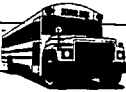


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Party plans

Idaho's new GOP chief targets quiet Republicans

By Gregory Hahn
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Pound for pound, the Idaho Republican Party is arguably the most dominant political organization in America.

It's the foundation below the most Republican Legislature in the country and one of the only all-Republican congressional delegations. Two of the party's 1998 candidates took close to 70 percent of the vote statewide. In the same election cycle, the Idaho GOP took in more than twice the cash accumulated by the state's Democrats.

Still, the new party chairman wants more.

Clark, the Soda Springs spokesman for Monsanto's Solutia Inc. who was elected Tuesday by almost 60 percent of the party's voting members, has already begun an ambitious fundraising plan he hopes will filter coffers at the state and local levels. And he can't wait to start work on another goal - engaging Idaho's politically unengaged.

"We really can't gain ground by converting Democrats anymore because there aren't any Democrats," Clark, Idaho's GOP chairman

said, "because there aren't any Democrats." So Clark wants to work on the disinterested. "A poll he learned of in Washington, D.C., recently said most young Americans don't think they'll ever get involved in politics for four reasons: they don't think they'll make a difference, they think it's rigged, they think it's dirty, and they think it's no fun."

Clark suspects the 18-year-olds aren't the only ones who believe this, and he said it's his new job to make sure a select few don't keep the state's political process closed.

"If an idea is a bad idea, Clark said, let it die in debate," not please see GOP, Page A5



Assistant City Engineer Rod Mathis checks the lining on a traffic light at the intersection of Blue Lakes Blvd. and Filer Ave. When a new centralized system becomes fully operational, computers in City Hall will be able to count the cars at all the intersections in town.

City tweaks traffic lights

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

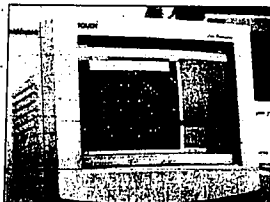
TWIN FALLS - The seconds seem like minutes and the minutes seem like hours. The perpetual stop-and-go roadway dance has never been a favorite of motorists. Whether it's on the Sunset Strip in Hollywood, State Street in Salt Lake City or Blue Lakes Boulevard North in Twin Falls, drivers agree - traffic is not fun.

To help better the traffic flow in Twin Falls, the Idaho Transportation Department and the city engineering department continue to tweak a traffic light system installed more than five years ago.

And while the system, when it works, works well, there are still many kinks to work out.

The waiting game

An increase in population and an increase in traffic have led to nasty roadway condi-



Controllers can already see what phase lights are in at any intersection in town on the central system.

tions in Twin Falls. So the Twin Falls city engineering department decided it would be a good idea to try to make the drive through town easier for motorists.

"With the help of more than \$800,000 in federal highway and

gas tax money, \$80,000 in Idaho Transportation Department money and \$80,000 of their own money, the city installed a "smart" traffic signal system about two years ago.

"The traffic signals are designed to respond to changes in traffic

Twin Falls follows trend with 'smart' signal system

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - As Twin Falls continues to install "smart" traffic signal systems designed to ease motorists through busy intersections, other cities and counties around the United States have already taken their engineering to the streets.

The "smart" traffic signal system has been put to use in places like Lexington, Ky., Minneapolis, Minn. and Salt Lake City, Utah.

Idaho has followed suit. Boise, Idaho Falls, Pocatello, Please see SMART, Page A2

volumes and patterns to make adjustments according to timing, said Mike Boydston, traffic signal assistant engineer for ITD.

"The idea behind having this traffic system is to increase the flow of traffic," he said. "It's not

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Turkish officials focus on homeless

The Associated Press

ISTANBUL, Turkey - With just six survivors rescued Saturday and hopes dimming that more will be found, authorities refocused their efforts on finding shelter for hundreds of thousands of people left homeless by Turkey's massive quake.

But more than 115,000 buildings demolished or

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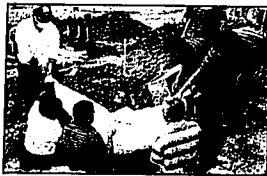
rendered uninhabitable by Tuesday's quake must first be cleared of bodies, thought to number in the tens of thousands.

As the official death toll rose above 12,000, authorities considered pouring lime on mountains of rubble and roads crossing through hard-

hit areas to prevent outbreaks of disease and stifle the stench of putrefying flesh.

Fearing typhoid fever, cholera or dysentery, officials have been spraying disinfectants and distributing water purification tablets in some regions.

New fresh water wells are to be dug in some areas, including the devastated seaside resort of Yalova.



Family members of an earthquake victim bury him after a short ceremony Saturday in Turkey.

Recreation industry leaders say Idaho can cash in

The Associated Press

BOISE - Idaho's recreation industry believes it already has everything necessary to capitalize on Salt Lake City's 2002 Winter Olympics.

Here is a rundown: • Sun Valley will not undergo a complete makeover for the 2002 Olympics, but it always is improving its facilities. Owner Earl Holding has been focusing on his Snowbasin resort in Utah, site of the Olympic down-

hill and Super-G. But over the 1990s, the venerable Idaho resort has installed such big-ticket items as the largest computerized snowmaking system in the world and high-speed quad chairlifts. World-class skaters have come to the Sun Valley ice rink since "Sun Valley Serenade" was filmed decades ago.

The resort intends to market itself in Olympic travel packages, acquainting visitors to Utah with its own Bald Mountain, said Jack Sibbach, public relations director.

"While we're not actively building, we still have a great area that appeals to a lot of people and we should sell what we do have," said Ketchum art gallery owner Jan Wilson.

"People come from all over the

world to see this country," she said. "If they know about Idaho, they will take some extra time."

Idaho officials estimate the ripple effect to the state from the Salt Lake City games at more than \$150 million.

chairlifts and the addition of overnight lodging.

Brundage spokeswoman Mary Naylor said U.S. Olympic bination skiers have trained in the McCall area over the years and the resort is concentrating on attracting cross-country teams leading up to the international games.

• A number of "non-and-pop" southern Idaho ski hills offer recreation on a budget, including Pomerelle near Burley, Kelly Canyon in the Idaho Falls area and Pebble Creek in the Pocatello vicinity.



A skier heats out of the gate at the Idaho International Cross Country Ski Series in Sun Valley in March. Officials hope winter competitions like this will help lure spectators from the 2002 Winter Olympics.

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MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Camas Prairie

High: 88 Low: 55
Partly cloudy in the afternoon with slight chance of thunderstorm. Sunny on Monday.

Treasure Valley

High: 92 Low: 62
Sunny with light wind in the morning. Clear in the evening. Partly cloudy Monday afternoon.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High: 87 Low: 50
Mostly sunny with slight chance of afternoon thunderstorms. Partly cloudy Monday.

Eastern Idaho

High: 87 Low: 50
Mostly sunny with slight chance of afternoon thunderstorms. Partly cloudy Monday.

Northern Idaho

High: 84 Low: 55
Mostly sunny with wind 5-10 mph. Clear in the evening. Partly sunny and warmer Monday.

Northern Utah

High: 88 Low: 60
Partly cloudy today with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy Monday.

Northern Nevada

High: 92 Low: 57
Partly cloudy in the morning. Scattered thunderstorms in the evening. Partly cloudy on Tuesday.

Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
High: 88 Low: 60 Mostly sunny with light morning winds. Clear in the evening.	High: 92 Low: 61 Mostly sunny, then cloudy with chance of rain.	High: 100 Low: 60 Clear with isolated thunderstorms.	High: 100 Low: 60 Mostly sunny and continued warm.	High: 93 Low: 57 Mostly sunny. Not quite so warm.

Twin Falls	Precipitation	Yesterday	90	57	Yesterday in Twin Falls	90
Last year	87	56	Normal mo. to date	14.35	Normal mo. to date	14.35
Normal	88	50	Water year to date	14.35	Normal year to date	9.52

Idaho weather
Sunday, Aug. 22
AccuWeather® Forecast for daytime conditions, high/low temperatures

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Idaho Highs/Lows

City	Max	Min	Pcp	Idaho High	High	Low	Low
Burley	91	67	0.0	45	67	45	67
Coeur d'Alene	81	57	0.0	57	57	57	57
Grangeville	83	54	0.0	54	54	54	54
Hagerman	81	56	0.0	56	56	56	56
Idaho Falls	87	55	0.0	55	55	55	55
Lewiston	87	60	0.0	60	60	60	60
Madras	87	52	0.0	52	52	52	52
Malia	86	61	0.0	61	61	61	61
McCall	80	45	0.0	45	45	45	45
Pocahontas	89	51	0.0	51	51	51	51
Salmon	88	53	0.0	53	53	53	53
Stanley	82	52	0.0	52	52	52	52
Sun Valley	m	m	0.0	m	m	m	m

The Nation

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Allentown	87	63	0.0
Anchorage	57	50	0.0
Atlanta	92	67	0.0
Boston	83	61	0.0
Chicago	76	54	0.0
Dallas	83	60	0.0
Denver	82	60	0.0
Detroit	82	64	0.0
Houston	89	58	0.0
Indianapolis	89	64	0.0
Kansas City	87	63	0.0
Las Vegas	91	70	0.0
Los Angeles	81	59	0.0
Memphis	89	68	0.0
Miami Beach	89	68	0.0
Minneapolis	78	57	0.0
Missoula	71	64	0.0
New Orleans	84	70	0.0
New York	84	60	0.1
Oklahoma City	84	60	0.1
Omaha	87	64	0.0
Phoenix	107	81	0.0
Pittsburgh	75	57	0.0
Portland, Ore.	82	64	0.1
Portland, Me.	82	64	0.1
Reno	89	60	0.0
San Antonio	89	64	0.0
Salt Lake City	88	63	0.0
San Francisco	70	57	0.0
Seattle	72	61	0.0
Spokane	84	62	0.0
Washington	82	64	0.0
Yuma	110	86	0.0

Canadian Cities

City	High	Low	City	High	Low
Calgary	79	51	Edmonton	67	41
Montreal	82	64	Quebec	67	41
Toronto	67	41	Vancouver	77	57

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Nampa, Caldwell and Lewiston have installed systems of their own.

The systems vary in function, but the idea is the same - to make it easier and quicker for motorists.

But some motorists contend the systems don't always work.

Melina Kaiser of Twin Falls said the light at the intersection of Heyburn and Blue Lakes Boulevard keeps drivers waiting too long.

"It takes about five or ten minutes to change," she said.

She said it would be nice if the signal could change quicker.

"I would like to see the lights stay green long enough to get through," she said.

But drivers coming off side streets onto Blue Lakes Boulevard sometimes have to wait.

"It's a matter of serving the most people most effectively," said Gary Young, Twin Falls' city engineer.

The signal system gives preference to the busier thoroughfare. The question of safety isn't as easily answered.

The new system hasn't proved to keep down accidents at intersections, said Capt. Bob Hodje of the Twin Falls Police Department. The systems are good for one thing and one thing only - increasing the flow of traffic.

But help could be on the way for emergency personnel. Crews in other cities have been using emergency signal response systems. When an ambulance or police car responding to a call comes to a red light, the driver can use a flashing sensor to change the light from red to green.

"It's been years since we talked to anybody about them," Hodje said.

"It's definitely something to look at in the future."

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really cut back on the amount of time waiting for a light. It just provides the opportunity to go completely through an arterial without having to stop again."

Since its implementation, Twin Falls now has 28 of its 30 traffic signals working in the "smart" signal system.

The city's system is geared around Blue Lakes Boulevard North, one the busiest roadways in town and in the state.

The system works like this:

When a vehicle approaches the intersection, an electronic sensor built into the road determines whether a vehicle is at the intersection.

The signals are scheduled around a time clock. The time needed for a full cycle - for all the lights at an intersection to change from green to red - is about 120 seconds for each Blue Lakes intersection.

The signal's cycle varies, depending on where vehicles are in the intersection.

All circuits busy

The system was designed to coordinate all the signals in town, said Twin Falls City Manager Tom Courtney.

So far, it hasn't quite worked as it should.

"We have not been receiving data in our control room from the signals," said Assistant City Engineer Rod Mathis.

The system is supposed to relay the number of vehicles crossing an intersection back to the city engineers' traffic signal control room in City Hall.

This hasn't worked.

Boydston said system kinks need to be worked out, as with any new technology.

"We're out here on the Western side of the United States are ahead of the East Coast," Boydston said. "A lot of the bigger cities back there are so congested that it doesn't matter if the signals can sense the vehicles or not. We are on the leading edge of technology so we're seeing a lot of these new systems first."

But being on the leading edge has its green lights and red lights.

"We get the state-of-the-art innovations, but we also have to work out the kinks that go along with them," he said.

Working out the kinks

The problem is how to get the system fully functional.

With help from ITD, and with more technological innovations, the system may reach its full potential.

The ITD is working on a way to get the road sensors to determine the number of vehicles at an intersection, rather than just determining the presence of a vehicle at the intersection.

"Hopefully within the next year, we'll have the major arteries working on that traffic responsive mode, where the sensors are counting the number of cars," Boydston said.

When the sensors relay that information to the signal control box at each intersection, and in turn to the control room at City Hall, engineers will use the data to change traffic light patterns.

"The goal is to be able to accommodate the higher volume of cars and maintain the traffic flow," Boydston said.

While the new innovations are being worked on, the city plans on installing more traffic signals in the future - despite the inevitable kinks that might go with them.

"We're looking to hook a light up at the corner of Fillmore Street and Pole Line Road," Mathis said.

Until the new innovations come and until the kinks are worked out, Mathis said he has one word for Twin Falls motorists - patience.

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Hastert's life changes with his new position

MENDOTA, Ill. (AP) — If any constituent doubts that House Speaker Dennis Hastert has arrived as a Washington power figure, they should ponder this: After years of riding almost inconspicuously in the Sweet Corn Festival parade atop his 1953 fire truck, he moved to the head of the line this year as grand marshal.



House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., mingling with the crowd after making a speech last week at the Del Monte plant in Mendota, Ill.

A security detail now accompanies the Illinois Republican nearly everywhere, making it difficult for him to get around alone on the days when he could unwind in the peace of a comfortable ranch-style home that slopes down to the Fox River.

Hastert's the same unassuming, easygoing guy his constituents have known all along. Except for the security detail that shadows him, he still could walk through an airport concourse unnoticed; much less access by celebrity-seekers.

But the office he now holds — second in line of succession to the presidency — has changed his universe. There is less time for his wife, Joan, and their two sons, for walking his three Labrador retrievers, for tinkering with his four antique Lincoln cars, for sipping coffee with buddies at the Coy Corner.

For Jim, home always has been in the Fox River valley west of Chicago.

"I'm pretty proud to say, 'Yes, I'm the speaker of the House, but I come out of the cornfields of Illinois,'" Hastert, 57, recently told a crowd at Mendota's Del Monte

vegetable processing plant.

It is to the communities amid the fields of farms that Hastert turns to keep his new job from changing who he is.

"You know, in this business, especially in a job like this, you can get your head somewhere where it shouldn't be," Hastert said in a recent interview on his back porch. "But you come back home, and you're home. You're back where you're always been and your feet are back on the ground."

That's why he used a brilliantly sunny Sunday this month to attend the Mendota parade, where he is whisked by police escort to the front float, his hunched, hulking frame perched

on the back seat of a spory red convertible.

Folks here don't call their local-boy-made-good by his formal title of Mr. Speaker, and their cheers don't have the edge that might greet a celebrity. Instead, the former high school teacher and wrestling coach just heard warm, familiar cries of "Way to go Denney" and "Good to see ya, Coach."

The congressional recess allowed Hastert his longest stay in Illinois since he took the speaker's gavel in January — a welcome rest from the Capitol Hill battles.

Hastert was criticized for his inability to line up GOP support for a resolution supporting U.S.

intervention in Kosovo. And there have been repeated questions about whether Majority Whip Tom DeLay, R-Texas, is the real power in the House.

But Hastert also can claim some accomplishments, including pushing through a \$792 billion tax-cut bill before the August break and legislation to protect businesses from liability for year 2000 computer glitches.

Even his nine days at home were hardly work-free. There was the parade, along with the visit to the Del Monte plant and the nearby health-care site west of Mendota, where an energetic farm machinery investor and longtime Republican, marking his 101st birthday.

Another day had Hastert in Elgin leading a rally to promote the Republicans' tax cut. He was even diverted from his wife's family reunion to do a fund raiser. The schedule is pay for the day-fundraising swing through the West — yet another task that comes with the new job.

Such a schedule is pay for the course. When the House is in session, Hastert usually arrives at his office at 7:30 a.m., often staying until 10:30 p.m. or later. Many weekends, he travels the country for fund raisers.

Hastert and his wife decided not to move their home to Washington — "to be a part of that," as Hastert put it. And since Jean Hastert's job as an elementary school gym teacher often leaves them with conflicting vacations, they must be creative in finding time together.

Clinton urges protection of parks

GOP tax plan would put the environment in danger, he claims

EDGARTOWN, Mass. (AP) — President Clinton on Saturday urged Congress to fund his efforts to preserve national parks and historic sites, saying GOP leaders' tax plan "would actually roll back our progress" on environmental protections.

In a radio address taped while here on vacation, Clinton asked for the full \$1 billion included in his budget proposal for a "lands legacy" initiative. He said historic sites would be used to acquire and preserve 110 parks or historic sites in 40 states and territories. He also urged lawmakers to approve permanent funding of \$1 billion a year for such projects, beginning in fiscal 2001.

But the Republican-controlled Congress has approved less than half of Clinton's request for the budget year that begins Oct. 1, which he said means that national treasures could become a victim of Republican leaders' push for a large tax cut.

"The Republican leadership's risky tax plan would actually roll back our progress," Clinton said. "It would cut funding to our national parks, even threaten to shut some of them down."

"Throughout this century, the stewardship of our lands has not been a partisan issue. It's been a bipartisan cause," he said. "It is our sacred obligation to leave this land a better land for our children and for generations yet to come."

A House Republican leader responded by saying "there isn't a single aspect" of the tax-cut plan that will hurt the environment.

"This is just one more attempt by President Clinton to scare the American public with threats of dire consequences. If sound Republican ideas are implemented," Rep. J.C. Watts of Oklahoma said in a statement. "So far, not a single one of his dire predictions has come true."

Clinton announced that the U.S. Forest Service has reached a \$13 million agreement to acquire more than 9,000 acres of forest and grasslands adjacent to Yellowstone National Park that will help bison and other roaming herds survive and preserve



Bill Clinton

underground springs that feed the park's seepers.

"We'll ensure that Old Faithful remains faithful for years to come," he said.

Under the agreement, the Forest Service will acquire 9,300 acres of the 12,000-acre Royal Teton Ranch north of Yellowstone, which is a collection of forest and grasslands that run from the Yellowstone River to the Gallatin Range. The agreement also gives the ranch's geo-

hermal rights to the government. Clinton called the agreement "another milestone in our effort to preserve the natural wonders of America's first national park" and said the government was acting to protect other sites. Among them are ancient petroglyphs in New Mexico's Bandelier National Monument, the Big Sur Coast in California and the birthplace of Martin Luther King Jr. in Atlanta.

William Meadows, president of the Wilderness Society, praised the Yellowstone acquisition and expressed "hope that Congress promptly enacts legislation that would increase funding for national conservation and recreation programs."

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AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — ABC's medical correspondent is returning more than \$50,000 to a Web site after violating insider-trading rules by selling shares soon after the health-care site went public, the company said.

Dr. Nancy Snyderman, who appears on ABC's "Good Morning America," serves as a

director of desktop.com, an Internet site named after its founder, former U.S. Surgeon General C. Everett Koop. Snyderman's husband bought 1,650 shares of Austin-based desktop.com during a 1998 initial public offering by the company and sold it one month later when prices soared to \$41.77 a share.

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NATION

Bush dodges his first bullet

WASHINGTON (AP) - The nightmarer, painted by a rival: Republicans for George W. Bush wake up next year, in the middle of a presidential debate with the Democratic nominee, and realize their guy is unredeemably unfit.

Republicans relax a little as their front man apparently weathers sticky drug questions

thrown at you that you didn't expect," he said. Rath, now uncommitted, may someday seek a job in the Bush operation. But his review of Bush's performance over the past week echoed in random checks with Republican activists and officials around the country.

useful his composure by convening a news conference on the matter, only to commit his denials after a comment of 15 or 25 years of Americans surveyed said any cocaine use in his 20s should not disqualify Bush from being president. And of the 50 percent who were aware of the unsubstantiated talk about Bush and cocaine, half thought the governor had handled it well.



George W. Bush

this country let Bill Clinton take a walk, not with allegations but with admissions of wrongdoing. "I'll be going to let the press and the opposition party take down a man for something that hasn't even been alleged," said Huckabee.

Clinton recalls how he 'stalked' his future wife around Yale University

EDGERTOWN, Mass. (AP) - As the president told it, it was a long ago love story he didn't want to be a part of so he just decided to walk away.



In this June file photo, President Bill Clinton and First Lady, Hillary Rodham Clinton attend a pop talk for Air Force Personnel involved in the Balkans war. During a recent fundraising dinner, Bill Clinton recalled the story of his courtship with Hillary.

Bill Clinton, a law student at Yale University, had just broken up with a girlfriend and was on the rebound when he saw fellow student Hillary Rodham Clinton. "And she was an interesting, compelling looking woman, so I followed her out of this class," Clinton told an audience of students Friday on Nantucket Island that reportedly raised \$100,000 for his wife's expected run for the Senate.

Clinton focused entirely on his ties with his future wife. He said the romantic standoff came to a head in the Yale Library as he was resisting another student's attempts to recruit him for the university's law journal.

Clinton and his wife began to leave the Balkans governor's mansion and move into the White House. He asked her to decide what she would do and where they would go when his presidency ended.

Gun dealer says he wants Tim McVeigh's pistol

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) - A gun dealer wants a piece of history - the pistol that Timothy McVeigh had when he was stopped for a traffic violation after the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building.

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GOP hopefuls sign anti-gay pledge

WASHINGTON (AP) - Several Republican presidential candidates have pledged to oppose allowing gay or lesbian couples to adopt and to promote the rights of organizations such as the Boy Scouts to exclude homosexuals, a gay rights group said Friday.

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NATION

GOP

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because we manipulated the process?" Clark himself has never had trouble being interested in politics.

He earned his last few credits for a Brigham Young University political science degree in the Washington office of Sen. Steve Symms, where he worked as an agriculture and environment policy analyst for eight years. A native of eastern Idaho — though he was born in Jackson, Wyo., because it had the nearest hospital — Clark came home to head the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service under President George Bush.

In 1992, he went to work for the agribusiness firm Monsanto. Since then, Clark has built a reputation as a prodigious money-maker at the state level, gathering almost \$300,000 to help push Gov. Phil Batt's nuclear waste agreement at the polls and in the small Carbon County Republican Party, where his leadership impressed Republicans around the state.

Sen. John Sandy, R-Blaine, predicted Clark would be an "absolute gold mine" for the party.

But it was his first job, working for Symms, that got the most attention in his race for the chairmanship with the more conservative and possibly more experienced Larry Eastland, Clark's Symms Chief of Staff. Phil Reberger holds the same position for Gov. Dirk Kempthorne. The connection, and the governor's widely unspoken support for Clark, changed the nature of the race for some. But for Magic Valley Republicans, Clark's practical approach and business sense clinched the vote.

For his part, Clark said he's not so much connected to Reberger as some have said.

He was hired by another Symms staffer and — "I probably had been in the office for months before Reberger even knew who he was. Even then, Clark said, the two often disagreed — although there was little doubt who would prevail. "One of the first issues Clark was given to evaluate was a wilderness compromise championed by Republican powerhouses Jim McClure and Democratic Gov. Cecil Andrus. But the final product ran against some of Clark's ideals, so Clark said so, prompting his first contact on the telephone, with the chief of staff.

"He suggested it was not wise to have Symms take on the top two politicians in the state of Idaho," Clark remembered.

Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loeb worked beside Clark in Symms' office, and he too questioned whether the 38-year-old chairman could be called Reberger's "protege."

"I don't know what that word is supposed to mean," he said. "That he's a pawn? I don't think that would be accurate."

In his three-week push for the chairmanship, Clark positioned himself as the practical alternative to the ideological Eastland. Clark's supporters stressed that he wasn't positioning himself for higher office — Eastland lost the 1994 primary for governor and has eyed other offices as well — and Clark's speech at the state committee meeting focused on solid ideas and clear objectives.

"Trent is not a rabid ideologue," Loeb said, "but he certainly is conservative." Clark thinks every issue through, Loeb said, so his stances aren't easily predictable.

Two always maintained if they put on a source in the City Park and give away the papers, they could raise more money than at the \$129 dinner.

— T.W. Savers, longtime TF Republican

He's his own person, and he should be judged on how he does the job.

Clark's up for the challenge. On the third day after the election, he said he has already started his first objective — to gather enough business and corporate money to run the state committee without forcing the county organizations to struggle around to meet their reasonable fundraising goals.

The state GOP needs to "promote very proactively we are a business party," he said, and to ask Idaho businesses that benefit from the Republican platform to help pay for it.

Outside of the more than \$1 million in state money that came to Idaho from national Republican groups, businesses already donate \$2 to the state GOP in every \$1 given by Idaho politicians, according to Secretary of State's Office numbers from the last election cycle.

But Clark wants to see as many local dollars stay in the local area. He said he doesn't want to eliminate the guest program, but make it fair and reasonable. Twin Falls County Chairman Gary Goodstaff loves the idea.

Under the current handshakes, Twin Falls is responsible for \$5,326.54 — about \$2,500 more than the party takes in, Goodstaff said.

"We give them \$1,000 at Lincoln Day and that's all they get," he said.

If Clark can find new sources for money, it can only help the party, Goodstaff said.

But there is a danger in making what could be perceived to be a guest program that only helps the party, Goodstaff said.

Many people don't trust the national parties because they are so dependent on big business — even Clark points to the current, dirty perception of politics as an obstacle the GOP needs to overcome.

Longtime Twin Falls Republican T.W. Savers said he wants

to see a greater dependence on the regular folks.

"I've always maintained if they put on a source in the City Park and give away free popcorn, they could raise more money than at the \$129 dinner," he said.

A corporate-funded state committee could raise the perception of questionable allegiances.

"It certainly would, to a great extent," Savers said. "I don't know."

Clark, though, thinks his two goals will go together. And he's not alone.

In Minidoka County and other smaller areas around the state, local Republicans struggle just to get enough money to give away.

said Ben John "Bert" Stevenson, Elmerport. Having the money to function and to help local commissioners and clerks could be the spark that gets them going.

"I really think there may be more involvement," he said.

People tend to drop off when the party's "up and winning," he said, but it's important for the GOP to listen now that it's in power.

Clark already has one idea to make sure that happens.

He'd like to create Republican legislative task forces to explore issues with legislators and craft bills. The committees would create a "ready-made constituency" to testify at hearings and write supporting letters to the editor.

"It's a way a Republican group can make a difference," he said.

But for these ideas to take hold at the local level — for Clark to achieve his goal of interesting the disinterested — the party needs the resources, he said.

"We do not have the money," he said. "To do the fun and exciting things we need to do."

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Researchers: Welfare reform brings greater poverty

WASHINGTON (AP) — Welfare reform has driven the poorest families deeper into poverty, while slightly raising the incomes of those who are a little better off, say researchers who hope to broaden the debate over what constitutes success.

The biggest problem, opposing camps agree, is that many families leaving welfare are not getting food stamps although they remain eligible. In 1995, 88 percent of poor kids received food stamps. By last year, it had fallen to 70 percent.

"The conventional wisdom here in Washington is that welfare reform is an unqualified success because caseload reductions have been so dramatic," said Wendell Primus, a researcher at the liberal-leaning Center for Budget and Policy Priorities, who was releasing the report Sunday. Welfare caseloads have been cut nearly in half since peaking in 1994.

"We are not saying in this report that welfare reform is terrible. We're saying we have to bring more balance to what wel-

fare reform is all about," added Primus, who resigned a top post with the Department of Health and Human Services to protest President Clinton's signing of the welfare bill three years ago Sunday.

Enthusiasts of the reforms argue that, overall, most families are better off.

"More Americans are enjoying the freedom of independence from the chains of welfare," said a statement from Rep. Bill

Archer, R-Texas, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, which oversaw the reforms.

Still, even reform backers acknowledge problems. A report from the Ways and Means Committee and testimony from the Clinton administration earlier this year acknowledged that the poor are losing ground, and Sunday's study is the most extensive documentation of these situations.

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NATION

Drought drives cattlemen out

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — Drought ran Earl and Bobby Rogers out of the cattle business last week.

After spending years building their beef herd in eastern Kentucky, the brothers are being forced to sell.

"I'm out of water. Out of pasture, too. Don't have enough hay to carry 'em," Earl Rogers of Owensville, said Thursday. "You work eight or 10 years to get your brood-stuck up the way you want it, then something like this happens."

The brothers are not alone — livestock auctions are booming throughout the drought-stricken East.

Randy Goodman has been putting in 20-hour days hauling livestock to markets in central Kentucky. "Farmers are calling and begging for trailers," said Goodman, of Winchester.

"If you can't feed them, you can't keep them," said Everett Willoughby, who plans to sell 20 of his 70 dairy cows.

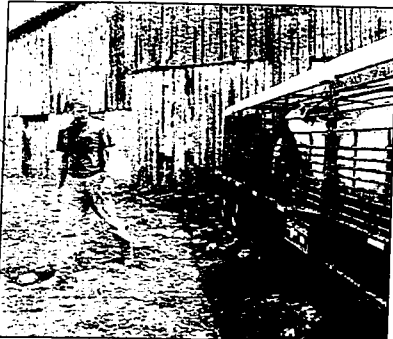
Along with trying to manage herds they no longer can feed, many farmers also are faced with grain, vegetable and tobacco crops that have been ravaged by dry weather. Drought-related losses to date total at least \$1 billion, the U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates.

Supermarket shoppers, however, will hardly notice, especially at major chains that buy produce on a national market, USDA Chief Economist Keith Collins said Friday.

"The rest of the nation has such plentiful crops, and we had ample supplies to begin with," Collins said.

And the milk supply isn't affected because the areas of top production — California and the upper Midwest — have escaped the drought, said Chris Galen, a spokesman for the dairy lobbying group National Milk in Arlington, Va.

Drought has most seriously affected New England, the eastern Corn Belt and middle Atlantic states. Five entire states — Kentucky, West Virginia, Delaware, Massachusetts and North Carolina — have been declared disaster areas by the Department of Agriculture. So have parts of six western states



Drought has forced Omar Rogers and his family to load up and sell many of the cattle they run on their ranch near Owensville, Ky.



A calf has its work cut out Friday as it roots out decent forage on a drought-stricken ranch owned by Earl, Bobby and Omar Rogers near Owensville, Ky.

and 16 other states east of the Mississippi.

In northern New Jersey, the volume of cattle sales at Hackettstown Livestock Auction has increased by a third in recent weeks, manager Robert Showell said.

"We're seeing cattle that I know would not normally be coming to auction," Showell said.

Michael O'Farrell sold half his black Angus calves at a loss in July at Hot Springs, Va. "Enough is enough," he said. "I'll probably sell the rest of the herd next year."

Corn for livestock in southeastern Pennsylvania "has pretty much been devastated," said Stan Guest, a farmer in Pottstown. "There's some forage there, but basically no ears."

And in West Virginia's Jackson County, "you can get corn — easier than you can find hay," farmer Owen McNeely said.

Agriculture departments in Kentucky and several other states are running "hay hotlines" to put farmers needing hay in touch with anyone who has enough to sell.

