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Today: Fog early then mostly sunny with light, high 32. Clear tonight, 16.

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Clinton chides Congress, sets far-reaching goals

President includes tax cut, gun control in last State of Union speech of his term

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Clinton proposed a \$350 billion tax cut, big spending increases for schools and health care and photo ID licenses for handgun purchases Thursday as he offered the final agenda of his presidency. "The state of our union is the strongest it has ever been," he said.

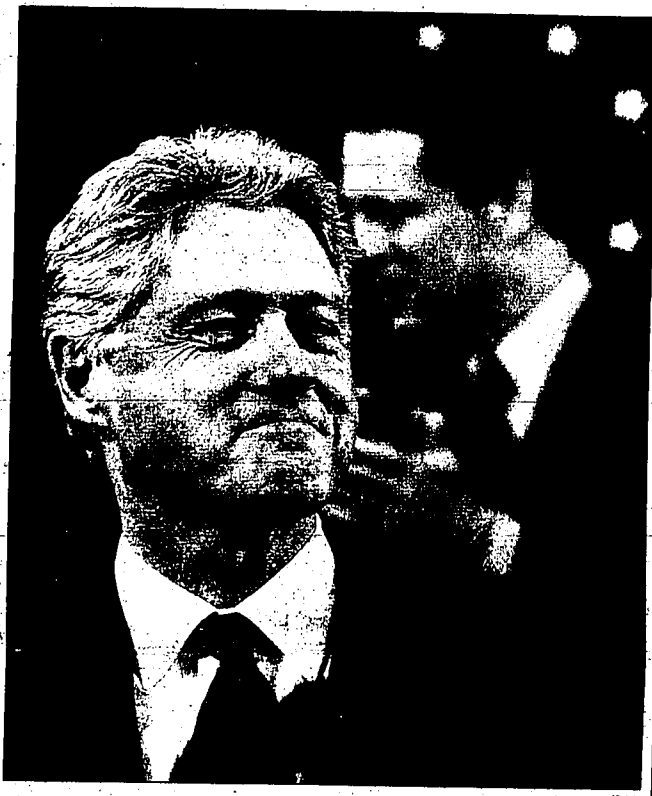
At the start of an election-year, Clinton issued a stinging rebuke in his last State of the Union address. "For too long this Congress has been standing still on some of our most pressing national priorities," he chided.

The president noted that next month the United States will achieve the longest period of economic growth in the nation's history, and called on Americans to "set great goals."

The president offered a long list of initiatives, many of them sure to be rewritten or ignored by Congress. His tax cut proposals were intended primarily to promote educational opportunities and expand health insurance and child care for lower- and middle-income Americans. The initiatives included relief from the "marriage penalty" — an idea first championed by Republicans — and a new program of retirement savings accounts.

Most of the proposals were released in advance but the White House withheld Clinton's gun licensing measure until the last minute to build suspense. Similar to a plan offered by Vice President Al Gore, it would require handgun purchasers to first obtain a state license showing they have passed a background check and a gun safety requirement, such as a training course or an exam.

States could choose not to participate. See UNION, Page A2



As Vice President Al Gore applauds in the background, President Clinton receives a standing ovation during his State of the Union speech Thursday in Washington, D.C.

Highlights of the president's speech

Education
"All successful schools have followed the same proven formula: higher standards, more accountability, so all children can reach those standards. ... I have sent Congress a reform plan based on that formula. ... It's time to support what works and stop supporting what doesn't."

Prescription drug coverage
"Recent numbers of Americans are providing for aging or ailing loved ones at home. Last year, I proposed a \$1,000 tax credit for long-term care. Frankly, that wasn't enough. This year, let's triple it to \$3,000 — and this year, let's pass it."

Foreign policy
"America cannot prevent every conflict or stop every outrage. But where our interests are at stake and we can make a difference, we must be peacemakers."

Crime and gun control
"We must strengthen gun laws and better enforce laws already on the books. ... I propose to hire more federal and local gun prosecutors, and more ATF agents to crack down on

illegal gun traffickers and bad-apple dealers. And we must give law enforcement the tools to trace every gun — and every bullet — used in a crime in America."

Globalization
"To keep our historic economic expansion going, we need a 21st century revolution to open new markets, start new businesses, and hire new workers right here in America — in our inner cities, poor rural areas, and on Indian reservations."

Environment
"The greatest environmental challenge of the new century is global warming. ... Many people in the United States and around the world still believe we can't cut greenhouse gas pollution without slowing economic growth. In the Industrial Age that may have been true. In the digital economy, it isn't."

Diversity
"In a little more than 50 years, there will be no majority race in America. In a more interconnected world, this diversity can be our greatest strength."

Senators have doubts about Clinton's plans

States News Service

WASHINGTON, D.C. — It will be difficult in an election year to accomplish much of the agenda that President Clinton proposed Thursday night, Sen. Larry Craig said.

In an unusually long State of the Union speech, Clinton outlined ambitious goals for his final year that addressed health care, gun safety, a patient bill of rights, education and tax credits.

While the president has set forth plans to bolster his legacy, Craig, R-Idaho, expects the plans to fall short in a Congress focusing on the November election. Noting that Clinton could only push through about 37 percent of his agenda last year, Craig said Clinton will probably do worse in his final year.

