

GOOD MORNING

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Today: Partly cloudy with light winds. High, 70. Increasing clouds tonight with a low of 38.

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Wendell school building declines

Other Magic Valley districts see improvements

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

WENDELL - The last time the state released a study documenting school construction needs, 71 buildings made a list of the worst in the state.

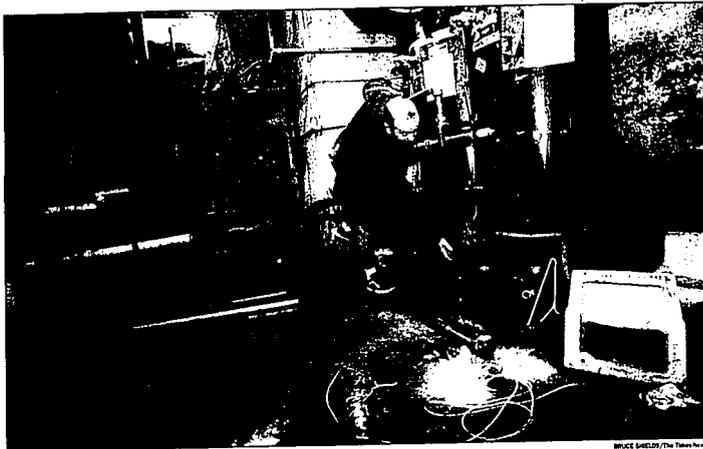
Since the 1993 study and its findings of nearly \$700 million in needed school repairs and upgrades in hundreds of Idaho schools, the amount has dropped to nearly \$274 million statewide. Gov. Dirk Kempthorne formed a School Facilities Committee this year and requested the update. The committee will investigate the controversial and long-time issue of whether the state should help districts pay for construction.

Out of the 71 buildings listed in the worst condition in 1993, districts reported this year that 18 are no longer used for instruction, 29 have improved, 17 haven't changed much and seven have declined.

Eight Magic Valley buildings made the original list, and today Wendell Middle School is the only local building that has since been reported to have further deteriorated. The original part of the school dates back to about 1920.

Ties of maintenance problems are endless say Principal Marcia Hallett, Superintendent Larry Manly, and maintenance engineer Buck Drury.

On Friday, a hot water tank flooded a portion of the basement. Mortar is crumbling; the sewage lift station failed; this year and sewage came up through drains in the archaic locker rooms; the original building isn't handicap accessible and the school must move classrooms



Buck Drury, maintenance supervisor for the Wendell School District, notes to stop the flow from a hot water heater that flooded the basement at Wendell Middle School. Burst pipes and other maintenance problems are common at the school, particularly in the section built in 1937.

BRUCE SHELLEY/The Times-News

to the annex building for students who use wheelchairs; the stage in the gymnasium is unsafe and boarded off; the building's electrical capacity is not great enough to handle modern technology; and seven layers of roofing make leaks hard to find and stripping the roof to start-fresh would require expensive asbestos abatement.

The Wendell School Board at its last meeting voted to have a structural engineer evaluate the original portion of the building, Manly said. A bond issue for a new school is not possible right now, because law limits the debt load a tax base can shoulder, he said.

"We have to wait until the value of the property is suffi-

cient," he said.

It probably will be at least two or three years before the district can begin planning a bond issue for a new school, he said. Wendell voters are paying down a \$3.8 million bond issue debt that built a new high school and paid for a couple of other district improvements earlier this decade. On Thursday the district will ask voters to approve a maintenance and operation levy that over two years would collect a total of \$38,000 for repairs. It's a new vote for Wendell residents, because they haven't had such a levy in the past.

The proposed levy wouldn't pay for major upgrades at the middle school. The building isn't worth a big investment,

Hallett said.

Of the original local buildings listed in the worst condition in the 1993 study, Hazelton Intermediate School has been sold and now Valley School District has one new school for all grades; a Declo agricultural secondary building has been abandoned; Shoshone Junior/Senior High School has been abandoned and a new school housing all grades has opened; the old Murrough High School has been demolished and a new school built; Castleford's gym has improved with major renovations; Carey's ag building has remained the same; and Buhl Middle School has been improved with minor upgrades.

But the Buhl school is at the

point where it's hard to say whether money should continue to be invested in it, Buhl School District Superintendent Richard Hill said.

The new study found \$12.2 million in health and safety needs documented by the Idaho Division of Building Safety, an additional \$19.7 million in safety needs reported by superintendents, \$14.5 million for upgrades to the worst building, \$13.5 million for more classroom space, \$52.9 million for electrical capacity, and \$8.4 million for communications infrastructure.

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One in 10 here hungry; no surprise to food bank

Agency helps a lot of working families

By Gregory Hahn
and Loreaine Caverer
Times-News writers

TWIN FALLS - One in 10 Idaho families don't get enough food.

Just 17 states have a higher percentage of hungry households, according to a recently released U.S. Department of Agriculture study.

Around the country, 10 million families struggle to put food on the table, a fact that is easy to forget in economically charged southern Idaho. But even here, families are hungry.

"Believe it," said South Central Community Action Agency Director Terri Pendleton, as she walked through an old fertilizer plant that warehouses boxes of food. Crates of dried fruits and nuts, milk and macaroni fill every cranny of the old building, and freezers are packed with hamburger and potatoes. The agency gets a semi-truck

Taking action

The South Central Community Action Network provides food, school supplies, rental assistance, home weatherization and family development services to low-income families in the Magic Valley.

Thousands of people are helped every year, and though more than 500 volunteers gave about 6,000 hours of their time last year, just 1 percent of the agency's budget comes from the eight counties it serves. The rest comes from federal money and other donations. If you want to contribute time, commodities or money, call one of Community Action's three offices: • In Twin Falls, 734-2307. • In Jerome, 324-8857. • In Heyburn, 678-3515.

shipment every month, and the food is needed.

"Last year we served over 6,000 people with food boxes," Pendleton said.

The non-profit group landed out \$250,000 worth of food to individuals and local food

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Gays attend Falwell's church

Gay minister, crowd hear message of love

The Associated Press

LYNCHBURG, Va. - The Rev. Jerry Falwell, the Moral Majority founder long known for his strong condemnation of homosexuality, on Sunday brought a message of God's love to 200 gay Christians invited into his church.

Falwell's sermon was the culmination of a weekend forum designed to reduce violence against gays and Christians. It was led by Falwell and gay minister Mel White, an author from California who ghost-wrote Falwell's autobiography before revealing his homosexuality. "His sermon was amazing," said David Chandler, 36, a gay man from San Francisco and one of the more than 4,000 worshippers. "He sent a message to parents to love their children no matter what. ... I admire and respect Falwell for taking that stand."

The unprecedented meeting surprised many because Falwell for years condemned homosexuality.

Earlier this month, gay



The Rev. Jerry Falwell speaks from the pulpit Sunday regarding the anti-violence forum held at his Thomas Road Baptist Church over the weekend during services at the church in Lynchburg, Va.

activists hissed, booed and screamed as Falwell lectured via satellite to about 60 people in a San Francisco park, urging them to give up homosexuality. Falwell was also ridiculed earlier this year when his newspaper cited evidence that the creators of the "Teletubbies" show intended Tinky Winky to be a gay role model.

As he had all weekend, Falwell stressed he will not change his belief that homosexuality is a sin but added: "That has nothing to do with the love factor involved. We are to be lovers of all men and women."

Poll: Optimism outweighs fears of terrorism, overpopulation

Census finds Americans like their homes

The Associated Press

COLUMBIA, Md. - As Americans stand at the threshold of the next century, they worry the globe will get warmer in the next 50 years, terrorists will probably attack with biological or chemical weapons and the world is likely to face a major energy crisis. Still, four out of five people in a poll by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press say they are hopeful about life in the new millennium. That hopeful outlook is fueled by their faith in science and technology, modern medicine and higher education.

Precious polls also have shown American optimism is based largely on the roaring economy. "I think optimistically about the future because I don't want to think negatively," Please see OPTIMISM, Page A2



Alan Bishop, a 59-year-old custodian from Columbia, Md., tells interviewers he isn't very concerned about changes the next millennium will bring.

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Jim Lumny could not be more pleased with his home or his neighborhood. After all, the three-bedroom Cape Cod where he has lived for 35 years in Old Saybrook, Conn., is only a few blocks from Long Island Sound. "We're delighted with where we live," he said. He is hardly alone in liking his community, a government report finds. Asked to rate their homes and neighborhoods on a scale from 1 to 10, 69 percent of Americans rated their houses 8 or better and 67 percent gave that endorsement to their neighborhoods.

The results are in the massive "American Housing Survey for the United States: 1997," being released Monday by the Census Bureau and the Department of Housing and Urban Development. By a narrow margin Midwesterners are the happiest with their homes, with 70.3 percent rating them 8 or higher. Some 29 percent of folks in the Northeast gave their houses similar approval ratings, as did 69.9 percent in the South. Westerners seem somewhat less satisfied, with 65.8 percent giving their homes ratings of 8 or better. Turning to neighborhoods, Midwesterners were once again happiest, with 69.3 percent giving a rating of 8 or more. That level of satisfaction was expressed by 68.4 percent of Southerners and 65.7 percent of Northeast residents. Westerners were least satisfied with just 62.7 percent, giving their neighborhood a rating of 8 or more.

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MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

THE REGION

Camas Prairie

High: 61 Low: 27
Partly cloudy, today and tonight, with an increasing cloud cover. A 20 percent chance of rain Tuesday.

Treasure Valley

High: 60 Low: 40
Partly cloudy, today and tonight, with an increasing cloud cover. Mostly cloudy Tuesday.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High: 63 Low: 23
Mostly sunny, today and Tuesday morning, then an increasing cloud cover.

Eastern Idaho

High: 60 Low: 30
Mostly clear, southwest winds. Tuesday mostly sunny, highs in the upper 60s.

Northern Idaho

High: 57 Low: 40
Mostly cloudy, with a chance of light rain tonight. Chance of rain decreasing Thursday.

Northern Utah

High: 61 Low: 37
Mostly sunny, clear tonight. Tuesday mostly sunny with highs in the 70s.

Northern Nevada

High: 69 Low: 37
Partly cloudy, with light winds.

Today

High: 70 Low: 38
Partly cloudy with light winds.

Tuesday

High: 66 Low: 36
Mostly cloudy.

Wednesday

High: 60s Low: 30s
Partly cloudy.

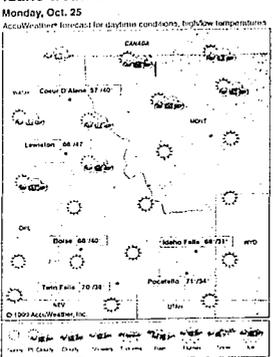
Thursday

High: 60s Low: 30s
Mostly cloudy.

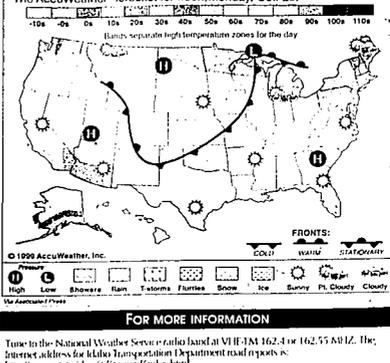
Friday

High: 60s Low: 30s
Partly cloudy.

Idaho weather



National weather forecast for noon, Monday, Oct. 25



YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Twin Falls

Yesterday	70-47	Precipitation	0.00
Month to date:		Normal mo. to date:	0.55
Last year	61-47	Year to date:	0.16
Normal	62-33	Normal year to date:	0.55

Idaho

City	High	Low	Precipitation
Boise	67	38	0.00
Burley	72	37	0.00
Cent. Idaho	57	15	0.00
Grangeville	57	15	0.00
Hagerman	57	15	0.00
Idaho Falls	60	24	0.00
Malad	62	38	0.00
Lewiston	73	35	0.00
McCall	59	20	0.00
Payette	71	24	0.00
Salmon	57	21	0.00
Stanley	62	17	0.00
Sun Valley	61	31	0.00

The Nation

City	High	Low	Precip.
Albuquerque	74	46	0.00
San Antonio	79	51	0.00
Chicago	59	42	0.00
Dallas	71	47	0.00
Denver	79	43	0.00
Des Moines	52	37	0.00
Houston	85	74	0.01
Indianapolis	51	36	0.00
Kansas City	61	35	0.00
Las Vegas	81	58	0.00
Los Angeles	65	50	0.00
Memphis	60	37	0.00
Miami Beach	77	63	0.00
Minneapolis	60	29	0.00
Missouri	55	26	0.00
New Orleans	63	52	0.00
New York	56	45	0.00
Philadelphia	68	40	0.00
Pittsburgh	67	39	0.00
Portland, Ore.	62	53	0.01
San Diego	64	39	0.00
St. Louis	71	30	0.00
Seattle	66	54	0.00
San Francisco	68	40	0.02
Spokane	59	39	0.00
Washington	62	49	0.00
Yuma	95	67	0.00

UV INDEX

Index: 6
Unpleasant
Burn time:
10 minutes

FIRE DANGER

The BFA has issued a fire watch for the region. Citizens should take precautions to use caution.

SKYWATCH

Sunset today 6:41 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 8:04 a.m.
Lunar phase: Last quarter, Oct. 11, 11:22 a.m.
Next quarter, Nov. 15, 11:42 a.m.

ACROSS THE NATION

Idaho: An upper-level storm system continues to spread clouds and limited amounts of precipitation across northern portions of Idaho this afternoon. Temperatures have been a tad cooler across much of the state due to the cloud cover with the exception being in eastern portions where skies have been sunnier.

Elsewhere: Dry skies and record low temperatures abandoned Sunday, with a sprinkle of showers in the Northwest. Several record temperatures were set, among them a reading of 18 degrees in Sioux City, Iowa;

23 degrees in Springfield, Mo.; 11 degrees in McAlester, Okla.; and 53 degrees in Orlando, Fla.

Skies were cloudy from New England through the Appalachians and the central Great Lakes.

Light showers were scattered in Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York state, but heavy showers were also reported in upper New England and West Virginia.

In the West, skies were partly cloudy in Washington and Oregon through upper Idaho to Montana and upper Wyoming.

- The Associated Press

Actress gets part of final wish

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Nearly 50 years after actress Hattie McDaniel's death, the Oscar-winning costar of "Gone With the Wind" will come close to getting her final wish.

McDaniel, the first black to win an Academy Award, asked to be buried at the Hollywood Memorial Park Cemetery, the final resting place of Billie Holiday, Rudolph Valentino and Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel, among others.

"I desire a white casket and a white shroud, with gardenias in my hair and in my hands, tangle and with a white gardenia bouquet and a pillow of red roses," McDaniel wrote. "I also wish to be buried in the Hollywood Cemetery."

But when she died in 1952 of breast cancer at age 57, the Los Angeles cemetery did not take blacks. McDaniel was buried instead at Angelus-Rosedale Cemetery.

Now, the new owners of the Hollywood Cemetery, which was renamed Hollywood Forever, are installing a memorial to recognize McDaniel.

On Tuesday, the 47th anniversary of her death, they will place a gray and pink granite monument next to a lake at the cemetery in view of the landmark Hollywood sign.

"There was so much that was done wrong here," said Tyler Cassidy, who bought the cemetery in 1998. "It was karma where we thought clearly they made a horrible decision and it is in our power to correct it."

Optimism

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said Janice Royce of Anchorage, Alaska, who is studying acupuncture in Columbia, an experimental "city of the future" in Maryland about halfway between Washington and Baltimore. "The economy is great. Politics will always be politics, but like the direction the country is going in."

The Pew poll examined what people expect to happen in the coming decades after the start of the new millennium. While the poll found people were generally upbeat, it also suggested they have serious worries about the coming years.

More than a third of Americans in a new poll expect the United States to be involved in a nuclear war during the next 50 years.

Peter Benson, a 45-year-old Englishman who now lives in this country and works for a delivery service, said he does not expect a full-scale nuclear war, "but some close calls are possible, along the lines of the Cuban missile crisis."

A majority of Americans, 56 percent, think overpopulation will be a major problem in the next 50 years and cause a strain on food and resources. About the same number think there will be an epidemic wave to AIDS in that period, health care will be less affordable and the crime rate will grow higher.

Almost two-thirds, 64 percent, think there will probably be a major terrorist attack on this country involving biological or chemical weapons. About the same number fear the world is likely to face a major energy crisis and environmental problems may be a major threat.

"My god, yes," said Michelle Nader, a 25-year-old receptionist, "when asked whether the environment would be a problem. "All the trees are being taken down. The ozone's terrible. It's a mess."

While seven out of 10 said they were optimistic, 27 percent said

they were at least somewhat pessimistic about the next 50 years in this country. Ms. Nader had some misgivings as well.

"With all the technological stuff, people will just stay in their houses and do everything through a computer," said Ms. Nader, whose arms are adorned with vivid floral tattoos. "People are not going to do much real living."

But several people in Columbia talked about an optimism in the future that is reflected in the national poll. That upbeat view seemed appropriate in a city carefully planned by the late developer James Rouse in the mid-1960s to be a vision of future communities. Special consideration was given to the location of schools, shopping districts, health centers and entertainment facilities to make living there a positive experience.

One Columbia resident who feels "very optimistic" is Linda Latta, a 46-year-old real estate saleswoman who was preparing to look fresh in her car.

Four out of five in the national poll think there will probably be cures for cancer and AIDS in the next 50 years, democracy will probably continue its spread around the world, and a woman will be elected president. Almost half said they thought Jesus Christ will return to earth.

The telephone poll of 1,546 adults was taken from April 6 to May 6 of this year and had an error margin of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

When asked if there would be a "manned landing" on Mars in the next 50 years, democracy was expected by three-fourths of Americans - Allen Bishop, a 59-year-old custodian, made a small amendment to the question. "I think they'll land a spacecraft on Mars - but women will be involved in a whole lot of this space stuff," he said. "If there's any landing on Mars, it could very well be a woman that will do it."

