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Water worries: Find out why southern Idaho lawmakers are concerned about a court ruling that would grant federal water rights in wilderness areas.

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Minico High School Junior Raymond Hirsch, 16, runs through a computer drill in electronics class at Valley High School. Hirsch is one of eight students who commutes to classes offered at area high schools through the Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition.

ARTEC on the move

Tech program grows, but more interdistrict enrollment sought

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

VALLEY - Two Minico High School students commute to Hazelton each afternoon for electronics classes at Valley High School.

It takes Raymond Hirsch and Gavin Abo, 16-year-old juniors from Minico, about half an hour to make the daily trip during the school week. They report to Valley after finishing their morning schedule of core classes such as English and math at their home high school in Rupert.

They are among eight students in the Magic Valley who travel to another school for technical courses offered through the Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition, a partnership between Magic Valley school districts and businesses. The coalition wants to offer technical programs to high school juniors and seniors that will prepare them for employment immediately following high school or for post-secondary education.

Students can earn college credit through ARTEC.

ARTEC would like to see more students enrolled between districts, said Dave Sass, ARTEC's interim director. Total enrollment, which includes students taking ARTEC classes at their home high schools, is 536 this fall.

"There is not enough interdistrict enrollment. Overall enrollment is higher than expected," Sass said.

Interdistrict enrollment is key to ARTEC, because the coalition receives state money when students take technical classes offered by other schools. The coalition estimates it would receive about \$7,500 for every 15 students who enroll outside of

Courses offered

- Courses offered by ARTEC:
 - Construction at Jerome, Rubland
 - Manufacturing at Valley High School
 - Plumbing at Wood River High School
 - Health Occupations at Jerome, Twin Falls, Suni and Gooding high schools
 - Information Technology at Jerome, Minico, Twin Falls, Kimberly, Wood River and Hagerman high schools

classes at other schools without having to leave their hometowns.

Students in the Hazelton electronics class already use a telecommunications network for instruction. A two-way video link connects their classroom with Micron Technology Corp. in Boise. A College of Southern Idaho instructor stationed at Micron lectures to both Valley students and Micron employees two days a week.

The rest of the week, students in Roger Caresia's electronics class at Valley High School do lab work.

"It's not for every kid," Caresia said.

The class requires prerequisites, he said. It runs at a quicker pace than typical high school courses. But students can apply to earn college credit through CSI and have the potential to work in Micron internships.

ARTEC's total enrollment is up significantly from last year's 25 students, who participated in its trial run when all ARTEC classes were held at CSI. This year is ARTEC's first attempt at holding programs at high schools.

Focus on interdistrict enrollment, establishing video conferencing network, and developing curriculum will drive ARTEC this year, Sass said.

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Growers eye more influence

Potato producers seek stronger voice

By Gregory Hahn
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A potato marketing group is creating a political action committee to represent Idaho spud growers, giving the historically powerful contingent a unified political voice for the first time.

The Potato PAC is being formed by Blackfoot's Potato Growers of Idaho, a bargaining cooperative that markets Idaho spuds and carries the farmers' interests to state and federal officials and agencies.

With term limits and reapportionment coming, PGI Director Mike Duffy said potato farmers need to focus more on lobbying for their interests.

"Over time that work will become more important," Duffy said. "And harder to stay on top of."

PGI already works with the Legislature and other state officials - and Duffy spent last week in Washington, D.C., to talk trade - but the new PAC will focus its efforts on helping to elect candidates who are sympathetic to spud growers and to recruit and train newcomers.

"The industry has been able to contribute to candidates in the past, but only through corporations," Duffy said.

The Potato PAC will represent the growers when their interests differ from those of

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Elko group calls off plans in Jarbidge

The Associated Press

RENO, Nev. - Leaders of a citizen revolt backed down Friday in response to a federal court order, calling off plans to rebuild a remote mountain road.

Only hours after vowing to defy U.S. District Judge David Hagen's order, Assemblyman John Carpenter, R-Elko, and Elko County Gov. Central Committee Chairman O.O. "Chris" Johnson said they would comply.

"We will not defy the order," Carpenter said. "We will not break the law. The work party

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Island game will be serious

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - Cross MTN's "Real World" with "Lord of the Flies" and what do you get?

A new CBS game show that will strand 16 Americans on an uninhabited island in the South China Sea to fend for themselves among the pythons and other wild animals - including each other. The last contestant on the island wins \$1 million.

Not even the network is sure how the players on "Survivor" will cooperate or compete.

"It's a double-edged sword," CBS spokesman Michael Naidus said Friday. "They need each other to survive, but they know only one can win."

Sixteen men and women, to be selected from applications filed through CBS's Web site through Nov. 16, will be filmed round-the-clock during as much as seven weeks on Pulau Tiga island off Malaysia's Borneo coast. Imagine "Gilligan's Island" where the stakes and the setting are genuine.

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Creating the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument in southern Utah out of BLM land put much of the land under restricted use.

THE GREENING OF THE BLM

Federal agency increasingly turns to conservation; ranchers lose clout

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - New Mexico rancher Alonso Gallegos remembers a time not too long ago when renewing a grazing permit with the Bureau of Land Management was just a matter of filling out paperwork.

This year, renewing 10-year permits to graze cattle or sheep on the federal land BLM manages is much more complicated. There are environmental impact studies to be done, public comments to be gathered, resource management plans to be consulted.

"It's a lot of changes when we've grazed this land forever," said Gallegos, who runs 96 head of cattle on 6,000 acres of BLM land near Santa Fe on a ranch that's been in his family since before there was a BLM.

"Something's happening here. It's not just a change," agreed Tommy Caniglia, who manages

Clinton prepares to protect forest land - C2

the U-Cross ranch in the arid, rugged Arizona backcountry between Phoenix and Prescott.

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MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Camas Prairie

High: 63 Low: 31
Partly cloudy early today then clearing, breezy. Clear tonight. Sunny Sunday, high 71.

Treasure Valley

High: 70 Low: 42
Partly cloudy early today then clearing, breezy. Clear tonight. Sunny Sunday, high 74.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High: 63 Low: 30
Partly cloudy early today then clearing, breezy. Clear tonight. Sunny Sunday, high 71.

Eastern Idaho

High: 69 Low: 39
Partly cloudy early today then clearing, breezy. Mostly clear tonight. Sunny Sunday, high 71.

Northern Idaho

High: 58 Low: 36
Partly cloudy early today then clearing, breezy. Clear tonight. Sunny Sunday, high 71.

Northern Utah

High: 75 Low: 42
Mostly sunny today and breezy. Mostly clear tonight. Sunny Sunday, high 72.

Northern Nevada

High: 70 Low: 40
Mostly sunny today and breezy. Mostly clear tonight. Sunny Sunday, high 72.

Today

High: 70 Low: 40
Mostly sunny and breezy. Clear and calm tonight.

Sunday

High: 72 Low: 41
Sunny with light wind.

Monday

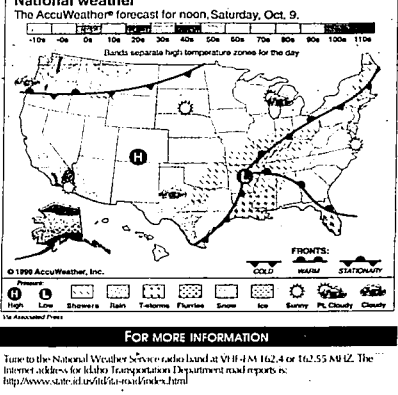
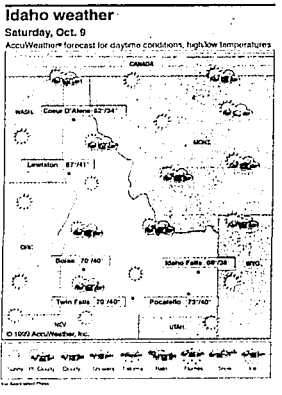
High: 70s Low: 40s
Mostly sunny and warm.

Tuesday

High: 60s Low: 40s
Partly cloudy and cooler.

Wednesday

High: 60s Low: 30s
Partly cloudy.



Idaho

City	Max	Min	Pcp	Idaho High	Idaho Low
Boise	80	50	0.0	20	10
Burley	77	44	0.0	20	10
Coeur d'Alene	52	22	0.0	102	2
Grangeville	m	m	0.0	102	2
Hayman	m	m	0.0	102	2
Idaho Falls	m	m	0.0	102	2
Leucostium	69	52	0.0	102	2
Malad	m	m	0.0	102	2
Mila	73	m	0.0	102	2
McCall	65	33	0.0	102	2
Paria	37	17	0.0	102	2
Salmon	77	28	0.0	102	2
Stanley	63	28	0.0	102	2
Twin Falls	70	40	0.0	102	2

The Nation

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	75	48	0.0
Anchorage	75	30	0.0
Atlanta	75	50	0.0
Boston	58	37	0.0
Chicago	67	41	0.0
Dallas	80	65	0.0
Denver	67	41	0.0
Detroit	61	45	0.0
Honolulu	81	63	0.0
Indianapolis	63	54	0.0
Kansas City	63	54	0.0
Las Vegas	86	62	0.0
Los Angeles	79	69	0.0
Memphis	78	57	0.0
Miami Beach	88	77	0.0
Minneapolis	67	40	0.0
New York	71	56	0.0
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Oklahoma City	77	57	0.0
Orlando	79	64	0.0
Phoenix	79	64	0.0
Philadelphia	62	40	0.0
Portland, Ore.	52	26	0.0
Reno	61	40	0.0
San Francisco	86	55	0.0
Seattle	67	52	0.0
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Washington	63	46	0.0
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FIRE DANGER
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SUNWATCH
Sunset today 7:06 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:45 a.m.
Lunar phase: New, Oct. 9; first quarter, Oct. 17; full, Oct. 24; last quarter, Oct. 31.

ACROSS THE NATION

Idaho: At mid-afternoon, high pressure south of Utah has resulted in sunny and mostly sunny skies for southern Idaho and cloudy skies with scattered showers to the north.

Elsewhere: A cold front pushed showers and thunderstorms over the Great Lakes and through the Plains on Friday, while most of the West remained clear, windy and dry. The heavy rains were reported from Michigan's Upper Peninsula to northern Iowa, and there were scattered showers through the central Plains and into Texas.

Tropical moisture moving north from the Gulf produced rain and thunderstorms through the Mississippi and Ohio valleys. Showers also continued across central and southern Florida, where it has rained for most of the week.

The Northeast started the day mostly clear, but the cloud cover increased during the afternoon to cover much of the East Coast.

Most of the West was windy and dry. A front moving into the Pacific Northwest pushed clouds and occasional showers across Washington and into parts of Idaho and Montana.

— The Associated Press

Canadian Cities

City	High	Low
Calgary	62	40
Edmonton	48	34
Montreal	49	10
Ottawa	59	49
Vancouver	59	49

Colorado officials end search for missing boy

RUSTIC, Colo. (AP) — Rescuers ended the search for a missing 8-year-old boy on Friday after a week of searching the rugged Colorado mountains.

Larry Anderson vanished while on a hike with his 6-year-old sister and 11 members of a Christian group who were staying at a cabin resort run by their father, Allan Anderson, a physical education teacher.

Larimer County Sheriff Jim Alderden called off the search after a half-dozen searchers and a couple of dogs again failed to turn up any evidence of the boy's location.

Several searchers who don't want to give up will be allowed to return to the wilderness area about 80 miles northwest of Denver, sheriff's Deputy Cindy Gordon said.

News in brief

Would-be robber has change of heart
SEATTLE — Robbing banks is not for the faint of heart, but following would-be robbers just might be. On Wednesday afternoon, a man walked into the Wells Fargo Bank in Ballard, Wash., approached a teller and handed her a note demanding money.

The teller fainted.

At that point, "The man apparently had a change of heart and suddenly became a caring individual," said FBI spokesman Ray Lister.

The would-be robber then yelled to other tellers, telling them their co-worker needed help. When they walked over to see what was the matter, the man strolled out, leaving before anyone knew what he had been up to moments earlier.

Lawyer rips mayor's move to withdraw museum funds

NEW YORK — Mayor Rudolph Giuliani's decision to pull a multimillion-dollar subsidy for a Brooklyn museum because of an exhibit he found offensive "is a First Amendment catastrophe," a museum lawyer charged Friday.

During a federal court hearing, attorney Floyd Abrams compared the city's response to the controversial "Sensation" exhibit to a book burning. He said threats to cut off financing and evict the Brooklyn Museum of Art from a city-owned building were "a form of destruction of free expression."

An attorney for the city, Leonard Koerner, denied it was suppressing free speech. "We are not stopping the exhibit. We are stopping the funding."

The museum has asked U.S. District Judge Nina Gershon to grant an injunction barring the city to fund withholding \$7.2 million in annual financing.

Doctors lose jobs over recorded racial slurs

ATLANTA — Three doctors were barred from working at a hospital and fired from a radiology practice for making racist remarks that were caught on a hospital tape-recorder that they thought was shut off.

The comments were recorded by a medical transcriber, Barbara Jewel Hinson, who sued the doctors, the Atlanta Medical Center, a radiology contractor and a transcription company. Ms. Hinson, who is black, alleged she was fired after she complained.

The doctors were disciplined in December after a patient Aug. 5. One doctor used a racial epithet to refer to blacks, and the others made disparaging comments. The doctors either did not return calls seeking comment or referred questions to lawyers who did not call.

Grain supplies grow, hurting farmers Spud

WASHINGTON (AP) — The stockpiles of grain that have kept commodity prices depressed for two years are growing, the government said Friday. That could mean another tough year for growers in 2000 and keep the cost of federal farm programs soaring.

This year's bumper crops will push the corn surplus to nearly 2 billion bushels — more than 20 percent of the nation's total production — and boost wheat stocks to 987 million bushels, the U.S. Agriculture Department said.

That's expected to knock 10 cents off the price farmers get per bushel of corn, dropping it to \$1.85, and a nickel off the price of wheat.

"Overall, we've still got big production in the United States, big production around the world, and you're going to have to see some change in weather or in the farm program to reduce supply," said Don Roese, president of U.S. Commodities Inc. of West Des Moines, Iowa.

Next week, the Senate is expected to send President Clinton an \$8.7 billion package of emergency farm-income assistance and disaster relief, the second multimillion-dollar bailout package in as many years.

The way things stand, additional such assistance will likely be necessary in 2000, said Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., who would like to change

the farm program.

"The concept of so-called emergency funding is going to start wearing thin with nonagricultural senators and congressmen," he said Friday.

With the latest aid package, direct government payments to farmers are expected to reach \$21 billion this year, eclipsing the record of \$17 billion in 1997.

Commodity prices collapsed in 1998 because of the financial crisis in Asia and Russia and strong crop production worldwide.

The Agriculture Department expects farm exports — down \$10 billion this year from their record in 1996 — to improve only slightly next year.

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the multinational potato companies.

Idaho's sugarcube producers gave more than \$36,000 in the last election cycle, much of it in chunks of \$200 to just about every legislator now in office.

Duffy said the new PAC is modeled after the Idaho Farm Bureau's and that of the state's cattle association.

But Rep. John "Beret" Stevenson, R-Rupert, a best grower who basically breaks even with his donation to an PAC, said farmers make the most influence when they get on the phone and talk to their lawmakers.

And the spud growers do that already.

Jarbridge

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The Forest Service decided not to rebuild it after the flood because eroding soil could foul the river and threaten the fish, now protected under the Endangered Species Act.

Fish and Wildlife Service officials said they were pleased by the decision to build the road project.

"It was our hope this project wouldn't happen because it would impact the bull trout," said agency spokeswoman Randi Thompson. "It's spawning time and a very tenuous time for the fish."

Gloria Flora, supervisor of the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, said she's concerned that all citizens might not get the word that the project was called off.

Wayne Smith, a Forest Service special agent, said his agency had planned to send uniformed officers to Jarbridge this weekend.

"As far as the Forest Service is concerned, we didn't want to have any violent confrontation or violence with anyone," he said.

He did say violators would have been held accountable, but didn't specify how.

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Game

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The players must work together to survive, but every three days they will hold secret ballots to elect a fellow contestant.

When the group is whittled down to the final pair, those most recently kicked off the island will decide who ends up the winner.

The criteria are up to the participants, said producer Mark Burnett. Those voted out early on will be returned home, while those who will be casting the final ballots will remain in Malaysia, keeping an eye on the contestants through videotape.

A Swedish version of the show has been on there for three years and is a smash ratings hit, Charlie Parsons, a veteran British TV producer who created the idea, said the U.S. and Canadian rights to Burnett.

The 13-episode series will air next summer.

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Pinochet remains defiant in the face of extradition



Augusto Pinochet

LONDON (AP) — Defiantly proclaiming his innocence, Gen. Augusto Pinochet of Chile accused Spain of orchestrating a political vendetta against him after a London magistrate ruled Friday that the former dictator should be extradited to Spain to face torture charges.

"Spain has not provided a single piece of evidence which shows that I am guilty," the 83-year-old general said in a statement.

In Washington, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said the United States had condemned actions by Pinochet's government when it was in power, and supports efforts to achieve justice and "accountability."

But she said the legal process was likely to be a lengthy one and she did not want to comment on the latest development.

Nearly a hundred anti-

Pinochet demonstrators erupted into cheers outside Bow Street Magistrate's Court, chanting, "He's going to Spain! He's going to Spain!" after the ruling was announced.

Pinochet's opponents also celebrated in downtown Madrid and the Chilean capital of Santiago, while the general's supporters in Chile wept and burned British and Spanish flags.

Pinochet, who has been detained in London for nearly a year after being arrested on an international warrant, won't be going to Spain soon after an appeal of Friday's decision could keep the case in the British courts for many more months.

Document suggests U.S. played role in reporter's death

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. intelligence may have played an "important part" in the death of an American journalist at the hands of Chilean security forces in the days following a 1973 military coup in Chile, according to a declassified State Department document released today.

The CIA denied any involvement in the journalist's death.

The document was made public just hours after a British magistrate in London ruled that former Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet be extradited to Spain to stand trial on charges of torture and human rights offenses during his rule.

The 23-year-old State Department document is part of a larger release of 1,100 U.S. government records Friday related to the 1973 coup. The CIA has been accused of withholding some records on its covert activities in Chile.

The document relates to the killing of freelance journalist Charles Herman. He was apprehended at his home about a week after the Sept. 11, 1973, coup and

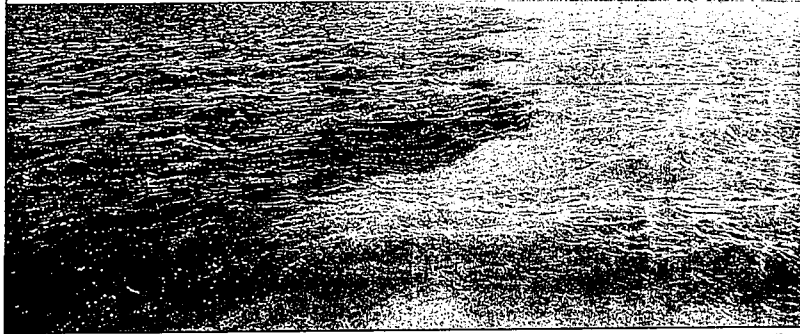
transported to a stadium where suspected leftists were harbored in the chaotic aftermath of the coup that landed Pinochet in power.

"U.S. intelligence may have played an important part in Herman's death," the document said.

"It said that at best, the U.S. intelligence community's role in Herman's death 'was limited to providing or confirming information that helped motivate his murder by the government of Chile.'"

"At worst, U.S. intelligence was aware the government of Chile saw Herman in a rather serious light and U.S. officials did nothing to discourage the logical outcome of the government of Chile's paranoia."

Herman was the subject of a 1982 movie, "Missing," which suggested American complicity in his death and drew vigorous objections from U.S. State Department officials, including Nathaniel Davis, U.S. ambassador to Chile at the time of the coup.



Water soiled by runoff from Hurricane Floyd hits clean water near Cedar Island, N.C., Wednesday. Scientists are worried that the silt will harm marine life there.

Floyd's runoff spoils the Carolina coast

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — There's a new problem from Hurricane Floyd's deluge: Sewage-tainted floodwaters are creating a growing "dead zone" in Pamlico Sound where fish and other aquatic life cannot survive, scientists said Friday.

The brown freshwater plume containing human and animal waste is flowing into coastal estuaries. It sits atop the salt water, robbing the salt water of oxygen from surface air and reducing its salinity.

Both ingredients are essential for aquatic life.

"What we're seeing is an ecological event on the catastrophic scale," said Hans Paerl, a marine scientist at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Floyd dumped 20 inches of rain on eastern North Carolina on Sept. 16, killing at least 48 people as it flooded hog lagoons and sewer plants, homes and

Burgeoning 'dead zone'

Sewage-tainted floodwaters from Hurricane Floyd are creating a "dead zone" in Pamlico Sound where fish and other aquatic life cannot survive.



The resulting sludge is flowing from the Neuse and Tar rivers into Pamlico Sound, the nation's second-largest estuary, and from the Cape Fear River near

Wilmington into the Atlantic.

The largest affected area is a 350-square-mile expanse of Pamlico Sound and part of adjacent Core Sound.

Paerl said he found drastically low oxygen levels in the bottom waters of Pamlico Sound — 1 milligram per liter, compared to the normal 7 milligrams.

While fishermen have to avoid the dead zone, they still have been able to catch fish and shrimp in areas not affected by the dirty water, said Nancy Fish, a spokeswoman for the state Division of Marine Fisheries. Initial testing showed the catch was safe to eat.

But Paerl and other scientists said it may be next spring or summer before the runoff's long-term effect on the sound and the Atlantic is known.

In 1993, massive flooding doubled the size of a Gulf of Mexico "dead zone" that some scientists

believe was caused by fertilizer runoffs in the Mississippi River basin.

The situation in Pamlico Sound, an estuary second in size only to Chesapeake Bay, especially concerns scientists because pollutants won't readily be flushed into the ocean. The Pamlico has just three inlets to the Atlantic, and most of the sound's water leaves via evaporation.

"The sound is acting like a giant bathtub," Paerl said. Making matters worse, he said, is that the pollutants become more concentrated as water evaporates.

Off the Cape Fear coast, the runoff is at least 40 feet deep and covers 300 square miles, said Larry Cahoon, marine scientist at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington.

"There's a brown ocean right now," Cahoon said.

Judge boosts State Farm penalty

MARION, Ill. — A damage award to State Farm auto insurer customers swelled to nearly \$1.2 billion Friday after a judge ruled that the nation's largest auto insurer committed fraud by its use of generic replacement parts in auto-body repairs.

Friday's \$730 million award of actual and punitive damages came on top of a jury's \$456 million verdict Monday in the same class-action lawsuit. The initial award was already believed to be the largest ever against an insurer.

At issue is the use of "aftermarket" auto parts — modeled on those made by the manufacturer but made without access to factory specifications — to repair the cars of State Farm policyholders.

Critics say aftermarket parts are not as good as those made for automakers. The lawsuit accused State Farm executives of concealing that information while flooding customers with brochures promoting the parts as a high-quality, low-cost alternative.

Nation in Brief

said "no longer exists as a viable terrorist organization."

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright added to the list al-Qaida, which the State Department says is headed by bin Laden and is responsible for plots to kill the pope and bomb U.S. airliners as well as the August 1998 bombings of U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania that killed 224 people.

went well above sentencing guidelines Friday and for a second time gave Michael Fortier 12 years in prison for not warning authorities about the plot to bomb the Oklahoma City federal building.

The new sentence — ordered by a federal appeals court — is nearly identical to what Fortier was already serving. U.S. District Judge G. Thomas Van Bebber said he could not issue a longer sentence but it would have appeared vindictive.

In June, the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals threw out the sentence, saying the judge had used the wrong federal sentencing guidelines — those for first-degree murder rather than involuntary manslaughter.

— compiled from wire reports

Clinton picks new ambassador

CHICAGO (AP) — President Clinton has nominated former Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun as ambassador to New Zealand.

Moseley-Braun, an Illinois Democrat who is the first black woman to serve in the U.S. Senate, had been under discussion for months as a potential nominee. The nomination, announced Friday, requires Senate confirmation.

Moseley-Braun said last month that she was thrilled at the prospect.

The White House first raised the ambassadorship with her in December, shortly after she lost her bid for re-election to Peter Fitzgerald.

Fitzgerald used his personal fortune to attack Moseley-Braun on several controversies that had surrounded her during her term. She was heavily criticized for a 1996 visit to a Nigerian dictator and never proven allegations that she used 1993 campaign funds to pay for personal luxuries.

Clinton seeks delay in test-ban treaty vote

WASHINGTON — President Clinton appealed to the Senate on Friday to delay acting on the nuclear test ban treaty, saying a sure-to-fail vote would severely damage efforts to curb the spread of nuclear weapons.

Senate Democrats, meanwhile, worked on a plan to force postponement of next week's vote if Republican leaders decline Clinton's request.

Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said a vote on the treaty is still on track for next Tuesday or Wednesday but that he would listen to anything the president has to say.

"Maybe he's moving in the right direction," Lott said after Clinton made one new concession to critics agreeing the treaty vote could be put off beyond the 2000 presidential election.

Judge: Oklahoma bomber gets 12 years — again

OKLAHOMA CITY — A judge

US adds bin Laden, drops Khimer Rouge from list

WASHINGTON — Trying to stop the flow of money and arms to terrorists, the State Department renewed a legal ban on any support for 27 foreign terrorist organizations Friday and added a group headed by Osama bin-Laden.

At the same time, the department removed Palestinian and Chilean organizations from its formal terrorism list, citing good behavior, and also dropped Cambodia's notorious Khmer Rouge, which the department

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and miners. Nobody else was much interested in BLM land anyway — the dry, remote canyons and chaparral highlands were not considered spectacular or lush enough to be national forests or national parks.