Rolls of hay, weighing 1,200 to 2,000 pounds, usually fetch \$10 to \$12 apiece. The range now is about \$15 to \$20, "which is not outrageous," said Doug Rathbun of the Kentucky Department of Agriculture.

The crunch will come this winter when more farmers need hay to feed their livestock, he said. The Rogers brothers won't face that problem.

Bobby Rogers sold 62 cows Wednesday for an average of

"I'm out of water, out of pasture too. Don't have enough hay to carry (cattle). You work eight or 10 years to get your brood stock up the way you want it, then something like this happens."

— Rancher Earl Rogers, who is losing his business to drought

\$390. Before the drought, Earl Rogers said, they would have brought \$650 to \$700 apiece.

"The packers know they've (farmers) got to sell. They can't take them back home," said Bill Arnett, assistant manager of Gateway Livestock Auctions in Mount Sterling, where the Rogers herd is being liquidated in phases.

"If you have a scorched-out pasture, you're faced with two difficult decisions: Pay more to buy feed on the market, or if you don't want to go that route, you cut the animal," said Galen of National Milk.

Earl Rogers echoes that, saying his choice was "lose it now or lose it all later."

Others are gambling that conditions will change, among them Paul Colson, who says he'll hang on to his 75 dairy cows for now.

"By November, if I don't find hay, I'll start selling," said Colson, of Cynthiahna.

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Drought shrinks New England apples to bite-size

BOSTON (AP) — Bite-size apples are on the way, thanks to the Northeast drought.

Apple-growers say the little fruits will be sweet.

"The smaller they are, they tend to concentrate the sugars," said Cindy Cook-Charpentier, who works at Cook's Valley Farm in Wrentham, Mass. Larger apples have more water.

The apple crop will be plentiful and will bloom about a week earlier than usual, said Russell Powell, executive director of the New England McIntosh Growers Association.

"The smaller size will mean more apples to a bushel — about 120 instead of 96. A normal-sized apple is about an inch bigger than this year's apples are expected to be, Powell said.

The drought in much of the East and parts of the Midwest has parched many crops, and forced suburbs from Washington to New York to restrict water use.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates drought-related losses to farmers is \$1 billion and counting. USDA Chief Economist Keith Collins said Friday.

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NATION

U.S. wasn't sure about Sudan target

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — One month before the United States bombed the El Shifa pharmaceutical plant in Sudan, CIA analysts said more testing would be needed before they could firmly conclude that the plant was producing a key component of deadly VX nerve gas, as the Clinton administration maintained on the night of the strike.

The bombing, one year ago this week, has led to a lawsuit by the plant's owner, an embarrassing use of restraints by top U.S. officials, and an increasingly pressing question: Just how certain does the government need to be before it uses force against a suspected terrorist group overseas?

The Clinton administration continues to defend the airstrike, which killed a night watchman and destroyed the pharmaceutical factory in Khartoum, Sudan's capital. But senior officials now concede that the plant did, in fact, make some medicines. They also acknowledge that it may not have manufactured chemical weapons at least at the time of the bombing.

President Clinton ordered the missile strike in retaliation for Saudi millionaire Osama bin Laden's alleged role as the mastermind in the terrorist bombing of two U.S. embassies on Aug. 7, 1998. The twin truck bombs in Kenya and Tanzania killed more than 200 people, including 12 Americans.

To strike back, U.S. Navy ships fired 13 Tomahawk cruise missiles at El Shifa and 66 missiles at bin Laden's training camps in Afghanistan. The attack was timed to coincide with a meeting of bin Laden's key operatives at one of the camps.

Since the attack, senior administration officials have stood behind what they continue to describe as a "compelling" piece of evidence: a soil sample, secretly obtained near the El Shifa site by a CIA operative, that was found to contain a high concentration of EMPITA, a chemical that does not occur in nature and has no use except in making nerve gas.

"Nothing that we've learned subsequent to the attacks has led anybody to (conclude), if they had to do it over again, that we would make a different decision," one senior administration official said this week.

However, in a three-page analytical paper written late last July, well before the embassy bombings or the retaliatory targeting of El Shifa, CIA analysts raised questions about what conclusions could safely be drawn from the soil sample.

According to officials familiar with the paper, the CIA analysts considered the presence of EMPITA to be a virtually sure-fire indicator that the plant had something to do with chemical weapons. But they could not be sure whether the plant actually manufactured VX or merely served as a warehouse or transportation point for chemicals used in making nerve gas. Nor could they be sure how recently that activity might have occurred.

The paper, which was reviewed at senior levels in the CIA and disseminated to the National Security Council staff, recommended covert efforts to obtain more soil samples to try to answer those questions.

Intelligence officials also said in interviews this week that even if El Shifa did make VX gas, they cannot explain why a high concentration of EMPITA would have been present in the soil outside the plant. EMPITA is a viscous substance that is not volatile enough to vaporize, and the plant's drainage system is unlikely to have deposited effluent in surface soil on its periphery.

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Quality is key to good child care

Study shows mom need not be at home for kids to be well rounded

BOSTON (AP) — Working parents, take heart: Researchers report that even lots of child care won't diminish the profound influences of family on young children.

The findings should help ease the mind of parents who fear that too much care by others is bound to shortchange a child, especially of the benefits of a mother's attention, the researchers contended.

"It's not an issue of quantity, as much as ... quality. You really need to look at what is the nature of the experience in child care," said Ellen Peisner-Feinberg, a developmental psychologist at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. She worked on an earlier large study of child care and is familiar with the new results.

The latest findings stem from an ambitious project carried out by the federal government's Institute

of Child Health and Human Development. Researchers followed about 1,300 newborns at 10 sites over seven years. By age 6 months, most were in child care with someone other than a parent — a relative, home provider, day-care center. Some of the findings were summarized Saturday at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association.

The researchers measured the quality of family environment based on such factors as income, a mother's education, how sensitively the mother handles her child's needs, and how well she plays with her child.

High scores in such areas turned out to predict good outcomes in children more strongly than the quality of care by someone else. Such outcomes at ages 2 and 3 included mental and language skills, school readiness, and posi-

tive social behavior.

In a finding that surprised some researchers, the relationship between the family factors and outcomes in children stays the same whether the children spend less than 10 hours or more than 30 hours weekly in out-of-family child care. When both family and child care appear to influence outcomes in children, the estimated impact of family is at least twice as great as the child care influences.

The project's findings are similar to earlier research on the impact of preschool, which children usually attend at ages 3 and 4.

"I find it very reassuring for parents who work," said Sarah L. Friedman, scientific coordinator of the federal project. "It means that parents believe and what parents do and the quality of the family environment make a difference."

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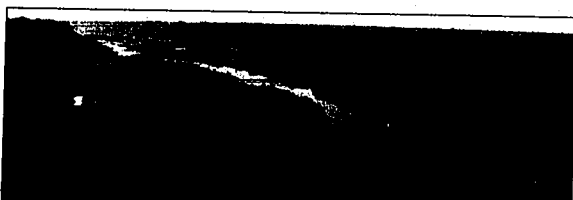
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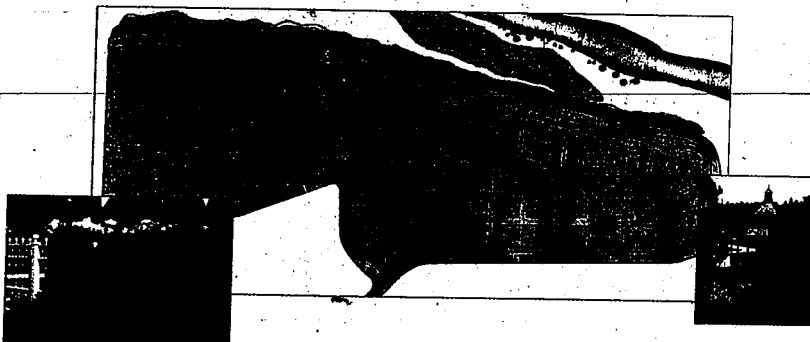


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Members of the Cleveland NAACP chapter rally against the Ku Klux Klan in front of the Cleveland Justice Center Saturday.

Klan raises just a little stink during rally in Cleveland

CLEVELAND (AP) — The Ku Klux Klan rallied downtown Saturday a few blocks from a black family expo and hours before the Cleveland Browns first home game since 1995. Klan members exchanged insults with counter-demonstrators, but no arrests were made.

About 40 members of a KKK faction called the American Knights of the Ku Klux Klan paraded around in hooded robes and gave racist speeches for about 80 minutes outside a downtown court building.

The KKK, protected by a chain link fence and rows of riot police, was outnumbered by roughly 300 counter-demonstrators who chanted slogans and held up anti-Klan signs from their own fenced-in protest area.

The event capped weeks of political rancor as Mayor Michael R. White, who is black, was criticized for failing to try and block the rally. The mayor said he

depises the white supremacist group but was legally obligated to uphold the KKK's right to free speech.

There were also worries that the rally would disrupt the Black Family Expo, a cultural festival being held just a few blocks away. But a steady stream of people came to that event anyway.

"Here you have people who are doing a positive thing in the community," said Lynette Bennett, 25, who is black, as she visited exhibits and booths set up by local companies and nonprofit groups. "Out at the rally, they're trying to get a whole negative thing going."

The rally also had little effect on football fans. They began trickling downtown in the afternoon to see the Browns, who are ending a three-season hiatus from the National Football League this year, and were playing the first game in a new stadium Saturday night.

Government releases graphic anti-terrorism video footage

WASHINGTON (AP) — A video featuring graphic footage of the bombings last year of two U.S. embassies in Kenya are being released by the State Department in an effort to bring to justice "the terrorists responsible for the crimes."

In an interview, 22 innocent people died, murdered by terrorists," a voice says as the video begins. "Here are the victims of these evil crimes: Mother, wife, daughter, father, husband, son."

The 30-second public service announcement features pictures of bloodied or burned bombing victims trying to escape from the rubble. One scene shows a person falling from the ledge of a building.

The video also features wanted posters of several alleged criminals, including Osama bin Laden, the charged mastermind of the bombings in Kenya

and Tanzania.

The State Department said it hopes the video, which was released in English, Arabic, French and Spanish, will "bring to justice those responsible for the terrorist bombings of our embassies in East Africa, as well as to prevent future acts of terrorism worldwide."

The State Department released the tapes earlier this month. It sent copies to every U.S. embassy, more than 250, with hope that officials there could work with host governments and local media to broadcast them.

Millions of dollars in reward money already has been awarded for information leading to any arrests, according to the video. It encourages individuals with such knowledge to "make a contact, protect the innocent," and contact U.S. officials.

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EPA makes Superfund plans in Wallace

WALLACE (AP) — The government will add one or more new Superfund sites to the Coeur d'Alene River basin unless the state wrangles a settlement to a longstanding mining pollution case, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's regional administrator says.

But Chuck Clarke said the EPA still prefers a state-brokered settlement with the Coeur d'Alene Tribe and U.S. Department of Justice on the lawsuit against Silver Valley mining operations.

Money from such a settlement would be combined with state and federal dollars to finance a cleanup trust fund proposed by Idaho Division of Environmental Quality director Steve Allred.

And Allred said the chances of a settlement are improving.

"I'm more optimistic than I was a month ago," he said. "If we fail, we'll see a very aggressive EPA acting under Superfund authority."

Superfund designation comes with a treasure chest of cleanup

dollars that EPA cannot otherwise access. Clarke did not specify sites being examined for potential listing.

Both he and Allred spoke at a meeting on Thursday aimed at bringing local, state and federal officials up to speed on cleanup plans.

A century of lead and silver mining left a veneer of toxic metals pollution from the Montana line to Washington's Lake Roosevelt. Nearly 500 pounds of lead and 4,100 pounds of zinc said

move daily down the South Fork of the Coeur d'Alene River, said Don Heine, an EPA contractor overseeing technical research.

Silver Valley residents and industry officials for years have feared further federal intervention in the basin beyond the 21-square-mile Bunker Hill Superfund site. But Mike Gearheard, head of the EPA's regional Superfund program, said for now he would deny any funding requests for non-emergency cleanup outside Bunker Hill.

Students face crime-spreed charges

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Four high-school students were arrested for causing \$18,000 worth of damage to 30 automobiles last month.

The four 17-year-old boys used knives and a baseball bat to slash tires and break windows July 17 in a section of Holladay just south of Salt Lake City.

The Olympus High School students were arrested last week and released to the custody of their parents, Salt Lake County Sheriff's Sgt. Bobby Reese said.

The vandals were turned in by Taylor Flack and his brother J.L. Flack, who drove separate cars looking for suspects after inspecting damage to cars in their neighborhood. They found what they were looking for at a nearby gas station.

"I couldn't believe anybody would be dumb enough to vandalize a bunch of cars and then go to the gas station in the neighborhood where they just were, but they did," Taylor Flack said.

Official supports decision to tax land

NEZPERCE (AP) — The Idaho attorney general's office is backing a decision by Lewis County to put Indian-owned fee land on the county property tax rolls.

But the Nez Perce Tribe contends Attorney General Al Lance has no such authority, and that the state must advise counties against trying to tax Indian land.

"Lewis County is proceeding without state support on this issue," Samuel Penney, chairman of the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee, said in a recent press release.

Lance's deputy chief of staff

says differently.

"That was never said to any of them," Thorpe Orton said. If state issues are brought into the case, the attorney general's office most certainly will step in, he said.

Orton said Lance's office stands by a 1996 opinion in which the attorney general wrote, "We conclude that lands within the boundaries of an Indian reservation, owned by Indians, are subject to ad valorem taxation by county governments, unless such lands are held in trust by the federal government."

Lewis County used that opinion, as well as a June 1998 U.S. Supreme Court ruling in a Cass County, Minnesota case, in recently denying eight exemptions to property taxes on fee land owned by the tribe or its members.

The Cass County decision said fee land was ineligible for tax exemption. The Leech-Lake Band of the Chippewa sued the state of Minnesota over 21 parcels of land the tribe bought to build a casino. The state imposed taxes, which the tribe paid.

Manager decides GOP's use of facility was inappropriate

BOISE (AP) — The facilities manager for the state Department of Administration said Idaho Republicans should not have been allowed to use the state's high-tech teleconferencing facility in Boise to elect their new chairman.

"It's embarrassing for our folks. We should not have booked it," Mike Despot said Friday.

Despot said there was a misunderstanding of who wanted to book the room at the Joe R. Williams Office Building, also known as the Hall of Mirrors, across the street from the Capitol.

He also said the meeting room, which is equipped for video and telephone conference meetings linked to other sites around the state, is to be used only for official state or local government business.

State agencies pay \$25 to use the room during the day and \$50 at night, which is what the Idaho

Republican Party paid. Despot said he did not realize until 4 p.m. Tuesday, three hours before Republicans began meeting, that the party should not have rented the room.

He also said if the state Democratic Party asked to rent the same room, he would have to refuse. Despot said Republicans probably should have been referred to Boise State University as the base for Tuesday night's statewide meeting, which linked seven GOP regions through satellite telecasts.

The other sites were also at state higher education facilities that have teleconferencing equipment.

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NATO orders Serbs to disarm

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia - NATO ordered Serbs in a southern Kosovo town to hand in their weapons Saturday or face arrest in a last-minute crackdown before Dutch troops turn security over to the Russians.

In the Kosovo capital, Pristina, a joint Serb-ethnic Albanian council formed to advise the U.N. mission held its second meeting Saturday - but without Kosovo Liberation Army leader Hashim Thaci.

Thaci's rival, moderate politician Ibrahim Rugova, boycotted the first session July 16, complaining about the allocation of seats. Rugova, elected president of the unrecognized Republic of Kosovo, was present at Saturday's meeting, along with U.S. and NATO representatives.

Both Thaci and Rugova claim leadership of Kosovo's majority ethnic Albanian community.

Chief U.N. administrator Bernard Kouchner said Thaci told him earlier he would be out of the country but would attend the next meeting, scheduled for Wednesday.

Early Saturday, German and Dutch troops posted signs throughout a Serb neighborhood in the city of Oradina, giving names of Serbs NATO believes were given weapons by including political groups.

The signs ordered Serbs to turn in their weapons Saturday to NATO collection points in the center of town.

"If you respond to this, you will be freed of punishment," the signs said. The warning added that peacekeepers would begin house-to-house searches after the deadline, and "if we find any weapons, you will be arrested."

By mid-afternoon Saturday, NATO officials said Serbs had turned in 120 weapons, mostly Kalashnikov rifles.



Serbs surrender their weapons Saturday in Oradina, Kosovo.

World in brief

in a new pro-Kremlin, right-centerist political bloc. Stepashin had been the group's proposed leader, and his rebuttal dampened its chances.

Meanwhile, other Russian political groups met Saturday - including two parties in a more left-leaning alliance that is shaping up to be the Kremlin's biggest rival - Fatherland-All Russia.

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presently finds itself without any party on which it could rely for support before the upcoming presidential election, "centrist politician Pavel Bunchik wrote Saturday in the daily Novyie Izvestia.

"Nothing like this has happened before. Naturally, it makes the Kremlin... nervous," Stepashin, who was fired as prime minister last week, has been consulting with parties led by two other ex-premiers: Viktor Chernomyrdin's Our Home is Russia and Sergei Kiriyenko's New Force. Despite being fired, all three remain loyal to Yeltsin.

After talks Friday, Russian media reports said the three agreed to join forces. But Stepashin ruled that out Saturday.

Top Myanmar general threatens opposition
-YANGON, Myanmar - The No. 2 leader of Myanmar's military

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regime threatened in reports published Saturday to "annihilate" opponents calling for an uprising next month.

Both sides are waging a propaganda war before Sept. 9, when the opposition has urged Myanmar's people to rise up against the military, which has ruled for nearly four decades.

Any increased preparedness by security forces has been discreet, but officials have announced the arrest of at least

36 people accused of involvement.

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Saudi King Fahd's eldest son, throne heir, dies

RIVADH, Saudi Arabia - Prince Talal bin Fahd, eldest son of Saudi King Fahd, died of a heart attack Saturday, Saudi government officials said.

Prince Fahd, the equivalent of minister of sports, died in the intensive care unit of the King Fahd Specialist Hospital in Riyadh at 3 pm, the officials said.

Prince Fahd was not in line to the throne. His uncle, Crown Prince Abdullah, is the heir.

The age of Prince Fahd is not known as the elder Saudi royals tend to keep their dates of birth secret, but he is believed to have been in his fifties.

Prince Fahd had been admitted to hospital earlier Saturday suffering from "severe heart problems," the officials said on condition of anonymity.

Members of Prince Fahd's immediate family were informed he was ailing and had started returning from vacations abroad to be by his side, a hospital source said.

Briton sets off across country on motorized toilet

PLYMOUTH, England - Hank Harp set off into the driver's seat Saturday morning, checked his headlights and handbrakes and set off on a cross-country trip at top speed, a whopping 4 mph - on his motorized toilet.

Harp and his traveling comrade set off Saturday from Land's End, in southwestmost England, on a 874-mile journey to John O'Groats at the northern tip of Scotland.

The charity trek was the brainchild of Steve Gilks, who runs Cash for Trash, a charitable group that recycles household rubbish to raise money.

Harp's party, complete with three wheels and a 24-volt motor, is expected to reach its destination Sept. 20.

A wheeled rubbish bin is trailing along behind the toilet, and he plans to collect trash along the way. Gilks plans to present equipment to hospices and physicians along the route to help patients with breathing problems.

Ten years ago, Gilks made a cross-country trek of his own - in a motorized shopping cart.

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U.S. military policeman is arrested in connection with superior's death

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - A U.S. military policeman shot and killed his superior early Saturday at a base near the North Korean border, the U.S. Military Command said. He was arrested eight hours later.

Jacob M. Bowley, a private from the 55th Military Police Company at Camp Red Cloud, north of Seoul, shot and killed a sergeant shortly before 4 a.m. the military said. He then fled the post with the weapon, trigger-

ing a manhunt by thousands of South Korean police and U.S. investigators.

South Korean police caught up with Bowley around noon as he tried to draw cash from a bank in Pusan, 205 miles southeast of Seoul. "He didn't resist when we apprehended him. But once he was in the police car, he tried to draw his pistol from his waist and we had to control him," said Kim Min-ho, a police investigator in Pusan.

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Infighting might cause Yugoslav opposition to sputter

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — In a setback to efforts to unseat Slobodan Milosevic, an opposition leader denounced rivals in the movement and said his followers would boycott joint rallies aimed at forcing the Yugoslav president to step down.

Vuk Draskovic, head of the Serbian Renewal Movement, accused another opposition group led by Zoran Djindjic of pushing the country to civil war by refusing the offer of early elections to end the political crisis that followed the 78-day NATO bombing campaign.

It was the latest episode in a persistent rift between the oppo-



Slobodan

in economic ruin.

Draskovic wants to accept the Milosevic government's offer of early elections this fall. Djindjic and his allies, by contrast, insist

that Milosevic step down immediately and make way for a transitional government pending new elections under international supervision.

Draskovic, a former deputy prime minister, dismissed Djindjic's Democratic Party as "gentlemen who do not want elections, who do not seek a political agreement, who prefer to count rifles and dead Serbs instead of ballots." He made the comment in an interview with a provincial television station that was distributed Saturday by the independent news agency Beta.

In an interview published

Saturday by the Italian newspaper La Repubblica, Draskovic warned that "if there aren't elections, there will be a civil war."

"We're very, very close," he said. "And I'm against another war at all costs."

Djindjic rejected Draskovic's accusations and hinted that Draskovic may not be serious in demanding that Milosevic go.

"We are not seeking cooperation with the Serbian Renewal Movement (alone) but with all those who want Milosevic to leave," he said in a statement carried by Beta.

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EDITORIAL

Hard time for criminals yields better times for us

More than 4,000 Idahoans are behind bars at federal or state prisons. Those numbers represent more than 4,000 personal tragedies. But they also are part of a bigger picture of a court and prison system that's doing its job—much better than some other states.

Idaho's prison system is poised to take on a growing inmate population. That number—4,445, as of Thursday—isn't growing as quickly as the national average, at least for now. Idaho's no-nonsense approach is keeping a lid on crime, and a ceiling on prison population numbers that are mushrooming in other states.

A Department of Justice report, released last week, puts the nation's 1.3 million inmates into a different light. The conclusion shouldn't be a surprise to Idahoans: Get tough on crime, reduce the crime rate, and, *voila*, the inmate numbers level off. "There are beginning to be some signs of stability in the prison population," wrote statistician Allen J. Beck, a co-author of the Justice Department report.

And in state prisons, most of the growth in inmate numbers can be traced to longer sentences, not to new cases.

A small increase in the caseload "reflects a declining number of arrests for violent crimes, including murder, robbery, rape and assault," Beck said. Idaho is ahead of that curve.

Idaho's inmate population has increased by 4.4 percent over the past year. That's a little less than the national numbers, which went up 4.8 percent from 1997. Compare those

numbers with states such as Mississippi and North Dakota, where inmate increases of 17 percent and 15 percent, respectively, represent a budget crunch and a societal crisis.

Idaho's good fortune might not hold up. State officials last week projected roughly an 8 percent annual increase in the inmate population over the next couple of years. If those increases come to pass, they'll put more pressure on a crowded prison system.

Still, Idaho seems to be doing comparatively well in the war on crime. In all, 330 Idahoans are facing a prison sentence of a year or more. Nationally, that number is 461 per 100,000. Louisiana "leads" the nation in that category, with 736 people per 100,000 facing a year or more of hard time.

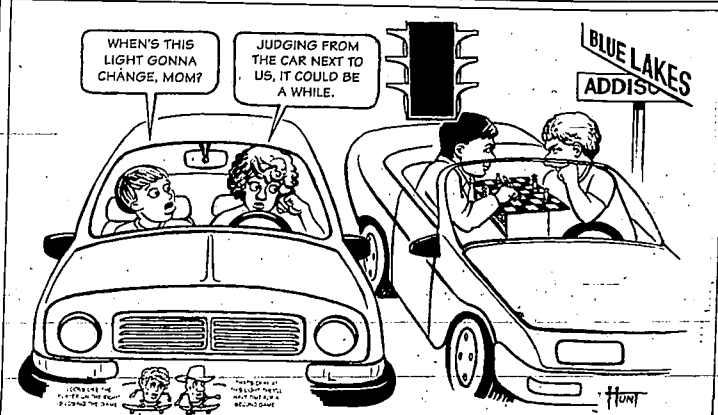
Idaho's secret? Not really a secret. Our state has taken a hard line on crime. Credit Idaho legislators—including Sen. Denton Darrington, R-Declo, and Rep. Celia Gould, R-Buhl, who chair the Legislature's respective judiciary committees—with taking a lead role.

Idaho politicians have recognized, rightly, that the war on crime is not a blitzkrieg. They have taken some grief in other papers, but not in this one, for taking what we believe is the right approach. They have generally matched up sentencing laws and forked over the money to add prison space.

These aren't easy calls, or fun, touchy-feely expenditures. That's why they get criticized.

But Idahoans are making the right decisions. The numbers bear it out.

At least for now, Idaho's no-nonsense approach is keeping a lid on crime, and a ceiling on prison population numbers that are mushrooming in other states.



Crime decreases, but more needs to be done

SAN DIEGO—Social progress is being made because social learning, although spasmodic, is cumulative. The record seven consecutive years of reducing the national crime rate is, in part, the result of learning about policing.

But how big a part? In two cities on opposite coasts, here and in New York, opposite, or at least sharply contrasting, approaches to policing have caused—or have they?—comparable reductions of crime.

Sorting out social causation is problematic, and the recent consensus has been that policing cannot be the primary cause of dramatic reductions of crime. Policing, it is said, primarily displaces crime, causing it to relocate, and not to be eliminated after the fact.

The ebbing of the crime wave is partly due to economic and demographic factors—high employment and a decline in the size of the cohort of males 18-24. Intellectuals—professional sorters-out of social causation—are particularly reluctant to credit increased rates of incarceration. Remember the (unintentionally) hilarious New York Times headline "Crime Keeps on Falling, but Prisons Keep on Filling."

New York, with a police officer for every 198 citizens, is comparable to Chicago (one per 202) and Philadelphia (one per 192). NY's stunning success (homicides down 70 percent and major felonies down 46 percent from 1993 to 1998) has coincided with a change from reactive (the "911 paradigm") to proactive policing, based on the "broken window" theory.

It holds that disorder is a contagion: If a broken window remains unrepaired, and other windows are broken, the contagion spreads. Such things as graffiti, aggressive panhandling, noisy boomboxes create a menacing sense of anarchy, driving law-abiding citizens indoors and ceding the streets



GEORGE F. WILL

to predators. Hence NYPD's "zero tolerance" of "quality of life" offenses: Aggressiveness has permeated NYPD operations.

San Diego, too, has had remarkable success: reducing crime nine consecutive years of decline, a three-fourths decline (better than New York's) in homicides since 1991. And San Diego has its own approach to policing. It is one of the most lightly policed (the size of its force, relative to population) of America's major cities, but Police Chief David Bejarano is not feeling overmatched by the bad guys.

In 20 years with SDDP, he has been a patrol officer and a member of a SWAT team, has dealt with violence along the border with Mexico, the drugs that come across that border, and the drugs made here (San Diego County is the "source country" for America's methamphetamine, and one-third of all the people arrested in San Diego are under its influence). And there are 5,000 documented members of at least 75 gangs in this, the nation's sixth largest city.

Bejarano's officers (about 2,000, compared to New York's more than 37,000) are supplemented by 1,100 volunteers who have donated 100,000 hours of service in the last six months. RSVP. (Retired Senior Volunteer Patrol) uses retired people—they have uniforms and patrol cars, but no weapons or arrest powers—to check houses of vacationers, write parking tickets, identify abandoned vehicles ("broken windows"), and they multiply the number of eyes looking for suspi-

cious behavior. Soon, there will be 32 major traffic intersections where cameras photograph cars and license plates of drivers who run red lights. This will enable SDDP to economize manpower. Bejarano remembers that 20 years ago he would start a shift by loading into his patrol car a duffel bag of forms and books—the criminal code, the vehicle code. Now all that is in every officer's laptop.

How much credit can policing take for reducing crime? John Dilulio of the University of Pennsylvania explains two theses.

One is the "re-administering" thesis about crime reduction—that reduction results from changed policies, such as those about policing and sentencing. The other is the "re-norming" thesis—that America's "social capital" is being replenished by "the rebirth of certain social norms," such as the reassertion of community considerations over individual self-interest, and moral standards over moral relativism.

The re-norming thesis has interesting historical evidence. James O. Wilson, Dilulio's mentor, notes that by the beginning of this century the growing Sunday school movement included 60 percent of young people, so a majority of the young were receiving an hour or two of religious instruction every week in their schools and YWCAs burgeoned then, too. That coincided with a steep decline in crime. Is surely more a matter of causation than coincidence.

These academic debates are of urgent practical interest. Although the crime rate is almost down to the 1974 level, it remains 50 to 60 percent above the 1950 level, proof that progress, like social learning, is spasmodic, and that much re-norming remains to be done.

George F. Will is a Washington Post columnist.

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LETTERS

Keep your eyes open
This letter is written to the person or persons who stole my son's shirt, hat and glasses at the Jerome city pool on Monday, Aug. 16.

Whoever you are, you have no respect for other people's personal belongings. I'm glad to know you think money grows on trees. Glasses are not cheap, as you know, or you wouldn't have helped yourself to his. As for the shirt, I hope it keeps the sun off your back, and the hat—hopefully it will fry your brain, if it isn't already.

So, moms and dads, if your child is sporting a new red-and-white checked, short-sleeved, Western-cut shirt and an olive green floppy hat, their friend didn't loan or give them to him or her. You know who you are, and when judgment day comes—well, you know where liars and thieves go.

KAREN BLACKMON Jerome

Stop the complaining
The top complainers of the forest fees are really the ones that began the process. We users were too busy earning a living from the land to complain. Too busy fencing the forest land, building drift fences, water systems, roads, trails and other improvements asked for by the Forest Service.

These good people allowed environmentalists and other lock-up artists to gain positions of authority in the Departments of Agriculture and Interior. It is too late to remove these tyrants now. Look what happened right here. Even the chief forest ranger has a tight hold on his seat at the top.

They built two log houses at Rock Creek, later trading them to the owner of the business there. For reference, I have a copy of a biography of the eldest son, Alfred Twitchell.

CHARLES TWITCHELL Elba

Forget the Summer of '74
The Hayes family moved to Twin Falls in July of 1970 from Saugus, Calif. Our family consisted at that time of mom and dad with five children. We chose Twin Falls over other areas offered by Sears and Roebuck, my employer. We had traveled through the Magic Valley often prior to the construction of the freeway. This was the community of "choice" to raise the family that later consisted of seven children. We weren't disappointed in making that selection. The Magic Valley was truly "Magic."

Then in 1974, Evil (well named) "chose" the valley for his "in-famous" fraudulent attempt of a so-called "motorcycle" jump of the Snake River Canyon. For the first time since moving to Twin Falls, I became concerned for the safety of my family and myself. We saw firsthand the caliber of people this event attracted. With the roar of the motorcycle gangs that looked and acted like those experienced in California, I started to lock my home at night and while away.

After the conclusion of this ill-fated "publicity stunt," history will tell that the park at Shoshone Falls was blocked off from local traffic (those folks that paid for the maintenance through taxation). The reason was well known by those of us who lived here and saw firsthand what these animals they called "fans" had done to this lovely park. Those living across from the "falls" can tell the other side of this story of what "Evil" brought to the Magic Valley. I am sorry to this day that this is the kind of event to have brought Twin Falls the kind of worldwide attention they received.

We continued to live here in the Magic Valley with all seven of our children to graduate from Twin Falls High School. We are proud to claim Magic Valley as our home, but not because of the "summer of 1974."