Hunger

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pantries in 1998.

The USDA, which fuels Community Action's food services, released the hunger study last week. It revealed that more than 3.7 million children go through periods of hunger through the year.

And it's not just the homeless and unemployed who run into trouble. Pendergast said most in the people Community Action helps - through various services including food assistance - have a monthly income of between \$1,029 and \$1,714.

"A lot of people who come to us are working, some with two jobs - minimum wage," she said. "Many spend half of their income on rent, and are then responsible for gas, insurance and food."

"Something has to get knocked off the plate," she said.

Last year, the "Northwest Job Gap Study" showed a single adult \$1.08 an hour to adequately pay for transportation, health care, child care and other essentials.

Information

Between January and August this year, the agency has helped 48 households in Minidoka County and 524 in Cassia County, said Millie Cabala, the program manager in Mini-Cassia.

Food boxes can be given to a family once every three months, Cabala said, so some of the households could have received a box more than once. She attributes the need to job loss, lack of income, a reduction in food stamps and a change in food stamp regulations.

The need for free and reduced school lunches has increased in Mini-Cassia as well.

About 48 percent of students who have access to school lunches in Minidoka County receive free or reduced lunches, said Marie Harris, food service supervisor for Minidoka County schools.

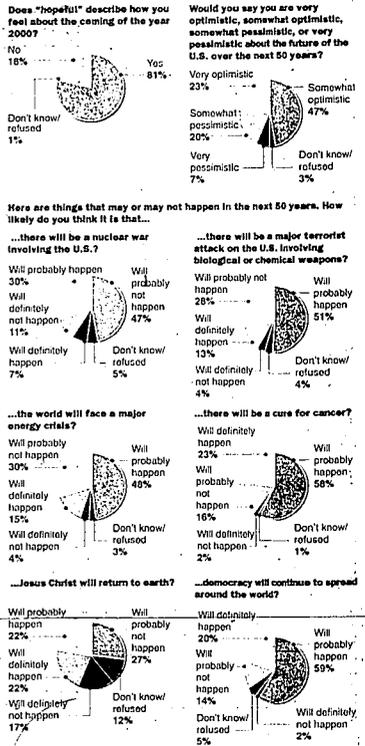
Harris has noticed a larger increase in participation in those lunch programs over the past two years.

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The next century

Four out of five people say they're hopeful about life in the new millennium, according to a poll by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press. The poll examined what people expect to happen after the start of the new century.



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Results are based on telephone interviews nationwide of 1,546 adults ages 18 and older April 6-May 6. A national survey of 1,200 people was conducted Oct. 1-12 to produce poll figures for certain questions. For more results, there is 95 percent confidence that the error attributable to sampling and other random factors is plus or minus 3 percentage points. The figure cited, the sample error is plus or minus 4 percentage points.

CORRECTION

A Community news item Wednesday incorrectly reported the date for this week's meeting of the Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays in Twin Falls. The meeting is Tuesday night. The Times-News regrets the error.

PHOTOS OF THE CENTURY



Officer Lola Shelton said she felt a little strange finishing out her round as the Walla Walla Country Club burned to the ground on July 16, 1996. "We feel kind of cooler out here playing," she said, "but we figured we can't do anything so we might as well keep playing." The cause of the fire was undetermined and destroyed property totaling \$3.5 million. The Times-News will be publishing memorable photos from this century in this space every Monday.

Eyes on defense bill as Democrats GOP parry

WASHINGTON (AP) — In new budget sparring, the top House Democrat sought to quell speculation Sunday that enough colleagues could join Republicans to override a threatened presidential veto of a highly popular \$268 billion defense measure.

"We've got to uphold these vetoes and I'm going to work very hard to do that," House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt of Missouri said on ABC's "This Week."

President Clinton has signed seven of the 13 spending bills to fund the government in the 2000 fiscal year that began Oct. 1. He has vetoed two — on foreign aid and the District of Columbia — and has yet to act on three others, including the defense bill. The largest spending bill, dealing with education, health and social services, remains before Congress.

Some extras in defense budget

Congress approved \$6.4 billion in "add-ons" to the 2000 Pentagon budget — items the military didn't ask for. Some of the large ones:

- Amphibious assault ship **\$375 million**
- Five F-15 fighters **\$275 million**
- Natl. Guard, reserve equipment **\$150 million**
- 11 Blackhawk helicopters **\$116 million**
- Air Force advanced research services **\$99 million**

Total 2000 defense budget approved by Congress **\$288.8 billion**

Add-ons approved by Congress **\$6.4 billion**

SOURCE: Center for Defense Information

The defense bill approved by the House 372-85 would increase spending by \$17.2 billion, raise military pay by 4.8 percent and finance projects in many congressional districts.

Clinton has until Tuesday to sign the bill or veto it.

Republicans on Sunday accused the president and Democrat leaders of unnecessarily holding the bill hostage in hopes the GOP majority would steer funds to initiatives such as the hiring of new teachers.

Republicans might pick up support from some pro-defense Democrats who have said they would help override a veto. Gephardt denied "strong-arming" them or any other Democrats.

Info in USA: A \$623B business

WASHINGTON (AP) — The business of America is information. The information industry, including entertainment, employed more than 3 million people and generated \$623 billion in income in 1997, the Census Bureau reports in a study being released today.

Overall, there were 114,000 information service businesses across the country.

The largest group of these businesses was in broadcasting and telecommunications with \$346.3 billion in receipts. That included \$29.8 billion in television broadcasting and \$10.6 billion for radio broadcasters.

Income for wired telecommunications carriers totaled \$208.8 billion, more than five times as much as the \$37.9 billion generated by wireless telecommunications carriers.

The report includes the Census Bureau's first-ever results for cable networks, with \$10.4 billion in receipts, and for cable and other program distributors, such as cable systems or direct-to-home satellite systems, with \$34.9 billion in receipts.

Satellite telecommunications operators, another new industrial classification, recorded \$5.1 billion in receipts.

Turning to publishing, receipts totaled \$179 billion, led by software publishers with \$61.7 million. California led all states with \$18.6 billion in software publishing receipts. Santa Clara County alone accounted for \$5.8 billion.

Newspapers were the second-largest publishing industry, with \$41.6 billion in receipts, followed by periodical publishers at \$29.6 billion, book publishers with \$22.6 billion and database and directory publishers with \$12.3 billion.

Cardinal returns to pulpit

NEW YORK (AP) — Still weak from radiation therapy, Cardinal John O'Connor returned to the pulpit Sunday at St. Patrick's Cathedral for his first public Mass in three weeks.

The spiritual leader for New York's 2.2 million Catholics and the Yal Bryner look. Our Lord never said that hair had any-

REMEMBERING A LIFE



Marsha Lanier, right, comforts her daughter Neesha Lanier during a memorial service for Marsha Lanier's father, Edward R. Sheriff, 68, at the Cathedral of Promise Metropolitan Community Church, in suburban Sacramento, Calif., where the well-known gay-rights advocate served as associate pastor. Sheriff was found stabbed to death at his home Oct. 20, the victim of an apparent robbery.

Tutu cancer hasn't spread

ATLANTA (AP) — Cancer detected in South African Archbishop Desmond Tutu has not spread beyond his prostate, doctors told the Nobel Prize winner on Saturday.

A tissue sample from Tutu's lymph nodes was taken Thursday

to determine if the cancer had spread.

The procedure also helped doctors to determine that cryosurgery, which uses liquid nitrogen to freeze the cancer, should be effective in treating Tutu's prostate gland.

Poll: Fooling insurers is OK to aid patients

CHICAGO (AP) — Many physicians approve of deceiving insurance companies or health maintenance organizations to secure payment for treatment if patients cannot get it any other way, a survey found.

The survey of 169 internists in eight cities found that 58 percent considered it ethical to lie for a patient who needed a heart bypass operation, and 48 percent considered it ethical to lie to get intravenous pain medication and nutrition for a dying cancer patient.

The percentages were lower for less serious conditions, researchers said in today's issue of the American Medical Association's Archives of Internal Medicine.

None of the doctors was asked if he or she had ever actually lied or would lie — only whether it would be justified for a physician to do so.

The mailed survey posed hypothetical treatment situations. In one, a 55-year-old woman who has never had a mammogram seeks the test after her sister dies of breast cancer. Almost 35 percent of the doctors said it was OK to say a suspicious breast lump existed when it didn't in order to get coverage.

In the heart bypass example, a woman suffering angina who needs the procedure is forced to change insurance companies. The new company says it won't cover the pre-existing condition unless it becomes more serious. A majority of doctors said they would lie and report that her chest pains increased in frequency to have the surgery covered.

Just under 3 percent said they would tell an insurance company that a 55-year-old woman who wanted a cosmetic nose job needed the procedure for a medical reason, such as difficulty breathing, the poll found.

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Bataan veterans protest proposed Japanese camp marker

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) - It doesn't sound like a big deal: a bronze plaque on a boulder at the edge of a dusty park where dogs run.

But to a handful of World War II veterans, the proposal to mark the site of a long internment camp for Japanese-Americans is a bitter affront.

"Why can't they wait till I'm dead?" asks 86-year-old Manuel Armiño, who survived the brutal Bataan death march and 3.5 years as a Japanese prisoner. "It just opens up old wounds. And it hurts."

Armiño was among 1,800 young New Mexicans sent during World War II to the Philippines - half of whom died.

In his hometown, a city that proudly promotes its rich, varied history, the internment camp for "enemy aliens" in United States territory where Japanese - is barely a footnote.

Nothing marks the 28-acre site, now an established residential neighborhood. No exhibit or archive tells the story of the camp, run by the federal government

from 1942-46.

Thomas Chavez, director of the Palace of the Governors, the state's history museum, decided a couple of years ago to rectify that omission. "It's history. It's what I should do," he says.

He set up a committee that did some research and eventually recommended a plaque at a city park on a hilltop overlooking the site. Private donors would pay for it. The City Council votes on the plaque Wednesday.

"This marker is placed here as a reminder that history is a valuable teacher only if we do not forget our past," is part of the proposed wording.

More than 120,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry, most of them U.S. citizens, were removed from their homes on the West Coast and taken to internment camps during World War II. Most of the camps were located in the West. One camp was a few miles from Jerome, the Minidoka War Relocation Center, known as the Hunt Camp.

The federal government in 1988



Arthur Smith, a Bataan Death March survivor, speaks about his experiences in one of the Japanese prison camps while his wife, Nessie Smith, listens in their home in Santa Fe Tuesday. Smith's medals and a photograph of everyone he trained with in New Mexico is on the wall behind him.

formally apologized for the treatment and has paid at least \$1.6 billion

by the Justice Department and surrounded by barbed wire, was largely for Japanese-born men who were professionals and community leaders and therefore considered more of a threat. Some had lived in the United States for decades, but under federal law could not become citizens.

More than 4,500 people passed through the camp. They were not soldiers, nor prisoners of war. But many leaders and still bitter after a half-century, contrast the internees' treatment to their own. They note that the Santa Fe camp had a farm, a garden, recreational facilities, classes and a theater group.

When Japan overran the Philippines and U.S. forces surrendered on the Bataan peninsula in April 1942, sick and starving soldiers were forced to march 65 miles in the hot sun. Denied food and water, they were beaten - and some were killed - as they fell out of line. The cruelty continued in prison camps.

"When I surrendered I weighed about 160 pounds. Within three months, I went to 72 pounds," says

Arthur Smith, 80.

Smith says he opposes the plaque because he wants to forget his war experiences. But he is surrounded by memorabilia.

The walls of his home in the Casa Solana neighborhood - the site of the camp - are lined with photos, maps and medals. He keeps a list of his surviving war buddies, crossing their names out with a pink marker when they die. Even his 1945 wedding picture is a reminder: His bride's dress was made from a parachute used in a four-day drift after he and other POWs were freed.

Smith still sees a psychiatrist, and he still has bad dreams. "I hate for the night to come," he says.

Dr. Gus Tanaka's father was picked up in Portland, Ore., the night Japan bombed Pearl Harbor and ended up in the Santa Fe camp.

"I can fully understand their bitterness, and my heart bleeds for what these guys went through," says Tanaka. "I really feel ashamed of the way Japan treated the Bataan veterans."

Researcher grades success of ten years of drug education programs

The Baltimore Sun

In America in the 1990s it's practically a given: In addition to reading, writing and arithmetic, schools are expected to teach children about drugs.

But how effective are school-based drug education programs? Should you enroll your child in one?

According to Harold E. Shinitzky, a psychologist with the Johns Hopkins Hospital, school-based programs are definitely worthwhile - but only if parents and school administrators have made the right choices.

You've probably heard this before: For every dollar spent on drug treatment you save \$12 of cost to society," says Shinitzky. "Well, for every dollar spent on prevention, you save \$4 in treatment. You don't have to be a math major to see the advantages of that."

Along with Dr. Haralyn Belcher of the Kennedy Krieger Institute, Shinitzky has reviewed the past decade of substance abuse prevention programs to determine traits common to the most successful efforts.

His interest was not just academic. He has created his own substance abuse education program, called Project Champions, that the Baltimore Orioles used in a recent interview. Shinitzky discussed his views on what parents should look for in drug prevention.

Question: You are critical of the feel-good, "Just say no" programs of the past, so what gives you hope that school-based drug education works?

Answer: The mentality in the past was that we had to do something. It could be school-based initiatives. It could be community-based or on TV. But there was no assessment of what worked and what didn't work.

The nice thing about the latest (Clinton administration) initiative is that they are actually studying the impact - on knowledge, attitude and behavior. They're following a group of people and monitoring them.

Q. What have we seen so far?

A. The initial results are pretty powerful in terms of changing knowledge and attitude, and that's just for the government ini-

For more information:

Centers for drug education and school-based programs:

- Join Together, a national coalition of drug, tobacco and gun violence prevention agency at www.jointogether.org, (617) 437-1500.

- National Institute on Drug Abuse, an agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services at www.nida.nih.gov.

- National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information that profiles free publications on alcohol and drug abuse, (800) 725-6686.

- National Health Information Center, the HHS agency that answers consumer health questions, (800) 336-4737.

- The Office of National Drug Control Policy at www.whitehouse.gov/ondcp.

- The Kaiser Family Foundation, which provides a free booklet on how parents can talk to their children about drugs and other issues at www.kff.org/parents.org, (800) CHILD44.

tiative. There have been a number of programs in the past that have now been studied over five years. They've turned out to be wonderful programs. Gilbert Botvin at Cornell University has a program called Life Skills Training. It's probably the most well-known prevention initiative. It's across the country.

Q. Is there an ideal age to reach children?

A. The sooner, the better. Whenever you think you want to start an intervention, you should do it at a younger age. As adults, we're usually more reactive than kids. The best age to start is before a child is in school, and work with the family.

You could almost say you should start before a child is born. Parents have to be role models. Parents can't abdicate their role and say the school is responsible for raising my child and giving them their morals and values.

Q. What factors are common to successful programs?

A. They need to be research-based. You have to be able to know what's going into it and coming out of it. They need to be

culturally sensitive. It has to fit the population. You can't just pull it off the shelf and apply it to anyone. It needs to be age-appropriate. There needs to be a peer refusal component.

They need to take advantage of peer pressure. In the last national survey, approximately 20 percent of eighth-graders studied said they used an illicit substance in the past year. You and I would agree that's atrocious. Well, it also means that four out of five eighth-graders didn't. A lot of people tend to miss that fact.

About 11 percent of eighth-graders used inhalants. That's terrible. But it also means 9 out of 10 kids aren't, and I want to emphasize that.

These broad-based interventions means don't wait until they face this problem and teach them refusal skills. Way before that, it's about decision-making, goal-setting, assertiveness, self-esteem, character development, these are all part of raising a resilient child.

Q. Most parents don't get to pick the drug education program their school adopts. How should I judge what my child's school is doing?

A. The first thing to do is to advocate for these effective programs, maybe connecting a local agency that might have one in place. Most programs right now are just feel-good. A lot of parents may not know what makes up the best practices. You need to contact agencies involved in this issue.

Q. Could a drug education program harm my child?

A. Yes, absolutely. A lot of programs only use the shock value. Whenever I've talked to adolescents after an intervention, their perception can be very different from what we anticipate. Here's an example. We used to use athletes talking about their own long-term drug or alcohol use and their struggle toward recovery. Well, that sounded like a nice message to be sending. You talk to a lot of adolescents - especially the males who look up to these athletes - and what they heard is that part of the process of becoming a professional athlete and fame was engaging in these illicit activities. That was the wrong message to be sending.

Experts fear foreign sources of Y2K remediation could disrupt security

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON - America's computer systems may survive this New Year's Eve just fine, but some U.S. intelligence officials and security consultants are worried about a threat that may linger long after the Year 2000 bug has come and gone.

Experts are expressing increasing confidence that critical computer systems in government agencies and private corporations will withstand the primary Y2K challenge - the transition from Dec. 31, 1999, to Jan. 1, 2000.

But key officials at the White House, Pentagon and national intelligence agencies, along with private consultants who are paid

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to make systems more secure, warn that the billions of dollars spent to fix the millennium glitch may have left U.S. computers vulnerable to a more insidious threat: Some of the people hired to make computer programs Y2K-compliant, including foreign contractors, may have deliberately infected them with hostile programming code.

"The use of untested foreign sources for Y2K remediation has

created a unique opportunity for foreign countries or companies to access and disrupt sensitive national security and proprietary information systems," wrote Terri L. Maynard, a CIA analyst at the National Infrastructure Protection Center, in a recently published unclassified report.