"I can't imagine in an election year and during a short-session year that the president could fair



Larry Craig Mike Crapo

much better," Craig said. Sen. Michael Crapo, R-Idaho, said Clinton's proposals do not lend themselves to paying down the national debt — an issue that the president touched on in his address.

"I was surprised to hear him talk about paying down the national debt when his very budget lies in the face of that effort," said Crapo, who is recovering from prostate cancer surgery and watched the speech from his

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Bighorn project regains strength

Meetings convince lawmakers the plan has had enough study

By Michael Journee Times-News writer

BOISE — Barring a last-minute rejection by the Idaho Fish and Game Commission, the reintroduction of 30 bighorn sheep to a remote portion of Cassia County, will likely proceed without delay. Eleventh-hour questions from the Legislature's Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee about bringing the big-

horn back worried Fish and Game officials and members of the Idaho's Foundation for North American Wild Sheep. They worried a legislative review would throw off a tight timetable for the reintroduction, forcing a delay of at least a year and costing thousands of dollars already invested in the project.

"The schedule we have proposed entailed catching sheep next week," said Steve Huffaker, acting assistant director for Fish and Game, the state agency that would be responsible for transporting and managing the herd.

If the commission and weather permit, the sheep commission approval could come today or Monday — sheep captured in Oregon could be roaming Cassia County by early February.

Last-minute conferences and Please see BIGHORN, Page A2

Survey gives mixed report on smoking

The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Smoking among high schoolers dropped in 1999 for the first time since the government began keeping track at the start of the decade. But nearly one in 10 children are already smoking cigarettes in middle school.

A nationwide survey of 7,529 high schoolers in September and October found that 28.4 percent reported using tobacco products in the preceding month, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said Thursday.

In 1997, the last time the CDC looked at high school smoking, 36.4 percent of students said they had smoked in the preceding month. At the time, teen smoking was on the rise, from 34.8 percent in 1995 and 27.5 percent in 1991, the first year the CDC started keeping track.

The CDC said it expected teen smoking rates to drop — just not by so much. The agency said differences between the 1999 survey and earlier studies may have exaggerated the decline.

BRADLEY FIGHTS BACK

Evidence of slipping campaign prompts change

By David Goldstein Knight Rider News Service

More on politics — A4

STRATHAM, N.H. — Bill Bradley's decision to stop turning the other cheek in the face of Vice President Al Gore's persistence — and by some accounts inaccurate — criticism of his record has pumped a shot of adrenaline into his flagging presidential campaign.

"Whether it can halt what the polls show is a also slide in his popular support is unclear. But like the recent blizzard that sud-

denly blanketed the Granite State, his new strategy dramatically changed the political landscape overnight, six days before the pivotal New Hampshire primary.

The man derided by the Gore campaign as an ivory tower "philosopher-king" descended into the streets to match blows during Wednesday's debate with a vice president better-schooled

in the arts of hand-to-hand political combat.

Bradley accused the vice president of "uncontrollably lying" about his campaign. He said Gore "knew better," as if he were scolding an errant child. In a particularly stinging rebuke, Bradley blamed Gore to former President Richard Nixon, the worst thing one Democrat can say about another.

Gore has been a relentless critic of Bradley throughout the cam-



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Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley High: 25 Low: 04 Mostly sunny today and mostly clear tonight. Mostly sunny Saturday, high 25.

Eastern Idaho High: 25 Low: 06 Fog early today then mostly sunny. Patchy fog tonight. Same Saturday, high 23.

Northern Idaho High: 28 Low: 23 Fog early today then mostly cloudy. Same tonight. Same Saturday, high 28.

Northern Utah High: 37 Low: 17 Sunny today with light winds. Clear tonight. Same Saturday, high 38.

Northern Nevada High: 34 Low: 14 Sunny today with light winds. Clear tonight. Sunny Saturday, high 36.

MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today Saturday Sunday Monday Tuesday High/Low forecasts and weather icons for Magic Valley.

Idaho weather Friday, Jan. 28

AccuWeather forecast for daytime conditions, high/low temperatures. Includes a map of Idaho with weather zones.

National weather The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Friday, Jan. 28.

Map of the United States showing weather zones and fronts. Includes a legend for weather symbols.

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ACROSS THE NATION

Nation: A winter storm swept over the southern Plains and snow and record cold chilled parts of the South on Thursday. Low pressure moving east across Texas continued to bring snow showers over most of Kansas, Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Table showing precipitation in Twin Falls: Yesterday 33.23, Month to date 28.11, Last year 28.11, Normal 37.19.

Idaho Highs/Lows

Table of high and low temperatures for Idaho cities: Boise (35/21), Burley (34/26), Coeur d'Alene (30/21), etc.

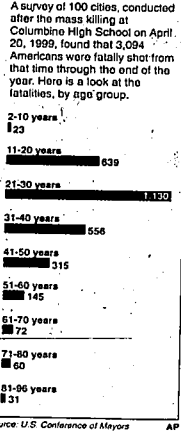
The Nation

Table of high and low temperatures for various US cities: Albuquerque (52/36), Atlanta (43/19), Boston (42/16), etc.

Mayors call for gun laws

WASHINGTON (AP) - Calling on Congress to pass more stringent gun laws, the nation's mayors displayed on Thursday a "wall of death" filled with the names of nearly 3,100 Americans fatally shot since the killings at Columbine High School.

Gun-related deaths



Reaction

Continued from A1 home in Washington, D.C. Craig agreed that Clinton planned on spending too much of the budget surplus.