"In the old days, BLM was basically a dormant," said Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt. "When something good came along, it went to the Fish and Wildlife Service or the National Park Service. BLM was sort of viewed as mining and grazing because nobody ever suggested they should be anything else."

The West's population boom and the election of President Clinton changed that.

Two-thirds of Westerners now live within an hour's drive of BLM land. With more people, more demand for hiking, off-road vehicle use and hunting on BLM land, as well as more attention from environmentalists. With the Clinton administration came Babbitt and other managers with a view toward promoting recreation and conservation, as well as more stringent interpretations of environmental laws.

Babbitt and BLM director Tom Fry say they see BLM lands as places where coal mines and other extractive industries and conservation projects.

"We're the public lands of the future, a place where you can get lost," Fry said. "BLM is becoming the open space agency."

A prime example of the shift is Babbitt's choice of the BLM to manage the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument in southern Utah. President Clinton created the national monument on 1.7 million acres of BLM land in 1996, blocking a proposed coal mine and angering Utah officials and some area residents.

National monuments have many of the same land-use restrictions as national parks, such as a ban on mining, but can allow grazing and off-road vehicle use.

The administration also is considering broad swaths of BLM land for increased restrictions — from designation as wilderness all the way up to declaration of new national monuments. Those areas include Perry Mesa, an area dotted with American Indian ruins near Caniglia's ranch; Steens Mountain in south-eastern Oregon; the Shirewits Plateau north of the Grand Canyon; and an area of canyons and Anasazi ruins in southwestern Colorado.

Elsewhere, the BLM is becoming more aggressive in enforcing environmental regulations, such as requiring more stringent environmental reviews before re-issuing grazing permits.

The changes don't sit well with many ranchers.

"There are many folks, they're just absolutely overwhelmed and tired of dealing with the demands and the requirements and feel like packing it in," said Paul Frischknecht, who runs about 300 cattle and 6,000 sheep on 100,000 BLM acres in central Utah.

"If I take my sheep out there and there are restrictions on an animal control officer in applying his trade to catch a bad, sheep-killing coyote, what's the point? I might as well reduce my herds to what I can run on the private land or go and lease a private land ranch."

Some environmentalists, on the other hand, say they're worried the BLM might not be up to the task of becoming the Interior Department's newest conservation and recreation agency.

One is Jim Baca, who quit as head of the BLM in 1994. Baca, now mayor of Albuquerque, N.M., said most BLM employees resisted his efforts to hike grazing fees and strengthen environmental protections.

"They grew up in a culture that said that mining and logging and livestock grazing is the reason they were there, so it was their job to make it very easy and inexpensive for those extractive industries to operate," Baca said. "It's not that they were evil, it's just that's what the agency was supposed to do for so long."

"They all feel that they've got a job for life, they all know there will be another director in a few years. It almost means that the old guard has to retire before things can change."

Other environmentalists say that with strong leadership from Washington, the BLM can do a good job of preserving and rehabilitating its wide open spaces.

"There are a lot of Billy Bobs and Billy Joes in the field offices who are so set in their ways. They are going to do it the way they've always done it," said Mike Matz, president of the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance. "But with a system of rewards and positive feedback and an emphasis on their shift in focus, I think ultimately, yeah, the BLM could end up being an agency that does a much more conscientious job of protecting the environment, rather than laying it to waste."

Fry said many old-guard employees have either left the BLM or agree with the new focus.

"People who like to live and work on the land are people who like to protect it," Fry said. "It hasn't been the struggle that people have been predicting."

Ranchers also have noticed a new breed of BLM worker.

"It used to be that a lot of rural people who were raised with knowledge of these (grazing and mining) functions were in those positions, and that's changing," Frischknecht said. "There are a lot of people with an urban background and students interested in these types of positions getting their range conservation degree or whatever it might be, and getting into the public agencies."

Fry and Babbitt say they believe changes in the agency's focus are becoming permanent.

"I think they've become ingrained in the bureau and also in the way of doing things in the West," Fry said. "Our job is to make sure that the land, whatever the use is, is the healthiest it can be, and to keep it for future generations."



Jim Baca Fought resources

President promotes a united Canada

OTTAWA (AP) —

Tending neighborly relations, President Clinton dedicated a new embassy, agreed on exchanging military technology and went golfing with Canada's prime minister Friday. He met briefly with Quebec's separatist premier but said the United States values "a strong and united Canada."

Full of praise for his hosts on his one-day visit, Clinton said, "We look to you."

At the dedication of the embassy — a rectangular glass-and-chrome structure adjacent to Parliament and Canada's national museum of art — Clinton warned the

crowd with a few words in French.

"Je suis chez moi au Canada," he said, meaning "I am at home in Canada."

Later, Clinton and Chretien headed to a new ski resort in Quebec's Mont Tremblant area, about 90 miles north of Montreal, for a conference on federalism — and an afternoon of golf.

At the federalism conference, Clinton spent about 15 minutes privately with Quebec's premier, Lucien Bouchard. An administration official said they had a "friendly, informal chat" in which the subject of sovereignty in Quebec never came up.



President Bill Clinton meets Friday with Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien on Parliament Hill in Ottawa.

Clinton likens sides in Ireland to drunks

OTTAWA (AP) — President Clinton said Friday that efforts to bring peace to Northern Ireland have faltered because the two sides are "like a couple of drunks" who can't leave the bar.

The president made the remark in discussing religious and ethnic differences behind troubles in the Middle East, Rwanda and elsewhere. Later, a White House spokesman said Clinton meant no offense.

Clinton said that he and Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien have "tried to stop people from killing each other in Bosnia, in Kosovo, because of religious and ethnic differences."

"I spent an enormous amount of time trying to help the people in the land of my forebears in Northern Ireland get over 600 years of religious fights," Clinton said. "And every time they make an agreement to do it, they're like a couple of drunks walking out of the bar for the last time. When they get to the swinging door, they turn right around and go back in and say 'I just can't quite get there.'"

Later, National Security Council spokesman David Leary said in Washington that Clinton was expressing his frustration at all sides in the Northern Ireland dispute.

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First group of refugees comes home in East Timor

DILI, East Timor - Many wept as they walked off the plane. One man fell on his knees and kissed the ground. East Timor's refugees were coming home.

Joy and relief overflowed Friday for the first batch of people to return from the Indonesian territory of West Timor. They had been held in refugee camps that reportedly are being controlled by the same militiamen who devastated East Timor last month.

"There was much propaganda by the militias," Brigada Belo, who returned with her husband Manuel, said at Dili airport. "They told us, 'If you go there, we will attack you from here when I return leaves.'"

She turned to one of soldiers from the international peace-keeping force - known by its mission acronym, Interfet - and asked: "Is it true you are leaving?"

"No, no, don't worry, we're staying," Sgt. Paul Turner reassured her.

The returning refugees were taken in trucks, past people clapping on the roadside, to the stadium that has become known as temporary housing for tens of thousands who already have returned from the nearby hills.

As U.N. relief workers gave each family plastic sheeting, rice, soap and water, there were family reunions full of embraces and tears of joy - or of sorrow. A teenage girl and her younger brother were told that their grandmother died while they were gone. They leaned back against a wall and wept.

After killer Mexico floods, survivors dig for buried

TEZUITLAN, Mexico - Digging into mounds of mud with buckets, shovels and their bare hands, soldiers and survivors searched desperately Friday for people buried alive when soaked hill-sides collapsed across southeastern Mexico.

At least 230 people were confirmed dead, but the number "is rising by the hour," President Ernesto Zedillo said Friday during a visit to this devastated city, 110 miles east of Mexico City.

Calling it "the tragedy of the decade," Zedillo promised government help for families who



An East Timorese girl weeps with joy as she and her brother flash the victory sign to other returning refugees in Dili, East Timor, Friday.

have lost homes.

Hundreds of small mountain communities had yet to be contacted since the storm cut communication links and blocked roads with mud. At least 450,000 people in Veracruz, Tabasco and Oaxaca states were without electricity.

Report blames 'system failure' for train collision

LONDON - The first official report on a deadly commuter train collision suggested on Friday that the disaster could have been prevented by a warning system that would have stopped a train speeding past a red signal light.

The government's head railway inspector stopped short of blaming the train driver for the crash that left at least 30 dead, saying Britain's worst rail accident in a decade or more was "a systems failure."

In the report on Tuesday's rush-hour accident, the Health and Safety Executive ordered the owners of the rail system to improve visibility at that particu-

lar signal and required additional safety controls at 22 other signals around the country.

Authorities confirmed the identities of 11 victims Friday, including the Thames Trains driver, Michael Hodder, 31, who passed a red signal light and died in the collision with another train over just two months on the job.

Vatican fights allegations against World War II pope

VATICAN CITY - The Vatican rejected new allegations Friday that Pope Pius XII was an anti-Semite who did little to help Europe's Jews during the Holocaust, arguing instead that the pope had worked prudently for peace.

The recent biography "Hitler's Pope" by Brian John Cardinal, has raised new questions about whether Pius could have saved more Jewish lives.

The renewed debate comes just as the Vatican is considering the World War II pope for beatification, the penultimate step before sainthood.

The Vatican defended Pius on

Friday, saying he had not been informed of the extent of Hitler's purges. It described a man who had pursued peace discreetly, helped war victims and been threatened by Jews for his efforts.

NATO generals mix warnings, praise in Kosovo

BRISTOL, Washington - NATO generals praising Kosovo's progress in transitioning to peace and democracy Tuesday issued warnings about the need to remain vigilant with praise for the progress made so far.

"Look around today," said NATO supreme commander Gen. Wesley Clark. "The cause-free blood, Serb military, paramilitary and police are not Rafiqages [unintelligible]."

Clark spoke during ceremonies as Gen. Elias Spatharakis took over from Gen. Mike Jackson as commander of the NATO-led Kosovo force.

Jackson leaves after more than three months of a NATO pres-

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ence, which had eliminated large-scale conflict but had been unable to end persistent cases of ethnic violence. Most of that has been committed by Kosovo Albanians seeking vengeance for the 1998-99 Serb crackdown, which left 100,000 people dead and displaced, and with NATO's aerial

Police have been investigating the Sept. 30 accident in Tokushima, 70 miles northeast of Tokyo, which set off an atomic reaction that continued for nearly a day, sending three workers to the hospital and exposing at least 45 other people to radiation. ICAO executives could face criminal charges of professional negligence.

Russian general dies in apparent contract killing

MOSCOW - A Russian general who commanded a commando unit was shot to death in an apparent contract killing, according to a news report Friday.

Gen. Sergei Shumilov's body was found Thursday near his home in Kemerovo, outside St. Petersburg, the ITAR-Tass news agency said. He had been shot four times.

Police did not offer any reason for the killing, but the report said it appeared to be a contract job. A criminal was hunted since the general's office earlier this year, but nobody was charged.

"Hundreds of contract killings are carried out in Russia every year. Most of the killings involve disputes over shady business deals and police rarely catch the killer."

Former executive resigns in remorse for accident

TOYO - A former president of the company blamed for Japan's worst nuclear accident resigned Friday from a government-affiliated organization to express remorse for the radiation leak.

Toshiko Takano served as president of JCO Co., which ran the uranium processing plant where the accident occurred, from June 1995 until June this year, Kyodo News service reported. Takano quit his job as president of the Metal Mining Agency of Japan, Kyodo said.

Takano told Kyodo he feels a "great moral responsibility" as a former president of JCO. People in leadership positions frequently resign in Japan to take responsibility for mistakes.

At least 24 bodies found in doomed sea camp

KAMPALA, Uganda - Police seized a controversial religious leader on charges he incited his followers to crime he found 15 at least 24 decomposed bodies in military crates in a camp he set up, state-run Radio Uganda said Friday.

Wilson Bushara, 40, fled the camp last month when police raided his compound in Bokoto, 28 miles north of Kampala, and arrested 1,000 members of his Deacons of Bethel church.

Police spokesman Ansum Mugeyi told the radio station that pathologists were examining the bodies.

Bushara began attracting crowds this year by offering them space in heaven upon death in return for cash payment.

Prosecutor in bishop slaying case quits, flees

GUATEMALA CITY - A prosecutor who was probing possible military involvement in the murder of Roman Catholic Bishop Juan Gerardi resigned on Thursday and fled the country in fear, following the path of a judge in the case.

In an interview with a local radio network, Prosecutor Celvin Galindo said he was "frustrated at not reaching the end of the case, but I believe that in reaching the end of the case I would run a very great risk."

Galindo implied that his children had been threatened, though they did not give details, when they began to meddle with them, he they began to exercise more pressure," Galindo said, adding that his children "have no blame for what I have been doing."

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Will a minimum wage hike help women?

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Wage hike could cost 436,000 jobs

When Frances Perkins, who became the first female Cabinet member, was Secretary of Labor, she told President Franklin D. Roosevelt that one of her conditions for taking the job was the introduction of the minimum wage.

She told FDR to be sure he wanted the wage floor, "because you don't want me for secretary of labor if you don't." Perkins understood the vital importance of the minimum wage to women workers. Because of their low wages, female workers are over-represented among the 12-million workers who will be affected by the proposal before Congress to increase the minimum wage by one dollar over the next two years.

Overall, our studies show that almost 7 million women nationally — 12.6 percent of all working women — earn between \$5.15 and \$6.14 per hour and stand to gain by this measure. And among low-wage women, minority workers and single mothers are also over-represented. If Congress wants to help make work pay for working women, this increase is a key part of the package.

Since our national minimum wage is not indexed to inflation, when Congress fails to raise it, inflation erodes its buying power. In fact, many of the difficulties currently facing the working poor grew out of the fact that the Congress and the administration ignored the minimum over the 1980s. Even with the two increases in the 1990s, the real value of the minimum wage is 21 percent lower than it was in 1979.

In that year, a single mother working full time at the minimum wage earned enough to lift a family of three out of poverty. By 1998, however, the same family would have been 18 percent below the poverty line. The proposed increase to \$6.15 would still leave the minimum wage 13 percent below the 1979 rate.

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Those who oppose raising the minimum wage will forever trot out the argument that the increase will force low-wage employers to fire, or hire fewer, of those workers affected by the increase.

The evidence, however, clearly contradicts this claim. Since the last increase in 1998, the low-wage labor market has been stronger than ever. In recent months, unemployment rates of African-Americans, Hispanics, and 16-24 year olds (all of whom are likely to be low earners) hit 30-year lows.

But nowhere is the myth of job loss more clear than in the case of single mothers. These women have sharply increased their participation in the labor force, as reflected by their booming employment rates. After stagnating for many years, these rates rose steeply from 62 percent in 1995 to 69 percent by 1998, directly over the period when the minimum was increased.

For women leaving the welfare rolls, employment rates grew from 40 percent in 1995 to 49 percent in 1998, by far the highest level on record.

It is trends like these that have taught us one of the most important economic policy lessons of the robust current recovery.

That is, macroeconomic policy — keeping labor markets tight — is the key determinant of employment opportunity for low-wage workers, most of whom are women. But the wage that these women receive once they enter the labor market is very much a function of where Congress decides to set the minimum.

Disregarding this reality can only serve to swell the ranks of the working poor.

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Just about every two years, the U.S. Congress fulfills a campaign promise from the previous election by increasing the federal minimum wage. This year will be no exception.

Every 100 years or so, the U.S. Congress will assemble for another annual self-gratification by increasing entry-level job pay from \$5.15 to \$6.15 over two years.

Many economists refuse the chance to analyze the impact of minimum wage increases. Instead, they instinctively believe they can crunch their numbers and find that wage increases cause entry-level job loss.

According to Nicolas Williams, a University of Cincinnati economics professor, the last federal minimum wage increase resulted in the 1996 loss of 134,000 jobs held by females, with an additional 105,000 female job losses in 1997.

Bruce Bartlett, senior fellow at the National Center for Policy Analysis, predicts that as many as 436,000 jobs may be lost over the next two years if the minimum wage is increased to \$6.15 an hour.

The congressional battle over the minimum wage, however, will not be fought over emotional belief or anecdotal evidence. Inside the Beltway, anecdotal evidence is the currency that is thrown in the face of common sense and economic modeling.

While most members of Congress will shamelessly glow with pride over their latest achievement, many of their constituents, particularly those newly ambitious young women who are working their way out of the welfare rolls, may become real live, anecdotal evidence back at the unemployment office.

These women will be standing in a long line behind other disilluminated females: office receptionists who find themselves replaced by electronic gatekeep-

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ers and answering systems; bank tellers replaced by ATM machines; gasoline station cashiers replaced by on-the-pump credit and debit card scanning; hotel clerks replaced by nifty room check-in kiosks that inhale your credit card and exhale your room key; box office clerks replaced by self-service ticket dispensers.

Just around the next millennium, we may find grocery store clerks replaced by do-it-yourself scanners, and retail sales

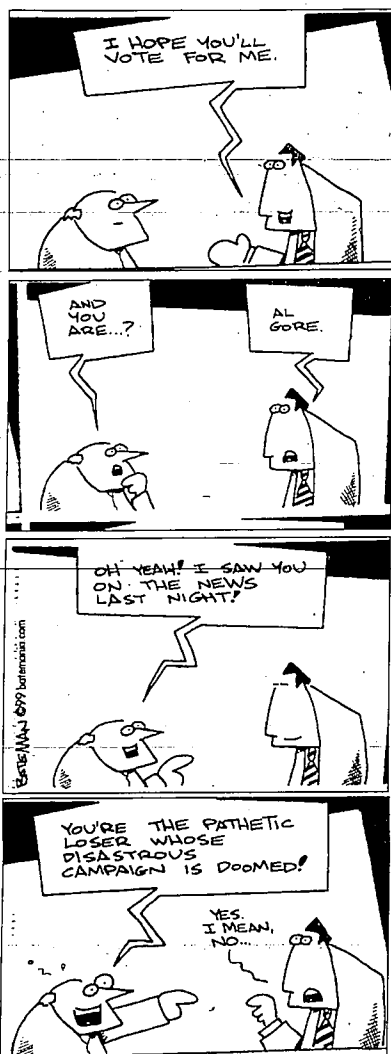
replaced by sophisticated Web sites. As technology accelerates, many entry-level jobs classification simply disappear. Simple employers unable to adapt to a changing climate.

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To succeed, employers need to make money and reduce wasteful spending. Savvy employers are constantly looking for ways to do both. What do they do? They "modernize." They become "efficient." And as manpower becomes more expensive, they must strive for more efficiency and increased automation. They reduce their payroll, cut hours, and turn to high technology in an effort to replace low paying jobs.

One thing is certain. When members of Congress vote to increase the minimum wage, their hi-tech electronic voting cards will automatically eliminate hundreds of jobs for entry-level female workers.

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Nothing wrong with new art

Enough already! So Gary Stone didn't get to display his "wall" in the art building. A new person is trying something different. Let's give them a chance to show what they can do.

LOUCIE ABSHIRE
Buhl

View beats out hotel idea

In their letter to the editor, Gale and Linda Smoot — newcomers to the Twin Falls area — said they "can think of no better use of (canyon rim) property" than the proposed construction of two high-rise hotels. They reason that "first impressions are everything in a stranger coming to Twin Falls" and write to encourage us to give strangers something "spectacular" to view.

I'm not sure, but maybe the luxury of viewing wide open spaces has dulled my senses. Perhaps I should revisit Any City, USA, because I seem to have missed the splendor of the "high-rise" effect.

It brings to mind a row of poplar trees and lush farm land near Twin

Falls that was replaced in the last 25 years by cement and asphalt. How I seem to have missed the "glory" of that, too.

It's probably a good thing that you never had to view the Sun Valley area before it became spectacular.

Somewhat, I can't help but wonder about I.B. Perrine's first impression of the canyon rim. And I.B. thinking, "Spectacular!"

NELIJS BURKHAIRT
Buhl

Jerome's taxes buy little

We are paying out our noses for a lot of things here in Jerome we don't get.

Why should we pay for dog and cat tags when we can't even get a dog catcher when we need one? Why should we pay for a school when more than 75 percent of the kids are from a different country? Why should we pay for policemen when we call and don't get one? Because dispatch doesn't send them out.

We have sat here and had the scanner on day and night, and more than half the dispatchers don't know where to send them. We called the

other day for here in Jerome. They sent them to Elm Street in Twin Falls. We sat here and heard it all.

We also heard a call from Lincoln County. Wow. They had no idea — north, south, east or west of Richfield. Great job, dispatch.

There was a deal come down Sept. 24 in Jerome. We needed a city officer there at the courthouse. We called and were told an officer will be there when he gets there. Come to find out he wasn't even dispatched at that moment. We yelled at the jailer who was outside and said you call. The jailer said you all ought to be in jail, but yet he would not call for us.

Us taxpayers are paying for what? We have one cop on duty all the time. No wonder people in Jerome want to carry a gun. We can't be protected by our police cause there isn't enough of them. Plus, we have dispatch that don't know the areas or won't dispatch a cop out. This is being on ever since we got the new dispatch center here in Jerome.

Ever since Dennis Moore became our mayor, we have had a cutback on cops on the streets. No wonder

Jerome has people with guns

short on them? I have eyes that care anymore like we did when they were young. Jerome isn't friendly or caring. Jerome has great white fathers who feel they're God's need new game plan. We shouldn't have to pay for something we don't get. We don't get protection in Jerome, especially the city.

DEB CASTER
Jerome

Bike paths increase danger

Well, Twin Falls, it looks like you've screwed up again. First, the new traffic light system that doesn't give pedestrians enough time to get across the street and now those cursed bike paths. If you have only about four of the 10 bikes, only about four of the paths. The rest are still out in the traffic lane. The streets where you have allowed for both parking and bike paths are now more dangerous. They keep the bikers in the path so close to parked vehicles they can get knocked off their bikes by rear-view mirrors.

On Harrison, one 36-unit apart-

ment building has lost the Harrison Street parking. Several of the older residents require assistance from outside sources. Where do the caregivers park? I can just hear the answer now. "God we're sorry but it has already been done and we can't change it now." Bull! How about painting over some of them in areas where parking is a necessity?

RONNIE L. DIAZ
Twin Falls

Thieves took more than bears

As open letter to the thieves who stole the concrete bears from the corner of Navajo Loop and Emmet Boulevard.

The bears were a favorite of my deceased mother — they brought her a great deal of joy. Since her death, these small concrete bears have brought joy and solace to my father. I hope you are proud of yourselves, and please know that mother is looking down, watching each of you. Hopefully, this thought will haunt you every time you think about the bears.

RAN BRAWLEY
Twin Falls

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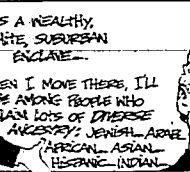
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Retooled and refreshed, Gore seems less boring

By Jodi Enda
Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — In order to understand Vice President Al Gore's makeover, it helps to know about the gulp.

It comes toward the end of a long jape that punctuates Gore's stump speech. It begins humbly, a mere pause. It proceeds into a sheepish glance upward from a bowed head, an almost imperceptible shrug, a visible movement of the vice presidential Adam's apple up and then down again. Finally, it emanates from the throat and into the microphone with perfect pitch and timing.

"Gyruurrrmmmmuggg."

It always gets a chuckle, a prelude to the guffaws that accompany the punch line.

A simple thing, Gore's gulp. But it wasn't always there.

The gulp has been honed for months, and it is but one symbol of the new Al Gore, a looser, funnier, more personal Gore who speaks from the heart with barely a hint of the stiffness that was a mainstay of comedians and that came to define him in the American psyche.

It is an epiphany for a determined man forced to confront the notion that he might not become president after all. The new Gore will face a critical test on Saturday night, when he and Democratic challenger Bill Bradley will address party regulars in Iowa, site of the nation's first primary contests next January.

Coming amid a slew of changes intended to jumpstart a lackluster campaign, it is not clear whether the appearance of a retooled Gore is a new sales pitch, the emergence of the real Gore or a bit of both. Even Gore, who formerly poked fun at his own seeming lifelessness, now touts the new Gore.

"I'm throwing away the prepared text and my attitude is let 'er rip," he exclaimed after opening his new campaign headquarters in Nashville, Tenn., on Wednesday.

Longtime Gore watchers quickly note the difference between the old and new Gore, ignoring his occasional reversion to such listless words as "heretofore."

"You wouldn't even believe it was the same man," said supporter Rick Feinlein, president of the Communications Workers of America Local 3808 in Nashville.

His performance isn't all Gore is changing. He no longer relies on dark knit suits and starched white shirts, opting instead for either knit shirts and khakis that reveal the Palm Pilot slung over his belt, or lighter suits and boldly colored shirts and ties. He no longer keeps himself to himself, revealing to his audiences his sometimes-nurtured aversion from Harvard student to Vietnam vet to journalist to politician.

He emotes about his father, a post-boy-senator his mother, the inspirational lawyer his four children, with whom he has run marathons and climbed a mountain; his new grandson, who timed his birth ever-so-conveniently for the Fourth of July.

He reaches out more, interacts more, asks for help.

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as in July. But the number grading his performance as "poor" jumped to 25 percent from 8 percent just three months ago.

Moreover, a whopping 86 percent of Minnesotans disagreed with Ventura's most provocative remarks in Playboy: that "organized religion is a sham and a crutch for weak-minded people who need strength in numbers."

"Obviously voters are now less pleased with their governor than they were three months ago," said J. Bradford Cole, managing director of Mason-Dixon Research, Inc., the Washington firm that conducted the survey.

Ventura's harsher critics have contended that the former professional wrestler's election was a fluke, that he wasn't up to the job and given enough time he would embarrass himself and the state. Now a strong plurality of Minnesotans seems to share that assessment.



Democratic presidential hopeful Vice President Al Gore courts support from members of Congress after speaking at a campaign reception Tuesday.

He have had the ironic effect of making Gore more lighthearted.

"Freedom's just another word for nothing left to lose," he explains with a nod to the late rock star Janis Joplin.