JACK HAYES Twin Falls

What kind of school are we going back to?

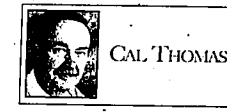
The students—new ones and survivors of last April's shooting—have returned to Columbian's Columbian High School.

Numerous security precautions designed to reduce influences and weapons failed to prevent the drawing of swastikas on some bathroom walls. Will tighter security make up for looseness in other areas?

Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan., wants to investigate a bipartisan congressional committee to establish the causes for our cultural decline. It's a good idea. Brownback can save some time by bringing a new video series created by attorney and Rutherford Institute lawyer in Whitehall, Pa., Paula Jones' lawyer titled "Grasping for the Wind."

The seven-part series looks at the historic, ironic, artistic and scientific reasons that have contributed to Western humanity's cultural crisis. It is a sweeping work that covers such events as the two world wars, Vietnam and the present world view, which is now being taught to yet another generation.

This is polemical. It is a serious, highly informed work that is even entertaining. It asks humanity's ancient questions: Who am I? Where did I come from? Why am I here? Where am I headed? The series asserts that modern man can no longer answer these



CAL THOMAS

questions, and the result is a chaotic world in which young people search for meaning in alcohol, drugs, promiscuity and violence.

New orthodoxies that have failed replaced old orthodoxies that mostly worked. Yet those responsible for the new orthodoxies do not want to relinquish their power, and so they persist in the failed ways, even as children die and are killed. Attending school can now be more dangerous than crossing the street used to be.

If life has no objective meaning, the series suggests, then it means only what someone says it means at the moment, and that can change as quickly as wind direction. With no anchor in their lives, many young people see schooling as irrelevant, especially since the process is frequently barred from offering significant instruction. The First Amendment, you know.

"Grasping for the Wind" traces humanity's search for meaning over the last 200 years and is shot on location where the artists painted, philosophers thought and

wrote and politicians schemed to dominate the planet by evil means. Familiar and not-so-familiar philosophers, writers, painters and musicians are shown to have contributed far more than their art to the cultural decay. The series ought to be mandatory viewing in homes and schools for it awakens and provokes thought in our image-obscured age.

More than most anything else I've seen recently, this series answers the old questions and presents profound new ones that must be answered in order to reverse what metal detectors, surveillance cameras and guards in the halls cannot reverse.

The nihilism that has dominated much of Western thought and culture for the last two centuries is the cause behind the school shootings and other social tragedies. "Grasping for the Wind" exposes many of them.

It will be disappointing if the decline continues and we stubbornly cling to ideas that have not worked and cannot. No new laws, no strict gun control, no even constitutional panels, can reverse the slide. In order to chart a new course, we have to know where to go to where we are. "Grasping for the Wind" is a mirror reflecting the past and, for those who will take it, a road map out of the pit.

Cal Thomas is a Los Angeles Times columnist.

Help locate someone

I am trying to locate someone who used to live in the Buhl area in the 1930s. His name was Robert (Bob) Noland. He farmed in Buhl and in 1933 lost his second wife Emma. She is buried in the Buhl Cemetery. He had three children by his first marriage: Vera, John (Jack), and Eunice. None of the children or their descendants know what happened to him after 1940.

He had a son Sam, by his second wife Emma. According to a land record from the Twin Falls County Courthouse, he

LETTERS

sold his farm on March 21, 1940, to Charles and Mary Zarnes. They moved with his wife, Pearl, whom he married Jan. 8, 1940.

I would very much appreciate if anyone in the area knows what happened to son Sam Noland or his parents to drop me a note—Juvanne Clezie, P.O. box 313, Boise, ID 83701. JUVANNE CLEZIE Boise

just as much as any dog, but I am just one of those who try to follow rules. When a sign says that dogs must be leashed on or off a trail, I abide. My dogs are behaved, but having your dog running free in their wild while they are restricted on leash is an unfair advantage.

I like to see dogs running and having fun, too, but rules are rules, and it is inconsiderate to those who follow them. JANE THOMAS Twin Falls

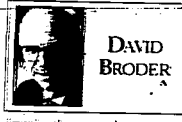
Follow the rules
Dog owners: My dogs love to romp free

OPINION



Republicans can't make the same mistake

As the 25th anniversary of the White House tapes containing the definitive evidence of President Nixon's attempt to cover up a criminal conspiracy... **DAVID BRODER**



Imparting the race to devote any significant attention to substantive policy.

most of whom have no realistic chance of being the Republican nominee. But Republicans should not let him off the hook. They'd be wise to heed the words Lamar Alexander uttered as he left the race last week: "We're going to send one of these candidates into a debate against Al Gore or Bill Bradley, and he better be prepared."

Republicans raised the same warning four years ago about another "untested" candidate, Bob Dole. He was ignored then. Republicans should not make the same mistake twice.

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WORLD

Sad tales echo through Turkish street

Neighborhood comes together

KORFEZ, Turkey (AP) — He admitted it made no sense to start sweeping up the street. But logic seemed useless after the earthquake. So many lives upended, so much to rebuild.

"Why not sweep? It's a strange act under the circumstances. I know. But it makes me feel better somehow," said Cemalrettin Fidancil, head of the Korfez chamber of commerce, as he cleared a patch of Adnan Kahveci Street — a mix of businesses and apartments running through the heart of a town along the fault line that heaved with deadly force on Tuesday.

More than 80 people perished on the street as four apartment blocks tumbled to the ground or lurched into a precarious tilt. Deep fissures zigzagged through the buildings that did go down. A few families began returning Saturday to forage for anything spared by the quake: clothes, toys, anything that somehow survived unbroken.

The fate of this one street is mirrored in countless variations across western Turkey, where the intensifying smell of decomposing flesh serves notice that the final death toll has yet to be calculated. A disaster of this magnitude is a great equalizer. No street — from the most exclusive enclaves to the shantytowns of day laborers — was truly spared. Around every corner, on every block, their sad stories are told.

Adnan Kahveci Street is but one place to hear them. "Quiet, children," hissed Anil Ozbil as her three young boys played with a wall clock tossed onto the street when apartment

block No. 6 crumpled to one side. Her two cousins were caught when the five floors sandwiched together. Between 50 and 60 people were crushed, survivors estimate.

She used her head scarf to cover her nose. The rank odor of death was carried by the breeze off the nearby Sea of Marmara about 125 miles southeast in Istanbul.

"I had to come see where they died," she said while collecting her children. "All I can think of is what their last moments must have been like."

Yet this street, named for a popular politician who died in a 1953 car crash, is not just a place of mourning. Like all tragedies, the quake burned the survivors in a fundamental way. The normal barriers that keep people apart — types of jobs, family backgrounds — are rendered meaningless.

A school teacher from a nearby street, Selahmettin Oztel, helped a few women pluck tissues from a hole they dug into the street, where once a five-story apartment block already been taken out. At least 20 people — and possibly as many as 25 — perished.

A body of a beloved local doctor, Ramazan Seren, was taken out Friday along with his wife and daughter.

"Many people on the street just stood and cried," said Itham Karabekir, who works in the pharmacy across the street. They might not have known him, but they knew he was a good man. The earthquake took part of the soul of this street.

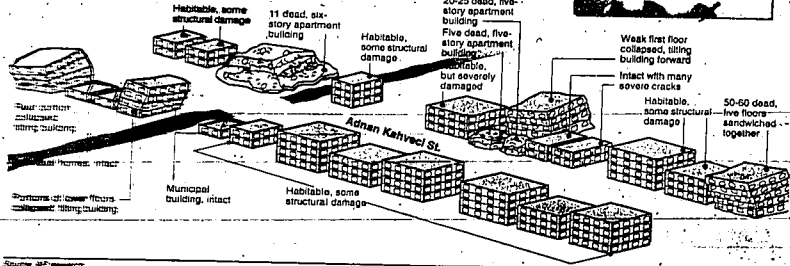
Behind the rubble of the doctor's apartment building, another building leaned at nearly a 45-degree angle. Down the road, two other buildings also girded, so shapely that former second-story windows were now crunched on ground level.

"One man was crushed as his five-story apartment was flattened by the weight of the pinching building. His relatives, who lived on the fourth floor, carried away what they could salvage. Their 4-year-old daughter squealed with delight when they found a princess crown that she was going to wear at the party for her brother's communion — a large celebration according to Muslim customs.

"I just think God that he kept our building from falling over," said Hasan Bari, sweating heavily after dishes into the bustling structure. "Time kept this building from going over when so

One street in stricken Turkey

The destruction in Korfez, a town near the epicenter of last week's earthquake, can be found in many towns and cities in Turkey. On Adnan Kahveci, a street that runs through the heart of Korfez, four buildings completely collapsed, killing as many as 100 people, but none of the apartment blocks or businesses were left undamaged.



Source: AP Wirephoto

many others did." I will always ask that question." On Adnan Kahveci Street, one architect sees the topography of construction shatters: the buildings made with cheap cement or inferior reinforcements came down. "There is no other explanation," said Ismail Halki Nigmat. "It's not a question of luck. It's construction quality." Also, the common Turkish style of placing stores at the ground level of apartment buildings could have played a role in the widespread devastation, he said. The shops are normally built with higher ceilings but, without additional support. "It's simple physics," he said. "A top heavy building is more likely to come down. You just have to look at this street to see my point. These were the type of buildings that fell."



A Turkish soldier passes a collapsed apartment building on the Adnan Kahveci Street in the city of Korfez, Saturday.



Paramedics carry 11-year-old Merve Ekinli after she was rescued from a collapsed apartment building by a French disaster team in Yalova, Turkey, on Saturday.

Buried four days, victims defy odds after earthquake

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP) — Six people who had been buried alive in the rubble of Turkey's quake for four long, hot days were saved from their dark prisons Saturday, rewarding the faith of relatives who kept vigil even after experts said the odds of surviving that long were slight.

A French team pulled an 11-year-old girl from the wreckage of a four-story building to applause and cheers from onlookers.

Also rescued were a 10-year-old Israeli girl — whose first wish was for a soda with a straw — a 95-year-old woman, two sisters, ages 10 and 19, and a 9-year-old boy.

The rescues kept hope alive for relatives of the tens of thousands of people still missing following Tuesday's quake.

Yet for every miracle rescue, hundreds of corpses are pulled from the rubble each day. The official death toll climbed by more than 1,000 Saturday to top 11,000.

Experts say people trapped in such situations usually can survive only 72 hours because of dehydration, and the deadline in this case passed early Friday. The almost-tropical heat, across Turkey this week only made conditions worse.

Some foreign rescue teams were leaving.

A Dutch team left Adapazarı on Saturday, and a British team was preparing to leave. "The reason we came here was to save people. That has ended," Edward Poome, head of the British crew, was quoted by the Anatolia news agency as saying.

The Swiss Disaster Chain also

announced it would be going home. Monday morning found no one alive since Thursday.

Yet the Israeli girl, Shiran Franko, was "practically in very good condition" after spending 96 hours in the wreckage of a seven-story building, said Dr. Eugene Leibovitz, the Israeli military pediatrician assembled here on site in Çanakkale, a small resort town 30 miles across the Sea of Marmara from Istanbul.

She was "talking, conscious, and even joking" with the rescuers.

A few hours earlier, rescuers recovered her twin brother's body from the debris. The twins' father and grandfather were still buried and presumed dead.

More than 130 Israeli soldiers were working on the site with the Israeli army. They were searching for survivors and bloodhounds to search throughout the night.

Their mother, Iris, had been anxiously standing by watching the Israeli news coverage. She was after she was pulled from the rubble Wednesday.

An Israeli rescue team that had just arrived in the area was directed to lead the search, but none of the Israelis had been found alive until Shiran.

Her mother's sister, Efrat, said the rescuers carefully extracted the girl from the ruins and placed her on a stretcher.

Shiran, after being brought out of the ruins, asked rescuers, "Do you have a Coca Cola with you?"

"With lemon?" one of the rescuers asked.

"No," she answered. "With a can and a straw, or maybe a bottle."

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I see by your walk you're an accountant

Today's topic is personal chafing—a widespread and, I believe, insufficiently appreciated threat to the fairgoing public.

The issue arises because I attended the Jerome County Fair earlier this month and was generally surprised that only bronco riders and the Village People—your basic chaps-wearing community—just deal with the embarrassment of walking funny, but this is not the case. I would challenge you to observe a number of new Wranglers come fair time and note the facial expressions of those who wear them. These are not folks at peace with their personal space.



DON'T ASK ME Steve Crump

Now comes the new generation of so-called "hard" jeans—denim on which you could land an Airbus. Besides the fact that you can't breathe over wearing the stuff, there's the additional problem of rubbing your rump raw.

This is not a challenge that your typical Spudnik handles with equanimity. In another day and age, in the era of iron men and unflappable women, stoicism reigned supreme.

No longer. To put it bluntly, the combination of thunder thighs and delicate derrieres has transformed jeans-wearing into a bad business for a lot of Westerners, prompting hundreds—maybe thousands—of fairgoers this summer to show up on the midway in chinos, or worse, cargo pants.

This is just not right. Take away the denim, and the only difference between Idaho and California is Jerry Brown.

Happily, there are remedies for jeans-induced abrasion. I know this because my older brother was a professional bull-rider on the PRCA rodeo circuit.

Stock riders have a big problem with chafing—the torque induced by a center who really can transform someone else can often mean that the end doesn't justify the jeans. So certain remedies have been developed.

One, of course, is wearing chaps, which are wonderful protection but a little like wrapping your legs in wet wallpaper. In a sport in which electricity is everything, most pros consider them too bulky.

Another practice of protecting the thighs and the rear with certain ointments came into general use. Vaseline is one, of course, but my brother told me the Real Men of the West used to use "Where you could find bear grease in 1955 is a good question. I'm sure no many Sprouse-Reiters carried it, so one supposes they got it from the source.

Bears, however, are notably loath to show themselves to be related to rodeo lubricants, so in fact assume there may have been a tussle or two.

In a course, after degreasing a bear-riding's tail must seem pretty joyful. Anyway, the trouble with bear grease is that it's prone to cause hives on some folks, in which case you get a real problem.

Brother Pete wore that most bullet-doggers and calf ropers were just roughstock riders who couldn't stand to sit much anymore.

One alternative was to toughen up the other quarters by roundin' up stock in your skivvies.

Union suits were preferred attire for this, since there's not much protection in a sixteenth of an inch of threadbare cotton. Drawback is, you can't go ridin' in your knickers just any more.

So the only real solution was to condition your buttocks and thighs by sittin' in a pickle barrel.

Now, I'm not sure what the scientific basis is for that, but the theory goes that hindquarters sufficiently cured by vinegar-don't have much trouble with saddle sores.

The story is that one feller used to barrel-sit behind the chutes just before the rodeo. One night, he took up station in what he thought was an amused chute at the Calgary Stampede. He was surprised when the gate opened, and he was sittin' there with his jeans down around his ankles?

Personally, I don't think most of us believe the rodeo is a good idea for drugstore cowboys. If you're in a barrel sittin', so here's a sensible option: Put on a pair of long-johns and then have the seamstress spray-paint the bottom half black.

Slay a belt and a buckle on top, and nobody will be the wiser.

You can still walk funny if you like, but at least you won't have to drive the pickup home standin' up.

Times-News features editor Steve Crump just figured out why Diamondfield Jack uses so much.

BLM hearing will discuss more grazing

By N.S. Mokkattam Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS—At the request of permittees, Bureau of Land Management officials propose to more than double livestock grazing on about 40,000 acres in western Twin Falls and eastern Owyhee counties.

For more than a decade, BLM officials in the Jarbidge Resource Area have been granting temporary permits for additional forage left at the end of the grazing season.

In the past, ranchers with grazing permits in the area asked for additional forage, and if the season was there at the end of the season, BLM officials would approve the permit.

Changes in grazing regulations in 1995 opened the temporary permits to public comment and appeal. The permits now take 90 to 120 days to process. With limited manpower, the BLM simply may not have time to process all the requests. The rancher must ask for the permit at the beginning of the grazing season, and the BLM must decide whether the grass will be available before it is even growing.

Want to be heard?

What: Public hearing.
When: 7 p.m. Monday.
Where: Room 104 of the Shield Building at the College of Southern Idaho.
Why: An environmental assessment of a proposal to increase grazing in the Jarbidge Resource Area in western Twin Falls and eastern Owyhee counties.

Now rather than go through the lengthy process every year, some ranchers have requested to make the additional annual grazing capacity a part of their permits.

The BLM has set a public hearing on an environmental assessment of one such proposed change to increase grazing from 1,750 animal unit months to 4,000 AUMs—a 128 percent increase of 2,250 AUMs—on the Devil Creek-Balanced Rock Allotment about 30 miles west of Twin Falls.

The public meeting is set at 7 p.m. Monday, in Room 104 of the Shield Building at the College of Southern Idaho.

The BLM manages grazing on public lands by a unit based on the amount of forage eaten by one cow and her calf in one month, known as an "animal unit month" or AUM for short.

The Jarbidge Resource Area includes about 150,000 AUMs on 1.5 million acres. Over past 10 to 15 years, BLM officials have been granting temporary permits for an average of about 50,000 AUMs annually. That's enough grass to feed about 4,000 cows for a year, or about 8,000 cows for six months.

The increased grazing capacity is the result of better forage from receding past fires and management changes. Ranchers have invested in range development.

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IN THE INTEREST OF ART



Sagebrush Art Guild members Nola Kacalik, left, and Marjorie Clark talk about this year's entries in between greeting visitors to the art building. Lynn Larson's "Best of Show" portrait of her daughter is in foreground.

Blind artist's work earns 'Best of Show'

By Loraine Croston Times-News writer

GOODING—It isn't every day that a blind person sits down and paints a picture.

It also isn't every day that a picture painted by a blind woman wins "Best of Show" at the Gooding County Fair and Rodeo. But that is exactly what Lynn Larson's painting of her daughter did.

"She's legally blind and one of the best artists in the guild," said Gaydena Kulhanek, secretary of the Sagebrush Art Guild.

Larson's painting, from an old photo taken of her daughter dressed up for a rodeo nearly 25 years ago, was painted using a magnifying glass, Kulhanek said. And it wasn't Larson's only prize-winning painting in the display. Larson also won

'She's legally blind and one of the best artists in the guild.'

—Gaydena Kulhanek, Sagebrush Art Guild

third best of the show and ribbons in a couple other categories as well.

A prize for a painting following the fair's theme—Kicking into the New Millennium—was given to Amber Bonnes. Kulhanek explained her reasoning behind the painting of whales and a sunset winning the theme prize.

The judge studied it a long time and said the sunset represented the old millennium going out and the whales represented the

new millennium coming in, Kulhanek said. "It was the first painting she ever did and she got it in five minutes before the deadline," Kulhanek said. Judge Floyd Drown is a renowned artist from Kimberly, Kulhanek said.

"He did a fabulous job judging," she said. Each year the guild chooses a judge for the show from a pool of local artists or art teachers, Kulhanek said.

Marge Clark, another guild artist who won a few ribbons on paintings at the show, is one of the organizers of the guild, which was started 33 years ago. Clark helped organized the guild, along with Marilyn LaCroix, a renowned artist, who was living in Gooding at the time.

"She was my first teacher," Clark said. "I took lessons from her once a month for a year."

Since then LaCroix moved away and

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Patchwork touches hearts at Cassia County Fair

By Coona Hart Times-News correspondent

BURLEY—Patchwork. Snippets of fabric stitched together in a thousand colorful patterns and colors. A reminder of home. A feeling of security.

Cassia County Fair's quilt section was filled with overflowing and remarkable entries. Judging and hanging went into overtime, but spectators agreed it was worth it.

"Just warm people—it's addictive," said Quilt Superintendant Carol June Anderson. "You can take scraps of leftover fabric and turn them into a family heirloom that can be handed down for a hundred years."

Quilts and quilted items representing all ages and skill levels hung row by row. Anderson said the quality overall was very good. Some quilts had stories to tell.

Ten-year-old Alyce Rollins made a quilt for her mother in a gold-hueded paisanetta print 30 years ago. Lots of little girls helped her. She says it won't be her last quilt, but when she gets tired of the quilt work, she can switch to crocheted cross-stitch.

A tiny doll quilt in pastels, showing its years, was entered by



Quilters love to talk quilting. Lois Hiltnerbrand discusses her tumbling blocks quilt with two sisters of the thimble, Evelyn Spreier and Katie Armstrong.

Mary Ellen Christensen. "I didn't have it judged," Rasmussen said. "It was made by my brother's mother-in-law about 30 years ago. Lots of little girls have wrapped their dolls in it."

Rasmussen also entered her mother's crocheted dollies from about 1905 and 1906, and pillowcases made by her paternal grandmother who was drowned in the Willard flood in 1923.

blocks pattern contains nearly 3,000 diamond-shaped pieces, joined by the English hand-piecing method. She calls it her car quilt because she took it with her in the car to work on. She sated the blocks around for 8 years. By skillfully using color, the pattern appears to be three dimensional. One toddler was so fascinated that she kept touching it, even though her mother frequently reminded her of the no touching rule.

Hiltnerbrand is making a quilt for each of her grandchildren. She also makes at least two quilts each year for charity. This year's quilts are headed to Kosovo. She's also sent quilts to Honduras for flood relief. She said the tying is different for the Honduran quilts since they'll be laundered on a rock in a stream and have to be able to take a beating.

Janine Taylor made a very special quilt for her 8-year-old granddaughter, Marquell Jackson of Twin Falls. Maquell gave her grandmother drawings over the years and Taylor copied them onto fabric blocks. There's also a fragment from her paternal grandmother's quilt, an embroidery block of her maternal great-grandmother's that was

never quilted, and even a square from Maquell's original baby "blanket."

Maquell made the following list in her Sunday class in 1994, and it is now immortalized for posterity.

"My name is Maquell, and I am thankful for:
1. Family—brothers, Dad, Mom
2. House
3. Wonderful food
4. My room—blanket—pink—white
5. Rinsengerich polish
6. Heavenly father and Jesus
The best of show went to Fran Gray's Baltimore Album quilt, an intricate mélange of fantasy flowers, a hummingbird and beautiful wreaths of flowers, with a dainty applique'd basket in the center. The quilt has over 800 3/4-inch grapes used in the dimensional details such as a fabric photo album in one block. A Baltimore Album is one of those lifetime achievement kinds of projects."

Maquell's quilt is a beautiful most people never do a second quilt. These are only a few of the many excellent quilts judged this year. Quilters and non-quilters alike should gratified with the offerings. And Lois Hiltnerbrand has already started a quilt for next year.

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MAGIC VALLEY

Elko County commissioners hear Jarbidge's water woes

By Sam Feltman Times-News correspondent

JARBIDGE, Nev. — The Jarbidge water system is not only broken, it's more than \$40,000 in debt, Elko County Chief Financial Officer Cash Minor told Elko County commissioners Wednesday at their meeting at the community center in Jarbidge.

Minor said the water system's depreciation is overriding the fees collected.

Elko County commission Chairman Tony Lescperance told Jarbidge residents that commissioners would do everything possible to help alleviate the problem.

"We cannot swallow a mandate that costs a million dollars for a community of 18 residents," Lescperance said. "We are going to do everything we can do to get this thing solved without undo burdens on you."

Lescperance said the concept of a rate increase is very difficult and it's important to get local input.

"I will assure you, before a

Meet with Bryan

Senior Richard Bryan, D-Mov., will meet with Elko residents at 2 p.m. Sept. 3 in room 105 of the courthouse. Those who would like to have a special item put on the agenda may write to George Boucher, 569 Court Street, Elko, Nev. 89801.

rate increase occurs, this commission will meet with you eye-ball to eyeball," Lescperance said.

Elko County Community Development Director Charles Voos said the Jarbidge solid waste system is working fine but asked residents for their cooperation in the handling of solid waste. He asked residents to make sure all trash is in plastic bags and deposited in dumpsters and not in the truck. He said Jarbidge waste is transported to the transfer station in Jackpot and then hauled to Miller Butte and loose waste can blow out of the truck.

The only visible rift at a meeting in a small town that rolls out

the red carpet for commissioners each year was the mention of the U.S. Forest Service and the final closure of the landfill. Voos said he met with representatives from the Nevada Department of Environmental Protection and the U.S. Forest Service at the old landfill site. He said the NDEP said the site had met all the qualifications and was ready for seeding but the Forest Service disagreed, claiming the present soil won't sustain new growth and top soil should be brought in and regraded. The NDEP offered to install three monitoring wells at its own expense.

Jarbidge residents want the site closed because the city plans to use it as a heliport for Lifeflight helicopters. A permit cannot be issued for a heliport until the site is signed off as a permanently closed landfill site.

Elko County Manager George Boucher said LifeLight could land there now and that the permit is "just a technicality."

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

ANNIVERSARY



Erwin and Erna Bernthal

The Bernthals — LINCOLN—Neb. — Erwin and Erna Bernthal of Lincoln, Neb. will observe their 60th wedding anniversary today.

The couple was married Aug. 22, 1939, at the Zion Lutheran Church in Offerle, Kan.

Before moving to Lincoln in 1957, they lived in Twin Falls for more than 20 years. He is a former pastor of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls.

The event will be given by their children, John (Marilyn) Bernthal of Lincoln, Neb., Frederick (Heather) Bernthal of Washington, D.C., Stuart (Katherine) Bernthal of Libertyville, Ill., Rebecca Bernthal of Lincoln, Neb., and Christine Bernthal of Mantua, N.C. The couple has five grandchildren.

Cards and well wishes may be sent to their home at 7005 Shamrock Road, Apartment 101, Lincoln, NE 68506.

ENGAGEMENT

Mayfield-Loveland Loveland, son of Glen and Lois Loveland of Heyburn. Mayfield attended Madison High School in Rexburg. She is employed at Unit 54 in Burley. Loveland attended Burley High School. He is employed by Kim Hansen Chevrolet in Burley.

The wedding and reception were held Saturday at the Loveland residence. The couple will live in Burley.

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THESE ARE THE FACES BEHIND OUR NAME DEATH NOTICES Dora L. Sobotka BUIIL — Dora L. Sobotka, 90, died Saturday, Aug. 21, 1999, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Castleford schools feel enrollment crunch

By Leandra Reuble Times-News correspondent

CASTLEFORD — Castleford schools are beginning to feel the enrollment pinch and are looking at ways to deal with growth.

Now that the bond issue that built the new high school is paid off, the School Board on Tuesday directed Superintendent Kelly Murphy to explore the possibility of putting another bond issue to voters to help build more elementary classrooms.

Murphy said the district has 379 kindergarten through 12th

grade students, up 9 percent from last year. Murphy said the district is currently reviewing the enrollment policy to see if there are guidelines for turning students away. Most schools run out of classroom space in the fall.

In other School Board business: • Board member Dale Smith was formally sworn into office.

• The Castleford Men's Club and School Board picnic was set for 5:30 p.m. Sept. 15 at the school.

• The board got a look at work done this summer at the elemen-

tary school, including improvements to classrooms, new linoleum and electrical work.

• Murphy said the district is putting together a committee to form an official policy for extra credit at the high school.

• The board approved bus routes for the upcoming school year.

• The board approved using surplus funds from last year to buy new computers for the school.

Times-News correspondent Leandra Reuble can be reached in Castleford at 537-6817.

SERVICES

Kent Olen Pruett, of Oakley, memorial service at 10 a.m. Monday at the Paul Pine Chapel at the Paul Cemetery; friends may call from 9:30 a.m. until time of service Monday at the Paul Pine Chapel (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

N. in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 3 to 8 p.m. today, with family to greet friends from 6 to 8 p.m. at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, and from 10 a.m. to time of the service Monday at the church.

Burley, 1 p.m. Monday at the View Ward building, 500 E. 550 S. in Burley; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary, Burley Chapel and from noon to 12:45 p.m. Monday at the church.

Katherine "Kate" Stocks Feltman, of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. Monday at the LDS Church 5th Ward building, 421 Maurice St.

Juna Graham, of Buhl, grave-side service at 11 a.m. Monday at Twin Falls Cemetery.

Val G. Tracy, of Burley, 2 p.m. Monday at the Declo Cemetery; friends may call from noon to 1:30 p.m. Monday at Payne Mortuary in Burley.

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JEROME



H. Randy Jackson

H. Randy Jackson, 71, of Jerome, Idaho, went to be with the Lord on Friday, August 20, 1999, at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise, of complications following surgery.

Twin Falls, serving in several capacities. He was a man with a tender heart and was fond of all animals, especially his little dog, Chica.

Randy is survived by his wife, Carmen of Jerome; two sons, Bryan (Mary Ann) Jackson of Fort Lupton, TX, and Ricky, J.T. (Linda) Jackson of Milford, OH; three brothers, Jancy Jackson, J. T. Jackson and Edwin Jackson, all of Texas, a daughter, Shereena (Rich) of Clois, CA; ten grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services for Randy will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, August 24, 1999, at White Mortuary in Twin Falls. Entombment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park Military Rites and will be given by the Magic Valley Area Veterans and Auxiliary. Friends may call at White Mortuary on Monday, August 23, from 4 to 6 p.m. The family suggests that memorials be given to the Hazel Wilder, 359 Orchard Ave., Twin Falls, ID 83301 or to the charity of the donor's choice.

SYRACUSE, UTAH



Marjorie Thurman Atwood

Marjorie Thurman Atwood, 74, passed away peacefully in her

home in Syracuse, Utah, after a prolonged illness on Friday, August 20, 1999.

Marjorie was born on January 30, 1925, in Blackfoot, Idaho, the daughter of O.M. and Florence Lee Thurman. She graduated from Utah High School in Vernal, Utah, on August 3, 1943. Marjorie married her high school sweetheart, Dr. Garth W. Atwood in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. The love for her Savior and family was the driving force behind all that Marjorie did. She was always enthusiastic and cheerful in her devotion to her husband, children, and extended family.

Marjorie wrote and directed many drama and musical productions, used her creativity in cooking, quilting and homemaking and was an accomplished seamstress. She was known for outstanding leadership in various church positions and as President of both the State and National Chiropactic Auxiliary Organizations. In the light of recent years was serving an LDS Church mission with her husband in Fort Worth, Texas.

Marjorie is survived by her husband, Garth, who calls her blessed; daughters, Linda Lee (Dianne) Leach, Syracuse, Utah; Betty Jo (Dale) Quigley, Twin Falls, Idaho; Beverly Kay (Trent) Harrison, Taylorsville, Utah; Mary Sue (Steve) Crookston, Proton, Idaho; and son, Johnny Ray (Susan) Atwood, Atlanta, Georgia; 26 grandchildren; and 42 great-grandchildren, all of whom revere her for the tender loving care she provided. She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Grant and Kay Thurman.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, August 25, at 11 a.m. at the South Bullf Ward Chapel, 000 West 2700 South in Syracuse — Utah, with Bishop Norman Bennett officiating. Friends and family may call at Lindquist Layton Mortuary, 1867 North Fairfield Road in Idaho Falls on Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Interment will be at Rock Point Cemetery in Vernal, Utah.

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER. Some names are omitted at patient's request.

Admitted: Kerry Tucker of Twin Falls. Released: Shirley Hill, Carlyle Larkin and Vergil Hansen, all of Twin Falls.

CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER. Admitted: Earl Blacker and Laura Prewitt, both of Burley. Released: Brandy Greener and Hilarie Kurnajko, both of Burley; Seriyia Naranjo and Georgina Rodriguez, both of Rupert; and Patti Kild and Margarita Vega, both of Oakley.

Births: A baby was born to Laura and KC Prewitt of Burley.

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Admitted: Cindy Alberson of Paul. Released: Fabian Larios of Rupert.

Births: A son was born to Cindy and Wade Alberson of Paul.