Reactions to President Clinton's speech

"The president's agenda ... will make prudent use of the surplus to extend the life of Social Security and Medicare and to provide a fiscally responsible middle-class tax cut. Unfortunately, Republicans have no plans to use one penny of the surplus to strengthen Social Security or Medicare."

Union

Continued from A1 participate in President Clinton's program. The National Rifle Association condemned the plan as pointless and unworkable.

Bradley

Continued from A1. He has zeroed in on Bradley's comprehensive health care plan, attacking it in ways that Bradley's supporters say distort the basic tenets of the proposal.

Bradley would replace it with a larger health insurance program intended to cover more people.

"Last night, I decided I'd had it," Bradley told a cheering crowd of supporters at a frigid rally Thursday morning in Concord.

it. We did it. And I think it went well.

But the fallout could be ominous. It could split the party, with consequences for the fall general elections. That happened in 1968, when the Democrats were divided over the Vietnam War and nominee Hubert Humphrey failed to carry the fractious party to victory.

Bighorn

Continued from A1 crash courses on the history of the plan have persuaded key legislators that Fish and Game and the sheep foundation have done their homework.

program began when Sen. Cecil Ingram, R-Boise, saw recent newspaper articles about the plan.

Among Ingram's concerns is the program's funding, which relies heavily on auctioning hunting tags for the bighorns. The tags typically draw high bids from well-to-do hunters who covet the animals' trophy horns.

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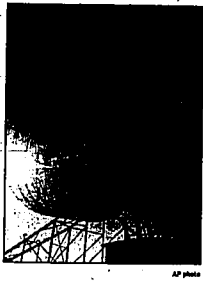
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - NASA's Mars Polar Lander, presumed lost on Dec. 3 as it plunged toward the Red Planet, may have phoned home briefly in December and January.

But project scientists Thursday said they were still uncertain whether the phantom beeps detected by astronomers were signals from the \$165 million spacecraft or some other source.

Even if the signals were from the polar lander, it could not fulfill its original objectives, NASA officials said. The type of signal received indicates that the main antenna would be broken and the secondary relay antenna would be malfunctioning.

Mission managers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., had sent repeat



This deep-dish antenna at Stanford University in California may have received a faint signal from the Mars Polar Lander.

ed commands during December and January ordering the vanished lander to send a radio signal back to Earth.

There was no sign of response at the time. But scientists reanalyzing radio data captured by a 150-foot antenna at Stanford University reported that they "may have detected a signal that could have come from Mars" on Dec. 18 and Jan. 4.

Arrest links plot to Saudi terrorist, authorities say

The Seattle Times

SEATTLE - Authorities in Senegal are holding a man believed to have played a key role in orchestrating a bomb plot that was foiled when border agents arrested a suspected Algerian terrorist in Port Angeles last month, law-enforcement sources say.

Federal agents were traveling to the West African nation to question the man, Mohambadou Ould Slahi, sources said.

A Justice Department source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the FBI is aware

that Slahi had at least one face-to-face contact with Ahmed Ressam, whose Dec. 14 arrest in Port Angeles with a car carrying explosives initiated the international investigation. Slahi also has been linked to others arrested in the plot, the source said.

Slahi is a brother-in-law of a close lieutenant to Osama bin Laden, the exiled Saudi terrorist who has been charged in the U.S. with masterminding the bombing of two American embassies in East Africa.

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American Airlines lets tired pilots beg off flights

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) - American Airlines recently adopted a policy allowing pilots who are too tired to fly to beg off a flight without penalty, a top executive said Thursday at a hearing into a crash that killed 11 people last year.

The two pilots of the plane that crashed June 1 while trying to land in a storm in Little Rock had been on duty for more than 13 hours - just shy of American's maximum 14-hour day. Pilot Richard Buschmann was killed and co-pilot Michael Origel was injured.

National Transportation Safety Board investigator Greg Feith said the long day was not unusual for American pilots. "We have

received... numerous people calling us or providing us letters that people are flying tired - that American Airlines pilots are still on the edge of fatigue and management isn't listening," he said.

Robert Baker, vice chairman for American's parent company, AMR Corp., said: "We have said to our pilots in no uncertain terms: If you feel you are unable to perform because of fatigue, then you are off the trip at your request with no recourse from the company."

Baker, who was in charge of American's operations at the time of the crash, was promoted three weeks ago to a new position created to oversee safety and security.

Officer commits suicide in casino after heavy losses

DETROIT (AP) - After losing thousands of dollars in a day of gambling at Detroit's brand-new casinos, off-duty police Sgt. Solomon Bell tried one last high-stakes hand of blackjack.

He lost. The decorated officer abruptly stood up from the table, cried out "Noooooo!", drew his gun and put a bullet in head as other gamblers scrambled for safety.

The death - believed to be the first suicide inside a U.S. gambling hall - has highlighted concerns about casino gambling in a city pinning much of its hopes for revival on three new casinos. "I predicted this is the kind of problem we would face because of the addictiveness of gambling," said City Councilwoman

Maryann Mahaffey.

Bell's death on Wednesday was shocking to people who knew him. They said the 38-year-old officer was a jovial fellow with few visible problems - gambling or otherwise. He joined the Oak Park force about 12 years ago and rose from uniformed patrol officer to investigator, sergeant and patrol supervisor. His service record was unblemished.