Maynard cited India and Israel in particular as "more likely sources of malicious remediation among leading U.S. offshore remediation service providers." He said that both countries are among those known to be developing "cyber warfare" capabilities and that both have large numbers of skilled programmers who work for U.S. companies.

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Gasoline prices dip despite rise for crude oil

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Gasoline prices fell nearly two cents nationwide over the past two weeks despite an increase in crude oil prices, an industry analyst said Sunday.

The weighted average nationwide as of Friday was \$1.3116, down 1.72 cents per gallon from an Oct. 8 survey, said Tribby Lundberg, director of the Lundberg survey of 10,000 gasoline stations nationwide. Gasoline prices dropped even though the crude oil prices climbed during the same period. Crude oil, which was going for \$21.45 a barrel earlier this month, closed Friday at \$23.45 per barrel, Lundberg said.

Gasoline prices fell, though, because the market was still reacting to earlier drops in the price of crude, Lundberg said.

In addition, demand for gasoline is experiencing a temporary dip because the summer vacation season is over and because less commerce is trans-

ported on the nation's highways in the winter months, Lundberg said.

The Lundberg survey showed a national average price for self service regular unleaded gasoline of \$1.2598. Mid-grade unleaded

was \$1.3590 and premium unleaded was \$1.4438.

The survey showed the average price was \$1.6110 with mid-grade at \$1.6978 and premium at \$1.7709.

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Murder of Maryland teen yields 24 years

TEL AVIV, Israel - Calling the murder and dismemberment of a Maryland teen-ager "an act of desecration," an Israeli judge on Sunday ended a lengthy and painful episode in Israel-U.S. relations by sentencing Samuel Sheinbein to 24 years in prison.

Sheinbein, 19, hands behind his back, did not react as the verdict was read two years after he fled to Israel and successfully sought refuge from extradition, enraging Maryland authorities and briefly threatening U.S. aid to the Jewish state.

Judge Uri Goren's sentence was not a surprise. Lawyers for Sheinbein and the Israeli prosecution had arrived at the plea bargain in August.

Sheinbein would be eligible for parole after two-thirds of his sentence is served. He may also be eligible for 24-hour furloughs in as soon as four years. The sentence was backdated to Sheinbein's arraignment in 1997.

Sheinbein confessed in September to choking 19-year-old Alfred Tello Jr. with a rope and hitting him several times with a sharp object - actions that caused his death. Sheinbein, who was 17 at the time, then dismembered the body with an electric saw and burned it.

Rat urine disease has killed 136 in Thailand

BANGKOK, Thailand - A disease transmitted by rats and contracted mainly by rat urine has killed 136 people and made more than 2,300 others sick this year, a news report said Sunday.

The toll is the highest since the disease, known as leptospirosis, was identified in Thailand in 1985, the Bangkok Post quoted the Public Health Ministry as saying.

The bacterial disease occurs mainly during the flood season. Most cases have been found in northeastern Thailand, the country's poorest region.

The ministry said other animals - including pigs, cows, buffaloes and chickens - could also carry the bacteria that causes the disease. Between 5 and 20 percent of those who contract leptospirosis die.

Japanese professor claims spinning top world record

TOKYO - A high-tech top designed by a retired college professor spun for more than 90 minutes at a park in southwestern Japan on Sunday, breaking a world record, park officials said.

The top, built by Inosuke Mori, 69, spun for 1 hour, 37 minutes and 42 seconds, eclipsing the old record of 1 hour, 21 minutes and 32 seconds set in 1986, said Akiko Yamamoto of Sanuki Children's Park.

The record was set during a spinning top demonstration for 500 children interested in science in Takamatsu, 340 miles southwest of Tokyo.

Enri is a retired professor of mechanical electronics at Takamatsu National College of Technology. Yamamoto said the park would sponsor the event in the Guinness Book of World Records this week.

The previous record was held by a 25-member team from Japan's Kawasaki Steel Corp., she said.

Rome bans new sex shops for 2000 Holy Year

ROME - Rome on Saturday banned the opening of new sex shops during the 2000 Holy Year, forbidding them in the historic city center and along major pilgrim routes in the city.

The restriction also covers existing shops that sell sex paraphernalia without the proper permits.

Rome expects more than 20 million visitors next year, which the Roman Catholic Church has predicted a Holy Year.

The ban, which takes effect today, is to stay in place through April 2001.

Enrico Gasbarra, chairman of the city government's commerce agency, said the prohibition was ordered in the interest of ethics and taste.

Indonesian head says China tops foreign policy agenda

JIMBARAN, Indonesia - Demanding new international respect for his crisis-ridden nation, Indonesian new president Abdurrahman Wahid said Sunday that relations with the West would take a back seat to ties with Asia, particularly China.

Abdurrahman Wahid also outlined a long list of democratic and human rights reforms and Indonesia in his first policy speech since his election by the

World in brief



Samuel Sheinbein

top legislative body on Wednesday, a vote that ended more than four decades of authoritarian rule.

Wahid signaled that the reforms would be matched by a renewed sense of nationalism in "Indonesia Baru" - the "New Indonesia."

Still, Wahid said he would appoint to his Cabinet some members of former President Suharto's disgraced regime. That move defies a chorus of calls to wipe the slate clean after the recent ouster of former President B.J. Habibie's government, which included many Suharto holdovers.

Rouling evokes as rebel chief greets fighters

REMEIXIO, East Timor - Guerrilla chief Jose Alexandre Gusmao on Sunday made his first visit to his fighters since returning to East Timor, praising them for their courage in the struggle for independence.

Rebel soldiers wiped away tears as they listened.

Gusmao arrived in the mountain town of Remexio, where the guerrillas now have their headquarters, aboard a U.S. helicopter, with soldiers from the multinational peacekeeping force keeping close watch over him.

Gusmao was captured by Indonesian authorities in 1992, but continued to serve as the rebel force's chief strategist while in jail and then under house arrest in the Indonesian capital, Jakarta. The guerrilla leader, widely expected to become the first president of an independent East Timor, returned Friday on an emotional welcome in the territory's capital, Dili. In a speech, he called for reconciliation and unity.

Argentines cast ballots to replace Carlos Menem

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina - With an economy wracked by recession and a populace weary of the flamboyant decade-long rule of President Carlos Menem, voters appeared likely Sunday to elect an opposition candidate as Argentina's new president.

However, Menem, who steered Argentina onto a free market course, predicted a close race and scoffed at polls predicting a resounding triumph by Fernando De la Rúa, the 62-year-old mayor of Buenos Aires. Most campaign polls had given opposition candidate De la Rúa at least a 14-point advantage over Eduardo Duhalde, 58, the candidate from Menem's Peronist Party and governor of Buenos Aires province.

"Election polls indicated the same at the time of my own election," Menem said before arriving in his native La Rioja province, where he was to cast his vote.

"They said I wouldn't even advance to a runoff election, and it was quite the contrary."

AIDS experts urge Asia to act before epidemic worsens

SINGAPORE - AIDS experts called Sunday for Asia to act urgently to control the epidemic's rapid spread on the continent, saying the Asian-Pacific region is at a reversal of the region's economic growth.

"We are still at the very beginning of the AIDS/HIV epidemic in Asia-Pacific," Peter Piot, executive director of the U.N. AIDS Program, said at the 5th International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific. "There's no room for complacency."

An estimated 7 million people are living with HIV or AIDS in the Asia-Pacific. At the opening of the four-day conference, experts urged the region to learn a lesson from Africa, which has 21 million cases that account for two-thirds of the world's infections.

- compiled from wire reports



Jose Luis Tosca Ventura stands partially submerged in more than four feet of water at the front door of his house in Villahermosa, Mexico, Sunday.

FLOODED FAMILIES

Water, mud and rain are constant companions of Mexico's flooding victims

VILLAHERMOSA, Mexico (AP) - Otilio Perez de la Cruz has always made a living from the water. Now he lives in it. Sardines dart from his bedroom to his living room. Sometimes they tickle his shins while he watches television.

For nearly a month, the second generation fisherman-turned-fish-vendor and his family of four have lived in thigh-high water in his one-story home.

Heavy rain and mudslides have caused massive flooding across southeastern Mexico and this month alone have killed more than 400 people, according to official figures - and many more.

The damage has been especially heavy in Villahermosa, the capital of the state of Tabasco, with 170,000 people displaced

from this city of 465,000 since mid-September.

But many, like the Perez family, have opted to stay in their homes to fend off looters. The Perez family now lives on a series of planks balanced on buckets. The planks start at what was their porch and lead from room to room. Their belongings are stacked on tables. Remarkably, they have electricity.

"Be careful going down the stairs," Perez warns a photographer in chest-deep water struggling for footing as he heads out their front door. "There are three steps. Then you'll feel the carb."

Authorities on Saturday opened the flood gates of the Penitas dam in the neighboring state of Chiapas because it was filled beyond capacity and in danger of bursting from the

weeks of heavy rain.

Water levels were expected to rise by as much as 20 inches in already flooded areas and boost dangerously high rivers as a result. Authorities said the water would be released gradually, and no major damage from the release was reported Sunday.

But areas of Villahermosa already sitting under as much as 5 to 6.5 feet of water were expected to see the flooding increase by another 20 inches.

Colonia La Manga II, a working-class neighborhood where Perez lives, has spent the past month under 5 feet of water - before the flood gates were opened. Residents said they were even seeing crocodiles that escaped after flood waters swept over a nearby hatchery. One woman was surprised by two

coral snakes as she was doing dishes.

"If the water gets to here," said Perez, 40, pointing to his chest, "then we'll have to go and call it a loss. But until then, I'm not leaving. There are too many things around here."

Here in Colonia La Manga II, residents like Perez struggle to maintain their daily routine. Women lug shopping bags from the mall, kick off their high heels and haphazardly dugout canoes to row home. Teen-agers canoe to their friends' homes. Neighbors yell greetings and exchange gossip as they float past each other.

"But you feel bad," said resident Laura Hernandez Martinez, 16. "The water stinks, and a lot of kids are starting to get sick. Sometimes I feel like it'll never go down."



Two Colombian citizens living in Venezuela pray for peace during a march in front of the Colombian consulate in Caracas, Venezuela, Sunday.

Colombians mount huge anti-war protests as peace negotiations begin

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) - Awakening from a "nightmare of apathy and fear," millions of Colombians marched Sunday in the largest anti-war protest in nearly four decades of civil strife.

Peace negotiations began in a rebel-held town. Claiming inspiration from such nonviolent crusaders as Mahatma Gandhi and Martin Luther King Jr., marchers in 15 major cities and dozens of towns turned out to demand a cease-fire, swift progress in peace talks and an end to violence against civilians - the principal victims of a war that has claimed at least 300,000 lives.

Tucking peace ribbons to their laps, painting their faces in the green-and-white colors of the budding peace movement and waving small paper flags bearing the simple slogan "No Mas" - no more - humanity filled main squares in Bogota, Medellin and Cali.

"We have awakened from the nightmare of apathy and fear,"

Francisco Santos, a key organizer and newspaper editor from one of the country's most influential families, thundered to a gathering in Bogota's Simon Bolivar park.

Santos claimed at least 5.2 million people marched nationwide in this country of 40 million. Police said two million protested in the capital.

Meanwhile, government and guerrilla negotiators convened in Uribe, a ranching town, to launch formal peace negotiations that have stumbled since their ceremonial January inauguration.

Armed rebels mingled through the hundreds of people who had gathered to witness the ceremony involving delegates of President Andres Pastrana's government and the leftist Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC, the hemisphere's most powerful rebel band.

After rebel negotiator Raul Reyes read a speech railing

against U.S. military aid, a presidential peace envoy said the country faced two possible futures.

"Either we will destroy ourselves or we will rebuild ourselves," peace commissioner Victor G. Ricardo told the gathering.

While both sides boast that peace prospects are more promising than ever, they are also cautioning strongly against expectations of a quick resolution.

Many Colombians are hoping the anti-war movement unprecedented in the South American nation where peace activists have been systematically killed by extremists - will light a fire under the negotiators' feet.

Chechens claim 39 are dead

GROZNY, Russia - Russian warplanes and artillery pummeled towns around Grozny and other parts of Chechnya on Sunday, and Chechen officials claimed at least 39 people had been killed and dozens more injured in the attacks.

The Russian military acknowledged it fired missiles at targets around the towns of Bamut and Achkoi-Martan, but said they were aimed at rebel military positions.

Chechen leaders again called for peace talks with Russia, demanding they be held on neutral territory with international mediation.

Grozny was calm Sunday, though most people ventured out of basement bomb shelters only to cook food on campfires in the streets. Some residents shopped for food at the city's central open-air market, which reopened Sunday after a Thursday night bombing that killed at least 143 people.

Russian officials have repeatedly balked at suggestions for negotiations, saying the war is aimed against terrorists. Russia sent troops into Chechnya at the end of September, ostensibly to wipe out militants who invaded neighboring Dagestan.

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You describe your efforts to win in. Has it occurred to you that she may have felt humiliated when she found herself and her child without a roof over their heads?

Whether it's possible to patch up this rift remains to be seen. A giant step in the right direction would be for you to seek counseling in anger management techniques...

in to the Liguorian, a Catholic magazine. That was its first official publication to my knowledge. Since then, it has appeared in church bulletins, teaching seminars and on talk radio...

Jim died at 51 of a heart attack on May 23, 1973, after retiring to Sarasota, Fla.

My second marriage was to Homer Kenny, a Sarasota widower, so I became...

DEAR MRS. KINNEY: I agree that the true author should be given credit. James Kinney was a gifted poet. How sad that he died so young...

Abby, I admit I'm not easy to live with. She just thought I regretted our relationship and didn't love her anymore. I loved and still love her and her young son...

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DEAR HEARTBROKEN AND ABANDONED: Since you were the one who threw this woman and her child out, I fail to see stance of having been abandoned.

You describe yourself as "not easy to live with" and have demonstrated a volatile temper.

DEAR ABBY: My husband, James Patrick Kinney, wrote the poem "The Cold Within" in the 1960s...

He submitted it to the Saturday Evening Post, however, it was rejected as "too controversial of the times."

Jim was active in the ecumenical movement. His poem was sent

Movie-goes say 'I do' for comedy film

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Tye Diggs found wedded bliss at the box office when "The Best Man" debuted as the weekend's top movie with \$3.1 million...

Martin Scorsese's "Bringing Out the Dead" had a so-so opening weekend with \$6.2 million for fourth place. "Crazy in Alabama," directed by Antonio Banderas and starring wife Melanie Griffith, premiered dismally with \$1 million to finish well out of the top 10.

"Bats," about swarms of killer winged things on a rampage in a Texas town, opened in seventh place with \$4.7 million. "Three to Tango," a romantic comedy with Neve Campbell, Matthew Perry and Dylan McDermott, was eighth with \$4.6 million.

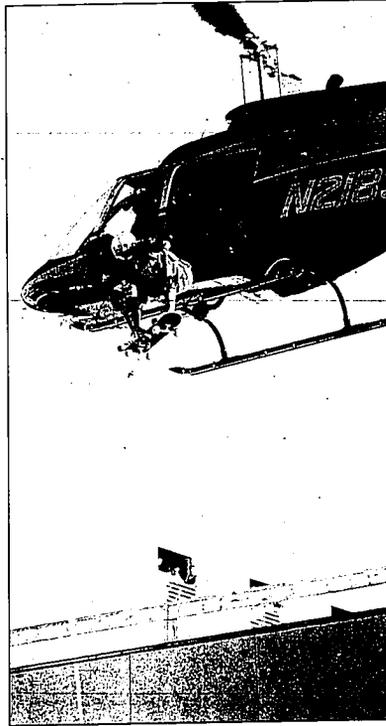
It was a tough weekend for new movies, with earlier releases still competing strongly. "Jeopardy!" remained the No. 2 movie, grossing \$7.7 million in its fifth weekend, pushing its total take up to \$91 million.

"Double Jeopardy!" is still siphoning off that mature audience so many of the fall films go after, said Paul Dergarabedian, president of Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc., which tracks movie ticket sales. "It's making it tough for some of these newcomers to break in."

Last weekend's top film, "Fight Club," fell to third place with \$6.3 million. "The Story of Us" was No. 5 with \$5.5 million and "American Beauty" placed sixth with \$5.4 million.

In "The Best Man," co-written by Spike Lee and written and directed by his cousin Malcolm D. Lee, Diggs plays a writer who is best man at a friend's wedding. Bedlam breaks loose when a bridesmaid, played by Nia Long, obtains an advance copy of Diggs' steamy novel that burrows heavily from the lives of the wedding party.

HAPPY LANDINGS



Skateboarder Danny Way drops 15 feet from a helicopter to an 18-foot, 5-inch skating ramp at the third annual MTV Sport & Music Festival Friday at the Hard Rock hotel and casino in Las Vegas.

That's way up there

Q. How tall was the tallest tree ever measured?

A. Exactly 435 feet, if that record is right. "But more probably 500 feet," said one observer on the scene of the measurement. It was an Australian eucalyptus, at Warts River, Victoria, Australia, in 1872.

Why is it the heads of all great ballerinas have been much smaller than average?

Parents are more likely to hit their children, statistically, than are the canine caretakers to hit their cubs. That's what one study shows.

Tennessee highway authorities recently changed their rules. Except for federally protected wildlife, you now can grill anything you run over on the road. When Fiat first got television, the number of eating disorders among the islanders went up dramatically, according to correspondents.

Not even all Los Angeles know it's illegal to drive more than 2,000 sheep down Hollywood Boulevard at one time.

Q. Glass in medieval cathedral windows is thicker at the bottom than at the top. Because glass is fluid so flows downward, right? A. That's one notion. Another is antique handmade glass was unevenly thick, and glassmakers reasonably elected to put the thickest so strongest edge at the bottom.

