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# Kempthorne pushes wheat in China

**The Associated Press**

BEIJING — Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne said on Friday called on the government of China to begin implementing an agreement to open the Chinese market to imports of wheat grown in Idaho and the Pacific Northwest.

Kempthorne said that while the agreement theoretically opens the door for wheat exports, its practice shipments are not yet taking place.

"We respectfully request



Dirk Kempthorne

implementation of the bilateral agriculture cooperative agreement, because once it is implemented it will help Congress look favorably on approving China's membership in the World Trade Organization," the governor told the state counselor of the People's Republic of China and the nation's vice minister of agriculture.

The state counselor, Wy Yi, is the highest-ranking woman in China's government. She told Kempthorne that World Trade Organization membership should be approved before the trade pact is implemented.

The governor and other Idaho government and business leaders are in China on the second leg of a two-week trade mission to Asia.

The first stop was Taiwan, and additional visits are scheduled for Korea and Japan.

While the Idaho delegation won't have any commitments for wheat, cherry and apple imports, Chinese officials said Idaho building materials companies could succeed in their country.

Kempthorne said Idaho business are eager to win a piece of a market where 9 billion square feet of residential space is built each year. "We have the prod-

ucts, the materials and the technology to do some really great things in cooperation with China's building industry," he said. "This trip will help us identify those opportunities."

The Idaho delegation's meetings in Beijing came as the Clinton administration was announcing a renewed effort to bring China into the World Trade Organization. Another round of trade talks will be conducted in Washington on Monday and Tuesday.

## CANINE CARE



Ralphie Cook receives a pet visit from Savannah, left, and Phoenix, a pair of specially-trained dogs. Kathy Whipple and Carol Newman are two members of a new group that volunteers its time and pets to make hospital life more bearable for patients.

## Outhouse bill haunts Knievel

Woman says cyclist still owes for facilities

**By Gregory Hahn Times-News writer**

TWIN FALLS — Evel Knievel couldn't clear the Snake River Canyon 25 years ago, and he doesn't seem able to avoid a 25-year-old debt.

As the 60-year-old daredevil was back in town celebrating the big event and claiming to have paid back everyone he owed, he was served with a summons.

A Twin Falls woman contends Knievel never paid for all those outhouses.

Eisher Swenson, whose husband O.K. Swenson died in 1963, filed a civil suit last week against Knievel, claiming the agree-ment man had never paid the \$28,171 that an Idaho court awarded to the Swensons in 1974.

The new suit asks for 8 percent interest, which more than quadruples the amount Knievel might have to pay.

O.K. Swenson had contracted with Knievel to build 200 outhouses, Ray Barness remembers recently. Barness's Citizens Lumber Yard in Bell, put together the gray and yellow boxes, 123 of which were burned or otherwise destroyed by Jump Week revelers.

Knievel never made the last payment, though Barness said

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# PAGING DR. FIDO

### Pet therapy brings a bit of the outside world to patients

**By Rachel Deary Times-News correspondent**

TWIN FALLS — When hospital patients need an injection of morale, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center calls in a team of four-legged specialists.

The hospital launched a pet therapy program two weeks ago. The program's four handlers and four dogs work the hospital once a week in teams of two of each — starting at pediatrics and working their way to the long-term patients in transitional care.

"This is so neat in that it gets you one-on-one with the people," organizer Kathy Whipple said. "Some children have been in there for days. Seeing something that's out of the norm of the hospital is a blessing. Transitional

**To get involved**

To get involved with the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center pet therapy program, contact Kathy Whipple at 423-6807.

care people have been in there for so long seeing the same four walls, this is something different."

The patients seem to agree. Deanna Parnell had been in the hospital for three days when she got her visit from Whipple, volunteer Carol Newman and two dogs. "I was surprised to see them in the hospital," Parnell said. "I think it's good. It boosts morale. It's like, 'Oh there's an outside world.'"

"I believe that pets can give

you a sense of direction away from what's going on with your illness. They come in and they love you some people that are in here are elderly and don't have anything. Children and dogs lift spirits."

Responses like those make Whipple and Newman's work worthwhile.

"This has been something I've wanted to do for a long time," Newman said. "The dogs love it and just to see the joy of the people is quite rewarding."

Whipple began working on getting the program into the hospital in May 1998. The dogs have been trained, certified, checked by veterinarians and insured. All the handlers are volunteers.

Whipple began researching therapy dogs after she got three of

giving away the dogs she had raised.

"I raised a guide dog and a patrol dog," Whipple said. "I wondered what I could do that would enable me to keep my dog."

She is working on putting together a pet therapy workshop for prospective volunteers. All four of the program's current dogs are large, and Whipple hopes to recruit volunteers with smaller dogs and cats.

"I just hope that this will give people the idea that (the hospital) is very open-minded to different programs," Whipple said. "I feel this program is a big step for the hospital."

Times-News correspondent Rachel Deary can be reached in Twin Falls at 734-3780.

## Extended fertility sparks debate

**The Associated Press**

NEW YORK — An experimental ovarian tissue transplant that may eventually allow women to turn back their biological clocks and have children past menopause is raising ethical questions with some experts.

The procedure was performed in February on a 36-year-old woman in the hopes of reversing symptoms of early menopause brought on by the removal of her ovaries. Four months after the implant, she ovulated and had a normal menstrual cycle.

Dr. Konrad Okabay, who performed the operation at New York Methodist Hospital, says the surgery gives new hope for young infertile women, especially those who had cancer.

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## Oregon youth drops insanity plea, says he's guilty of killings

**The Associated Press**

EUGENE, Ore. — Kip Kinkel, the meek-looking teen-ager who killed his Twin Falls-born father, his mother, and gunned down two classmates at school, abandoned an insanity defense Friday and pleaded guilty to murder in a deal that could someday let him walk free.

The plea bargain came three days before Kinkel was to go on trial in the May 20, 1998, attack at Springfield's Thurston High School — the third in a string of school shootings that included Pearl, Miss. Paducah, Ky., Jonesboro,

Ark., and Littleton, Colo.

Kinkel could get as little as 25 years, meaning he could be free by age 42. If he had been convicted as charged, he could have faced life in prison without parole. No sentencing date was set.

"My mind is clear and I am not sick," read the text of the plea agreement signed by the 17-year-old Kinkel. He said

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Kip Kinkel, right, is shown in this undated Christmas photograph with his parents, Bill and Faith, and his sister, Kristen. Above, an artist's drawing of Kinkel in court Friday.



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**Treasure Valley**  
High: 73 Low: 39  
Mostly sunny today and breezy. Clear and cool tonight. Sunny Sunday. High 49.

**Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley**  
High: 72 Low: 40  
Partly cloudy today and breezy. Some tonight. Sunny Sunday, but cooler. High 62.

**Eastern Idaho**  
High: 70 Low: 36  
Partly cloudy today and breezy. Clear and cool tonight. Sunny Sunday, but much cooler. High 60.

**Northern Idaho**  
High: 63 Low: 33  
Mostly clear today with some clearing tonight. Partly cloudy Sunday. High 44.

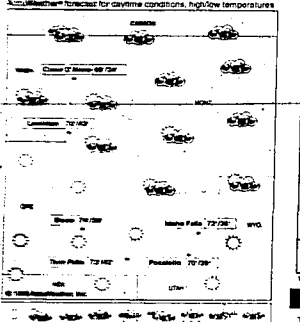
**Northern Utah**  
High: 77 Low: 46  
Mostly sunny today and breezy. Clear and cool tonight. Sunny Sunday. High 58.

**Northern Nevada**  
High: 73 Low: 48  
Mostly sunny today and breezy. Clear and cool tonight. Sunny Sunday. High 50.

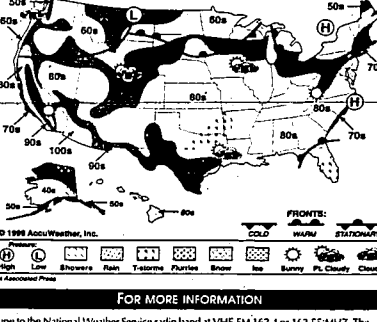
# MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
High: 73 Low: 42 Mostly sunny and breezy. Clear tonight.	High: 66 Low: 39 Sunny and cooler.	High: 70s Low: 40s Partly cloudy and breezy.	High: 70s Low: 40s Mostly sunny.	High: 70s Low: 40s Partly cloudy.

## Idaho weather



## National weather



**UV INDEX**  
3 moderate  
30 minutes

**FIRE DANGER**  
Fire conditions in southern Idaho moderate on range lands and moderate in forested lands.

**SAFETYWATCH**  
Current Rainfall: 7.31 in.  
Season Maximum: 7.29 in.  
Season on record: 6.71 in.  
Season this year: 6.71 in. (0.4 in. Oct. 17, 0.2 in. Oct. 18; first quarter, Oct. 17.)

## ACROSS THE NATION

**Idaho:** A low pressure system located here behind the British Columbia is producing rather strong westerly winds which are providing for cloudy skies and precipitation in the panhandle and some southwestern areas. Windy conditions are expected to continue for the weekend across southern Idaho. Cooler temperatures are expected statewide. Elsewhere heavy downpours moved into western New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio on Friday. Warm, fair weather reigned in the Southeast and most of the West.

**Gusty winds and rain came with the cold front moving east from the Ohio Valley, pushing clouds into the Northwest. Another storm system brought sporadic showers to the northern Rockies, from southwestern Montana into northern Utah, and in eastern Colorado. The Dakotas and prairie states. Most of the West was fair and dry, as was the Southeast and the mid-Atlantic states, except for Miami, where showers and thunderstorms brought as much as one inch of rain.**

— The Associated Press

# YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Twin Falls	Precipitation	Idaho	High/Low
Yesterday: 74-62 Last year: 67-52 Normal: 76-40	Yesterday in Twin Falls: 0.0 Normal, mo. to date: 0.60 Water year to date: 14.53 Normal year to date: 10.30	Boise: 76 Burley: 72 Coeur d'Alene: 64 Grangerville: 68 Hagerman: 64 Idaho Falls: 75 Lewiston: 68 Malad: 61 Malia: 50 McCall: 64 Pocatello: 75 Salmon: 73 Shoshone: 67 Sun Valley: 72	High: 79 degrees Fama, Low: 47 degrees at Stanley, High: 105 at Death Valley, Calif. High: 26 at Rhineland, W. Va.

# Satellite gives 'spy' photographs to anyone

The Washington Post

A Colorado firm launched a satellite Friday to provide pictures for sale to the public that will come closer than ever before to the quality of U.S. intelligence photographs, giving the capability once reserved for superpowers to dictators and human rights groups, terrorists and television stations.

The pictures are so good, in fact, that U.S. intelligence agencies will be one of the biggest clients of Space Imaging Inc., which launched its first satellite from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California, roaring back from an unsuccessful launch in April that destroyed an identical spacecraft.

At "one-meter resolution"—far better than anything now commercially available from U.S., French, Russian or Indian companies—the satellite's digital color images can depict objects as small as three feet wide from a vantage point 423 miles in space, enabling foreign military leaders to distinguish tanks from jeeps on a highway, or jet fighters from numbers on an aircraft carrier.

The price of a subscription to the spy satellite business used to be a billion dollars," said John Pike, an intelligence expert at the Federation of American Scientists. "Now, anybody with a credit card can buy high-resolution satellite photos."

In addition to possible military uses, the photos have numerous commercial applications. TV networks may be able to do their own bomb damage assessments the next time world powers go to war. Insurance underwriters could check on the construction of backyard decks, and satellite capabilities will come to improve, raising concerns about privacy as photos eventually are able to

## Plea

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slumped in a chair in court and never lifted his head as he read a paragraph silently and intimated it "K-K."

He pleaded guilty to four counts of murder and 26 of attempted murder.

Under the agreement, he will get 25 years for the murders. Prosecutors have recommended 7.5 years for each attempted murder count for the 25 students he wounded and a detective he attacked with a knife. The judge will decide whether those sentences will be tacked onto the end of the 25-year sentence.

Because Kinkel was 15 at the time of the slayings, he could not have faced the death penalty.

His lawyers had hoped to spare him a life sentence by proving he was mentally disturbed. If they had succeeded, Kinkel would have been confined to a mental hospital until he was no longer deemed a danger to society.

"Kinkel told investigators he had 'no choice' but to kill because he had embarrassed his parents by getting expelled for having a gun in his locker. He said he thought he was a dis-

## Fertility

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"Like most medical advances, this one has some benefits and some almost startling risks," Arthur Caplan, of the University of Pennsylvania's Center for Bioethics, said Friday.

That's why some questions need to be posed, said Caplan, who wrote about the ethical questions of such a possibility in his book, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?"

"In the far distant future, would we see people just using such an organ transplant solely for eugenic purposes? ... Can you ever be too old to be a parent, reach a point where you couldn't claim your frozen ovary back?" he said.

## Report: U.S. aid spent elsewhere

WASHINGTON (AP) — More than \$1 billion in U.S. assistance for protecting Russian nuclear material has been spent on items that pose no proliferation risk or in some cases to pay Russian taxes, according to an internal Energy Department review.

The report by the department's inspector general comes as Energy Secretary Bill Richardson is about to make a five-day trip to Russia, including visits to some of the nuclear sites where the U.S. funds have been used to beef up security.