Away from his 563.675-a-year job, the unmarried Bell kept mostly to himself and took meticulous care of his house in nearby Southfield. He owned a 1995 Cadillac Seville and liked to roller-skate.

Co-workers said they knew he occasionally gambled, but never saw signs of a problem.

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NATION



Republican presidential candidate Gary Bauer shares a french fry with Dylan Banks, 3, during a stop at Burger King Thursday in Hooksett, N.H.

Vietnam War: Necessary evil, or just plain evil? The candidates give their opinions

The Associated Press asked the presidential candidates: Fifty-eight thousand Americans, 223,000 South Vietnamese and, by Daniel's estimate, 650,000 North Vietnamese and Viet Cong soldiers were killed in Vietnam. In retrospect, do you believe that war served America's interests? Do you believe it hastened the collapse of communism?

Democrats

Bill Bradley: "The Vietnam War began with the honorable intention of serving America's interests but turned into a tragedy for both America and Vietnam. The outcome was certainly not in our interests. Communism collapsed because America won the war of ideas — democratic institutions and market economies build strong societies while authoritarian governments with command economies stunt productivity and stifle human expression."

Al Gore: "The Vietnam War was one of the most painful and costly experiences in American history. Although I served in Vietnam, like many Americans, I saw the war as an experience that contributed to doubt and cynicism about America's future. In the end, the war proved to be unable to prevent the collapse of South Vietnam and its eventual absorption by the North. I do not believe that the Vietnam War hastened the collapse of communism."

Scientists grow compound to fight cancer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Cancer researchers suspect certain compounds made by a bacterium in soil might fight cancer better than the powerful drug Taxol, but it has been difficult to get more than trace amounts of the experimental molecules to study. Now a small California biotechnology company reports in Friday's edition of the journal Science that it may have solved the supply problem. The compounds are called epothilones. In laboratory animal studies, certain epothilones worked the same way Taxol does but seemed more powerful, killing tumor cells resistant to Taxol treatment. "The epothilones blew them away," said biochemist Samuel Danishefsky at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York, a leading epothilone researcher.

But it was difficult to cult the experimental compounds from the mysterious soil bacteria they grow in, and artificial production has been arduous, too, he said. So researchers at Kossan Biosciences in Hayward, Calif., cloned the cluster of epothilone-producing genes in soil bacteria. They reassembled those genes inside another bacterium commonly used in laboratories. The new bacterium grows 10 times faster than the natural bugs, allowing a more plentiful epothilone supply, Kossan reported.

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On the Issues

Communism's ultimate collapse occurred because the Soviet system was so weak at the core that not even Gorbachev's efforts at reform could save it. Communism also collapsed because it failed to deliver any of its promises to millions of ordinary people who craved normal lives free of government oppression and official terror."

Reform Party

Pat Buchanan: "The Vietnam War was a noble cause, bravely fought by U.S. soldiers. While Southeast Asia was lost, U.S. arms were never defeated, and the Vietnam vets bought Asia the vital time it needed to become a free, dynamic and prosperous as it is today."

Republicans

Gary Bauer: "Costly and heartbreaking as the war was, it retarded Communist expansionism in Asia and bought precious time for the non-Communist countries of that region to develop their free institutions."

George W. Bush: No response.
Steve Forbes: "American leadership to stop the spread of Communism was the morally right thing to do. But Lyndon Johnson's prosecution of the war — and the

lies that were told to the American people — was a disgrace. Thousands upon thousands of Americans lost their lives. Americans lost faith with the politicians in Washington, and, for a time, in themselves. When we make a commitment of U.S. troops, we must give them the tools and the leadership to finish the job. That's what Ronald Reagan did. That's why he helped America regain her sense of strength, conviction and purpose and go on to defeat the Evil Empire."

Alan Keyes: No response.

John McCain: "Let me begin by saying that I have no reservations about the United States fighting to prevent North Vietnam from imposing its will on the South, and on neighboring countries. I have no moral reservations about the role I played during the war. The manner in which the war was fought, however, is where many, myself included, question the entire exercise. Suffice to say that I am not particularly enamored of the political leadership that dictated the rules under which the military had to operate. That U.S. policy was never to win the war by defeating the adversary but rather to deny him victory over the South and use a formula for disengagement. I strongly supported normalization of U.S. relations with Vietnam in 1995 to advance U.S. interests and help put the war behind us."

Firm opens new target in the hunt for AIDS drugs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Scientists have become increasingly frustrated in the hunt for novel ways to attack the AIDS virus, but now they're getting some encouraging news: Drug giant Merck & Co. has mapped the way toward a long-elusive target. It will take years of additional research to turn the finding into a usable medication, experts cautioned.

But the research gives scientists another — and long-awaited — place to aim at in fighting the HIV virus, important as today's AIDS drugs slowly lose their edge with few options in sight.

It's called integrase, an enzyme coded by the AIDS virus that causes a crucial step in HIV infection: It melds HIV's genetic material with the patient's own DNA inside their cells, essentially hijacking cells. Only then can HIV begin reproducing at its infernally furious rate.

Scientists have long known about integrase's crucial function and tried to create "integrase inhibiting" drugs to block its effect, much like the popular AIDS-fighting "protease inhibitors" block the action of a different HIV enzyme called protease.