Race-winning canines generally cost more than race-winning horses.

Delaware is called the horseradish center of the United States. Even in Delaware.

Q. If the owl is so stupid, how come it's always called wise? A. Goes back to the ancient Greeks. It was the symbol of Athena, goddess of wisdom. That bird, so silent in the night, sees well, hears well, and flies well. But smart it's not.

Not only are blondes easier to hypnotize, insists a man of medicine, but they're easier to arrest. Maybe so, don't know.



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Sagittarius: Don't play games with fire

IF OCTOBER 25 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are spiritual, sensitive, psychic and very likely possess extraordinary perceptual abilities.

Virgo promises you outstanding results in your life, could be your letters, initials in names - G, P, V. Soon you will be relieved of burden and will be prepared to travel. November emphasizes decisions in connection with partnership, marriage. Enjoy the holidays.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You will not be able to escape questions concerning public appearances, personal desires, marital status. What was left behind will catch up.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): This will not be a Blue Monday. All ports point to celebration, added recognition. Your work will be promoted by Aries. Relative visits, travel talk featured.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You will be handed task which should have been taken care of by another. Do the job without complaint. Important person takes note of your good will.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Status quo at the window. Be ready for new concepts, adventure of change, travel, variety. Member of opposite sex finds you attractive. You will say so.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Attention revolves around home, family, security. What was lost

HOROSCOPE Sydney Omarr

will be recovered - it was where you left in first place. Libra involved.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Check Virgo message for added wisdom. Mystery solved, one you trust will reveal facts. Psychic impressions prove valid. Follow intuition and your heart.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Power play. People who are jealous of your energy, vitality will speak up in challenging tone. Capricorn. Cancer individuals figure in dynamic scenario.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Gather travel information. Focus on advertising, promoting, ability to garner favorable publicity. Avoid fire hazards, don't invite trouble. Aries represented.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Lunar position coincides with personal magnetism, sensuality, sex appeal. Money could be involved, go all out to prove you are right person. Aquarius in picture.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Check Capricorn message for vital information. Questions concerning promotion, family, marital status figure prominently. Spotlight on direction, motivation.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Diversify, display versatility and humor. Good fortune awaits, know it, act accordingly. Your talents, contributions are not going unnoticed.

Navajo rugmaking helps boy get in touch with his roots

LEHI, Utah (AP) — Dallan Evans' wooden table runner has a few more bumps and knots than most hand-spun Navajo rugs.

But that just gives the 6-year-old his work more original. "His rug has lots of character," said Lanita Evans, his mother.

She notes with pride that Dallan, who is just beginning to learn the art of weaving, won a blue ribbon in the youth division of the home-arts category at the Utah State Fair.

Evans has taught her son to weave, starting with raw wool from Idaho sheep through carding and spinning. When he's 6, he will learn how to do backweave. Lanita Evans wants Dallan - and all three of her children - to understand a part of their father's heritage. Sam Evans is a full-blooded Navajo, who was adopted when he was 2 years old by a Lehi couple, Boise and Carole Evans.

So she learned spinning and weaving in a class and now teaches at the Lehi Library.

Dallan's creation is simple, with broad stripes woven in blue, navy, grays, cremes and blacks of the wool. He worked on just the weaving for 10 days. The carding and the spinning took him longer. In all,



Dallan Evans, 6, cards wool using carding combs at his Lehi, Utah, home Friday. Evans won first place at the Utah State Fair in the Youth Home Arts category with a table runner he made from wool. It took about 60 days, said his mother. "It was hard, yeah. Real hard," Dallan said. His mother said the boy worked more steadily when the

COMICS

Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

SOMEONE SAID YOU WERE A MESSAGE DOG... THEY DID? HERE...THE ADDRESS IS ON THE FRONT... I WANT IT DELIVERED AS FAST AS POSSIBLE... 10-25

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

I OFFERED TO CARRY HIS SUTHERLAND UP TO HIS ROOM AND THE TWO OF US GOT INTO THE ELEVATOR... WHEN WE STEPPED OUT AT THE 6TH FLOOR THERE WAS A LARGE MIRROR ON THE WALL IN FRONT OF US... MY GOD!

Dilbert By Scott Adams

WE'LL BE DESTROYING ANOTHER HEALTHY COMPANY VIA A PROCESS WE CALL MERGING... NO ENGINEERS WILL BE DOWN-SIZED AFTER THE MERGER... AND TECH WRITERS... YES?! SHOULD WRITE THAT DOWN.

Stonilo By Dean Young & Stan Drake

DOESN'T THE COLLEGE CAMPUS LOOK BEAUTIFUL RIGHT NOW? THAT LIMO MUST BE A WEALTHY ALUMNUS... NO, I SAW THE LICENSE PLATE... IT'S THE QUARTERBACK.

B.C. By Johnny Hart

YOU WANT ME TO BEAM HIM? BEAM HIM! BINK

Pickles By Brian Crane

WHAT ON EARTH HAPPENED HERE? WHO GOT INTO THE REFRIGERATOR AND MADE THIS BIG MESS? SOGGIE!! IT WAS YOU, WAGNET IT?! BAD DOG!

Garfield By Jim Davis

DEATH, TAXES AND TEPPEY BEARS THREE THINGS YOU CAN ALWAYS COUNT ON!

Denzil the Menace By Hank Ketcham

"ARE YOU SAYING GRACE, OR LOOKING FOR CARROTS IN THE CASSEROLE?"

The Family Circus By Bil Keane

"Send Grandma an E-kiss from me and an E-wag from Baryl."

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

Ye Odele CARPING TABLE AND WHAT'LL YE HAVE, MATEY? HAMBURGER! HOT DOG!

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

I'LL HAVE THE RAW OYSTERS WOULD YOU MIND SIGNING THIS RELEASE? MAKE THAT FRIED OYSTERS

Rose Is Rose By Pat Brady

THE FUTURE WAS INTERRUPTED BY THE PAST FUTURE! WELL? WAS I WARNED BY THE TV SHOW I WATCHED? YOU WERE LUCKY THIS TIME!

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

OH, GOOD! YOU FINISHED EVERY BITE OF YOUR CASSEROLE! MAMA! THE DOG IS THROWING UP OUT HERE!

Zits By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

HERE, GARY! I FORGOT TO RETURN YOUR PENCIL AFTER ALGEBRA CLASS. THANK JEREMY! HOW SWEET! CHUCKS LOVE THE GUY! LITTLE GESTURES LIKE THAT MY BOYFRIEND IS A MACHON.

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

OKAY, MEN! START DIGGING YOUR FOXHOLES! NOT THERE, BEETLE! OVER THERE! AND HE SAYS HE DOESN'T HASSLE ME

Luann By Greg Evans

I CAN'T BELIEVE WE'RE LOCKED IN THE LIBRARY! IT'S SO WEIRD IT'S ALMOST FUNNY! HERE'S A PHONE - AND A SCHOOL DIRECTORY, I'LL CALL A CUSTODIAN OR SOMEONE. MAMSE I CAN PICK THIS! BETTER CALL MY PARENTS, TOO, BEFORE THEY... AARDY? THE PHONE'S DEAD.

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

DMV DRIVING TESTS... THAT WAS WHAT I CALL MY "LATE FOR WORK" RIDE.

Strange Brew By John Deering

If You BUILD IT, THEY WILL COME

Non Sequitur By Wiley

OOOH, BABY! I SMELL A BLOOD-BATH COMING... MUCH HEEPER THAN YOU MUCH HEEPER THAN YOU

The Bom Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

I'LL BLOW THE LEAVES OFF YOUR LAWN FOR FIFTY BUCKS! THAT'S OUTRAGEOUS! BESIDES, I JUST RAKED, THERE AREN'T ANY LEAVES ON MY LAWN! OH, YEAH? I JUST BLEW THE LEAVES OUT OF YOUR NEIGHBOR'S YARD!

Kevin Costner Decides To Add On A Pool

KEVIN COSTNER DECIDES TO ADD ON A POOL

OTHER VIEWS

Clinton has stomped on the preservation of wild lands

From the Standard-Examiner (Ogden, Utah)

How best to preserve the isolated, roadless reaches of the West?

Dumb approach: Have President Clinton make a sweeping but surprise announcement, at a press conference in Virginia, that he'll designate 40 million acres of forest lands - most of it in the West - as roadless.

Smarter approach: Survey Westerners, determine that most of them love and value the wild areas around them. Make a simple recommendation that laws already in place are sufficient to protect those areas. Appeal to the majority who believe that off-road vehicles, responsible for much of the damage to sensitive soil, should be better managed.

It's not hard to figure what tack gets our sympathetic attention. The message from the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance is: We're smart enough to protect what we have. But Clinton seems to be saying: You're too dumb to figure this out for yourselves - do I have to do everything?

The intentions of the president, who hasn't stepped within Utah's borders except to ski on private land, are unclear, and may be pure. But he's fueled a fire storm of protest that may stymie any progression on the issue of preserving wilderness. Many Utahns were overcome last week with a sense of *deja vu*: The Grand Staircase-Escalante area may indeed deserve designation as a national monument, but the president went about it in an extremely off-putting manner: a surprise announcement made in another state.

SUWA's recent survey, conducted by Dan Jones & Associates, confirms that members of the off-road vehicle community who feel they personally own every foot of public land are in the

minority. A great majority of Utahns - 78 percent - believe that protecting the wilderness areas of Southern Utah deserves attention now. Sixty-seven percent feel that one of the threats to wilderness is off-road vehicles, such as all-terrain vehicles, dirt bikes and jeeps used for four-wheeling.

But how to go about that? SUWA provides an answer that seems well within our powers: Enforce existing laws.

The Bureau of Land Management, caretaker of the desolate stretches statewide, maintains this policy: Every area is open unless it's marked closed; no ORV controls. Contrast that with the Forest Service philosophy: Every area is closed to motorized vehicles, unless it's marked open.

The Forest Service already seeks to maintain its charge areas as roadless so it doesn't need a press conference by Clinton. But the BLM, with its ultra-open policy, is unable to prevent new roads from sprawling helter-skelter, whenever the whim of an ATV or dirt-digging SUV may point. These unplanned and ill-conceived roads are immeasurable damage.

Clinton, with its limited staff, would do better to consider designating specific areas as ORV-friendly; that would certainly be easier to enforce.

And this agency should follow the Forest Service's example in regulating compliance in the areas designated - with sound reason - as off-limits to motorized vehicles.

Vocal ORV enthusiasts offer the argument that these are public lands, and they therefore have a right to use them as they see fit. That's backwards reasoning. Because these are public lands, we the public have a heightened responsibility to care for them.



New CAFO rules don't undercut Legislature

In spite of vigorous support from the Idaho Association of Counties, the Idaho Legislature soundly rejected legislation in early 1999 which would have provided expanded authority for local officials to site confined animal feeding operations for all species. By a nearly unanimous vote, the Legislature then directed the Division of Environmental Quality to promulgate rules governing operations of large hog and poultry operations, including determination of what number constitutes "large."

With applications now submitted for a 1 million head per year hog unit, it is timely to clarify procedures for this rule making so interested parties understand how to further affect the outcome.

Proposed rules were submitted by DEQ for public hearings in late August. Oct. 6, a meeting was held by the six-member legislative Rules Review Subcommittee (three from the Senate Resources and Environment Committee, Sens. Anderson, Stennett, Noh; three from the House Environmental Affairs Committee, Reps. Barraclough and Ellsworth, Jaquet). Under law, these committees may call a meeting to review rule proposals and, by a two-thirds vote of the House and Senate members voting separately, object to the rules or some portion thereof. Such a vote is advisory



READER COMMENT
Sen. Laird Noh and Rep. Doug Jones

and not binding upon the agency. In this case, since the rules are of broad general interest, Rep. Barraclough and I, as co-chairs, invited our counterparts from the House and Senate Agricultural committees to join informally in the meeting. Nine legislators participated in the extensive discussions, and no motions on the rules were made.

As of Oct. 6, DEQ was still reviewing public comments, the most they could finalize on a rules proposal. Their final product will be submitted in mid-November to the Board of Health and Welfare.

This board of citizens, appointed by the governor, has the final say on what

will be in the rules. Their meetings are open to the public, and they may further public input at that time.

DEQ has the option of proceeding in one of two ways. If they believe it essential that rules be in place as soon as possible, with the approval of the governor, the rules can become effective upon action by the Board of Health and Welfare. These are called temporary rules. If time is not of the essence, the rules approved by the board, called permanent rules, will not go into effect until the end of the next legislative session. In either case, the Legislature will review the rules next January and may vote to reject the rules in whole or in part. The Legislature does not have constitutional authority to change rules of state agencies but can reject them.

Toward the end of the Oct. 6 meeting, DEQ Administrator Steve Allred asked for any thoughts the legislators might have on the issue of which of the two routes the agency should take. Of the eight legislators remaining at the meeting, all expressed support for having the rules go into effect as soon as possible.

Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, is chairman of the Senate Resources and Environment Committee. Rep. Douglas Jones, R-Filer, is chairman of the House Agricultural Affairs Committee.

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Seize the opportunity

I want to make a few observations and air my opinion concerning a construction and hotel complex for Twin Falls. As a resident of this community for several years, I have worked with several groups who schedule meetings in this Council of the NAIC, a group dedicated to the education of individual investors, started holding investor conferences, and soon it became apparent that the College of Southern Idaho was only place in town that could accommodate the group's room requirements, but no catering facilities were available. This put a kink in the growth of the meetings.

Twin Falls seems not to get its share of national known entertainers. With all the people in the Magic Valley, it seems that sometimes we shouldn't have to go to Boise, Salt Lake or Jackpot to see a show. I have been told that it is because of the lack of facilities.

Some people have told me that several people have "put the pencil" to a convention center and can't pencil the numbers to make it pay. Since Mr. Nielsen wants to see one and put it on his land and is not asking for any of our tax dollars. This is sort of unusual in this day of "communities paying" for something to bring them to town. Here is a local businessman wanting to do something for us without getting into my pocket.

The only serious objection I have heard is that some of the proposed building exceeds the height restriction for the canyon rim. This would harm the view from on top and for the rollers below looking up. I personally would spend more time enjoying the view from a nice restaurant and lounge with a view of the canyon so I can enjoy the view without the wind or other weather-related elements. If I want to enjoy the elements while I view, I can use the chamber of commerce visitor center and over look.

I encourage city officials to work with Mr. Nielsen's group to come up with a plan to allow the height he needs for his project and to add another way to view our natural resource. It is refreshing to see someone local who wants to do something good for our community without holding out their hand first.

JOHN G. HAIGHT
Twin Falls

Article was misleading

In response to the article by Julie Postel-Hames, News correspondent) on Oct. 14, page C-2:

Her article was a little misleading. It read, "It seems like more police work is getting done and less by work is getting done." Councilman Kent Sullivan said, "The real issue is making sure the city work is getting done. To have a policeman sit here for eight hours with radar is

ridiculous, and we need to address it."

The first quote I did make, and I think the key word in that quote is "seems." A concerned resident made the second quote. I know that Officer Gary Taylor and Officer Richard Pendleton do not sit and run radar for eight hours a day. They spend about two hours at the school each day and many other hours at home games, besides all the other duties, 911 calls, paper work, etc.

I, as a councilman, voted to hire both of these men to work for our city in a dual role, and they are doing a great job. As in any "new" thing, it will take some time to work out some of the unseen situations, but in time with the right attitude, they can be worked out. Having family members as natives of Hazelton, I would visit in the summers as a teen and even work for the whole summer in Hazelton.

Moving to Hazelton more than three years ago, I have seen and been personally involved in improving the looks and attitude of our city. I feel we have done a great job, with me as one. It is very easy to sit back and criticize something you had nothing to do with, but don't sit back and criticize until you're willing to be part of the solution.

These men do a lot more than is seen by the public. The maintenance of a city is a lot of work. How many of us just stop and say "thanks" for all that they do? Most of the time when we talk to them it

is to complain about our ditch water, our garbage or something else we don't like. They put in many hours to make sure you have running water and sewer every day.

Thanks to Officer Gary Taylor and Officer Richard Pendleton, Hazelton has become a better and safer place to live.

KENT SULLIVAN
City Councilman
Hazelton

Decision is bad for Idaho

The recent Idaho Supreme Court decision on wilderness water rights has the potential to devalue values of Idaho land. This does not just affect farm and ranch land. It may hurt residential values also. Giving the federal government the right to all unappropriated water after 1980 for the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness may have the effect of severely reducing values for properties with water rights anytime after those dates. This could happen miles from the wilderness area and will be a major impediment to economic development upstream of that wilderness.

Consider owning a retirement home near Salmon or Challis that has a domestic well with a priority of, say, 1981. When the time comes to sell, could the owner truthfully state that the domestic water situation is useable and reliable? If this decision is useable and reliable? If this decision is required, at a minimum, to disclose that

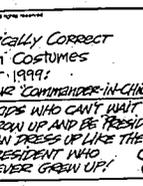
the domestic water right is possibly inferior to a federal reserved water right and subject to termination.

The value of land purchased with this idea of putting a home on it is in peril. What would be worth to have there? A house site if it could only be used for dry pasture? Obviously it wouldn't be worth as much. This example and many others underscore the devastating effect this ruling could have on this portion of our economy.

If this decision stands, what would be the alternatives? A person may not be allowed to drill another well nor could an agreement be made to use an earlier well since it likely would not be provable that this use did not harm the new federal right. The choices would be limited and maybe costly. The effect on value of property developed after these dates will be bad. This ruling, if it stands, will not even keep the status quo. For those who would like to see no further development in Idaho, only a portion of the dream will come true. Existing developments may receive artificially enhanced values, which will make it even more difficult for the young people of Idaho to stay here and invest. Everyone in Idaho should read this decision. In my opinion, this is just plain bad for Idaho.