Of course, Gore never loses sight of his goal. Neither does he downplay the gravity of the job he has coveted for years. Besides unleashing his sense of humor, Gore has decided to reveal some of his deep-seated feelings about America, its freedoms, its meaning.

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"I began to let myself care about the decisions that were being made," he told supporters who crammed into a house in Manchester on Monday night after rain forced their black-party indoors. "And then I felt like I could make a little bit of a difference."

In 1975, Gore won a seat in Congress, and he began to hold open meetings in his district in middle Tennessee.

"I felt a moving spirit in the rooms where I met with men and women from all walks of life who believe in this country," he said. "And that thrill has never left me for one moment."

While many of his supporters feel Gore is at the top of his game, at least one informal adviser worries that he is trying too hard to emulate the master emcee, Bill Clinton.

"Al Gore ought to be Al Gore," said Al From, president of the centrist Democratic Leadership Council.

NEA endorses Gore's run for the White House

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's largest teachers' union Friday endorsed Vice President Al Gore for the Democratic presidential nomination, saying he "understands what children need to start school ready to learn."

The endorsement by the National Education Association was the second of its kind in three days for Gore, who is being challenged by former New Jersey Sen. Bill Bradley. On Tuesday, the American Federation of Teachers, the second-largest teachers union in the country, announced its support for Gore.

The vice president is still counting the endorsement of the AFL-CIO, the federation backed by 13 million labor members. Gore was unopposed in the endorsement, but Bradley has been aggressive in seeking it.

Poll shows more think Ventura is embarrassing

Knight Ridder News Service

SAINT PAUL, Minn. — A week after Gov. Jesse Ventura made a national splash with his controversial "Playboy" magazine interview, more Minnesotans consider him an embarrassment than a breath of fresh air, a new poll shows.

Only three in 10 Minnesota voters now think Ventura is a "needed breath of fresh air," down from nearly half of those surveyed in a July poll. Those who think he's an embarrassment has jumped from 16 percent to 43 percent.

Ventura's job performance rating also dropped sharply in the fallout from his Playboy remarks. Forty-three percent of state voters now rate his performance as "poor" or "good," down from 56 percent in July.

One-third said he's doing an "only fair" job, about the same

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Dole promises to fight to wipe out drug crisis

IMPERIAL BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Standing 30 feet from the border with Mexico, Republican presidential candidate Elizabeth Dole promised to reduce the flow of illegal drugs into the United States and press even other countries to do the same.

Dole said she would increase the number of U.S. Border Patrol agents from 8,000 to 20,000, and increase the use of high-tech, anti-smuggling devices at the border.

She also would cut aid to nations that refuse to extradite suspected traffickers or that make no progress toward reducing their supply of drugs to the United States.

"President Elizabeth Dole will lead a crusade with the goal of a drug-free America," Dole said Thursday.

The former senator once spoke to about 20 supporters and curious onlookers at Borderfield State Park.

Dole chose the park — which sits at the southwestern edge of the United States with a view into the Mexican community of Playas de Tijuana — to highlight the need for tighter controls along the border, she said.

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NASA tinkers with new system to help pilots see in bad weather

HAMPTON, Va. (AP) — NASA researchers are planning their first test of a high-tech cockpit display designed to give commercial pilots a clear, virtual reality view even when the weather is bad.

The display works like a detailed, three-dimensional video game, showing mountains, runways and other landscape features as the plane approaches. Researchers call it "synthetic vision" and say it could dramatically cut the number of accidents caused by poor visibility.

"I am extremely confident that in the future, this will be the way the world will fly," said Mike Lewis, director of the nation's Aviation Safety Program, led by NASA's Langley Research Center.

The predicted synthetic vision could be on commercial planes in five years.

Visibility-induced errors account for more than 30 percent of fatal air accidents. A pilot who can't see landmarks can become disoriented and make deadly mistakes.

Some have theorized that's what happened when John F. Kennedy Jr. crashed this summer when he was trying to land his plane at night on Martha's Vineyard.

On Monday, NASA plans to have a pilot fly a Convair twin-propeller research plane from Hampton to Asheville, N.C., using a 3-D map on a cockpit screen.

The map was built from a database compiled from images taken by a survey aircraft, Lewis said. It cost \$50,000 to map the test

flight route alone.

NASA plans to develop a more comprehensive database using radar on an upcoming space shuttle mission that will map 80 percent of the world's land surface for the Defense Department's National Imagery and Mapping Agency.

NASA expects to spend roughly

\$75 million over five years to develop synthetic vision, with private companies kicking in an additional \$20 million to \$30 million, Lewis said.

Ultimately, he said, commercial and private pilots may wear virtual-reality goggles that will keep the display in front of their eyes at all times.



NASA Aviation Safety Program Director Mike Lewis is one of the people working to develop a "synthetic vision" system, which might someday be used on commercial jets.

Aircraft mogul offers big bucks to Smithsonian

Knight Ridder News Service

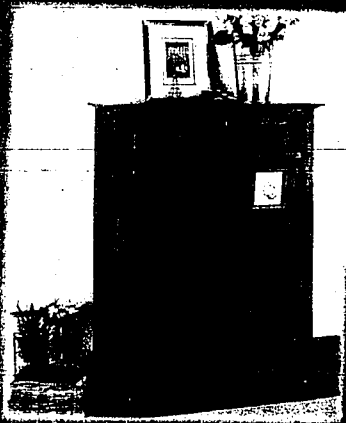
WASHINGTON — A billionaire in the aircraft industry who came to this country as a Hungarian refugee at age 12 says he will pay more than one-third the \$173 million cost of the Smithsonian Institution's gigantic new National Air and Space Museum complex to be built outside Washington at Dulles International Airport.

This \$60 million gift from Steven Udvar-Hazy of California is the largest the Smithsonian has ever received in its 153-year history. The federal government, the Smithsonian's chief financial mainstay, is providing \$8 million for the new museum.

To be called the Dulles Center, it will be the largest aircraft museum in the world and will house the space shuttle Enterprise, the Enola Gay World War II plane which dropped the first atomic bomb, a B-17 Flying Fortress and the SR-71 Blackbird spy plane, among some 200 aircraft and spacecraft the Smithsonian has been unable to display.

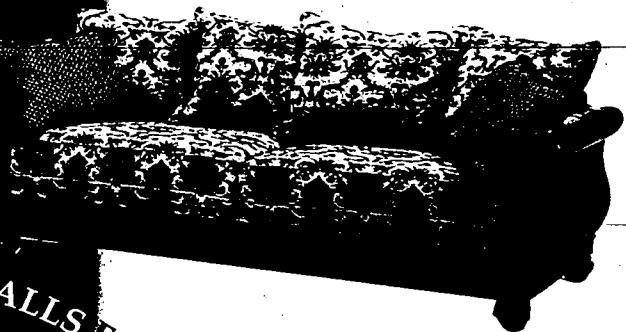
"It seemed unfair for the people of this country that all these wonderful things that played such an important part in our history have not been available for them to see," said Udvar-Hazy, 53, who is making the contribution from a personal fortune valued at \$2 billion.

Only 10 percent of the 340 aircraft in the Smithsonian's collection are currently on view in its main museum on the capital Mall. Twenty percent are on loan to other museums while the remaining 70 percent, including the Enola Gay, have been kept in storage in suburban Maryland at the Smithsonian's Paul Garber facility.

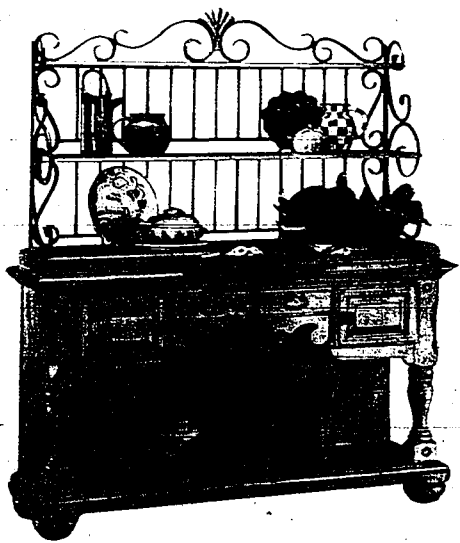


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MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

“It's not like I killed the president.”

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— Florida State receiver Peter Warrick, after being charged with grand theft for underpaying for clothes at a department store

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- College volleyball**
Boise State at UCSB, 9 p.m.
- Golf**
Budweiser Best-Ball at Twin Falls Municipal, Canyon Springs Golf Courses
- Club Scramble** at Clear Lake C.C.
- College football**
North Texas at Idaho, 7 p.m.
- High school volleyball**
Jerome at Burley
- Oakley at Valley**
- Twin Falls at Minico**
- Mackay at Richfield**
- Boys' high school soccer**
Ketchum at Wood River, 3 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Rapids soccer club sets tryouts

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Rapids, a newly established area soccer club, will hold tryouts for the upcoming spring season later this month at Ascension Field.

All boys and girls born after July 31, 1987, are invited to try out for the U-11 or U-12 spring soccer teams. Girls' tryout sessions are Saturday, Oct. 16, from 10-11:30 a.m., and Wednesday, Oct. 20, from 5-6:30 p.m. Boys' sessions will be Saturday, Oct. 16, from 1-2:30 p.m., and Saturday, Oct. 23 from 10-11:30 a.m.

For further information, contact head club coach Vince Gibson at 735-0176, or George Korich at 733-9406.

U.S. soccer star to speak in Boise

BOISE — Tiffany Milbrett, a member of the U.S. Women's Soccer Team, will arrive in Boise Oct. 18 for "Tiffany's Tips on Soccer," a clinic for youth soccer teams.

The clinic, at Ann Morrison Park from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., invites area kids age 12 and under to meet and train with Milbrett. The two-hour clinic will cover basic drills such as trapping, dribbling, passing and scoring.

New Mexico State leads Wimberly

LAS CRUCES, N.M. — The New Mexico State University golf team made the most of a home-course advantage Friday to lead the Herb Wimberly/Coca-Cola Classic by two strokes over Wichita State University.

Led by individual leader Scott Lieberwith (70-67-137), WMU shot rounds of 290 and 281 for a 571.

The University of Idaho (292-296-588) was eighth out of 155 teams, led by Josh Nagleman (73-63-142).

MVYSA looks for soccer coaches

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Youth Soccer Association, the Twin Falls affiliate sponsor of all Twin Falls sponsoring youth soccer programs, is looking for coaches for the spring season for girls, and boys ages 11 through 18.

Those who are interested in participating can call Ron Black at 734-9923. Registration for all spring soccer teams will be Nov. 6, with tryouts to follow.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Bruins bruise Jerome

Strong second half leads to 49-35 win

By Jeff Rosen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It was a little complicated, but it was a win.

A quarterback named Brandon passed for five touchdowns Friday night to lift the A-1 Division I Twin Falls Bruins to their first home win of the season in a 49-35 drubbing of cross-river Division II rival Jerome, but not without a little confusion.

Contrary to what you might have read on that quarterback's jersey, it was Bruin backup Brandon Nielsen — and not Brandon Bullock — who played hero for Twin Falls in starter Jared Burks' absence by throwing for an unofficial 267 yards.

Nielsen knew he had the nod over Burks, still suffering some light-headedness after sustaining a concussion against Borah, late in the week. As he suited up for his first varsity start, however, Twin Falls coach Mark Schaal had to grab him-by-the-collar.

Nielsen's No. 11 jersey bore a tear from the Borah game — a no-no according to high school rules.

Schaal hastily located the jersey usually worn by Bullock, and Nielsen played wearing No. 11.

Whether the switch figured into a non-division win for the Bruins (2-4 overall, 0-3 in the A-1 West) is doubtful. But it sure added to the aura of an already funky evening, as two squads riddled with injuries waged war in one of the valley's more anticipated rivalries.

"It was a bit nervous," Nielsen said. "But that went away, and we started to feel more confident. We felt we could beat them anyway after last year."

The Tigers (1-5 overall, 1-4 in A-1, Division II) have now lost to Twin Falls the past 11 seasons, but they mounted ample fight Friday night.

Senior running back Jim Stockey

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Orlin Clements of Twin Falls maneuvers through the Jerome defense on his way to a first-quarter touchdown.

Homets sting Vikings

By Matt Peterson
Times-News writer

DECLO — The Valley defense did something Friday only Kunn has managed to do this season — captain Jason Webb.

In doing that he set an Aug. 27, Kunn won 13-6. The Vikings weren't so lucky.

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While limiting the Hornets' star to an unofficial 90 yards on 24 carries, the Vikings got burned by quarterback Jacoby Fox and the rest of the Declo offense as the Hornets rolled up 337 yards and cruised to a 37-6 victory at Declo in the conference opener for both teams.

"It was tough," said Declo head coach Kelly Kidd. "They're a much improved team... They shut us down, which means we had to make adjustments. That's pretty hard, so give them credit for that."

Known for his big plays and breakout speed, Webb was hindered by the athletic play of the Valley defense, which took away the corners and forced him back to the Vikings' inside pursuit.

Webb's lone big play came late in the second quarter on a 65-yard pass reception from Jeff Stoker. Catching the pass near midfield, Webb made some nifty open-field moves and hurdled a diving tackle before outrunning the rest of the Valley defense on his way to the end zone.

Perhaps more deadly than the big play, however, was the consistency of quarterback Fox, who accounted for three touchdowns on the night and showed a solid command of the Declo offense. Scoring on runs of eight and 17

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Lumberjacks try to regroup at Idaho State

The Associated Press

POCATELLO — Northern Arizona, stunned by a dismal offensive showing that led to a home loss to Eastern Washington last week, tries to get back on track today when they play at Idaho State.

The host Bengals (2-3, 0-3 Big Sky) have lost three in a row after opening with consecutive wins against NCAA Division II opponents.

Since those victories, Idaho State has lost starting quarterback Steve Griggs with a season-ending injury to the interior cruciate ligament in his knee.

Kevin McCarthy, the new starter, is a capable replacement because of his creativity in running the Bengals' offense, Northern Arizona coach Jerome Souers said.

The Bengals' offense has changed greatly under new coach Larry Lewis, Souers said.

Under last year's coach Tom Walsh, Idaho State liked to pound away at the line of scrimmage with the running game and pass when needed.

Under Lewis, the offense is more creative, showing three- and four-receiver sets and keeping defenses off balance.

"The team may be 0-3 in the conference, but it was in a position to win two of the three games, both of those on the road," Souers said. "We'll present a challenge for us. Because it is a team that is improving, it will force us to improve over our past performances to be successful today."

While Northern Arizona's offenses fell apart last week, the defense continued to shine. Freshman Mike Sand picked off an Eastern Washington pass and returned it 32 yards to set up a touchdown in the 14-10 loss. Overall, Northern Arizona (2-2, 0-1) has allowed just 234 yards of offense per game.

"I'm proud of the effort our kids have put in the last couple of weeks," Souers said. "They have given our team a chance to win the last two weeks, and that is all you can ask for from your defense."

Northern Arizona's offensive problems last week began with the offensive line, which should benefit from the return of starting left guard Carl Blakeley. He has missed the first four games of the season following arthroscopic knee surgery.

Souers said the Linemen weren't finishing their techniques and weren't opening up enough holes for running back Ronnie Jenkins, who was held to 58 yards on 21 carries last week.

Quarterback Travis Brown is still the Bucks' starter, though the senior from Phoenix was benched in the second half last week. Souers had taken him out in an attempt to jump-start the lagging offense. It didn't work; backup Preston Parsons couldn't get the Lumberjacks into the end zone, either.

Jordan powers Braves to series lead

The Associated Press

HOUSTON — Brian Jordan, his right hand hurting for nearly four months, followed up a three-run homer with a two-run double in the 12th inning, giving the Atlanta Braves a stirring 5-3 victory Friday over the Houston Astros and command of their NL division series.

The Braves, who escaped a bases-loaded, no-out jam in the 10th inning, led the best-of-5 series 2-1 and can advance to their eighth straight LCS with a victory today.

Showing they don't intend to play a fifth game Sunday, Atlanta used both Greg Maddux and Kevin Millwood in relief, Millwood earning his first career save with a scoreless final inning.

Jordan hit Atlanta's first homer of the series in the sixth, a three-run shot against 22-game winner Mike Hampton that ended Houston's 2-0 lead.

The 12th inning, Otis Nixon, a .205 hitter during the regular season who made the postseason roster only because of his speed, singled with one out against loser Jay Powell. Bret Boone slapped a single to right and the runners moved up to second and third on Chipper Jones' grounder to third.

With first base open, Houston manager Larry Dierker inexplicably decided to pitch to Jordan, who is hitting .500 in the series. On a 1-2 pitch, Jordan sliced a double past a diving Jeff Bagwell at first, the ball settling in the right-field corner while the Braves dugested erupted in celebration.

Millwood, who pitched a one-hitter in Game 2 on Wednesday, set the Astros down in order to complete the four-hour, 15-minute game. The 12 innings were a record for an NL division series game and a crushing blow to Houston, which has never won a playoff series in its 38-year history.

Atlanta scored on the verge of victory in the 10th. With one out, Gerald Williams reached on an infield single and was replaced by the pinchrunner Nixon, who stole second and went to third on catcher Tony Eusebio's throwing error.

But Boone struck out and — after walk to Chipper Jones and Jordan — Andrew Jones lined out to left with the bases loaded.

In the bottom half, Houston loaded the bases with nobody out and the Braves brought in their closer, John Rocker, who got two straight force outs at the plate — the second being a game-



Members of the Atlanta Braves celebrate their 12-inning, 5-3 victory over the Houston Astros Friday at the Astrodome. The Braves led the best-of-five series 2-1.

Postseason

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7:30 p.m. Mountain Time
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Mets 3, Diamondbacks 2, New York leads series 2-1

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Atlanta struck out 28 times against saving stop by Walt Weisk.

The Atlanta shortstop drive to knock down Tony Eusebio's line drive up the middle and throw out Damon at home with Eddie Perez tagging the plate with only the tip of his toe.

Rocker then struck out Rocky Gutierrez, pumping his fist as he ran back to the dugout.

Atlanta struck out 28 times against

Best-ever series, Page B2

Eusebio pitched a record for the division series and all but one of them swinging.

The previous maric 17 strikeouts by the Astros in Game 1 of their 1998 division series with San Diego.

Rocker picked up the win with two scoreless innings.

The way Hampton was pitching, it appeared Houston would move within a game of advancing to the NL championship series. The Astros are credited with the sixth with a 5-0 lead, having allowed only three singles and striking out eight.

With Boone at second and two outs, Hampton pitched around Chipper Jones, walking him on a 3-2 pitch. On the next pitch, Jordan sent a shot deep into the left-field seats — only his second homer since Aug. 15.

Jordan's right hand has been aching since he was hit by a pitch on June 22. He had only one homer in his final 139 at-bats of the regular season.

The Astros evened the score during an excruciating seventh. The Braves tied a division series record by using four pitchers, including Gene 1 starter Mattie, making only the sixth relief appearance of his career.

Pierce, Hingis advance to semifinals

FILDERSTADT, Germany (AP) — Top-ranked Martina Hingis and Mary Pierce advanced to the semifinals with straight-set victories Friday in the \$520,000 **Tennis Porsche Grand Prix**. Hingis defeated Nathalie Dechy 6-4, 6-4. Pierce edged Barbara Schett 7-6 (7-1), 7-6(7-2).

Hingis will face unseeded defending champion Sandrine Testud, who reached the semifinals with a win over Sabine Appellants 6-4, 6-3. Testud, who ended Serena Williams' 16-match winning streak in the second round, has lost all four career matches to Hingis. Pierce will meet Andre Huber, who had a walkover into the last match when No. 2 Lindsay Davenport withdrew because of a wrist injury. Hingis squandered three set points before winning with a volley to win the first set.

After leading 3-1 in the second, Hingis won three straight. But she broke Dechy's serve in the next game and won the last two games to end the match in 61 minutes. The fourth-seeded Pierce blew a 5-2 lead in the first set but dominated the tiebreaker, and had 10 aces against the sixth-seeded Schett.

Agassi, Kafelnikov, Rusedski exit Swiss Indoors early

BASEL, Switzerland — French and U.S. Open champion Andre Agassi and second-seeded Yevgeny Kafelnikov, battling for the world's top ranking, both were upset in the quarterfinals of the Swiss Indoors Friday. Agassi, the No. 1 player in the world, lost to 20th-ranked Karol Kucera 6-4, 7-5. Kafelnikov was knocked out by Goran Ivanisevic 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.

In another surprise, Nicolas Pietrangeli of Germany, the No. 5 seed, beat third-seeded Greg Rusedski of Britain 2-6, 7-6 (7-4).

Defending champion Tim Henman won the other quarterfinal, defeating local favorite Roger Federer 6-3, 7-5. It was the second time in two days that Agassi struggled. On Thursday, he beat France's Nicolas Pietrangeli in a grueling three-set match. Firing 29 aces, the 44th-ranked Ivanisevic improved his record to 10-3 over Kafelnikov. In the semifinals, Ivanisevic will face the fourth-seeded Henman and Kiefer plays Kucera. The Australian Open champion, Kafelnikov was No. 1 in the world for six weeks this summer, and now is second behind Agassi.

Chang, Rios continue winning ways in Shanghai

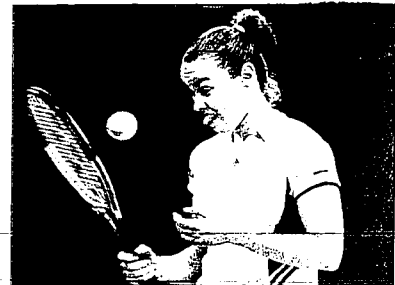
SHANGHAI, China — Sixth-seeded Michael Chang, still seeking his first title of 1999, advanced to the semifinals of the \$325,000 Heineken Open Friday by upsetting fourth-seeded Jan-Michael Gambill 6-3, 7-5.

Once ranked as high as No. 2 in the world, Chang's last title came in this tournament a year ago, coming into the Heineken Open. Chang had won only 18 matches in 17 tournaments this year.

"Hallelujah, it's time to change some things around," Chang said after reaching only his second semifinal of the year. "It's a long time since I felt this comfortable."

Chang has won 12 of his 25 career titles in Far East tournaments, including a total of seven in China and Hong Kong. Chang is advancing to the semifinals Friday where top-seeded Marcelo Rios of Chile and No. 2 Magnus Norman of Sweden.

Rios, who has not lost a set this week, defeated Australia's Todd Woodbridge 6-3, 6-3, and Norman dethroned Thailand's Parajon Srichaphan 7-6 (7-4), 6-4.



Switzerland's Martina Hingis fools around with the ball during her quarterfinal against France's Nathalie Dechy at the Porsche Tennis Grand Prix tournament in Filderstadt near Stuttgart, Germany, Friday. Hingis won the match 6-4, 6-4.

Quarterfinal of France upset top-seeded Alex Corretja 6-4, 7-6 (7-4). Friday to move into the semifinals of the \$350,000 ATP Tour elite court tournament. Two other Spaniards won their quarterfinal matches as second-seeded Albert Costa defeated Alberto Martin of Spain 7-6 (7-4), 6-3 and Alberto Berasategui topped Hernan Guffy of Argentina 6-3, 6-4.

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SPORTS

Dallenbach looks to overcome problems, earn first win

CONCORD, N.C. (AP) — Although time is running out for Wally Dallenbach Jr. at Hendrick Motorsports, he'd like to make his mark with the three-car team before he leaves.

Dallenbach, to be replaced after this season by Jerry Nadeau, hopes he'll have a shot at his first victory Sunday when he races in the LAW-GM 500 at Lowe's Motor Speedway.

But Dallenbach, who already has a new job for next year with Butch Mock, insists that what others term his "lame duck" status doesn't bother him.

Racing

"The better I do, the better I get paid," he said. "That's some incentive. Money does motivate me, and anyone who says it doesn't is not shooting straight."

The early decision by team owner Rick Hendrick simply gave Dallenbach the time to secure another ride.

"Everybody talks about lame duck situations," Dallenbach said. "I just don't see it. Anybody that's a racer, they want to do well no matter what they're going to do the next season. It's going to help them in the future."

"Who wants to just come out here and run? If you're going to be a professional about this, then you've got to do the best you can, no matter what the circumstances."

Dallenbach, who would love to join rookie Tony Stewart and Joe Nemechek as first-time winners this season, admits the third Hendrick team has had its problems.

"People come and go, but the owners and the crew chief and the driver and the crew guys, everybody still wants to win," said Dallenbach, a former SCCA Trans-Am champion who they're going to race over after the Winston Cup seasons.

He alone is not to blame for the lack of success in the No. 25 Chevrolet. The car hasn't been to the winner's circle since Ken Schrader's victory eight years ago at Dover, Del.



Matt Kenseth, left, talks with crew chief Robby Reiser during practice at the Lowe's Motor Speedway Friday afternoon.

Dallenbach says the 1.5-mile oval in suburban Charlotte might be just the breakthrough.

"We've got a shot here," he said. "It's an aerodynamic track, and the other (car) makes have a little advantage now. You've got to have a good handling car here, and if you're off just a little, normally two or three guys will check out."

For once, Dallenbach would like to be one of them.

"We've run good, but I just don't seem to have good finishes at Charlotte," he said. "We've had some mechanical problems here in the past. We'll have a good car, and we've got good horsepower for the track. We could be in the thick of things before all is said and done."

Dallenbach, who replaced Ricky Craven on the Hendrick team midway through the 1998 season, has started every race and is 15th in the standings. But Dallenbach has managed only four top 10 finishes, including a season-best fifth in July at Pocono International Raceway.

Despite its elite status, Hendrick Motorsports has had a 50-so year across

the board.

Jeff Gordon, with three championships in the past four years, has won a series-high six times and has 17 top five finishes. But he is an uncharacteristic sixth in the points, thanks mostly to failing to finish six races.

Terry Labonte, the only driver who managed to beat his teammate for the championship in the past four years — Gordon finished second in 1996 — also has had a mediocre season.