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Bradley, focus on first lady have Gore scrambling in N.Y.

The Washington Post

Vice President Al Gore's campaign is racing to secure as many financial and political commitments as possible in the critical primary state of New York before Hurricane Hillary sweeps across the landscape.

Faced with first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton's headline-grabbing Senate bid, the now-native son status of Democratic rival Bill Bradley and the ghost of Gore's abysmal 1988 primary finish in the state, the vice president finds himself battling unusually long odds in the March 7 primary.

"Hillary is larger than life," said Democratic consultant Hank Scheinkopf. "The smart strategy is to lock down everything humanly possible because ultimately people will only pay attention

to Hillary."

Bradley's advisers and several neutral analysts say Gore is playing catch-up in a state he grossly misread the last time he ran for president.

"The big problem Gore has in relation to the first lady's candidacy and Bradley's is that they initially reached out to local officials in an efficient, effective way," said one Democratic Party leader. "There were a number of mistakes early in the Gore campaign that they're trying to overcome."

In 1988, then-Sen. Gore alienated black and Jewish voters in New York, and his 10 percent finish in the primary ended his presidential prospects.

Bradley, on the other hand, played basketball for the New York Knicks for 10 years, represented neighboring New

Jersey in the Senate for 18 years and has deep ties to Wall Street.

In a Quintipointe College poll earlier this month, Bradley closed the Democratic primary gap to 9 percentage points. Perhaps more significantly, he led Republican George W. Bush by 7 percentage points, whereas Gore led the Texas governor by just 2 points.

"Vice President Gore has been locked out (a statistical) from Bush, and that's not a good place for a Democratic presidential candidate to be," said Maurice Carroll, director of the college's polling institute.

Although New York historically has voted Democratic in presidential elections, the state's March 7 primary is especially important because it's early and on the nominating calendar and because if Bradley's insurgent bid is to catch on,

he must perform well there.

Already, the Gore campaign is trying to lower expectations for the vice president in New York, pointing to Bradley's connections to the state.

"He has a huge-court advantage," Gore campaign chairman Tony Coelho said of Bradley. "Despite that, the vice president is taking New York seriously; he has organized hard and we are seeing real results."

Gore does have to win New York; One of Gore's key field organizers set the bar even higher for their rival: "If New York isn't Bradley's base, what is Bradley's base here?"

Responding to criticism that the campaign was late in turning its attention to New York, Gore's advisers say they had to build organizers first in Iowa and New Hampshire, which kick off the

nominating season. The Gore strategy now is to return to old-fashioned party politicking with a corporate twist. In recent weeks, the vice president, wife Tipper and Coelho have made the pilgrimage to New York to win fund-raisers, county chairmen and leaders of key constituencies such as labor, gays and Hispanics.

Their personal intervention is beginning to pay dividends: Westchester County Democratic Chairman David Alpert, after flirting with a Bradley endorsement and meeting with Gore, announced in a session Tuesday with Coelho and other county chairmen that he is supporting the vice president.

Tipper Gore, meanwhile, secured the backing of more than a dozen county chairmen in New York's Democratic Rural Conference.



Coming down the stretch of the final day at the Cassia County Fair, three jockeys and their mounts race to the screams of a full grand stand at the fairgrounds rodeo arena Saturday. Paintnutt horse racing was held Friday and Saturday afternoon at the fair drawing large crowds.

Tradition

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Both Bowen and Draper said that they know a lot of family reunions, class reunions and other similar events are scheduled each year during the fair, because people will be coming back to Cassia County for the fair anyway.

Plans are already under way for next year's version of the fair - the 90th annual. And although there will be some "tweaking" of a few things, the fair will remain largely unchanged as it has for years.

"I saw an old couple - probably in the 80s - walking around looking at everything. They were probably remember 50 years worth kids and grandkids in 4-H and who knows what else," Bowen said. "Right next to them was a

Crowned queen

In front of a sell-out rodeo crowd, Sydney Kidd was crowned 2000's Cassia County Fair and Rodeo Queen by last year's reigning queen Becky West. Kidd, the daughter of Ben and Kerry Kidd of Declo, was one of seven young ladies vying for the crown. She was named the new queen in a ceremony during Saturday's finale performance of the fair and rodeo.

young couple with a new baby - that's what this fair is about." Although Bowen believes attendance may have been a

lower this year, he's very satisfied with the outcome. "With such a supportive community, you can't fail," he said.

Fair

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Clark continued to paint and legs sold paintings to customers around the world, Clark said. She not only paints, but is a mother of four children, 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. "Painting is the best therapy I could ever recommend," she said. "At my easel I pour out my soul on that picture, thanking God for what I have."

The Sagebrush Art Guild meets at 8 p.m. on every second Tuesday of the month except for July and August. Artists do demonstrations and give talks. There is a lesson with each meeting. For more information, call Kulhanek at 934-8337.



In a traditional, last-day-of-the-fair water fight, Stephanie Vos of Bliss soaks Jake Patterson of Hageman behind the livestock barns.

Grazing

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and improved livestock management, and they have helped fight fires. Many have come to depend on the extra grass.

But taxpayers have invested more than \$12.5 million from 1992 through 1996 in the seedlings of burned areas in the Jarbidge Resource Area, helping to increase the amount of forage. The resource area - from Salmon Falls Creek to the Bruneau River, and from the Snake River to Nevada - gets a lot of lightning strikes. And past grazing practices and the introduction of cheat grass have led to larger, more frequent fires set off by those lightning strikes.

From 1992 through 1996, the BLM spent more than \$6.2 million fighting fires and more than \$6.5 million on fire rehabilitation - that includes seeding and road, fence and cattle-guard repair - in the area.

Reseeding the land over the years has transformed 600,000 to 700,000 acres of sagebrush in the Jarbidge Resource Area to crested wheatgrass seedlings.

But replacing thousands of acres of sagebrush with crested wheat grass and other desert denizens that rely on sagebrush and other native plants, the Idaho Department of Fish and Game says.

Critics say turning over the extra forage to ranchers amounts to a giveaway of a public resource - areas that could instead be returned to the wildlife habitat they once were.

The amount of leased grazing land - in AUMS - adds to the value of a rancher's base property. The value varies with the quality of the grazing land and with the livestock market.

The value of grazing land in the Jarbidge Resource Area runs anywhere from \$25 to \$150 per

AUM. Making temporary AUMS a part of regular permits creates equity for the ranchers, critics say. This 2,250 aums would create \$56,250 to \$337,500 in equity for the rancher.

The public gets \$1.35 per animal per month. Monday's meeting is an opportunity for the public to question and comment on the environmental

assessment. The BLM will accept written comments on the proposal through Aug. 30. For information, contact BLM's Jarbidge Area Manager Edward Guerrero at 736-2350.

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BUS SCHEDULE FOR TWIN FALLS ROUTES

Bus Apache Morning Route
 7:29 Skyline Trailer Park
 7:30 Skyline Trailer Park
 7:33 3624 North 3000 East
 7:34 3636 North 3000 East
 7:35 Hillcrest and Blue Lakes
 7:37 High School
 7:55 O'Leary
 8:02 Blue house on right pole, 3670
 8:04 3636 North 3200 East
 8:06 Illinois Road, after 3225
 8:07 3251 East 3600 North
 8:08 3273 East 3600 North
 8:13 22150 Kinhruby
 8:19 Biddle School
 8:25 Oregon Trail

Bus Apache Afternoon Route
 2:57 O'Leary
 3:14 Oregon Trail
 3:27 Last house on Madrona, on right
 3:35 3090 Camille
 3:37 3078 Dickson
 3:38 3077 Jasper
 3:39 3095 Jasper
 3:40 Pole No. 3669 and 3670
 3:41 3636 North 3200 East
 3:45 Illinois Road
 3:46 3251 East 3600 North
 3:48 3273 East 3600 North
 3:53 3264 East 3700 North
 3:54 3239 East 3700 North

Bus Apollo Morning Route
 7:12 3860 Highway 74
 7:14 3813 North 2700 East
 7:15 3654 North 2700 East
 7:16 3667 North 2700 East
 7:17 2696 East 3700 North
 7:18 2683 East 3700 North
 7:19 2691 East 3700 North
 7:19 2996 East 3700 North
 7:22 3774 North 2600 East
 7:25 2705 East 3800 North
 7:26 2724 East 3800 North
 7:28 1253 South Park Avenue
 7:29 Gutch Lane
 7:31 627 Blake Street
 7:32 295 Victory Lane
 7:42 High School
 8:00 Stuart
 8:05 2nd Avenue West and Ostrander Street
 8:08 Russett Street and 4th Avenue West
 8:09 4th Avenue West and Oak Street
 8:10 890 3rd Avenue West
 8:15 Lincoln

Bus Apollo Afternoon Route
 3:12 Stuart
 3:16 Lincoln
 3:23 4th Avenue West and Oak Street
 3:25 890 3rd Avenue West
 3:25 3860 Highway 74
 3:34 3880 Highway 74
 3:35 3654 North 2700 East
 3:36 3667 North 2700 East
 3:38 2696 East 3700 North
 3:39 2683 East 3700 North
 3:41 2661 East 3700 North
 3:42 2996 East 3700 North
 3:43 3747 North 2600 East
 3:47 2705 East 3800 North
 3:49 2724 East 3800 North
 3:49 1309 South Park Avenue
 3:50 1253 South Park Avenue
 3:51 1207 South Park
 3:51 Gutch Lane
 3:55 295 Victory Lane

Bus Buggy Morning Route
 7:43 Carriage Apartments by White Flag
 7:45 Corner Longbow Drive and Buckingham
 7:47 2332 Castle
 7:48 Forestvale and Kingsgate
 7:49 Buckingham and Filer
 7:49 Stadium and Buckingham
 7:51 Rim View and Stadium
 7:56 O'Leary
 8:04 3050 Addison
 8:09 968 Hankins
 8:12 625 Trotter
 8:13 Hawatha and Trotter
 8:14 862 Trotter
 8:15 2685 9th Ave. E.
 8:15 Corner Of 9th and Carriage
 8:16 1036 Carriage
 8:25 Morningside

Bus Buggy Afternoon Route
 3:14 Whispering Pines
 Apartments
 3:15 Longbow and Buckingham
 3:16 2332 Castle
 3:17 Kingsgate and Forestvale
 3:18 Buckingham and Filer
 3:19 Buckingham and Stadium
 3:19 Stadium and Rim View
 3:26 Morningside
 3:27 625 Trotter on corner
 3:28 Hawatha and Trotter
 3:29 862 Trotter
 3:29 2685 9th Ave. East
 3:31 9th Avenue East and Carriage
 3:32 1036 Carriage
 3:52 3050 Addison
 3:58 968 Hankins

Bus Cascade Morning Route
 7:25 1550 Aspen
 7:27 1401 Country Villa
 7:28 132 Pheasant
 7:29 Atzec and Coronado
 7:30 Atzec and Caliente
 7:33 Orchard and Harrison
 7:44 High School
 7:55 O'Leary
 8:06 First house past Harrison on right
 8:07 Cascade Drive
 8:09 1560 Cottonwood
 8:10 1550 Aspen
 8:12 1467 Washington St. S.
 8:13 1401 Washington St. S.
 8:14 132 Pheasant
 8:15 Atzec and Inca

8:18 Valencia and Corndon
 8:19 El Camino and Caliente
 8:25 Oregon Trail
Bus Cascade Afternoon Route
 2:55 O'Leary
 3:18 Orchard and Harrison
 3:21 1550 Aspen
 3:21 Country Villa
 3:22 132 Pheasant
 3:23 Atzec and Coronado
 3:24 Atzec and Caliente
 3:30 Oregon Trail
 3:38 1560 Cottonwood
 3:42 1550 Aspenwood
 3:43 1467 Washington
 3:44 Country Villa Apartments
 3:49 132 Pheasant
 3:40 Atzec Inca

3:29 Rock Creek Trailer Park
 3:31 742 Grandview
 3:31 Laona
 3:34 Last driveway before 2700, grey house
 3:35 371 N. 2700 E.
 3:37 Marshall Lane
 3:38 3740 N. 2700 E.
 3:39 3716 N. 2700 E.
 3:40 3848 N. 2700 E.
 3:45-A Ok Trailer Park
 3:47 Holiday Motel
Bus Comet Morning Route
 7:35 O'Leary - Pick up High School students
 7:42 High School
 7:47 Swimming pool
 7:55 O'Leary

8:02 376 Eastland
 8:04 2235 Kingsgate
 8:05 429 Buckingham
 8:05 Buckingham and Longbow
 8:06 767 Buckingham
 8:08 Hillcrest and Knorringham
 8:10 White flag behind complex
 on Whispering Pines
 8:18 Morningside
Bus Comet Afternoon Route
 3:08 O'Leary
 3:15 Swimming pool
 3:19 Madrona and Heyburn
 3:22 Elm Housing by office
 3:29 Morningside
 3:37 326 Eastland
 3:40 2235 Kingsgate
 3:42 440 Buckingham
 3:43 Buckingham and Longbow
 3:44 Buckingham and Hillcrest
 3:45 Hillcrest and Knorringham
 3:47 Stop at last flagpole at apartment complex

Bus E.T. Morning Route
 7:43 Fawnbrook Apartments at Filmore
 7:45 Twin Falls High School
 7:55 Perrine School
 7:59 Stuart
 8:14 Heyburn and the Grey Apartments
 8:17 Elm Housing
 8:25 Harrison
Bus E.T. Afternoon Route
 2:45 Perrine
 3:04 Stuart
 3:20 North View Apartments
 3:25 Fawnbrook at Filmore
 3:35 Harrison School
 3:43 Heyburn and Grey Apartments
 3:45 Elm Housing
 4:00 Filmore behind Costco

Bus Eagle Morning Route
 7:42 Eagle Alternative
 7:43 Eagle Alternative
 7:44 Eagle Alternative
 7:45 Eagle Alternative
 7:46 Eagle Alternative
 7:47 Eagle Alternative
 7:48 Eagle Alternative
 7:49 Eagle Alternative
 7:50 Eagle Alternative
 7:51 Eagle Alternative
 7:52 Eagle Alternative
 7:53 Eagle Alternative
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 7:55 Eagle Alternative
 7:56 Eagle Alternative
 7:57 Eagle Alternative
 7:58 Eagle Alternative
 7:59 Eagle Alternative
 8:00 Eagle Alternative

Bus Eagle Afternoon Route
 2:42 Magic Valley Alternative
 2:43 Magic Valley Alternative
 2:44 Magic Valley Alternative
 2:45 Magic Valley Alternative
 2:46 Magic Valley Alternative
 2:47 Magic Valley Alternative
 2:48 Magic Valley Alternative
 2:49 Magic Valley Alternative
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 2:56 Magic Valley Alternative
 2:57 Magic Valley Alternative
 2:58 Magic Valley Alternative
 2:59 Magic Valley Alternative
 3:00 Magic Valley Alternative

Bus Gemini A.M. Route
 7:09 21394 Highway 30
 7:11 3881 N. 2500 E.
 7:12 3823 N. 2500 E.
 7:13 3813 N. 2500 E.
 7:14 3800 North - stop sign, house on the corner
 7:15 2287 E. 2800 N.
 7:15 2530 E. 2800 N.
 7:16 2514 E. 2800 N.
 7:17 2547 E. 2800 N.
 7:17 2523 E. 2700 N.
 7:17 Sherman St.
 7:18 Pleasant View Acres
 7:20 House with green roof
 7:21 2823 N. 2500 E.
 7:22 2652 N. 2500 E.
 7:23 2612 N. 2500 E.
 7:24 Moon Ompus Way
 7:25 2699 N. 2500 E.
 7:26 2699 N. 2500 E.
 7:27 Lura Lane 3760 N.
 7:31 Twin View
 7:33 3818 N. 2500 E. Bonnie

7:41 Binneroot and Madrona
 7:42 Binneroot and Teaware
 7:43 Hols and Evergreen
 7:45 Lacey and Evergreen
 7:47 Jubie and Galena
 7:48 Candleridge and
 Candleridge Circle
 7:49 Candleridge and Mountain View
 7:55 O'Leary
 8:02 2775 Filer E.
 8:04 250 Woodland Drive
 8:05 262 White Pine
 8:06 285 Stadium
 8:07 Rim View and Stadium
 8:08 855 College Drive
 8:10 2842 Dorn
 8:12 Dorn Drive and Circle
 8:23 Morningside

Bus Gemini Afternoon Route
 3:01 Stuart
 3:15 Abnornate High School
 3:16 Lincoln
 3:21 3881 N. 2500 E.
 3:21 3872 E. 4000 N.
 3:21 2842 Dorn
 3:24 2530 E. 2800 N.
 3:25 2513 E. 2800 N.

Bus Gemini M. Morning Route
 7:34 21323 Quinn Trailer Park
 7:35 21345 Highway 30
 7:38 A Ok Trailer Park
 7:42 Valley House, 507 Addison Avenue N.
 7:44 Elk Tire
 7:55 High School
 8:20 Stuart
 8:35 Lincoln School

Bus Gemini M. Afternoon Route
 3:01 Stuart
 3:15 Abnornate High School
 3:16 Lincoln
 3:21 3881 N. 2500 E.
 3:21 3872 E. 4000 N.
 3:21 2842 Dorn
 3:24 2530 E. 2800 N.
 3:25 2513 E. 2800 N.

Bus Gemini M. Morning Route
 7:34 21323 Quinn Trailer Park
 7:35 21345 Highway 30
 7:38 A Ok Trailer Park
 7:42 Valley House, 507 Addison Avenue N.
 7:44 Elk Tire
 7:55 High School
 8:20 Stuart
 8:35 Lincoln School

Bus Gemini M. Afternoon Route
 3:01 Stuart
 3:15 Abnornate High School
 3:16 Lincoln
 3:21 3881 N. 2500 E.
 3:21 3872 E. 4000 N.
 3:21 2842 Dorn
 3:24 2530 E. 2800 N.
 3:25 2513 E. 2800 N.

Bus Grandview and Hillcrest Drive
 3:54 3666 N. 2800 E. next house
 3:55 3624 Grandview
 3:56 918 Orchard Canyon Road
 3:58 208 Orchard
Bus Lucky Morning Route
 7:25 104 Brooklane E.
 7:26 126 Brook Lane
 7:27 141 Brook Lane
 7:28 Brooklane and Clear Springs
 7:29 Brooklane
 7:32 2600 E. 4000 N.
 7:37 2604 E. 4000 N.
 7:38 2672 E. 4000 N.
 7:40 3967 N. 2700 E.
 7:47 Lincoln
 7:57 High School
 8:09 Stuart
 8:14 Lincoln

Bus Lucky Afternoon Route
 3:10 Stuart
 3:19 Harrison School
 3:27 Lincoln
 3:30 2604 and Ostrander
 3:37 104 Brooklane
 3:38 126 Brook Lane
 3:39 At lane on right
 3:40 Clear Springs
 3:41 Cross Road
 3:50 Last house, left side before 2600 E.
 3:55 2664 E. 4000 N.
 3:54 2672 E. 4000 N.
 3:55 3967 N. 2700 E.

Bus Lucy Morning Route
 7:13 888 Poleline Road
 7:15 2672 E. 4100 N.
 7:21 1085 Sunway
 7:22 Wild Flower Lane
 7:25 1336 Falls Avenue W
 7:31 1154 Grandview N.
 7:36 1314 Washington
 7:40 High School
 7:55 Stuart
 8:04 40 - next to empty lot
 8:09 Shop and Rose N.
 8:11 Trailer court, just past Richardson Drive
 8:20 Lincoln Elementary

Bus Lucy Afternoon Route
 3:14 1154 Grandview N.
 3:18 2672 E. 4100 E.
 3:19 Rock Creek Estates
 3:23 1085 Sunway
 3:24 Wild Flower, 909 Sunway
 3:25 1335 Falls Ave. W.
 3:26 Rim View Drive East, 1336 Falls Ave. W.
 3:27 888 Poleline
 3:35 1519 Washington St. N.

Bus Orion Morning Route
 7:10 2525 E. 3500 N.
 7:20 3493 N. 2500 E.
 7:25 3549 N. 2500 E.
 7:26 Kluss house on Highway 74
 7:27 151 Highway 74
 7:28 207 Highway 74
 7:29 317 Highway 74
 7:30 329 Highway 74
 7:37 3586 N. 2700 E.
 7:38 375 Highway 74
 7:44 511 Highway 74
 7:52 Harrison Park
 8:02 Stuart
 8:15 Oregon Trail

Bus Orion Afternoon Route
 3:00 Stuart depart
 3:15 Harrison Park
 3:21 Oregon Trail School
 3:26 Clinton Drive, junior high, high school only
 3:27 Earl Drive
 3:28 317 Highway 74
 3:33 Skyline Trailer Park
 3:34 White house, red roof
 3:40 375 Highway 74
 3:41 356 N. 2700 E.
 3:52 3493 N. 2500 E.
 3:56 3549 N. 2500 E.
 3:58 Kluss House
 3:59 Highway 74
 4:04 151 Highway 74
 4:06 207 Highway 74
 4:07 317 Highway 74
 4:08 329 Highway 74
Bus Pennants Morning Route
 7:16 754 Canyon Rim Road
 7:17 754 Canyon Rim Road
 7:18 2732 E. 4100 N.
 7:20 305 Howard Drive
 7:21 427 Eldwards Drive
 7:22 471 Kay Drive
 7:23 West Wild Ranch
 7:24 464 Mahard Drive
 7:25 463 Mahard Drive
 7:26 2732 E. 2800 N.
 7:31 2744 N. 2800 E.
 7:33 Brown fence, Blake St.
 7:35 274 Avenida Del Rio, end of fence before Avenida Circle
 7:45 High School
 7:54 Biber Stuart and Perrine
 8:02 Blake St.
 8:03 274 Avenida Del Rio, end of fence before Avenida Circle
 8:09 Corner of Northview and Greenwood
 8:13 951 Lincoln
 8:15 Harrison
Bus Pennants Afternoon Route
 2:44 Stuart
 3:18 Blake St.
 3:20 274 Avenida Del Rio
 3:26 Harrison
 3:33 Corner of Northview and Greenwood
 3:41 951 Lincoln
 3:43 1760 Lincoln
 3:47 274 Avenida Del Rio
 3:48 754 Canyon Rim Road
 3:49 463 Mahard Drive
 3:50 2732 Grandview
 3:51 2744 Grandview
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WEST

Utah's online school flounders

Touted 'virtual university' gets off to quiet beginning

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — So far, reality isn't so pretty for the virtual university that opened a year ago amid a lot of pomp and circumstance.

The Western Governors University was hailed as a landmark online college and Utah Gov. Mike Leavitt predicted that thousands of students would be enrolled within a few years.

But a year after the school opening with an operating budget and startup costs totaling \$13 million, only about 120 students have enrolled in slightly fewer than 130 courses offered over the Internet by various universities.

"It's very possible that (the publicity) has created an image for it that it will take some time to fulfill," Leavitt said recently.

It's just that the WGU faces a key visit from accreditors next year.

While about 100 more students have signed up for four unaccredited degrees in the past four months, officials say it's the concept, not the numbers, that people should pay attention to.

"We're pioneering here," Leavitt said. "We have succeeded at it yet, but we're clearly the furthest along of anyone who's attempted it."

Charlotte Farr, director of distance education and creative services at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas, isn't so forgiving. She said she'd have a lot more students with the same funding.

"I'm dumbfounded," she said. Western Governors University was the vision of Leavitt and former Colorado Gov. Roy Romer. It has 39 higher-learning institutions in 19 states and Guam offering courses over the Internet. The goal is to provide college courses to isolated, rural citizens and training to workers in highly technical fields.

Measuring the success of an institution like WGU is difficult, said Leavitt, because, "there is no model to hold us up against."

Maybe not for long. Michigan



Utah Governor Mike Leavitt is a co-founder of the Western Governors University.

Virtual University was launched on Wednesday and Kentucky Commonwealth Virtual University is expected to go online in the fall.

While enrollment may be low at WGU, educators agree the school has forced traditional universities to embrace, or at least grudgingly accept, distance learning as a way to remain competitive.

"It certainly has given a vision to all higher education in the western United States that there

are other ways to get a degree," said Walden Sleight, an associate vice president at Utah State University, a WGU member.

WGU President Robert Mendenhall said he suspects thousands of students have used WGU's course catalog to find Internet classes, only to go directly to the university providing the course to bypass WGU's \$30 processing fee.

For that reason, WGU has abandoned the fee in favor of an agreement under which member

universities share 30 percent of the tuition paid by students signing up through WGU. In exchange, WGU will market the courses globally.

Leavitt says it is the degree programs that will make or break WGU.

The governor says enrollment is on track for the two-year associate degree programs in general studies, network administration and electronic manufacturing, and the masters degree program in learning and technology.

Leavitt expects 300 students in the degree programs by the end of the year and believes that should be enough for accreditors to evaluate the university when they visit early next year.

Without accreditation, WGU degrees are of little value. But Leavitt believes the school will be accredited and enrollment will jump.

It will have to if WGU is to remain financially viable. Mendenhall says the school needs 3,000 students in its degree programs to break even, a goal he expects to reach in three to five years.

The university's annual operating cost is about \$4 million. It has relied so far on high-tech sponsors such as Apple, IBM, Microsoft and America Online.

"If the overhead doesn't kill them then it has a chance of succeeding as people become more familiar with the programs," said John Dunn, program manager for independent learning at the University of Colorado in Boulder, a WGU member.

Leavitt argues WGU's costs are slight compared to the \$25 million it takes to construct a single brick-and-mortar classroom building.

And he compares WGU's early problems to the University of Utah, founded in 1850. The school's current enrollment is about 25,000 students.

"You know how many students the University of Utah had in its first year?" Leavitt asked. "Twelve."

Kinship murders bring long prison terms

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — One man who shot and killed his own fiancée and another man who murdered his sister's fiancée were given long prison terms.

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Senator blames racial remark on recent movie

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah Sen. Bob Bennett said he was reminded of the movie "Primary Colors" when he made a racial comment about Texas Gov. George W. Bush's presidential chances.

Bennett stopped short of apologizing but plans to continue damage-control efforts Monday in a meeting with Utah leaders of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

"I intend to talk this through," Bennett told Channel 4 KTVX-TV, saying he was distressed that "the good relationship I've had with the NAACP here in Utah during my six years as a senator might in some way be jeopardized."

NAACP leaders demanded an apology after Bennett Aug. 13 told an editorial board for the Standard-Examiner of Oquirrh that Bush could lose the GOP nomination only if "some system comes forward, let's say some black woman comes for-

ward with an illegitimate child that he fathered within the last 18 months."

The remark quickly drew criticism. "I can tell you that African-Americans living in Utah are offended by the racist remark," said Edward Lewis Jr., president of the NAACP in Utah, Idaho and Nevada branch.

The GOP senator said his "clumsy" comment was a reference to the book and movie "Primary Colors," the Clintonesque characterization that portrays a Southern governor's womanizing.

"I reached out for the most extreme scandal I could find," Bennett said, without actually naming the movie title. "One thing that Hollywood has put into a movie, by the way, a scandal where a white politician male takes unfair advantage of a black woman."

"I didn't use the right words," Bennett said. "I obviously did it in a clumsy way."

Bingham County has new prosecutor

BLACKFOOT (AP) — Bingham County commissioners have selected Carter Mackley as the county's new prosecuting attorney.

Mackley, 38, was a chief deputy prosecutor for 6.5 years under Tom Moss, who was the county prosecutor for 20 years. Moss is retiring Oct. 1.

Mackley will finish Moss' term and run for the office in January 2001.

"I've got some pretty big shoes to fill," Mackley said after being chosen Friday. "Tom has been the best possible mentor for this job."

Mackley is a Blackfoot native who graduated from Brigham Young University and Columbia Law School.

Although Moss was a part-time prosecutor, the position will be full time for Mackley. County commissioners decided earlier this year that the county's case load warranted a full-time prosecutor.

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Local jargon since 1890s now spoken by just three men

Grand Canyon visitor falls to his death

BOONVILLE, Calif. (AP) — Chipmunk is wearing rainbow socks. Chipmunk is wearing rainbow socks. Chipmunk is wearing rainbow socks. ...

It is called Boontling, and for nearly 40 years linguists, anthropologists, television producers, newspaper reporters — no less than William Safire of the New York Times — have tracked (picked up) hairpin mountain roads to get to this 16-mile-long valley to capture colorful Boontling speakers (harping) their indigenous jargon. It consists of 1,360 words.

"I've been on Johnny Carson twice. On 'Good Morning America,' I've been on 'Today' show. 'To Tell the Truth,' 'Bay Area Backroads' and with the 'Smothers Brothers.' I've been interviewed by Time magazine."

"You know, I never sought out or solicited any one of them. They just came along my way," said Glover, whose passion, in addition to harping, is collecting antique fruit jars. "The fascination with a hidden California thus Glover and his neighbors provide remains. Yet a vital ingredient is increasingly lacking in the search for it. Most Boontlingers have up and 'miled to the dustbins.' Or, translated into plain English, most are dead and in the cemetery."

"When Bobby goes, that will be about the end of it," said J. David Gallo, a Mendocino County supervisor and 27-year resident of Boonville, a village of 900 that is world epicenter of Boontling. "It exists now as an artifact," said Dr. Charles C. Adams, a retired professor of linguistics from California State University-Chico who wrote the book "Boontling: An American Lingua" in 1971.

"It's not used in everyday situations like it was. You could say it is being kept alive by artificial respiration," said Adams, who spent part of three years in the early 1960s in and among native Boontlingers, slowly

A partial glossary of Boontling terms

Applehead — Young woman of girl, griffind; derived from a Boontler's girlfriend who had an unusually small head.
Bahl — Good, the best; after Bahl shoes, which were considered the best brand.
Barney — To hug or kiss. After a Boontler named Barney known to great women unenthusiastically.
Bill Nunn — Pancake syrup. Boontler Bill Nunn ate syrup on nearly every food.
Brightlighter — A city resident; from the bright lights of the city.
Bright water — Pay phone; buckeye is the Boontling word for nickel, and Water was the first in town to own a phone.
Burt stork — A man with an unusually large family; derived from Burt, an old Valley resident with a large family, and stork, the fabled bringer of infants.
Doll — To foul something up. After a Boontler nicknamed Doll who was unkempt and confused.
Doodley — Candy or sweets; from the

Spanish "duico"
Harp — To speak; origin unknown.
Mosey — To abruptly change the subject of a conversation; refers to a woman named Mosey who had a habit of breaking into conversations and changing the subject.
Package-out billes — Dirty socks.
Origin unknown
Pike — To travel or walk; origin unknown.
Pike to the duties — To die; literally, to walk to the cemetery.
Shag — To mess up; from a man known as Shag who lacked coordination.
Sheweltooth — A doctor; from an early physician who had a big overbite.
Skipe — Preacher. Merging of "sly" and "pilot."
Wes leese — Grammar school; wes means "little," and "leese" is high school (from the abbreviation H.S.).

— Sources: "Boontling: An American Lingua" by Charles C. Adams, and the recollections of Wes Stool and Bob Glover.

persuading them to share the secrets of their language. Located 160 miles north of San Jose, the valley was settled in 1852 by Walter Anderson, who brought a gorgeous vale his name. Early residents were mainly Scots-Irish from the hills of North Carolina and Virginia; who planted hops and raised sheep, said Adams. Roads washed out in winter, and no railroad ever climbed the hills, so the valley remained largely in splendid isolation until after World War I.

Most linguists say Boontling originated in the 1880s in the hop fields and among the sheep shepers. But Glover has a slightly expanded version. "Back in the 1880s a girl from San Francisco got herself pregnant and was without benefit of clergy. Her family sent her to Boonville to stay with Aunt Jane Burger until after the baby was born and then they could adopt it out with no snitch on the family name," he said.