But attempts to create integrase inhibitors have failed so far. Merck's advance, reported in Friday's edition of the journal Science, was to uncover the exact spot in the enzyme's action that must be blocked for an integrase inhibitor to work. Merck researchers screened 250,000 samples in the company's library of chemicals and found two compounds known as "diketo acids" that hit that spot. In laboratory tests, the compounds successfully inhibited integrase and fought HIV.

In an unusual move, Merck executives refused to allow the lead scientist — Daria Hazuda — to discuss her discovery with reporters. But a Merck spokesman said the compounds described have certain problems that prevent them from being pursued as drugs, so the company is hunting better candidates.

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The Feds built Alaska, but some would rather forget that

By Michael Powell
 The Washington Post

SOLDOTNA, Alaska — We're passing a few hours at Sal's Klondike Diner, discussing that noted liberal George W. Bush and the coming economic apocalypse and life as a serf in America's frozen colony.

Our tour guide is George Martin, 58, a Republican Party official here in Alaska's southern Kenai peninsula — known to the locals as "the Big K." Forty thousand very conservative souls live a mountainous finger of fjordland the size of New Jersey.

"Things are deteriorating very fast morally and politically," Martin runs his lips over his gums. "The feds are locking up the state. Russia isn't benign like they tell us. Our bubble dot-com economy is about to explode. It could be Germany in the 1930s."

"George W. is wishy-washy around." He leans forward and confides: "I wouldn't be surprised to find out he's a Trilateralist, New World Order guy. Wouldn't be surprised."

It's the secret language of Alaska's Republican Party activists, a vertical colony beset by a federal dictatorship and illegal soccer. A place where Republican "traditionalists" are at war with "mainline Republicans."

Martin and his fellow conservative activists, who dominate the state party's ranks, spent much of the past week lobbying on war paint and prepping for the state's presidential straw poll. It's their quadrennial chance to roar against their state's Republican senators and the federal government, to plant their banners for the forces of Right: Steve Forbes, Alan Keyes, Gary Bauer ...

In 1996, Pat Buchanan won the state's straw poll. Forbes came in second and Bob Dole a distant third. (This year, Bush edged Forbes by five votes out of about 4,000, but hard-core conservative candidates garnered 65 percent of total votes.)

It's more than just a darker, colder, far-right version of the Iowa caucuses. What's playing out in Alaska is the larger drama of the American West.

"The frontier mythology overwhelms Alaskans; they are constantly getting blindsided by reality," says Stephen Haycox, a professor at the University of Alaska at Anchorage. "They don't realize that government built this state, and that the rest of the country now views Alaska as the last wilderness, a place to be preserved, not despoiled."

Martin and his friends in the Big K might not buy the spin, but they don't dispute the stakes. Martin made his way to Alaska 40 years ago, after doing this and that in California. (Like many Alaskans, he gets a little vague about his former life "back in the United States.") He peers out of the diner at a landscape of snow and strip malls. Beyond are thousands of acres of white-dusted pines and icy karibou runs and razor-edged ridges.

"The Lower 48 wants to put this whole place under lock and key," he says. "We've got an influx of people bringing in their planning

and zoning ideas. Maybe we should just shut the doors and secede. Of course, down here" — he chuckles — "we'd probably just become Chesapeake Bay."

The drive north to the Matanuska-Susitna Valley, known as the Mat-Su, skirts sharp, jagged mountains. Two decades ago the Mat-Su Valley, 20 miles north of Anchorage, was the frontier. Today the glacier-rimmed valley of moose and brown bear has towns

'I hate for the federal government to tell me what to do — the whole idea is ludicrous.'

—Vadney Bledsoe, Republican district leader

that stretch along in a blur of McDonald's, Pizza Hut and Carpet World. It has, in other words, become America. By the Arctic.

It's also one of the most conservative places in Alaska.

"We kicked out the last Democrat many years ago. She ran again and almost didn't get any votes," Charlie Huggins, retired Army, laughs good-naturedly. "We are very individualistic people and we don't want dictatorship by the government."

Vadney Bledsoe nods. "I hate for the federal government to tell me what to do — the whole idea is ludicrous. In Alaska these days, it's heads we lose, tails we lose."

Heads nod around the table at the Pilgrims Baptist Church in Wasilla. There are eight Republican district leaders from across the state, gathered to discuss Alaska. Their hearts and primary votes are with Keyes, Forbes and Bauer, but most say they'll vote for Bush in November. These are, in their view, desperate times.

Roger McEwen, 56, a retired civilian employee with the Army, shakes his head. "It comes from the anti-fur people, the people who don't think you should step on a bug, the animal worshippers. We've had it. No one cares about Alaska."

Whenever conversation wheels toward the federal and state governments, the tone is early gung. And the views have an inner logic. The federal government owns 95 percent of Alaska's land. Vast chunks are tied up in national parks and national forests, and federal law in some cases forbids the state from laying roads. In millions more acres are owned by Native American tribes. In the southeast, thousands of square miles of forest are sealed off and pulp mills are shuttered. So there it is. The case for the counterrevolution.

But the Mat-Su is an Alaskan paradox. Because the valley, like all of Alaska, is a welfare queen. The federal government built the state — its highways, ports, schools and airstrips — and set aside millions of acres of forest for the timber industry, and helped lay roads and build mills. Mat-Su came in for special attention. The F.D.A. administration rescued Depression-era farmers in Minnesota and resettled them in the Mat-Su, which in its brief summer is a pho-

tosynthesis festival: cabbages the size of picnic tables, tomatoes like free weights ... This was to be Alaska's breadbasket, and each farmer got a house and barn.