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By Gary Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore

By Bruce Tinsley

AROUND THE VALLEY

TF City Council to discuss water system

TWIN FALLS - The City Council will discuss its water system improvements at a public meeting. U-B Engineers Inc. will give the council a report on the status of the improvements.

The city budgeted more than \$7 million for improvements to its water system. Improvements include four new wells and two new reservoirs south of town.

The council will also consider a resolution establishing the Twin Falls Centennial Commission. The nine-member commission will help assist the city in the commemoration of its 100th anniversary through a variety of activities, programs and community events.

The Twin Falls City Council will meet at 5 p.m. at City Hall.

City to test machine which scans votes

TWIN FALLS - The City of Twin Falls and the Twin Falls County Election Department will give the Optic IV Nov. 1. The Optic IV is an optical scan counting machine that will be used Nov. 2 to count votes in the city election.

The test will begin at 2 p.m. in the third floor meeting room of the Twin Falls County Courthouse.

Area lawmakers host PERSI forum

TWIN FALLS - Two local lawmakers serving on a committee evaluating possible changes to the public employee retirement system are holding a meeting Thursday to hear the ideas of Magic Valley folks on the subject.

Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, and Rep. Randy Hart, R-Twin Falls, will discuss proposals, answer questions and take suggestions on PERSI, which has been the subject of intense debate in the Statehouse.

The meeting will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School Auditorium.

Public hearing scheduled about well site in Bliss

BLISS - A public hearing on a proposed annexation of land for a new well site in Bliss will be held at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 17 before the regular Bliss City Council meeting.

Relex Harding of JUB Engineers gave a report on the progress of the city's new well at Wednesday's City Council meeting. Turnkey Inc. of Ontario, Ore. was awarded the low bid of \$561,056 for the heated, glass-lined 600,000-gallon storage tank and pump house.

Also Wednesday, the council approved a schedule for council meetings. Meetings will be held at 8 p.m. during daylight savings time and 7 p.m. during standard time at City Hall.

Area sex offenders fall to register

TWIN FALLS - The following people failed to comply with sex offender registration as of Oct. 6.

Gooding County
Charles Gilbert Southwick, 41, P.O. Box 147, Kimberly; last registered July 1, 1998; convicted in 1989 on counts of child rape in Island County, Wash.

Twin Falls County
Jeremy Gale Bastian, 28, 1122 Washington St., No. 41, Twin Falls; last registered July 8, 1998; convicted in 1992 of lewd and lascivious conduct in Twin Falls County.
Robert Leslie Brown, 42, 216 1/2 12th Ave. N., Buhl; last registered July 17, 1998; convicted in 1984 of lewd conduct with a minor in Clark County, Nev.
Raymond Edward McGuire, 30, 150 Meadows Lane, Twin Falls; last registered Aug. 31, 1998; convicted in 1993 of rape in Twin Falls County.
Michael James Sharp, 27, 551 1/2 12th Ave. S., Twin Falls; last registered July 22, 1998; convicted in 1996 of battery with intent to commit a felony in Twin Falls County.
Robert Charles Wixts, 44, 535 Madison St., Twin Falls; last registered July 27, 1998; convicted in 1989 of sexual abuse of a minor in Ada County.

Compiled from staff reports

Leaders seek answers beyond Idaho

County officials hope recent meeting will help CAFO fact-finding process

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls County officials hope help from other states and counties will improve access to scientific information.

Representatives from counties throughout the United States,

including Twin Falls County, met in Kansas City, Mo., earlier this week to discuss ways to make the fact-finding process easier.

With livestock operations looking to set up shop in locations throughout the United States and Idaho, officials have been looking for ways to get consistent scientific information, without

having to search endlessly over the Internet or dig through red tape.

As many states and their counties deal with livestock-related issues - including waste management, odor control and water quality - working together on getting information seems a logical step, officials agree.

Twin Falls County will now be able to get scientific information from other states and counties, which have already been used, or are being used, to make decisions regarding livestock operations, said Commissioner Carla Reed, who attended the Missouri meeting.

The information would include

university research and environmental data and would be sent to the county via e-mail or by fax.

"We accomplished a way of organizing scientific data and making it available to the different entities," Reed said.

The hardest part in deciding whether to let a livestock operation

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Administrator fills nursing home with loads of laughs

By Julie Ponce
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Cathy Lynch used to be afraid to go into nursing homes or retirement centers. But when people visit Heritage-Woodstone Assisted Living Center where Lynch is administrator, they aren't likely to experience trepidation for long. What they're likely to find is someone giggling because Lynch just pulled another of her famous practical jokes.

"I received a box of flowers one day last year," said Director of Nursing Bert Mason, "but when I opened it up, all there was were a dozen stems with the roses pinched off." Mason knew right away Lynch was the perpetrator.

On April 1, 1997, Lynch called the department supervisors into her office and tearfully told them she couldn't continue. The job was becoming too stressful and she would have to quit. In response, one of the supervisors broke down herself and said she didn't know how she could work for anyone else. That was all it took for Lynch to burst out in laughter - April Fool's Day.

Lynch knows the healing effects of humor.

"Our job can be very serious and depressing," she said, "and if we can joke and have fun, we can give a better quality of care to our residents."

The former day-care owner and part-time professional clown works at making her Heritage-Woodstone residents and employees laugh whenever she gets the chance. And visitors see her cruising the halls hugging and kissing patients without



Cathy Lynch used to make people laugh in her clown persona. Now she is an administrator for Heritage-Woodstone Assisted Living Center. Several of the center's residents chose to decorate their pumpkins to resemble her.

reservation. The former day-care owner and part-time professional clown works at making her Heritage-Woodstone residents and employees laugh whenever she gets the chance. And visitors see her cruising the halls hugging and kissing patients without

more day. Instead of staying with work she didn't like, she wasted no time in closing the doors. She applied to be activity director of Heritage and was

hired. Her five years as a part-time professional clown helped her get the job. During her clown days she performed while running the day care, at birthday

parties, grand openings and church functions. Now every Easter at Heritage-Woodstone

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Three sisters, Mariais, Yvette Johna and Daniela Orasco, stroll through the Rupert Square after school Friday. Care given to the trees in the square has helped the town's image. Rupert recently got a grant to plant more trees at Renaissance Park, in front of the Wilson Theater.

Trees help create renaissance in Rupert

By Loraine Cavener
Times-News writer

RUPERT - When Rupert Renaissance revived the town square, people started noticing how nice the trees are.

Rupert plans to keep up the maintenance of its trees, has formed a tree committee and is applying for Tree City USA status.

"We are doing everything we can to beautify our community," said Sherry Miles, Rupert's grant administrator. "This is just one more step we can take."

Rupert recently received a \$1,500 grant from Idaho Department of Lands for trees at Renaissance Park in front of the Wilson Theater. City crews will plant the trees sometime in the next few weeks, Miles said.

City officials also are working on tree ordinances with guidelines for maintaining healthy, properly cared-for trees in Rupert. The ordinance and the

formation of a tree committee are required for Tree City USA status, Miles said. The Lands Department's requirements for the Renaissance Park grant stipulate Rupert submit an annual tree-maintenance report.

The committee will work with Rupert Renaissance to maintain and plant trees in Rupert, Miles said. Its first step will be to identify trees on city property and to remove ones that are diseased or so old that they might be a hazard, said Kathy Norris, one of the master gardeners on the tree committee.

Norris already has noticed a few trees she did not expect to see in Rupert, she said. On the corner of 10th and H streets, in front of a home, she noticed a magnolia tree, which has been there for many years.

"We always called it the tulip tree," she said. "They are fussy trees. How they ever got it to

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NOT JUST FOR CHICKS

CSI business incubator wants to help Burley business

By Loraine Cavener
Times-News writer

BURLEY - When people from a farming community hear the word incubator, they normally think of chickens, but a small-business incubator in the Mini-Cassia area can do more than raise chicks.

The College of Southern Idaho Mini-Cassia Center's Small Business Incubator is available to help small businesses grow and develop till they can move into permanent quarters in downtown Rupert, Burley or Heyburn, said Todd Christensen, economic development specialist for the Mini-Cassia Economic Development Commission.

"The space is available and ready to go," said Jerry Beck, CSI's office space. Details about fees for use of the space have not yet been worked out.

The office space is not free, but tenants will have access to CSI's office space. Details about fees for use of the space have not yet been worked out.

The college has operated a business incubator in Twin Falls for about 10 years, Beck said. Well over a dozen successful businesses, such as Kelly Lee Computer Service, Rivercut and Precision Audio and Video, have been launched from the incubator facility there.

The key to taking advantage of the incubator is to buy into the practical business education offered by the college, Matsuoka said. Incorporated into the one-



Carol Prontias, branch manager of SOS staffing, looks at the office space available in the small-business incubator at the College of Southern Idaho Mini-Cassia Center. With Prontias are Lisa Landrum, Carla Thompson and Lauria Spurgeon. The space is available for people who would like to develop new businesses.

You can apply

To apply for space at the College of Southern Idaho small-business incubator in Burley, call Todd Christensen at the Mini-Cassia Economic Development Center at 679-4793, or Bryan Matsuoka at the College of Southern Idaho Small Business Incubator Center at 1-800-680-0274.

year lease of any new business using the incubator will be an Agreement to develop a business plan within three months, with the center's help.

The owner of the business must attend seminars offered by the college. Seminar topics include business etiquette, ethics, diversity, advertising, marketing, bookkeeping and business planning.

To cover the seminar costs

there is a partial scholarship available for business owners, who are part of the incubator.

Instructors at the Small Business Development Center don't tell anyone if their business will succeed or not, Matsuoka said.

"We go through the education process and the client discovers if it will be successful or not," he said. "We are teaching them to fish, not providing them with fish."

The Mini-Cassia Economic Development Commission recently appointed a committee to review businesses that apply to use space in the small-business incubator.

"The possibilities are open," said Christensen. "If a person has an idea, let's see if it fits."

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MAGIC VALLEY

THIS WEEK AT CSI

The Times-News

Today
CSI Booster Club luncheon, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Taylor 277.

Tuesday

Community Mentoring for Twin Falls GATE students, 1:15 to 2:15 p.m., Taylor 258.
G-LAB - gays, lesbians and bisexuals meeting, 4 to 6 p.m., Taylor 258.
Quickbooks Pro 99: An Introduction, 6 to 9 p.m., Evergreen C93.
"Anthems of Ghoulish Delight," 7 and 8 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Wednesday

Idaho Small Business Development Center 8x level Business Planning Course, 6 to 8:30 p.m., Taylor 276.
Community Concert Association presents Gloria

Saarinen and Mark Dubois, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.
Department of Theater presents "Lead Me a Tenor," 8 p.m., Fine Arts Theater 119.

Thursday

CSI Golden Eagle volleyball against Snow College, 7 p.m. in Ephraim, Utah.
"Anthems of Ghoulish Delight," 7 to 9 p.m., cafeteria.
Department of Theater presents "Lead Me a Tenor," 8 p.m., Fine Arts Theater 119.

Friday

CSI Golden Eagle volleyball against College of Eastern Utah, 7 p.m. in Pricer, Utah.
"Anthems of Ghoulish Delight," 7, 8 and 9 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
Department of Theater presents "Lead Me a Tenor," 8 p.m., Fine Arts Theater 119.

Fine Arts Theater 119.

Saturday

United Church of God Bible Study, 10 to 11:30 a.m., Senior Annex.
CSI Golden Eagle volleyball against Dixie College, 1 p.m. in St. George, Utah.
"Where in the Universe is Carmen Sandiego," 2 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
"Larry Cat in Space," 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
"Anthems of Ghoulish Delight," 7, 8 and 9 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
Department of Theater presents "Lead Me a Tenor," 8 p.m., Fine Arts Theater 119.

Sunday

Grace Baptist Church of Boise, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Evergreen A05.
Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble Concert, 3 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.

Murtaugh Council opening draws four in search of two positions

The Times-News

MURTAUGH - Two candidates are running for one four-year seat and two candidates are running for one two-year seat on the Murtaugh City Council.
Murtaugh City Council members are paid \$30 a month.

Question: What do you think is the most important issue facing Murtaugh residents?

Rice: I think we need to clean the town up.

Hunsaker: Growth. I think we need to get ready for it, be able to handle it, and welcome those people with a good water system.

Cutler: We need to get the citizens of Murtaugh united so everyone gets along so that we can work out this water situation. We need a good water system.

Melugin: Speeders. We live on Boyd Street and the traffic coming through doesn't seem to notice the speed limit.

Question: What is your opinion on the current water system?

Hunsaker: I think we need to get everyone on the council on the same wavelength as far as enforcing city ordinances are concerned.

Scheer: We need to grow the town the way the citizens want.

Question: What is your opinion

Four-year City Council seat

Verla Rice
Age: 52
Occupation: Cook
Years in Murtaugh: 52
Political Experience: None

Dee Hunsaker
Age: 42
Occupation: Agriculture salesman
Years in Murtaugh: 3
Political Experience: None

Two-year City Council seat

Kelly Cutler
Age: 41
Occupation: Farmer
Years in Murtaugh: 6
Political Experience: City Council member (appointed)

Carl Melugin
Age: 29
Occupation: Computer electrician
Years in Murtaugh: 2
Political Experience: None

Rice: I think they need to do what they need to do. I think we need to replace the well.

Hunsaker: It needs to be upgraded. I'm open to discussion on what needs to be done.

Cutler: We only have one well that's there, and the well that's

there needs some attention, and it's going to cost some money.

Melugin: I've heard rumors about them putting in a new well and it just doesn't exist.

This report was prepared by Times-News correspondent Julie Pence. She can be reached in Murtaugh at 432-5334.

ON THE AGENDA

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Today

Blaine County commissioners, 8:45 a.m., courthouse.
Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Elmore County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
Jerome City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., city council chambers.
Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Jerome County Planning and Zoning Commission, 7:30 p.m., courthouse.
Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission, 5:30 p.m., City Hall.
Lincoln County commissioners, 10 a.m., courthouse.
Minidoka County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

Tuesday

Burley Public Library Board of Trustees, 5:30 p.m., library conference room.

Camus County commissioners, 10 a.m., courthouse.

Gooding County Memorial Hospital Board, 7:30 a.m., conference room.

Hailey Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., Hailey Town Center.

Minidoka County Democratic Party, 8 p.m., courthouse.

Shoshone Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Sun Valley Planning and Zoning Commission, 10 a.m., council chambers, City Hall.

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

Wood River Medical Center Board, 5:30 p.m., medical center, Hailey.

Wednesday

Cassia Regional Medical Center Board, 5 p.m., board room.

Glenns Ferry City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Hayden City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

Twin Falls School Board, 7

p.m., administrative office, 201 Main Ave. W.

Wendell City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Thursday

Jellville City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Gooding County commissioners, 10 a.m., courthouse.

Hagerman Chamber of Commerce, noon, Hagerman Senior Center.

South Central Community Action Agency, 7 p.m., Valley Vista Village, 653 Rose St. N., Twin Falls.

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

Friday

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

This list is compiled from advance schedules. The Times-News suggests that you confirm the information by calling the appropriate clerk's office before attending.

Two seek Murtaugh mayor's job

The Times-News

MURTAUGH - Murtaugh has two candidates running on Nov. 2 for the mayor's seat being vacated by Jack Hart.

The mayor is paid \$60 per month.

Question: What do you think is the most important issue facing Murtaugh residents?

Reyes: I think we need to get everyone on the council on the same wavelength as far as enforcing city ordinances are concerned.

Scheer: We need to grow the town the way the citizens want.

Question: What is your opinion

Candidates for Murtaugh mayor

Stacey Reyes
Age: 29
Occupation: Certified legal assistant. Currently out of work due to medical problems.
Years in Murtaugh: 4
Political Experience: None

Robert Scheer
Age: 37
Occupation: Parts manager
Years in Murtaugh: One month, within-county
Political Experience: None

of the current water system?

Reyes: "We definitely need to have it upgraded, and if I become mayor I will be looking at all of the options we can take.

Scheer: The upgrade the council wanted earlier isn't necessary.

Murtaugh doesn't want a big city system. It's a waste of taxpayers' money. We need to improve the one we have.

This report was prepared by Times-News correspondent Julie Pence. She can be reached in Murtaugh at 432-5334.

Services

Mary C. Wendland, of Hailey, graveside service at 2 p.m. today at the Hailey Cemetery; friends may call from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. today at the Wood River Chapel.

Manota May Admire, of Gooding, graveside service at p.m. today at the Elmwood Cemetery (Denmaray's Gooding Chapel).

Services

James Timothy Campbell, of Burley, 1 p.m. Tuesday at White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls.

Dennis O. Colter - DENNIS OWEN COLTER, 57, of Pocatello, died Saturday, Oct. 23, 1999, at Bannock Regional Medical

Center. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Hill, Hawker Funeral Home in Blackfoot.

DEATH NOTICE

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Admitted

Sarina Dowd of Buhl.

Released

Shirley Anderson of Hansen; Jean Sommer, Maria Beaumont and Kyle Degraw of Twin Falls; and George W. O'Neill of Austin, Texas.

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0931. Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Daily rate is 4.00 per line for next-day publication. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

TWIN FALLS



Juanita 'Boogie' Reeves Carroll

Juanita "Boogie" Reeves Carroll, 71, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, October 24, 1999, at her home. Juanita was born July 4, 1928, at Chillicothe, Missouri, to William and Grace Dillard Reeves. At the age of 17 she moved with her family to Twin Falls, where she met and married Frank Eugene Carroll in June, 1947. They celebrated 42 years together. During that time they raised three sons: Craig (Candy) Carroll of Twin Falls, Wayne (Judy) Carroll of Spragueville, Oregon, and Keith (Sandy) Carroll of Twin Falls, and seven grandchildren. Along with her husband Frank,

Services

she loved music and dancing, and accompanied Frank to many of the dances he played at with the Happy Hoot Double H Buckaroo. Boogie loved fishing at Roseworth Dam and spent many happy times at Hance's Cabin on the Little Snake. Art who came to know Boogie loved her sense of humor.