"Well, the women who worked in the hops fields found out about this and wanted to talk about the girl. So they invented code words so the children wouldn't be able to understand what they were talking about. Mothers began telling fathers, and

soon the men took an interest in developing the language. They created a series of words that would help them try to shirk (deceive) other men. "When they weren't working, the men could be found at the Anytime Saloon in town, and one day, when the stagecoach came in, a pretty young lady got off just as a vagrant breeze exposed her ankle. And so the men found a need to describe the female anatomy. "And I'd say that's a good place to stop in telling the story about the origin of the language," said Glover with a glimmer.

Adams said the demise of Boontling has been steadily under way for 80 years.

GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK, Ariz. (AP) — A man who climbed past safety barriers fell nearly 900 feet into the Grand Canyon and died, park officials said. Rangers recovered the body Friday, a day after the man was seen falling by other visitors from an overlook at Moran's Point. The man's identity became temporarily withheld. Park spokeswoman Raquel Gallardo said it was the Grand Canyon's first falling fatality this year.

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Utility seeking merger with PacifiCorp will reduce power bills

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — A foreign utility seeking to merge with PacifiCorp announced it would give eastern Idaho customers a break on their power bills for the next four years if the Idaho Public Utilities Commission approves the merger.

The 17 percent rate credit is a departure from ScottishPower's earlier position of refusing to offer a credit for PacifiCorp's 53,000 eastern Idaho customers.

ScottishPower has offered \$7.9 billion to merge with PacifiCorp, which does business in Idaho as Utah Power Co.

For the average residential customer of Utah Power, it is a savings of about \$1.27 a month and \$15.24 a year, Utah Power officials said Friday.

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ation could save about \$26.90 per month during the five month irrigating season.

Companywide, it is a \$1.6 million reduction per year, \$6.4 million over the four-year life of the credit.

During technical hearings earlier this summer, ScottishPower officials said flatly they would not consider a rate credit similar to that which had been offered in Oregon, and more recently, in Utah.

At later public hearings in Pocatello and Rexburg, ScottishPower's refusal to grant rate relief drew criticism from citizens and legislators who claimed Idaho was not being treated as fairly as other states in PacifiCorp's territory.

State Rep. Golden Linford, R,

Rexburg, was one of the first to hear of the rate credit, when Alan Richardson, the ScottishPower chief executive officer-designate for PacifiCorp if the merger is approved, told him Friday.

"I'd say this is a significant step in relationship to where they've been and what they've indicated in the past," Linford said. "They have not, until now, indicated any willingness to put any kind of cap on increases or give us any price relief as they have in other service areas."

But Linford did not know if the rate credit would be enough to stop what is perceived to be significant public opposition to the merger. Nor has it completely convinced Linford to support the merger.

'Quincy Library Group' plan becomes reality under new federal regulation

SACRAMENTO (AP) — The Quincy Library Plan, a sweeping forestry strategy spawned by years of meetings in a rural town library, has become reality with the signing of a new regulation that covers timber harvesting in three national forests.

U.S. Forest Service officials signed the document Friday in Quincy. It doubles logging on 2.5 million acres, bars new logging roads on 500,000 acres and prohibits the harvesting of trees more than 30 inches in diameter.

Federal authorities said the decision "protects California spotted owls and other wildlife" in the Plumas, Lassen and Tahoe national forests and sets up a broad strategy to reduce fire risks by boosting the removal of brush and scrub timber.

But environmentalists immediately criticized the action, saying it would damage fish and wildlife habitats and could be inconsistent with other pending federal environmental plans for the Sierra Nevada.

"Three-quarters of the testimony the Forest Service received asked the Forest Service to pro-

tect the forest. Then the Forest Service does exactly the opposite. It truly amazes me," said Scott Hoffman Black, head of the Sierra Nevada Forest Protection Campaign.

The Forest Service said the new regulation, known as the Quincy Library Group plan, after the library hall 140 miles north of Sacramento, also seeks to establish protection zones for aquatic life. The decision had been expected Tuesday but was delayed three days while Justice Department lawyers reviewed the document line-by-line.

About 11 percent of the land in

the three national forests would be affected, according to the Forest Service. Supporters said the regulation would save forests that otherwise could be lost in a conflagration fueled by too-thick timber stands.

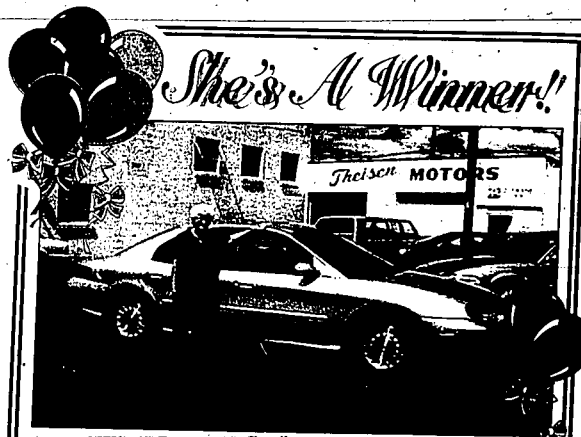
"One object is to cut down the danger-from-fire and reduce the crowding of trees per acre," said Bill Coates, a local businessman and early member of the Quincy Library Group. "You need to be able to drive a wagon and team of horses through there; now you can't even throw a football through it," said Coates, a former Plumas County supervisor.

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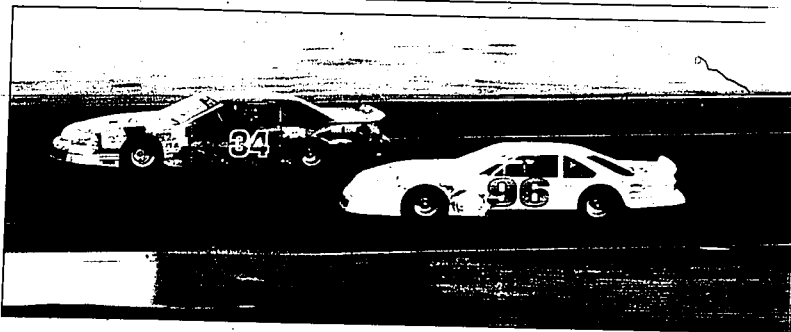
—Former Michigan football player Ekwood Reed, who teamed with Walterris coach Bo Schmeckler's son-in-law in a magazine article accusing the coach of abuse

Chandler powers Corvette to victory

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Pole sitter Ken Pola charged out into the early lead of the Late Model Lites 40-lap main event Saturday, but when the checkered flag flew it was Kenny Chandler in his Chevy Corvette that took the win.

"These cars are fast," Chandler said from the winner's circle. "The top four or five guys in this class are getting so competitive, it's pretty much a race to see who can get to the front first. We were fortunate enough to be that person in the front."



Kurt Campbell of Twin Falls takes the lead in the final few laps of the first heat of the Late Model Lites Saturday night at Magic Valley Speedway.

Yellow flags dominated the early portion of the race as three flew within the first 11 laps, but once racing got under way, the No. 1 of Jeff Keller took control by grabbing the front.

Keller held his lead for two laps before Chandler caught him out of Turn 4 for the lead on Lap 7.

Both leaders ran 1-2 through the next two laps before the third yellow appeared for a spun out Kovin Winters in the Turn 2 infield. After that, action picked up as eight cars remained in the hunt for the win.

It stayed true to form with the three cars of Chandler, Keller and the No. 12 of Bruce

Rennemann rolling into third. Lap 25 witnessed Rennemann catch Keller out of Turn 3.

It became a nose-to-tail race with Chandler in front of Keller and he felt him as well, when Keller gave Chandler a hard bump on Turn 4 sent the Corvette sideways but he held on to take the checkered flag.

"We've been pretty dominant (in Boise)," Chandler said. "But with the Late Model Lites, these guys have their act together and it takes a little bit more to outrun these guys."

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- Golf**
- Coors Club Championship at Twin Falls Municipal G.C.
 - Bob Lyon Senior Tournament at Gooding G.C.

IN BRIEF

Former Bruin Joslin leads Vandal rushing

MOSCOW — Saturday's first scrimmage for the defending Big West Conference football champion University of Idaho Vandals offered head coach Chris Torney and some 250 football-hungry fans a taste of Idaho football.

A freshman walk-on who spent the past week on the Vandals' scout team, Joslin, a 1999 Twin Falls High School graduate and All-Region first teamer, led all rushers with 48 yards on 4 carries.

Oregon freshman Zach Gardner and junior wideout Willie Alderson carried the ball more times (8 and 7, respectively), but couldn't touch his 12 yards per carry. Joslin also broke the longest ground gain of the day, a 17-yard scamper.

"Growing up on a farm, he knows how to work the field," Twin Falls High School coach Mark Schaal. "He'll be fine."

"He went up there and busted it," Schaal said.

Head coach for the Bruins last season, Joslin led the team with 93 tackles and five blocked punts. He was used sparingly in the Big West field against Westburg, gaining 13 yards on 22 carries. The Vandals' second full scrimmage is Thursday at 3:45 p.m. at the Kibbie Dome. The team practices in Pullman, Wash., today at 3:30 p.m.

Bengals look solid in third scrimmage

POCATELLO — Idaho State University's offense looked solid Saturday in its third controlled scrimmage of the season, scoring five touchdowns and five field goals on 17 drives.

The battle for starting quarterback continues, however. Both Shane Griggs and Kevin McCarthy were impressive. Griggs threw for 161 yards on 13-of-19 passing with three touchdowns, while McCarthy was 9-of-15 for 117 and a pair of scores.

Defensively, Rickles College transfer Brandon Tui recorded 2 1/2 sacks and recovered a fumble. The Bengal defense forced four turnovers.

Flier boosters meet Thursday at school

FILIER — The Flier Wildcat boosters will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria to elect new officers and discuss upcoming sporting events and homecoming week.

For more information, call 326-3715.

Bulldawgs get first win

By Matt Peterson
Times-News writer

RUPERT — Mike Manning and the Mini-Cassia Bulldawgs got hot Saturday.

But their warmth had nothing to do with the windless, 90-degree weather. Throwing two touchdowns passes in the game's final period, Manning lifted his team to a 29-22 come-from-behind victory over the Rocky Mountain Bulls of Pocatello, in a Rocky Mountain Football League matchup Saturday.

The win marked the Bulldawgs first of the year. It improved their record to 1-1. The team suffered a season-opening loss to Treasure Valley last week.

"It's absolutely wonderful," said head coach Ruben Saldana. "I knew our guys could do it. The offense has really turned it on this year compared to last year."

Trailing 22-21 with 7:46 left to play, the Bulldawgs took possession on their own 32-yard line. Wide receiver Robert Carrick started the Bulldawg drive, making a reverse around the right end for a 10-yard pickup and a Mini-Cassia first down.

A personal foul on a Rocky Mountain lineman pushed the locals into enemy territory. Manning then connected with Carrick for a 29-yard pickup and another first down. Two plays later, with just under four minutes showing on the clock, the 6-foot, 190-pound quarterback found Carrick again, this time hitting for 20 yards and the game's decisive score. A successful two-point conversion made the final 29-22.

Manning finished the game 24-for-38 with 203 yards and three touchdowns. Unofficially, Carrick accounted for roughly half those yards, finishing the game with four catches for 103 yards and a touchdown.

While the Bulldawgs came out on top, they had to come from behind twice in the fourth quarter to do it. In fact, entering the game's final stanza, they trailed 14-13, surrendering a 13-0 halftime lead early in the third quarter when Bulls running back Danny Chavez scored from 22 yards out.

After forcing a fumble deep in Rocky Mountain territory with 13:51 to play, the Bulldawgs took over on the Bulls' 6-yard line, but a delay of game penalty marched them backwards. Two plays later, Manning hit Fernando Vale for a 15-yard scoring strike. Running back Rick Reyes then plugged in for the two-point conversion, giving the Bulldogs a 29-22 lead.

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Cheri Scrivner's Thursday time. Winter Jacobson received a return, bending around the barrels and going for home for the fastest time of 17.19.

Gooding junior barrel racer Chad Mee Coates was around the barrels and back home for time of 18.48, beating Andrea Sparks 18.563 time of Thursday night. However, Lyle Games of Bliss took the night's paycheck with a time of 18.360.

Team ropers P.J. Curtis and Sam Riley roped their steer for an 8:19 time. Will Beckles and Merv May, of Oakley, saw money Friday night with 6:19 time.

Caldwell's bullfighter Marcus Michaelis felt good about his draw on "Yellow Fever." Michaelis said he was ready for the bull is right turn out the chute since he watched him twice last year. Michaelis is attentive; his score of 74.

Bulls come out in force at Gooding County rodeo

By Kelly Bryant
Times-News correspondent

GOODING — Slash T stock was hot again in the Gooding arena Friday as the second night of the Gooding County Fair and Rodeo heated up and moved fast as cowboys and cowgirls tried to best Thursday night's times.

Caught in a storm of twisting, bucking 900 pounds of "miniature" bull, cowboys saw dust, taking home only applause for a paycheck. Jerome's Chris Hunt led hard as the bull "Tontona" twisted out of the chute. Sam Bray, of Bliss, gave the only ride for the money on "Tigger," scoring a 67.

Amber Rogers of Rupert threw her last loop in breakaway roping, edging Kelli Jo Parker out by .01 of a second. Gooding's Patti O'Maley almost faced disaster as her ropo caught on the side of the box. However, coming out strong

on her re-run O'Maley saw the money when she threw her loop for the top time of the event with a 3.11.

Slash T's "Three Creek" came out bucking, hard, sending Jerome's Justin Lupo to the hospital in the bareback event. Lupo's traveling partner, Joste Young, was slammed against the gate coming out of the chute, but he leaned back and spurred his way to a score of 69 on "Brown Jug."

Recovering from a broken wrist, Young said he was pleased with his ride.

"I've been in slump, but I just let it hang out and twisted it back together for the ride," said Young, who is recovering from a broken wrist.

Aaron Smith rode "Heavy Metal" for second-place with a score of 72. Neil Parkinson marked-out on "Thunder Road"



Mini-Cassia running back Dan Labra carries the ball at the end of the first half of Saturday's game against the Rocky Mountain Bulls. The Bulldawgs won the game 29-22 to improve to 1-1 on the year.

for the eight-second ride scoring a 73, edging Smith out of the lead for Friday's check.

Calf roper Andy Bowden came out of the box fast and threw a 9.63 time, placing him third for a fast flank, tying a 9.54 time, taking the night's lead.

Bullfighter Aaron Boots threw a 5.8 time, placing him third for the night. Randy Austin got his steer in hurry for a time of 5:36, but Dan Mulkey, getting a good side wrestling his steer to the ground for a time of 5:20, took home the money for the night.

On Friday, Smith hit his mark on "Rings" and spurred his away to score of 72. Cody DeMers came out straight, giving a fluid ride on "No Refund" for the top score and money with a score of 78.

Boise barrel racer Chris Holmes clocked a 17.336 to beat

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Dragila equals pole vault world record

Knight Rider News Service

SEVILLE, Spain — Stacy Dragila has two screws in an ankle from trying to pole vault when she was injured.

Her mother, Irma, once wondered if her daughter had a screw loose for trying to vault at all.

"The upside-down part really scared her," Dragila said. "She said, 'What if you fall and kill yourself?'"

Of course, Irma Dragila knew her daughter was a goat roper in high school and she was tough as nails. She had to be Saturday night to win a scintillating competition in the first women's pole vault at an outdoor World Track and Field Championships.

Dragila stayed alive in the event by clearing one height on her last of three chances. She took a wearing 18 vaults. The winning mark, at 15 feet 1 inch, matched the world record set by Australia's Emma George earlier this year.

That gave Dragila, a 28-year-old assistant track coach at Idaho State University, historic double. She had won the first vault



ever at a world meet, the 1997 indoor championship.

"It's quite a feat," she said.

The men who run international track and field are giving first-prize money of \$60,000 to every event except the women's pole vault and hammer throw, which both make their debut at the Olympics next year.

"Going into 2000, I sure hope we don't get half a medal," Dragila said.

Dragila had won \$100,000 in an unofficial beach vault competition this summer in California, but Saturday's victory is more valuable as a step on the road toward women's equality in sports.

The quality of the performances — seven women cleared 14-5.25 and Anzhela Balkhonoova of Ukraine was second at 14-11 — should make it evident that the women's vault is a championship-caliber event.

"It's neat to say, 'Hey, watch us go up,'" Dragila said. "It's nice to be a pioneer and just go with it."

And so what if it turns the old world upside down.

Stacy Dragila, assistant track coach at Idaho State University, pulls herself up on her way to equaling the women's pole vault world record at the World Track and Field Championships in Seville, Spain.



SPORTS

Jones, Greene blaze to fast times in 100

SEVILLE, Spain (AP) - Marion Jones and Maurice Greene opened their bids for multiple gold medals with sensational times Saturday in the quarterfinals of the 100 meters at the World Championships...

may be set to threaten the world record of 9.79 he set earlier this year in Athens. "It's going to be a very fast final," Greene said. "Everybody's predicting I'll break the record. We'll have to wait and see about that."

SEVILLE, SPAIN TRACK AND FIELD Track and field stars: whom to watch

- Marlon Jones, United States, 23 years old Jones is undefeated at 100 and 200 meters since 1997 and the defending world champion at 100 meters. Her 10.80-second time is the best in the world this year.
Maurice Greene, United States, 25 Greene is the defending world champion at 100 meters and set a world record of 9.79 seconds in June in Athens. He has run under 10 seconds six times this season.
Michael Johnson, United States, 31 Three-time defending world champion at 400 meters and the '96 Olympic champion at the distance. He also holds the world record at 200 meters.
Wilson Kipketer, Denmark, 28 The Kenyan-born Dane is the two-time defending world champion and the world record holder (1:41.11) at 800 meters. Out of most fast season to a bout with matlana.

Kafelnikov, Agassi square off in Legg Mason final

WASHINGTON (AP) - Top-seeded Yevgeny Kafelnikov and second-seeded Andre Agassi won their semifinal matches Saturday to advance to the final of the Legg Mason Classic. Kafelnikov, of Russia, defeated Nicolas Pietrangeli of Germany, 2, 6, 6-3. In a battle between two Americans, Agassi defeated Todd Martin, 6-4, 6-2. Agassi, a four-time champion at this event, had to wait out a sudden rainstorm that delayed the match 88 minutes. He had just broken Martin's serve to go ahead 2-1 in the second set when the rain came. However, the rain hardly slowed down Agassi. He needed less than 20 minutes to finish off Martin.

Tennis

Seles is 27-1 in the tournament and has won 24 straight matches. Hingis barely broke a sweat in her quarterfinal, dispatching fifth-seeded Arantxa Sanchez Vicario 6-1, 6-1 in less than an hour and extending her career streak over the Spaniard to 11 straight wins. Pierce needed to play only three games in her quarterfinal because her match against countrywoman Sandrine Testud was stopped at 6-1, 4-2 on Friday. Pierce finished off Testud in the second set Saturday, 6-3. Seles and Sidot had a tougher road to the semifinals, going three sets with their quarterfinal opponents. Seles beat ninth-seeded Barbara Schett of Austria 6-3, 6-6, 6-1, while Sidot, one of three French players to make the quarters and the only unseeded player to do so, ousted sixth-seeded Amanda Coetzer of South Africa 5-7, 6-4, 6-4.

Greene, shooting for a rare sprint double and three golds, ran 9.91, the sixth fastest time in the world this year. Jones' time shattered the previous championship record of 10.82 set by fellow American, Earl Evans, in 1993 in Stuttgart. She also bettered her season's leading previous best of 10.80. Only four women in history have run faster, including Jones, who posted 10.65 last year. The late Florence Griffith-Joyner still holds the world record of 10.49, set in 1988. The 100 semifinals and finals are set for today. A couple of hours after Jones' race, Hunter - whom she married last October in Raleigh, N.C. - won the shot put with a career best-throw of 24.79 meters (71-0) on his final attempt. Hunter followed and whipped his arms in a windmill motion when he saw the result posted on the board. After being called for a false start, Jones blew away the rest of the field as she solidified her status as the overwhelming favorite for the sprint title. "I couldn't have asked for a better atmosphere, better weather," Jones said. "The track is fast, fast, fast. Watch for some world records."

The versatile Jones also advanced to the final of the long jump. She is seeking gold medals in the 100, 200, long jump and a relay. In the long jump, Jones leaped 22 feet, 4 1/4 inches on her second attempt, a distance that automatically put her into Monday's final. "I'm the most confident I've been all year (in the long jump) and pleased that I could get through qualifying on the second jump," Jones said. "My rhythm is a lot better." The best long jump qualifier was Italy's Flavia Ma, the 1995 world champion. May soared 23 feet, 1 1/4 inches, the second-best jump in the world this year, on her first try. A third American attempting to win multiple medals, John Godina, began his bid for a third straight shot put title, qualifying for Saturday night's final with a heave of 67 feet 10 3/4 inches, the best of the day. Kevin Tost, also of the U.S., had the second-best qualifying

throw, 67 feet, 4 inches, and the other two Americans, Avily Bloom and C.J. Hunter, Jones, husband, also made the shot put final. In Saturday's opening event of the heptathlon, the 100 hurdles, France's Eunice Barber, the European champion, made a strong impression, winning her heat in a personal best 12.89 seconds. The next-fastest time among the 22 competitors was 13.28 by U.S. champion Sheila Burrell. Another American, Tiffany Loti-Hogan, was disqualified for two false starts. Barber had another career-best in the second event, clearing 1.33 meters (6-4), for a total of 2,286 points and a 185-point lead over runner-up Denise Lewis of Britain. There were some big surprises in the men's hammer throw qualifying. Among those failing to reach the final were the 4-2 finishers at the 1996 Olympics, Balazs Kiss of Hungary and

Lance Deal of the United States, along with Uzbekistan's Andrey Ablyukov; the 1992 Olympic gold medalist and 1993 and 1995 world champion, and Russia's Vasily Sidorenko, the 1997 world champion. Karsten Kobs of Germany had the longest qualifying throw, 258-10. Only one thing could have stolen the stage Saturday from the world's No. 1 sprinter: the revelation of a drug case involving yet another big star. A string of positive tests involving some of athletics' biggest names - Merlene Ottey, Javier Sotomayor, Linford Christie and Dennis Mitchell - had dulled some of the anticipation. "Over the last couple of weeks our beautiful and lovely sport has been marred by all of this," said Jones, unbeaten since 1997 in the two sprints. "We hope that our wonderful performances will overshadow what has happened."

Toms hangs onto Sprint lead

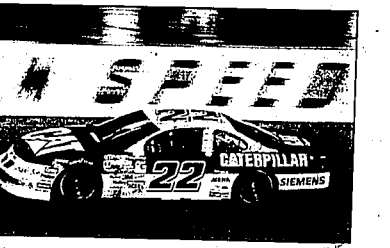
CASTLE ROCK, Colo. (AP) - David Toms held onto his lead Saturday after three rounds of the Sprint International. Toms - who began the day with a 3-point lead over Paul Gaydos but with David Duval, Ernie Els and Steve Elkington in close pursuit - finished with 32 points and that same 3-point lead. Duval and Stephen Ames each had 36 points. In using the tournament's 54-hole scoring record set by Phil Mickelson in 1997, Toms withstood serious challenges on Saturday from Duval, Ames and Sergio Garcia to lead this event for the third straight day. Garcia and Els finished with 32 points, while Billy Mayfair had 30.



David Toms blasts out of a bunker on the ninth hole during Saturday's third round of the Sprint International in Castle Rock, Colo. Toms maintains the lead in the event which scores under the modified Stabileford Scoring System.

Dale Jr. beats Gordon for fifth Busch win

BROOKLYN, Mich. (AP) - Dale Earnhardt Jr. widened his lead in the Busch Grand National Saturday to 89 points by pulling away from Winston Cup star Jeff Gordon for a decisive victory Saturday in the NAPA 200 at Michigan Speedway. "Man, it was a great race and I really enjoyed racing Jeff Gordon," Earnhardt said. "He's a good driver." Earnhardt, who went into the race with a one-point lead over Matt Kenseth in the standings, pulled ahead by leading 68 of the 100 laps around the 2-mile superspeedway. In the early going, it was a three-car race among pole-sitter Dave Blaney, Earnhardt and Gordon. Each led for a few laps, but things began to settle down following pit stops just past the race's midpoint. Gordon stopped for gasoline and four tires on lap 52, Earnhardt on lap 56 and Blaney on lap 58. A fire rolled in front of Blaney, causing him to have to stop momentarily as he was exiting pit road. But he quickly maneuvered his Pontiac back into contention with the two Chevrolet's. Earnhardt, on the eighth and final pit stop, passed Todd Bodine on lap 59 and stayed in front of the rest of the way. He and Gordon staged a two-car race for the final 15 laps, then Earnhardt pulled steadily away, winning by 3.424 seconds. Blaney finished third, six seconds back, ahead of Ward Burton and Mark Martin. Kenseth finished 22nd, almost 30 seconds behind Earnhardt.



Ward Burton practices in his Pontiac at Michigan Speedway in Brooklyn, Mich., Saturday. Burton will start Sunday's Pepsi 400 from the pole position.

Nothing new at Firststar NPGA Classic

BEAVERCREEK, Ohio - Akiko Fukushima and Nancy Scranton, two of the first three round co-leaders, again shared the lead after a second round of the Firststar NPGA Classic. Fukushima, a rookie on the LPGA Tour from Japan, and Scranton both shot 2-under-par 70 and were tied at 137. Hiroshi Kobayashi and Kris Monaghan were one stroke back and seven players were tied for fifth at 139 after two rounds and the 6,302-yard Country Club of the North course built by Jack Nicklaus in suburban Dayton. Tracy Hanson, who started the day tied with Fukushima and Scranton, slipped to a 75 and was in a tie for 23rd at 142.

Montgomery moves ahead at BMW in Germany

MUNICH, Germany - Colin Montgomerie took a one-shot lead over Tiger Woods in the BMW Open. Montgomerie, looking for his fifth win of the year, shot a 64 and was at 18-under-par 198. Harrington, who shot a 66 under-par 66, needs a top-two finish at the final qualifying event to jump past several golfers and make the team that will be announced today. Despite rough round, Davies still leads Compaq STOKHOLM, Sweden - Larn Davies shot a 2-under-par 71 for her worst score so far in the tournament, but still held a two-shot lead going into the final round of the Compaq Open. Davies, looking for her third win on the Ladies European Tour this season and second in Sweden after winning last month's Chrysler Open, had a 2-under-par 207 through three rounds. Trish Johnson, who also had a third-round 71, remained in second place at 209. Alison Nicholas, last year's U.S. Open champion, shot a 68 for the best score of the day and moved into third at 211 with Sweden's Helen Alfredsson.

Archer's front, Irwin's back propel duo at BankBoston CONCORD, Mass. - George Archer had six birdies on the front nine and Heide Irwin had four on the back nine as the two moved into a tie with first-round leader Jay Sigel after two rounds in the \$1.2 million BankBoston Classic. Archer had a 6-under-par 66 in the second round of the Senior PGA Tour stop at the 6,773-yard Nashvett Country Club course. After opening with his birdie binge over the first eight holes, Archer parred the last seven in posting a 7-under 37 total. Irwin, the defending champion, started out slow, making one birdie on the front nine. But he made four birdies - along with a bogey - on the back nine in a 66-

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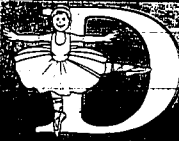
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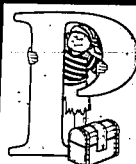
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Ever-changing sports world takes big step into next century

The Associated Press

Mark down 1999 as a time of change in sports, when some of the greatest athletes moved on. Nothing is forever. Watch the great ones win game after game, championship after championship, and it feels as if they will last a lifetime.

And then, one day, Mark McGwire and Ken Griffey Jr., are hitting home runs instead of Hank Aaron and Willie Mays. And it's Hakeem, not Kareem, setting up under the basket.

Suddenly, Randall Cunningham is throwing last-gasp touchdowns instead of Joe Montana, and Eric Lindros, not Mario Lemieux, is zeroing in on some poor goalie.

Turn around and the landscape changes.

Joe DiMaggio was always there as the centerpiece for Opening Day at Yankee Stadium.

And then, he was not. Gone with other immortals like Marlon Motley and Gene Sarazen, Pee Wee Reese and Angelo Bertelli.

Michael Jordan was always there for the seal and the shot in the NBA Finals.

And then, he was not. Retired with other superstars like Wayne Gretzky and John Elway, Barry Sanders and Steffi Graf.

It's been a tough eight months for continuity, a time when exodus became an undeniable exclamation point for 1999.

The death of DiMaggio, coming



St. Louis Cardinals first baseman Mark McGwire slams his 48th home run against the Philadelphia Phillies. Wednesday, as his career winds down, McGwire is blasting more home runs than ever.

less than two months after the retirement of Jordan, defined the rush of change. In their own way, each of them left a huge void in the psyche of their sports.

Who replaces Joe D. as baseball's greatest living player? Maybe Ted Williams, who generated a huge, emotional outpouring of affection at the All-Star Game.

Who replaces Jordan as the highest profile player in the NBA? Perhaps Tim Duncan, who carried the San Antonio Spurs to a championship while Air Jordan was exploring the mysteries of putts and pars, bogies and bunkers.

Since Jordan's exit, the pace of passage has quickened.

Gretzky is gone from the NHL. Elway and Sanders left the NFL. Graf decided it was game, set,

match for her at age 30.

In each case, retirement seemed almost premature, coming at a time when each of them was still more than capable of playing. In each case, however, continuing to play might have been superfluous.

Six NBA championships for

Jordan. Four Stanley Cups for Gretzky. Two Super Bowls for Elway. Nine rings. 5,000 yards. Twenty-two Super Bowls. Twenty-two Grand Slam titles for Graf, the only player to win each of the Slams four or more times.

"That was what I prefer." What more was there to say?

"Change is a natural evolution," sports psychologist Thomas Futo said. "Values is what this is all about. I think values have changed. There is a value difference between the old style in sports and the new style.

"Everybody wants to be a star and they don't care about the team concept. Many stars are not 'happy with the young kids coming up and don't want to be in that kind of environment."

"You never heard about burnout before. But now some coaches and some superstars look around and see a lack of commitment. And they say, 'What is all this about? What am I doing here?'"

"Tomorrow, all sports can disappear, but the world will continue. That's not true about a lot of occupations."

Sports survives. There are always replacements in the wings, waiting their turn.

The NBA survived the loss of Larry Bird and Magic Johnson with Jordan. Now, Duncan, Kobe

Bryant and Allen Iverson lead an army of young stars who are just like Mike.

Gretzky followed the legacy of Gordie Howe and Bobby Hull and now leaves the NHL in the strong hands of people like Jaromir Jagr, Pavel Bure and Teemu Selanne.

When Terry Bradshaw and Tony Dorsett bailed out of the NFL, Elway and Sanders picked up the slack. Now a new wave of quarterbacks and running backs, led by rookie hotshots Tim Couch and Ricky Williams, moves in.

Graf was there when Chris Evert and Martina Navratilova left tennis. Now, it's time for Lindsay Davenport, Martina Hingis and Venus Williams.

Perhaps the situation is summed up best in the Montreal Canadiens dressing room, where a portion of John McRae's World War I poem "In Flanders Field" is emblazoned over the lockers.

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SPORTS

Little League World Series gathers teams from all over

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. (AP) — The Little League World Series might just be the biggest of all sports playoffs, with teams all the way from the Marianus Islands to Boise to Shore View, Minn., starting the summer with the potential to win the championship.