The two-time Winston Cup champion is 11th in the points with one win and only seven top 10 finishes in the first 28 races.

Schumacher will drive in final two Formula One races

FIORANO, Italy — Two-time Formula One champion Michael Schumacher, sidelined since breaking a leg in July, feels better after testing and will return to his Ferrari for the final two races of the season.

"I have reconsidered my decision," Schumacher said Friday. "I think I was too hasty and I felt sorry soon afterwards. I feel fit enough to be able to drive along and step on the gas."

The German will return to competition Oct. 17 in the Grand Prix of Malaysia. Then he will drive in the season-ending Grand Prix of Japan Oct. 31.

Schumacher unofficially broke the track record Thursday on the Fiorano circuit, beating teammate Eddie Irvine. Schumacher, who shattered his right leg during the British Grand Prix, has been testing for several weeks, but had not felt ready to drive in a competent fashion until Thursday.

Just a week ago, he said his knees had become inflamed, and he had all but abandoned the idea of returning to the cockpit.

Schumacher has missed the past six races, falling to fifth in the standings, immediately behind his brother Ralf.

Italy beats U.S. 3-0 in Dunhill play

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland (AP) — So much for the Ryder Cup vic-

torial.

Three of America's Ryder Cup heroes — Payne Stewart, Mark O'Meara and Tom Lehman — were upset by Italy 3-0 Friday, virtually knocking the United States out of the Dunhill Cup.

The Americans, who had a 4-1 record throughout Europe for bad manners at the Ryder Cup, got their comeuppance on the Old Course by one of the world's golfing lightweights.

"To beat the USA is a great day for us," said Massimo Scarpia, who defeated Stewart 71-72 in the second round to complete the sweep. He thrust both arms over his head at the 18th green and clenched his fists in American Ryder Cup fashion.

"I'm very happy," said Scarpia, who had only won \$43,000 in European tour earnings through last season. "It's fabulous. It's marvelous. It was a dream for us. Now it's reality."

Emanuele Canonica, a journeyman, beat Lehman 73-74. Lehman took a one-stroke penalty at 18 for failing to putt out. He parred the hole — after narrowly missing a curving 10-footer — and was given a 5.

Costantino Rocca, a former Ryder Cup player and the only "home" player on the team, defeated Mark O'Meara 70-72.

The Americans now are a long shot to reach the semifinals. They play Sweden today.

The U.S. team has won a record three Dunhills — the last in 1996 — and were last knocked out before reaching the semis in 1995.

"If that happens being eliminated I guess we have Sunday off," O'Meara said. "It won't be the first time we've had Sunday off."

The Americans came to Scotland seeking forgiveness from the game's most astute fans. There have been no hecklers, generally warm but not applause, and mixed reaction from Europe's Ryder Cup officials.



Walter Morgan puts on his cigar while hitting from the eighth fairway during the first round of the TransAmerica Senior Championship Friday afternoon.

On a day when the likes of Nick Faldo, Corey Pavin and others made moves and then faltered, Byron overcame a double-bogey on his seventh hole to bring four birdies coming in to be the only player to get better than 5 under and make it stick.

Fleisher, Green share lead after first round

NAPA, Calif. — Bruce Fleisher has been nearly unbeatable on the Senior PGA Tour this year. Hubert Green has struggled to stay on leaderboards. Though they've taken different paths, the old buddies ended up in the same spot Friday.

Fleisher and Green were co-leaders after the first round of the Transamerica seniors tournament, shooting 6-under 66 on a warm, wind-free day. They held a 1-shot lead over Dale Douglas, Howard Twitty and Walter Hall in an event that includes nine of the top 10 money-winners on the senior tour this year.

Rookie leads LPGA's Betsy King Classic

KUTZTOWN, Pa. — Rookie Marisa Baena shot a 4-under 68 Friday and Jenny Luback had a 69 and the South American natives shared the lead after the second round of the \$725,000 LPGA First Union Betsy King Classic.

The 22-year-old Baena, of Colombia, birdied three of her final four holes for a 36-hole total of 138 at the 6,085-yard Berkleigh Country Club course.

The three-time Arizona All-American's promising career has been derailed by a shoulder injury and an ovarian cyst that caused chronic weight loss. She is 107th on the money list after missing seven cuts in 14 events, but did finish a career-best fourth at the State Farm Fall Classic in early September.

Luback, a 36-year-old citizen of Peru, matched her opening-round 69 thanks to a 50-foot birdie putt to stay in the hunt for her first win since the 1995 du Maurier Classic.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

TF student faces bomb threat charge

TWIN FALLS - Tips from teenage informants led to the arrest Friday of a 15-year-old Twin Falls High School student. The student is being charged with phoning in the bomb threat that emptied the school Tuesday. The crime is a felony, and carries up to a five-year prison sentence for adults. Under Idaho's Juvenile Corrections Act, the teen-ager could receive 180 days in a juvenile facility and three years of probation.

Twin Falls School District has suspended the boy and has begun expulsion proceedings, the district's spokeswoman Linda Baird said. District officials are pushing for a stiff criminal punishment. "This isn't something just to be taken lightly," Baird said.

Police investigate report of downtown robbery

TWIN FALLS - Police were investigating an early-Friday armed robbery in downtown Twin Falls.

Two men were robbed at gunpoint while walking near Third Street East and Fifth Avenue East, a Twin Falls Police Department news release said. The men were approached by four men dressed in dark clothing around 1:45 a.m. The suspects asked the men if they had any money, and when the men said "No" they were held up, the release said.

The suspects took the victims' money and fled down an alley, the release said.

Murtaugh man loses left hand in farm accident

MURTAUGH - Eric Cummins, 31, of Murtaugh, lost his left hand and part of his forearm Wednesday morning while working on the potato harvest.

Cummins' sister, Jill Johnson, said the accident occurred while he was tightening one of the conveyor belts at a storage unit on Highway 30 near Murtaugh. He was grabbing for a wrench that had slipped out of his hand onto the belt when his hand and arm became entangled.

Cummins was lighted to St. Alphonsus in Boise. Johnson said five specialists consulting on the case could not save his arm. He is expected to be hospitalized for at least a week.

"We're not pointing any fingers at anyone," Johnson said. "No one is to blame. We don't want anyone to feel like it was their fault. And Eric wasn't being careless."

Johnson said the family has received a number of consoling phone calls. "It really means a lot to us," she said.

More candidates cast eyes on commissioner post

TWIN FALLS - Gary Wignall and Carl Legge have joined the list of candidates running for the county commissioner position being vacated by Dennis Maughan, who has resigned to become the regional director of the state Health and Welfare Department.

Also in the running are Bill Brockman, Bruce Bacon, Jim Bieri and Mike Bevan.

Republican Central Committee Chairman Gary Grinstead said the Republican committee will meet the candidates at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning office at 246 Third Ave. E.

The filing deadline is 5 p.m. Oct. 22. Those interested in adding their names to the list may call Grinstead at 543-5755.

The committee will choose the top three candidates at 7 p.m. Oct. 26 at the planning and zoning office after short speeches by the candidates and a question and answer session.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne will choose the new commissioner from among the three candidates.

The new commissioner will serve until Maughan's term expires next year.

Compiled from staff reports

Robber gets 12 years to life

Judge doesn't want mentally ill man released in unstructured program

By Brian Hayes
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A mentally ill man convicted of robbing a Buhl convenience store could spend life in prison.

Donald Shriver, 33, must serve at least 12 years in prison for the 1997 armed robbery of Larry's

Quick Service, and he might stay locked up for life.

In sentencing Shriver, District Judge Daniel Meehl said he wanted to ensure Shriver isn't released unless he is paroled into a structured program that will help him adjust to life outside of prison.

Shriver, who suffers from manic depression and schizo-

phrenia, was convicted of robbery last year. On a hot July night in 1997, Shriver entered the store wearing a ski mask and gloves and holding a loaded pistol. He demanded money from the clerk and fired one shot in the ceiling before fleeing on a motorcycle.

He turned himself in later that night in Boise.

During Friday's sentencing hearing, clerk Deborah Garza said Shriver's actions that night "made a mess of my life."

She no longer trusts anyone, and she lives in fear of another unexpected attack, she said.

Shriver's lawyer, Roger Harris, argued that his client

Festival continues

The Trailing of the Sheep Festival continues today with a Sheep Folklife Fair from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Roberta McKenney Park in Halley. The fair will include Gettin' Irish, Basque dancing, sheep shearing demonstrations and more.

Retired professor Louis Attebery will talk about his time with a sheep rancher at 7 p.m. at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts, Fifth and Washington streets in Ketchum. Attebery ran a part-time job with a Go-Bye Wagon from 6 to 9 a.m.

The festival will conclude Sunday with the Trailing of the Sheep Parade down Ketchum's Main Street at noon. It will include a Sheepherder Hike from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Controversy comes from contamination

By NLS. Nohkventzen
Times-News writer

BLISS - Years ago, Arthur Butler was idling in the desert with his sweetheart, Effie, when she got thirsty.

They stopped for a drink at a spring he knew of nearby. She liked the spot and said she hoped to live there someday, their son Doran Butler recalled recently.

Not long after that day, Arthur and Effie were married, and in 1916 they homesteaded near the place Effie Butler dubbed Spring Cove.

Doran Butler grew up drinking the water from that spring - hauling it in buckets until a pipe was installed in 1928. His sons, Art and Dan Butler, now run the Spring Cove Ranch.

But the water in the spring is no longer safe to drink.

Regular testing showed the spring water to be drinkable until 1992. That's when the neighbor up the hill built a dike and filled a wildlife pond with runoff and canal water. Water in the pond boosted the spring flow, but it contaminated the water with nitrates and bacteria, the Butlers say.

So now the Butlers regularly drop a chlorine tablet into the spring box. That takes care of the bacteria, but nitrate levels in the spring water have risen to nearly twice the federal limit for drinking water.

The Butlers say their problem calls into question the ability of state agencies to protect groundwater, an issue of growing importance as large livestock operations become the focus of intense political debate.

In 1994, Bliss Acres LLC bought the property up the hill from the spring and started building a dairy. Bliss Acres is a Washington limited liability company, now qualified to operate in Idaho. The managers are listed by Idaho's secretary of state as Henry M. and Henrietta Bosma of Zillah, Wash. Jake Bosma of Bliss operates the dairy.

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Art Butler drops a chlorine tablet in his family's spring, the source of their drinking water. The spring is contaminated with bacteria and nitrates.

Woolly days

Wood River remembers sheep business

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM - Starbucks may be the new kid on the block on Main Street Ketchum. But before it was Starbucks, it was Jack Lane's Mercantile - meeting place for the fraternity of Idaho sheepherders.

Sheep biz folks reminisced Friday night about the times they congregated in the store and talked about the weather and sheep prices. More than 100 people came to the Ketchum Community Library to listen.

The storytelling was the prelude to a weekend of Trailing of the Sheep activities celebrating Idaho's sheep industry. Events include a parade of sheep through Main Street Ketchum at noon Sunday.

"Lane's Mercantile was a sheep man's store - and a sheep lady's store - where you could buy dynamite or anything that had to do with sheep," recalled Dennis Burks, manager of John Peavess' sheep operation in Carey. "I went once or twice a week as a boy and never said a word. I just listened. It was such an honor and privilege for me to even be able to go into the store."

Occasionally, Burks added, a tourist would step foot in the store. Depending on his mood, Jack Lane would serve the tourist or ignore him.

"Once in a while someone would ask a silly question like, 'Do you have any eggbeaters?' And he'd say, 'Now what would a sheepherder have to do with an eggbeater?'" Burks said.

So many sheep used to trail through the Wood River valley that it looked like snow moving across the landscape, recalled Fran Swanner. Once, he said, he counted a train pulling 79 cars of sheep through the valley.

When the sheepherders arrived back in the valley after months out on mountain ridges by themselves they'd head for Halley's River Street, which housed bordellos on the north side of Bullion Street and Basque boarding houses on the south side.

Rose Inchausti Mallory recalled how her father David Inchausti used to round up herdsmen at the court and take them to her mother Epps' boarding house for dinner. They were in illustrious company. Ernest

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HOME COMING HOOPLA



Cliff Williams and Ray Kilnes serve up the grub at the Kimberly High School Booster Club on Thursday night. The barbecue was a kickoff to the Kimberly High School homecoming football game which the Bulldogs won in convincing fashion over the Buhl Indians 20-0.

Jon Marvel wins two more auctions

The Associated Press

BOISE - A Halley environmentalist has won two more grazing auctions, outbidding Diamond A Livestock of Gooding for two state leases in the Lime Creek watershed in Camas County.

Jon Marvel of Idaho Watersheds Project Thursday bid \$750 for a 1,300-acre piece and \$1,800 for 2,600 acres.

The two parcels are contiguous. The South Fork of Lime Creek watershed is being studied by the federal government and Idaho Department of Fish and Game for the possible presence of imperiled bull trout, Marvel said.

Idaho Watersheds Project has proposed a management agreement with the Forest Service to reduce Diamond A's federal permit by 150 cow-calf pairs. Marvel claims the Fairfield Ranger

District of the Sawtooth National Forest already has indicated its willingness to initiate a cut in livestock numbers.

Last Wednesday, the Sniplot Livestock Co. held on to 800 acres of state grazing land in Owyhee County following an auction with Marvel which pushed the cost up to \$3,500.

And a day earlier, the Halley architect outbid Emmett rancher Brad Little for a 777-acre grazing plot at Rocky Canyon in the Boise foothills for \$1,500. That does not necessarily mean he will get them. The state Land Board could still decide to award it to the current leaseholder.

The Idaho Watersheds Project has been warring for state allotments since the early 1990s, seeking to demonstrate removing cattle will restore damaged land, especially streamside areas.

Wood River residents critique highway expansion plan

Some people fear environmental harm

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - More than 100 Wood River Valley residents turned out Thursday to eyeball retouched photos and other exhibits showing highway engineers' latest plans to expand Idaho Highway 75 from Bellevue through Ketchum from two to

What's next?

Is public's next chance to review the proposed Highway 75 expansion will be at the Blaine County Transportation Committee meeting, scheduled for 7:45 p.m. Oct. 28 at Ketchum City Hall.

four lanes.

Many shook their heads in frustration as they eyed the drawings and written explanations that wrapped around the

cafeteria of the Wood River Middle School.

"I've been commuting along this highway for 20 years. So it takes a minute or two to get onto the highway - what the heck," said Bruce Augustus, of Zinc Spur. "What I can't tolerate is the destruction of the environment by paving it over with concrete. The environment's what people live here for."

The highway may not be at its limit yet, but that day is fast approaching, said Theodore

Reynen, a senior transportation engineer with CH2M, a Boise consulting firm.

The open house was CH2M Hill and the Idaho Transportation Department's latest attempt to answer locals' questions about the highway project. The open house featured changes engineers had made in response to earlier concerns.

Proposed changes include: A median strip of sagebrush, added in response to comments from people who said they didn't

want five lanes of asphalt.

Paved road shoulders narrowed to two feet, with the remainder replaced by compacted gravel and earth. This would allow vegetation to grow, but be solid enough to hold any vehicle that runs off the road.

Curbs and gutters added in some areas, reducing the amount of property that needs to be condemned for right of way.

But some citizens said their

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MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Clinton aims to protect 40 million acres of forests

WASHINGTON (AP) President Clinton is expected to announce next week that he will take administrative action to protect about 40 million acres of national forest from development.

If successful, the move would ensure that two-thirds of the nation's remaining wild forests would be untouched for generations.

"This is one of the most significant land-preservation efforts undertaken since the beginning of the century," said Michael Francis of the environmental group The Wilderness Society.

Details of the plan were still

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being worked out, but Clinton was expected to announce the effort next Wednesday in the White House.

The areas the administration wants to protect are spread across the 192 million acres of federal forests nationwide - from the Southern Appalachians to the Chignik National Forest in Alaska.

The administration is expected to announce plans to begin an environmental impact statement - a process that would take more than a year - with the aim of

barring road construction in most undeveloped forests.

Roads can damage the environment through erosion and by dividing ecosystems, environmentalists contend.

But preventing road construction in undeveloped forests also would keep remote areas open to roads for loggers, miners and developers.

"This is extremely encouraging," said Ken Rait of the Heritage Forces Campaign. "This could be Bill Clinton's legacy to the same pedestal occupied by Teddy Roosevelt as a historic conservationist president."

The administration announced in February that it was placing

an 18-month moratorium on road building in 33 million acres of roadless forests.

Environmentalists faulted that plan, saying it exempted too many areas.

But on Friday the environmentalists praised indications that the president wants to expand upon that earlier effort. White House officials declined to comment on the matter.

A timber industry spokesman criticized the expanded move, saying it will increase the risk of forest fires and insect infestation in dozens of forests, and force cancellation of logging permits that keep Americans out of work.

ITD requests changes to Jerome stop light plan

By Diane Thomas Riale Times-News correspondent

JEROME - Plans for a stop light at 100 South and South Lincoln Street are being revamped completely.

The Idaho Transportation Department has asked the city to redesign the entire intersection to include four lanes of traffic going north and south along Lincoln, plus left turn lanes and right turn lanes, two lanes of traffic going east and west plus left turn lanes and right turn lanes, a widened roadway, islands and a median.

Six months ago when we started looking at a traffic light for the intersection, a simple red and green stop light was envisioned and \$150,000 was budgeted," said Boyd Irving of the Jerome Urban Renewal Agency.

Jerome City Engineer Scott Bybee presented the ITD request to the Urban Renewal Agency Thursday.

The intersection is located at the north end of Jerome's industrial park. The ITD's request would allow large trucks to turn without blocking other lanes of traffic.

"It's the really big trucks take up most of the intersection for a turn," Bybee said. "The ITD is asking the city to anticipate what will be needed in

12 to 15 years, so the intersection will not have to be redone later."

The bigger design will cost about \$250,000. ITD has offered to pay 50 percent of the bill if the city goes along with the plan. That means the city would pay about \$125,000.

If ITD sees the signal on red work schedule construction would probably be completed in three to five years. The Urban Renewal Agency hopes to construct ITD to move up the schedule and complete the work right away. If the city can convince ITD to skip up the schedule, Bybee said that could mean only a 30-to-60-day delay in the original work schedule. Work on the light was scheduled to begin this fall.

The ITD board will meet in Boise in early November. Representatives from Jerome will attend the meeting to try to convince ITD to move up its schedule, said Charlotte Jacobson, Urban Renewal Agency coordinator.

The 200 South and South Lincoln intersection, the Wall-Mart location, also has the same problem. Wall-Mart is negotiating with ITD on that intersection, Bybee said.

Times-News correspondent Diane Thomas Riale can be reached in Jerome at 325-5324.

OBITUARIES

Death notices rates and information, call 733-9931; Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. For obituary rates a free service, call as placed until 5 p.m. every day.



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KIMBERLY

Mrs. Norman (Sally) McClurray of Oakley, Mrs. Douglas (Karen) Hall of Rupert, Mrs. Robert (Deanne) Manning of Oakley, Mrs. Darrell (Mary) Behrens of Burley, Mrs. Brent (Ina) Seale of Oakley, and Mrs. Kim (Mable) Stultz of Oakley, the parents of Kimberly Ruppert, 27, who died Thursday, October 7, 1999, at her home. She was preceded in death by her mother, Mrs. Brent (Ina) Seale, and her father, Mr. Norman McClurray. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Douglas (Karen) Hall, her father, Mr. Brent (Ina) Seale, and her brother, Mr. Kim (Mable) Stultz. Burial will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, October 11, 1999, at the Oakley LDS Stake Center, with Bishop Harold Crichfield officiating. Burial will follow at the Valley Cemetery. Friends may call at the Payne Mortuary, 221 West Main Street in Burley, on Sunday from 5 to 8 p.m. or at the church from noon to 12:45 p.m. prior to the funeral on Monday.

Mrs. Josephine (Iol) Stoddard Peterson attended school in Utah. She married Milton Leigh Ingersoll on September 26, 1938, in the Salt Lake City Temple. Anna loved sports, especially playing tennis. She loved watching the NBA and NFL on TV. Anna and Leigh worked at the Logan Temple for three years. She was an active member of the LDS church and served as Relief Society President three times. She is survived by her husband, Mr. Milton (Dick) Gibson of Rupert; 11 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and one sister, Maurine (Paul) Barney of American Fork, Utah. She is preceded in death by her parents, one son, Philip Ingersoll, one grandson, David Ingersoll, and two brothers, Joseph, Samuel, Paul, Howard, and Doll Peterson. Her funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, October 12, 1999, at the Rupert 7th Ward Building, with Bishop Russell Holland officiating. Friends may call at Hanson Mortuary on Monday evening from 6-8 p.m., and one hour prior to services at the church. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Hanson Mortuary, Rupert, Idaho.

manager at Bickel and Sawtooth Elementary schools, retiring in 1990 after 30 years of service. Kendall proceeded her in death in 1993. Dorothy enjoyed company, needlework, gardening, and spending time with her family and friends. Her greatest joy during the last years of her life came from visits with her grandchildren, whom she adored. She was a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, and friend who will be missed by all those who knew her. Mrs. Ruppert was preceded in death by her husband, Curt Kinghorn and his wife, Carolyn of Spokane; Wash seven grandchildren, Kristy (Wes) Stronaway of Eagle, Idaho, Kim (Todd) Ostrom of Filer, Tim (Brooke) Griffith of Twin Falls, Jill and Kellen Kinghorn of Holey, Kendra (Lee) Muckey of Cokeville, Wyo., and Nathan Kinghorn of Spokane, four great-grandchildren, Tyler and Kelsey Stuhwald of Eagle, Idaho, Braden Griffith of Twin Falls, and Hunter Ostrom of Filer, two brothers, Larry (Kathleen) Jarrodge, New, and Earl Hawker of Ririe, Idaho, and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, a sister, two brothers, and a granddaughter. Graveside funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, October 11, 1999, at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call at Reynolds Chapel on Sunday from 3 until 8 p.m.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society, contributions may be left with Reynolds staff at the services or mailed to Reynolds Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83403.

Carlton 'Brad' Killgore

Carlton "Brad" Killgore, 81, of Kamsley, passed away October 5, 1999, at his home. Brad was born December 9, 1917, in Glendale, California, the son of Chester B. and Mary M. Kendall Killgore. He was a World War II veteran serving in the US Army, and was present at the Normandy invasion on D-Day. On December 21, 1967, in San Diego, California, he married his wife, Frankie; they later were sealed in the Boise Temple on August 9, 1966. Frankie passed away in April of 1994. Brad was the owner and operator of Magic Valley Sanitarium in Twin Falls until his retirement. He enjoyed reading, golfing, and being with his family. Throughout his life he was known for his strong beliefs and opinions, but was always a fair and honest man. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him. Surviving are his sons, Fred Millard Sr. of Hollister, and Valium Killgore of Kimberly, daughters, Dorothy Burnett of Grant, Jackson, Colorado, and Elva Dorris of Thousand Oaks, California, along with 16 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one brother and two sisters. Funeral services will be held Saturday, October 9, 1999, at 10 a.m. at the Kimberly LDS Stake Center. Friends may call at the funeral home from 12 to 2 p.m. prior to services at the church. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park.

MARY J. MASTERTON

Mary Julia Markham Masterton, 87, passed away Thursday, October 7, 1999, at her home in Glendale, California, where she had resided for several years. She was born Jan. 11, 1912, in Springfield, Arkansas, the daughter of Garland Edward Markham and Willie Davis Markham. Mary's family moved to Idaho in 1928, where she was born three years old. Her father died in Blains when she was two years old, and her mother moved the family to Heyburn to live with her mother's brother, Walter Davis. Mary started school at Big Bend School and finished her grade school years at Heyburn. Mary's mother married Charles W. Masterton, and they moved to Albion. Mary graduated from high school in Albion, where she was inducted into her graduating class. After completing her schooling, she moved to Burley, where she worked as a cashier at J.C. Penney's. She also worked at Telephone Co., Idaho Bank and Trust in Burley, the ASCS office, a secretary for Farmers' Ins. Office, and the Rupert City Office in Rupert, until her retirement. Mary married George W. Masterton in 1932. She and her husband Jerry moved to Glendale, California, after the beginning of World War II, and Jerry worked for Lockheed. Their only child, a boy, was born there in Glendale, and died at birth after a few hours. Jerry returned to Rupert, where they lived for many years. Mary lived there until she went to the care center. She is survived by her brothers, Garland Edward Markham, and Harold E. Card, one sister, Elvane Hathaway, and three nieces and six nephews. Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Masterton, Jerry, her son, two brothers, Robert A. Markham, and Charles Raymond Card II. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, October 11, 1999, at the Hanson Mortuary, Rupert. Friends may call at the Hanson Mortuary from 5-7 p.m. Sunday, October 10, 1999. Burial will follow at 10 a.m. Tuesday, October 12, 1999, at the Rupert Cemetery.

TWIN FALLS

Arta A. Davison Arta Alma Davison, 89, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, October 7, 1999, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital. She was a resident of Hightop Estates, where she had many loving friends that were her caregivers. Arta was born March 2, 1910, in Boise, Idaho, the daughter of Carlton and Virginia Prescott. Her parents divorced and both remarried. All together, she had two sisters, a brother and three step-sisters. Arta married her life's partner and best friend, George Willard Davison, on November 17, 1939. They were together for 50 years. They had two daughters, Quia (Richard) King and Vera (Harin) McMillan. There are 9 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, and 4 great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband George, a sister, and one step-sister. She was a member of the LDS Church. Funeral services will take place at 10 a.m. Monday, October 11, 1999, at White Mortuary Chapel, with Bishop Robert McMillan officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call at White Mortuary Sunday from 6 to 8 p.m. Arta will be greatly missed by everyone who knew and loved her.

DEATH NOTICES

Opal M. Andreas GOODING - Opal M. Andreas, 90, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, Oct. 7, 1999, at SunBridge Care Center in Twin Falls. Services presiding at Deannary's Gooding Chapel.