The 5-year-old assistance program is considered by Congress and the White House, as well as by private nuclear nonproliferation groups, to be one of the most successful in government in helping to deter the theft of Russia's nuclear material, including weapons-grade uranium and plutonium. Congress last year provided \$137 million for 80 separate projects in the program and plans to spend another \$100 million or so, as much as \$165 million, in fiscal 2000.

## Knievel

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he ran into Knievel a few years ago and the huckster/showman said he was 'sorry' to hear Swenson had died and that "I'm going to pay you one of these days."

Evidently, Knievel changed his mind, as prosecutor Patrick Parker wrote in a court affidavit. "As I attempted to hand Mr. Knievel the documents he raised his hand to receive them, then stated, 'I don't want those.' He was being escorted away from his autograph table in a golf cart and his driver took possession of the documents. The driver put the documents between himself and Mr. Knievel. Mr. Knievel yelled at me that he was not accepting the documents and stated that he was not properly served. I stated to him that he was served and he instructed to the driver to throw the documents on the mall floor which the driver did. Mr. Knievel and his driver then drove off."

Knievel was served just a day after telling The Times-News he was square with Twin Falls.

"I had \$3 million in a checking account by the time I butte, and I paid every bill that was received to me," Knievel said. "There may have been some people who didn't get paid, but I didn't authorize those expenses."

Knievel has 20 days to respond, though Esther Swenson's attorney Harry Turner would be surprised if it did.

Fred Bezan, an Illinois attorney who represents Knievel, hadn't even heard about the incident almost a week later.

"I don't know word one about it," he said.

If Turner can convince a judge that the five-year statute of limitations does not apply because Knievel left the state, he can move ahead to claim some of the stuntman's assets, which could theoretically include the Soyuzde N-2 and the old battered helmet that the curious onlookers incidentally saw at the mall this month.

Turner said he doesn't "hold anything against Knievel."

"This guy is not a bad guy," Turner said. "I talked to him 10 years ago. He's done a lot of good for kids. I just think he owes these people money."

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 NUMBERS

**POWERBALL**  
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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 NUMBERS

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**FAST**  
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NATION

# Military will fight crime with new high-tech lab

LINTHICUM, Md. (AP) — The Defense Department showed off its latest arsenal of high-tech crime-fighting tools Friday, a \$15 million computer lab where it can trace hackers across the Internet, unscramble hidden files and rebuild smashed floppy disks that were cut in pieces.

Investigators will use the new Defense Computer Forensics Lab, located in a non-secure brick building south of Baltimore, to unravel electronic evidence in cases of espionage, murder and other crimes involving America's military.

"Using powerful computers and special software, these 80 digital devices can trace a hacker across the Internet to his key-board, recover files thought to be safely deleted and quickly search tens of thousands of documents for a particular keyword."

Cyberspace is "a new kind of wild, lawless sort of frontier," said Christopher Mellon, a deputy assistant Defense secre-

tary. "We have important national interests, and we have to be able to function."

Organizers envision sharing equipment and secret techniques they develop to help FBI, state and local authorities prosecute criminals who use computers, such as drug-dealers who track profits and customers with accounting software.

The FBI, even established its own minilab upstairs in the building, through most of its digital forensics work will continue to be performed in a room in Washington at its headquarters.

"Virtually every white-collar crime case today brings at least one computer, if not a whole network of computers. We need people who are well prepared."

— FBI Assistant Director Donald Kerr

David Ferguson, the lab's director, showed how experts can use these high-tech tools to enhance garbled audio recordings and recover computer files from disks and tapes even if they had been deleted.

# Clinton administration helps with Albanian breakaway

NEW YORK (AP) — While publicly insisting the Clinton administration does not support an independent Kosovo, U.S. diplomats are helping lay the groundwork for a possible peaceful breakaway as the Yugoslav province gains autonomy under U.N. supervision.

The quietly evolving policy has its roots in U.S. antipathy for Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic and the actions of Serb troops and special police in the mostly Albanian province that prompted NATO to bomb Belgrade and force their departure.

"For the time being, the Serbs

of Belgrade have absolutely forfeited any right to have any say in the destiny of the people of Kosovo," Richard Holbrooke, the

new U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, said Friday. Holbrooke, interviewed on NBC's "Today" program, empha-

sized that the loss of Serb control was being enforced by the NATO peacekeepers who are in the province.

# GOP tax bill draws fresh veto threat

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Republican bill to remove existing tax credits and protect millions of middle-class taxpayers from what the GOP called a tax "time bomb" began moving Friday in the House. It drew a fresh veto threat from the Clinton administration.

The individual items in the five-year, \$23.3 billion package have strong bipartisan support, but Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers told Democrats he would recommend veto because the measure would consume part of the projected budget surplus before other priorities are met.

The infuriated House Republicans, who accused President Clinton and Democrats of using the "extenders" package as a bargaining chip in larger spending and tax battles. The president vetoed the GOP's centerpiece 10-year, \$792 billion tax cut a day earlier, but said he might sign a smaller package.

"I'm terribly confused," said Rep. Bill Archer, R-Texas. "It is becoming painfully clear that the only specific priority for the president this fall is higher and higher Washington spending."

# NASA gives up on finding probe

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Mission controllers gave up hope Friday of ever finding the Mars Climate Orbiter and were trying to determine what caused the \$125 million NASA spacecraft to disappear.

Data received from the craft early Thursday indicated it had come within about 37 miles of the surface of the red planet and probably burned up, broke up or crushed. The search for radio signals from Orbiter was to be abandoned Friday, said Mary Hardin, spokeswoman for NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

Software problems and human error are likely to blame for Orbiter's failure, said project operations manager Richard Cook.

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## Should patients be able to sue negligent HMOs?

### Allowing patients to sue HMOs is the way to accountability

### Fine-tuning HMOs beats turning lawyers loose on the system

The U.S. Senate in July passed a package of managed care reform measures in a stream of bitter partisan controversy.

Senate Republicans called the Patients' Bill of Rights a responsible reform effort that would give patients in managed care plans new rights, without depriving us of the best of health insurance.

Senate Democrats called it a scam that didn't go far enough, and would leave patients without adequate legal protections against unscrupulous HMOs.

They're both right. The Senate bill did at least address many of the key issues facing patients, and most importantly, opened the door for a conferees committee with a better bill from the House.

But it omitted the single issue that will ultimately spell success or failure for the reform effort. That is the ability of patients to hold health insurance companies accountable for medical decision-making and breach of contract.

There are two conditions that must be met in order for a bill to become law this year.

A final bill must include ERISA liability reform, and must have the support of an overwhelming majority of the House from both parties.

There is one bill that meets this test - The Bipartisan Consensus Managed Care Improvement Act of 1999. The Consensus Bill accomplishes the goal by establishing liability as the final line of defense in coordination with appeals procedures, beginning with the first time a patient is denied a benefit.

Before injury from lack of care occurs, patients have free access to an external appeals panel, which is required to issue legally binding decisions within 78 hours.

If plans don't follow the decision, patients can sue in federal court for \$1,000 a day penalty for every day care is denied, plus court costs and attorney fees.

If health plans explicitly follow federal law in providing access to the panel and adhere to the board's decision, they remain immune from punitive damages, but are still liable for compensatory damages, includ-

ing economic damages, pain and suffering.

However, the bill does not prevent patients from skipping the numerous protections and proceeding directly to state court if they are damaged before the appeals process can be completed or requested.

This is critical in ensuring that an improved appeals process is not transferred into another liability shield by unscrupulous health plans.

The new liability language also expressly defines what constitutes, and who faces liability to begin with:

- If health plans simply provide the care requested by the patient and their doctor, they cannot be sued for any reason.
- Plans cannot be sued for denying benefits that are expressly not covered by the plan.
- Employers cannot be held liable for their decisions to purchase specific plans or benefits.
- Employees remain immune from liability unless they directly exercise discretionary authority in making medical decisions against a patient's treatment request. Even if the employer has the authority to override a health plan decision, it can choose to render no decision and remain shielded from all liability.

The new ERISA liability provision brings to Congress what members have been looking for in the way of solutions.

Under this bill, someone with

real injuries from plans that ignore the law has full access to all damages allowed in state court.

If bad plans continue improperly denying benefits, and dragging their heels on patient appeals, they face compensatory and punitive damages with no federal limitations on the award.

However, if the insurer gives patients what they want, they

remain immune. If it contests a treatment, but follows the standards in the bill, it won't face punitive damages regardless of the outcome.

That's a powerful economic incentive to follow the new standards to the letter of the law. If plans do that, we won't have patients being injured to begin with.

What this bill really accomplishes is precisely what the American public wanted from Day One on this issue - relief for the truly injured against the truly negligent.

Rep. Charles Norwood is a third-term Republican congressman from Georgia's 10th District, which includes Augusta. He has a degree in dentistry from Georgetown University.

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As a result, patient protection legislation seeks to give patients greater access to physicians and specialists.

This criticism ignores the fact that managed care companies, like all businesses, evolve to meet changing consumer demand - and one of those demands is for more choice.

More than 40 million Americans are in the more restrictive HMOs, more than 50 million have selected Preferred Provider Organizations or Point-of-Service plans, both of which offer more consumer choice.

And 92 percent of those with employer-provided health insurance have the option of choosing a plan that covers out-of-network physicians - though employees may, in some cases, have to pay a larger share of the bill.

The biggest managed care reform issue facing Congress involves opening up employers and health plans to legal liability.

Texas already took this step a few years ago - without the signature of Gov. George W. Bush.

To proponents' surprise, less than a dozen lawsuits have been filed out of millions of Texans enrolled in managed care. Almost all of the disagreements have been resolved through the review process.

Most Republicans in

Congress want to expand the review process, while the Clinton administration would rather hand over to the trial lawyers a whole new battleground.

Would a Patient's Bill of Rights make the health care system better? Well, let me ask you this: Has government intrusion in the public education system made it better? No, just more expensive - and the same would happen to health care.

How much more expensive would health care be? Studies vary, but you can expect an increase in health insurance premiums of between 5 percent and 15 percent in the short term. And higher prices for health insurance mean more uninsured.

Managed care companies aren't perfect. They have aggressively - and successfully - tried to hold down costs. They have also made mistakes.

Many doctors and patients are frustrated and want to fight back by supporting managed care reform.

But a health care system that includes more than 600,000 doctors and thousands of hospitals and insurance companies making judgment calls every day is going to make mistakes.

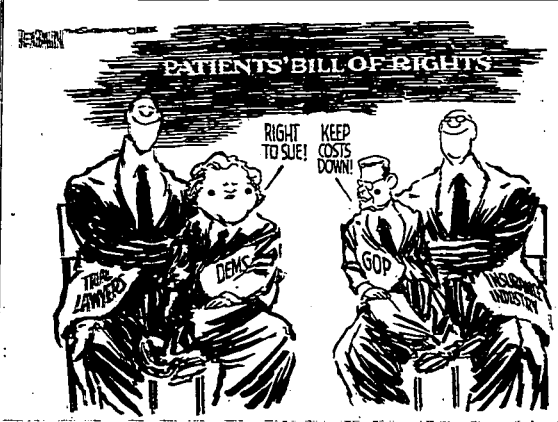
Does anyone really believe there will be fewer mistakes when politicians take control?

The health care industry is changing as quickly as the computer industry. Government, by contrast, moves like a glacier.

While Congress has been debating managed care reform over the last two years, managed care plans have come to incorporate most of the recommendations - in part because that's what patients and employers wanted.

Consumer demand, not political control, is always the best impetus for change - for managed care, or any other business.

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politics - and politics is driving the debate.

However, many of the accusations leveled at managed care either aren't true or they're misleading.

For example, reform proponents have complained that HMOs impose "gag rules" on doctors, limiting what doctors can tell patients about other treatment options not covered by the HMO.

As a result, there is an anti-gag rule provision in the reform legislation.

However, when the U.S. General Accounting Office examined 1,150 physician contracts with 529 HMOs, not one had such a clause.

Another criticism is that health plans limit a patient's choice of physicians.

## LETTERS

**Program isn't harmless**

The "don't bother me with the facts" and "don't give me feelings" continued me to throw in the towel. Then I watched "It's Elementary," which went beyond its type of teaching tolerance. Thoughts of my young children and remembering that God calls for faithfulness and perseverance wouldn't allow me to keep silent.

Presented as if a serious tolerance and fighting "meanness and name-calling," in actuality, "It's Elementary" attempts to normalize homosexuality in the minds of young children. This video is more propaganda than factual documentary as co-producer Debra Chastoff has stated that her target audience is kindergarten through high-graduate students with the purpose of "capturing the hearts and minds of the next generation."

She accomplishes this by allowing statements of how "normal" homosexuality is to go unchallenged and by showing Christians as hateful bigots.

My wife and I teach our children to treat people with respect and civility. If there is someone they don't agree with or get along with - whatever the reason - they still must be civil and act fairly. Tossing, arguing and name-calling aren't allowed and violence isn't tolerated. I expect these basic values to be re-enforced at school. We can't expect in schools teaching acceptance of a perverse, sexual lifestyle.

Texas Kings of the Idaho Youth Network staged on Idaho public television's "Blindage," that homosexuality "is as normal as heterosexuality." He's wrong. Men and women are designed to come together to produce off-

spring, something homosexual couples can't do. For coons, men and women have stayed together - in marriage - to form the foundation of society's families. Under biological and societal norms, homosexuality is a perversion.

The producers and proponents of "It's Elementary" won't admit that I can say this and not advocate violence against homosexuals. Just as I have stood between friends and those who would hurt them because of their homosexuality, I also stand opposed to those who would teach my children that destructive lifestyles are normal and any opposition is hate-mongering and bigotry. "It's Elementary" isn't "harmless."