It is rare enough to have a team from the same city make the series in back-to-back years, let alone for a team to return the year after winning. That's only happened twice in 52 years before this year.

Toms River, N.J., today will become only the third team since 1947 to return to the series for 11- and 12-year-olds after winning the championship.

Lock Haven, Pa., won in 1948 and came back in 1949, and Long Beach, Calif., won in 1991 when a team from the Philippines was disqualified, and then won the championship outright the next year.

"I don't think most people realize how amazing it is," said Red Gaynor, grandfather of Toms River pitcher Casey Gaynor and father of manager Mike Gaynor. "You have better odds at winning Powerball."

South Central Boise Little League became only the fourth team from outside California to represent the United States since Gerald Ford's administration. Boise's Dane McGrady, also a manager's son, threw a two-hitter in a 3-1 regional championship win over Sacramento, Calif.

Toms River's Mike Gaynor became the first person to manage three teams at the same age three times in the series, each of them during the last five years. His son, Casey, threw a no-hitter during the regional playoffs, and Eric Campesi had a 203-foot home run in Thursday's regional final 3-0 win in Connecticut over Middleboro, Mass.

"Getting Casey and Eric made a huge difference. They expect to win," second baseman Mike Casale said.

Both played as 11-year-olds with last year's champions — only the seventh U.S. team to win the series during the last 30 years.

Toms River, buoyed by its gorilla mascot, plays Phenix City, Ala., at 6 p.m. today in an opening round. Phenix City manager Tony Rasmus said his "crazy bunch" exceeded most expectations — he would have been happy enough being on national television for the southern final, but a 3-2 win over Kernersville, N.C.

"These are the weirdest bunch of kids I've ever been around. They just don't get nervous. The adults are a nervous wreck."



Boise Little League manager Dane McGrady, kneeling left, talks with members of the Boise team before practice session in Williamsport, Pa., Saturday.

Little League World Series schedule

All Times EDT
Today's Games
 Game 1 — Canada vs. Far East, 1 p.m.
 Game 2 — U.S. South vs. U.S. East, 4 p.m.
Monday's Games
 Game 3 — Canada vs. Latin America, 9 a.m.
 Game 4 — U.S. South vs. U.S. Central, noon
 Game 5 — Europe vs. Far East, 3 p.m.
 Game 6 — U.S. West vs. U.S. East, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Aug. 24
 Game 7 — Latin America vs. Far East, 9 a.m.

haven't eaten in two days," Rasmus said. "But the kids are loving it."

His son, Colby, will pitch against Toms River.

On Monday, Brownsburg, Ind., plays Phenix City and Toms River plays Boise, Idaho — only the fourth team from outside California to represent the western United States since Gerald Ford's administration. Boise's Dane McGrady, also a manager's son, threw a two-hitter in a 3-1 regional championship win over Sacramento, Calif.

Taiwan, whose teams have won the series 17 times in that span, is absent. Osaka, Japan, a U.S. team from Ramstein Air Force Base in Germany; Victoria, British Columbia; and Yabuga, Puerto Rico, are also in the series.

"I don't know what to expect in Williamsport," Victoria shortstop Rajan Nirvan said. "But we have to go down and start winning right away."

One team each will emerge from the U.S. and international

divisions for Thursday night's semifinals. Within a division, the teams all play each other, and the team with the best record before Thursday advances. Tiebreakers include runs allowed.

The championship is set for 4:30 p.m. EDT Saturday.

The Brownsburg team will miss the start of school — and player Scott Snyder will put off his Eagle Scout project of building benches for a log cabin — for the series. The suburb of Indianapolis has six spotlight on the main drag and about 13,000 people — several thousand of whom saw the team off last week.

Manager Gary King — a former infielder in the Oakland A's and Cleveland Indians organizations — said the team gives him the jitters because it often falls behind early before rallying. He recalled comebacks from three 3-1 deficits during regional playoffs.

"They're just a real loose bunch. They realize that this is all about having fun," said King, who has a son on his team, as well.

The two players who have carried Toms River (17-4) much of the way back to the Series are Casey Gaynor and Eric Campesi, who played on the title team.

For Eric, this run is particularly satisfying. Casey was one of the major stars of the '98 championship drive, but Eric was a role player. Now he is the team's top power hitter, with nine home runs in 21 games.

"The second time is much more fun for me," he said. "Now I'm a starter. Now I am hitting the ball really well. I was a part of last year's team, but now I am a bigger part."

Toms River, N.J., looks for rare repeat

Knight Rider News Service

Their first foray into American sports lore was improbable enough, a miracle ride that carried the Toms River East Little League team all the way to the world title last year.

Look who's back for more. The team from New Jersey is looking to become the second American team to capture consecutive titles, as they play their first game tonight in the Little League World Series in Williamsport, Pa.

In the Series' 52-year history, 23 American teams have won the title. Including Toms River, East American, only three have returned to the Series the next year, and only one — Long Beach, Calif., has repeated.

Why no dynasties? Unlike the New York Yankees, who use the best strategy to repeat is to keep last year's team intact, most of last year's championship team members are too old for Little League.

Can a championship team lose 10 of 12 of its players and still come back to repeat? The kids from Toms River think so.

"I would say this year's team is every bit as good as last year's," said 11-year-old Casey Gaynor, who has thrown four straight shutouts for the Americans, including a one-hit gem Thursday

against Middleboro, Mass., in the Eastern U.S. title game. "I know a lot of the players are different. But maybe we got good players to replace the good players we lost."

Toms River's first game in the Series is at 6 p.m. against U.S. South champion Phenix City, Ala., at Lamade Stadium.

"There's a tradition in the making in our town," said Mike Gaynor, the team's manager and Casey's father. "It's not like there's something in the water. Every year, the boys are carrying on the tradition."

Another tradition for the folks in Toms River is to watch the game at Mugy's, a restaurant and pizzeria in town that has become a sort of World Series headquarters. Owner Anthony Balamonte routinely provides the team and townfolk with pizzas and subs before the long trips to tournament games. And many of the phone calls to Mugy's are about when the game will be played and for mid-contest score updates.

"We get calls from people who are out of town or moved away, too," said general manager Marianne Johnson. "We get calls from Washington and Florida and Las Vegas."

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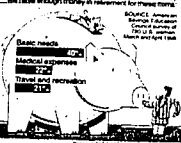
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BizFACTS

Feelings about the future



BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Experts will share tips on homebuying in TF

TWIN FALLS - Presenters and instructors are being lined up for two series of homebuyer programs to be presented in the Magic Valley in September. The programs will be free to all people interested in buying homes, especially low- and middle-income buyers.

Three two-hour evening sessions will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Sept. 14, 21 and 28 at Cavanaugh's Canyon Springs Hotel in Twin Falls. Three more sessions will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Sept. 15, 22 and 29 at the Burley Inn and Convention Center in Burley.

Funding for the homebuyer education program is provided through the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The College of Southern Idaho has been selected by HUD to coordinate the program in the Magic Valley.

The program is designed to familiarize prospective homebuyers with the terms, definitions and solutions they need to buy a home. Local representatives from real estate, finance, appraisal, title insurance and home building are being scheduled to make presentations at the sessions.

Speaker will offer tactics for handling the office jerk

PORTLAND, Ore. - Portland, Ore. is the site for the Association of Legal Administrators Region 5 Educational Conference, held Sept. 17-18 at the Embassy Suites in Portland.

This year's theme is "The Future Under Construction." The conference features two full days of educational sessions, including a keynote address by Richard Brinkman. He will reveal strategies that will enable the audience to excel with difficult individuals during his presentation, "How to Deal with Behaviors You Can't Stand."

Region 5 includes Idaho. ALA members and nonmembers alike can be anywhere in the world are invited.

For more information on the conference or the association, contact the ALA headquarters at (847) 816-1212 or by fax at (847) 816-1215.

Idaho electrical board will gather in Sun Valley

SUN VALLEY - The Idaho State Electrical Board has scheduled a board meeting for 9:30 a.m. Thursday in the Sun Valley Inn.

The board will review administrative rules governing civil penalties and the registration of specialty trainees. The public and members of the electrical industry are welcome.

The State Electrical Board meets regularly throughout the state to prescribe and amend rules pertinent to electrical safety and electrical licensing.

Compiled from staff reports



Juan Guerry may be retired, but he can still tell if winter wheat is good just by the taste. The Spanish immigrant farmed in Lincoln County for 34 years. He originally came to the United States in 1948 to herd sheep.

Early settlers worked miracles to turn Magic Valley desert into Promised land

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Others bought four-wheel drives when farm prices soared in the early '70s. Juan Guerry still drove his old pickup.

When Joe Arrate had no vehicle, he rode the horse. The two men are models of the determined immigrants who clung to the Magic Valley farms and a back-breaking profession.

People from many parts of the globe have found their way to the valley's farms during the past half-century - among them, shepherds from Spain and Portugal, and Dutch dairy farmers.

It's harder these days for newcomers to own operations. But some who managed to decades ago say year-round toil and no-luxury lives are why they survived the vagaries of weather, pests and commodity prices.

Guerry and Arrate don't regret giving their lives to

Coming to America

By county	of Spanish, Hispanic or Latino origin
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Lincoln	15
Minidoka	30
Twin Falls	30

Aslan or Pacific Islander farm operators, by county

Cassia	4
Gooding	4
Minidoka	8

agriculture, and they never left it. Some Japanese families - many relocated during World War II - are among the Magic Valley's farmers, said Bob Ohlenschlaeger, Twin Falls County extension educator. Lewis Ellers, director of the Idaho Dairymen's Association, can rattle off names of dairymen from England and the Netherlands.

Field of dreams

Immigrants find hope in a life of farming as others sour on it

To Asian vegetable growers and Latino apple raisers it still holds opportunity

By Scott Kilman and Joel Hillman
Staff reporters of The Wall Street Journal

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BREWSTER, Wash. - In a region rich in farming history, Gaspar Orozco is rare for seeing any future in it.

He isn't smarter or better equipped than his neighbors, or able to sell his fruit for higher prices. He's just willing to work harder than many are for small rewards. He wakes up every morning happy to farm 125 acres of apple, peach and cherry trees and to live in a cedar-paneled house with two pickup trucks in the driveway.

migrant worker who entered the country illegally two decades ago. "I'm pretty lucky," he says.

Many veteran farmers feel that way nowadays. Agricultural exports have collapsed. The countryside is glutted with everything from corn and pigs to apples. Commodity prices are at their lowest levels in decades.

But traditional farmers' disenchantment is creating opportunity for immigrants of every kind. Mexican migrant workers like Mr. Orozco are buying small farms coast to coast. A thousand Latinos are farming in Fresno, Calif., and Cambodians are converting Lowell, Mass., into a beehive of agrarian activity, growing vegetables in hydroponic greenhouses and raising fish in a former textile mill. Vietnamese fishermen in Texas are raising funds to start growing rice.

Often it's the case of aging white farmers unable to keep their own children on the farm. "White kids want out of agriculture," says Montague Yudelman, chairman of the Population Reference Bureau, a Washington think tank. "So American farms have been getting gray, and now brown."

Not that every immigrant farmer is a person of color. Some Dutch, eager to escape their homeland's strict production controls, are migrating to Texas and Michigan to start dairy farms.

Such an influx of ethnic groups could easily be a recipe for racial tension, but in fact most greenhorns are receiving a hero's welcome. That's because they're alleviating what local merchants' eyes see as a worsening farmer shortage: The number of farmers under age 35 has plunged to 36% since 1994, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Anglo growers without interested children are grateful to find eager producers. Please see IMMIGRANTS, Page D3

Profiles of success

'I just had to tighten the belt up'

The Times-News

PAUL - For the four years following 1968, Juan Guerry and his farming neighbors had it so hard "it was disgusting."

When wheat prices soared in 1973, Guerry said, he hit the \$100,000 revenue mark - a day he once had vowed would be his last on the farm. But the hard seasons had left him in debt, and a year later the money was gone.

Forgoing a four-wheel drive and other equipment popular at the time, the Spanish immigrant stuck to modest purchases.

"And that's the way I hang on," Guerry said. Retired now, he raised crops and sheep on the same farm since he proved up government land in Lincoln County north of Paul decades ago.

Born on a farm in Spain, the 18-year-old Guerry came to the United States in 1948 to herd sheep for his uncle in Castleton. After 6 1/2 years, he moved to the Burley area as a sheep company's foreman for another eight years.

"I had quite a few difficult years," Guerry said. "I just had to tighten the belt up pretty hard in order to make it through."

Not everyone in the area made it. "A lot of farmers went down the road. A lot of them," Guerry said. He had no children to support, but also no wife to take a job elsewhere. In winter, he worked for Simplot for extra income. In autumn, he fed lambs - an average of 8,000 lambs each year for 21 years straight.

"You talk about a lot of hard work," he said, "you're talking to me."

'We're used to living on nothing'

The Times-News

SHOSHONE - Joe Arrate's formula for a farmer: Eliminate employees, put the children to work and eat out of the wife's paycheck.

It must have worked. Now surrounded by subdivisions that used to be farms, tenacious Arrate still raises livestock and crops on the place north of Shoshone he bought from his father-in-law in 1972.

He left his farm in Spain in 1965, herded sheep in Shoshone and worked at Emmett sawmill before he saved money to buy some cows and an old truck. His father-in-law, also from Spain, co-signed the first year's loan on his farm.

"We're used to living on nothing when we grow up," said Arrate, 58. Content with long hours and little cash, he entered when others gave up and never was tempted to leave farming.

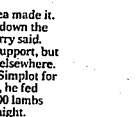
Arrate went to work as soon as he was old enough, and so did his children. They're all grown now, he said, but "it paid for, we don't have to work as hard." His wife still holds a job elsewhere - "that's the only way to make it."

With lambs and calves to tend, winter was as busy as summer. "So there wasn't no break - year-round labor." Going to coffee shops and talking friends how tough things are "just doesn't work in the checkbook," Arrate said. "You stay away from the coffee shop and you go to work."



Juan Guerry

- Home: Paul.
- Roots: Born on a farm in Spain.
- Immigration: Moved to the United States in 1948 to herd sheep.

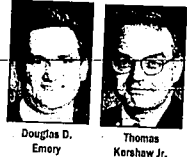


Joe Arrate

- Home: Shoshone.
- Roots: Born in Spain.
- Immigration: Moved to the United States in 1965.

YOUR BUSINESS

MILESTONES



Pair of attorneys create new firm in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - Attorneys Douglas D. Emery and Thomas D. Kershaw Jr. announced they have formed a new firm of Emery & Kershaw PC, with offices at 409 Third St. N.

Emery has practiced law since 1988. He has worked as a deputy prosecuting attorney in Ada and Fremont counties and has undertaken special-prosecutor assignments in Canyon and Valley counties. In recent years, his legal practice has focused on personal injury and worker's compensation cases.

He was a full partner with the firm of Crabtree & Emery until his former partner, Michael R. Crabtree, was appointed Cassia County magistrate. In the firm of Emery & Kershaw, Emery will undertake a general legal practice, including child protection cases, personal injury, worker's compensation, adoptions, criminal law and landlord-tenant matters.

Kershaw has practiced law since 1981 and has been in the Twin Falls area since 1985. Formerly a partner in the firm of May, Stuebbs, Stubbs, Kershaw & Browning, he is admitted to practice in all state and federal courts in Idaho, Nevada and Oregon and is now accepting cases in criminal law, domestic relations law, business, trusts, probate and general civil litigation.

Companies form alliance to sell line of lubricants

ST. PAUL, Minn. - Customers of Cenex Harvest States and Farmland Industries member cooperatives can take advantage of high-quality lubricant products backed by an extended warranty program as a result of a marketing alliance between the two companies. "New lubricant product names are being introduced throughout the cooperative system," said Bernie Elliott, manager in charge of lubricant product products for Country Energy LLC, an agent for Cenex and Farmland. "Customers expect the high-quality lubricants to be available at their cooperatives. Some of the names have changed and reflect the best qualities of both companies' brands."

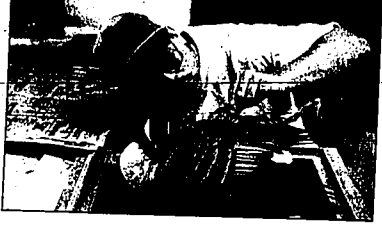
When customers use some of the new lubricant brands, the Total Protection Plan Warranty protects their engine parts for nine years, or 9,000 hours. If customers use the premium lubricant products plus Roly Fieldman Premium Plus Diesel fuel, the warranty is extended to 10 years or 10,000 hours.

Proposed triple merger signals awakening for Japanese banks

Knight Ridder News Service
New York - The proposed merger of Industrial Bank of Japan Ltd., Fuji Bank Ltd. and Dai-ichi Kangyo Bank Ltd. signals that the long-slumbering Japanese banking system is serious about making changes to better compete with US and European financial giants, though the three banks must find ways to boost efficiency, according to a former bank regulator and an investor. "The Japanese system of banking has long needed the freedom to consolidate so it could adjust to the new world of banking. This would indicate the government has begun to allow this to happen," said William Seidman, former chairman of the FDIC and the Resolution Trust Corp. and currently consultant to Japanese

agencies and insurers. "Whether this works or not will depend if the result is a more efficient, better run bank."
On Friday in Tokyo, the three banks said they would merge their businesses by 2002 to create the world's largest bank with \$1.27 trillion in assets. The banks will slash 6,000 jobs, about a fifth of their combined total and close 150 offices worldwide. The transaction comes as Japanese banks, saddled with hundreds of billions in bad loans, try to regain their place in global banking. American and European firms have surged in the past decade while Japan, the world's second largest economy, continues to suffer its worst recession since the end of World War II. In recent years, Japan has taken steps to open its banking

system to international markets. "I think it shows they've concluded the heavily-regulated system they used, which prevented the market from innovating, is being abandoned and that's good," Seidman said. "If companies are free to merge, spin off or whatever the market dictates, that will provide better return for shareholders."
On the other hand, the three-way merger may accomplish little if the three banks don't reorganize their businesses to shed redundant people and facilities. Otherwise, analysts said, Japan is just creating a bigger, less efficient bank with more bureaucracy. "They need to have some plans for making the best out of each of the institutions and coordinate them to create a national and international competitor," Seidman said.



John Stevens, owner of Stevens Fish Taxidermy in Twin Falls, works on the Twin Canada goose that earned him the title of national champion for waterfowl at the National Taxidermist Association championships.

Twin Falls taxidermist collects national awards

The Times-News
TWIN FALLS - John Stevens, owner of a taxidermy shop called Stevens Fish Taxidermy, attended the 28th annual National Taxidermist Association trade show and taxidermy championships July 14-17 in Billings, Mont. Stevens entered a total of eight mounts in four divisions. He earned two first places and one second place in waterfowl, one first and one second in birds, two seconds in warmwater fish and one second in coldwater fish. He also earned the NTA Award of Excellence for waterfowl and birds, which will be awarded to him at the national championships next year in Lubuck, Texas. During the awards banquet July 17, Stevens was awarded the title of national champion of waterfowl. The bird that earned him this title is a

Twinners Canada goose sitting in an ice scene. It scored 97.5 out of 100 possible points. Stevens said all of the forms used to recreate the anatomy of this bird were custom-made by him just for this pose. In the past 12 years at the three state-level shows he has attended, he has been awarded 24 first places, nine seconds, one third, six best of category, one best of show masters, two Starfish Awards (best reproduction of fish at show), one Polytanssar Award (best skin-mounted fish at show), an award from Ducks Unlimited and an award from Pheasants Forever, Stevens said. He said he now needs one experience as an assistant judge to become an NTA-certified judge for birds and waterfowl. The NTA's 29th Annual Convention, Competition and Trade Show will be held July 13-15, 2000, in Lubuck.



Betty Shaud of Jerome, Idaho, talks with Ken Edmunds, left, president of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce, and Jules Harrison, dealer at Jules Harrison while picking up the car she won in a chamber raffle.

Jerome woman lands Theisen car in raffle

The Times-News
TWIN FALLS - Betty Shaud had her pick of the crop last week. After a visit to Theisen Motors, the Jerome woman went home with a new 1999 silver Mercury Sable that she'll drive to Arizona this winter. A raffle for the winner's choice of new cars was the highlight of the Twin Falls

Area Chamber of Commerce's 6th annual Hot August Nite tent and auction this month. Shaud's purchase of just one ticket won her picking rights at any participating dealership. The chamber put in \$12,000, and six new-car dealers put in \$5,000 to come up with \$20,000 toward the car, said Kent Just, the chamber's executive vice president.

CAREER MOVES

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The designation of Certified Insurance Counselor was conferred on Richard Birrell, a certified executive of Obenchain Insurance Inc., following his completion of an insurance education program sponsored by the Society of Certified Insurance Counselors.

The society is a national non-profit organization dedicated to professional insurance education. More than 23,000 agents and insurance professionals throughout the country have received the CIC designation. Birrell, born and raised in Twin Falls, joined the Obenchain team in 1995.

TWIN FALLS - Jensen Jewelers announced the graduation of two employees from its training programs. Bruce Timm completed an 11-week course and received certification in the Certified Professional Jeweler program. The course involves extensive training in all product areas of the jewelry industry, including diamonds, genuine stones, watches and all facets of jewelry making. Brent Rasmussen completed a 12-week course and received certification in the Credit

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Collection Analyst program. This course involves extensive training in granting credit, collecting and office procedures. Timm and Rasmussen both are employed at Jensen Ringmakers in Twin Falls.

TWIN FALLS - Tad Haney of Hwin Realty recently completed a course in "Areas of Real Estate Specialization" sponsored by the Idaho Association of Realtors. He is a newly completed course in all requirements and prescribed courses in Real Estate Practices and Ethics and was granted the right to use the professional designation of GRI.

RUPERT - Kuren H. Rasmussen and Tony Robbins of Rupert recently attended a three-day conference for independent distributors of New



Image International Inc. products in Lexington, Ky. The event included advanced leadership training and the introduction of several new products the two women will market in the Mini-Cassia area. The products include New Image Flex-Aid Pain Relief, New Image Smoker's Independence, New Image StressLess and New Image Youth HGH Booster. New Image International, based in Georgetown, Ky., distributes a line of nutritional supplements and products to improve image and lifestyle. The company specializes in home-based businesses.

CONTRIBUTIONS

US Bancorp gives cash to Magic Valley Symphony
Clady Williams, US Bancorp vice president of community affairs, announced a cash award of \$1,000 has been given to the Magic Valley Symphony Orchestra.

The symphony's 1999-2000 season is titled "Timeless Music for a New Millennium." Theodore A. Hadley is the music director and conductor of the symphony. US Bancorp (then known as West One) became a charter member of the symphony's newly formed Maestro's Circle in 1992. Since then, the bank has been a contributor to the Golden Baton Level. The Maestro's Circle is a group of businesses, organizations and

individuals committed to the continuation and growth of the symphony, said a news release from the Magic Valley Symphony League.

Eagle Crest Sun Valley will help kids learn to ski
Eagle Crest Sun Valley will help Wood River Valley youngsters learn to ski this winter.

The resort recently donated a two-night stay to the Sun Valley Ski Education Foundation for fundraising purposes. The foundation gives all local children the chance to learn to ski. Children wishing to snowboard instead may do so.

First Federal Savings Bank gives \$10,000 for pool
C. Alan Horner, president and chief executive officer of First Federal Savings Bank in Twin Falls, presented a \$10,000 check to the Cover the Pool Committee on Thursday.

First Federal was one of the original contributors to this project for the city pool.

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Thai trade delegation visits south Idaho to study wheat

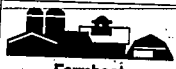
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ABERDEEN — A slice of bread with a sprinkling of cinnamon on it is one of the best selling food products in Thailand. Vendors sell the slices each individually wrapped, for 5 baht (10 cent American) to children headed off to school at 5 a.m.

It's an indication of how far this traditionally rice-based, Southeast Asian country has switched its taste to wheat. For a country that didn't purchase wheat until 25 years ago, wheat products have earned a place in the Thai diet.

Thailand buys 670 metric tons of wheat annually. About 50 percent of that comes from the United States.

Don Suchan, a grain farmer from Paul and a member of the Idaho Wheat Commission, spent Monday with the trade delegation as the group visited an elevator in American Falls, the



Farmbeat
Highlights of this week's Magic Valley Ag Weekly, The Times-News' weekly report on agriculture.

University of Idaho Wheat Quality Laboratory and wheat breeding program in Aberdeen and the Elmer Mill in Blackfoot. This is the third trade delegation to visit Idaho in 1999.

Rigby native takes over as Idaho Farm Bureau chief
POCATELLO — Rick Keller left right at home after his first day on the job as the new executive president of the Idaho Farm Bureau Federation. That's

because he was. Though brand new to the position, the organization's main man, Keller's, been in the Farm Bureau lineup for 20 years.

Joining IFB in 1979, the Rigby native served as the organization's member relations representative in eastern Idaho before becoming the director of member relations in 1984 and assistant executive vice president in 1993.

"I'm excited about the position," Keller said on Monday. "Farm Bureau's strength is in its members and there isn't a better group of people to work with than farmers and ranchers."

In addition, Keller said, he has an "excellent set of board of directors," bringing varied experiences but a single focus to the workings. The executive staff also contributes a "tremendous amount of experience," he said.



Prachai Sakthachareonsak and other members of a trade delegation from Thailand examine variety plots at the University of Idaho wheat breeding program in Aberdeen. The three were in Idaho this week to meet with wheat growers and learn ways to change their purchasing process so the wheat they buy is the quality they need for their baking industry.

Immigrants

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teges among immigrant Mexicans. And in California, produce companies worried about a grower shortage are lending money to Mexican laborers for starting farms.

Hard Work

This year the University of Minnesota starting teaching Somalis, Ethiopians and Koreans about everything from soil fertility and pest control to marketing crops in Minnesota. "The countryside was in their kind of a bad way," notes Nigatu Tadese, who heads the program. Farm-support businesses are also rolling out the red carpet. In Okanogan County, Wash., apple processors gave Mr. Orozco their "Grower of the Year" award in 1997. And at Hamilton Farm Equipment, the local Deere dealership, the service manager told Spanish-language classes, and owner Greg Hamilton wants to hire bilingual staff. "A lot of people aren't willing to come to do farm work and take the thin profits," Hispanics are," Mr. Hamilton says.

Like the sod-busters of American history, today's immigrants have little or no expectation of a handout. That has something to do with what they're growing. Unable to afford, they're highly mechanized — and still federally subsidized — crops such as cotton and corn. Immigrants are mostly raising specialty crops, the government has much less to do with, such as blueberries, apples and pears.

Even so, there are U.S. Department of Agriculture loans earmarked for "socially disadvantaged" growers, and immigrants rarely apply. "Our people are rural from places where you don't expect the government to do a lot of things for them," says Luz Bataan Gutierrez, who runs a training program in Yakima, Wash., for immigrant farmers. When help is accepted, it isn't with any great sense of entitlement. Paul Fischer, a USDA official in Massachusetts, says the immigrants to whom he is lending money are far more grateful than traditional farmers. "The Cambodians give you a big hug," Mr. Fischer says. "I've never had that happen before."

It isn't surprising that some immigrants want to farm. Many lived on farms in their home countries and want the same for their children. But during this century, virtually all immigrant groups except Latinos congregated in cities, drawn by jobs.

The opportunity to return to their rural roots is arising not only because of money, but families' disillusionment with farming but also because of a growing market for organic and ethnic specialty products. For many immigrant farmers, crops that mean with a strong back can reap thousands of dollars by growing. Also, the exploding specialty markets around the country makes it eas-

ier for a small farmer to reach consumers.

Water Spinach

Two decades ago, Sarady Chey left a rural existence in Cambodia for Lowell, Mass., where she became a teacher's aide. But in 1978, she and her husband, a Cambodian farmer, lease seven acres of land and are building their second greenhouse in three weeks to grow Chinese water spinach in Boston. He is quitting a job in the stockroom of a Lowell company to farm full time. At \$4 a pound, a year's production of Chinese water spinach can gross hundreds of thousands of dollars. "It is very hard work, and sometimes I wonder why we're doing this," says Ms. Chey. "But this is what my father did, and now my husband really wants to farm."

A majority of immigrant farmers are Mexican, and that isn't surprising. One-third of the nation's farm laborers are Mexican, and most of them Mexican-born. The 1997 Census of Agriculture counted 22,717 Hispanic-run farms, up 32% in five years, an increase that exceeds the 20% rise in the general Hispanic population of the U.S. during those years. About a third of the states saw their number of Hispanic farmers double in the five years.

To many Mexicans, the laments of the traditional farmer seem exaggerated. And indeed, American families living on farms perform above average financially. According to the USDA, in 1997 farm households' income averaged \$52,347 — compared with \$49,692 for the average U.S. household.

For many immigrants, the style of life is more of Arac, Hispanic, who works in a plant for 13 years, Mexico native Antonio Santos moved his wife and three children to an apple farm near Lawrence, Mich., population 903. "It is peaceful here and there are no drugs," says Mr. Santos. In Chicago, you don't trust anybody.

His story is typical of how an urban immigrant makes the transition. Mr. Santos didn't qualify for a bank loan and didn't know how to drive a tractor. But a longtime farmer named Lyle Hoyer was eager to retire and had no relatives who wanted to take over. So he sold his orchard to Mr. Santos, with payment to be made over a period of years. As part of the deal, the old farmer agreed to teach Mr. Santos for two years. Shortly after the promise was fulfilled, Mr. Hoyer died.

Making Do

It hasn't been easy for Mr. Santos. Sitting at his kitchen table, the now-paying member of the Farm Bureau frets about foreign competition. A diet of Chinese apple juice is pushing

down apple prices to such depressed levels — the lowest in decades — that some longtime farmers around him are bulldozing their orchards.

But Mr. Santos, 43, isn't trying to finance the lifestyle of neighbors whose yards sport satellite dishes and fishing boats. His farmhouse has a lease, his equipment is old, and his three kids work in the orchard without pay. "We can get by on less," he says.

Also, he sometimes sees opportunities where his neighbors don't. When apple prices collapsed, he planted peppers and tomatoes — Mexican tomatoes for the Latino market in Chicago. He drives a truck loaded with his vegetables 120 miles to the city three times a week.

So many Mexican immigrants are settling around him that he opened an ethnic grocery this summer. The county's agricultural extension agent hired Mr. Santos's 18-year-old daughter, Sonia, to translate educational material. Now she is going to college to become a bilingual farm instructor. There will be lots of work for her here. Local officials think the number of Latino farmers in surrounding Van Buren County might hit 60 in a few years, up from just two a decade ago.

Immigrants also are giving broader meaning to the term "family farm." One of the fastest-growing blueberry farms in Van Buren County belongs to a Mexican immigrant and nine of his grown children. Some of them farm full time. Others, such as the brother who is a state trooper, contribute money from their jobs. A Mexican friend outside the farmhouse of Felipe Llerena, 33, a school-district worker who farms part time. "Dad told us to invest in land because land will always be there," says Mr. Llerena. "Now

the sky is the limit."

For the Anglo farmers who are selling out, the transition is painful. Many are turning over land that their families worked for generations. In central Washington, their ancestors arrived a century ago, attracted to the region's cool autumn temperatures, which bring out the richest color in apples.

In Brewster, Wash., 62-year-old grower Jack Groeneveld has given up all hope that his farm will stay in the family. His only child got a college degree and teaches at a nearby elementary school.

Mr. Groeneveld — whose apple-grower father was a 1917 immigrant from the Netherlands — wanted to find a local person willing to take over his farm. "I tried to get a couple of white boys to learn farming," says Mr. Groeneveld, himself the son of an apple grower. "But their parents said, 'No way!' Not unless I signed a contract guaranteeing they'd get paid even if we lost all our harvest."