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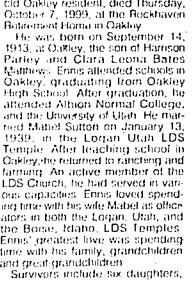
OAKLEY

Ennis B. Matthews Ennis Bates Matthews, 86 year old Oakley resident, died Thursday, October 7, 1999, at the Kamsley Retirement Home in Oakley. He was born on September 14, 1913, at Oakley, the son of Herman Parley and Clara Leona Bates Matthews. Ennis attended school in Oakley, graduating from Oakley High School. After graduation, he attended Abilene Normal College, and the University of Utah. He married Maude Suttan in January, 1939, in the Logan Utah LDS Temple. After teaching school in Idaho, he returned home to teaching in farming. An active member of the LDS Church, he had served as various capacities. Ennis loved spending time with his wife and as officers in both the Logan, Utah, and the Boise, Idaho, LDS Temples. Ennis' greatest love was spending time with his family, grandchildren and great grandchildren. Survivors include: six daughters,

RUPERT

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Planners OK design addition

By Lisa Tanner Times-News correspondent

BELLEVUE - The city's Planning and Zoning Commission on Thursday OK'd a design addition on the light industrial building owned by Byron Downard to allow a second

store and balcony. Downward told the commission the design will coordinate with the current colors and will add more landscaping.

The commission met Thursday, the commission decided to meet with the City Council to review

a request from the owners of Alpine Cafe to amend a sign ordinance to allow the owners to place an advertising "sandwich sign" in front of the restaurant. The request had previously been turned down by the City Council.

Commission members also asked Downard a public hearing to consider a request to add an apartment to a building located in a light industrial area.

Times-News correspondent Lisa Tanner can be reached in Boise at 738-1125.

SERVICES

Robert "Bob" G. Koester, of Twin Falls, services at 10 a.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Patricia "Pat" L. Laffer, of Twin Falls, services at 2 p.m. Oct. 12, 1999, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

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Realtors favor bond issue

M-C board gives unanimous support of \$20M plan

By Lorraine Cavener
Times-News writer

BURLEY - The Minidoka County School District's \$20 million school bond issue is drawing a mixed bag of community reactions.

The board of the Mini-Cassia Association of Realtors Friday gave its unanimous support to the issue. That vote came one day after local Farm Bureau took no stand on it.

The real estate agents met Friday for their monthly meeting at George K's restaurant in Burley and offered their support after a presentation by Minico High School principal Dan Rogers.

"We, as Realtors, support education for children and support the economic health and development of the area," said Marvyn Brice, associate broker and owner of Advantage 1 Realty in Burley. "Good schools are critical."

Good schools affect where many people decide to own their homes, Brice said.

"It is important for Minidoka County to have good schools," he said.

"It is much less expensive to educate our children well than to rehabilitate them later," said Karen Kington, another Mini-Cassia real estate agent.

Realtor John Cox was impressed with the planned improvements in vocational education.

"Kids need to have more than just a high school education when they graduate," he said.

Minico High School does a good job providing vocational education, Rogers said. Vocational classes offer College of Southern Idaho credits. But the school will not be able to continue that level of education unless the district's finances are improved to meet CSI standards.

Science labs built in 1995 are



LORRAINE CAVENER/The Times-News

Minidoka County School District Superintendent Nick Hallatt makes a presentation Friday to the board of the Mini-Cassia Association of Realtors. The group voted unanimously to support the \$20 million bond issue.



An architect's rendering of what a renovated Minico High School would look like if a \$20 million Minidoka County School District bond issue passes.

not acceptable to continue to teach CSL classes, Rogers said.

Some facilities need to be added, he said. The high school lacks classrooms for nine teachers, who have to continuously move from room to room.

The bond issue would enable the district to improve traffic flow at the high school, Rogers

said. The proposal would revise the parking area.

"Kids won't be walking through cars all the time," he said.

Students also would not be allowed to access Idaho Highway 24, which passes in front of the school. Instead they would enter and leave the school parking lot

from 300 West, he said.

The renovated high school would be a closed campus for ninth- and 10th-graders, he said. Taking away driving privileges for those who violate the closed campus policy would ensure enforcement of the policy.

The bond issue would also allow the district to comply with Americans with Disabilities Act regulations. Many high school classrooms are not wheelchair accessible, Rogers said.

"It's illegal as heck," he said.

Facility improvements are needed to continue to receive grants, said Nick Hallatt, superintendent of the Minidoka school district.

Times-News staff writer Lorraine Cavener can be reached in Burley at 677-4042 or at lcaven@mcvvalley.com

Fire in Sawtooths grows to 1,000 acres

The Times-News

STANLEY - A fire in the Sawtooth National Forest has grown to more than 1,000 acres, making it the largest natural burning fire since the wilderness was established in 1972.

The Queenan fire has burned 1,035 acres south of Stanley since a mid-August lightning storm, but forest officials expect the fire to burn itself out soon because it is surrounded by areas burned in

previous fires, a news release from the Sawtooth National Forest said.

The fire is the largest of the 20 that have been allowed to burn naturally in the past 25 years. It jumps ahead of the 1994 Danny Fire, which burned 500 acres, the release said.

The Stan Fire Trail along the Payette River remains closed from Taylor Springs to Stan Falls and the Secretary Creek Trail around the release said.

WANTED in the Magic Valley



Name: Steve Howard Grochowski

Age: 34
Description: White male, 5 feet 11 inch tall, 165 pounds, blue eyes and brown hair

Charged with first-degree arson
The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office asks anyone with information to call 738-4300 or 738-1811

Sheep

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Hernandez, Clark Gable and Gary Cline were among the ranchers who are there, he said.

"My dad used to drive the length of Row Street every day in the morning looking for his barn," added Barney, hunting at which side of Bullion the boys went to after dinner. "By the time he made the return trip, the boys were up and ready to go to work."

Sheepherders were paid good money in the early days - \$30 a month plus room and board. And

over time, sheepskin pushed the return on of the sheep industry there, he said.

John Faulkner, of Gooding, recalled that a couple of his sheepherders - interviewed by Charles Kurrah for his "On the Road" show - paid taxes on more than a half million dollars when they returned to the Basque country.

"Now, we paid them well," he said. "After all, we were entrusted with more than \$200,000 of sheep."

Highway

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concerns still hadn't been addressed.

"They haven't begun to address those problems," said Gerry Friedrich, who lives between Bailey and Ketchum. "Just go down to Burner Bend and listen how angry a lot of us are willing to be - not just talking or sitting."

Richard Mayer of Bailey expressed support for fixing a three-lane highway, before expanding to four lanes. Mountains will drive faster on a four-lane highway, he added, causing more accidents.

Several people questioned how attractive a six-lane median strip would be.

Others grumbled for a regular bus system between Bailey and Ketchum or even light rail.

"It's not fair to the people of

this valley to make them sit in their cars without having alternative transportation available," added Richard Stoppel of Bailey.

"Light rail is the only way to go after 45 years in the new millennium, not back in the Stone Age. By the time they finish this highway project, it'll be just as congested as the old one."

Ketchum City Council member Sue Noel said she believes the paymasters are "a vocal minority making a lot of racket." Eighty-six percent of Wood River Valley residents supported highway improvements on an advisory ballot two years ago, she said.

A past attempt at bus service between Bailey and Ketchum showed people will continue to use their cars, unless something like park-and-ride forces them to car pool or seek alternative transportation, she added.

Judge denies request to halt stubble burning

SPOKANE (AP) - A federal judge on Friday denied a clean-air advocacy group's request for an order to immediately halt the annual fall burning of wheat and other cereal grain fields in Eastern Washington.

Judge Robert Whaley denied the request from the group Save Our Summers on jurisdictional grounds, saying issues raised in

the lawsuit fall under the federal Clean Air Act, not the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The plaintiffs include the families of a 7-year-old Post Falls, Idaho, girl with cystic fibrosis and a 10-year-old Pullman boy with asthma.

The lawsuit, filed Oct. 1, argues the children are vulnerable to smoke from wheat stubble burn-

ing and deserve protection under the disabilities law.

The complaint, which names as defendant, alleges state officials are failing to take adequate steps to protect such people.

Whaley agreed the two children have suffered, noting that the girl, Alexandria Heisel, is

forced to leave town when smoke from field burning fills the skies.

The boy, Timothy Krausman, can't go outdoors or attend school during smoke episodes.

"If the court believed it had jurisdiction to hear this claim, it would find all the elements necessary (for an order halting burning) were satisfied," Whaley said in a written opinion.

Spring

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(Jake Bosma was in the news recently when dead cattle from his dairy were found at a spring that flows onto another neighbor's land. State officials have investigated the incident but have not yet announced any action.)

When the Butlers learned that Gooding County had issued a permit before the dairy had a water right, they protested. They feared a dairy above their spring would threaten the quantity and the quality of their drinking water.

During 1994 hearings on the protest, Twin Falls hydrologist Charles Brockway testified that up to 20,000 pounds of nitrates per year could drain from 235 acres of dairy property into the spring's sewage lagoon. From there, pollutants "don't have far to go to get to the water table," he said. The area's soils provide a natural means of filtering water from the lagoon to the spring, he said.

Officials from the state Division of Environmental Health had approved the dairy's waste management system. But meeting the design specifications was no guarantee that the spring water "won't be polluted," Brockway warned at the time.

The potential damage to the spring was part of the reason the state Department of Water Resources rejected Bosma's water right transfer application.

When Bosma learned Water Resources was set to deny his application, he withdrew it and refiled. The department allowed Bosma to withdraw his original transfer application and start from a revised application.

Rather than keep fighting, the Butlers signed an agreement that would let the protest and put conditions on the dairy's operations to

protect the spring. Bosma agreed to line the dairy waste lagoon and to pipe the liquid waste down the hill away from the spring. The Butlers agreed to apply the liquid waste on their land below the spring.

Bosma also offered to sink his new well to 400 feet, below the shallow aquifer that feeds the spring. Bosma's attorney Tom Arkoosh of Gooding said at the time that the Butlers should consider using a well - rather than the spring - for their drinking water.

Arkoosh declined to be interviewed for this story.

With agreement between the Butlers and Bosma, the dairy's water right was approved.

But that water right required that a measuring device be installed before the dairy began using water, and that annual reports be sent to Water Resources starting in 1996. The department has only one report, an estimate of the amount used in 1998, department spokesman Dick Larsen said. But the dairy's water meters now have been installed.

Since the dairy began operating, nitrate levels in the spring water have increased, the Butlers say. They have no proof the dairy is the source of contamination. But they would like to find the source or sources and correct the problem.

They say Bosma has not followed the terms of the agreement. And they question whether state agency oversight is adequate to protect groundwater.

It's an issue that has been heard around the Magic Valley in recent years. People fear that new large concentrated livestock operations will contaminate

groundwater, and they question whether state regulations are adequate to protect ground and surface waters.

State officials bristle at the implication that they aren't doing their job. Officials say they do not have enough data to identify the source of contamination in the spring or to take action.

If the Butlers think Bosma has not fulfilled the terms of the agreement, they need to file a contested case, said Norm Young, an administrator with Water Resources. If they do not follow, Water Resources would rescind the transfer, drying up the dairy's water supply.

But the Butlers contend that should be the state's responsibility.

"They put the burden of proof on us," Art Butler said.

Water in the spring has a history of high nitrate levels. Before the spring was built, the spring contained from 7 to 11 milligrams of nitrate in a liter of water. The federal drinking water standard is 10 milligrams per liter. Nitrate higher than that can be dangerous to babies and pre-gaunt women.

Other wells in the area that draw from the same shallow aquifer also have had elevated nitrate levels similar to the Butlers' spring. The source of the spring is a "perched" aquifer, fed by seepage from canals and irrigation on fields.

In 1994 and 1995 the nitrates in the spring were 11 and 8 milligrams, respectively. This summer, when the nitrates topped 18.5 milligrams per liter - nearly twice the legal limit - the Butlers requested a meeting of the state agencies that oversee water,

water quality and dairy operations.

They noted that nitrate levels in other wells that draw from the shallow aquifer did not go up. Agency officials met with the Butlers and with Bosma to sketch out an approach to solve the problem.

The Butlers would seek a safe water source.

The Butlers and Bosma would put in some additional monitoring wells.

Water Resources would characterize the extent of the aquifer.

DEQ would identify the source or sources of contamination.

The Department of Agriculture's Dairy Bureau would update a nutrient management plan for the dairy.

The Dairy Bureau is taking part in the investigation, and if that shows the dairy is contributing to the problem, the bureau would petition, bureau head Marvin Patten said.

But on Oct. 1, the Butlers gave up trying to make their agreement with Bosma.

Frustrated by what they say is a continuing refusal to cooperate, the Butlers informed Bosma that they no longer would uphold the agreement and would no longer accept and apply waste from the dairy to their land.

The Butlers still are considering other options for drinking water, including water purification or a well.

"But we're not willing to give up on the spring," Art Butler said.

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Robber

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wouldn't have committed the robbery if any of his previous crimes (this means all) had been treated properly.

Barnis pointed out that since Sliver began taking a different medication in late 1997, he has controlled his impulses. The exception was the robbery, which was a reaction to being struck into someone when the structure he needs, Barnis said.

Prosecutor Grant Leels agreed that Sliver was mentally ill, but the yard trial didn't excuse his actions. With an "acute mental

illness in Idaho, the only place for Sliver is prison, he said.

"This crime is about as bad as robbery gets," Leels said. "The court should sentence some punishment."

Meals agreed and set the minimum 12-year sentence. He also ordered that Sliver be released only into a program that will help him cope with his mental illness outside of prison.

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Fish boom

Navy blasts salmon habitat free of weeds

PORTLAND, Wash. (AP) — Your salmon become even less healthy choked by weeds that the fish can no longer get through to spawn. Who does call?

In the case of Gambie Creek flowing through Garnet and Eva Barnes' back pasture, resource specialists called a Navy demolition team, which blasted the weeds, freed cattagrass with dynamite.

The cattagrass, which thrives in moist, sunny conditions, grew in dense in the pasture that it choked the stream from its channel to form a wide, shallow wetland impassible to big fish seeking to spawn in the gravel beds upstream.

"That was bad news for a run of salmon due to arrive 'any day now,'" said Steve Heacock, the Sarapo County Conservation Commission resource specialist helping with the restoration effort.

"It's been years since the fish came this far," 84-year-old Eva Barnes said. "We used to see one big one."

In the old days, the Barnes kept a log, which are the plant that is now on the noxious-weed list.

Cattagrass had Heacock and Neil Smedley, an environmental consultant on contract to the Port Gamble Sk'Kallim Tribe, scratching their heads last April.

"If we brought excavators in there, we'd lose them or else make a big mess," Heacock said, and dumping out the weeds by hand would take months. White dynamite would create too much noise.

Then they thought dynamite.

This week, a demolition crew from nearby Bangor Naval Submarine Base teamed with a maintenance, mopup team from the Washington Conservation Corps to eradicate the weed.

Crew members inserted sticks of dynamite into holes in the ground to blast a new channel for the stream.

With the charges set — and after the warning shout, "Fire in the



Washington Conservation Corps crewmen watch an explosion set off by the U.S. Navy in Gambie Creek near Poulso, Wash., Wednesday. The blast cleared the creek of grasses so salmon could get to their spawning area.

hole!" — a series of explosions rocked the rural neighborhood, shooting soil, tree roots and stumps 150 feet into the sky.

Plans call for a 350-foot stretch to be blasted this year, and another next year, leaving a channel about 7 feet wide by nearly 3 feet

deep "where we think it used to be," Heacock said.

Reshaped and deepened by the blasting, the new streambed will give fish room enough to migrate, and also will provide shelter enough for the fry that will hatch next spring, Heacock said.

Idaho lawmakers, Forest Service work out way to keep office open

The Associated Press

Idaho's congressional delegation has brokered a compromise agreement with the U.S. Forest Service to keep open a forest supervisor's office in St. Anthony that was scheduled to close as part of a consolidation effort that started last year.

The agreement was announced Friday after the all-Republican delegation threatened to withhold funding that would have been used for consolidating Targhee and Caribou national forest administrative operations in Idaho Falls.

"I am pleased that the Forest Service has realized the impact their decision would have had to the community of St. Anthony," U.S. Sen. Larry Craig said. "They were able to come up with a proposal that keeps intact the services in St. Anthony, while signifi-

cantly saving taxpayer dollars."

Intermountain Region Supervisor Jack Blackwell in Coeur d'Alene, during a meeting with delegation members and their representatives earlier this week, offered a compromise aimed at keeping the St. Anthony office open for the public to obtain permit applications and contact other Forest Service business.

The plan also calls for the Forest Service to help the city of St. Anthony finance a sewage disposal project and water grant projects for economic development projects.

Some employees still will be moved from Pocatello to Idaho Falls under the plan, but the compromise ensures district ranger stations will be maintained in Pocatello and Salmon. "We would have to come up with local communities, not only economically, but in the sense that some people

wanting to access forest services could have been shut out," Sen. Mike Crapo said. "I've said all along streamlining the bureaucracy in Washington, D.C., is a better alternative than cutting back resources on the ground."

A single supervisor will oversee both the Targhee and Caribou, dividing their time between St. Anthony and Idaho Falls.

Rep. Helen Chenoweth-Hage, who represents western and northern Idaho, said she was not entirely satisfied with the compromise because it still involves some job losses in eastern Idaho.

"As chairman of the Resources Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, I plan to call for a Government Accounting Office analysis of Region Four's entire budget," Chenoweth-Hage said. "In the meantime, we'll continue to fight to bring these important jobs back to Idaho."

Corps won't keep lake level to help salmon

BOISE (AP) — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers advised state officials on Friday that it will not maintain the winter level of Lake Pend Oreille for another winter in an attempt to restore the northern Idaho lake's kokanee salmon fishery.

That recommendation was made two weeks ago by the four-

state Northwest Power Planning Council, over the objections of the two Idaho members. The council has jointly mandated that biologists should stick with the original plan for three winters of higher lake levels beginning in 1996. They allowed for two years of normal lake draw-

downs.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne reacted angrily to the corps' announcement, contending that some improvement in the kokanee fishery had been seen in the last two years.

He demanded a public hearing in Sandpoint before the planned drawdown of the lake for this winter begins.

Agency eyes barbless hooks

LEWISTON (AP) — The Idaho Department of Fish and Game will work on its presentation in an attempt to get anglers to bite on a proposal to remove the barbless hook regulations for the state's catch-and-release trout streams.

"For now, the department has removed the proposal from consideration before the Fish and Game Commission because of opposition from organized fishing groups. 'It's a social issue,' said Virgil Moore, the agency's fisheries chief. "Most of the sports groups opposed the change. We felt at this point in time we hadn't done enough education."

Research indicates the use of barbless hooks does not significantly reduce the number of fish that die after they are released. But the barbless requirement does result in a number of citations being issued to anglers each year.

Moore said most of the anglers cited for using barbless hooks knew the rule but simply forgot to pinch the barb.

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Officers seek Washington trooper's killer

PASCO, Wash. (AP) — Gov. Gary Locke Friday expressed sadness and outrage at the fatal shooting of a Washington State Patrol trooper as law officers searched for the man who killed him during a traffic stop.

The patrol identified the trooper as James E. Saunders, 31, a 7.5-year veteran who had worked for the last four years at the agency's nearby Kennewick detachment after spending three years at Colfax City.

"I know Jim Saunders. When I worked in the Tri-Cities area as governor, he was part of the unit that protected me," Locke said. "He was just there a week or so ago and talked to Trooper Saunders about his work and his family, so this is a personal loss to me as well."

Saunders also served in a detail that protected the governor's mansion as a WSP cadet in 1991.

"I am outraged that he has been murdered," Locke said, noting Pasco police and the patrol were "working round the clock to find his killer."

The slaying occurred about 9 p.m. Thursday near a motel in a commercial area of Pasco as the trooper was on patrol alone in his cruiser, patrol Sgt. Dave Robinson said. The gunman drove away in a pickup.

Officials Friday said they were searching for 28-year-old Nicholas Vasquez Solario of Pasco. Pasco police characterized him as a "person of interest" because he was listed as the registered owner of a green, 1992 Mazda pickup that was reported to have carried the gunman. Pasco police said the truck had a history of being sold without proper documentation.

The vehicle's Washington

license plate number was 05730V, Robinson said. He said he did not know whether gunfire was exchanged or what led up to the shooting or the traffic stop.

It was the first time a trooper had been shot and killed in the line of duty since Trooper Frank Noble was slain during a traffic stop near Toppenish in 1972, Trooper Tom Foster said.

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Program readies kids for school, life

BOISE (AP) — When Laura Ewing graduates from Lowell Scott Middle School in Meridian next spring, she'll be better prepared not only for high school but for life in the real world.

The eighth-grader is one of almost 1,200 students taking part in the school's new School to Work program, which emphasizes character development and teamwork.

In an attempt to breathe new life into the 20-minute advisory period — a home-room setting used for taking roll and making announcements — the school has started the new program

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— Cassidy Kay, Boise eighth-grader

"Each district is picking up on a piece that fits in with its school improvement plan," Fraley said. "There really are a lot of interesting activities that have spun out of School to Work — and this is just one of them."

The first step at Lowell Scott was to abolish the established practice of attaching the advisory time to another period. Instead of an extended first period, most students now have a separate teacher and classroom, giving the class its own identity. In addition, teachers who may not have been involved in the past because of scheduling are

now being asked to take on a 20-minute advisory period, reducing class sizes across the board.

Administrators say the smaller classes already are paying off by allowing teachers and students to bond, encouraging more class discussion and assuring that no student is overlooked.

"That's why advisory was created," Principal Karen Ritchie said. "It was a period during the day when students could feel special, as opposed to a large group."

For eighth-grader Cassidy Kay, the smaller-group allows her to express her feelings — an opportunity she said has helped her discover more of herself.

"Last week we talked about our beliefs in life," she said. "It got me to think about what I need to do and what I'm not doing. It's helped me open up a little more, and I like that."

Lessons are based on:

- Character development by focusing on interpersonal skills in areas such as manners, honesty, compassion, trust, gratitude, respect and tolerance.
- Workplace skills including problem solving, decision-making, self confidence, self esteem, self control and work ethics.
- Teamwork for cooperation and respecting differences.

Students participate in team-building skills in a variety of activities and adopt an area of the school to keep clean as a team.

To achieve the program's goals, activities range from worksheets on which students identify life priorities, such as whether they'd rather be beautiful or brilliant, to team problem-solving projects, such as working together to create the best paper airplane. Organizers also will be bringing in guest speakers twice during the year to share their experiences with the students.

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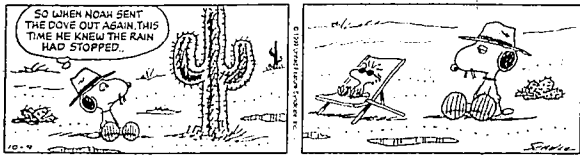
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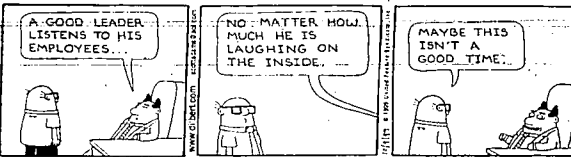
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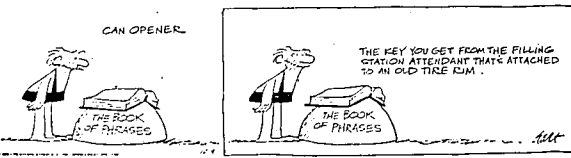
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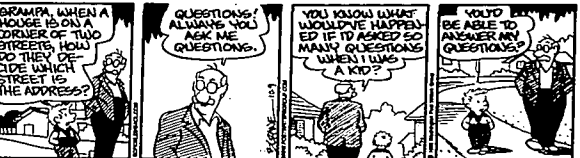
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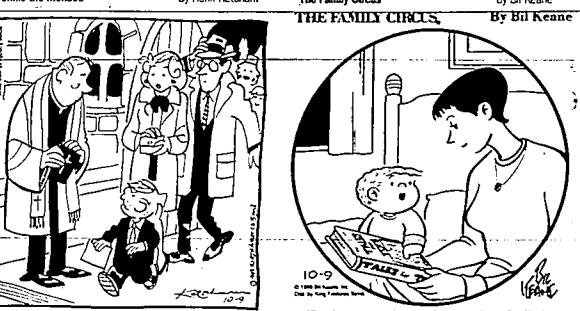


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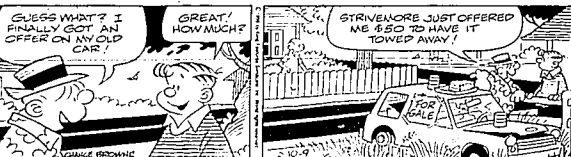
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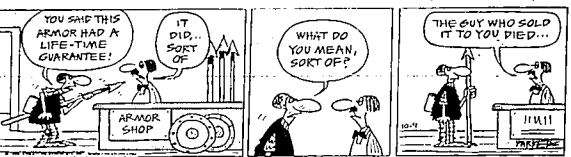
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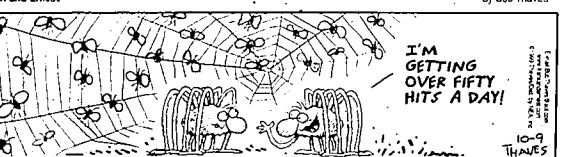
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Fox wants to slam jet into desert to boost ratings

Los Angeles Times

HOLLYWOOD — Despite safety concerns, a TV production company is negotiating with federal officials for permission to stage a jet crash in which an airliner rigged with explosives would slam into the Mojave Desert floor moments after the pilot and crew bail out.