**WILLIAM LOCKER**  
Filer

**Prayer is important**  
To Kodi Standler of Ednet:

I'm the pastor of Valley Assembly of God in Hazelton. I also serve on the City Council, drive school bus and serve as an "in-school suspension counselor."

Several of the students that have initiated the Youth Alive Campus Club attend my church, and I commend them. The Bible instructs us to "pray continually," and to "give thanks always." Does that mean everywhere but not at school? You know that the students at Columbine High School were praying, and after the shooting even more are praying. Just as I am writing this, I hear the report of students as a prayer in Texas that are killed.

Prayer is important, and I know that I serve a God who answers prayer!

For the last four years that I have lived in Hazelton, many stu-

dents, teachers and parents have joined at Valley High School for "See You At The Pole" (nation-wide, more than 3 million). On Sept. 15, more than 50 attended this year's prayer time at the flagpole. There were many different denominations, but we all came to worship and pray for one common goal, that God would bless the school, faculty and the students. That evening, we sponsored a "Beyond the Pole" concert at our church. We had more than 100 students that attended, and God changed many lives that night.

We are living in days where your life could end on your job, in your school or in your church. I know that no matter where I go or what I am doing, I can pray and ask God for guidance anytime, anywhere.

Kodi, if you go back and study

the our founding fathers, you will find out that most of them were Christian men who prayed daily in their positions. They needed and wanted guidance from God. Why don't you come to the Youth Alive Club and share why, if you go to church and pray, you feel you shouldn't pray in school.

Why is it that in a society where people are killing people, violence is rampant, teen pregnancy is on the rise, and drugs and alcohol are destroying families, many get offended when others want to start something, that can stop these things? Prayer is important, and I know that as a Christian, I can't and won't stop praying even when others want to start something.

**PASTOR KENT SULLIVAN**  
Valley Assembly of God Church  
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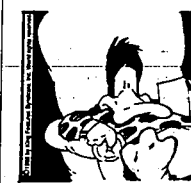
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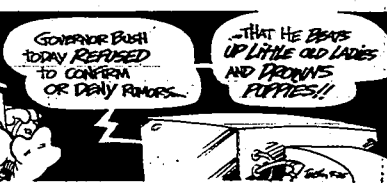
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NATION

# Bush urges Buchanan to stick with Republicans

WASHINGTON - Recalling his father's 1952 defeat in a three-way race, George W. Bush on Friday urged Pat Buchanan to remain a Republican and not bolt to a Reform Party presidential bid.



George W. Bush

In an interview with The Associated Press, the GOP presidential runner also said he supports raising the federal minimum wage by \$1 an hour but only if states can opt out of a condition that could render a proposed increase meaningless.

Discussing a range of foreign policy issues, Bush said he had the will to force United Nations weapons inspectors back into Iraq, and he sided with supporters of the troubled F-22 stealth fighter.

The two-term Texas governor spoke with typical bravado about politics - "I think I'm going to be president" - but seemed guarded and brusque about policy

### Nation in brief

questions, sending out requests for details. Voters will find him "filling in the blanks on policy" on his own timetable, Bush said.

### New Social Security Statements on the way

WASHINGTON - Social Security will begin mailing annual statements to 125 million working Americans beginning Oct. 1, telling many for the first time how much they've paid into the nation's retirement system and what they can expect to get back.

"We're hoping it will help people understand when Social Security can provide, but also encourage them to do further planning or retirement savings," said commissioner Kenneth S. Apfel.

In the past, the Social Security statements have been available upon request, and 37 million Americans have asked for theirs since 1998.

"Starting Oct. 1, the personalized letters will be mailed automatically, in hundreds of 500,000 a day, timed so that every worker over

age 25 will receive an updated one each year about three months before his or her birthday.

### Court nixes three states' late-term abortion laws

ST. LOUIS - A federal appeals court panel Friday ruled that three states' laws banning late-term abortions are unconstitutional.

A three-judge panel of the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld U.S. District Judge Richard Kopf's decision last year that said Nebraska's law is so vague that it potentially bans all abortions. The court issued similar rulings for cases out of Arkansas and Iowa.

Appeals Court Clerk Michael Gans said the court dealt with all three cases at once because they were so similar.

On the Nebraska case, Chief Judge Richard Arnold wrote: "The difficulty is that the statute covers a great deal more. It would also prohibit, in many circumstances, the most common method of second-trimester abortions."

Such a prohibition places an undue burden on the right of women to choose whether to

have an abortion."

### Administration adds federal money to promote adoption

WASHINGTON - Surrounded by adopted children and their smiling parents on Friday, President Clinton pointed to nationwide success moving foster children to permanent homes, and announced more than \$25 million in federal money for adoption programs.

The Clinton administration will award \$20 million in bonuses to 35 states where adoptions are on the increase. The largest bonus will go to Illinois, which gets \$6.8 million as a reward for increasing adoptions to 4,656 last year - more than double the average number of adoptions in the previous two years.

Another \$5.5 million will go to promote adoptions across state lines and adoptions of children with special needs or problems.

### Boxing would get new rules under legislation

WASHINGTON - House members aiming to protect young

fighters from unscrupulous promoters advanced legislation today that would set up new federal rules for professional boxing. Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-La., called the bill a way to "reestablish boxing as the honest and clean sport so many of us grew up appreciating."

"For too long in boxing, the fix has been in. Boxers and fans deserve fair fights," said Rep. Mike Oxley, R-Ohio.

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## GOP restores ban on shaky nuclear reactor

WASHINGTON (AP) - After objections by Democrats, Republicans restored a long-standing legislative ban against reopening a leaky nuclear reactor in the district of a Democratic congressman who quit the GOP in July.

Republicans meeting Friday in craft a House-Senate compromise bill financing next year's federal energy and water projects had decided to drop a prohibition against using the Brookhaven National Laboratory's experimental reactor in New York's eastern Long Island.

They changed their minds later in the day, a decision that came with the problems facing in which Rep. David Obey, D-Wis., insisted the ban be restored, said officials who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The 28-year-old hub is in the district of Rep. Mike Forbes, D-N.Y., who said when he left the party last summer that the GOP had been captured by "economists."

"The issue is not a tragic oversight," Forbes told a reporter when asked if he believed the omission was an attempt at political expediency.

The ban against reopening the reactor has been in the annual energy-water bill for the last two years. It was also included in versions of the bill the House and Senate had approved earlier this year for fiscal 2000, which begins next Friday.

"We regarded it as highly unusual and punitive for them to take out a provision that was in both bills" earlier this year, Obey said.

## White House gripes about new farm bill

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Clinton administration raised objections Friday to an agricultural spending bill that's stalled in Congress, saying it provides too little emergency assistance to growers and goes too far in restricting the use of trade embargoes.

"We have got to make sure this bill is properly tailored to deal with the problems farmers are facing," Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman said.

Republican leaders have agreed to put \$8 billion in farm aid in the bill. But it has been called this week because of a dispute over the trade provision, which would allow sales of food and medicine to Cuba and make it more difficult for the president to impose future embargoes of such items on other countries.

The farm-assistance package includes \$300 million for weather-related losses, well short of the \$1.2 billion that's needed, not counting damage in North Carolina from Hurricane Floyd, Glickman said.

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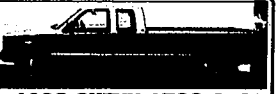
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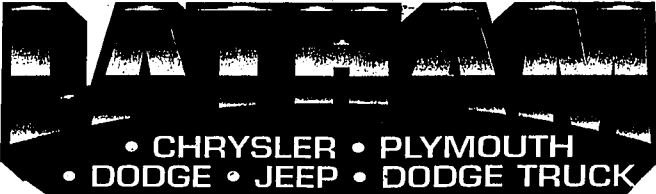
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## MORNING LINE

### SPORTSQUOTE

“We’re both here to win the matches, and it’s serious golf. But at the end of the week, I’ll be able to shake Ben warmly by the throat and we’ll sit down and have a beer.”

—European captain Mark James, about U.S. captain Ben Cristofare and Ryder Cup competition

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- College cross country**
  - CSI at Washington Invitational in Seattle
  - College volleyball**
    - CSI at Valley of the Sun Tournament in Phoenix, Arizona
    - Boise State at New Mexico, 7 p.m.
- Semi-pro football**
  - Mini-Cassia at Idaho Falls
- High school volleyball**
  - Glenns Ferry at Borah
  - Wood River at Bonneville/Hillcrest
  - Richfield at Mackay
  - Hansen at Buhl JV - check this
  - Filer at Kuna
  - Kimberly at American Falls tournament
  - TUCA at Buhl JV Tournament
- Boys' high school soccer**
  - Burley at Twin Falls, 10 a.m.
  - Burley at Minico, 1 p.m.
- Girls' high school soccer**
  - Caldwell at Twin Falls, 10 a.m.
  - Minico at Buhl, 10:30 a.m.
- High school cross country**
  - Bob Firman Invitational in Boise

## IN BRIEF

### Avoid late fees by registering today

TWIN FALLS — Girls in Grades 4-7 can avoid late fees by registering for volleyball with Twin Falls Parks and Recreation today from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The fee is \$12 for in-city limits and \$15 out-of-city limits. After today, a \$10 surcharge will be added to registrations.

A 24-hour drop box at the office (136 Maxwell Ave.) allows for after-hours registration.

Mail-in registrations are also accepted, with check or money order made payable to City of Twin Falls, P.O. Box 1907, Twin Falls, ID 83303-1907.

### NAU wins Invitational; ISU finishes 15th

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. — The Northern Arizona University golf team successfully defended its NAU Lumberjack Invitational title earlier this week, defeating Denver 629-635 for its third straight title.

NAU senior Louise Davis was the individual medalist, shooting a second-round 76 to finish at 4-over-par 148.

Idaho State University finished 15th out of 17 teams, at 684. Weber State placed sixth, Eastern Washington tied for 10th, and Gonzaga brought up the rear.

Jill Strigley was ISU's top finisher, tied for 37th at 21-over-par 165.

Bongal teammates Kelsa Gafford and Robyn Schultz were in a three-way tie for 50th at 27-over-par 171, with 15U's Angela Mackinnon two strokes back and Jill Evershed at 46-over-par 190.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

# Bruins throw the monkey off their backs

## Twin's first win spoils Spartan homecoming

By Jeff Ross  
Times-News writer

RUPERT — They couldn't stop the JP Train, but the Bruins aren't winless anymore.

Twin Falls spoiled Minico High School's homecoming Friday, surrendering 117 mostly meaningless yards to senior running back Jared Price but limiting the host Spartans to awful field position throughout what became a 41-8 thumping.

The Bruins don't fancy themselves psychic, but their 14th straight win over Minico seemed to unfold as if written on a script.

“We knew exactly where they were going to run and when they were running it,” said Twin Falls safety Shaun Pohlmann.

Minus heavy rain, the game bore many similarities to last season's Bruin win. Price got his 100 yards, but errors on special teams, particularly punt returns — cost Minico (2-3) dearly.

A pair of bobbled returns in the opening quarter netted the Bruins (1-3) their first score, when quarterback Jared Burks dove into the Spartan end zone on a one-yard keeper.

After strong safety Tyler White cashed in a critical stuff on fourth-and-short, Bruin running back Jeremy Hudson made it 12-0 on an eighty-yard jaunt.

Burks finished the game 11-of-16 for 137 yards — but more importantly, completed the contest without throwing an interception behind a line that gave him plenty of time.

Offensively, defensively and where the game was decided — on special teams — the Bruins dominated.

“Physically they just beat us up,” said Minico coach Tim Ferrigot. “They were the better team. They came out and executed, and we killed ourselves early.”



Twin Falls wide receiver Jonas Brady tries to elude oncoming Spartan tackler Justin Reed Friday night at Minico. The Bruins handed Minico a 41-8 homecoming loss.

# Udy, Raft river run wild over Hornets

By Matt Paterson  
Times-News writer

OAKLEY — The Oakley Hornets were a lot of things in Friday's game against Raft River, but they weren't surprised.

In fact, they got exactly what they expected — Austin Udy, and lots of him.

Gaining 224 yards on 29 carries, the Trojans running back scored four touchdowns and lifted his team to a 47-29 victory over its archrival.

“They just ran it down our throats,” said Oakley coach Brett Graham. “They did everything we thought they were going to do... Udy was a maniac tonight. He ran it, he caught it, he did everything.”

While the Trojans managed to establish a powerful ground game, the Hornets struggled to move the ball at all. Playing without the services of running back Bryce Cranney and offensive tackle Adam Milton, who were serving suspensions related to an incident in last week's win over Hagerman, the Hornets were forced to start a small and inexperienced backfield.

Oakley's second-most experienced backs, junior Broden Matthews and sophomore John Gay, did not play because of injuries.

But Graham downplayed his lack of personnel in the loss.

“I don't know if I'd say that's much of a factor,” Graham said. “We had enough kids. We had the kids ready to go... Of course it hurts, but we still should have come out better.”

Without a solid running game, the Hornets took to the air, completing three touchdowns passes in the fourth quarter alone. Oakley quarterback Trevor Cranney threw for 98 yards on 8-of-22 passing in the game. Two of his fourth-quarter touchdown passes went to senior Jeff Adams.

In addition to his three passing touchdowns, Cranney returned a kick — an 86-yard burst to open the second half — to account for Oakley's other score.