Mat-Su and Alaska repaid in kind, becoming Democratic bastions. There came oil and Prudhoe Bay. The legislature wiped out the state income and sales taxes. And it established an oil-fueled fund that sends an annual check to every Alaskan. The amount this year topped \$1,300 per person.

The federal Spigot is still open, too. A Republican congressman in Oklahoma recently released a year 2000 pork list. Texas, New York — these states averaged a dollar or two per capita; Alaska averaged \$125 per person.

"Alaskans don't like to talk about the reality of their psychological and economic dependence on government," says Haycox, whose book on Alaskan history is due this year.

"Alaska is like the rest of the West, only more so. Settlement here would have been impossible without the federal government."

More than a few of the crowd at Pilgrims Baptist Church hail from families of FDR Democrats. But those days are past.

"I believe, firmly, that 70 percent of the federal government outside the military is unconstitutional," says McEwen. "The Constitution doesn't allow for welfare or federal involvement in schools."

Didn't the government help build Alaska? McEwen will give you that, no problem.

"If we didn't have all the federal money up here, we'd have a lot less people coming in. And some of us think that'd be just fine."

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Seton Hall University students wipe their eyes during a memorial service Thursday on the campus in South Orange, N.J., for the three freshman students who were killed in last week's dormitory fire.

Seton Hall students, faculty grieve for dorm fire victims at memorial service

SOUTH ORANGE, N.J. (AP) — Thousands of Seton Hall University students and relatives paid their respects Thursday to three 18-year-old freshmen "snatched away" in a dormitory fire last week.

The skirt of baggies could be heard as the mourners, many wearing lapel ribbons in the school's blue and white colors, entered the gymnasium a short walk from Boland Hall, where the fire happened.

Monsignor Robert Sheeran, Seton Hall's president, repeatedly invoked the names of Frank S. Caltablota Jr. of West Long Branch, John Giunta of Vineland and Aaron Karol of Green Brook, who died in the pre-dawn fire Jan. 19.

"Just as we were getting to

know them, they were snatched away," Sheeran said. "It seems too sudden an ending, too swift a close. The story had hardly started, and it was over. We want so much to call them back, to tell them what they meant to us, to tell them how much we love them."

The victims were buried Monday in separate funerals in their hometowns.

Student government President Bryan Schroeder saluted students who helped rescue others from the burning building and opened their own dorm rooms to those made temporarily homeless, lending them clothes and offering a place to sleep.

"We have been in total fear, shock, disbelief, sorrow and numbness. At the same time, we

have found relief, hope, friendship and love in this community," he said.

Sixty-two people were injured in the blaze. The cause of the fire remains under investigation. The 48-year-old building did not have a sprinkler system, but one wasn't required because of the building's age.

Sheeran, who lived in Boland Hall as an undergraduate in the 1960s, moved from his campus apartment into the dorm Tuesday and will stay there for the foreseeable future, spokeswoman Lisa Grider said.

"This is a very tangible way to show the students in Boland Hall that he's with them, that he supports them, that we're going to do everything we can to help them," Grider said.

OSHA won't hold companies responsible for safety of employees using home offices

Nation in brief

Woman applies to be first female on Citadel board

GREENVILLE, S.C. — Five years after the first female cadet was admitted to The Citadel, a woman has applied to be the first female member of the military school's board. Allison Dean Wright, a nonvoting advisory member of the board since 1997, has applied to fill a vacancy on the panel. She is one of five candidates for two seats on the board that will be filled by the state General Assembly this year.

Breast cancer billboards spark some controversy

SAN FRANCISCO — At first glance, the scantily clad, provocatively posed women could be models for Obsession perfume, Cosmopolitan magazine or a Victoria's Secret catalog. But look closer at the posters and these women bare mastectomy scars — part of a cancer aware-

ness campaign that is causing a stir in the San Francisco Bay area. "We're using a parody of icons, society's icons of sexuality that are always in our face," said Andrea Martin, founder of The Breast Cancer Fund, the San Francisco-based nonprofit organization heading the campaign.

Patrol car hit F-15 when driver fumbled for phone

EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. — An Air Force security man crashed his patrol car into a parked \$39 million jet fighter; while fumbling for his cell phone, investigators say.

The Nov. 5 crash totaled the patrol car and caused more than \$62,000 in damage to the F-15's landing gear, according to an Air Force report released Wednesday. The report did not say how fast the car was going. As a result of the accident, security personnel have been ordered to get out of their cars every half-hour for a 10-minute break "to combat boredom and oxygenate blood flow."

— compiled from wire reports

Court says golfers can be liable for injuries from shots

NEWARK, N.J. — Reckless golfers can be sued if their errant shots cause injuries because golfing doesn't carry the same expectation of harm as football or softball, an appeals court has ruled.

A golfer hitting a ball has a duty to use reasonable care before executing a swing, to first observe whether there is anybody else in the line of fire, and if so, to provide an adequate warning," a three-judge Superior Court Appellate Division panel ruled Wednesday.

The case involves the founder of the Arizona Tea Company, John Ferolito, who Jeffrey Schick accused of striking him between the eyes with a shot in 1994.

Schick, a factory worker, suffered broken facial and cheek bones near the 16th tee at East Orange Golf Course.