Boogie retired from Universal Freight Lines after 25 years of service. She was an avid baseball fan and coached her sons' little league teams. Her favorite team was the Atlanta Braves.

Juanita was preceded in death by her parents, William and Grace Reeves, by her husband, Frank, two brothers, Bud Reeves and Chuck Reeves, and one sister Pearl Ramsey. She is survived by 2 sons, Dorothy Pressal and Dana Lee Tucker, both of Twin Falls; 3 sons: Craig (Candy), Wayne (Judy), and Keith (Sandy) Carroll, and 7 grandchildren.

The funeral service will take place at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, October 26, 1999, at White Mortuary Chapel, with Pastor Jim O'Brien officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. The family suggests memorial contributions be given to the charity of the donor's choice.

POCATELLO

Dennis Owen Colter

Dennis Owen Colter, 57, died Saturday morning October 23, 1999, at Bannock Regional Medical Center of natural causes.

Services

He was born in Los Angeles, California, the son of Owen and Erma Graver Colter. He was raised in Granger, Idaho, and joined the United States Air Force in June of 1960 and was honorably discharged in 1964. He started his career with Idaho Power Company in April of 1964 and up until he became disabled in 1995 he worked as a line-crew foreman. He married Berna Truchot on April 22, 1966, in Elko, Nevada, and spent most of the married life raising their four children in the Blue Area.

Dennis had a lifelong love of horses, and he shared this with his family. He enjoyed racing horses and had a quarter racing team, which he ran during the winter. He liked and hunted with friends and was as much as he could. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and a good friend to all he met and loved.

He is survived by his wife, one son, Chad (Sandra) Colter, three daughters, Shawne (Pat) Broncho, Jill (Forry) Broncho and Julie Colter, his parents Owen and Erma Colter of Gooding, Idaho, a brother Calvin of Gooding and a sister, Dore (Dore) Henderson of Twin Falls; Merzyl Decker of Fort Hall; Bernard and Ebertha Escholt of Fort Hall; Johnny and Gina Tidgott of Gallup, New Mexico, and eight grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday October 27, 1999, in Blackfoot at the Hill, Hawker Funeral Home.

States News Service

SENATE VOTES

1) REFORM

The Senate on Tuesday failed to pass a measure that would have revamped the campaign finance system. Voting 52-48, the measure failed to overcome a filibuster. The measure would ban the use of so-called soft money, regulate ads sponsored by advocacy groups that target specific candidates and strengthen disclosure requirements. Supporters said the current system gives special interest groups too much power and should be reformed. Opponents said the bill would violate the right to free speech and limit participation in the political process. A "yes" vote favors the measure. Mike Crapo and Larry Craig both voted "yes."

2) REFORM

The Senate on Tuesday failed to pass a scaled-back measure to reform campaign finance laws. Voting 53-47, the bill failed to garner the 60 votes needed to overcome a filibuster. The measure would ban so-called soft money contributions to political parties. Supporters said limiting the large and unregulated donations to political parties was a first start in the reform process. Opponents said the measure was a violation of free speech and would limit participation in the political process. A "yes" vote favors the bill. Mike Crapo and Larry Craig both voted "yes."

3) ABORTION

The Senate on Thursday approved, 51 to 47, a bill to endorse the 1973 Supreme Court decision legalizing abortions. The nonbinding measure calls the Roe v. Wade decision "an important constitutional right" that should not be overturned. Supporters said the bill would

protect the right to have an abortion.

Opponents said abortion was wrong and that the vote was just an attempt to divert attention away from the debate over a bill to ban "partial-birth" abortions. A "yes" vote favors the bill. Mike Crapo and Larry Craig both voted "no."

4) ABORTION

The Senate on Thursday approved, 53 to 34, a bill to ban "partial-birth" abortions. The measure makes late-term abortions illegal, but did not get the two-thirds support it would need to override a veto promised by President Clinton. Supporters said partial-birth abortions are equivalent to "infanticide." Opponents said the bill violates a woman's constitutional right to have an abortion. A "yes" vote favors the bill. Mike Crapo and Larry Craig both voted "yes."

HOUSE VOTES

1) COMMERCIE

The House on Wednesday passed, 215-213, a spending measure that funds the departments of Commerce, Justice and State. Supporters of the \$37 billion measure said the bill adequately funds those departments. Opponents said it should have included funding for a program to hire more police officers and lacks language regarding budget cuts. A "yes" vote favors the bill. Helen Chenoweth voted "no." Mike Simpson voted "yes."

2) EDUCATION

The House on Wednesday approved, 311-111, a measure that restores a program to ensure gender equality in schools. Supporters said girls need to be encouraged to take more science and math classes. Opponents said the measure was unnecessary because gender equality had already been achieved. A "yes" vote favors

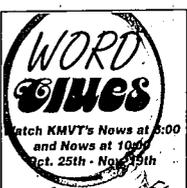
the measure. Chenoweth voted "no." Simpson voted "yes."

3) EDUCATION

The House on Thursday rejected, 166-257, an amendment to spend \$100 million a year on vouchers that students in struggling public schools could use to pay for tuition at private schools. Supporters said the bill would help students, whose schools are deemed to be "distressers." Opponents said it would divert funding from public to private schools. A "yes" vote favors the bill. Chenoweth and Simpson both voted "no."

4) EDUCATION

The House on Thursday approved, 213-208, a compromise bill to form a pilot program that would allow ten states to pool targeted federal funds into one block grant. Supporters, many of whom had wanted the bill to include all 50 states, said states should have more power when making education decisions. Opponents feared the bill would enable states to divert federal help from disadvantaged students. A "yes" vote favors the measure. Chenoweth and Simpson both voted "yes."



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TF Library Board seeks new trustee

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS—The Twin Falls Public Library Board is asking for someone to fill a board vacancy. When Tom Robertson completes his term at the end of

December, he will leave a position open on the library's board of trustees.

The City Council will appoint a new library trustee to serve a term running from Jan. 1, 2000 to Dec. 31, 2004.

Interested Twin Falls residents can call Library Director Arlan Call at 733-2964, or City Manager Tom Courtney at 736-2271. Formal letters of application should be requested at the library by Nov. 10.

Boise police treat death as homicide

BOISE (AP)—A woman's body, wrapped in a quilt, stuffed in a small shopping cart and pushed into a culvert, appears to be Boise city's first murder of 1999, police said Saturday.

Ada County Coroner Erwin Sonnenberg on Saturday night identified the victim as Norreissa Huck, 39, of Boise.

"We feel we do have a homicide," Sonnenberg said. "There's obvious signs of trauma."

A full autopsy probably will be performed later in the week. Police believe the woman was

killed at her home and the body taken to the canal about a block away. Huck's body was found late Saturday morning by an 8-year-old girl. The girl stepped upon it as she was searching for Tarot cards in a gully behind the 7-Eleven store at Fairview Avenue and Liberty Street.

On Friday, the girl found a batch of cards, and she came back Saturday looking for more. After finding the cart — pushed into the mouth of a culvert that empties into the North Slough — she ran to her nearby mobile home to fetch her aunt.

"It's a body! I believe it's a woman!" Carla Peterson quoted her niece as saying.

Peterson returned to the culvert with the girl and her two older sisters to investigate, doubtful of the discovery.

"I thought it was a doll," Peterson said. But when Peterson freed a portion of the quilt from the shopping cart, she uncovered a woman's arm.

Peterson called police, who cordoned off the area.

"We're investigating it as a homicide," police Sgt. Dave Graves said.

Detectives search home of missing girl

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP)—Law officers Sunday completed a search for clues at the home of a 9-year-old girl who vanished nearly a week earlier.

Detectives with a search warrant arrived Saturday evening at the house where Valerie Jackson has been seen Oct. 18. Spokane County Sheriff's spokesman Dave Reagan declined to say whether they found anything of interest.

"The search does not mean family members are suspected in the girl's disappearance, he said. "It means we're looking at every possibility," Reagan said. "It does not mean we have any suspects. We are leaving no stone unturned."

Detectives were looking for trace evidence, such as hair and clothing fibers. They also went through the house with special lights that detect blood stains. Two trucks removed a pickup truck and a car that were parked outside, so they can be thoroughly searched.

Items of the missing girl are posted all over town. Valerie — 4-foot-8 and 70 pounds, with curly red hair and brown eyes — was last seen Oct. 18 wearing a white and white turtle-neck shirt with bears on it.

Since she disappeared last Monday morning, detectives have focused on finding potential witnesses and tracking down registered sex offenders known to be living near the family's suburban Spokane Valley home.

When those efforts failed to produce any good leads, Sheriff Lt. Doug Silver said detectives decided they needed a closer look at the house.

"We know now that a crime occurred, and know from the facts of the story that the crime occurred here," Silver said.

Detectives performed two cursory searches of the house the day after the reported missing.

Brad Jackson, 33, the girl's father, has told law officers he last saw his daughter playing in the yard. He said he had planned to accompany Valerie on their daily walk to nearby McDonald Elementary School.

Wyoming town prepares for next trial in gay student's death

Knight Ridder News Service

LARAMIE, Wyo.

Surrounding the Albany County Courthouse, a three-story pile of sandstone blocks that sits between downtown Laramie and the University of Wyoming campus, is a chest-high, dark green plastic fence containing rows of oblong holes. The fencing is the kind usually used to hold back the snow on ski slopes.

But today, at the beginning of the trial of Aaron McKinney, 22, who is accused of killing Matthew Shepard, the fence is more to hold back the curious. Prosecutors claim McKinney and Russell Henderson, 22, lured Shepard from a Laramie bar last October with the intent of robbing him. They also say Shepard, who was beaten to death, was targeted because he was gay.

"We are prepared for big crowds, but we are not expecting them," said Randy Vickers, a Laramie law enforcement spokesman. "Indeed, no one has applied for a permit to demonstrate at the trial and people here hope to avoid a riotous scene."

From the middle of Grand Avenue in downtown Laramie, one can look south, across the Union Pacific railroad tracks, into the Snowy Mountains. Lost in the view goes past the university and out across dun-colored, low ranging hills dotted with evergreens. In any direction, the landscape is pure West.

On Oct. 6, 1998, prosecutors allege, McKinney and Henderson, after attracting a crowd, beat him, pistol-whipped him, and left him tied to a rail fence. Shepard, found comatose and still tied to the fence 18 hours later, had told friends he always wanted to live in Laramie because it was a friendly town. He died Oct. 12.

Shepard's killing caused outrage across the country in large part because McKinney and Henderson, whose guilty plea in April led to two life sentences, quickly defended their brutality by saying Shepard was beaten

because he made sexual overtures toward them.

Impromptu memorials to Shepard sprang up in gay neighborhoods in Chicago, New York and San Francisco. Human rights activists quickly portrayed Shepard as a martyr and Laramie as a place where gay bashing had become the inevitable product of America's mythologizing of the cowboy, who, seated on a bucking horse, is the state's emblem.

"Blood & Tears: Poems for Matthew Shepard" was published, its title drawn from a news account saying Shepard's body was blood covered except for a spot where "he'd been crying and the tears went down his face."

The book is for sale, along with the latest short story collection from E. Annie Proulx, a National Book Award-winning author who lives here, at the Grand Newsstand in Laramie.

Laramie, a town of 24,000 if you count the 10,000 university students, with its coffee shops, vegetarian restaurants, outdoor gear emporiums, and cowboy saloons, is a place where it is as likely you will see kirkstock

suits as cowboy hats. "If it (Shepard's killing) had happened in New York City, nobody would have noticed it," said Jack McClemen, who owns a small shop where he makes and sells pottery. "What happened is not what this town is like. People talk about the cowboy mentality here. But those guys were about as far from cowboys as you can get."

Laramie has a palpable sense of isolation, of being a town adrift in a landscape that defines it and, at times, overwhelms it. Only a two-hour drive from Denver, nobody commutes there because either 10 or 10 times in the winter "ground blizzards" are created by the wind whipping across the Laramie Plateau.

"The sky will be as blue as it is today but you won't be able to see it," said McClemen. "The white-out will only go to about 10 feet up, but they will close the gates (across the highways) and you can't get out of here. You're stuck."

When that happens, people in Laramie are left to their own devices.

Help from other states and counties should help local officials, but the state's efforts to regulate large animal operations will also be an asset, local officials agree.

The state Division of Environmental Quality is finishing regulations on hog and poultry operations. The regulations have been sent to division director Steve Allred. The regulations will go before the Legislature in January.

Local officials have been working on creating a state-aided technical support team, to help southern Idaho counties determine what a proposed site can handle a large operation.

The technical support team

would include the Department of Agriculture, Environmental Protection Agency and the DEQ.

The regional group would survey the proposed confined animal feeding operation's application and site. The team would make its determination based on technical and scientific analysis. Dennis Maughan, Twin Falls County's former commission chairman, had represented the county on the board creating the technical support team. Reed said she will take his place on the board.

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Trees

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grow there's beyond me."

In her neighborhood she counted six kinds of pines and at least six deciduous kinds, she said. Elm, Norway maple, walnut and Poplar are common throughout Rupert.

But Norris hopes eventually to plant trees with a little more fall color.

The Rupert Renaissance

Committee has discussed what it would like to see done in Rupert with trees.

Tree along Oneida Street on the way into town would be nice, she said.

The first impression you get is at the railroad tracks in the middle of town, she said. "It would be nice to disguise it a little."

But the tree committee and Rupert Renaissance have not

finalized plans for any major tree projects, she said. Before she groups start planning they need to discuss all aspects of what trees will grow best here and how much management they will take.

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COLD CLAM DIGGING



Ryan Piles, 13, braces himself as wind gusts blow rain in his face while digging clams with his family late Saturday afternoon on the beach near Grayland, Wash. The inclement weather didn't stop clam diggers from showing up on Washington coastal beaches Saturday, the first day of razor clam season.

INEEL open house draws few

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP)—Only 86 people trickled through a mostly empty open house sponsored by the Department of Energy to discuss a proposed incinerator that has drawn criticism from residents here.

Agency officials said Saturday they were disappointed and a little frustrated that attendance was so poor. They ran ads in local newspapers and on the radio for two weeks prior to the open house, said Department of Energy Director of Communication Ron King.

They brought displays and two dozen employees to the Jackson High School Gym outlining how the incinerator would work, research programs at the INEEL, and monitoring systems that track air and groundwater pollution coming from the INEEL.

The department also is planning to open an office in Jackson near the end of this month to answer residents' questions.

Shuttle buses will be available at the office to drive people over the mountains and take them on tours of the site.

King said the agency is not trying to feed people propaganda or change their minds, only to offer them balanced information so they can decide for themselves whether the incinerator will be safe.

"I think citizens here have a right to be heard and ask these questions," he said. "But I am frustrated they're only getting one side of the issue."

Some people like Steve Kruse, who has lived in the valley for 24 years, left feeling their questions had been answered and confident the incinerator could be operated safely.

Kruse, who works as a construction inspector, said he mainly wanted more information about the proposed facility, which would package and burn nuclear waste currently stored in Idaho.

Others who have raised concerns about the incinerator, which would burn nuclear and hazardous waste for at least 13 years, said nothing they heard changed their minds.

Olivia Murray, a volunteer for Keep Yellowstone Nuclear Free, said she thinks people should listen to prosecutors to gain a better understanding of the incinerator.

Meetings held by that group, which has filed a lawsuit to stop the incinerator, have drawn as many as 400 people.

She still thinks that the scientists and engineers at the INEEL should be able to go back to the drawing board and find another solution besides incineration, even if it takes more time and money.

"You can understand the history and the reasons for doing it," she said. "But common sense at the end of the day tells me there should be an alternative to incineration. Period."

Laughs

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she puts on a bunny costume and hops around to give each patient special attention.

Clothing around is how Lynch keeps things light at the center, but she didn't always go through the day so cheerfully.

"I couldn't talk until the 10th grade," she said.

She said her childhood was spent going to speech therapy and rolling marbles in her mouth to overcome the stigma of being tongue-tied.

Tongue-tied means the connective tissue beneath the tongue is too short. These days, most infants are born with the defect, the tissue is clipped at birth, but in the early '60s when Lynch was a small child, the operation wasn't performed until children were 6. Doctors told her she would never be understood.

"That was sort of like being told you'd never going to walk again," she said. "I have ongoing acting ability that when I put my mind to it, I can pretend I'm capable of doing just about anything."

Pretending she could talk with no impediment was the driving force that put her in front of her sophomore speech class talking just like anyone else. By the time she was a senior, she had won seven speech trophies on the state level in Washington.

That sort of commitment still drives her.

"She's willing to work as hard as the next guy," said former Woodstock nurse Lori Pratt. "One time when everyone had the flu, she put on jeans and a smock and worked all day as a housekeeper."

Then that night she kept in touch through the night to make sure everyone was all right.

"That kind of devotion to her work is not required—it's the way she wants it."

"I live only five blocks away. I keep my hair short so that if I missed, I can be there in five minutes and not have to mess with it," she said.

Employees aren't surprised when she spends the night with a patient only after having a particularly hard time. Even small things

—like driving to the center at midnight to turn off the water in her pajamas—is no imposition for Lynch.

But she expects her employees also to perform as if they do the job purely out of love for the work. That's because she wants the best for her patients.

"These guys are my grandmas and grandpas," she said. "I want to know everything about them."

The best part of her job, Lynch said, is hearing about their lives—history in the making. From their stories, she knows more about the Great Depression than any book could tell her. One resident once told Jesse James, while another told about being abandoned at age 2 with her 4-year-old sister for a week before neighbors found them.