Raft River opened the game's scoring by piecing together a 6-play, 69-yard drive, capped by a 39-yard Udy run with 3:11 left in the first quarter. Six minutes later, the Trojans made it 14-0 on a Harper quarterback keeper from the Oakley 8.

Three more touchdowns in the second quarter — two from Udy — gave Raft River a 34-0 halftime lead.

“Udy's our man right now,” Spauth said. “He's the guy in practice who is going hard every play and in the game, he's the guy who's going hard every play.”

On their first possession of the second half, the Trojans scored again, this time on an 8-play, 69-yard drive completed by a 30-yard Udy scramble.

The Trojans scored once more in the same quarter on a 10-play run by Ward. The 6-foot, 205-pound junior finished the night with 17 carries for 68 yards.

The touchdown gave Raft River a 47-7 lead after three complete quarters of play.

Raft River improved to 3-1 with the win, while Oakley dropped to 2-2.

Minico scored its only points early in the second quarter, when quarterback John McKenzie scrambled 12 yards to paydirt on a broken play, but the Bruins weren't long in answering.

Bruin back Orlin Clements followed his big return on the ensuing kickoff with a 59-yard sprint to score, and the rout was on.

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# Buhl posts shutout of Filer

By Kevin Hall  
Times-News writer

FILER — In 40 years of football, the Buhl Indians have dominated their Highway 30 compadres Filer, owning a 25-8 mark in that span and winning five straight games since 1994.

Friday, the Indians closed out the '90s with their sixth consecutive win over the Wildcats, 26-0, spoiling Filer's homecoming while grabbing their first win of the season.

“It feels really good,” said Indian tailback Chris Floyd, who tallied an unofficial 190 yards on 21 rushes and scored the game's first touchdown.

“A good win,” said Buhl head coach Gary Krumm. “Chris had a pretty good night and I thought up front, we kind of controlled things in the first half.”

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# Burton wins Idaho Open wire-to-wire

The Times-News

ELKHORN — Kevin Burton of Boise went wire-to-wire at Elkhorn Resort this week, firing a Sunday 70 on Friday for his first Idaho Open victory.

In tough conditions with gusty winds and tough hole locations, Ogden, Utah's, Jimmy Blair chipped in twice to finish with the low round of the day at 67, good for second place overall.

Jeff Thomsen of Boise and Brad Suterfield of St. George, Utah, tied for third at 212.

Bob Campbell of Boise captured the senior title, finishing with a 74 on Friday for a 218 total. Doyle Corbett of Sun Valley took second at 219, and Sun Valley's Nils Badenduck won the amateur division with his 76 for a 221 total.

Mike Hamblin of Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course shot a 71 to finish at 220. Twin Falls' Aaron Curtis finished at 223, and Ketchum's Bob Lutz finished at 224.

Look for more scores in Sunday's section.



United States Ryder Cup player Phil Mickelson can't believe what went down during Friday's action. The Europeans stormed out to a 6-2 lead, needing only eight of the remaining 20 points to retain the cup.

# Europe rolls to big Ryder Cup lead

The Associated Press

BROOKLINE, Mass. — Not even America's 1-2 punch could stop Europe from what could shape up to be another Ryder Cup runaway.

David Duval and David Duron, the top two players in the world, were mere mortals Friday in the presence of a European team that put on a real exhibition by making clutch putts and seizing momentum with heroic drives and shots that rocked the Country Club.

Led by Jesper Parnevik and his new sidekick, 19-year-old Sergio Garcia, Europe strutted off the course in fading sunlight with a 6-2 lead that left the U.S. team in a stupor.

The Americans have not won the Ryder Cup since 1993, and this wasn't the kind of start they had in mind. Even Mark James, the low-key captain for Europe, was surprised by the margin.

“This is good,” he said. “This is a great start. We're all aware there's a long way to go. You get top-line results when putts go your way.”

But it wasn't just the putts.

Parnevik holled out from 141 yards on No. 8 and was 7 under on the first 10 holes of his best-ball match with Garcia. The youngest player in Ryder Cup history, Garcia contributed with an eagle of his own, pitching in from 50 yards short of the 14th green and bounding into Parnevik's arms for another bear hug.

The biggest grin from America came from Davis Love III, who make pressure-packed putts at the end of both his matches to earn a halve.

The only American victory in eight matches came from Hal Sutton and Jeff Maguire, two straight shooters who scored a 3 and 2 victory over Lee Westwood and Darren Clarke in the alternate-shot match Friday morning.

The check came from who'd win.

Woods and Duval failed to win a point. So did Phil Mickelson, who sported a 4-1-2 record in his past two Ryder Cups. James sent three of his seven rookies into the fray, and all of them contributed.

Woods, determined to average a 1-3-1 record in his first Ryder Cup two years ago at Valderrama, got little help from Tom Lehman when they fell to Parnevik-Garcia 2 and 1 in the morning match.

And he didn't get much help from Duval in the best-ball match. America figured to win hands down. Instead, they fell behind on the 17th hole when Clarke made a 5-foot hole-in-one and neither Woods nor Duval gave themselves a decent chance at birdie.

The carnage was complete when Duval drove wildly off the tee, Woods bound a bunker on his approach to the green, and Westwood closed out a 1-up victory with a simple chip that was conceded for par.

“A huge first day,” Westwood said.

The 6-2 lead is the largest for Europe after the first day since 1987 at Muirfield Village, the year it won on American soil for the first time. Another victory in America would be old-hat these days.

The Europeans have won five of the past seven Ryder Cups, and in all but one of those victories, they built their lead in team matches, typically a strong suit.



Bruins

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"Finally all came together," said Twin Falls coach Mark Schaal. "That's how we have to 'play to win.'"

a half minutes of clock only to turn it over.
McKenzie was forced to throw from the shotgun much of the rest of the night, and most of Price's yards came in the Spartans' scoreless third quarter.
"We were never able to establish the running game," Perrigo said. "And we made some big mistakes. Like I told my kids, against an A-1, Div. I team you have to eliminate those."

and Burks made it final with a 14-yard touchdown to tight end Cole Jones in the third quarter.
With the Spartans driving one last time, Chris Shanko and Adam Pascoe sneaked McKenzie for what would have been a loss, but the Mexico quarterback fumbled and Pascoe recovered.
After the game, the feeling was familiar for Pascoe and the Spartans, from last year's Twin Falls playoff squad.
If this year's team has lacked leadership, it may have found it

Friday night -- in a number of ways.
"Being a senior is a lot different," Pohlman said. "It's a lot of responsibility. A lot of leadership is what we've needed. We worked on it tonight and got a big goose egg up in the second half."

big win. His team is still 0-2 in the West.
"It's a big confidence builder for the kids going into next week," he said.
"Bu we have another stiff test in Borah. They're another physical team, and that's a key game."
Quick hit: Schaal praised the coaching of several players, including defensive lineman Clint Kuykendall, who for the second week was everywhere on defense, and Rhet Larsen, who

played for the injured Casey Turner.
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SCORES AND STATS

BASEBALL

ALL BOX SCORES

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Al Standings

Table showing league standings for the 'Al' division, including teams like Boise State and Idaho State.

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IN THE BLEACHERS

By Steve Moore

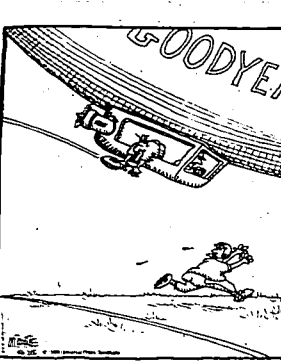


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SPORTS

Golden Eagles dump No. 2 Glendale

PHOENIX, Ariz. — The No. 1 junior college volleyball team in the country had no trouble teaming with the No. 2 team Friday...

Friday, dropping just one game in the morning at Saint Joseph's Missouri State University...

in a 15-12, 15-7 win over Golden West and then 15-15, 15-8, 15-10 win over SMCU.

and Mesa, 15-1, 15-9. "We turned it on," Stroud said after the Glendale match...

Jerome hangs tough, but falls to Blackfoot

JEROME — The Jerome Tigers batted tough in the first half, but could not hold on after the break as they lost to the second-ranked Blackfoot Broncos 51-14...

Local sports
Westside 48, Valley 13
EDEN — The Valley Vikings saw their four-game winning streak come to an end as they fell to the Westside Broncos 48-13.

Other scores
Bliss def. TFC 15-11, 15-4
Bliss — The Bliss Bears rallied from an 8-0 deficit in the first game and ended Friday with a sweep of the Twin Falls Christian Academy volleyball team.

Photo of a football game with players in action on the field.

North Gem 28, Carey 20
CAREY — The Carey Panthers led 20-6 but struggled in the second half as they fell to the North Gem Cowboys 28-20 in Sawtooth Conference football action.

Declo 47, Malad 22
DECLO — Jason Webb scored four touchdowns in the first half as the Declo Hornets dominated the Malad Broncos 47-22 in non-conference football Friday.

Kimberly 52, Gooding 6
KIMBERLY — Kai Gumbrel muffed for 150 yards and had three first-quarter touchdowns as the Blizzards picked up their first win of the season.

Other scores
Wood River 21, Wendell 8
Madison 34, Burley 8
Murtaugh 31, Hagerman 8

Castledale 44, Rockland 22
ROCKLAND — The Castledale Wolves ground out 459 yards in offense as they dominated the Rockland Bulldogs 44-22 in Sawtooth Conference football Friday night.

Camas County 42, Kirkfield 15
FAIRFIELD — Seaside-area Mill-Sawtooth Conference center Bunk Krahn moved to winning back Friday afternoon and led the Camas County Warriors to a 42-15 defeat of Kirkfield.

Clark County 51, Hansen 6
HANSEN — Jay Emsman, with 39 yards rushing, led the Bobcats to victory over the Huskies 51-6.

Boys' soccer
TFC 1, Bliss 0
No report

SportsCapsule.com puts Filer HS online

FILER — Coaches have been using videotape since the days of 8mm and Beta. And as handy video cameras have become more accessible...

sule.com) can also send streaming video of a game or clip of a particular student-athlete over the Internet to a loved one across the country or at home.

Buhl

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pass interference got the Wildcats to their 43-yard line, but the drive stalled and on the punt attempt, a low snap allowed Buhl to sack the Filer punter and gain the ball on the Wildcat 30.

Three plays later, Thornborrow rolled left untouched for the game's final score. "We got bent a little bit, but we never broke," Krumm said.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Almosta Ranch holds remote control races
TWIN FALLS — Almosta Ranch R.C.Y. will have a remote-control car race Sunday at noon at 1733 Eldridge Ave. All remote-control cars and trucks are welcome, and there is a \$5 entry.

Robertts leads Clear Lake ladies
BUHL — Oleta Roberts was Thursday's round of the Clear Lake Country Club ladies association, shooting an 80 to second-place Sheila Waddy's 89.



# Former FSU recruit tries to beat Seminoles

The Associated Press

Two years ago, Florida State coach Bobby Bowden tried to recruit Ronald Curry to Tallahassee.

"I've never seen a high school quarterback as good as Curry," Bowden said. "Now, is he the best passer I've ever seen in high school? No. But best quarterback Yes."

Today, Bowden and Curry will be on opposing sides when the top-ranked Seminoles (3-0) play North Carolina (1-1) in Chapel Hill.

"Knowing their coaching staff and players, they probably got more excited about playing a quarterback who is an athlete like Ronald because it challenges them even more," North Carolina coach Carl Torbush said.

Curry showed the Seminoles what he could do in last year's 39-13 loss at Tallahassee. He was almost sacked on a fourth-down

## College football

play, but escaped and threw a 7-yard TD pass that closed the gap to 23-13 with 1:03 left.

Curry opened this season with a mediocre performance in a 20-17 loss to Virginia. But he was much better in their last game, a 42-30 win over Indiana, passing for 241 yards and rushing for 45.

"He must have eaten Indiana up," Bowden snarled. "With an open date, I'm sure they have worked on that option for Florida State."

Curry knows Florida State's defense will be gunning for him at every opportunity.

"I am willing to take the hit, I'm willing to sacrifice whatever I have to for the team to be successful," he said. "That's what it's going to take Saturday. I am not going to have to take over the game and put everything in my hands. I have very good players around me."

In other Top 10 games, it's Indiana at No. 2 Penn State, No. 3 Florida at Kentucky, No. 4 Michigan at No. 20 Wisconsin, Southern Mississippi at No. 5 Texas A&M, No. 6 Nebraska at Missouri, Memphis at No. 7 Tennessee, and No. 9 Miami at East Carolina.

Elsewhere in the Top 25, it's Central Florida at No. 11 Georgia, Cincinnati at No. 12 Ohio State, Northwestern at No. 13 Purdue, No. 14 Arkansas at Alabama, No. 15 Kansas State at Iowa State, No. 16 Southern California at Oregon, Virginia at No. 17 BYU, No. 18 UCLA at Stanford, No. 19 Michigan State at Illinois, Temple at No. 21 Marshall, No. 22 Texas at Baylor, South Carolina at No. 23

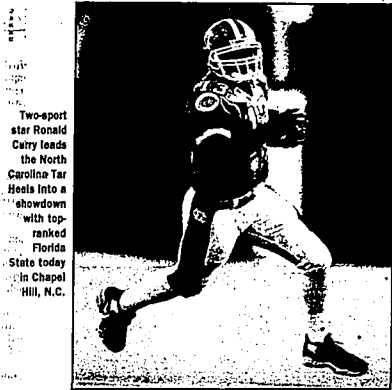
Mississippi State, Wyoming at No. 24 Air Force and No. 25 North Carolina State at Wake Forest.