He is seeking compensatory and punitive damages.

Victims' advocates target

Benetton's Death Row ads

Knight Ridder News Service

Crime victims' advocates in Texas and New York are calling for a boycott of fashion giant Benetton to protest its new advertising campaign, which sympathetically portrays Death Row inmates.

The Italian company and its products, including a line of clothing carried by Sears, are being targeted in Texas by Justice for All, and beyond by the New York group Center for the Community Interest.

"We are going to organize a boycott of Benetton products and just ask people upfront not to buy Benetton products," said Dianne Clements, president of Justice for All. "Benetton is in-

bed with killers, and Sears is in bed with Benetton."

At issue is a \$20 million ad campaign, to be carried on billboards and in major magazines, titled "We on Death Row." It features pictures of and interviews with more than two dozen condemned killers.

None is from Texas because prison officials would not let the company interview and photograph inmates.

Repeated attempts to reach a spokesman at Benetton U.S. headquarters in New York were unsuccessful.

In a news release announcing the campaign, Benetton said the ads are aimed at "giving back a human face to the prisoners on death row."

EDITORIAL

As economy turns, economic diversification pays dividends

Though some farmers and ranchers might beg to differ, the past few years have been boom ones in southern Idaho. The economic good of the mid- to late-1990s appears to be tapering off, but there's heartening evidence to suggest the region's economy can withstand truly hard times.

The Magic Valley's economy is diversifying, which means downturns in one category can be offset by gains in another. Agriculture, in its many forms, is still the engine that pulls the train, but more goods and services are helping to push it every year.

Though some would like to believe otherwise, farming and ranching are still the hub around which the Magic Valley economy turns.

It's important to remember these gains have come at a time when farm prices have been falling. There are some bright spots, particularly in milk production and processing, as well as modest gains in wheat production and cattle prices. For most farmers, however, the final quarter of last year was the fifth straight quarter of declining farm prices. Beans and spuds, for example, brought lower prices in the last three months of 1999 than they did in the fourth quarters of 1988 or 1987.

Though some would like to believe otherwise, wise, farming and ranching are still the hub around which the Magic Valley economy turns. Beans, beef, milk and spuds are the backbone of the local economy, so thoughtful economic diversification should play to those strengths.

Sure, it would be nice to have a slice of the high-tech pie, but that's a whole new industry with virtually no track record in the Magic Valley. Substantial investment and upgrades in the valley's telecommunications infrastructure are required before high-tech employers can be lured to town.

The past is a prologue to the future. Here, in one of the most productive farm valleys on earth, the future still looks pretty bright.

Simply put, this valley is prospering. Bankruptcy filings are down, and so is unemployment. Last month's unemployment figure for Twin Falls, Jerome and Gooding counties was a paltry 3.6 percent - the lowest monthly rate in more than three years. Virtually anyone who wants a job can find one.

Job creation is on the rise in the Magic Valley's west end. The final quarter of 1999 saw a total of 1,154 new jobs added in Twin Falls, Jerome and Gooding counties; overall, the three counties are home to 37,880 jobs. Much of the increase is due to gains in manufacturing, food processing and the service sector.

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LETTERS

Stop the Elko circus

It looks like a real side show that is developing in Elko County. After all, what is Jarbidge going to do with thousands of shovels? Of course Mike Nannini and Delmar Dahi are volunteering to pay the fine should the weak-kneed U.S. Justice Department decide that an insurrection (an act or instance of open revolt against an established authority as a government) was breaking the law. After all, blaming the Forest Service for this huge altercation is like blaming the butch in your favorite restaurant if you didn't like your meal. For those who didn't know, Congress passed the endangered species act governing the stream, and only Congress can change it. As far as the mile or so of road that was to be in contention, Jim Hurst wants to ignore because of what the 340,000 miles of road the Forest Service has built, mainly with taxpayers' money to support the timber industry.

It is my guess that the local supporters of this Jarbidge Circus rebellion have never seen the arena in question. The instigators of this action and the local supporters will all stand tall and proud if someone gets hurt or even killed. This tends to be an interesting Independence Day in Jarbidge, Nev., if there is enough beer to go along with the shovels.

BETTY PRUNTY
Twin Falls

No Rights Day - why?

On Jan. 17, it was a national holiday, Martin Luther King Day or Rights Day. What I want to know is why did Twin Falls School District not observe it? I always figured that students had rights just like adults. Or is it a holiday that Twin Falls School District wants to ignore because of what the holiday represents. What is the excuse?

CHRISTINE HERNANDEZ
Twin Falls

Setting the record straighter over Raft River hog farm

As the originator of one of the figures Mr. Ron Achs cited in your paper, and as one of the critics of his hog farm plan, I would like to comment on some of the statements Mr. Achs made in your paper in "Setting the record straight over Raft River hog farm."

Ninety-three million dollars for annual waste treatment costs was calculated from Mr. Achs' application to put so many hogs on the old Simplot C Dairy property that they would generate the same amount of waste as the total population of Idaho. I assumed the responsible thing to do with that much concentrated hog waste would be to treat it like you treat waste from cities and towns - and that results in a cost of \$93 million per year. I never assumed Mr. Achs would treat his hog waste responsibly - my figure is merely an estimate of the costs his "state-of-the-art" operation is likely to shift to residents of Cassia County.