The stunt, to be televised on the Fox network during a ratings

sweeps period, was initially dismissed by federal regulators. But the plan appears to be gaining state and local support, and the Federal Aviation Administration says it is now seriously considering the plan — in part because there are no rules forbidding it.

"We're in negotiations with the people involved, who have fairly good aviation credentials," said Nick Lacey, director of flight standards for the FAA. "We are

carefully reviewing each part of the proposal." Lacey said the FAA's Department of Transportation is currently reviewing the proposal, but he said the FAA's Department of Transportation is currently reviewing the proposal, but he said the FAA's Department of Transportation is currently reviewing the proposal.

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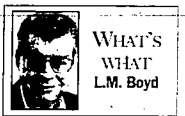
When the cockroaches get restless, an earthquake is nigh

"Jackrabbit" started out as a "jackass rabbit," an allusion to the bigger beast likewise with long ears.

There are those who say they can predict the imminence of earthquakes by restlessness in cockroaches. Maybe so. But if I lived where those people live, earthquake or no earthquake, I'd move.

Of Japan our Love and War man sees fit to say this: In no other country have so many devoted couples committed dual suicide rather than be separated.

Q. I knew most of the terms in tennis come from French transla-



tions, but what about the name of the game itself?

A. Tennis? Likewise, behind clustered walls in old France, a servant tossed the ball to monks, crying out, "Tenez" meaning "Take heed."

Q. What were the original Ivy

League schools?

A. Harvard, Yale, Princeton and Columbia. And it was about the Ivy League that the name came. The name of the game itself.

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Forget the past, Scorpio; Capricorn needn't be shy

IF OCTOBER 9 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You have universal outlook, do much traveling, have human touch and are better at helping others with their problems than in aiding yourself.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Many selections open for you, including marriage. Maintain high standards, do not compromise principles. Pre-nuptials include partnership, marriage.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Proofreading will be necessary. Aries-Libra persons play major roles in your life, could have these letters, initials in names: I and R. Current cycle highlights cooperative efforts, winning ways, partnership and marriage. During December, expect change, travel, variety — you'll find abundance of sex appeal.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Nothing dull, sensational experiences are part of scenario. Learn by teaching, write and rewrite. Hard writing does make for easy reading, Virgo involved.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Music plays role, once out of show, continue to sing. Domestic adjustment restores family harmony. Stamp your territory, agree that "this is mine!"

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): He who hesitates, if it is you, will find success. Time on your side, play waiting game, don't affix signature to document unless fully understood. Pisces represented.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Whether you like it or not, you are involved. Focus on legal

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affairs, public relations, marital status. Key is to bring order out of chaos. Capricorn plays role.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Softer approach to people from foreign lands. You have upper hand but avoid arrogance. Cycle high, especially good for dealing with exotic people. Aries involved.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Let go of past as much as possible. Focus on independence, originality, courage of convictions. Make fresh start in new direction. Leo, Aquarius persons featured.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Attention revolves around cooperative efforts, offer of city assignment, marital status. One who aided in past will once again offer helping hand. Yes!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Diversify, highlight versatility, intellectual curiosity. Deal with high-ups, don't be shy about trumpeting your capabilities. Gemini will play dramatic role.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You might be asking, "Is this day in?" Familiar places, face dominate scenario. Taurus, Scorpio persons grab spotlight. Thoroughness is requisite for success.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Individual close to you announces possible break in partnership. Prepare, if necessary, to go it alone. By engaging in sports activity you make valuable contacts.

Michael Jackson's second wife is ready to call it quits

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Michael Jackson's second wife filed for divorce on Friday after three years of marriage and two children with the pop singer.

Legal papers filed on behalf of Deborah Rowe Jackson cited irreconcilable differences. They said the couple had been separated since July 15.

The couple "mutually agreed to end their marriage," Jackson spokesman Howard J. Rubenstein said. "Michael and Debbie remain friends, and they ask that the public respect their desire not to further comment or speculate upon the reasons for the divorce."

Jackson, 41, married Ms. Rowe, a nurse in his plastic surgeon's office, the same year he and Lisa Marie Presley ended their two-year marriage. Ms. Rowe was seven months pregnant when they wed.

At the time, Jackson said: "Debbie and I love each other for all the things you'll never see on stage or in pictures... I fell for the beautiful, unpretentious, giving person that she is, and she fell for me just being me."

The couple have two children: 2-year-old Michael Joseph Jackson Jr. and 1-year-old Paris-Michael Katherine Jackson.

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Fires leave barren streak in Nevada

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Nevada's most widespread wildland fire season on record has left a legacy of devastation the size of the state of Delaware. It threatens the lives of surviving animals and the livelihood of scores of ranchers.

Now, Nevadans are worried more about seeds than smoke. Among the top priorities is to replant the barren ground with native grasses and shrubs.

"This is the most extensive rangeland reseeding effort ever undertaken in Nevada — and it may be anywhere," said Gene K. Swanson, the fully district manager for the federal Bureau of Land Management. It is coordinated as part of a statewide emergency action plan.

"The difficulties we face from this disaster are enormous," Blaster DuFourrea runs cattle and sheep south of Reno, on the Nevada-Oregon line and feeds for his fellow ranchers.

A rash of thunderstorms in early August and then again in the middle of the month sparked fires that burned 2,468 square miles of grass, brush and trees, primarily in the northeastern part of the state.

More than 30 major fires blanketed areas ranging from a few hundred acres to the Puker Brown fire southwest of Winnemucca, which covered 248 square miles and more than 380 square miles. The District of Columbia encompasses 36 square miles.

"It's one of those years that



A brush fire this summer casts strange light over Interstate 80 east of Reno, Nev.

will stick out in your mind because of the kind of activity we've had: the acreage burned," said Nevada Division of Forestry spokesman Steve Frady.

Frady has seen nothing like this year in nearly a quarter of a century of fighting fires in Nevada. The 777,116 acres in 1998 isn't half of this year's 1.58 million acres — one-third of the total acreage burned in the nation. Wildlife division statistics make this the worst year in more than one-half century.

Some 20 miles east of Reno, Ed DePaoli looks at ashes blanketing what once was a grassland range. "We normally would run

between 200 to 300 cattle on this range during the late year," DePaoli said. "I think we can move things around a bit to get by. It's our winter range."

DePaoli said reseeding by the Bureau of Land Management and others is going to be a huge effort, since in some allotments nearly 90 percent was burned.

One of the worries is that the fires could leave areas more vulnerable to erosion and flooding in a wet winter. Authorities pretty much agree that the first priority is to reseed the barren ground with stuff that's better than what burned.

More than 3 million pounds of grass seed are on order for fall

planting. Sagebrush and other desert shrubs will have to wait for spring. Reseeding is expected to take at least \$50 million and a minimum of three years.

In some cases, new grass will replace cheat grass that found its way into Nevada around the turn of the century as inexpensive filler in packing crates. Its seed scattered into the air and thrived in the arid ground of the high desert, crowding out more beneficial plants.

Cheat grass provides sparse pasture for spring grazing, then quickly turns brown and lifeless in early summer — a tinder for the first bolt of lightning or careless camper. And since it grows faster than sagebrush or more nutritious grasses, it thwarts their recovery by competing for scant nutrients and water.

"Over time, cheat grass can dominate a landscape," said Sherman Swanson, extension range specialist for the University of Nevada College of Agriculture.

Frady said some ranchers might have to scale back or stop operations altogether.

"In the range fires we've had, we've had the livelihood of families affected," Frady said. "Those range fires have not only destroyed the grazing lands that are privately owned, but also those federal lands that are grazing allotments. There's going to have to be a significant shift for many of those people in how they do their business on the ground."



Firefighter Andrew Cousins of Price Valley, Idaho, signals as chopper pilot Dale Coleman lifts off with a load of seeds to replant areas consumed by fire.

A church and a ballot measure: Is Mormon fund-raising an illegal act?

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — It's a moral fight: Liberal San Francisco politicians versus the Mormon church in the debate over whether to recognize gay marriage in California.

More than 50 supervisors this week asked the IRS to investigate whether the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is using federal law to drum up support for a ballot measure that would prevent the state from recognizing same-sex unions performed outside California.

The church has helped give a cash advantage to supporters of the March 2000 ballot initiative.

IRS rules prohibit religious organizations from engaging in "substantial" political activity without jeopardizing their tax-exempt status — a requirement that recently forced the Christian Coalition to split into two.

"We need to have a fair and honest debate," Supervisor Mark Leno said. "We can't do that if there's a tax deductible donation that involved themselves in a political campaign and completely overturn the entire ballot process."

"Witnesser," Michael Otterson, a spokesman for the Mormon church, said Wednesday.

"The Mormons are not the only religious group supporting the initiative, and the tax laws apply equally to all of them. Otterson said. "We're not going to have us deleted into an LDS issue," he said, and declined further comment.

The IRS cannot comment on whether the agency agreed to investigate the Mormon church, said Larry Wright, an agency spokesman in Oakland.

Many religious conservatives feel that if gay marriages are allowed in one state, others would have to recognize their validity. Twenty-nine states have banned gay marriage. By law, California only issues marriage licenses to couples made up of a man and a woman.

The church mounted similar campaigns last year in Hawaii and Alaska, helping pass measures banning gays and lesbians from marrying there. In Hawaii, the money funded a bombardment of TV ads that "preyed on the most insidious emotions," said David Smith, who oversaw the failed campaign to defeat the measure.

In May, three Mormon church presidents asked California church leaders in a letter to urge their members "to do your part in raising your own means and ways to assure a successful vote." Later that month, a second letter to the church elders, also an open letterhead, explained that the donations should not be offered on church grounds or during church meetings, and that they should not use church stationery.

The only church money spent in the campaign was \$50 in

postage to send the two letters — the same sort of expenditures made by Roman Catholic and Protestant churches supporting the Protection of Marriage Initiative, said its campaign manager, Rob Stutzman.

Fred Rothman, an attorney and certified public accountant at Loeb & Trouber in New York, said the church probably is in the clear.

"The Mormons could run into trouble, he said, if church leaders advocate for or against a particular candidate, use a substantial portion of their tax-deductible funds for political activities, or ask that donations be made directly to the church to support the measure — actions the church says it has avoided.

"A ballot issue would absolutely fall into the category of lobbying as opposed to political intervention," Rothman said.

But, he said, "The grayness gets even grayer in terms of where you draw the line. It's not easy. It's not a slam dunk in all cases."

Any IRS decision would hinge on the word "substantial," which the tax code left undefined, Wright explained Thursday.

"What is substantial? Ten percent? Twenty percent? What?" Wright said. "We have to make a decision based on the specific situation and there are a lot of different ways to measure activity: one is money, one is physical effort, one is use of assets of the exempt organization."

This summer, the Christian Coalition created a separate political action committee to endorse candidates and collect political contributions in an effort to keep tax-exempt status for its core "voter education" functions. Earlier this year, the IRS revoked the tax-exempt status of a church in New York state that ran newspaper ads against President Clinton in 1992.

It's unclear how much money California Mormons have contributed to the campaign, because disclosure reports do not

require donors to state their religion. As of June 30, the initiative group had raised about \$80,000. Another report is scheduled for release Tuesday.

Three polls earlier this year showed more Californians would vote for the measure than against it. Gay rights advocates expect to spend \$10 million in an uphill battle to urge Californians to change their minds.

Stutzman said his group will match them "dollar for dollar."

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In God's hands: A teen said it was fish that kept him going when a gunman attacked his church.

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Stuff we're sure glad we know

To tell you the absolute truth, I wasn't a very good Boy Scout. I just didn't see the point. Camping? I was planning on living indoors for the rest of my life, thank you. Hiking? I'd rather drive. Making fires by rubbing sticks together? Uh, correct me if I'm wrong, but isn't that why we have matches?

The thing that really got me, however, was knot-tying. What was that about? I mean, if I was going to be a sailor, I guess I'd need to know how to tie all these knots. Or if I was going to be a cowboy or a lumberjack or a circus performer, I could see where knot-tying would be handy. At the time, I didn't know what I wanted to do with my life, but I was pretty sure that whatever it was, it wouldn't have anything to do with tying knots. All of which was lost on my Scoutmaster.

"You never know when you're going to need to do something down," he used to say. "And when that time comes, you'll be glad you know which knot to use."

The only thing I was interested in tying down was a date with JoAnn Southwick. Unfortunately, my Scoutmaster didn't have the knot in his repertoire. He did know every other knot in the rope-tying world, however, and we practiced them until we could do them in our sleep: square knot, clove hitch, two half-hitches, bowline. There were Scouts in my troop who could tie a bowline knot around their waist in three seconds flat. I couldn't buckle my Scout belt that fast.

"Over-under-around-and-through" my Scoutmaster encouraged encouragingly as I tried to remember the bowline drill. "Tell you what," I huffed as I worked to extricate my thumbs from the granny knot into which I had inadvertently tied them, "if I ever need a knot tied, I'll send my buckle to get you."

He laughed. Then he made me keep working on the bowline until I could tie it properly.

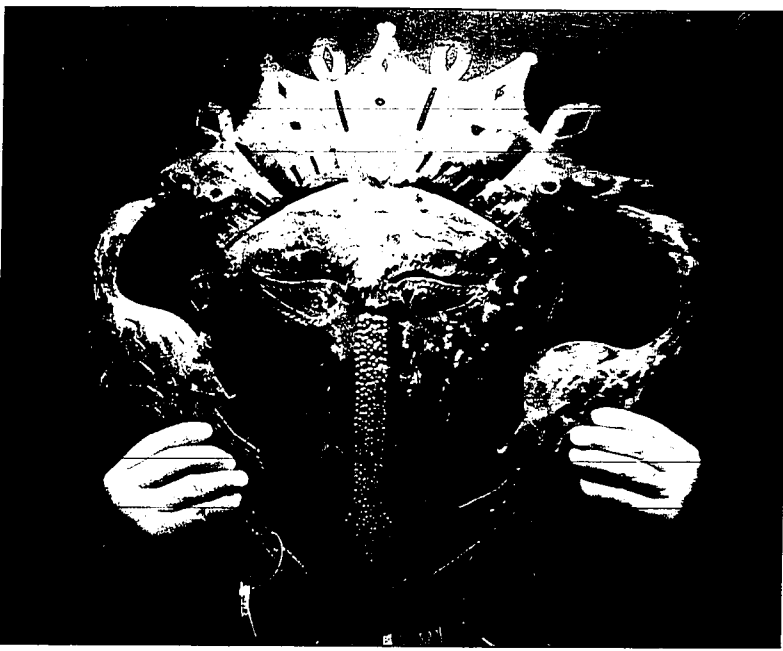
Believe it or not, I eventually passed off all my knots for my Scoutmaster.

I then figured I could just forget them, because I was sure I would never need to know them. The funny thing is, I kept getting a stumbling over reasons to tie the knots. A shoelace would break, and without even thinking I would tie the two loose ends together with a square knot - "the joining knot," as my Scoutmaster used to call it. A load needed to be secured to the back of the truck, and all of a sudden I'm tying half-hitches. My brother pulls his boat into dock and tosses me the rope, and before you know it I've tied it close with a clove hitch. And just the other day at work I had to hang a banner from a freeway ramp, and I needed to tie 17 ropes to hold the banner in place.

You guessed it: over-under-around-and-through. Seventeen times. It's amazing how often that happens. Sure, I Thought Was Stupid becomes Stuff We're Glad We Know. It may be a bit of biology, an obscure equation, a minute fact of life learned experientially at the School of Hard Knocks or the name of the character known as The Professor or "Gilligan's Island." Whatever. The fact is, there's no such thing as trivia. It's all important somewhere, sometime, to someone who doesn't care who you know, but what you know.

Oh, and in case you're wondering: The Professor's name was Roy Hinkley, Scout's honor.

Joseph Walker is a freelance writer in American Fork, Utah.



Floyd Miller Jr. shows off a hand-beaten mask made in Haiti, just one of the items that will be available at the International Crafts Sale at the Filser Mennonite Church Thursday through Saturday.

Art initiating better life

Filer Mennonite Church hosts craft show to help residents of poor countries

By Rachel Denny
Times-News correspondent

FILER - The teaching: If you give a man a fish, he eats for a day; if you teach a man to fish, he eats for a lifetime. This is the idea behind Ten Thousand Villages.

The people of Ten Thousand Villages collect handmade crafts from Third World and developing countries and give disadvantaged people in those countries the chance to feed their families and obtain health care.

Those crafts will be for sale at the Filer Mennonite Church next week.

"This is a sale that benefits artisans that live in Third World and developing markets that don't have a ready-made craft," organizer Lois Hooley said. "Often, it makes a difference between one meal a day or two."

She added, "I think we understand Jesus' teaching that we need to take care of the poor. We really want to not only make an effort to do that ourselves, but make people aware of other people's stories. Every item we sell at the store is symbolic of

International craft sale

When: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 16
Where: Filer Mennonite Church, 109 Fifth St.
Admission: Free

heartache, hunger, but most of all, hope."

The International Craft Sale benefits 60,000 craftspeople in more than 30 countries, and the Filer Mennonite Church does not receive any of the funds, Hooley said.

Also, craftspeople don't have to be Mennonite to benefit from the program.

"I think the most important prerequisite for being a producer is there being a great need," Hooley said. "It is not a fundraiser for us. It costs us money to do it."

Once the crafts are shipped to Ten Thousand Villages, the producers are paid, which means they aren't waiting around to buy supplies to make new crafts or feed their families.

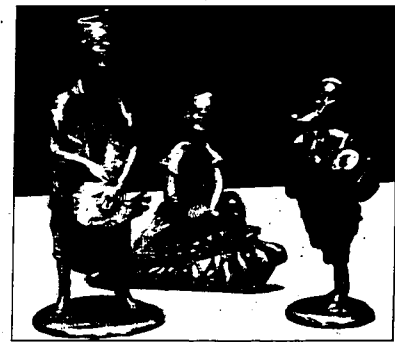
"I think that Jesus came to bring justice," Hooley said.



Sopstone carvings from Kenya will also be available.

"This is what we try to do, bring fair trade. They work very hard to establish a base price so people are receiving fair wages."

In addition to making sure the workers are being paid adequately for what they produce, cooperatives have been formed which enable



This band of musicians traveled from Burkina Faso in West Africa.

workers to work together and benefit from classes which cover topics like responsibility spending.

"Part of the thinking is to not just give them a handout, but a hand up," Hooley said. "It's nothing compared to the standard we live by. It's not everything, but it's something."

Pat Robertson, Christian Coalition still play overt politics

By Richard N. Ostling
The Associated Press



Pat Robertson, president and founder of the Christian Coalition, delivers the opening remarks at the Road to Victory '99, the strategy briefing for the Religious Right organization's meeting in Washington, D.C. American religion has produced few groups that so openly play politics as the Christian Coalition.

WASHINGTON - The most frequently mentioned role model was Ronald Reagan, not Jesus Christ. And the devil drew less attention than Jesse Ventura.

There were exhibits for the National Rifle Association and for a committee raising money to re-elect the House Republican managers who prosecuted President Clinton, but none for Bible publishers.

These are turbulent times for the decade-old Religious Right organization. This year Robertson reassorted direct command and went to work on what he calls a "housecleaning" of the

national staff. He then doubled full-time staff from 30 to 60 and aims to have one in every state before those millions of voter guides go out next year.

"Fund-raising is not where it ought to be," Robertson admitted, though he refused to reveal income data. The organization debt reached \$25 million but has been whittled to a "manageable" \$2 million.

The coalition had to juggle two organizations, use tax exempt and one not, after losing a long struggle with the Internal Revenue Service and Barry Lynn's Americans United for Separation of Church and State. Robertson says the mailing list of contributors contains 2 million names, but Lynn contends the core constituency is only 425,000. Registration for this year's conference was 3,500, compared with 4,000 in 1998.

Nonetheless, Republicans still consider the coalition a scapegoat, and their top brass in Washington turned out: Senate

Speaker Dennis Hastert, House Majority Leader Dick Armey, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, and party chairman Jim Nicholson, who treated the coalition as an arm of the GOP.

"We can win the White House and the Congress and then go on the offense for a change," Nicholson preached. "Working together, we can make history."

Similarly, Robertson declaimed. "If we aren't in the field next election, the Republicans will lose. We will be the margin of victory in the key states."

Democrats Bill Bradley and Al Gore declined invitations to this unbridled venue, as did Republicans John McCain and Pat Buchanan, no Robertson favorites. But all other GOP candidates cleared their schedules to appear.

As each spoke to a ballroom packed with placard-waving enthusiasts, there were complex interweavings of faith. Please see POLITICS, Page D2

RELIGION

'It was all God,' says teen who defied church gunman

By Jim Jones Knight Ridder News Service

He is a muscular, broad-shouldered youth with a biblical name. He admits to having had his troubles before returning to his Christian faith.

But now Jeremiah Neitz (pronounced "Neez") is receiving nationwide attention because he stood up during the home invasion shootings at Wedgwood Baptist Church on Sept. 15 and boldly told the killer he needed Jesus Christ.

"He kept saying that Christianity was B.S.," Neitz said this week. "So I stood up and told him, 'Sir, what you need is Jesus Christ.'"

Then Larry Gene Ashbrook pointed his gun at Neitz and yelled an expletive at him. "I held my hands up to my side and said, 'Sir, you shoot me if you want. But I know where I'm going. I'm going to heaven. What about you?'"

Then Ashbrook shouted the expletive again, put the gun to his head and took his own life. "I wasn't anything to do with me; it was all God," Neitz said.

Neitz, 19, spoke from the same pew at Wedgwood Baptist where he had sat with his head-down during the Sept. 15 shooting and killed seven people and injured seven others.

"I was just praying to God to let this end," Neitz said. His youth minister, Adam Hammond, who was under a peevish Neitz covered in blood from one of the slain people, kept urging at Neitz's pants leg trying to get him to lie on the floor like everyone else.

But Neitz, one of several young people from the youth side of Wedgwood Baptist Church attending the youth rally, stayed seated, face in his hands, praying. For some measurable reason, he refused to lie on the floor and confronted

Ashbrook when the man began cursing Christianity. "Mary Beth Taylor, 17, who was wounded as she risked her life by holding down a distraught teenager who was trying to stand up during the gunfire, said she saw Neitz confronting the shooter."

"I heard him say, 'What you need is Jesus Christ,' and I said, 'Father please protect him,'" she said. "Hammond said he believes Neitz's actions in challenging Ashbrook with a message of faith may have been the reason he quit shooting so abruptly. He still had several clips of ammunition stuffed in his pocket when he died."

"God's fingerprints are all over what happened here," Hammond said. "Since the shooting, Neitz has been interviewed on national television and by publications such as 'People' magazine. Neitz doesn't take any credit, though."

"No, I think it was God," he said. "God had control of everything that was going on here that night." "Neitz doesn't have a good answer about why he stood up to face Ashbrook. "I think, 'Well, I sound weird,'" he said, "but I knew he would not shoot me."

Whether he likes it or not, Neitz has become one of the young people hailed because they were willing to stand up for their faith in the face of death. Some evangelicals have even contacted Hammond of Cassie Bernall, a 17-year-old Columbine High School student who was killed April 20 last year.

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Val Schaurr, and witnesses as saying it was actually Schaurr who made that statement. "But Bernall's mother, Misty Bernall, who has written a fast-selling book, 'She Said Yes: The Untold Story of the Columbine Massacre,'" said in a statement issued by her publisher, Plough Publishing House, that several witnesses verified her daughter's affirmation of faith.

In her book, Bernall says her daughter went through a troubling period of adolescent rebellion. But, she said, when Cassie found a deeper faith at a summer youth camp, it transformed her into a happy, smiling teen with the courage to face life, and death.

Darrell Scott, the father of Rachel Scott, another Christian teen killed at Columbine, spoke at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Fort Worth this week in a program attended by many young people from Wedgwood Baptist. He believes his daughter was killed because she refused to deny her faith.

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MISSIONARIES

Several young men from the Magic Valley area have been called to serve in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Elder Tyler Silcock will serve in the Brazil Goitania Mission. He will speak at 10:50 a.m. Sunday at the Springdale 1st Ward chapel, 475 E. 200 S. An Anthon house is planned for 2 p.m. Sunday at Lorraine's Day Care, 75 W. 200 S. Burley.

Elder Jerry Craner will serve in the Columbia California Mission. He will speak at 12:45 p.m. Sunday at the 1st Ward chapel, 2420 Parke Ave. Craner is the son of Jerry Craner and Joan and

Elder Nicklas Raiger will serve in the Ararat Armenia Mission. He will speak at 9 a.m. Sunday at the Twin Falls 15th Ward chapel, 3857 N. 3500 E. Kimberly. Raiger is a member of Eagle Scout and 1995 graduate of Twin Falls High School, where he was a member of

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Debi Craner of Burley, an Eagle Scout and a 1999 graduate of Burley High School.

Elder Bret C. Parrish will serve in the Texas McAllen Spanish-speaking Mission. He will speak at 9:30 a.m. Sunday at the Twin Falls 7th Ward chapel, 847 Eastland Drive N.

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National Honor Society. He attended the University of Idaho in Moscow, where he majored in architecture and was on the Dean's List. His parents are Kenneth and Lorena Raiger of Twin Falls.

Elder Daniel R. Humzecker will serve in the Belgium Brussels Mission. He will speak at 9:30 a.m. Sunday at the Twin Falls 2nd Ward chapel, 223 Park Ave. Humzecker is the son of Don and LuAnn Humzecker of Twin Falls. He graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1999 and attended the College of Southern Idaho. He is an Eagle Scout and active in sports.

The Times-News welcomes notes of church missionaries, which is published free of charge. Send information to Ellen Thomason, The Times-News, P.O. Box 348, Twin Falls, ID 83403, or Joyce Bryant, The Times-News, Burley, 325 1/2 E. Fifth St., N., Burley, ID 83418. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on the Saturday religion page.