Identifying with each patient comes naturally to Lynch.

"Cathy has tremendous compassion for everyone," Pratt said.

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MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

“When you are 1-4, St. Mary’s High School scares you, believe me.”

—Mike Ditka, asked if he was scared before facing New York Giants... and dropping to 1-5

IN BRIEF

High school v-ball pairings set

The state high school volleyball pairings have been set, and Magic Valley athletes are hoping that the traditional powerhouse will once again stand in the way of state titles.

In A-1 bracket, Twin Falls’ loss to Centennial eliminated the Bruins and put Centennial against host Sandpoint in Friday’s final match. In other first-round matches, Skyline plays Skyview, 1997 champ Highland takes on Coeur d’Alene, and Eagle meets Idaho Falls. Defending champion Bonneville did not advance past districts.

Preston, state champs in 1994 and 1995, beat Buhl to advance to the round of eight, where it will play Weiser at Sandpoint Middle School. The winner will take on the winner of the Wendell-Lakeland match. On the other side of the bracket, two-time defending state champ Bear Lake plays Middleton and Sugar-Salem plays St. Maries.

Valley plays the first match of the A-3 tournament at Lewiston High School, against Nampa Christian. The winner takes on the winner of the Firth-Wallace match. Elsewhere in the bracket, defending champion West Side plays The Mediate and Declo takes on Prairie.

The A-4 tournament begins Thursday as 16 teams enter pool play and narrow the field to eight teams for Friday’s bracket play.

District 4 champion Murtagh will take on Doory, Greenleaf Friends and Rink rock. Magic Valley runner-up Carey takes on four-time defending champion Troy as well as Gullin and Midway.

District 4’s third seed, Camas County, faces Boise-area champion Cambridge and a third-seeded team, Venus, as well as Rockland, the eastern Idaho champion. The final team to qualify from District 4, Hagerman, plays Clark Fork, Genesee, and Mackay, the runner-up from eastern Idaho.

CSI hosts booster meeting today at noon

TWIN FALLS — Boosters and fans of College of Southern Idaho athletes are invited to a no-host lunch at noon today upstairs in the Taylor Building. Golden Eagle coaches will be there to talk about their programs.

Lowie hits second career hole-in-one

JEROME — Normie Lowie hit her second career hole-in-one Sunday at Jerome Country Club. The 5iron shot came on the 130-yard 12th hole and was witnessed by her husband Dick, and her in-laws Dennis and Sarah Lowe.

Bengal soccer blanks Portland State 3-0

POCATELLO — Korbie Underwood scored the first of Idaho State University’s three goals just 6:25 into Sunday’s game in a 3-0 shutout of Portland State.

Bengals Brooke Pollard added her seventh goal and Molly Downs added her first, while Ashley May increased her league-leading total to 10 assists with two in the match.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Cone, NY pound bumbling Braves

The Associated Press

ATLANTA — The team of the century got the cheers. The franchise of the century got the win. The New York Yankees stormed halfway to their record 25th World Series title, humbling the clumsy Atlanta Braves 7-2 Sunday night behind David Cone for a 2-0 lead.

A night after they waited for an eighth-inning rally to win 4-1, the defending champions wasted no time pounding Kevin Millwood in their 10th straight World Series victory.



Following the Game 1 lead of Orlando Hernandez, New York’s David Cone allowed just one Atlanta hit in seven innings.

“This year in the postseason, I guess we’re picking up where we left off last year,” outfielder Bernie Williams said.

Cone exactly duplicated the one-hit, seven-inning pitching of O r l a n d o Hernandez in the opener, and Atlanta finished with five hits, three in the ninth inning.

“I just think we have a ‘don’t-give-in’ type of attitude,” Cone said. “This series is far from over.”

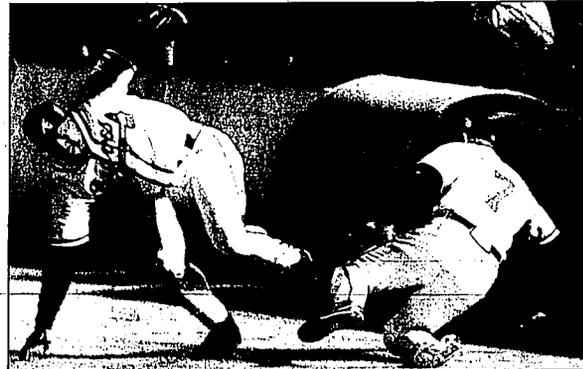
The sellout crowd of 51,226 was still buzzing at the sight of Pete Rose, Ted Williams and Hank Aaron on the field together — along with Yogi Berra in a Yankees hat and Roger Clemens in a blue pinstriped suit — as baseball’s All-Century team was announced in a 30-minute tribute.

Then, the Yankees went to work. Chuck Knoblauch, Derek Jeter and Paul O’Neill started the game with singles, and Tino Martinez and Scott Brosius delivered RBI singles with two outs.

Ricky Ledesma’s double chased Millwood in the third, and it was 7-0 by the fifth.

“We played a real bad game,” Atlanta manager Bobby Cox said.

Now, the Braves’ best hope is a repeat of the 1996 Series, when New York lost the first two



Atlanta Braves right fielder Brian Jordan, left, and second baseman Keith Lockhart collide chasing New York Yankee Joe Girardi’s foul ball in the seventh inning of Game 2 of the World Series. The Braves’ hopes of winning their second world championship in the ‘90s are fading after two losses at home to open the Fall Classic.

games at Yankee Stadium to Atlanta before taking the next four in the series to New York. Still, here’s a key statistic: Of the 45 teams to take a 2-0 edge in the Series, 34 have gone on to win. And another: The Yankees have won an incredible 16 of their last 17 postseason games.

“We are aware of what happened in ‘96 and when we came

back against them,” Yankees manager Joe Torre said. “I don’t have to say anything to my team in regard to ‘96.”

Game 3 will be Tuesday night in New York with Tom Glavine, scratched from his Game 1 start because of the flu, expected to pitch for the Braves against Andy Pettitte. If Glavine can’t go, John Smoltz will start.

Cox got no major benefit from a major lineup switch in which he benched NL Championship Series MVP Eddie Perez, Bret Boone and Walt Weiss.

Replacements Greg Myers, Keith Lockhart and Ozzi Guillen did not help Atlanta win. Myers singled in the fifth for the Braves’ first hit and drove in the first run.

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Tiger Woods blasts a shot during the final round of the Disney National Car Rental Classic Sunday in Lake Buena Vista, Fla. Woods won, pushing his earnings to more than \$4.7 million with six victories.

Woods wasn’t pretty, but good enough to win again

The Associated Press

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. — Tiger Woods hardly put together a masterpiece Sunday, but the result was the same — another victory for the world’s No. 1 player, who is still building on what already has become a masterful season.

Despite missing five putts from 10 feet or less and three-putting on three occasions, Woods avoided the kind of mistakes that knocked out Ernie Els and Bob Tway and closed with a Lower 73 to win the National Car Rental Classic at Disney World.

Woods finished at 271 and won \$450,000, pushing his earnings to more than \$4.7 million for the year. Even more impressive are the victories. Woods won for the sixth time this year on the PGA Tour, the most since Tom Watson won six in 1980.

“I just hung in there today,” Woods said. “My putting was just

not on. I figured if I kept hitting it close, one of them might go in. I got lucky and won this one.”

Els hit into the water trying to lay up on No. 14, and had a 35-foot birdie putt roll off the green on No. 17 that led to a bogey. He had a 71 and finished a stroke behind.

Tway was tied with Woods to start the final round and led by two strokes at the turn, but fell out of contention by hitting into the water on the par-12th and taking a triple bogey. Tway had a 76 and tied for third with Frank Langham (72) at 14-under 274.

Woods has not broken 70 in the final round of his last four victories, but he’s been good enough to win a few. On a straight line, Woods has had at least a share of the lead through 54 holes and gone on to win.

“There’s no way you can touch this guy right now,” Els said. “He’s gone to another level that the rest of us can’t find.”

The Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — A knee, not ears, figures in the latest Mike Tyson controversy. Tyson accused Orin Norris of faking an injury to his right knee that resulted in their fight being declared no contest after one round Saturday night.

An instant after the bell rang ending the first round, Tyson knocked down Norris with a left to the head. Norris got up but said he couldn’t continue because of the knee injury.

“He hit me after the bell,” Norris said. “I just went down the wrong way on my right knee.”

Tyson saw it differently. “He walked back to corner, that shows how twisted his knee was,” Tyson said. “He must have twisted it getting on the stool.”

Norris was taken to Valley Hospital Medical Center and an MRI showed he dislocated his kneecap, Dr. Filip Homansky, a Nevada State Athletic Commission physician, said Sunday.

“The MRI clearly shows the path his kneecap took when he went to the ground,” Homansky said. “When he stood up it popped back in. There’s no way he could have continued. He very well might need surgery.”

A tape of the fight will be reviewed Monday, and the commission will hold a hearing Thursday or Friday, said Marc Ratner, the commission’s executive secretary.

The punch was deemed accidental by referee Richard Steele. “Because it was accidental it was ruled a no contest because it went less than four rounds,” Ratner said.

Tyson was disqualified for biting Evander Holyfield’s ears in the third round in the same MGM Grand Garden ring June 28, 1997. His license was revoked for 15 months.

“I don’t want to fight anymore,” Tyson said. “I’m tired of this crap.”



Referee Richard Steele separates Mike Tyson from a falling Orin Norris, right, after Tyson hit Norris after the bell was sounded following the end of the first round during their heavyweight bout Saturday night in Las Vegas.

He is supposed to fight Shannon Briggs in New York’s Madison Square Garden on Feb. 26, but that fight has not been announced officially.

Norris’ purse was released after the fight, but Tyson’s \$8.7 million was held pending the commission hearing.

Ratner said Norris’ purse was released because there was no suspicion of a faked injury. The purse was \$200,000, but Norris was paid only a little more than

\$200,000.

The reduction stems from his manager’s cut, an IRS lien and a court order putting some \$254,000 in escrow because of a lawsuit filed by British promoter Frank Warren.

The five commissioners have the authority to change the no-contest to a disqualification if they are convinced the late punch was fagrant, Ratner said. But indications are the no-contest ruling will stand.

Jeff Burton wins battle of brothers in Rockingham race

The Associated Press

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. — With a big assist from crew chief Frankie Stoddard, Jeff Burton finally got it right Sunday at North Carolina Speedway.

Burton took the lead when he beat his older brother Ward out of the pits on their final stop, and led the final 68 laps in winning the Pop Secret Microwave Popcorn 400.

“This is the best win we’ve ever had,” said Burton, who has dominated several times in the 1,017-mile oval only to fall out of

contention in the late going.

“This was the hardest we’ve ever had to work on the chassis to win a race,” said Jeff Burton, who led only three laps before taking the top spot for the final time in the 393-lap event. “Today, we weren’t close, but Frankie kept us working and working and we had a great last stop.”

“The Rock” has an abrasive asphalt surface that is notorious for tire wear on long runs.

With all the leaders pitting on lap 825, during the final caution period, Stoddard decided to set Burton’s No. 99 Roush Racing

Ford up for a shorter run and try to get his driver a big lead before the tires wear away.

“The green flag waved with 64 laps remaining, and after Jeff Burton was able to beat back a determined bid by Jeff Gordon to regain a lost lap, the strategy worked to perfection.”

“That last caution was definitely a blessing for us,” Burton said. “Ward was going to check out on us. He had a better car on a long

run. Frank made the decision to go try to get everything he could on a short run.”

“We made a lot of changes to the car and got it freed up. But it was too loose on the end of a long run. Ward was coming on us. He just ran out of laps,” added Jeff, who saw his lead cut to 339 seconds — about three car-lengths — by Ward’s Pontiac.

“Jeff beat us out of the pits, then I got behind some lapped traffic and he was able to get away to a big lead,” the runner-up said. “If I had been on his bumper, I don’t think the 99

would have won the race.”

It was the third time this season that Ward has finished second to his younger brother.

Jeff, who earned his sixth victory of the season and the 11th of his Winston Cup career, said it would not have minded losing to his brother, whose only victory came in this race in 1995.

“I feel bad that Ward didn’t win this race,” he said. “I know nobody believes that, but it’s hard to go out there and one of your goals has to be to beat your brother. That’s the hardest thing in the world.”

SPORTS

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Rockets honor Charles Barkley

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — This time he means it. Charles Barkley even had a halftime ceremony before the hometown fans at Sunday night's Houston Rockets-Detroit Pistons exhibition game to prove it.

This season, his 16th in the NBA, will be his last. Barkley, who has teased fans a number of times in recent years with the threat of calling it quits, formally announced his pending retirement in the Birmingham Civic Center, just a half-hour drive from his hometown of Leeds.



With his trademark flourish, he announced he would give \$1 million each to alma maters Leeds High School and Auburn University, and to a program for inner-city Birmingham youth called Cornerstone Schools.

"I don't think God gave me this gift so I could play basketball and have \$50 million in the bank and live happily ever after," Barkley, 36, said. "I don't think that's what my life is for."

Khanouchi sets world record at Chicago Marathon

CHICAGO — Khalid Khanouchi won the LaSalle Banks Chicago Marathon in 2 hours, 5 minutes, 42 seconds Sunday, shattering the previous world best by 23 seconds.

Khanouchi trailed two-time Boston Marathon winner Moses Tanui of Kenya by 33 seconds at the 21-mile mark, but he caught Tanui by the 25th mile and easily outdistanced him, winning by 34 seconds. As he crossed the finish line, Khanouchi burst into tears and was wrapped in a bear hug by his wife, Sandra, who also is his coach and agent.

Khanouchi won a Volkswagen Beetle and \$165,000, including a \$100,000 bonus for breaking Ronaldo da Costa's previous world record of 2:06:05 set in 1998 at Berlin. Tanui finished in 2:06:16. The leading champion Ian Greig, and Mark McNulty of Kenya fell just before the halfway point, but managed to edge countrywoman Margaret Okayo by a second in the closest women's finish at Chicago. Chepchumba finished in 2:25:59 while Okayo, running in her first marathon, clocked 2:26:00.

Baseball's greatest assemblage for All-Century Team

ATLANTA — The 17 living members of the 30-player All-Century team were invited to Atlanta to be honored before Sunday's Game 2 of the World Series in the greatest gathering of baseball talent ever assembled on one field.

The basic 25-man roster, elected in a nationwide balloting conducted by MasterCard, was supplemented with five players added by a special panel of baseball executives, media and historians. Pete Rose, the all-time hit king with 4,256, was the last of nine outfielders chosen by the panel. Joining him in the All-Century outfield were fan favorites Babe Ruth, Hank Aaron, Ted Williams, Willie Mays, Joe DiMaggio, Mickey Mantle, Ty Cobb and Ken Griffey Jr. Stan Musial was added by the special panel.

The batting lineup chosen included Nolan Ryan, Sandy Koufax, Cy Young, Roger Clemens, Bob Gibson and Walter Johnson. Lefty Grove, Warren Spahn and Christy Mathewson were added.

The remainder of the team had catchers, Johnny Bench and Yogi Berra, first basemen Lou Gehrig and Mark McGwire, second basemen Jackie Robinson and Rogers Hornsby, shortstops Cal Ripken Jr., Ernie Banks and Honus Wagner, who was added, and third basemen Mike Schmidt and Brooks Robinson.

Martin overcomes low finish, earns PGA card

IRVING, Ala. — Considering everything Casey Martin has already had to deal with — a disabling disease in his leg and a lengthy court battle with the PGA Tour — a two-hour wait was nothing.

Martin, needing to play well enough in the final Nike event of the season to place in the top 15 of the money list and earn his PGA card, just made it. A 37th-place finish Sunday dropped him from 12th in the money standings to 14th — still good enough for his card.

"I play like I did here. I won't be a very good PGA player," Martin joked. "I'm relieved and grateful. I admit that I'm a little bit shocked to have done it, but it feels really good."

Martin's status was in jeopardy after a poor performance Sunday on the back nine at Highland Oaks sent him into the clubhouse tied for 27th.

All he could do at that point was wait to see how the tournament would play out. Watching on television with his mother, Melinda, Martin stayed calm through the two-hour wait.

"Really, he was at peace," Melinda Martin said, fighting off tears. "With all the adversity he's been through in his life, he could handle the wait."

It wasn't until the television announcer said Martin was guaranteed to make the top 15 that the 27-year-old golfer gave his mother a wink — the only emotion he showed.

Fleisher wins Kaanapali Classic

KAANAPALI, Hawaii — Bruce Fleisher tied the Senior PGA Tour record with his seventh victory of the year, beating Allen Doyle by one stroke Sunday to win the Kaanapali Classic.

Fleisher had a 4-ander 67 in the final round for a 14-under 199 total and the winner's purse of \$150,000 extended his lead on the money list and put him at \$2,288,005.

His seven victories matches the record set by Bruce Crampton in 1986 and matched by Lee Trevino in 1990.

Doyle shot a 6 Sunday at the 6,590-yard Kaanapali North Course on Maui Island and finished three strokes in front of Steve Veriato (4), Jim Ahern (65), Hale Irwin (66) and Tom Jenkins (70).

Force, Johnson win NHRA Fall Nationals titles

IRVING, Texas — John Force and Warren Johnson clinched NHRA Winston championships in their respective categories Sunday at the Texas Motorplex, en route to winning event titles at the 14th annual O'Reilly Fall Nationals.

Force claimed his ninth Funny Car championship and 10th victory of the season, while Johnson earned his fifth Pro Stock championship and seventh season victory in record-setting fashion.

Tony Schumacher and Brad Jeter also were record-setting winners in their pro categories at the \$1.8 million race, the 20th of 22 events in the \$40 million NHRA Winston Drag Racing Series.