Mr. Groeneveld found an eager pupil in Mr. Orozco. A native of a poor Mexican village, he worked his way across the border illegally to pick fruit in California for as little as \$9 a day, eventually making his way up to Oregon and marrying a local woman in 1978. That made him a legal resident.

Learning From Jack

During years of working in Mr. Groeneveld's orchard, Mr. Orozco absorbed everything Mr. Groeneveld could teach him about planting, pruning and thinning fruit trees. He became the foreman, learned English and took the nickname "Jasper" because it was easier for Anglos to pronounce than Gaspar.

When his boss needed more hands, Mr. Orozco recruited men from his native village who had smuggled themselves into the

U.S. Mr. Orozco lent them money in emergencies and helped them bring other family members from Mexico.

It took Mr. Orozco a decade to piece together enough small parcels of land to become a full-time farmer on his own. Friends from Mexico helped him plant, and Mr. Groeneveld lent him money for land and machinery. Now he sells \$300,000 worth of fruit in a good year from his 135 acres of trees and he wants to buy more land, a move that would make Mr. Orozco bigger than some of his Anglo neighbors. One possibility: He might buy out his mentor, Mr. Groeneveld, who has been selling off pieces of his land now that he is semiretired.

"Jack Groeneveld told me, 'No matter how much I pay you, you're never going to get ahead. The only way to make it is to buy your land,'" says Mr. Orozco. "I was scared at first, but he was right."

Some of Mr. Orozco's recruits, including two of his brothers, have started their own fruit farms. The 1986 Simpson-Rodino amnesty act allowed them, like thousands of undocumented farm workers, to become legal residents and cleared the way for them to buy land.

A Chance, at Least

Many of the new farmers aren't earning any more than they did as migrant workers, and some fail. But owning land gives them a sense of belonging and at least the chance to repeat the success of Mr. Orozco, who is so prominent locally that he was invited to join a state delegation to Mexico to promote trade.

One recent day, Cerefino Garcia is using the last few hours of sunlight to care for his apple after working a full day in someone else's orchard.

With apple prices depressed, his 30-acre plot yielded Mr. Garcia a pitance last year, and he is worried he'll lose the \$20,000 of hard-earned savings he sank into his orchard and might have to default on a \$35,000 loan from the federal government. To help out, his wife cleans hotel rooms.

But he is far from without hope. As he toils, a pickup barreling down the road comes to a sudden halt. It is his inspiration, Mr. Orozco. They talk for a few minutes about the low apple prices. Then Mr. Orozco says, "Hang in there. If you work hard, you'll make it."

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Sitting too long brings risks

Researchers probe mysteries of repetitive stress injuries

By Daille Willner
The Philadelphia Inquirer

PHILADELPHIA — In your computer terminal, you might start to feel numbness and tingling in your wrists and hands. Concerned about repetitive stress injuries (RSI), such as carpal tunnel syndrome, you might purchase an "ergonomically correct" keyboard or mouse. But like 200,000 Americans a year, you might need surgery for RSI anyway.

A study published in the July 14 issue of the *Journal of the American Medical Association* claims that one in five people with "experience pain and numbness in their arms may have carpal tunnel syndrome or a related stress injury. Disability claims for RSI skyrocketed more than 40 percent between 1989 and 1994, according to Unum Corp., of Portland, Maine, the nation's fourth-largest disability insurer for individuals.

But there still seems to be little in the way of proven preventive measures. Most ergonomic devices, for example, focus on the comfort of the user, not the probability of preventing RSI. Now, two physical therapists at Temple University are trying to change that with a new computer mouse and research focusing on prevention of work-related RSI.

Barb and Mary Barbe, professors of physical therapy at the college, are addressing this problem on both fronts medically, with new studies of low RSI devices on the nerves, bones and tissues, and practically, with a new mouse designed to prevent RSI.

Their research, which will be presented at the American Society for Bone and Medical Research meeting in St. Louis in October, shows how repetitive muscular tasks, such as typing or meat-cutting, can cause systemic changes in the body.

The damage, Barbe said, is "more far-reaching, and much faster than we expected." Rats used in their laboratory research performed a repetitive motion task, reaching through a small hole to grab a nut pellet, for two hours a day, three days a week. Every rat in the test suffered damage to every nerve, tissue and bone in the affected arm within 2 weeks, Barbe said. Imagine the effect of a human being after several years of using a computer five days a week, or eight hours a day, she said.

As damage worsened, the rats became slower and clumsier at performing the task, finally

How to avoid keyboard injury

■ While working at a computer workstation, the hands should follow the same line or plane as the forearm. This position is called wrist-neutral.

■ In this position, the weight of the fingers and forearms is supported when at rest and in motion.

■ While typing or using a mouse, the wrists should be kept in a neutral position. The mouse should also encourage a neutral position of the whole arm whenever the computer is used.

■ Avoid long reaches by locating the items that you frequently use close to you. Try to keep your computer's mouse in the "usual zone" in the "usual zone" in the "usual zone."

■ Take a break!

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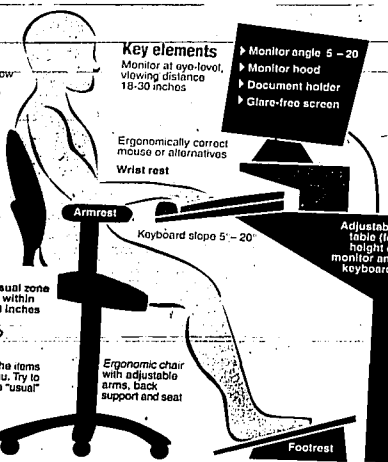
becoming unable to perform it at all, just as human beings who complain of pain and numbness eventually become debilitated.

Barb also created a computer mouse that can be used by both right- and left-handers. It is designed to work off the symptoms of RSI by aligning the user's forearm and wrist in a neutral position. The mouse is designed to be held in the hand like a stick shift of an automobile.

This position, Barb explained, allows a wider range of joint motion and reduces the demands on specific muscles. Barb has patented the mouse and is looking into options for manufacturing and marketing it.

As there are rats of devices on the market designed to alleviate the pain of working with computers, said Barb, a former RSI sufferer herself, "Barb mine is the only one developed strictly for the purpose of preventing the musculoskeletal injury."

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lens our patients' health." For example, Bednar does not use the term "RSI" because of confusion among his patients and colleagues about the terminology and causes of musculoskeletal disorders that comes in with a variety of diagnoses for each case.

"Some physicians give a [carpal tunnel syndrome] diagnosis to anyone that comes in with wrist pain and a disability claim," Bednar said. "There's a vast range of possible injury that we're overlooking."

He cautions that while most ergonomic devices may make some computer users more comfortable, they do little to prevent injuries. "I haven't seen any one device that is better than the others," Bednar said.

Members of the ergonomics industry, makers of keyboard and pointing devices designed to give computer users a greater measure of comfort, would argue that the devices they produce do make a difference. But they are cautious about making claims.

After a landmark 1996 decision against Digital Equipment Corp., in which a New York jury awarded almost \$6 million to three women who claimed they developed carpal tunnel syndrome from using Digital keyboards, few hardware designers claim their products will prevent or even ease the symptoms of RSI.

Microsoft, which has 50 percent of the market for ergonomic keyboards, packages the Natural Keyboard with a detailed memo to consumers about the keyboard's purpose and tips on how to prevent RSI.

Other ergonomics designers are outspoken about product limitations and recommend that consumers educate themselves about how to prevent RSI.

Key Tronic, the Spokane, Wash., manufacturer of ErgoForce keyboards, pitches its pressure-sensitive keyboards as the latest in consumer facility, not as the most medically sound devices on the market. In fact, Key Tronic went to consumer focus groups — not the medical community — for ideas about ErgoForce keyboards.

"You're not going to win when you try to pitch something as medically proven to be good for computer users," said John Barnes, Key Tronic manager of marketing communications. "I think consumers might be more interested in what feels good to them than what a doctor says."

But Sidney Maycock, a South Jersey chiropractor who created the Wristisizer, does not believe in taking shortcuts when it comes to ergonomics.

He researched medical journals and consulted with ergonomics experts and orthopedic surgeons to put together his grip-strengthening device, which comes with 26 muscle-balancing and conditioning exercises. "It was important to me to develop a product that would actually help people with RSI, rather than doing nothing or making the problem worse," said Maycock.

Fed likely to raise rate this week, analysts say

By Deborah Lagomastino
Bridge News

NEW YORK — There is little doubt in many analysts' minds that the Federal Reserve will take the cautious move of raising the federal funds rate by 25 basis points Tuesday amid signs of rising inflationary pressures and most expect the Fed to retain its neutral policy direction. The Fed also may hit the discount rate to keep it more in line with the funds rate as a purely technical move, they said.

Since Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan warned in his July 22 Humphrey-Hawkins testimony that the Fed would act "promptly and forcefully" should "new data suggest it is likely that the pace of cost and price increases will be picking up," key inflation gauges have been on the rise.

Although there is no evidence of consumer price pressure yet, wage growth and labor costs have accelerated enough to intensify the Fed's worries that the tight labor market may eventually lead to higher inflation, analysts say.

"It is a preemptive move. You give a Humphrey-Hawkins address like he did and then you get the numbers that back up what you're saying, why didn't you wait until October to move?" said Peter Kretzmer, economist at BancAmerica Securities.

The Fed certainly has enough ammunition in the most recent economic data to justify a rate increase next week. Although the July consumer price index matched expectations and the July producer price index was better than forecasts, average hourly earnings climbed a

Most agree ...
A survey of 23 financial analysts on Aug. 5 shows:
 □ Odds of Aug. 24 hike up to 84% vs 72%.
 □ Odds of 25 bp hike Oct. 5 57% vs 68%.
 □ 13 of 21 analysts see neutral policy bias Aug. 24.
 □ 11 of 21 analysts see discount rate hike Aug. 24.

stronger-than-expected 0.5% in July, the second-quarter employment cost index surged a stronger-than-expected 1.1%, and unit labor costs in the second quarter climbed at a 3.8% annual rate.

The economy cooled to a 2.3% pace in the second quarter from the robust 4.3% pace of the first quarter, largely due to a surprise draw down in inventories. Economists expect inventory building later this year to boost growth and see the economy expanding at around a 3.5% pace in the second half of the year.

"Greenspan is focusing mainly on the labor market and the cost structure of the economy to determine if there is inflation. The evidence is unmistakable. We do have more strains on the labor market and labor costs are clearly accelerating at the same time raw materials prices are climbing," said David Jones, economist with Aubrey G. Lanston.

Jones said he expects the Fed to raise the fed funds and discount rates by 25 basis points each and to shift back to a right-leaning bias from its current neutral policy directive.

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Elderly may use tax shelter twice

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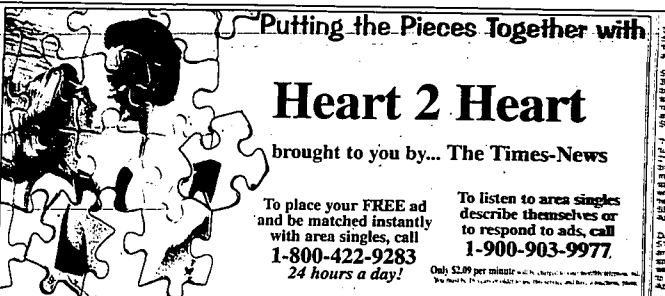
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How I spent my summer

I just returned from a great summer vacation - historic home tours in Williamsburg, Va., the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C., major league baseball in Baltimore and Philadelphia (I and 50,000 other people got there two hours early to see Mark McQuire take batting practice). My family had been planning the trip for months. We expected it to be perfect. We should have known better.

We stayed in Boise the night before departure to arrive at the airport by 5:50 a.m., at which time we were told our flight had been canceled. The ticket agent gave us two options: leave that night on a red eye, arriving in Baltimore the following morning, or leave in five hours and arrive at



LIFE AND TIMES Denise Turner

midnight. We said we would take the second choice. But that wasn't the right answer.

"Many people don't like to arrive in a big city late at night," the agent said, giving us a "those are the smart people" look.

We ignored the look and headed through the radar machines, which, as always, were a snap - for people who don't wear jewelry or carry car keys. We ate in three different airports that day, but I think the food was forwarded from site to site, along with our luggage. For the last night in flight, we waited next to a man who was talking to himself. On the way to the plane, another man paced past, bumping us onto the "moving" aisle.

"Just fly on our airline," I felt like telling him. "You'll never feel rushed in an airport."

...in Philadelphia, daughter Becky went to visit a friend who works for the Secret Service (he showed her his agent friends in photos of politicians, as in "that's Dave's car behind the tree in back of President Clinton"). The rest of us signed up for a "ghost tour."

Did I say we should have known better?

We were sitting at a red light when a New Jersey cab driver rear-ended our rental car. The policeman spent the next five minutes with us assuring the cab driver that he wouldn't have to appear in court.

"What about us?" I wanted to scream. "We're the ones he hit. Don't you tell me it's OK. Tell him we'll probably get the electric chair."

We returned to the hotel in a new car. The in-room movie was "Out-of-Town."

On to Washington, D.C., where we rode the Metro to the White House at 7:30 a.m. (as we had been instructed to do by answering machine) to stand in line for free tickets to a 10 a.m. tour. But the people who had gotten there at 5:30 a.m. had all the tickets.

Near the gates, we happened upon a guy taking tours of the city, including the White House, for \$25. He had "four guide" written (in pen, I think) on his cap. My husband and I decided to take the risk when we saw how many other people were piling into the vans. We dragged along our children, who were convinced we were all being kidnaped by the Mafia. The tour turned out to be great.

Later, in Williamsburg, we were, driving down a country road that our book had characterized as "peaceful when the lights are on" and the dashboard of our newest rental car. It said "check" and had a picture of something that looked like a pork roast. We figured "check" was wrong, wasn't right, so we called the rental car agency - and were told they don't pay too much attention to those

"Of course they don't," I yelled at my husband. "They don't have to drive this stupid car 180 miles to catch a plane!"

I whined until my unhappy spouse found a mechanic who hooked the car up to something and told us the pork roast was really a computer sensor. He said it could mean 24 different things, but most likely meant nothing.

"Lots of people just have these lights unplugged," he said.

It made as much sense as anything we had heard the past week.

We drove with that light on for two days. Then, 15 minutes before we arrived at the airport, the light went off. That's when we realized it was Friday the 13th.

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A LOVE affair with LEARNING?

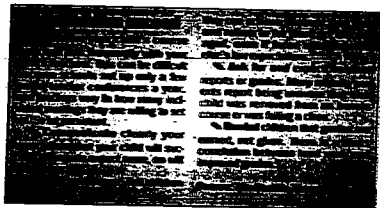


Maybe the thought of going back to school leaves your kids out of the summer you don't leave.

A few ideas on how to help kids beat the boredom-with-school blues

By Steve Crump Times-News writer

- 1. Don't dismiss his or her complaints about school. Above and beyond normal grouching, there's a reason he or she is disengaged from learning. Ask why, then open your ears and close your mouth. Above all, don't treat your kid to a lecture on the importance of education; he or she won't listen.
2. If your child complains about the teacher, go talk to that teacher. There are two sides to every story; learn all the facts.
3. There's a big difference between disliking school and being afraid to go there. If your child is being physically intimidated by other students, that's a



Flannery one night. Go to the library with your child.
5. Make it clear that education isn't just important; it's important to YOU. Children take their

parents' values seriously. Make certain it's abundantly clear that learning is a core value to you.
6. Be sure learning isn't an obstacle. If your child chronically has trouble at school, consider having him or her tested for learning disabilities. Have his or her eyesight checked.
7. Make homework a conversation, not a chore. Parents can learn too, and it's likely that your kids will be more motivated by school if they know YOU'RE engaged in what they're learning. Sit down and help your child with his homework, if he or she wants you to, and talk about what you're doing.
8. Understand that there's a difference between pressure and expectations. What you should

expect is the best your kids can do in school, whether that's an A or a C.
9. They're not stupid. Stupid. Children often live down to low expectations, so expect better.
10. Not everybody learns the same way. Some kids, for example, are "visual" learners, far more comfortable with a computer than a calculator. There are many ways to use your child's learning style to his or her advantage; talk to your teacher, and if the teacher recommends it, have your child tested.

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Trouble signs: Some indicators that your young student needs help

Your child grumbles and complains about going to school each day.
Even though his physical health is fine, he complains about headaches, stomachaches and vague pains.

Most of the conflicts between you and your younger child revolve around school.
Your child has no clear plans for the future.
Your kid says he has no friends, receives no phone calls

or visits from friends at home, and doesn't get involved in birthday parties.
His homework and school assignments, he often gets the first answers on a quiz; right, then starts to fall apart and

misses later answers. That's a sign that he may be overwhelmed or distracted. If he's bored, he may carelessly write the wrong answers to easy questions, but excel on harder questions. You may

notice that your child doesn't understand what the teacher wants, or that he understands verbal - but not written - directions.

-Source: Ann Rambo, ChildFit

Take a look at how you look over your bills to determine if you have a spending problem

One way to diagnose a compulsive shopping or spending problem is to look at your credit-card bill.

The most prominent symptom of a compulsive shopping or spending is obvious debt. "I don't know if Bill Gates is capable of having a compulsive-shopping problem," said Joe Hammock, a Colorado Springs, Colo., psychologist.

Not everyone who runs up their credit-card bill is by definition a compulsive shopper. But, according to the Illinois Institute - for Addiction Recovery, if you say yes to four of the following symptoms, you may have a compulsive shopping or spending

problem:
Shopping or spending money when - possibly - disappointed, angry or scared.
Your shopping or spending habits are causing emotional distress or chaos in your life.
You find yourself arguing with others about your shopping or spending habits.
You feel lost without credit cards.
You're buying items on credit that you wouldn't buy

with cash.
You experience a rush of euphoria and anxiety at the same time when you spend money.
Spending or shopping feels as you like a reckless or forbidden act.
You feel guilty, ashamed, embarrassed or confused after you shop or spend money, and you don't use many of your purchases.
You lie to others about what you bought or how much money you spent.
You feel excessively about money.

-Source: The Center of Colorado Springs, Colo.

Etc...

Circus tops list of family events going on this well all across the Magic Valley

JEROME - Circus Chimera, an animal-free circus, will play the Jerome County Fairgrounds at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and at 1:30 and 4:30 p.m. on Saturday and again on Aug. 29. For ticket information or reserved seating, call 1-888-ONE-RING.

Upcoming
TWIN FALLS - Auditions for new members of the Magic Valley Youth Orchestra are scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Aug. 30 in Room 133 of the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center. The Youth Orchestra, under the direction of Carol Wong, will begin fall session rehearsals on Sept. 11. Applications may be obtained by phoning Judy Call at 734-7335.

Ongoing
BUHL - South Central Head Start in Buhl is now taking applications for enrollment in its preschool program in the Buhl, Filer, Castelford and Hagerman areas. Head Start is free to participants who meet qualification guidelines. Enrollment who are 4 years old by Sept. 1 and meet low-income guidelines. Priority is also given to children with special needs. Transportation to the Head Start center is available for preschool students. For more information, call West End Head Start at 543-5618, or leave a message at 543-2390.

FAMILY LIFE

Our parents' deeds showed us love

"We have too many high sounding words, and too few actions that correspond with them."

-Abigail Adams (in a letter to John Adams, 1774)

By Lini R. Grol

Chicken Soup for the Soul

add some sugar. Sugar and butter were expensive items and not squandered in our house.

Our mother would then ask about what mattered most at that moment. "How was your day? How was the test? Did you do your best?" She'd smile and nod as we answered, and say, "That's good; you do your best and God will do the rest."

After having "unloaded" on mother, I would run upstairs to see my father, who was a tailor. His workshop was upstairs, so he was seldom away. He'd hear me coming, reach into my briefcase and pull out his work table and start polishing one of the delicious fruits. I'd burst into his room with some news, and he'd listen with the occasional remark of

approval, all the while polishing that apple. He was fun to be about fruit, especially apples, which I bought by the bushel and kept under his work table.

I'd watch that apple grow shinier by the minute. It was just right. By that time I was almost drooling, and he'd hand it to me. "For you." His dark eyes would shine as he watched me bite into the apple, then he'd say "Go outside and play." I would skip away, seemingly forgetting "him" and his gift. Yet those moments are engraved in my mind.

Our parents didn't openly offer praise and endearing words or give us rewards for good marks in school. One of my brothers and I were always at the top of our class, while one of my sisters managed to remain at the bottom of hers. She had lots of fun in her school years. As we know now, she was bored in class leaving her ways. Yet she later had an important position in government job, and she was highly regarded by her superiors.

Seemingly, our father and mother accepted her as she was, and when my brother and I dared boast about our good marks, they said calmly, "We expect you to do your best," which kept us smart and in place. But, in our absence, they lectured my sister, who took the lecturing in her stride without altering her ways. Yet she later had an important position in government job, and she was highly regarded by her superiors.

She became a strong support of our parents in their old age and a great help for several members of our family.

No, I don't remember my parents ever saying "I love you," but they certainly showed us by their example what real love is. When my sisters and I were in nurses' training and couldn't come home for the holidays, they sent us parcels. Nothing expensive, a scarf or gloves, or some pretty-hankies, a cake and candies. But there was also something silly—a lump of coal, nicely wrapped in silver paper.

One of my classmates saw me unwrap my piece of coal: She laughed heartily at such a silly present. It was of course, but my sisters and me, it was a token of our dad's love. We saw in it our mother's warm smile when she looked at us, and in our father's mischievous grin when he had done us a favor and was shy in showing off his pleasure. It reminded us of the hours when we sat around the stove waiting for the apples to puff while they told us stories.

They never said "I love you," but they showed us in a million ways how much they cared for us. And what love meant to them. May God bless them.

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'Bowfinger' is funny, but it's not for kids

"Bowfinger" (PG-13) - Twin Cinema. Century Winema of Burley, Jerome Cinema, Magic Lantern Cinema of Ketchum.



What it's about: Wanna-be movie producer-director Bobby Bowfinger (Steve Martin) has no money, no script and no talent. But he does have an eager crew. He hires Graham, Christine Baranski, Robert Downey Jr., Jamie Kennedy, Kohl Sudduth, and he finds a resourceful way to make a movie with the hottest star in Hollywood (Murphy) for a price. Eddie Murphy, with the star knowing he's making the movie.

The good: Two of the funniest men in Hollywood deliver a very funny movie. Not only does Martin get to do what he does best (play a smart character with heart; do funny and dumb things), but he is surrounded by an ensemble of actors who likewise get to camp it up and have a good time with the story. Likewise, Murphy's forte is playing clever characters, and in this movie he gets to play complete opposites: a movie star and a loser hired to be his stand-in.

The not-so-good: Because of the movie's ecotical star, who arrives on the bus from the Midwest expecting to be discovered, then uses her sexual charms to get the role she wants; and the ecotical star, who encourages. But what makes this movie work is the right amount of parody mixed with the brilliant timing of the stars. The movie makes fun of the whole Hollywood process and because it doesn't take itself seriously, it's very entertaining.

"Nuttty Professor" crowd. Aside from language and adult issues (the con that's at the center and the brilliant way it's carried off) the sexual dialogue and situations between Graham's character and several men make it for mature audiences. Does it get goofy and downright silly? Yes. Do you mind it when it comes from such talented men as Martin and Murphy? No.

Offensive language: Yes, mostly from Murphy at the beginning when he delivers an incredible funny monologue about the injustices of Hollywood toward black actors. His tirade makes fun of everything and everyone.

Sex: What there is on implied. The focus is more on what's being said and what's going on between the characters than on actual sex scenes. The whole plot is that Graham's character sleeps her way to the top, so she won't take anyone or any situation seriously.

Violence: There are hilarious special effects to simulate a bad sex movie (stuff oozing out of a guy's head), a couple of chase scenes with fake blood, and a scene with a bunch of martial-arts types attacking the stars, but it's all in good fun.

Parental advisory: This is another example of a comedy that has stars (Murphy, Martin, Graham) kids will want to see, but the adult issues and sexual overtones keep it from being family-friendly.

Entertainment value: B+

Folks of faith tend to live longer, research shows

Seniors who attend church or synagogue regularly may possess the secret of longevity. In another report linking good health with religion, Duke University researchers say seniors who faithfully attend services are not only healthier but also more likely to live longer than the non-religious. "These studies do not show that if they are going to church for health reasons, their health will improve," says the report in the Journal of Gerontology. "But if people go to church for religious reasons, they have better health and survive longer."

Brain teasers

Ever try driving with mittens on? Sniffing vanilla or peppermint first thing in the morning? Brushing your teeth or eating with the "wrong" hand? No, it's not a Dr. Seuss story. Another Duke University scientist and a New York writer say the brain needs novelty and multisensory experiences to stay sharp. In a new book called "Keep Your Brain Alive," Dr. Lawrence C. Katz and Manning Rubin propose these activities as part of their brain-fitness regimen, which they call "neurobics."

They clean forget

Who does clean the bathroom anyway? A new study indicates that both U.S. husbands and wives are spending less time doing housework, suggesting that some guys undone. University of Maryland researchers found that the amount of time devoted to housework has fallen over the last 30 years. Most of the change is due to women finding time outside the house, but the amount of time men spend on such chores — which had been increasing — has leveled off, too.

2000 reasons to stay home

Travel magazines have been full of suggestions for great places to visit in the year 2000, but most of you will forget that trip to Bali and celebrate close to home. Only 8 percent of people surveyed by Travel Weekly, a trade magazine for New Year's. Among the most frequently cited reasons for staying home: There's plenty to do nearby, it's not possible to take a vacation at that time of the year, and "the millennium means nothing to me."

Some question preconceptions about children of divorce

Knight Rider News Service Diana Godwin Praeger is a divorcee who has been a single parent for 10 years. She is also a part-time college student, full-time bookkeeper and president of the Derby Board of Education in Derby, Kan. And she has officially had enough. Her daughters, Katie, 21, a senior majoring in business at Kansas State University; and Marissa, 16, an incoming junior at Derby High School, are happy and well-adjusted. They make good grades, they don't drink or do drugs, and they haven't become pregnant. So why, she asks, does the media insist on lumping all families with one parent at home,

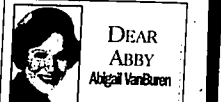
regardless of their circumstances, into one stereotype — that children from such homes are at greater risk for drug or alcohol abuse, teen pregnancy, educational failure or welfare dependency? While those outcomes may be true in general of kids who come from single-parent homes — especially when parents never married or lived together — it doesn't represent his household. "I have worked hard to instill the right values and morals in my children," Praeger said. "I take offense to this generalization of kids who come from two-parent homes who are emotionally neglected, too, so how can you generalize like that?"

For Tech Sgt. Tina Washington, a training manager in aircraft maintenance stationed at McConnell Air Force Base in Wichita, Kan., the fear is very real that people who don't know them will attach that negative stereotype to her son, Zach, 16. "When people look at you — plus, he's black and I'm white — when people look at him and realize he comes from a single-parent family, I think they look at him differently," she said. Zach Washington, who has lived only with his mother since he was 3, wants to be either an architect, or to get into computer science. He's been involved in Boy Scouts and in Big Brothers and Sisters, and he still has contact with his father.

When they've lived abroad or stateside, Washington says, many of her male colleagues in the Air Force have been around Zach to offer him some one-on-one male perspective as he's grown up. "There are some of us (single parents) out here who do a pretty good job of raising our kids," Washington said. Linda Wiley, now 21 and completing an electrical engineering degree at the University of Kansas, has been a family of two since David was about 10. Though his father played little part in David's life after his parents divorced, he had plenty of support and guidance from Linda's father and brothers.

Every pupil should be a star

DEAR ABBY: This letter is long, but I hope you'll find it worth sharing with teachers. One of the challenges I face as one who works with young people is to help each child have a better self-worth. Naomi Haininger is a well-known speaker with a background in education and social work, has many suggestions for accomplishing this.

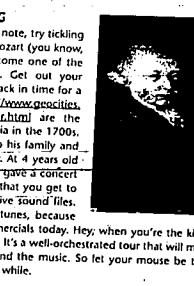


"Each week, a child was named 'Star of the Week.' A spiral notebook was sent home with the student, and the child's family was asked to write special memories or unique descriptions pertaining to the student. Also that week, every child in the class was asked to do something good about the 'Star of the Week.' The comments of the students and family were then incorporated into a computer poster and were read aloud to the 'star' in front of the entire class. All the students lit up with pride as their comments were read to the students. During that week, someone from the child's family visited our classes and shared a hobby or interest with our students. The students and I were both Pharmacies and firmen brought ambulances and fire trucks and other vehicles to school to demonstrate making tortillas. Tragedy struck our kindergarten this year when one of our students, Rudy, died after a long battle with leukemia. When we went to the funeral home to view Rudy's body, we saw Rudy's Star of the Week" poster displayed by the casket. Thank you, Naomi Griffin, for showing us the way to help all children.

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BODY AND SOUL

It's "all aboard" for KidHealth.org, the ultimate Web site dealing with wellness and health for young people. From knee scrapes to asthma to eating disorders, the site tackles a whole variety of medical concerns, both big and small. Start feeling good at <http://www.earthwatch.org> where you'll learn how the body works, how to stay safe, and how to treat everyday illnesses. Why do we have belly buttons? What causes hiccups? The experts at Kids Health.org have great answers to questions like these, plus medical facts for cool experiments and games. Be sure to check out Words, a glossary of medical words aimed at kids. Or stop by the Fabulous Food section, where you'll find out how to eat for sports. The prognosis is always good at KidsHealth.org!

AskAmy@4Kids.org Ask Amy answers kids' questions about the World Wide Web. Dear Amy: Some Web sites have "streaming" video or audio. What does that mean? Alex, Minneapolis Dear Alex: Streaming video or audio files on the Web means that with the right software, you can start viewing a video or audio file without having to download the entire file to finish downloading. Without streaming, most people would not bother to wait while these huge files download. Streaming of live events in real time is possible over the Web with the same technology. Real Networks and Apple's Quicktime provide streaming for both Mac & PC platforms. For a free download of streaming software go to <http://www.real.com> or <http://www.apple.com/quicktime/> Dear Amy: What does encryption mean? Marilyn, Topkapi, Kan. Dear Marilyn: Encryption is a computer program that scrambles data into a secret code. To unscramble the code, the reader must have a "key." So why is encryption it safe to send things like secret e-mail, credit card numbers and financial transactions over the World Wide Web. For a fun example of how encryption works, go to Think.com at <http://www.think.com/learn/encrypt.html> and scramble and unscramble messages. Here's a secret message you can try to unscramble: P7u Wf, LD updanv ue GGt Ral Send your questions about the WWW to: Ask Amy, 3001 Dole, Lawrence, KS 66045 or AskAmy@4Kids.org NETWORK OF REGIONAL TECHNOLOGY IN EDUCATION CONSORTIA <http://rtie.net> Helping make technology happen!

Be a 4Kids Detective Visit these Web sites to find the answers, then go to <http://www.4kids.com/detectives/> 1. What was Wolfgang's sister's name? 2. At the current rate, when might the rain forests disappear? 3. How should teens deal with sports injuries?

FAMILY LIFE

Sometimes, it's best to let children figure out questions on their own



PARENTING John Rosemond

a similar issue at home and would welcome your guidance.

So, for example, your little interrupter asks what you're doing when the answer is as plain as day. You say, "Oh, you don't need me to answer that question," or something like that.