LETTER

Service breeds faith, love

Good morning! Being pampered on a cruise last week was fun, fancy and fatiguing. If God leads me to go on a cruise, we would recommend it. The ship was like a small town with more than 800 crew members, 100 feet wide, 2,000 passengers and 800 crew members (servants). The scenery in Alaska is beautiful. It is the creation stories of God's glory. God sent, through people, some words of knowledge for my wife and I.

LETTER

In the flesh, it doesn't get any better than this!

To be served covetously is the freedom. "For you were called to freedom, brethren; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but serve one another. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word, in the statement, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' But if you bite and devour one another, take care lest you be consumed by one another. But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh" (Galatians 5:13-16).

Today, can we let God serve others through us?

Today, can we let God serve us through others? STEPHEN HARRIS Twin Falls - The Times-News welcomes letters on religious topics of 200 words or less from readers. Letters should include the writer's signature, mailing address and telephone number. Letters considered libelous, obscene or in bad taste will be rejected, and the Times-News reserves the right to edit all letters.

Not just 'homemakers' anymore

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - The monthly gathering of Mormon women, long referred to as a "homemaking meeting," is getting a name change. As of Jan. 1, Mormon women will follow a program of "Home, Family and Personal Enrichment." Earlier in the century, they met monthly on a weekend afternoon, usually for quilting or other home-based activities. And in recent decades,

the meetings have shifted to evenings as more women began working outside the home. The change was announced during the annual meeting of the General Relief Society, the main women's group of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Under the new program, women will get a 15-minute lesson on a spiritual topic, then spend 60 to 90 minutes learning practical skills associated with

the topic, according to Virginia Jensen, first counselor to the presidency of the Relief Society. That could include home repairs, gardening, service, or the traditional quilting. At the same time, the group introduced a declaration for Relief Society members, which emphasizes support for the traditional family and an absolute authority of the church's all-male priesthood.

Politics

Continued from D1. and politics. Except on abortion. The crowd welcomed Religious Right favorite Gary Bauer, even though rumors had forced him to press fidelity to his wife. Robertson was unimpressed, citing in an interview biblical grounds why Bauer should have headed non-departing from his warnings that spending too much time alone with a young female aide looked bad. Frober's 24-6, Robertson announced, in a multitude of counselors there is safety. Elizabeth Dole, offering heartfelt Christian testimony along with her platitudes to his wife, Robertson said, "I have a great enthusiasm than Steve Forbes' hard-right pronouncements. The main event was George W. Bush's visitation. Except on abortion ("every child born and unborn must be protected by law and welcomed to life"), the Texas governor's self-peddled the Religious Right agenda. He was repaid with lusty cheers anyway,

thanks to his front-runner's glow and the blessings of Robertson. "Doug Wead, a Texas-based Evangelical author and unpaid Bush adviser, puts the coalition in context: "The media give the impression that the Christian Coalition is a monolithic organization that represents the rank and file of the Evangelical movement." Despite its visibility, he says, it is only one group among many -- (and) there are huge blocs that do not participate at all." Opposing the Religious Right, while saying with applause inside the Beltway, will not help win the Republican nomination, Wead says. "And in the general election, there are simply too many born-again Christians. Smart politicians go by the numbers, he observes, and a recent Gallup poll shows 48 percent of Americans call themselves "born-again or Evangelical." The number has risen steadily since 1976 when candidate Jimmy Carter

famously professed his faith. But Robertson-style activism has lately come under attack not only from the likes of Lynn and former Moral Majority leader Ed Dobson and Cal Thomas. They assert in a recent book that fellow Christians should stick to evangelizing. Robertson scoffs, "The building is on fire, and say Christians should not grab a hose and stand by." Ralph Reed, who built Christian Coalition into an effective organization before he became a political consultant, maintains that politics can be just as holy a vocation as preaching. "Done properly, it elevates issues that are simply neglected," he said in an interview.

CHURCH NEWS

RUPERT - The Church of the Nazarene will host a Fall Revival through Sunday at the First Church, 814 S. 1st St. The Rev. Randy Bynum is the speaker. The event began with services Friday. Bynum's activities include a men's breakfast at 8 a.m. at Forever Friends, 632 15th St. and a ladies luncheon at 11:30 a.m. at the church. Sunday services are at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Bynum is a former missionary to Bolivia and the Dominican Republic and currently a mission director at Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa. He attended Northwest Nazarene College and Nazarene Theological Seminary and pastored congregations in Topeka, Kansas, and Berkeley, Calif., before his missionary assignment. He and his wife, Kathy, have three children, Angel, Aaron and Arlen.

The community is invited to attend. For more information, call 436-3419.

Episcopal Church. The service is casual and features contemporary music by Covey Park and Friends. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 733-1248.

GOODING - Trinity Episcopal Church will have a "Blessing of Animals" service at noon Sunday. All are welcome and encouraged to bring their pets. The Rev. May Ann Armour will officiate.

TWIN FALLS - Special Bible services will be held at 4 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 10 through Nov. 28, at the Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road. Services will be conducted by Stan Sullivan and Troy Patterson. They said their services are scriptural, reverent and free from any form of embarrassment and that no appeals for money will be made. For more information, call 733-6508.

TWIN FALLS - Youth groups of the First Methodist Church will meet at 5 p.m. Sunday, with the junior high group at the Thompson branch and the senior high group at the Albrecht home. Those planning to attend are asked to bring a snack to share. For more information, call Carol at 325-4859 or the church office at 733-5872. The youth will hold "Bang, Bang, You're Dead" play on school violence presented by Lighthouse Productions, at 5 p.m. Oct. 17 in the church sanctuary, 360 Shoshone St. All interested individuals are invited; however, the play is not suitable for young children. A discussion session will follow.

KIMBERLY - Connie Bernsen of Jerome will speak Sunday at Crossroads United Methodist Church. Bernsen is a certified lay speaker. She is also the head of the group at Avonmore West in Twin Falls.

HEYBURN - The Ladies Life Line Fellowship will meet for a

denominational luncheon from noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Best Highway 27 north of Interstate 84.

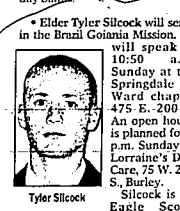
The no-host luncheon's theme is "October Fest." The program includes a variety of family history traditions, music by Josephine Scholten and speaker Elaine Stock. Complimentary nursery is available upon request. The public is invited. For reservations and prayers, call Elsie at 436-2974. For nursery concerns, call Rich at 436-5388.

DECLO - A "Family History Workshop" for the community is scheduled for 2 to 6 p.m. Oct. 16 at Declo High School.

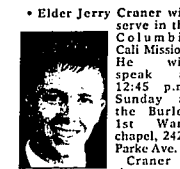
The free workshop offers a variety of hands-on activities about researching ancestors in the computer age. Classes include The Basics of Family History, Personal Ancestral File 4.0, personal journals, scrapbook "journaling," make-a-scrapbook page and time capsules. History research will be on computer terminals. The scrapbook journaling will teach participants to write the stories behind pictures and memorabilia.

Participants need to bring two or three photos of a specific event or occasion for the make-a-scrapbook page class. Other materials will be furnished.

PAUL - Scott A. Stevenson has been called to serve as the pastor of the Paul Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Stevenson is a first counselor and Max Lee Twiss as second counselor.



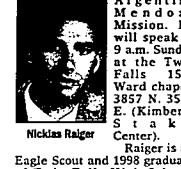
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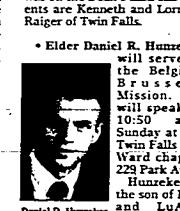
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Black megachurches: Changing spiritual needs fuel rapid growth

By Kate M. Grossman
The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Inside the sprawling brick church, Pastor Arthur Brazier approaches the pulpit. Some 3,500 parishioners pack the plush red pews in the regal amphitheater, swaying and singing.

Stragglers, late after scrambling for a spot in one of the church's four parking lots on a desolate commercial strip, squeeze into balcony seats.

"Here, we don't bring the Scripture down to our level," the 78-year-old pastor declares. "We are the church."

The congregation erupts with a chorus of ams and applause.

As Brazier scans the sea of faces, the reality is inescapable: the 100-member congregation he took over in 1960 is all grown up. The Apostolic Church of God now has more than 14,000 members and a multimillion-dollar budget.

In Chicago and around the country, the black megachurch

has arrived.

Megachurches, defined as those that draw more than 2,000 visitors each Sunday, first attracted national attention in the mid-1990s. Predominantly white churches were noticed first. But in 1997, the last time attendance was compared, two black megachurches were the fastest-growing in the country, says John Vaughan of Church Growth Today, a research center in Missouri.

Nationwide, there are at least 60 black megachurches. The largest, in or near Chicago, Baltimore, New Orleans, Los Angeles and Atlanta, boast memberships between 8,000 and 24,000. With donations from their mostly middle-class members, many are building at record pace.

Typically, they hold two to three Sunday services, and the two largest have built sanctuaries that seat 8,000 and 10,000 people.

Why the explosive growth? "African-Americans have

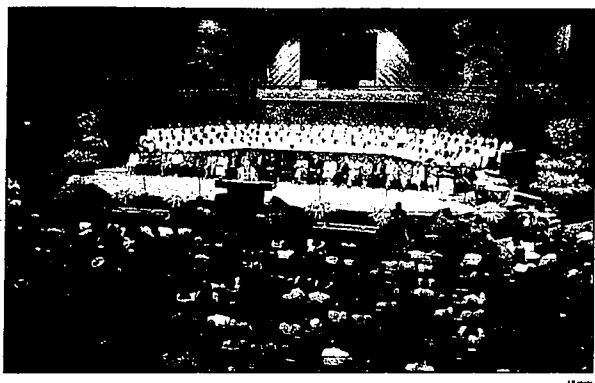
moved into the middle class, and they're not finding Shangri-La," Brazier says. "They are beginning to realize that material gain doesn't give you everything you need. There is something missing for a lot of people."

Though the current boom began in the 1980s, large black churches flourished from the end of the 19th century through the 1930s.

In African-American history, black megachurches are not new; they flourished from the end of the 19th century through the 1930s. But experts say the current boom, which started in the '80s and took off in the '90s, is unique.

"The megachurch is more than a church with a huge attendance," says Scott Thumma, sociologist at the Hartford Seminary in Connecticut. "Megachurches offer a unique blend of religious and modern society."

Most of the churches share several fundamentals. They tend to emphasize spirituality above all



Bishop Arthur Brazier, pastor of the Apostolic Church of God in Chicago, delivers his weekly sermon to nearly 3,500 parishioners in Chicago, Nationwide, there are at least 60 black megachurches like Brazier's, with some boasting membership as high as 24,000.

else and preach a conservative theology, though the majority take more liberal views on social and political issues, Thumma says.

Most black megachurch leaders also recognize that their members crave practical as well as spiritual guidance. The result

is a seven-day-a-week church with programs covering everything from single parenting and Bible study to AIDS education.

Take a trip through the aisles of this week's religious supermarket

By Tom Schaefer
Knight Ridder News Service

Commentary

Grab your shopping basket and wander the aisles of this week's religious supermarket. There's bound to be something you can pick up and use.

I've seen enough end-zone prayer and fingers pointed to heaven when a player scores a touchdown to last me till that Super Bowl party beyond the next game.

Fortunately, in Sunday's 35-7 Dallas Cowboys win over the Arizona Cardinals, we didn't have to watch Dallas cornerback Deion Sanders debut the self-described "Holy Ghost dance" he promised to perform. He never made it to the end zone.

My only question is, what's next when it comes to faith-on-field exhibitions? The Pentecostal folks after the extra point? Or the fundamentalist funky chicken after a field goal?

A penalty flag on these performances.

Prayer of prayer, the issue of prayer in public schools remains troublesome in towns across the country. In Augusta, Kan., school officials allowed students last month to offer a prayer over the school intercom but backed down when threatened with legal action.

What's going on in Augusta and other parts of the country? The wrangling is over the interpretation of the First Amendment, which simply says "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

Or so it seems?

For more than 150 years, the amendment's two clauses (establishment and free exercise) rarely were addressed by the Supreme Court. In the last 50 years, however, the court has sought to harmonize the two, and the result has been a confusing set of signals.

A valuable new resource, published by the Park Ridge Center for the Study of Health, Faith and Ethics, is "Physician Assisted Suicide: Religious and Public Policy Perspectives."

The 90-page booklet doesn't take a stand on the issue; rather, it provides summary descriptions of religious positions, four personal accounts of terminally ill people, questions for state legislators and public policymakers to consider, references to consult, and death with dignity proposals by various states.

It's an excellent resource for students and for guidance.

To order a copy, call (312) 266-2222, Ext. 255.

"It has become commonplace to note that in the West in general, and the United States in particular, Muslims no longer can be thought of as 'over there.' Increasingly, they are a visible and vocal part of the fabric of Western society."

So writes Jane Smith in "Islam in America" (Columbia University Press, \$35).

"This latest addition to the Columbia Contemporary American Religion series examines Islam in the context of this country. Chapters include 'Islam Comes to America,' 'Islam in the African American Community,' 'Women and the Muslim American Family,' and 'Living a Muslim Life in America.'"

The book provides a general introduction to Islam that will be followed by those who don't understand this fast-growing religion.

By the way, the series started with "Roman Catholicism in America" by Chester Gillis and will be "Buddhism in America."

These are great resources, for you can keep abreast of some major religious traditions.

Tom Schaefer writes about religion and ethics for the Wichita (Kan.) Eagle.

Muslim groups push to register voters

By Deborah Kovach Caldwell
The Dallas Morning News

For the first time, eight major American Muslim and Arab groups are together mobilizing their members to vote in next year's presidential election.

Spearheaded by the American Muslim Council, a group based in Washington, D.C., that strives to keep Muslim concerns in the public eye, the groups have launched a voter registration drive in mosques, schools and community centers across the country.

"If you are voteless, you are weightless," said Aly Abuzakouk, the council's director.

There are about 6.5 million Muslims in America, he said. There are also about 3 million Arabs — some of whom are Muslim, but most of whom are Christian. Of the total Arab-Muslims and American Muslims — approximately 8.5 million people — he estimated that

there are 1 million registered voters. "Abuzakouk would like to double that by next year."

"American Muslims are now aware they have to play the role the same as other communities play it. Meet early, engage staffers and campaigns about what kinds of issues Muslims are facing, and tell them what we would like them to bring to the party platform," Abuzakouk said.

His organization has produced material for local groups to set up voter registration tables and is producing a video to show communities how to motivate members to register. The council has created posters and T-shirts for registration volunteers with the slogan, "Your Values, Your Voice, Your Vote." In addition, the council is conducting a voter survey to gain feedback about American Muslims' political involvement.

The coalition of Muslim groups has already met with Michigan Gov. John Engler, a senior adviser

to the Republican presidential campaign of Texas Gov. George W. Bush.

"It is a landmark step because it was the first time Muslims have engaged leaders of a presidential campaign this early," Abuzakouk said.

He expects to meet with campaign representatives of other Republican candidates and of Vice President Al Gore and Bill Bradley, two of the Democratic contenders.

There have been efforts in previous years to organize politically, beginning in about 1996. But those efforts were splintered and didn't amount to much.

And there is still no Muslim in the House or Senate.

With roots in more than 60 nations, American Muslims are a diverse group whose politics aren't easily summarized, experts say. They are split about 40 percent Republican, 40 percent Democrat and 20 percent independent.

Pastors, congregations have special bonds

By Brian Lewis
Knight Ridder News Service

WICHITA, Kan. — The church was packed with well-wishers recently for the annual pastor appreciation celebration, the first for the Rev. Anthony Hughes, who came to Grant Chapel AME Church last fall. Although it was a joyous occasion, he said, it was also a little unsettling.

"To get into an appreciation where basically it's about putting you on a pedestal and exalting you to some extent, it's a very tricky thing, but it's extremely humbling in that people would even want to do such a thing," Hughes said.

Once a year, many African-American churches across the country celebrate the day their pastors arrived on the scene. Gifts are often presented, and

church members and nonmembers alike in the black community come to show support.

Many who come say it gives them an opportunity to show their pastors how much they appreciate them. And clergy say an anniversary service helps them get rejuvenated at a time when some say they feel close to burning out.

Like a marriage, both laypeople and ministers say the annual get-togethers help them reflect on how much they've grown together in their relationship.

Outside of the black church

and some mostly white Pentecostal churches, annual anniversary celebrations for pastors are rare in Christianity, said Steve Rasmor, professor of the sociology of religion at the Interdenominational Theological Center, a seminary in Atlanta, Ga.

Rasmor said the tradition has grown in black churches because in black communities, pastors enjoy a high degree of influence and churches remain a focal point for religious, social and political activities.

Church dinners still an important tradition

By Ann Haber
Knight Ridder News Service

DUTZOW, Mo. — There was a six-hour traffic jam on Missouri 94 here last Sunday. Vehicles slowed to a crawl, and in law-mond-shaped signs warned drivers coming in both directions; and men with batons out on the highway directed traffic.

A horrendous accident? A sobriety checkpoint? Road construction?

Nope. It was fried chicken that attracted the cars and pickup trucks clogged parking lots on each side of the highway and resulted in barely moving traffic.

Occident, just a pan-fried chicken is a tradition at the annual fall dinner of St. Vincent DePaul Catholic Church, a 125-year-old structure high on a hill

on the east edge of this Missouri River village of 100-plus.

An estimated 1,200 diners were served in the church's hall; those who had eaten walked off side-by-side, boots and quilts and other items were raffled. Some listened to children performing to karaoke recordings; others enjoyed the foliage just starting to turn on the nearby hills. Many visited with friends who'd come home especially for the dinner. One group even took part in a politically incorrect "shoot," firing shotguns at 5-inch-square targets in hopes of winning a whole ham.

As long as anyone can remember, the last Sunday in September at St. Vincent has meant chicken, raffles and a shoot, all proceeds going to support the parish and its

parochial school.

Those who came didn't get a cardboard-textured meal in a box, either. It was family-style and served on plates. It was all you could eat for \$7 — chicken, German sausage, potatoes, vegetables, home-cooked side dishes, ice tea and coffee, and every possible kind of pie — that old-fashioned, flaky, flaky, flaky with food — "groaning board" — had real meaning.

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by REGGIE M. FINCH, minister

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More about Jesus would I know, More of His grace to others show;
More of His saving fullness see, More of His love who died for me.
More about Jesus let me learn, More of His holy will discern.
Spirit of God my teacher be, Showing the things of Christ to me

THE TWO VERSES above are from the hymn, "MORE ABOUT JESUS." They were written and composed by Eliza E. Hewitt and John F. Sweeney in 1887. The words express the desire to know "MORE ABOUT JESUS."

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SPOOKY HOUSE



Above, Samantha Manning stands guard with a scarecrow at the Halloween display in Donald and Elaine Wilcox's yard at 1410 Poplar St. in Twin Falls. "We put up this display every year," Manning says. In the middle display features a graveyard, which she, her sister and her husband's house. Left, a pine casket carries Halloween revelers who got carried away. "We're having a party for Halloween," Elaine Wilcox says. "Anyone who indulges too much gets put in the casket."



FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Area student participates in Linfield College program

Christina McBride, daughter of Mike and Jan McBride of Twin Falls, is spending the fall semester at Linfield College, a study abroad center in Vienna, Austria, as part of Linfield's study abroad program. McBride, a junior majoring in education, is one of 20 Linfield students participating in the study abroad program this fall. She studied intensive German this summer at the University of Vienna, first learned the Ambassador Scholarship at Mesa State College in Grand Junction, Colo. The Ambassador Scholarship is a four-year scholarship, covers tuition and fees for the student, or roughly \$7,000 per year. Winners are chosen based on academic achievement, community service, extracurricular activities, and an interview. Hodges was one of 10 high school seniors selected from 200 candidates for the scholarship. Hodges is a 1999 graduate of Twin Falls High School.



Jonathan Walker

For his Eagle Scout project, Walker constructed and installed a flagpole for the amphitheater at the LDS Pinedell Camp in the South Hills. Pacific Steel and Recycling, Bruce Major of Wagner Trucking, and Anderson Lumber assisted Walker in completing his project. He has earned 23 merit badges while in Boy Scouts. Walker is a senior at Twin Falls High School, and enjoys volleyball, cross-country and track. He participated in Boy's State, National Honor Society, the Bruin Club, and cross-country nationals in Chicago, Ill.

Castledo student earns honor at Georgetown Prep in Bethesda. Daniel C. Potucek, son of Lorinda S. Potucek, and grandson of Mary Louise Potucek, all of Castledo, made first honors both semesters at Georgetown Preparatory School in Bethesda, Md. Potucek, currently a 10th-grader, was in Who's Who in American High School Students 1998-99, earned a perfect score on the national Latin exam, and won the Ambassador Fitzgerald Scholar Program for two consecutive years. He attended the German English Institute Gymnasium in Heidelberg, Germany from fifth- to eighth-grade, and is fluent in German. Potucek studied classical piano for eight years, and performs community service for the Catholic Church in the Washington, D.C. metro area, and is a competitive swimmer, ranked sixth in the 100-meter breast stroke in high school boys in the states of Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia, organizers say. Georgetown Preparatory School was founded in 1789, and is the oldest Jesuit boy's high school in the United States, the school says.



Daniel Potucek

Hodges wins Ambassador Scholarship at Mesa State

Christina Hodges of Twin Falls was awarded the Ambassador Scholarship at Mesa State College in Grand Junction, Colo. The Ambassador Scholarship is a four-year scholarship, covers tuition and fees for the student, or roughly \$7,000 per year. Winners are chosen based on academic achievement, community service, extracurricular activities, and an interview. Hodges was one of 10 high school seniors selected from 200 candidates for the scholarship. Hodges is a 1999 graduate of Twin Falls High School.

Area resident earns Eagle Scout honor for flagpole project

Jonathan D. Walker, son of Gary and Jan Walker of Twin Falls, was presented his Eagle Scout Award on Aug. 29 at the Twin Falls High School, Crew 103.

VA enrolls more vets this month

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Secretary of Veterans Affairs Togo D. West Jr. announced that VA medical facilities will enroll all honorably discharged veterans who seek VA health care during the fiscal year beginning this month. West's announcement ensures continued treatment next year for "Priority Group 1" veterans, the lowest in a seven-group ranking of veterans that began in 1996 under a nationwide VA enrollment system, coordinators say. "Priority Group 7" veterans do not have service-connected disabilities, are rated "non-compensable" for service-connected disabilities, or their incomes exceed a threshold level. West's decision allows veterans in all priority groups the opportunity to enroll

during fiscal year 2000, but VA officials recommend veterans retain private health insurance, since it may cover services such as emergency care that the VA doesn't usually provide. The VA health-care services include primary care, preventive care, inpatient and outpatient services, rehabilitation, mental health and substance abuse treatment, home health, respite and hospice care, and drugs and pharmaceuticals in conjunction with VA treatment, organizers say. To apply for enrollment, or for more information, veterans can call 1-877-222-8387.



Volunteers are needed for Guardian ad Litem, an agency that conducts independent investigations of the circumstances of children in the protective jurisdiction of the courts. Guardians investigate the circumstances of a child, act as an advocate for the child at each stage of proceedings, and give recommendations to the court in the best interest of the child. Volunteers devote about 20 hours per month to their duties. For more information, call 324-6890, fax at 324-2016, or write First Judicial District CASA Program, P.O. Box 22, Jerome, Idaho 83338.

The College of Southern Idaho is assisting refugee families resettling in America. Currently, the center needs adult bicycles in good condition, young men's and boy's clothes in good condition, youth and children's winter coats, hats, gloves, and winter shoes. For more information, call Tammy at 736-2166.

Volunteers are needed for the Senior Companion Program in the Magic Valley to help at risk or homebound elderly citizens. Volunteers receive a stipend, mileage reimbursement, training, and accident and liability insurance. Applicants must be age 60 or older and lower income, be eligible. In Burley, call Ida at 677-4872, and in Twin Falls, call Marcie or Pam at 736-2122.

Volunteers are needed for the Foster Grandparent Program to help children in day cares, schools, and Head Start programs. Participants are paid a stipend and mileage reimbursement, are provided with accident/liability insurance, and are trained. Volunteers must be age 60 or older, and lower income to be eligible. In Burley, call Ida at 677-4872, and in Twin Falls, call Pam at 736-2122.

Volunteers are needed for the Senior Companion Program and the Foster Grandparent Program in Lincoln County. Participants are paid a stipend and mileage reimbursement, are provided with accident/liability insurance, and are trained. Volunteers must be age 60 or older, and lower income to be eligible. Volunteers work 20 hours a week.

SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

For more information, call Pam or Marcie at 736-2122, or Ida in Burley at 677-4872.

The National Service Corps programs at the College of Southern Idaho seek volunteers for the Rural and Senior Foster Program, the Foster Grandparent Program, or the Senior Companion Program. For more information, call Marcie or Pam at the College's Office on Aging at 736-2122, or the Burley office at 677-4872 for eligibility requirements and schedule of benefits.

A single mother of five with limited income needs a twin-sized bed for one of her children. For more information, call Jennifer at 736-4974.

Magic Valley Staffing Service, a hospice division needs volunteers to provide patient and caregiver support, clerical assistance, assist in meal preparation, cooking, and errands, and assist with laundry and housework. Extended hospital training is from 6-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday beginning Oct. 18 at the Magic Valley Staffing Service conference room at 233 2nd St. N. Junior volunteers are encouraged to attend the training seminars. For more information, call 736-0600, or 1-800-303-0502.

Hospice Visions seeks volunteers to assist with transportation, errand running, patient care and companionship, caregiver assistance, bereavement dinners, charitable duties, fund-raisers, special projects, volunteering, bereavement, and other duties. For more information, call Ella Slatner at 735-0121.