Force outran Tommy Johnson Jr., in the quickest side-by-side Funny Car race in NHRA history to record his 80th career victory. Force drove his Castrol GTX Ford Mustang to a 4.827-second run at 319.60 mph, edging past Johnson's Interstate Batteries Pontiac Firebird at the 77th, which ran in 4.843 at 319.82.

The next series event will be the third annual Matco Tools SuperNationals, Oct. 28-31 in Houston.

Compiled from wire reports

The Associated Press

When the NFL's only unbeaten team plays the league's only winless team, you expect a rout.

That's exactly what happened Sunday when the St. Louis Rams beat the Cleveland Browns 34-3 behind the passing of Kurt Warner and the running of Marshall Faulk. The Rams (6-0) led the expansion Browns 14-0 before Cleveland (0-7) ran its first offensive play at the Trans World Dome.

Warner threw three TD passes, including two to Roland Williams, to increase his league-leading total to 18.

Faulk, who spent the previous night in a hospital with what he called a "mixture of food poisoning and flu-like symptoms," rushed for 133 yards on 46 carries, including a 33-yard touchdown.

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Florida State leads AP poll, but others gain ground

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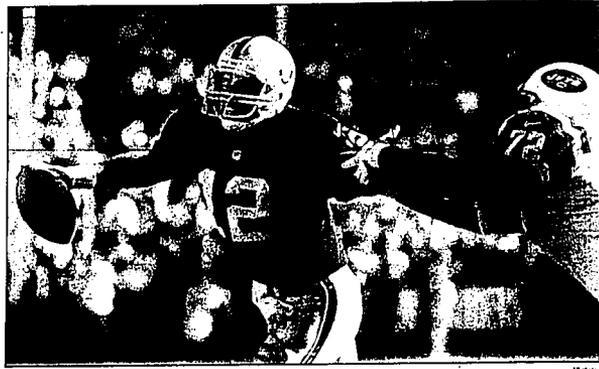
Florida's State's grip on No. 1 is slipping.

After a 17-14 victory over Clemson Saturday night, the Seminoles remained No. 1 in The Associated Press' Top 25 college football poll, but No. 2 Penn State and No. 3 Virginia Tech are gaining.

Florida State (8-0), which gave Bobby Bowden career win No. 300 in the first father vs. son coaching matchup, collected 55 first-place votes and 1,733 points in Sunday's balloting by the 70 sports writers and broadcasters on the AP panel.

Penn State (8-0) also had a tough time beating Purdue 31-25, but it did beat Virginia Tech 19-10.

Virginia Tech (6-0), idle on Saturday, moved up one notch to No. 3 after Nebraska (6-1) was beaten by Texas 24-20. The



Oakland Raiders quarterback Rich Gannon closes the rush of the New York Jets defense while leading the Raiders to a 24-23 comeback win Sunday in Oakland.

Harrison caught eight passes for 156 yards, including a 56-yard TD, as the Colts (4-2) romped over Cincinnati (1-6).

Indianapolis also got two short touchdowns run by rookie Edgerjinn James and a late TD pass from Peyton Manning to Ken Dilger.

Patriots 24, Broncos 23 — At Foxboro, Mass., Terry Allen rushed for a season-high 106 yards and two touchdowns as New England (5-2) snapped an 11-game losing streak against Denver (2-5).

The Patriots beat the Broncos for the first time since 1980 and rushed for three touchdowns for the first time since Nov. 3, 1996, when Curtis Martin scored all three against Miami.

Lions 24, Panthers 9 — At Charlotte, N.C., Charlie Batch threw two TD passes and Detroit (4-2) played great game-line defense against the Panthers (0-7).

Carolina drove to the Detroit 3-

yard line or closer five times, but came away with just three field goals.

The Lions overcame the loss of top rusher Ron Rivera, who broke his right ankle early in the game and is probably out for the season.

Giants 31, Saints 3 — At East Rutherford, N.J., Kent Graham ran for a touchdown and then broke the game open by throwing for two more scores in the final 63 seconds of the second quarter as the New York Giants (4-3) handed New Orleans (1-5) its fifth straight loss.

Graham, who was 19-of-29 for 229 yards, scored on a 6-yard run to give the Giants the lead for good late in the first quarter. He later connected on TD passes of 27 yards to Amari Towner and 53 to Joe Jureticus, the last one on a tipped pass on the final play of the half following some questionable timeouts by Saints coach Mike Ditka.

Dolphins 16, Eagles 13 — At Miami, Damon Hubbard led the Dolphins to a quick 10-point lead in his first NFL start and they hung on for the victory when rookie Johnson missed a 32-yard field-goal attempt with 52 seconds left.

Olindo Mare made field goals of 17, 37 and 53 yards, extending his streak of kicks without a miss to a team-record 17. The AFC East-leading Dolphins (5-1) have won four games in a total of 10 games, while the Eagles (2-5) have lost three games by a total of five points.

Vikings 40, 49ers 16 — At Minneapolis, Leroy Hoard rushed for 105 yards and a touchdown as the Vikings (3-4) handed San Francisco (3-4) its third straight loss — the 49ers' longest losing streak since 1990.

Hoard was subbing for injured starter Robert Smith. Jeff George, who has replaced slumping Randall Cunningham as Minnesota's quarterback, threw three TD passes, including an 80-yarder to Matthew Hachtette.

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The Lions overcame the loss of top rusher Ron Rivera, who broke his right ankle early in the game and is probably out for the season.

Giants 31, Saints 3 — At East Rutherford, N.J., Kent Graham ran for a touchdown and then broke the game open by throwing for two more scores in the final 63 seconds of the second quarter as the New York Giants (4-3) handed New Orleans (1-5) its fifth straight loss.

Graham, who was 19-of-29 for 229 yards, scored on a 6-yard run to give the Giants the lead for good late in the first quarter. He later connected on TD passes of 27 yards to Amari Towner and 53 to Joe Jureticus, the last one on a tipped pass on the final play of the half following some questionable timeouts by Saints coach Mike Ditka.

Dolphins 16, Eagles 13 — At Miami, Damon Hubbard led the Dolphins to a quick 10-point lead in his first NFL start and they hung on for the victory when rookie Johnson missed a 32-yard field-goal attempt with 52 seconds left.

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Back belts: No clear evidence that they help

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Reduces compression of spine
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Theory

Proponents say that a back belt increases pressure inside the abdomen during lifting effort.

Reality

Abdomen pressure does increase, but there's no clear scientific evidence that belts reduce the risk of back injury in untrained workers.

In fact, people may be at an increased risk of back injury after they stop wearing a back belt.

People who have had low back pain miss less work afterward if they use a back belt and receive training on safe lifting technique. The training may be the more important factor.



NIOSH, the federal job safety agency, says that back belts should not be regarded as "protective equipment."

What about weightlifting?

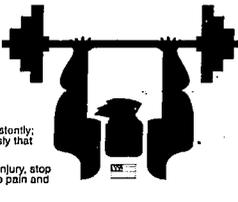
People who lift weights as a sport or for exercise should follow exactly the same principles that apply to workers:

Don't rely on a back belt

Instead, learn how to lift safely from a trainer or an experienced weightlifter.

Follow safety guides consistently; don't go so fast or vigorously that you lift unsafely.

On the first sign of a back injury, stop lifting immediately, treat the pain and investigate what caused it.



SOURCES: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, SAFETY, Washington State Department of Labor and Industries

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TWIN FALLS - The Breast Cancer Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. today at Maxie's Pizza and Pasta, 170 Blue Lakes Blvd. Members are encouraged to bring their spouse or a friend to the pizza party to celebrate National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Call Char Basila at 737-2800 or Jody Tremblay at 733-3700.

TWIN FALLS - An infant cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Education Center at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Pre-registration is not required.

TWIN FALLS - Co-Dependency Group will meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Canyon View West Group Room. Fee is \$10. For more information, call 734-6760.

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Bring payment to the first class.

To register, call St. Benedict's at 324-4301.

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HEALTH & FASHION

FIGHTING THE FLU

The best ways to battle this year's bug

Now York Daily News

An outbreak of influenza among travelers to Alaska and the Yukon Territory over the summer sparked fears that this year's flu would be arriving much earlier and would be more severe than usual.

But according to the Centers for Disease Control, the Alaska virus is not one that appeared last year and is included in this year's vaccine, which makes it unlikely that this year's epidemic — which, typically, can kill some 20,000 Americans and hospitalize 100,000 more — will be worse than usual. Influenza is caused by viruses that infect the respiratory tract. The two most serious types are influenza A and B, both of which are spread through the air.

Normally, when a person gets a virus or is vaccinated against one, he or she develops antibodies that protect them against being infected again.

Flu viruses, on the other hand, undergo almost constant mutations. They "put on a new coat, and they're not recognized by those of us who've had the flu. So we get infected again," says Dr. Robert Couch, professor of medicine, microbiology and immunology at Baylor College of Medicine and a member of the FDA committee that helps decide what influenza strains to include in the vaccine every year.

Every virus has an outer coat composed mainly of two types of proteins: hemagglutinin (H) and neuraminidase (N). To complicate matters further, on the A virus, there are 15 different types of hemagglutinin (H1, H2, H3, etc.) and six different neuraminidases (N1, N2, N3, etc.). The B virus only has one H and one N but both the A and the B viruses are further subdivided according to the place where they were first identified (Beijing, Sydney, Nanjing, etc.). For the past 20 years or so, three distinct types of influenza have been circulating: one is type B and two are type A — A (H1N1) and A (H3N2).

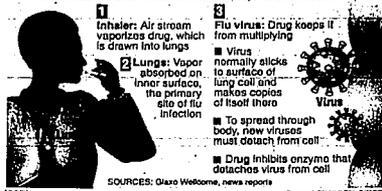
Small mutations occur continuously within the existing hemagglutinins (H1 and H3) and existing neuraminidases (N1 and N2), which is why we need a new vaccine every year. As long as the mutations occur within the existing H and N proteins, the flu probably won't be dramatically worse from one year to the next. The antibodies to previous years' viruses — which we carry in our bodies — will afford a small amount of protection and we can bolster this with a vaccine.

When one of the proteins on a type A virus changes, however, we get pandemic — particularly virulent strain of flu that sweeps the world. This is what happened in 1918, when 20 million people worldwide died from the Spanish Flu. Then, says Dr. John Treanor, associate professor of medicine at the University of Rochester, "It's almost like no one's had the flu before, like you introduced smallpox to an island where it was never seen before."

Two years ago, several cases of a totally new hemagglutinin were found in Hong Kong. "People thought this was it, we're going to be in serious trouble. But it didn't happen that way," says Treanor. "They took some extreme measures to stop the outbreak and

How new flu drug works

This is the first flu season that the drug zanamivir has been approved for use. It must be taken within the first two days of a flu infection.



Symptoms
Even though the exact strain of the flu virus may differ from year to year, the symptoms stay largely the same:
• 100 to 103-degree fever
• aches and pains all over the body
• headache
• chills
• coughing
• sore throat
Symptoms come on gradually and can last a week to 10 days, often sending the victim to bed. A cold is quite different: It usually comes on gradually and symptoms are confined mainly to the nasal area: stuffy or runny nose, sneezing, sore or scratchy throat and a cough later. Someone with a cold can usually carry on with their usual activities.
In vulnerable populations flu sometimes leads to pneumonia, which can kill.

Treatment
The most common prescriptions for flu are rest and over-the-counter medications to alleviate symptoms. There are also two classes of antiviral drugs with different applications. The "old" antiviral drugs, amantadine and rimantadine, are effective for influenza A only. Amantadine causes central nervous system side effects and both drugs can have unpleasant gastrointestinal effects. The virus has also become very adept at mutating to resist these drugs. Zelnor (zanamivir), one of a new class of antiviral drugs, was approved by the Food & Drug Administration in July and seems to show more promise. The drug, which is inhaled and is effective against both influenza A and influenza B, doesn't exhibit severe side effects and seems not to provoke as much resistance in the virus. An oral drug in the same class is expected to win approval soon.

In clinical studies, the inhaled drug shortened the duration of the sickness by about one and a half days and reduced complications by about 28 percent, says Dr. Frederick G. Hayden, an infectious diseases specialist at the University of Virginia School of Medicine. Treatment with the oral medication shortens the sickness by the same amount (one and a half days) and reduces symptoms severity by 30-40 percent besides reducing complications.

"These drugs for treatment really work better if they're started early in the illness and if someone is sicker," says Hayden. While there's no point in using the drugs for simple cold-like symptoms, he continues, they are effective against fever and respiratory illness. Though currently approved for treatment, these drugs appear to have some value for prevention as well in communities where the illness is circulating.

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CAUSES
In the United States, chronic alcoholism is the most common cause. Cirrhosis also may result from chronic viral hepatitis (types B, C, and D). Liver injury that results in cirrhosis also may be caused by a number of inherited diseases.

SYMPTOMS
The person may experience fatigue, weakness, and exhaustion. Loss of appetite is usual, often with nausea and weight loss. As liver function declines, water accumulates in the legs and abdomen. In later stages of cirrhosis, jaundice (yellow skin) may occur. Some people experience intense itching due to bile products that are deposited in the skin.

TREATMENT
Treatment is aimed at stopping or delaying its progress, minimizing the damage to liver cells, and reducing complications. In alcoholic cirrhosis, for instance, the person must stop drinking alcohol. Medication may be given to control the symptoms of cirrhosis, such as itching.

SUMMARY
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- Infant CPR Class * Tuesday, October 26, 7-9:30 p.m., Education Center. Pre-registration is not required.
- Co-Dependency Group * Wednesday, October 27, 6-7:30 p.m., Canyon View West Group Room. Fee: \$10. For more information call 734-6760.
- Prepared Childbirth Course * Wednesday, October 27 — December 1, 7-9:30 p.m., Education Center. Pre-registration required. Call 737-2900.
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HEALTH & FASHION

Kids and colds go together

The Orlando Sentinel

Autumn. The temperatures are falling, the days are growing shorter, and the children are sniffling, sneezing, and coughing.

That's right, parents: Prepare to ladle heaping bowls of chicken soup. Cold and flu season blows in this month, touching off the annual season of misery, missed work and school days.

Americans suffer about 100 million colds annually, leading to about 250 million days of reduced efficiency and about 30 million days lost from work or school.

Although colds are more prevalent in winter months, cold-weather—contrary to popular belief—does not cause colds or exacerbate the symptoms.

Children are especially susceptible, it seems, because they are more in contact at day-care centers and schools with other children who are to colds and the flu what Mary is to epidemics.

"Kids get lots of colds," says Dr. Michael Muszynski, division chief of pediatric infectious diseases at Nemours Children's Clinic of Orlando, Fla. Young children catch about 10 colds a year, he says. In their boundless generosity they sneeze, cough and breathe on their parents so they can share the misery.

Although the cure for the common cold remains elusive, there are simple precautions that parents can try to reduce the threat of colds and the flu in their homes.

To combat colds and the flu, it might help to know what you're dealing with. Not long after than Hippocrates, the Greek trailblazer who lent his name to the famous medical oath, believed that waste matter in the brain caused colds. Rummy noses, as he saw it, was spillage of this waste.

His cure: Take two leeches and send out a herald in the morning. Fortunately, for those of us a little leery of leeches, doctors today are somewhat better versed about the nature of colds and the flu than healers who bring their shingles in Hippocrates' day.

One of about 200 viral infections — not brain poop, enlarged tonsils or adenoids — cause colds. Most often, these viruses enter the body through the nose or mouth and reveal their presence

one or two days after exposure through an itchy or sore throat, nasal congestion, and mild body aches or headache. Once full-blown, colds cause runny noses, watery eyes, and sneezing, and often coughing. This misery usually lasts three to four days.

Each time you develop a cold you gain some measure of immunity to that particular virus. But with a couple of hundred viruses that takes some time. And young children have not had the time to build these immunities, Muszynski says.

Like colds, viruses also lurk behind the flu. Unlike a cold, the flu begins with a sudden onset of chills and fever, usually one to four days after exposure. Beyond that, flu symptoms mirror those of a cold, with muscular aches, weakness, nasal congestion, flushed face, dry cough, and sore throat. But flu symptoms pack a bigger and longer lasting wallop, from a week to 10 days.

One of the more common types of cold-causing culprits are rhinoviruses (from the Greek rhino, meaning nose), which cause an estimated 30 percent to 35 percent of all adult colds. And the fall season is one of the high times for rhinovirus activity.

In a perfect world, we could lower the risk of contracting a cold by avoiding close, prolonged contact with cold sufferers, and by swabbing clean every surface from telephones to countertops. That way, when you unconsciously rub your sooty eyes or scratch that itch on your nose, your hands would be clean of viruses

that often hitchhike and set up house in your body.

That, for children in day care and school, is just short of impossible. Compounding matters is the fact that rhinoviruses are tough little buggers: They can survive up to three hours outside the nose camped on inanimate objects and skin.

Bed rest? It's worthless, overrated

The Washington Post

Bed rest is overrated as a treatment for ailments from heart attack to back pain, according to an analysis of 39 studies involving more than 5,000 patients.

"Overall, there was no evidence that bed rest has any significant beneficial effect when used as a treatment or when used after surgery," Australian researchers concluded. "Indeed, in some disor-

ders it seems to be harmful." The findings support modern recommendations that bed rest should no longer be offered for acute low back pain, myocardial infarction (heart attack), pulmonary tuberculosis or acute infectious hepatitis," they said.

Bed rest, the study authors noted, is often prescribed by doctors not only for immobilized patients but also for many conditions ranging from arthritis to psychiatric illness.

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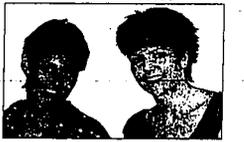
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