You can also ask questions that help him discover the answers for himself. A number of years ago, regarding a similar situation involving a seven-year-old girl, I recommended that her teacher give her 10 "tickets" (rectangular pieces of laminated construction paper adorned with question marks) per day. If the girl wanted an answer to a question, she had to give up a ticket. When she ran out of tickets, the teacher couldn't answer any more questions. Within a week, this little girl, that everyone had thought was insecure and seeking attention, was asking fewer than five questions a day and looking much happier for it.

Q. My nearly 3-year-old daughter is questioning excessively. At least, I think it's excessive. She started when she was about 6 months old, seemingly to help herself feel asleep. That didn't really bother me. Now, however, I'm concerned because she would rather do this than just about anything. How do I get her to stop?

A. It's not at all uncommon for girls your daughter's age to have discovered the "magic button" and be somewhat obsessed with "pushing" it. Masturbation is more common in girls this age than it is boys, which may have something to do with the fact that little boys are generally more active than little girls.

In any case, in itself it's nothing to worry about. (I must mention, however, that excessive masturbation is not an obvious outgrowth of early attempts at self-pacification - as is the case here - may be a symptom of sexual abuse. Parents with suspicions or concerns along these lines should

contact their child's physician.)

This age child is very much a pleasure seeker with a limited number of what adults generally consider right vs. wrong, which is why a toddler keeps climbing up on the counter for the cookie jar, no matter how many times he's reprimanded. My point here is that just as you can't punish or persuade a young child to stop wanting to eat, you can't punish or persuade a young child to stop masturbating. So, what to do? Tell your daughter that children are not allowed to do "that" - give it a neutral name or just call it "rubbing" - anywhere except in a certain place. Furthermore, if she's caught doing "that" anywhere except the bathroom, they have to go to the bathroom and stay there five minutes. It's the rule.

Now, it's important that when you catch your daughter in the act that you not make a big deal of it. Just say, "You know the rule. You have to go to the bathroom for five minutes." If she promises to stop, say, "That's OK, but you still have to go to the bathroom because it's the rule. You can stop in there."

It's important that you not make this seem like punishment, which it isn't. It's simply a gentle means of helping her begin exercising some control over something she's probably going to continue doing, for a while at least. You can get your daughter to limit her masturbation, but she probably won't stop completely until she finds a sufficient number of other things and activities with which to occupy her time.

If she's not already involved in a preschool program, enroll her in one. Don't let her watch much television, if any at all. Keep her as active as possible. This is not a test of how good a mother you are. In the final analysis, where your daughter goes, your hands have nothing whatsoever to do with you. Keep that perspective.

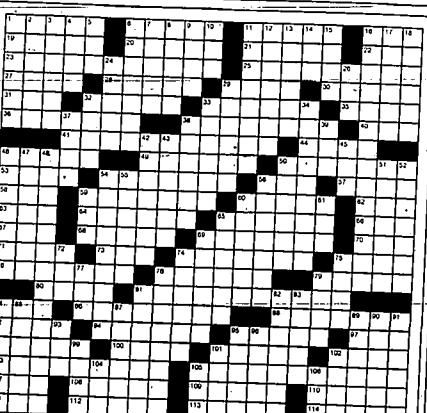
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PEOPLE AND PLACES

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Q. I am a first-year teacher of 4-year-olds in a private prekindergarten program. In my college program in child development, it was axiomatic that one always answers a child's questions, but I'm beginning to wonder. I have a child in my class who asks a constant stream of questions. He's intelligent, cute, plays very well with the other children and has a wonderful imagination. Most of the answers to his questions are obvious. For example, I'll be cutting out an animal figure with scissors and he'll ask, "What are you doing?" If I ask, "What am I doing?" he'll tell me. How should I deal with this? A. The basic intent behind the idea that adults should always answer young children's questions - to promote intellectual curiosity - is a good one, but there are exceptions to every rule. Unfortunately, many child development programs treat this issue as if there should be no exceptions, even when it's why you're beginning to get frustrated concerning this little fella's constant stream of queries.

You are not obligated to answer every one of this child's questions. You are obligated to respond - with kindness - but your response can certainly be a firm but gentle refusal to answer. It's in this little boy's best interest for someone to help him discover that he can answer many of his questions himself. As it stands, a question occurs to him, and he impulsively blurts it out. You can help him learn to control that impulse and begin thinking through many of the word problems that occur to him.

During a planned private moment, tell him he doesn't need to ask so many questions. He's smart, and he can answer some, if not most, of them without your help. If he just thinks a little while, he can answer some, but not all, of his questions. On the others, you're going to help him answer for himself or simply remind him that he can answer for himself and leave it at that. I'd be sure to hold a conference with his parents beforehand, so they understand the philosophy behind what you'll be doing. It may be that they're experiencing

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...much time alone, we can become isolated and too self centered. In sleep, balance our ratio of hours awake and hours asleep that results in rest and rejuvenated energy. Balance with food means balance between the portions we need and the portions we want. It is the balance between macro nutrients and essential nutrients. Buddha said, "Moderation in all things." Moderation is a good guide. Too much of anything leads to excess or exhaustion, and that isn't balance. Here are six ways of life to consider balancing into a complete life plan. Social balance can be time alone and time spent with others. Psychology tells us these are the two prime needs of man: the need for solitude and the need for social interaction. If we spend too

between the quality and quantity of erotic intake. Financial balance involves decisions about saving for the future and spending for the present. It involves lifestyle decisions; for example, do we rent or buy? How big of a house should we live in, and in which neighborhood? What kind of a car, bought, leased or pay for in cash? Should we take a vacation close to home and save the difference? Spiritual balance asks whether you believe in God or not. Do you have faith, and is it unwavering or situational? It confronts us with moral issues versus an individual's rights and the line between them. Is it clear or blurry? Schedule a private one or two hour session with yourself. Consider these six areas of life as they relate to "living a balanced life." Define balance for yourself. Set goals for improvement in those areas where you feel out of balance. Keep your notes readily available for frequent review. Commit to living a balanced life for a year, then re-evaluate. I believe you will find it was the most rewarding year of your life.

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A balanced life has many areas that deserve equal consideration

"Live a balanced life." You've heard that more than once, haven't you? However, do any of the speakers ever give you precise definitions and guidelines? Do they tell you exactly what it takes to live a balanced life? Sometimes they give you one or two ideas based on the subject of their talk. Does that give you a well rounded view of a fully balanced life? Is there only one type of balance to consider? No, and that probably is the root problem. So, let's try to look at balance from several vantage points and develop a wider view. First, balance does not mean equal parts. It is the harmonious ratio between the parts involved. In sleep, balance our ratio of hours awake and hours asleep that results in rest and rejuvenated energy. Balance with food means balance between the portions we need and the portions we want. It is the balance between macro nutrients and essential nutrients. Buddha said, "Moderation in all things." Moderation is a good guide. Too much of anything leads to excess or exhaustion, and that isn't balance. Here are six ways of life to consider balancing into a complete life plan. Social balance can be time alone and time spent with others. Psychology tells us these are the two prime needs of man: the need for solitude and the need for social interaction. If we spend too

Baby born at 18 ounces goes home for the first time

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) - A baby born so tiny that her father's wedding band could fit around her leg has beaten the odds and gone home for the first time. Katelyn Elizabeth Moran weighed 1 pound, 2 ounces when she was born nearly four months premature on May 11. During her 100 days in St. Peter's Hospital, she went through operations to repair a leaky valve in her heart, retina problems in both eyes and a hernia. By the time she left Wednesday, weighing 4 pounds, 5 ounces, Katelyn had come to be known by nurses and other staff

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as the hospital's "littest angel." Katelyn, born to Kelly and Shawn Moran, still faces another operation to remove a cataract from her eye, but she is going to make it.

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Above, members of the Salmon Tract 4-H Club perform their Community Fire Project on Aug. 7 by washing and sweeping out the fire station and fire trucks at the Salmon Tract Fire Department in Hollister. Bottom, the group includes, from left to right, front row: Cameron Courtney, Andrew Skinner and James Newton; second row: Caleb Miller, Jacqueline Newton, Kelsey Shepherd, Jarrett Courtney and Jacob Skinner; back row: Fire Chief Rod Davis, Jeremy Carter, Rebecca Miller, Rebecca Newton, Lisa Skinner, Ezra Miller, Stephanie Taylor and firefighter/4-H leader, Jim Newton. Every year the 4-H club runs a project to give back to the community for all of their support, leaders say.

SCHOOL LUNCH

Only main dishes are listed. All schools serve milk with meals.

Lunch Self-serve salad bar every day.
Monday: Corn dogs.
Tuesday: Cheeseburgers.
Wednesday: Nachos grande.
Thursday: Chicken nuggets.
Friday: Hoagie sandwich.

CASTLEFORD

Breakfast: Orange juice, applesauce and milk served every day.
Monday: Scopes.
Tuesday: Cinnamon rolls.
Wednesday: Pancakes.
Thursday: Scrambled eggs.
Friday: French toast.

School lunch menus are printed as a public service. To have the lunch menu (breakfast menu if desired) printed with the menu in Sunday's paper, send the menu to: The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or fax it to 734-5538, attention: Lunch Menu. Deadline is noon Wednesday for publication Sunday.

Schools offer reduced price lunches

Several schools have announced their policy for free and reduced price meals for children unable to pay full price under the National School Lunch Program. Household size and income criteria will be used in determining eligibility for the program. Children from households at or below determined income levels will be eligible for free or reduced price meals. For example, to be eligible for reduced lunch rates, annual income can't exceed \$30,895 for a family of four. To receive free lunch, annual income can't exceed \$21,710. For reduced lunch prices for a family of two, annual income can't exceed \$20,461 annual and for a free lunch, annual income can't exceed \$14,378. Application forms will be available at

school registrations. To apply for free or reduced price meals, households should fill out the application and return it to the school. Information provided on the application will be used to determine eligibility for the program and may be verified at any time during the school year by school or other program officials. For school officials to determine eligibility, households receiving food stamps, Temporary Assistance for Families in Idaho (TAFI), or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) must list the child's name, their food stamp, FDPIR, or TAFI case number, and the signature and name of an adult household member. Households not receiving food stamps, FDPIR, or TAFI must list names of all household members, the name and Social Security number of the primary wage earner or

the household member who signs the application and the entire household income with the amount and source of the income received by each household member. The signature of the adult household member who signs the application certifies that the information provided is correct. Applications are available at the principal's office at the school, and may be submitted at any time during the year. Under the provisions of free and reduced price policy, the lunchroom supervisor reviews the applications and determines eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling may wish to discuss the decision on an informal basis. Parents also may make a formal appeal. For more information, call your local lunchroom supervisor or school district.



Buhl High registers students

BUHL - Buhl High School will hold registration for the 1999 - 2000 school year this week. Seniors register from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Tuesday. Juniors register from 1-4 p.m. Tuesday. Sophomores register from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Wednesday.

Freshmen register from 1-4 p.m. Wednesday. New students register from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday and should schedule an appointment with the counseling department before registration. Classes begin at 8:15 a.m. on Sept. 7. For more information, call 543-8262.

WORK AND PLAY



Matthew Ervin gives his presentation to fellow members of the Rookies 4-H Club of Gooding for a barbecue and final meeting Aug. 7 at Dierke's Lake before the Gooding County Fair. JT Reed, Trevor Ervin, Jillian Leggaard and Celcie Bales look on.

Photo courtesy Matthew Ervin

SERVICE NEWS

Twin Falls resident receives promotion to staff sergeant

James N. Herman, son of Mary Hifman of Twin Falls, was promoted to staff sergeant in the United States Marine Corps. Herman is stationed at Camp Pendleton, Calif., and is on deployment in Okinawa, Japan. He should return to the United States next year.

Johnson enters Army training at Fort Jackson, Columbia S.C.

Army Pvt. Trenton J.E. Johnson has entered basic military training at Fort Jackson, Columbia S.C. During the eight weeks of training, Johnson will study the Army mission and receive instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, Army history and traditions and special training in human relations. Johnson's wife, Ella, resides in Twin Falls.

Elko resident departs to Arabian Gulf on five-month deployment

Navy Avionics Jeffrey R. Pope, son of Kenneth R. and Jennifer C. Pope of Elko, Nev., has departed the Arabian Gulf while on a five-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian oceans aboard the USS Kitty Hawk, based in Yokosuka, Japan. While in the Arabian Gulf, Pope's ship made a port visit to Bahrain and three visits to the United Arab Emirates. The USS Kitty Hawk is scheduled to make port visits to Australia and Thailand, before returning to Japan. Pope, a 1997 graduate of Elko County High School, joined the Navy in October 1997.

Flier resident reports for duty at Naval air station in California

Navy Airman Apprentice Dustin D. Gardner, son of Randy R. and Annette L. Gardner of Flier, has reported for duty at Naval Air Station in Lemoore, Calif. Gardner, a 1995 graduate of Clear Lake Christian Academy of Buhl, joined the Navy in October 1998.

Twin Falls resident begins Army basic training at Columbus base

Army Pvt. Michael S. Schulz, son of Mike A. Schulz of Twin Falls, has arrived at Fort Benning in Columbus, Ga. to complete basic military training. During the training, Schulz will receive instruction in Army drill and ceremonies, map reading, tactics, military customs and courtesies, physical fitness, and first aid.

Twin Falls High School grad earns masters degree

Shirley Schmidt Bryant, daughter of Jim and Arlene Schmidt of Twin Falls, was awarded a master's degree in science degree in educational technology from Boise State University. Bryant teaches fourth-grade at Mountain View Elementary in Boise and is the school's computer coordinator. She is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and earned her bachelor's degree at the University of Idaho. She is married to Kurtis Bryant, and the couple has two daughters.

Bellevue resident graduates from Colorado State University

Katie R. Yage of Bellevue earned a bachelor's degree in equine science May 14 from Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colo.

Legion Auxiliary elects Wendell residents to officer positions

Janis Woodbridge, Mary Packer and Joyce Black, all of Wendell, were chosen at the state convention of the American Legion Auxiliary to serve as Department of Idaho American Legion officers for

the 1999 - 2000 fiscal year. Woodbridge was elected department president, Packer was elected department vice president, and Black was elected sergeant-at-arms.

Jerome resident graduates from Gonzaga University in Spokane

Troy D. Becker, the son of Theron and Tamara Becker of Jerome, received a bachelor's degree in science in mathematics in May 8 from Gonzaga University in Spokane, Wash. The degrees were conferred at at the Spokane Veterans Memorial Arena.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

COMMUNITY EVENTS

CSI offers Novell Network training courses this fall

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho is accepting students for three Novell Network training classes available at the CSI campus this fall: Novell 5 Administration is designed to teach basic network administration skills to beginning computer students, instructor Wayne Hine says. Completion of this course will allow students to handle fundamental network management, organizers say. Networking Technologies and NetWare 4.11 to 5 Update are the other two Novell courses available. Networking technologies is one of the core classes required for Novell certification, CSI says. The fee for each class is \$150, plus textbooks. For more information, call Hine at 733-9554, Ext. 2309.

Woman presents free water ballet performance Wednesday

TWIN FALLS - Sandy Tegan presents a synchronized swimming/water ballet presentation to celebrate the end of summer from 7:30-9 p.m. Wednesday at 144 Wiseman Ave. in Twin Falls. Swimmers from all over the Magic Valley will be participating in the presentation. For more information, call 733-7308.

Musifest presents area bands to benefit Julio Reynosa

JEROME - Area bands will perform at Musifest, starting at noon Saturday at Si Ellen Farms in Jerome to benefit local keyboard player Julio Reynosa, who was diagnosed with brain cancer. Scheduled to perform are Renegade, Night Fire, the Bob Nora Band, Bush Pilots, Cobalt Blue, Raising Cain, Last Ride and Crossroads. Cost is \$10 per person or \$25 per family. All proceeds will go to an account established for Reynosa at area First Federal Savings and Loan branches. The event will be catered by El Sombrero with beverages available from Pepsi, Coors and The Corner Bar. Event coordinators request that participants do not bring coolers to Musifest. Sponsors include Si Ellen Farms, First Federal Savings and Loan and Welch's Music. Reynosa has volunteered his musical talents at local care centers in the area.

Gays, lesbians parent support group sets meeting Tuesday

TWIN FALLS - Parents and Friends of Gays and Lesbians will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. For more information, call Dorothy at 733-2578.

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For the Wednesday page: noon Friday
For the Saturday page: noon Thursday
For the Sunday page: noon Wednesday

Twin Falls resident completes Marine basic training in San Diego

Marine Pvt. Justin B. Mills, son of Don B. and Lois L. Mills of Twin Falls, has completed basic training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego, Calif. Mills completed 12 weeks of training,

PEREZ-PRESCOTT

JEROME - Jen and Karen Perez of Hubbard, Ore., announce the engagement of their daughter, Janet Lynn Perez, to Andrew TC Prescott, son of Roy and Judy Prescott of Jerome.



Andrew Prescott and Janet Perez

SUSSMAN-JONES

RUPERT - The engagement of Fara Sheryl Susman of New York City and Roger Kristian Jones has been announced by the couple.



Roger K. Jones and Fara Susman

WARD-HURST

ALMO - Douglas and Jayne Ward of Almo announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca Ann Ward, to Samuel Hurst of Jerome.



Samuel Hurst and Rebecca Ward

PAYNE-PETERSON

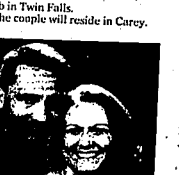
CAREY - Richard and Becky Payne of Carey announce the engagement of their daughter, Angela Deanne Payne, to Kolby James Peterson, son of Jim and Debbie Peterson of Carey.



Kolby Peterson and Angela Payne

WAGNER-CROTEAU

BUHL - Walter and Ruby Wagner of Buhl announce their engagement of their daughter, Jeffrey Croteau, to Jeffrey Croteau, son of Richard and Dolores Croteau of Franktown, Colo.



Jeffrey Croteau and Mary Wagner

LIERMAN-REITON

SAN JOSE, Calif. - Karen Marie Lierman and Charles D. Reiton announce their engagement of their daughter, Charles D. Reiton, formerly of Buhl, is the daughter of Joe Gorman of Twin Falls and the late Bessie Gorman.



Charles D. Reiton and Karen Lierman

STAPLES-BELNAP

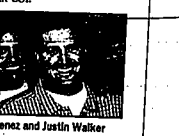
TWIN FALLS - Brett and Cindy Staples of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Chelsea Lynn Staples, to Cameron Jim Belnap, son of Jim and Debi Belnap of Vale, Ore.



Cameron Belnap and Chelsea Staples

JIMENEZ-WALKER

TWIN FALLS - Domingo and Esther Jimenez of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Maria Guadalupe Jimenez, to Justin Dain "Boomer" Walker, son of Jim and Julene Walker of Twin Falls.



Maria Jimenez and Justin Walker

VAN WYK-PRINS

PEORIA, Iowa - Dacia Aljoe Van Wyk and Dustin Ben Prins were married Dec. 19, 1998, at the Peoria Christian Reformed Church in Peoria, Iowa.



Dacia and Dustin Prins

Parents of the bridegroom are Frederick and Ann Prins of Twin Falls. Denise Van Wyk, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor.

Flower attendant was Lori Vander Woude, cousin of the bride. Krista Wynia, cousin of the bride, was the guest book attendant.

Special guests included grandparents of the bride, Earl and Ellen Wynia of Kenneth, Minn. and Henry and Sylvia Niemi of New York.

A reception was held following the ceremony at Pella Christian High School. Serving were Alyssa Beggs, Heather Van Kester, Kandi Van Kester and Tonia Van Wyk.

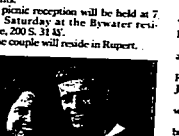
DALTON-BYWATER

RUPERT - Jennifer M. Dalton and Dan L. Bywater were married July 30 in Las Vegas, Nev.



Dan and Jennifer Bywater

The bride is a graduate of Columbia River High School in Vancouver, Wash. She is employed by Amannated Sugar Co. in Paul, during the fall harvest.



Angela and Barrett Nelson

The bridegroom is a graduate of Minier High School. He is an owner-operator of Dan Bywater Trucking in Rupert.

HOLT-NELSON

BURLEY - Angela Holt and Barrett Andrew Nelson were married Aug. 15 in the Oakland LDS Temple in Oakland, Calif.



Angela and Barrett Nelson

Parents of the bridegroom are K. Bruce and June Nelson of Burley. The bride is attending Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.



Angela and Barrett Nelson

The bride is also attending BYU in Provo. She served a two-year Germany Frankfurt Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.



Angela and Barrett Nelson

A reception in their honor was held August 27, 1999 - Angela Payne & Kolby Peterson - August 28, 1999 - Tanya McCarney & Matthew Heffelfinger

September 4, 1999 - Sossity Grimsman & Doug Grubbs - September 5, 1999 - Amy Hulet & Dustin Peak

September 7, 1999 - Amy Roden & Robert Kolb - September 11, 1999 - Patricia Dohse & Paul Eckerbrecht

September 17, 1999 - Debbie Johnson & Curtis Baca - September 18, 1999 - Fawne Estes & Patrick Adams

September 25, 1999 - Cheryl Davis & Scott Lindquist - September 26, 1999 - Emily Smith & Spencer Webb

September 27, 1999 - Lisa Hyde & Mark Caskey - September 27, 1999 - Shari Siglin & Jason Hal

WEDDINGS

HARNEY-BATES

TWIN FALLS - Shanna Renee Harney and Kenneth Mitchell Bates were married Aug. 21 at the Bluebonnet Country Club in Twin Falls.



Shanna and Kenneth Bates

The bride is the daughter of Brenda Harney and Ron Harney of Twin Falls. Parents of the bridegroom are Mitchell Bates of Salem, Ore., and Barbara Rodriguez of Lewisville, N.C.

Special guests included grandparents of the bride, Betty and Raymond Clark of Jerome, and grandparents of the bridegroom, Martha and Ray Goff of Twin Falls.

A reception was held following the ceremony. The bride is a graduate of the University of Idaho.

The bridegroom is currently attending CSI and plans to attend Boise State University. He is employed as a food truck driver.

The couple resides in Nampa, Idaho.

The bride attended the guest book. Gift attendants were John Tucker, Steve Brown and John Tucker.

The bride graduated from Twin Falls High School and attended Ricks College. She is currently attending nursing program at the College of Southern Idaho in Pocatello, Idaho.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Idaho Falls High School and Ricks College. He is currently attending Boise State University, majoring in history.

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As the new school year begins I always feel a bit nostalgic. I miss those fine people with whom I taught. I miss meeting with the students and seeing the excitement that lights their faces at being back in school. I miss being with their friends, and I miss the feeling that this year is some young life or lives. I MAY make a difference.

But I also realize that all things must come to an end. My leaving the teaching profession opened the door for newer, younger ideas, and that is the way it should be. How I admire those young people who truly want to become teachers in order to make a difference in a child's life. They do this in spite of



AFTER CLASS
Gay Petersen

salaries that don't compare with many in other parts of the profession, work, in spite of the dangers that seem, unfortunately, to be a part of many school situations these days, in spite of the lack of respect by some young people, and in spite of the fact that they sometimes lack

the support they need to carry on with their work.

Because I feel so strongly that education is of vital importance I have made up a wish list for the coming school year:

1. That every child will feel happy and safe at school.
2. That every child will be motivated to learn.
3. That every child will have the support of parents or caretakers, and that support will include being interested in and helping with homework.
4. That every teacher will be in the profession because they love children and want to see them succeed.

5. That every teacher will consider it her best for each child, regardless of that child's culture, personality or abilities.

6. That every parent or caregiver will care enough to come to school and find out how their child is doing - getting to know their child's teacher or teachers and, perhaps, even volunteering to help at school.

7. That all children accept each other, so that no child feels isolated or unfriended, and that all caregivers and teachers work hard to instill this idea in the children they influence.

8. That this year, in every school throughout the nation, there will

be no violence, no children hurt by other children or adults, that this will be a new beginning for everyone involved in the education of our youth, one that this new beginning will include most, if not all, the old liberalized administration to "leave one another."

Of course, you and I both realize that this is, after all, only a wish list, but we all do so more-wish-happens-and-governments. The future of our nation and ourselves depend on it.

Gay Petersen is a retired teacher who lives in Wendell. Write to her at petersen@magnum.com

Siblings should be aware of long-term care issues

Night Rider News Service

Q. My father (79) and suffering from dementia) became too much for Mother to care for. Although Mother wanted to continue to keep him at home, the complications and physical drain on her was obvious. She and I stepped in and helped find a suitable nursing facility. At the time of admission six months ago, Mother was required to disclose all of her assets and income because he would be a private pay patient and to guarantee the bill.

Now we have realized that at a rate of more than \$4,000 per month for his care, unless we try to get Dad assistance from Medicaid, Mother will have spent all of their life savings in the next eight months. We tried to talk to the facility, but the administrator told us that they have no Medicaid beds, that the facility refused on Mother's application, and that if we can't pay privately, we must take Dad back home. We don't know what to do. Can the nursing home prevent us



NEXT STEPS
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from trying to make sure our mother is protected.

A. No. Making financial disclosure at the time of admission does not commit your mother and father to using all of their assets to pay for his care. If your father meets the Medicaid medical level of care requirements and if your parents meet the income and asset limitations in your state, a Medicaid application is appropriate.

Once admitted, a facility cannot discharge a resident for changing the source of payment.

You should see an elder law attorney in your area.

Q. After my mother's death five years ago, my father changed his will to leave everything to his three children. He also appointed my sister as his power-of-attorney. Since she lived with him, she was the logical choice, and she told us that she would handle everything for him. Trusting that she would, my brother and I did not check behind her. He became incompetent close to four years ago, and now she is admitting him to a nursing home, telling us he is destitute. We know for a fact that in addition to his home (valued at more than \$100,000), he had at least \$150,000 in certificates of deposit. Neither my sister nor the banks will give us any information. We had a lawyer check the real estate records and found that she used the power of attorney to gift herself the house three years ago. Is there anything we can do?

A. First, have the lawyer check the public records to see if the power of attorney is on file. If it is, find out if it is "durable" -

meaning that it continues in effect after your father's incapacity. If it is, find out if the document contains gifting provisions, an agent acting under power-of-attorney cannot make gifts. If there are no gifting provisions, then the transfer of the house to your sister is invalid, as are any transfers from bank accounts.

A four remedy is to bring a guardianship and conservatorship proceeding in the county probate court where your father is appointed conservator, you will have the authority to secure your father's banking information and to bring such action as may be necessary against your sister to recover the assets. Should the assets be recovered, your father probably will not qualify for Medicaid because of the \$2,000 asset limitation.

Q. My sister has been handling our mother's finances for years, and we have recently learned that there is very little left. She tells us that she paid herself for

providing care for Mom to the tune of \$30,000 per year. Is there anything we can do?

A. If your sister was paid as a caregiver, then she has received taxable income which should have been reported on her federal and state tax returns. In addition, under the tax rules, your mother should have been filing quarterly employee reports and withholding Social Security. Once she learns this, your sister may change her story and claim that these payments were gifts. If gifts are made under a power of attorney, the power of attorney must have specific gifting provisions. If the gifts exceed \$10,000 per year, your mother should have been filing gift tax returns. It appears that you, too, should consider a guardianship and conservatorship action.

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SOCIAL SECURITY Q & A

Night Rider News Service

Q. I've been receiving disability benefits for 2 years. I consider that I will automatically be enrolled in Medicare. Do I have to pay anything for Medicare?

A. Medicare has two parts: hospital insurance and medical insurance. Hospital insurance helps pay hospital bills and some follow-up care. The rates you paid while you were working financed this coverage. The other part of Medicare, medical insurance helps pay doctors' bills and other services. You will have to pay a monthly premium for this coverage if you want it. Most people have both parts of Medicare.

Q. I've applied for Social Security disability insurance and I've been told there's a five-month waiting period before benefits can begin. Why is this?

A. The disability program assumes that working individuals have access to other resources to provide support during periods of short-term disabilities, including workers' compensation, insurance, savings, and investments. It is designed to provide a continuing income to you and your family when you are unable to do so. Benefits continue as long as you remain disabled.

This column was prepared by the Social Security Administration. For just answers to specific Social Security questions, contact Social Security toll-free at 800-772-2233.

Graying boomers will change attitudes only if they rise to the occasion

The Orange County Register

For 31 years, a California gerontology has spread the alarm: "The grays are coming. The grays are coming," an army of gray-haired boomers who will overwhelm the youth culture of America.

In "The Grays," published in 1968, Ken Dychtwald saw gold in the silver-haired generation. The predicted 30-plusers will change society, create spending money on new stuff that lets them enjoy their best years, like a Porsche, less than maintain youth, like vitamins or wax teeth, steam maintain, like spa-grip pepper mills.

The nation that was founded on young backs, on the vigor, on the promise, and hope of youth, is graying more quickly, steadily, deeper - even, one may say, wiser," he wrote in "Age

Tips
Here are some of Ken Dychtwald's rules for living in the 21st century dominated by the old:
□ End 65 as a marker of old age.
□ That "retirement" age was selected more than 100 years ago by German Chancellor Otto von Bismarck in preparation for Germany's first pension plan. At the time, average life expectancy was 45. Let people choose to retire when they are ready.
□ Dychtwald says:
□ Be prepared to live well past 100.

benefiting from a "wild, wild west" of organ cloning, "nutritional" and biotech manipulations of the biological clock.
□ Expect adult Furby-like androids that will be programmed to talk, remember and react to your thoughts and concerns - maybe even play bridge.
□ And as an aside to all those non-boomers who look with awe upon the postwar generation's club, Dychtwald points out: "Boomers do not get a fair deal. As a group, we get the attention, but we are individually disadvantaged because there are too many of us to be served."

premise that the boomers will change the face of aging. What happened, he says, is that boomers have a better understanding of what they need to do for their parents, or watching them age.

They know what they want to avoid - from wrinkles to nursing homes. The question they face is: Will they succeed in improving the current mode of aging?

These are Dychtwald's certainties:
• More of us are living longer than our previous generation.
• Economic and political clout will shift from the young to the old.

• We need to change our mind-set about how to spend our extra years of life.
• How we decide to behave as elders will become the most

important challenge of our lives.
• And, uh-ho, there may not be enough money to go around unless we agree to work longer, and maybe curtail benefits among the more affluent.

Given those realities, this is Dychtwald's dream:
An Elder Corps. A whole new social invention.
"Like the public-works projects of the Depression, an Elder Corps will meet several needs at the same time," he says. "I think we need a truly grand, well-orchestrated, spiritually uplifting crusade to bring older men and women back to help heal America."

In his vision, the shining models of aging are the people who spend the final decade or two of life making positive societal contributions.

Wave."
Well, kiss that vision goodbye. Sure of it.
In his latest book, "Age Power"

(Tarcher/Putnam, 1999), Dychtwald finds some worthy beads among the demographics. Not that he backs off from his

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- People who are physically active are less likely to develop adult onset diabetes, or they can control it better if they do have it. Exercise increases the body's ability to control the blood glucose level.
- Regular activity, such as walking or gardening, may lower the risk of severe intestinal bleeding in later life by almost half.
- Strength training, like lifting weights or exercising against resistance, can make bones stronger, improve balance, and increase muscle strength and mass. This can prevent or slow bone-weakening osteoporosis, and may lower the risk of falls, which can cause hip fractures or other injuries.
- Strength training can lessen arthritis pain. It doesn't cure arthritis, but stronger muscles may ease the strain and therefore the pain.
- Light exercise may be good for your mental health. A group of healthy, older adults said they felt less anxious or stressful after exercising for one year.

Helpful Hints:

- Choose activities that you like.
- Make small changes so that physical activity becomes a part of each day.
- Stop and check with your doctor right away if you develop sudden pain, shortness of breath, or feel ill.
- Exercise with a group, with a buddy, or alone. Pick what's easiest and most fun.
- Be realistic about what you can do.

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