This public service column is designed to match needs in the community. If you need a volunteer, call Judy Young, director of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) at 736-2122, Ext. 312. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho. To have your request appear in this column, please submit it before 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday by Saturday publication. Call us weekly to retain requests.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

CSI offers American Sign Language course

TWIN FALLS - A six-week course in beginning American Sign Language will be taught through the Community Education Center at the College of Southern Idaho. The course can be one-credit or non-credit, as the student prefers. This class will introduce the non-signer, non-professional to survival communication skills with the deaf and hard hearing. It combines the vocabulary and features of American Sign Language with English word order. The result is called Pidgein Signed English. The class will be held Wednesday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday through Nov. 17. The cost is \$50 for non-credit students and \$64 for one-credit students.

For information or to pre-register, call the CSI Community Education Center at 733-9554, extension 2290.

Minico cheerleaders hold a mini-church camp

RUPERT - The Minico cheerleaders are hosting a mini-church camp Tuesday through Thursday. Registration is from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. today in the main floor of the high school. The camp is intended for girls from the first-seventh grade. The cost is \$30 per girl.

Area resident celebrates 80th birthday Sunday

TWIN FALLS - Alberta Darlene Serrett Shaffer will celebrate her 80th birthday with a dinner Sunday, Oct. 10, 1919, in Red Cloud, Neb., to Lula and Ernest Serrett. She was the second of six children. She finished her schooling in 1937. They were married in 1937. She is active member of the First Assembly of God Church, and the "Keenagers" group. She enjoys traveling, raising and caring for flow-

ers, her family says. Friends are encouraged to stop by and wish her a happy birthday, her family says.

Kimberly High School sets parent conferences

KIMBERLY - Kimberly High School will have parent-teacher conferences for the first trimester from 5:30-8:30 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday. Teachers will meet with parents to hand out student report cards, and discuss the student's progress and needs. Parents and students are also invited to attend an informative meeting, "Journey to the Future," at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Kimberly High School gym. The meeting will cover information about career pathways, financial aid, and the future. Cinnamon rolls and hot chocolate will be served, and door prizes will be given to participants.

Jerome Senior Center hosts breakfast today

JEROME - The Jerome Senior Center will host a community breakfast from 8-10 a.m. today. The menu features two breakfast choices, biscuits and gravy, hash browns, eggs, coffee, milk, or juice; or ham or sausage, pancakes, hash browns, eggs, coffee, milk, or juice. Cost is \$3 per plate.

Snake River Boy Scout District sets roundtable

TWIN FALLS - The Falls District Unit Leaders roundtable discussion will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Scout building on Falls Avenue. For more information, call Jim Hampton at 733-2067.

Brockman Chiropractic hosts free seminar

GOODING - Dr. Marjorie Brockman of Brockman Family Chiropractic will present a free seminar entitled, "Stress, the silent killer," at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Gooding City Hall located at 308 5th Ave. W. Brockman will discuss changing reactions to daily stresses, and learning to manage stress. Common symptoms of stress include headaches, fatigue, and high blood pressure, will also be discussed.

Area Legion Auxiliary meets Monday

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls American Legion Auxiliary will meet at 2 p.m. Monday at the Legion Hall at 447 Senstrom St. in Twin Falls. The featured speaker will be Mike Young, Red Cross emergency services coordinator. She will discuss the Y2K event. The public is

Invited to attend this open meeting

Legionnaires are encouraged to read their bulletin for information on the November 1999 convoy to the Boise VA, the organization says. For more information, call Helen at 734-4355.

20th Century Club schedules luncheon

TWIN FALLS - The 20th Century monthly luncheon meeting is scheduled for noon on Tuesday at the Lark Club on Falls Avenue in Twin Falls. The featured speaker will be Debra Gabardi from the Volunteers Against Violence Crisis Center. For late reservations, or for more information, call Esther at 734-4487 by 10 a.m. on Monday.

Christian Women's Club hosts Harvest Festival

TWIN FALLS - The Christian Women's Club is hosting its Harvest Festival on Tuesday at the Winam Plaza on Blue Lakes Boulevard in Twin Falls. A silent auction featuring crafts, baked and canned goods, and special gift baskets will be eligible for bids from 5:30-8:30 p.m., with dinner and a regular auction to follow from 6:30-8 p.m. Special auction items will be presented after bids during the dinner program.

Proceeds from the auctions will go to Stremmeck Ministries

People who wish to donate an item for auction may do so by giving it to a Christian Women's Club board member, or bringing the item to the Winam Plaza at 4 p.m. on Tuesday. For more information or pick-up of items, call Betty at 736-8453, or Doreen at 736-4529.

Minidoka preschools schedule 'Child Find'

RUPERT - Minidoka County School District preschools is hosting a "Child Find" from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Friday at the United Methodist Church in Rupert. Child Find is a three-step process to identify developmental delays, physical or mental conditions in children three to five years old. The screening includes speech, language, physical health, gross and fine motor skills, self-help abilities, social skills and pre-academic skills, vision and hearing. To make an appointment, call 438-2211.

Singles group attend Harvest Craft Fair

BURLEY - The Singles Harvest Craft Fair is being held at the Burley Community Center on Tuesday. The public is invited to attend the Harvest Craft Fair.

At the Burley High School

Tickets are a 50-cent donation and lunch will be available. For more information, call 674-8028.

Retired educators go on school tour Monday

BURLEY - The Mini-Cassia unit of Retired Educators of Idaho will meet at 10:30 a.m. on Monday at the new Burley High School and Tech Center following lunch.

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ESJ Duplicate Bridge announces winners

RUPERT - BJ Duplicate Bridge is played at 1 p.m. on Thursdays at the Robert Elks Lodge, 200 W. 85 S. The winners for Oct. 4 were Billie Park and Marjorie Knight, first place; Vera Mat and Nanette Woodruff, second place; Barbara Snow and Lila Barrows, third place; and Cheryl and Silvia Neiwert, fourth place.

We want your news

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Photo and your name and address to: Community Editor, The Times-News, P.O. Box 22, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303. Telephone: 736-4942. Your Home/Class contact: Judy Young, 736-2122, Ext. 312. Fax: 736-2122. Burley, Idaho 83402. 677-4942. Email: jayyoung@timesnews.com. If it's news to us, we want to hear about it: Community meetings, Churches, Social events, Sports events, Birthdays, Weddings, and other activities.

Deadlines: For the Tuesday paper: Friday. For the Wednesday paper: noon Friday. For the Thursday paper: noon Monday. For the Friday paper: noon Tuesday. For the Saturday paper: noon Wednesday.

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

TF chamber looks to fill board vacancies

TWIN FALLS - Four seats on the board of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce are up for grabs.

A nominating committee of past chamber presidents has named four people who may serve those terms, which end Dec. 21, 2002.

The committee's picks are:

- Marci Asher, vice president and director of real estate lending at First Federal Savings Bank.
- Lisa Donnelley, partner at Leforgee, Braga and Donnelley, Chd.

- David Johnson, general manager at Can Paolo Inc.
- Julie Zampetti, branch manager at Northwest Mortgage.

The four were nominated to fill seats being vacated by those people who have served three-year terms: Ron Belliston, Tamara Harney, Mary Lou Panatopoulos and Beth Smith.

Any chamber member can nominate himself or herself with a letter and with supporting signatures from representatives of five members companies. Letters must be presented to Executive Vice President Kent Just by Friday.

If others have declared their candidacy, a ballot then will be mailed to each member firm by Nov. 1 with the names of all qualified candidates, the chamber said. The four receiving the most votes will be the winners.

If just receives no letters by Friday, the nominating committee's slate of four will be elected.

Tickets are still available to hear breakfast speaker

TWIN FALLS - General tickets for \$35 and a few \$50 reserved tickets are still available for the annual Success Breakfast Nov. 4.

Former astronaut W.M. "Wally" Schirra will be this year's Success Breakfast guest speaker. The reserved tickets provide not only the breakfast and a good seat at the speech, but a luncheon with Schirra.

Schirra was one of the seven original Mercury astronauts named by NASA in April 1959. He went on to become the only American astronaut to be involved in the Mercury, Gemini and Apollo programs.

Schirra draws on his experience as an astronaut to speak on motivational and goal-setting topics to audiences at colleges and corporations around the country. He'll become the 12th celebrity speaker to appear at the local Success Breakfasts. The event is co-hosted by the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce and the College of Southern Idaho as a chance for local business people to hear high-quality speakers from around the country.

The breakfast will be in the CSI gym at 7 a.m. Various awards, including Person of the Year and Lifetime Achievement Award, are presented along with other chamber business. At 8:30 a.m., participants go to the Fine Arts Auditorium to hear Schirra's speech.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call the chamber at 733-3974, any of the chamber ambassadors or the CSI Community Education Department at 733-9554, Ext. 2287.

Compiled from staff reports

M-C jobless rate takes dramatic plunge

Processing plants, restaurants give boost to area's numbers

The Times-News and Associated Press

TWIN FALLS - With unemployment drops of 3.4 percent and 2.8 percent, Minidoka and Cassia counties in September rejoined the Magic Valley's healthy economy and helped keep the state's jobless rate steady.

Mini-Cassia potato-processing plants ended some of their seasonal layoffs. A couple of new restaurants opened in the Burley area, increasing job offerings for the service industry. And Amalgamated Sugar hired many seasonal workers for

Magic Valley's unemployment rates

County	Sept. '99	Aug. '99	Sept. '98
Blaine	3.7%	3.3%	4.1%
Carnes	2.9	4.4	2.8
Cassia	5.6	8.4	7.0
Elmore	6.5	6.9	5.7
Gooding	3.7	4.0	3.3
Jerome	3.9	3.9	4.4
Lincoln	4.0	4.9	4.1
Minidoka	6.2	9.6	8.0
Twin Falls	4.5	4.7	4.7

harvest, said Greg Rogers, Job Service's labor market analyst for the eight-county Magic Valley.

The two counties' improvement in September has him pleased.

"I think it represents some of the efforts they're doing over there to try to

diversify their labor force, and I think it's working," Rogers said.

Some of the Mini-Cassia joblessness drop is seasonal, he said, but some is due to the efforts of the chamber of commerce and economic development group.

Meanwhile in Blaine County the construction industry remains strong, Rogers said, and "efforts for year-round tourism are really paying off." The Sun Valley Co. resort is looking for workers.

In Gooding and Jerome counties, mill, processing, dairy farms and cheese production are keeping unemployment low. Agriculture stabilizes the employment picture, and there haven't been any alarming fluctuations, Rogers said. Harvests have been average in their length and number of workers.

Twin Falls' mixed bag of job openings listed with Job Service shows overall economic strength instead of domination by

one sector of the economy, he added.

In Idaho as a whole, job opportunities - especially in southern and largely rural counties - went past their peak in August and September, maintaining Idaho's seasonal jobless rate at 4.5 percent.

The Department of Labor's forecast in Friday marked the 12th month in the last 20 that the jobless rate has been at or below 5 percent, setting the stage for a second straight year of record low unemployment.

The number of Idaho workers on the job pushed to its highest level since April, and the labor market was able to accommodate all but 130 of the 2,300 new entrants last month. Over 628,000 people had jobs, an increase of 6,300 since June.

"The continuing high level of employment, combined with the low level of unemployment, is a sign of economic strength instead of domination by

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QWEST DISPELS MERGER RUMORS



Joseph P. Nacchio, chairman and chief executive of Qwest Communications International Inc., gives his keynote address at Fall Internet World '99 in New York's Javits Convention Center Friday. Nacchio said Qwest - which already is merging with Magic Valley's local phone service provider, U.S. West - isn't talking to any potential merger partners and has no buyout offers on the table as speculation has swirled in recent days that Qwest, along with Global Crossing Ltd., could be the next big prey in the telecommunications merger hunt.

FOR THE RECORD

The Times-News

BOISE - Recent activity in U.S. Bankruptcy Court included these Magic Valley filings:

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000.

Maria Carmen Gurr, 317 Wyoming, Gooding, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 99-41641.

William Debruin, 123 Sixth

Ave. E., Jerome, individual, non-business, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 99-41645.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$50,000 to \$100,000

Kevin Shane Gregory and Karolee Anne Gregory, 1015 N. Fir, No. 79, Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 99-41635.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$100,000 to \$500,000

Robert Wayne Park, formerly doing business as Park's Furniture and the Burley Trading Post, 330 LuRay, Paul, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 99-41632.

Grant F. Campbell and Michelle M. Campbell, 1910 Y St., Heyburn, individual, non-business, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000,

liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 99-41640.

Chapter 13, nonbusiness, \$100,000 to \$500,000

Clinton Patrick Hinton, also known as Pat Hinton and C. Pat Hinton, and Holly Williams, also known as Holly Williams and Holly Dudley, 1016 Fourth Ave. E., Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 13, 16-49 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 99-41638.

Struggling Sears adds urgency to 'revolution'

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO - The battle to reinvent Sears, Roebuck and Co. was supposed to have been won several years ago. Under the generalship of Chief Executive Arthur Martinez, the nation's second-largest retailer spiked up its stores, ramped up its credit-card business and pumped up growth with new off-the-small-business-

But just when it looked like the full-fledged victory was in sight, Sears - which has stores in Twin Falls, Burley and Stanley - stumbled. Credit losses soared in 1997. Several of its off-the-small-business failed to turn a profit and were sold off in 1998. And sales at the 850 department stores have been disappointing since the middle of last year, while specialized retailers and discounters were racking up big gains.

So it was back to the war room for Martinez, who claimed in January "it's time for the Second Revolution."

Since then, the need for profound change at the Hoffman Estates, Ill.-based retailer has become more urgent. In September, Sears announced it would not meet profit projections for the rest of 1999 - the first straight year it has failed to meet its targets. The warning was accompanied by a management shakeup that left merchandising guru Robert Merker out of a job. Shareholders vented their disappointment, driving down Sears stock by more than 10 percent.

Clearly, new tactics were needed. This time around, Martinez has declared, the battle plan is focused on Sears' department stores. Apparel assortments are being pared down. Categories are being added. Prices on commodity items are being cut.

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MONEY

Sears

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But the Second Revolution... Sears is attacking Sears' deeply ingrained bureaucracy.

Industry experts aren't sure whether Sears can reinvent itself and take ground in an increasingly competitive retail battlefield.

sales projections on the retailer's extensive database of what sold last year and then add on a few percentage points.

Now, the retailer is asking its district merchants how many of certain key items they expect to sell and using that information to craft sales plans.

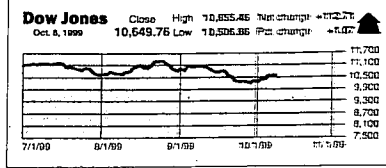
Jobs

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Some recent unemployment numbers indicate a good fourth quarter for the economy.

industries has resulted in workers exhausting jobless benefits, analysts said. The jobless rate remained in double digits in Adams, Clearwater, Benewah and Idaho counties.

the harvest-south. Idaho's stable unemployment rate mirrored the nation, where joblessness remained steady at a 25-year-low 4.2 percent despite a decline in payroll jobs in the wake of Hurricane Floyd.

With only three months left in the year, average unemployment statewide was just over 4.8 percent, well on pace to exceed analysts' projections last January.



Stocks rise as investors brush off inflation concerns

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks overcame a volatile start to the session Friday and closed sharply higher as investors shrugged off worries about inflation and turned their focus to positive earnings news expected next week.

jobs report was going to push the Federal Reserve over the edge... and decide to raise interest rates again, said Hugh Johnson, chief investment officer at First Albany Capital.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Here are the 525 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, the 400 most active on the National Association of Securities Dealers' American Stock Exchange, and the 1,115 largest stocks in total held by investors.

AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE

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COMMISSION CAP

United Airlines cut its commission cap on all international flights to 10 percent from 15 percent.

Travel agents take a hit with airline plans

United Airlines cut its commission cap on all international flights to 10 percent from 15 percent. This move is expected to hurt travel agents.

BEANS

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GRAINS

Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Change, % Change. Includes Wheat, Corn, and other grain futures.

CHEESE

Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Change, % Change. Includes various cheese futures.

LIVESTOCK

Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Change, % Change. Includes Live Cattle, Hogs, and other livestock.

FOSSIL FUELS

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Researcher prefers to spend time with mountain sheep

DUBOIS, Wyo. (AP) - The small yellow Northface tent sitting all by itself at 10,000 feet in a treeless wilderness looks as if it offers a lonely existence for its occupant.

The temperature is dropping fast, and snow is starting to fall as a dark cloud moves in from the east.

And John Mionczynski is the only human on the mountain. He plans to stay there, for at least another two or three months.

Bad weather and days on end of solitude don't faze Mionczynski, a wilderness consultant who has spent 13 of the last 17 months of his life living with the Whiskey Mountain bighorn sheep herd southwest of Dubois.

His tent is in the vicinity of about 100 ewes and their lambs, the study group Mionczynski keeps tabs on almost every day. He'll stay with them until they move to winter habitat on Tarrey Rim. Last year, they didn't make the trek until December.

Taking a break from his research while sipping tea in his tent, Mionczynski is preparing for another cold fall on Whiskey Mountain. He thinks the sheep probably left the mountain so late last year because the snow never accumulated. They didn't seem to mind the brutal cold and relentless wind.

Mionczynski allows that some mornings, when he awakens, the first light to be with the sheep, it was hard to crawl out from the warmth of his sleeping bag. But when he thought about having camped up in an office, his working conditions didn't seem so bad.

"Working in an office wouldn't be an option for me," Mionczynski said. "I'd rather be a street person."

Mionczynski prefers wilderness to civilization. It's not that he doesn't like people, but that he enjoys solitude more than anyone he knows.

"I like working alone, I like being alone, and I don't get lonely," he said.

"Making a living in the backcountry allows him time to be alone, and more importantly, it gives him the opportunity to observe wildlife."

"I'm fascinated by animal behavior," he said. "Sitting all day with a spotting scope watching animals is not work for me."

Mionczynski is a consultant to the Wyoming Game and Fish Department. He was hired to find out why the Whiskey Mountain



John Mionczynski stands next to the tent he calls home Sept. 23 on Whiskey Mountain southwest of Dubois, Wyo. Bad weather and days on end of solitude don't faze Mionczynski.

bighorn sheep herd hasn't recovered from a 1990-91 pneumonia outbreak that wiped out between 400 and 450 sheep. Prior to the devastating illness, the herd numbered at least 1,600, and now it's down to about 900.

Game and Fish biologists since the outbreak observed that the ewes appeared to be OK but found that lamb production was low, and they didn't know why. They needed someone to follow some of the ewes, from the time they gave birth to the winter migration, to find out how many lambs were dying and why.

Having done extensive wildlife

research for the Game and Fish and other agencies in the last 30 years - sometimes being out in the field for two years at a time - Mionczynski was the man for the job.

The 52-year-old sometime-resident of Atlantic City began the bighorn sheep study in May 1998. He followed the sheep from spring range on Whiskey Mountain, to lambing grounds on the rocky edges of Lake Louise, to summer habitat on Middle Mountain and Goat Flat, and back to Whiskey Mountain in the fall.

When the sheep move, so does

he. One day this summer, the herd moved off its usual summer range and didn't return for eight days. Mionczynski packed a small tent and some food and went along.

"I wore out a lot of shoe leather," he said. Mionczynski typically puts in 15-hour or longer days. He's up with the sun and doesn't turn in until after 10 p.m. In July, he was up at 4:30 in the morning. Sometimes during a full moon, he'll watch the sheep at night.

There isn't much time to do anything but research, eat and sleep. Mionczynski has one book

with him, given to him by a man he met at the trailhead in June. He's on page 70 of the 260-page, large-print book. Just about everything else in the tent is either for survival or work: a sleeping bag, two blue radio collars, some food, a nesting gun and heavy mittens, to name a few things.

Occasionally, Mionczynski takes naps, just like the sheep do, sometimes near them.

"The sheep nap all the time, especially in the summer," he said. "I usually take it when they do."

A good part of Mionczynski's

day consists of observing sheep behavior and appearance, looking for indicators of health. He takes notes on just about everything. If he hears a cough or wheeze, it's documented. If a ewe or lamb has good posture or a healthy-looking coat, that's written down, too. Mionczynski regularly collects sheep droppings and feces, and occasionally smears, blood and tissue samples.

His difference has paid off. In the first year of the study, he determined that lamb recruitment was on the decline due to a low lamb survival rate, not because the ewes were aborting or their young were dying soon after birth. He suspects that a mineral-deficient diet and predation are the main contributors to the low survival rate, but he's still studying every possibility. A report on the findings won't be released until next year.

In the meantime, Mionczynski will stay with the sheep through the fall. After watching the sheep forage for a while, he notes what they eat, and then gathers samples of the same plants which will later be examined for crude fiber, protein, minerals and other nutrients.

Some of the ewes in the study group have radio collars. He's able to watch and record the behavior of those sheep consistently.

The sheep know Mionczynski. When he approaches, they look but don't scatter. He's able to walk among them slowly. Ten feet or so isn't an unmanageable distance.

Mionczynski can identify about 30 sheep by certain physical characteristics, and he has names for some of them.

"There's 'Linc,'" he said, pointing to a ewe with one of her horns broken off. The name is shared by Unicorn. "I haven't gotten them to come to their names yet," he joked.

With the help of friends, Mionczynski has about 100 pounds of about 150 pounds worth - in early summer. During the summer months, more of his food tends to come from the sheep. In July, while he traveled around a lot with the sheep, his diet was 70 percent wild plants, such as onion, cabbage, chives and wild herbals too.

"A lot of good stuff grows up here," he said. Now he has choice of wild food is prime meat. He likes them toasted or raw.

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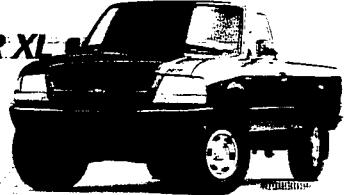
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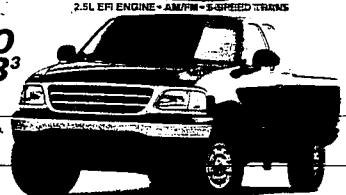


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West had little to crow about. Had he sacrificed his ace, he would have gained a game swing in return.

West led his spade queen to drive out South's ace, and South cashed the king and jack of trumps. Then he slid his diamond nine onto the table, and a suspicious East grabbed his ace. Hurriedly, West led spades to win two more defensive tricks, but that was all. South no longer had need for a club finesse; his two low clubs went on dummy's diamonds.

What happens if West bravely ducks the diamond nine? Nothing good for declarer. South will win dummy's queen, but it's not a good trade for him. Regardless of how South goes from there, he must concede two spades and two clubs, sending the game one down.

Unless an ace might be the setting trick, it rarely pays to grab it when the guarded king and queen are in dummy. If declarer has the singleton, the defender has his ace. In return, declarer enjoys two tricks to use for other purposes.

Today's lesson is clear when the king and queen are in dummy. Remember, the same lesson might well apply when the singleton is in dummy and the king and queen are hidden in declarer's hand.

NORTH 10-69-A
 ♠ 6 5 4
 ♥ K Q 7
 ♦ K Q 6 3
 ♣ A Q 5

EAST K 9 8 2
 ♠ 4 2
 ♥ 10 8 5 4
 ♦ K 10 9
 ♣ J 8

SOUTH A 7 3
 ♥ A J 10 9 8 5
 ♦ 9
 ♣ 7 4 2

Vulnerable: Both
 Dealer: South

The bidding:
 South West North East
 2♥ Pass 4♥ All pass
 *weak two bid

Opening lead: Spade queen

BID WITH THE ACES 10-69-B

South holds:
 ♠ K 9 8 2
 ♥ 4 2
 ♦ 10 8 5 4
 ♣ K 10 9

North South
 1♣ 1♠
 1NT

ANSWER: Pass. Opener has a minimum (12-15 HCP). A partner's score should be the limit, and no-trump should be better than other possibilities.

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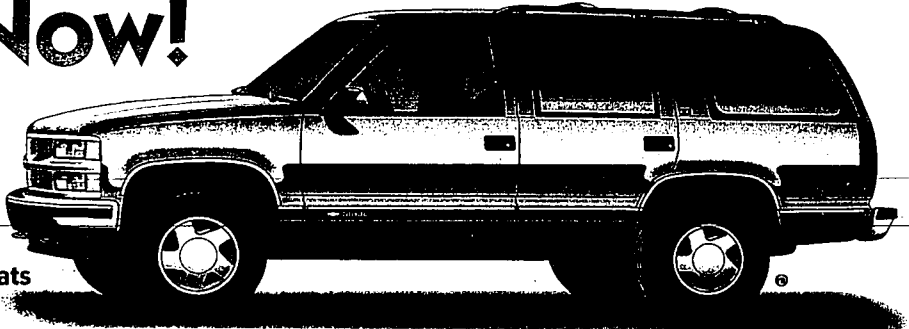
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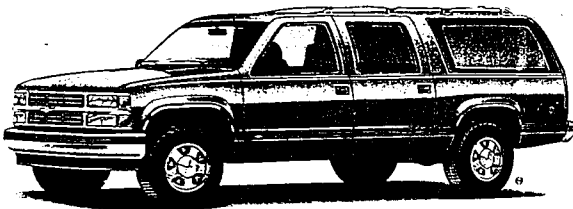
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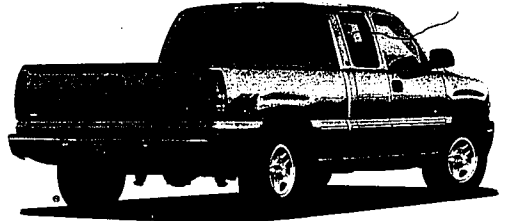
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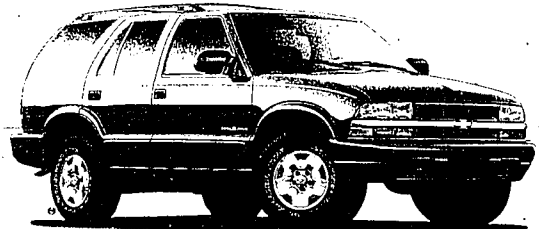
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