On Thursday night, No. 8 Virginia Tech beat Clemson 31-11.

The only matchup of ranked teams takes place in Madison, Wis., where Michigan's defense will try to slow Ron Dayne's pursuit of the NCAA career rushing record.

Dayne, who needs 1,193 yards in his final eight games to break Ricky Williams' mark of 6,279, says he is recovered from a sprained ankle that bothered him in last week's 17-12 loss to Cincinnati.

"It's feeling good. I'm able to run," Dayne said.



# Lobos coach plans to confuse Boise State

ALBUQUERQUE (AP) - Confusion should be in abundance tonight when New Mexico and Boise State meet on the blue turf of Bronco Stadium in Boise.

New Mexico's contribution to the first ever meeting of the two schools will be three quarterbacks, with the good possibility that they will all get equal playing time.

Boise State (1-2) is likely to counter with a much more wide open offense than the Broncos have shown in their first three games.

New Mexico (1-2) used Eric Jaworsky, Justin Mobley and Sean Stein at quarterback last week in its 45-14 win over Northern Arizona. All three produced first half touchdowns and coach Rocky Long said this week he will probably use all three again.

That, says Long, could give the Lobos an edge, since Boise State's defensive coordinator must try to get his team ready to stop both the option-oriented Mobley and Jaworsky and Stein's passing arm.

"If I was the defensive coordinator at Boise State, I'd have all kinds of problems on what kind of game plan to put together," Long said. "You have one guy who runs

the option real well (Mobley) and you've got one guy (Stein) who throws it pretty well. It's hard to put a game plan together that way."

Boise State coach Dirk Koetter said he wishes the Lobos had settled on one quarterback by now.

"When you don't know who the quarterback is, it gives your defensive staff some concerns," Koetter said. "Especially the fact that all three guys played well (against Northern Arizona). It looks like they're evolving with not only their system ... but also as their quarterbacks get better, they're evolving as an offense."

Boise State too may be evolving. "The first three games they've been a ball control, try to knock you down and run over the top of you team," Long said. "I think that's going to change this week. His (Koetter's) personality is he wants to spread you out, throw it around and score 60 points."

Long speaks from experience. When he was the defensive coordinator at UCLA, Koetter was the offensive coordinator at Oregon.

"The last time I played against him ... he had (quarterback) A L E I I Smith at Oregon and we didn't slow them down a lick. We outscored them. It had 300 yards in the first half. It was a truck meet," Long said.

Long said the Broncos may have to pass more because "I don't think they can run over the top of us."

Koetter, in turn, is concerned about the unpredictability of the Lobos' blitzing and stunting defense, a system that Long and defensive coordinator Bronco Mendenhall believe creates considerable confusion for opposing offenses.

"I've played against both Rocky and Bronco when they were at UCLA and Oregon State respectively, and this is one of the weeks I look forward to the least because they're a hard team to prepare for. Their scheme is so unique, they're always tweaking it ... and I'm not sure anyone in the country understands it except those two guys."

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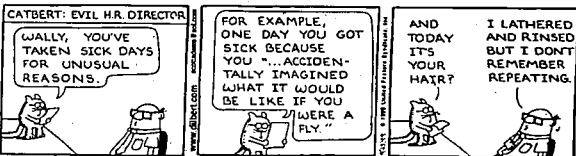
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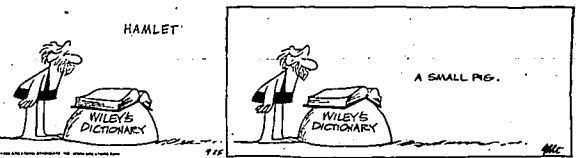
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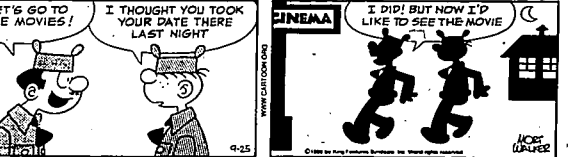
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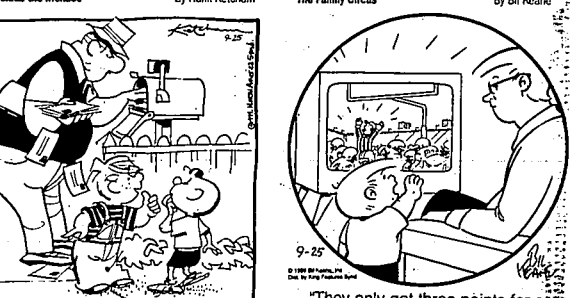


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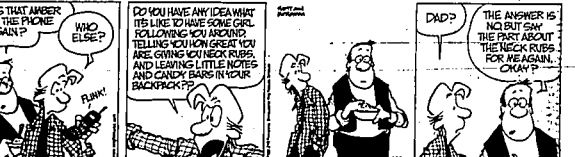
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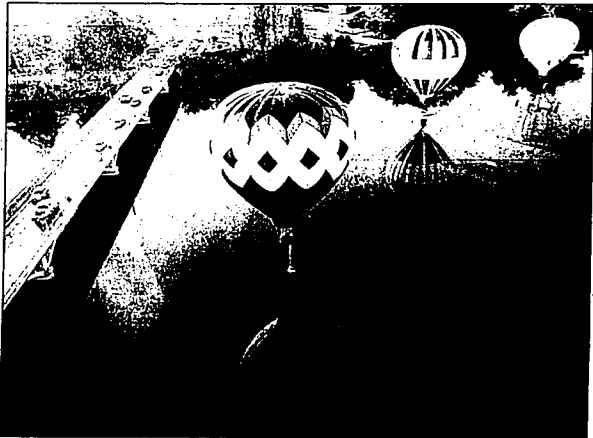






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A trio of balloons perform a 'splash and dash,' touching down briefly on the Yakima River at Prosser, Wash., early Friday morning before flying eastward. The balloonists were taking part in the Great Prosser Balloon Rally. Thirty-five balloons were expected to take part in the annual balloon rally.

Court rules nude dance establishment can stay

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A nude dancing establishment in South Salt Lake does not have to get a new license and can stay in its new location, the Utah Supreme Court ruled Friday. In a unanimous decision, the high court said South Salt Lake did not properly apply its own ordinances when Gayle Petersen moved her sexually oriented business to a new building. Petersen opened Leather & Lace 12 years ago in an office complex surrounded by homes and light industry. Two years ago, she lost her lease and moved to a new location. City officials said she must apply for a new license. But Petersen balked, saying she would be put at the end of the list of applicants. Moving her business, the city claimed, was an illegal transfer and it revoked her license. The city also claimed that the new location violated zoning laws because it was too close to another sexually oriented business. The city said that when measured from property line to property line — not building to building — Petersen's establishment was less than 600 feet from the nearest sexually oriented business. Petersen refused to stop operations and took the city to court. A lower court ruled that while the city was not allowed to revoke Petersen's license, it could mea-

sure distances from property line to property line, even though the city ordinance does not specifically address the matter. The state Supreme Court agreed that Petersen's license could be transferred from location to location, saying the city's ordinance "addresses only the transferability of ownership of a license, not the transferability of the location of the business." It also said the city had allowed other sexually oriented businesses to transfer their licenses when they moved. The court also said Petersen was right about how the city should measure the distance between her establishment and others. The zoning ordinance does not say how distances between businesses should be measured, and the city has not always measured distances based on property lines, the court said. "In the present case, there is no evidence that the city has consistently measured its distance requirements using property lines," Justice Michael D. Zimmerman wrote for the court. "Because the ordinances in this case govern only activities within the business premises, or, in other words, within the building, we find that the reasonable way to measure the distance set forth under the ordinance is from building to building," he said.

Doctor faces additional drug charges

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Dr. Robert Allan Weitzel, already charged with five counts of murder, is now facing 22 counts of fraudulently obtaining prescription pain killers. The federal indictment, unsealed this week, alleges that Weitzel wrote numerous prescriptions for morphine and Demerol to a handful of people but kept the drugs. In July, the Drug Enforcement Agency sought to have Weitzel's license to prescribe drugs revoked. According to an affidavit by a DEA official in that case, Weitzel used illegally obtained drugs for himself. The recent federal indictment charging the drug fraud was handed up by the grand jury Sept. 8 but sealed until Tuesday, when the Davis County Attorney filed murder charges against Weitzel in the death of five elderly patients.

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House-OK'd bill seeks guidelines for declaring national monuments

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite the threat of a presidential veto, the House voted overwhelmingly Friday for a measure encouraging presidents to consult with state officials before creating new national monuments. The House voted 408-2 for the bill, which says the president should consult with local residents and notify the state's governor and congressional delegation 60 days before declaring a new national monument — a designation that puts restrictions on an area akin to those in a national park. That notice and consultation could be bypassed, however, if it was not "consistent with the protection" of the proposed monument. "It's the best we could get," said Rep. Greg Walden, R-Ore., a bill

co-sponsor. The measure, sponsored by Utah Republican Rep. Jim Hansen, is the latest congressional fallout from President Clinton's 1996 creation of the 1.7 million-acre Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument in southern Utah. Hansen and other Utah officials were angered that Clinton did not consult them beforehand. Many Western Republicans say they are nervous about proposals for several possible national monuments, contending they could hamper mining, grazing and logging and bring more tourists to remote areas. Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt has said he has a "no surprises" policy about new national monuments, but also said he would recommend that Clinton

create a monument if an area needed protection and Congress refused to act. A 1906 law allows a president to create a national monument to protect an area of historic, archaeological or geologic significance. President Roosevelt used it to protect the Grand Canyon before it became a national park; other national monuments include the Statue of Liberty and part of what is now Grand Teton National Park in Wyoming. Despite the law's loophole, Hansen said it should ensure that local officials know about future national monument plans. "The president may not skip the public participation phase simply because it may take time," Hansen said.

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# State asks for money to study exit standards

POCATELLO (AP) - The state Board of Education will include \$1.15 million in its budget request to the Legislature next year for a high school exiting standards assessment.

"If we don't get down the road this legislative session with an assessment plan, exiting standards will be in great, great jeopardy," Tom Dillon, the chairman of the board's exiting standards subcommittee, said Thursday.

The \$1.15 million includes \$190,000 for the five core subjects of math, science, social studies, language arts/communications and health.

To allow teachers to participate in developing the tests for high school seniors, \$120,000 was allotted for travel expenses. And a consultant will be hired for \$80,000, exiting standards commission Chairman Larry Andrews said.

"While the board voted unanimously to ask for the \$1.15 million, board Vice President Jerry Hess said persuading the Legislature to support the allocation will not be easy.

"If we cavalierly wait until January, we increase the proba-

bility we'll have a bigger fight" to convince legislators, Hess said.

Assessment development will include writing 150 to 200 questions for each core subject, aligning tests used now for possible use in exiting standards, recruiting Idaho teachers for question selection and establishing a scoring method.

Board members said Thursday they hope tests like an early reading indicator will help students get a head start on state exiting standards. Superintendent of Public Instruction Marilyn Howard presented a pamphlet that explains to parents of children in kindergarten through third grade about the new indicator test, first given this fall.

The graduating class of 2005 will be the first tested with the new standards. Those students will participate in a pilot test in 2003 "as kind of a PSAT," Andrews said.

In 2004, students will have their first chance to pass the real exiting standards. If they do not pass, Andrews said, they will take it again in 2005 before they are allowed to graduate.

# Some Idaho schools win approval to cut back tests

POCATELLO (AP) - Thousands of students in Meridian and American Falls have won a reprieve from some of the standardized testing that has become a state mandate for third-through 11th graders.

The state Board of Education approved waiver requests from the two school districts, which have implemented other testing programs that administrators contend are better measuring skills of student progress.

All Idaho public school students in grades three through 11 have been required to take either the Iowa Test of Basic Skills or the Test of Achievement and Proficiency since then-state schools Superintendent Anne Fox implemented an expanded testing program in 1995.

On Thursday, the Board of Education agreed that the Meridian Achievement Level Test can replace state-mandated assessments in all but the third, seventh and 11th grades in the state's second-largest and fastest-growing school district.

The American Falls School District also was granted permission to waive testing in even grades.

in conjunction with the Northwest Evaluation Association in Portland, Ore., and now is being used or evaluated in a number of Idaho districts, association President Allan Olson said. School districts develop tests based on individual curriculum plans by choosing questions from a bank of choices in a range of subjects.

Idaho districts can apply to waive standardized testing if they can adequately address four basic issues: alignment with state standards, reporting of information on federal programs, reporting of test scores to the parents and the community and how the scores address district and school goals for instruction.

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# Dud bomb may have changed killers' plans

DENVER (AP) — The failure of a propane tank bomb to explode in Columbine High School's cafeteria could have forced killers Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold to change their carefully laid plans, possibly allowing more people to escape, according to published reports.

John Kikkbusch, chief investigator for the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, said the killers' plans went bad because

their two-tank propane bomb failed to explode after they carried it into the cafeteria in a black duffel bag. The bomb was poorly wired and constructed and its timer was attached incorrectly, he said.

Kikkbusch, who confirmed the killers' movements to the Denver Rocky Mountain News, said when the propane bomb failed to explode, Harris and Klebold walked toward the school, carrying a machine gun and sawed-off shot-

guns underneath dark trench coats. The story was published Friday.

One took off his coat outside the school, leading to reports of a third gunman in a white T-shirt.

