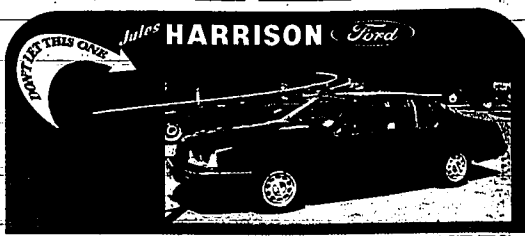
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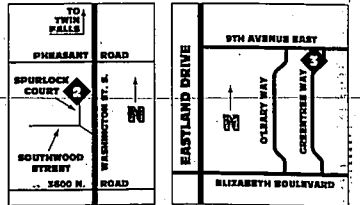
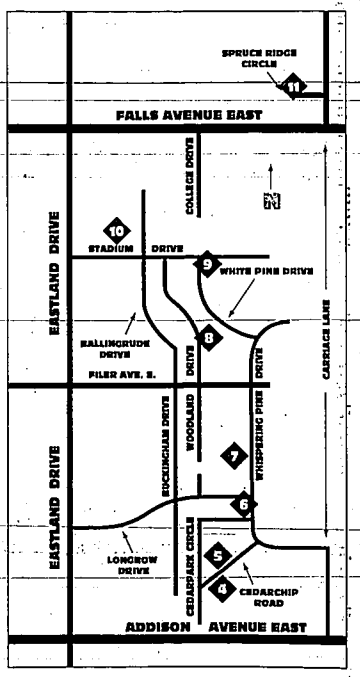
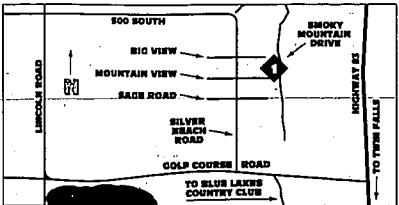
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