Two students were killed and six were wounded outside. Inside, the killers made their way toward the library, where they spent 35 minutes snarling at 11:20 a.m., as they moved between tables terrorizing students and, in some cases, firing under tables without loading.

The gunmen left the library even though they still had ammunition and pipe bombs. That unexplained decision allowed dozens of students to escape, investigators said.

Harris and Klebold went to the cafeteria and tried to set off the propane bomb by shooting at it. When that failed, they ignited another bomb next to it, causing a fire that was extinguished by the school's automatic sprinkler system.

# Gun laws may wait until 2000

By Chris Mondica  
Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — Despite a wave of public revulsion at the recent shootings at schools, business and religious institutions that began with the slayings at Columbine High School in April, congressional negotiators appear to be getting nowhere with efforts to enact new restrictions on gun ownership.

The standoff, after weeks of negotiations, means it is increasingly likely that Congress will finish the year without passing any significant gun-control legislation, a once-unthinkable prospect.

"That would probably be the best outcome," said Rep. George Gekas, R-Pa., a member of the congressional team that has tried to iron out partisan differences on the issue. "I can't give you an exact count, but there are many here (in the House) who feel the same way."

By week's end, House Judiciary Committee Chairman Henry Hyde, R-Ill., was promoting the makings of a possible deal. But while the Democrats' top negotiator, Rep. John Conyers of Michigan, sounded a note of welcome, it was clear vast differences remained between both sides.

The impasse stems in large part from the starkly differing views of Republicans and Democrats on how to respond to the problem of gun violence, which in the last six months has moved to the top of the national agenda. Many Republicans believe, as Gekas does, that gun violence can be reduced by more aggressive enforcement of laws already on the books. Democrats insist that new laws aimed at preventing criminals from getting guns and restricting the flow of lethal weapons are the proper response.

But lobbyists and others involved in the discussions say that the deadlock also seems to stem from a calculation by political figures on both sides that they might be able to win the battle by hanging tough for now, and taking their case to the voters in next year's congressional elections.

Negotiators say the two sides are at loggerheads over the Democrats' desire for stringent new record-keeping requirements for all sales at gun shows — a proposal bitterly opposed by the National Rifle Association. Democrats also are objecting to a GOP proposal that they say would define gun shows so narrowly that many flea markets and other events where weapons are sold would not be covered.

"It appears very unlikely that we will reach an agreement," said one House negotiator.

The back-and-forth has been conducted largely out of public view ever since the House defeated a proposal to impose new gun-show regulations in July. But the differences between the two sides broke into the open on a bright Wednesday evening when Hyde took to the House floor to denounce the Democratic proposal.

"While I support these laudable objectives, I do not support using them as a Trojan horse for more invidious goals," Hyde said. "I do support mandatory background checks at gun shows without loopholes; I do not support eliminating gun shows. I agreed we should not weaken current law; I do not think we should allow for a national registry of firearms."

In what may be perhaps an even greater problem, there are signs that Hyde, whose proposals have met resistance lately from the Democrats, is far more liberal on the subject of gun control than the rest of the Republican caucus. Even if the Democrats were to accept his proposals, many observers say more conservative members — notably House Majority Whip Tom DeLay — probably would work to defeat them.

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Henry Clifton (left) attempts to salvage a television from his father's home, including a 50th wedding anniversary photo album, washed away by a death certificate in Rocky Mount, N.C., Thursday. The photo had lived in the home for 50 years before being washed from Harrison Floyd's possession the afternoon.

# Floyd makes muddy mess

ROCKY MOUNT, N.C. (AP)—Flooding down prime on the tables and chairs in his restaurant, which was underwater earlier this week, Mickey Bailey vowed to rebuild.

For 75 years, Bob Melton's has been a Rocky Mount institution. "They'll figure if Bob Melton's can come back, they all can," said Bailey, the building's owner. The barbecue restaurant on the banks of the Tar River was among 30,000 buildings damaged across eastern North Carolina after Hurricane Floyd tore through the state last week.

"We knew there would be flooding," Bailey said. "We didn't know it would be the flood of the millennium."

Meanwhile, Coast Guardsmen piled the 20-foot floodwaters of eastern North Carolina on Friday, trying to snag scores of homes that popped out of the ground after Floyd.

## N.C. victims of flood return to filthy homes

Today, a mass of funeral home directors will begin identifying the wayward caskets to help get them back to where some supposed to be their final resting places. "We're doing this to ensure that all the caskets are identified so that we can notify their loved ones," said Coast Guard Lt. Scott Bates.

The Coast Guard crews spent the day in Princess Anne, across the Tar River from Tobacco, trying to round up as many as 100 antique caskets that was forced from the ground by the river's floodwaters.

Too heavy to pull some boats, the caskets were either tossed to shore or tied to trees as Coast Guard crews recorded their locations. All appeared to be sealed and intact.

Folk like Bailey vented their anger Thursday to buildings submerged

in up to 20 inches of rain from Floyd, and found everything a mess: filthy, washed competing, building and chairs, and their belongings, and many possessions.

Those able to return were the exception, not the rule. Across the region, more than 700 animals remained stranded, although sections of Interstate 40 submerged when Floyd plunged through. Some highways re-opened. At least 40 people have been confirmed dead in North Carolina. Altogether, the storm killed at least 70 people from the Bahamas to New England, with the death toll expected to rise.

Because workers continued searching for the long-lost and bear Thursday for those still missing since Floyd hit a week ago.

The three must wait until their own homes are inspected for damage. Some are still in the process of being cleaned up.

## Utility workers save city's water from Floyd

GREENVILLE, N.C. (AP)—When flooding from Hurricane Floyd covered a Greenville Utilities substation last Friday and blacked out all 56,000 people in town, Malcolm A. Green and his crew took a risk.

Green, the general manager, decided to use a circuit breaker outside the station. That put the power back on, but everything would have been shot if the rising Tar River, which runs through the middle of the city, reached the main cables.

A utility worker stationed in a boat provided constant reports on the water level. Flood came within 2 inches Wednesday but then went down.

So even though the substation was still under about 9 feet of water Thursday, Greenville had electricity. The waterlogged and weary utility workers who made it happen during the worst flooding ever to hit the state are being called heroes.

"The key thing I would say is that our customers had power all this time," Green said. "We had people here doing work, basically untested, stuff that most people



Malcolm A. Green

would say. You can't do that." But we found a way to make it work.

Wachovia Bank had guaranteed the flood by bringing in generators. The city never had to shut off its water system, although clogged filters led to low pressure that caused thousands to be with-

out water. But by Thursday, the system was close to normal after the utility finished cleaning the pipes.

"There have been 250 years, and that's my water system right there. Those pipes are mine," said Wayne Brown, Greenville Utilities superintendent of water and sewer, who worked 100 hours in seven days. "I'm not losing my pipes."

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NATION

Banned Books Week raises a stir across the nation

The Dallas Morning News
Get ready for the Battle of the Books Week. Today through Oct. 2 is Banned Books Week...

Oldham City to control materials that libraries may make available to children without their parents' permission. It also has declared war on the 35,000-member American Library Association.

The ALA is trying to encourage librarians to bring their point of view into collections, rather than work with the community to reflect the community point of view...

the role of Marian the Librarian in a student production of "The Waste Man." Specifically, she claims the ALA is supporting a gay agenda.

Judeo-Christian culture, librarians need to be sensitive to that. Where marriage is the legal model; it's important the library encourage that as well. At least it shouldn't be undermining it."

The event's sponsors include the American Booksellers Association, the American Library Association, the American Society of Journalists and Authors...

By no coincidence, today through Oct. 2 also is Family Friendly Library Week...

Family Friendly Library Week is sponsored by the Family Friendly Library Association, a Virginia-based group that wants libraries to be more responsive to "family" and "community" values.

In this enlightened age, could anybody actually be for banning books? Well, yes and no.

The Family Friendly Library Association does not favor banning books, says founder and president Karen Jo Gounaud.

"I would never permit cleaning the library shelf of things people disagree with," she says.

But she says, if the material is pornographic or it instructs people on how to break the law, you have to question why it's there.

Such considerations, she concedes, might well keep a book of, say, Robert Mapplethorpe photographs off public library shelves.

This prospect has led many to suspect that Family Friendly Libraries is the same old censorship under a new label.

"Certainly we part company with Family Friendly Libraries and similar groups when they seem to suggest a more absolute level of control," says Joan Bertin...

The suspicion that FFLA wants to censor library material makes Gounaud bristle.

She says her group wants books, magazines and videos with profanity, explicit sex or certain "mature" themes such as divorce and death...

Such appear to prevent homosexuality — restricted to libraries' adult sections, not removed. This, she says, will prevent children from stumbling onto them.

All this started in 1992 after Gounaud found a stack of alternative newspapers near the door of a Fairfax, Va., county library.

The free weekly, aimed at the local gay and lesbian community, was filled with stories and personal ads that Gounaud considered sexually explicit.

Within three years, she had founded her Family Friendly Library Association to carry the fight for "family values" to library boards and county governments.

The association has supported local efforts from San Diego to

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Section D

## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Floyd to hit Allstate third-quarter earnings

NEW YORK — Allstate Corp., one of the largest U.S. insurance companies, Friday warned that losses related to Hurricane Floyd, a asbestos-related losses, and increased spending on growth plans would slash third-quarter earnings by about a third from last year.

## Allstate®

Shares of Allstate fell \$5.1875, or 16.34 percent, on the news to \$26.5625 in morning trading. A New York, Ill.-based Allstate — with insurance offices in Hailey, Ketchum, Burley, Twin Falls and Jerome — said it expects to report 50 to 55 cents a share in operating earnings compared with 76 cents in the same period last year and the 78 cents a share expected by analysts.

Net income, which includes gains from investments, is expected to reach 70 to 75 cents a share, down from 86 cents in the year-ago period.

Allstate said it will announce third-quarter results Oct. 20.

"Intense competition in the personal lines industry coupled with a rise in the cost of doing business is putting pressure on our near-term earnings," said Edward M. Liddy, Allstate chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Earnings are getting socked as Allstate pays claims on losses related to Hurricane Floyd, boosts reserves for asbestos-related losses, increases spending for marketing and technology and reduces thinning profit margins on policies.

### Rite Aid prepares to cut 830 jobs

CAMP HILL, Pa. — Rite Aid Corp., the third largest U.S. drug store chain, said Friday it will cut a total of 830 jobs in a corporate reorganization designed to reduce costs.

Rite Aid said it will cut 330 corporate and field-staff positions immediately, about half of which are expected to be in the Harrisburg, Pa., area. The company, based in Camp Hill, Pa., also said it will also close its Ogden, Utah, distribution center, which employs 500 people and serves 450 stores, in mid-2000.

Distribution operations will be transferred to a new center in Lancaster, Calif., that can serve up to 1,000 stores.

Rite Aid said the corporate and field-staff job cuts are expected to generate savings of \$31.5 million annually, while the move to the new, larger California distribution plant will save an additional \$45 million per year.

Rite Aid shares, which fell by 19 percent Thursday, dropped by a further 42.75 cents, or 3.65 percent, to \$11.5625 in trading Friday.

Rite Aid has 4,000 store locations in 30 states, including ones in Twin Falls and Burley.

Compiled from wire reports

# AIMING FOR AN ORDER

Despite bureaucratic problems, local plant is hopeful for Chinese business

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News

BEIJING — A customs delay canceled a crucial step in establishing a new Chinese market for a new product, but a Twin Falls, Idaho, plant is cheerful about its chances.

The test comes this weekend, when Herb Harney of Hamilton Manufacturing Inc. hopes he'll get an order for his recycled paper products from the government-owned construction and restoration company he's visiting

### Seeing what's out there

JEROME — A local cheese plant sent a representative along with the governor's Asian trade mission "just to see what opportunities exist over there," Jerome Cheese Co.'s Jon Davis said.

Dave Curtis of Minnesota — who works in the Mexico City office of now in Shanghai. Harney is traveling with Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's trade mission, which includes other top

Davisco Foods International — is representing the entire Davisco company, whose largest plant is the one in Jerome.

"We've sold a lot of product over there" in Asia, Davis said, but his company is eyeing expansion of that market.

Beijing trying to clear a shipping container from customs.

The container holds the equipment and sample products Harney was to use to demonstrate the Twin Falls plant's products to Chinese bureaucrats in Beijing. The problem delayed and finally canceled the demonstration.

By Friday — Saturday in Beijing time — the paperwork was OK but the container still hadn't been released, said Harney's wife, Tamara Hamilton-Harney, who stayed

behind in Twin Falls.

But the couple hadn't lost heart in its effort in China. "I spent an hour on the phone this morning to my husband," Hamilton-Harney said, and he was more optimistic than earlier in the week.

A chief of China's regulatory building-materials agency "was so upset that the demonstration couldn't go through" because so many important people were invited, she said. So he made Harney promise to come back.

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## Ballmer speaks; market shudders

By Patrick Harrington  
The Seattle Times

SEATTLE — It was just an off-the-cuff answer to a reporter's question after a speech: What story should business journalists be writing about that they aren't doing now?

But when Microsoft President Steve Ballmer answered by calling the current valuation of technology stocks "almost absurd," his words hit the stock market like a wrecking ball.

At the close of trading Thursday, just a few hours after the remarks at a technology conference of the Society of American Business Editors and Writers in Seattle, the Dow Jones industrial average had fallen 205.48 points, or 1.95 percent, to close at 10,318.59 — 1,007 points below its August record. The technology-laden Nasdaq composite index stumbled into a five-month low, falling 108.33 points, or 3.8 percent, to 2,749.83.

Ballmer's comments continued reverberating Friday, contributing to declines in Asian and European markets and a continued slide in the U.S. market. Overall, stocks rounded out a dis-



Traders work on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange Friday. Stocks continued to fall, extending Thursday's steep selloff fueled by concerns that technology stocks are overvalued.

mal week with a volatile session. Investors continued selling semiconductor stocks Friday, but made some cautious overtures toward battered shares of Internet and financial companies.

The Dow Jones industrial aver-

age fell 39.26 to close at 10,279.33. The Dow finished the week 524.30 points below last Friday's close, a loss of 4.9 percent. It was the first time the Dow has ever lost more than 500 points in a single week.

The Dow has now dropped

1,046.71, or 9.2 percent, below its record close of 11,326.04, set Aug. 25. But it is still up nearly 12 percent for all of 1999.

Broader stock indicators also ended lower. The Standard & Poor's 500 fell 3.65 to 1,277.36, and the Nasdaq composite index

fell 9.42 to 2,740.41. The strange thing is, Ballmer didn't say anything that other prominent Microsoft executives haven't already said, that technology companies, including

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# Businesses file lawsuit to stop Utah bank merger

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Six individuals and businesses from central and southern Utah have filed a lawsuit opposing the proposed merger of Utah's two biggest banks, Zions Bancorporation and First Security.

The suit charges that Zions and First Security — which both also do business from branches in the Magic Valley — already have a near monopoly in Utah, and would eliminate most competition if the \$5.3 billion merger goes through.

"This merger is to create Fortress Utah," said George M. Allen, the group's attorney. "They want to create a safe pool of deposits which they don't have to compete for, so they can go play in the big

national banking game."

The merger, which would create the country's 20th largest bank, with \$40 billion in assets under the First Security name, would leave huge areas of Utah underserved,

Allen said. Allen said plaintiff Connie Brown, lives on the north shore of Lake Powell but banks at a Far West branch 120 miles away in Lea.

"If she wants a loan and can't get it from her bank, where does she go to see who else can do it?" Allen asked. She already has to travel 200 miles to do that, and the merger limits her options even

further, he said.

The Justice Department routinely uses a formula based on the market share the merged company will control to calculate whether a merger will harm competition.

The banks used that formula to estimate they will need to divest about 50 branches, and included that proposal in their application to the Federal Reserve Board, Chief Executive Officer

Scott Anderson. Utah customers are served by Bank One, Wells Fargo & Co., Key Bank, US Bank, strong regional banks and credit

unions, Anderson said.

"The competitive environment will not be harmed by this merger," he said.

With widespread consolidation under way in the banking industry, "the primary objective of the merger is to enhance the prospect that Utah would remain the headquarters of a major financial institution," Anderson said.

Other banks already have expressed interest in acquiring branches that may be sold. But Allen said the proposed divestitures "will don't get Utah to free and open competition in banking."

Other banks will not be able to effectively compete with the much larger overall market share enjoyed by the merged banks and will simply "follow the leader," he said.

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MONEY

Soaring stock helps America's 400 richest surpass \$1 trillion mark

NEW YORK (AP) — The soaring stock market helped hand 180 new names on this year's list of the richest Americans, turning 35 of them into billionaires, according to Forbes magazine's latest ranking of the nation's wealthiest people.

Of the rookies, 19 made fortunes from Internet-related businesses, including Amazon.com chairman Jeffrey Bezos, ranked 18th with a net worth of \$7.8 billion. Jay Walker, founder of the online merchant Priceline.com, was ranked 43rd with \$4.1 billion.

Wall Street also helped some of the list become billionaires almost overnight. No. 68 Gary Winnick joined the billionaires club just 18 months after founding the long-term health care company, building a global fiber optic telecommunications network.

The 400 richest Americans for the first time have collectively amassed \$1 trillion, a figure greater than the gross domestic product of China.



Bill Gates

The minimum net worth needed to qualify for the Forbes 400 rose to \$625 million from \$500 million in 1998.

Bill Gates retained his place as the richest of them all. The Microsoft Corp. chairman saw his net worth rise to \$85 billion, up from \$59 billion a year ago.

Gates was twice as wealthy as the second richest American, Microsoft co-founder Paul Allen, who has a net worth of \$40 billion. Warren Buffett, chairman of Berkshire Hathaway Inc., ranked

third with \$31 billion. Steve Ballmer, Microsoft's president, was No. 4 with \$23 billion, and No. 5 was Dell Computer executive Michael Dell, with \$20 billion.

A college degree was not required to make the list — at least 63 members never graduated college. Their net worth averaged \$4.3 billion.

Nearly 40 percent of the list, or 149 members, got rich the easy way: They inherited some or all of their wealth. Their average net worth was \$2.5 billion.

The 251 members who made it rich on their own had an average net worth of \$2.7 billion.

The average age of Forbes 400 members was 60, with financier Max Fisher the oldest at 91 and Daniel Ziff of Ziff Brothers Investments, the youngest at 27. And nearly a quarter of the 400 live in California — the state's 98 members on the list include many Silicon Valley and other high-tech executives.

Depression. He said this week's plunge in the Dow probably doesn't signal the start of a depression, but it does indicate a need to float, or fall, back down to earth.

Fleckenstein mentioned a number of events that have come together like a tinder box, just waiting for a match. The Federal Reserve has raised interest rates, the dollar is under pressure, and a number of leveraged stocks have fattened the market, and the Year 2000 computer problem has distorted the economy.

Banks look to higher Y2K authorities

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — America's bankers have taken every step they can think of to avoid chaos from concern about Y2K computer software problems next Jan. 1.

Now for backups, they are turning to higher authority. The American Bankers Association, a trade association for 10,000 banks, has drafted a sermon it hopes ministers, rabbis, priests or other holy leaders will use to counter the gloom and doom attached to the calendar flip to 2000.

Bankers are providing copies to religious leaders across the country. An attached note says it may calm "people's fears and concerns" and adds that the clergy's "own words on Y2K will carry much clout within their spiritual communities."

Some don't think they need the help.

"I think I can handle it through scripture and prayer," said Dennis Glick, pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Boca Raton, Fla.

In others suggesting a business group trying to reach many religions with one sermon is a tall order — presumptuous and unneeded.

The bankers' sermon sidesteps the fact that people pray in different ways by mentioning Moses, Orson Welles, Bill Gates and God — in that order — and never mentioning Jesus.

Some see irony in that omission. The Y2K fuss is all about computers crashing if they can't read dates ending in 2000, which happens to be two thousand years after Jesus' birth, although his exact birth date is debated.

"The birth of Christ 2000 years ago gets lost in the noise of Y2K," noted the Rev. Julius E. Dol Pino, head of Metropolitan United Methodist in Detroit. "And I wouldn't use a sermon that didn't mention Jesus, the essence of what I preach is that everything begins and ends with Jesus Christ."

The title of the bank sermon, "Thinking about Y2K: Moses, Orson Welles and Bill Gates" is a mouthful and doesn't have the ring of the Sermon on the Mount. "That title might not even fit on a church bulletin," said Bishop Robert Rimbo, who oversees the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's 150 congregations in the Southeast Michigan Synod.

"And I'm always wary of anyone thinking they can generate a sermon as a one-size fits all — religions or people."

China

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Harney predicted. The demonstration will be rescheduled, probably toward the end of October.

"By then, hopefully we have a customer in Twin Falls plant unloaded. If not, we're in real big trouble," Hamilton-Harney said.

She and her husband anticipated the demonstrations were important in developing the relationships necessary for selling in China, she said. But they had no idea how important.

Hamilton-Harney called a tragedy — probably strengthened those relationships as Chinese officials got to know Harney and understood his predicament, she said.

Harney's improved outlook could have something to do with

the reception he got at his next stop.

In Shanghai, he's the guest of General Manager Wu Yonghua of the Shanghai Yonge Enterprise (Group) Co. Ltd., a prospective customer of Twin Falls plant has been courting this year.

"Mr. Wu picked him up at the airport in a black Mercedes. Now that's like a huge limo over there," Hamilton-Harney said.

Wu is putting Harney up at one of his luxury apartment buildings, in a penthouse suite with a fabulous view of the Shanghai moon.

Wu has talked to the mayor of Shanghai about Hamilton's products, and Wu was scheduled to take Kempthorne to meet the mayor and other prominent Chinese people this weekend.

After that meeting, Kempthorne was to visit Wu's magnifi-

cent new office complex.

Hamilton-Harney said it is the complex insulated with Hamilton product.

No, she said. "But the next one, hopefully."

So far the events in Shanghai have been primarily social. On Sunday morning — Beijing time — a business meeting is set with the possibility of meeting Harney's goal for a trip in an order from the large Yonge Group.

"Herb said the governor has been awesome about talking about our company and our products. Just awesome," Hamilton-Harney added.

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Microsoft, were overvalued by the stock market. "It's bad for the long-term health of the economy — anything that's false is bad," Ballmer said.

"Microsoft makes these types of comments in the public forum any time they get a chance," said Tom Rath, a Safeco Asset Management portfolio manager.

But Ballmer's remarks sparked speculation that the long-awaited pinprick needed to burst the Wall Street bubble may have arrived.

"I have told friends many times that when this mania ends, there will be a catalyst that will make you scratch your head and say, 'Huh?'" said Bill Fleckenstein, president of Seattle's Fleckenstein & Capital Management.

Fleckenstein likened the plunge to another famous scenario. "When you go back and research 1929, it is very difficult to find a proximate cause," he said, adding that our current bubble is much bigger than the one that triggered the Great

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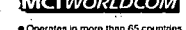
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Flirting phone companies

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Albertson's set to lay off more than 600 in wake of merger

BOISE (AP) - Albertson's Inc. will lay off more than 600 employees as a result of its merger with American Stores Co., including about 180 who already have lost their jobs, the company announced. Most of the positions being eliminated are at American Stores' former Salt Lake City headquarters and in Southern California distribution centers.

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MORNING BREAK

This flock of gluttons is ba-aad news for weeds

TETON VILLAGE, Wyo. (AP) — Out on a ranch near Teton Village a lawn was being weeded, but there were no chemicals in sight, no gardening tools being wielded or even work gloves in sight.

Instead, 300 goats were having lunch. The goats belong to Jackson Hole valley resident Lani Lamming, who leases them out for up to six months at a time to solve the weed dilemmas of ranchers and residents across the country.

Her goats — she has more than 700 in all — have been attracting some serious attention. They have been featured in The New York Times, People Magazine and on CBS news.

Lamming's goats have recently finished up getting rid of weeds at the Snake River Ranch and last week went on their next project on land adjacent to C-V Ranch.

Weeds are part of the goats' natural diets, and they can digest weeds that no other animals on earth can eat without dying — specifically, poison hemlock. Lamming's goats also are fond of



Jackson, Wyo., area resident Lani Lamming and her border collie, Scout, tend to a flock of goats Lamming dispatches to eat weeds that are too tough for herbicides or are growing in places chemicals can't safely be used.

spotted nepowad, Canada thistle, musk thistle and dalmatian dog 'flax, all of which are invasive non-native weeds that grow locally. The goats do eat grass, but only as a last resort. Therefore, at the

end of the day when the weeds are gone, the grass remains. The field that was serving them their food looked like a white, silver, black and apricot-colored blanket, so many goats were on the grounds.

Lamming likes the apricot-colored goats best. Besides the goats, she has here in Teton County, Lamming has another 400 in Denver, where she goes once a month to check up on them.

Lamming presides over the goats with the help of her husband, Fred, who supervises the Teton County Weed and Pest District.

"These are working goats and they know it," Lamming said, leaning on a shepherd staff. "They have a purpose. They're fun to be around. These guys love to work and they like to eat."

For Lamming, the job is low-maintenance. All she really needs to do is check up on them because Scout, the Lamming's dutiful border collie, happily rushes to herd the goats that stray.

When the goats hear Lamming whistle, the goats stopped playing and gorging. Lamming whistled for Sarge, the oldest of the goats and their leader, to come to her.

At first, Sarge hesitated, unusual for a goat who usually comes promptly when called from even a mile away. As Lamming whistled, all of the other goats, who were busy eating, stopped their meal and watched Sarge, waiting to see what he would do.

When Sarge finally ran to Lamming, all of the other goats followed in two single-file lines.

NYC mayor frowns on 'sick' art displays

NEW YORK (AP) — The city told its second-largest museum Thursday to buy its building from the taxpayers if it wants to display an elephant-dung splattered painting of the Virgin Mary and other works the mayor considers blasphemous.

The suggestion surprised officials still reeling from Mayor Rudolph Giuliani's decision the day before to freeze the city's \$7 million annual support of the Brooklyn Museum of Art. That amounts to nearly one-third of the museum's budget.

"That's something we haven't given any thought to," said Robert Rubin, chairman of the museum board. The exhibit in question includes the dung-splattered image of the Virgin Mary; a 13-foot high rendering of a notorious British child killer, made with children's handprints; and pig halves floating in formaldehyde.

Giuliani called the exhibit "sick" and said work that offends religious sensibilities does not deserve public money.

Train crewmen among heroes honored by fund

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Two Canadian men who helped pull a fellow crewman from a wrecked locomotive after a train derailed were among 22 people honored for acts of heroism by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission.

Joseph Moloney and Kerry Osborne pulled Donald Collins from the CP Rail locomotive, which derailed during a storm, then stayed with him for over two hours until rescue crews arrived.

Collins suffered a head injury and damage to his heart, but lived through the ordeal on April 7, 1997.

Recipients of the Carnegie Medal for heroism, which also includes a \$3,000 award, were honored Friday.

The commission was founded in 1904 by steel magnate Andrew Carnegie after he was inspired by rescue tales following a mine disaster. It has honored over 8,300 people since then.

Other heroes noted

- 27, 1998.
D Nelson W. Baker Jr., 27, of Patuxent, Pa. He drowned Dec. 13 while trying to save a 14-year-old boy whose bike had fallen into a frozen creek.
D Frank B. Beagler, 67, of Sterling Heights, Mich. He died Aug. 15, 1998, while trying to save a 9-year-old girl in Lake Michigan. Someone else saved the girl.
D Samuel Gilchrist, 70, of Haslet, Texas. He and 23-year-old Walter McKelmore suffered Aug. 3, 1997, when Gilchrist tried to save McKelmore in a gas well.
D Donald D. Lloyd, 45, of Salinas, Calif. He died June 9, 1997, while trying to rescue an employee when a train opened fire on workers at the Monterey Presidio Logistical Support Center.
D Keith L. Putnam, 15, of Hanover, S.C. He died Aug. 8, 1998, while saving a 21-year-old from an oncoming train.
D Christopher A.P. Smith, 19, of Ontario, Canada. He drowned June 16, 1998, while trying to save Jeffrey Brassler, who also drowned, in Lake Erie.
D Robert J. Ballantine, 36, of Claymont, Del. The pastor intervened to disarm a suspect during a police chase at a convenience store on Oct. 30, 1997.
D Odette Tremblay, 41, of Quebec, Canada. She saved a 49-year-old man from a burning car on March 5, 1997.
D Jessica R. Richardson, 44, of Bellevue, Ill. She saved a 7-year-old boy from a pit bull on March

- 27, 1998.
D Boyd Elder, 35, of Tharville, Fla. He saved a 50-year-old man from a canal after a car wreck on April 18, 1997.
D Joseph Brumman, 30, of Cocoon, Fla. He helped Elder in the rescue of the man from the car wreck.
D Barry Pitt, 37, of Dufflesville, N.Y. He saved a 69-year-old man from a burning mobile home on May 5, 1998.
D James A. Thomas, 78, of Plymouth, Mass. He saved an 83-year-old man from a burning house on May 17, 1998.
D Robert B. DeLuca, 35, of Borneo, Tenn. He saved a 7-year-old from a burning car on Nov. 24, 1997.
D David Samuel, 51, of Borneo, Tenn. He helped DeLuca with the rescue of the 7-year-old.
D Gregory Galtich, 30, of Kalamazoo, Mich. He pulled a 6-year-old girl and her daughter out of a burning car after a head-on collision on June 17, 1998.
D Michael Gilman, 39, of Acton, Calif. The highway patrolman pushed a man out of the path of an oncoming car on an interstate highway in California on Nov. 10, 1997.
D Leslie M. Hough, 31, of Coran, N.Y. who pulled a 43-year-old woman out of a burning pickup truck on June 10, 1998.
D Thomas R. McLaughlin, 41, of Hastings, Mich. He saved a couple from a car that went into an icy pond on Dec. 23, 1997.
D Richard T. Baker, 36, of Coponsville, Mich. He helped McLaughlin in the rescue of the couple from the icy pond.

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'Circus' parody worries author of wholesome comic

PARADISE VALLEY, Ariz. (AP) — Family Circus creator Bil Keane is worried about a less-than-wholesome parody of his kid-friendly comic on the Web. Keane said Wednesday he was mildly alarmed by the "Dysfunctional Family Circus" when it began five years ago, but then his readers started to complain. The Web site — SpinnWeb, maintained by Greg Galkic — uses Keane's cartoons while allowing site visitors to make

up the captions. The results are often sarcastic or dark humor, and sometimes obscene and pornographic, Keane said. King Features, which syndicates Keane's comic, and Keane's attorney Greg Galkic a letter last week threatening legal action unless he removed references to Keane's work, including 500 of his drawings. Galkic did not immediately respond to e-mail requests for comment. The Keane material was still on the Web site Thursday.

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WORLD



Indonesian soldiers pummel a fallen protester in the nation's capital, Jakarta, Friday. Scores were injured in the second straight day of civil unrest over parliament granting extra powers to the military.

## Troops nab Timor militia leader

DILI, East Timor (AP) — Multinational troops searched house-to-house for suspected militia members in East Timor's pillaged capital Friday, as new reports emerged that entire towns in the hinterland have been emptied of people and torched.

"We should be celebrating the birth of an independent nation, but instead we are witnessing a baptism in blood," Amnesty International said in a report on East Timor. The human rights organization said tens of thousands of people were forcibly deported from East Timor by the Indonesian army.

In Jakarta, Indonesia, meanwhile, violent protests gripped the streets for the second day as riot police firing rubber bullets struggled to contain crowds enraged by a new law giving the military power to curb civil liberties.

"Four people were killed and at least 115 others injured since the

protests began Thursday morning, hospital officials said. Three were protesters who were shot by plastic bullets or live rounds, hospital officials said, and one was a police officer who was killed in a traffic accident, police said.

About 500 riot police stormed the Atma Jaya Catholic University before dawn, firing volleys of tear gas and rubber bullets at students who had taken over the campus.

The students were protesting the new law, which many fear could allow the armed forces to use the East Timor crisis and other outbreaks of unrest to gradually seize control of the country.

In the East Timor capital of Dili, about 1,000 multinational combat troops, backed by armored personnel carriers and two Blackhawk helicopters, sealed off several city blocks Friday in a huge display of force.

With the random looting and fires, there may well have been a perception that order wasn't in

place. I can assure you, that isn't the case," said Lt. Col. Nick Welsh, the Australian officer commanding that operation. He said several "hard-core militia" members were detained and some weapons seized. He gave no details.

Earlier, the peacekeepers announced they had arrested a leader of an anti-independence militia suspected of committing atrocities in the aftermath of East Timor's overwhelming vote for independence on Aug. 20.

"You can't run, you can't hide, justice is here," said Maj. Chip Henriksen-Andersen, a force spokesman.

Hundreds and perhaps thousands of people were killed when the militia went on a rampage following the U.N.-sponsored referendum. Multinational peacekeepers were sent to the former Portuguese colony, which Indonesia invaded in 1975, to stop the violence.

## Convicts in Peru turn on the charm

Prison beauty contest has become popular

LIMA, Peru (AP) — The elegantly dressed women strutted in gracefully timed step on a red-carpeted catwalk, watched by an audience of Peruvian dignitaries and celebrities — and a phalanx of gray-uniformed prison guards.

The beauty contest, held Thursday night at the Santa Monica Women's Prison in the Peruvian capital, included an American and other foreigners doing time for drug convictions. And they were well aware that the glitz and glamour were short-lived.

"It sure makes you depressed afterward. It stops abruptly and you really realize you're in prison," said Sandra Tappeiner, a 26-year-old German contestant who performed a pantomime for her talent act.

The beauty contest began six years ago as a small, informal affair that attracted little attention

outside the high-walled prison. But after years of international criticism of Peru's prison conditions, President Alberto Fujimori's government has transformed it into a gala vehicle for showcasing the humane treatment at the women's prison.

Though overcrowded, conditions at Santa Monica are incomparably better than in high-security prisons for leftist rebels, where inmates are held in solitary confinement in dungeon-like cells. Of Santa Monica's 800 inmates, 55 are foreigners from the United States, Europe, Asia and Africa.

Thursday's event, the biggest ever, featured 17 contestants — 11 of them foreigners. It was professionally produced, televised and attended by government officials, foreign embassy representatives, talk show hosts and fashion designers.



Convict Angio Huang Ling performs Thursday at a beauty contest in the Santa Monica Women's prison in Lima, Peru.

## Russian bombings raise the fear of a full-scale war with rebel forces

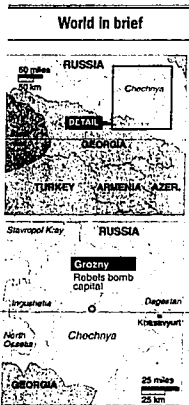
GROZNY, Russia — Russian jets fired rockets Friday at targets around the capital of Chechnya, the latest in a wave of air attacks on the breakaway republic that have raised fears of a full-scale war.

The air raids followed attacks Thursday in which Russian planes pounded targets around Grozny in the first major raid on the city since the bloody 1994-96 Chechnya war.

Thousands of people have fled as the raids have escalated. Grozny's oil refinery, a key component of the region's struggling economy, was destroyed by bombs over the past 24 hours. Sheikhalmed Edilov, director of the Groznecft oil company, was quoted as saying by the news agency ITAR-TASS.

The government has said its air raids are directed against Islamic militants who twice invaded the neighboring Russian region of Dagestan since the beginning of August, and not against the Chechen government.

The militants say they want to carve out separate Islamic state in the Caucasus Mountains region, but Russian officials claim they want to seize Dagestan for access to the oil-rich Caspian Sea.



Rushed to a hospital, he was in stable condition, but suffering from trauma and dehydration.

Searchers later found the body of China's 33-year-old mother, his 30-year-old father and a 4-year-old sister, but they were still digging for his 4-month-old sister.

The government admits it was not fully prepared to cope with a disaster of such magnitude, even though Taiwan is prone to periodic quakes.

**North Korea to halt missile tests unless U.S. talks**

TOKYO — North Korea said Friday that it will freeze test launches of its long-range missiles while its government is in talks with the United States.

It was the first time since the United States agreed last week to ease sanctions against the North that Pyongyang formally announced that it would halt the missile testing.

But Pyongyang also said that the United States should lift all

the economic sanctions that it has long maintained against the communist North, not just the few it has promised to abolish.

The KCNA report was motivated in Japan and South Korea.

In Seoul, the Foreign Ministry welcomed North Korea's decision.

**Italian jury acquits former premier of 1979 killing**

PERUGIA, Italy — A jury Friday acquitted former Premier Giulio Andreotti of the 1979 killing of an Italian journalist, ruling the prosecution had failed to present sufficient evidence during three years of trial.

Andreotti, seven times Italy's premier and now a senator-for-life, was indicted for premeditated murder along with five other people in the 1979 slaying of journalist Mino Pecorelli. All the defendants were acquitted.

The prosecution alleged the Mafia killed Pecorelli at the behest of Andreotti, who feared embarrassing revelations. The accusation was based on the testimony of Mafia turncoat Tommaso Buscetta.

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The Magic Valley Builders Association is pleased to welcome you to the 1999 Fall Preview of Homes. This year we have 14 beautiful new homes for you to view over a three day period starting September 24th at 8 pm. My special thanks to all the participants in this year's Fall Preview of Homes and I hope you all enjoy!



BROUGHT TO YOU BY:



**1**  
  
**881 Green Tree Way**  
 Wills, Inc.  
 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath,  
 formal living room, family room, kitchen

**2**  
  
**196 Cedar Park Circle**  
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 3 bedrooms, 2 baths,  
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**3**  
  
**330 Cedar Park Circle**  
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**4**  
  
**397 Longbow Drive**  
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 3 bedroom, 2 bath,  
 living room and family room

**5**  
  
**2468 Longbow Circle**  
 Houser Custom Homes  
 4 bedroom, split floor plan,  
 double car garage

**6**  
  
**2529 Stadium Boulevard**  
 Bolt Construction  
 3 bedroom, 2 bath, walk-in shower in master bath, covered patio, lbs of oak, large pantry & laundry room.

**7**  
  
**356 Eric's Court**  
 Rain Tree Homes  
 3 bedroom, 2 bath

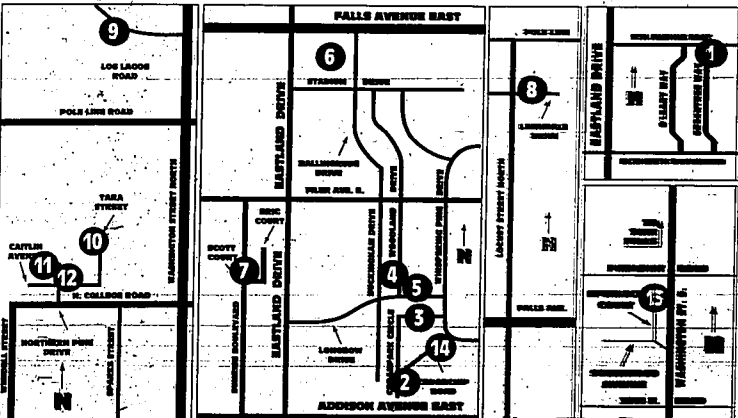
**8**  
  
**1530 Lawndale Drive**  
 S.R.O. Construction  
 3 bedrooms, 2 baths,  
 swing room, 3 car garage

**9**  
  
**241 Los Lagos**  
 Rain Tree Homes  
 3 bedroom, 2 bath

**10**  
  
**1411 Tara Street**  
 Bolt Construction  
 3 bedroom, 2 bath with office, split bedroom floor plan, large pantry and laundry room

**11**  
  
**591 Caitlin Avenue**  
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 3 bedroom, 2 bath,  
 2 car garage

**12**  
  
**612 Caitlin Avenue**  
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**13**  
  
**1430 Spurlock Court**  
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**14**  
  
**2451 Cedar Chip Road**  
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