Mr. Achs cites "Mr. Allen's" 5,000... cattle roaming both sides of the Raft River "Roaming is what cattle (and hogs) usually do and, as opposed to Mr. Achs' figures, Mr. Allen has about 2,200 head of cattle on roughly 3,000 acres - over one acre per cow. These cattle are moved to Soda Springs for the summer. Surely Mr. Achs doesn't mean to say that this is similar to having 550,000 hogs on 4,500 acres year around."

There is also a major difference between Mr. Achs and Mr. Allen. While I know neither of them personally, Mr. Achs' operation has been structured so he can walk away from the environmental problems he creates by keeping his personal assets more or less intact in Ketchum and elsewhere. Mr. Allen lives with his brothers where he ranches. He has to live with the problems he creates just as he is around to face his neighbors if his cattle cause problems.

READER COMMENT
William J. Weida

Mr. Achs speaks of his "sophisticated yet very pragmatic financing package (of) approximately \$70 million in Industrial Revenue Bonds." While this financing package is pragmatic, it is hardly sophisticated. Mr. Achs wants to use Industrial Revenue Bonds because they are cheaper than other forms of financing. The difference between the interest rate on IRBs and the rate he could get elsewhere in the market represents a subsidy from the people of Idaho to his operation and it increases his profits - nothing more and nothing less.

Mr. Achs claims the bond money "will be spent in Cassia County and will directly or indirectly benefit many of its citizens." If this money is spent in Cassia County, and not even in surrounding counties, it will be completely at variance with experience elsewhere around the country and also with common sense - Cassia County doesn't have the ability to provide more than one-third of the materials and services required to build Mr. Achs' hog farm. Instead, the money is likely to go to the lowest bidder for each project, no matter where they are located.

Mr. Achs' gratuitous remarks about the rating of the Evans Bank do raise an interesting issue. Investor service ratings do not guarantee a company will stay solvent, they simply state the risk involved in dealing with the company. Western Pork defaulted on \$15 million of Colorado bonds in a similar arrangement to the Evans Bank.

Such ratings are not necessary for the Evans Bank. People in the community know the bank has been with them over the long run and the deposits or loans they make with the bank are returned to the local community. This is very different from the operation Mr. Achs proposes.

Mr. Achs implies that the three legislators from Cassia County are responsible for the state of the county's economy. This is nonsense. Cassia County is suffering from problems in agriculture, as are many other counties across the country. It is suffering more than other counties because its economy is more heavily based in agri-

culture than other counties.

What Mr. Achs proposes with his hog factory not only does nothing to diversify the Cassia County economy, it actually places the economy in jeopardy by creating odor and waste problems that keep diversifying industries out of the region. I am sure the opposition to Mr. Achs' plans looks strange from his vantage point in Ketchum, but many folks in Cassia County (and elsewhere in Idaho) have settled or stayed precisely because they want a community and lifestyle that are not entirely dependent on dollars. This doesn't mean Cassia County's residents want to be poor or underemployed, but it does mean that many of them prize other things - like a clean environment - far more than they prize promises of short-term financial gains.

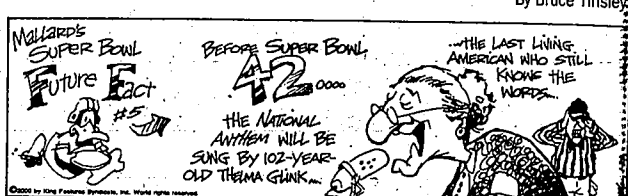
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Doonesbury

By Garry Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore

By Bruce Tinsley



A few cautionary words on the economy

We are about to rewrite history. Unless a recession begins in the next few days, this boom will soon become the longest in the American experience. In February, it will have lasted 107 months. The current record is 106 months between February 1961 and December 1969. By and large, Americans are behaving as if recessions are a relic of the past, even though everyone must realize that the boom will end someday - and might end badly.

As with all records, people will celebrate and assert bragging rights. President Clinton has claimed credit. Alan Greenspan, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, is idolized for his presumed role. The murky truth is that the boom's causes reflect a protracted and largely nonpolitical process.

Low inflation has been the critical catalyst. In the past, rising inflation has doomed expansions through higher interest rates, increased labor costs and squeezed profits. Yet, inflation now remains tame. By various measures, it's running between 1 percent and slightly more than 2 percent a year. This is lower than in 1990 (between 4 percent and 6 percent) and defies the conventional tendency of inflation to worsen as the economy "heats up."

To explain tame inflation, I'd cite three factors:

- The Fed: Paul Volcker, chairman of the Fed between 1979 and 1987, crushed inflationary expectations. In the 1960s and 1970s, these had become ingrained. Companies raised prices because they expected customers would pay. Workers expected pay raises to compensate for higher prices - and then some. By 1980, inflation had reached double digits. Volcker tightened money, increased interest rates and caused a savage recession. In 1982, unemployment neared 11 percent. Though brutal, the downturn stifled wage and price increases. By 1983, inflation was 4 percent. President Reagan sanctioned



ROBERT J. SAMUELSON

Volcker's policy by muting criticism. Since then, Greenspan's Fed has pursued "price stability" and has raised interest rates (as in 1994) to prevent inflation's upward creep. Presidents Bush and Clinton have emulated Reagan's self-restraint.

• Better Management: Through the 1970s, corporate managers were rarely fired. In the 1980s, things changed. Managers became vulnerable to job loss for many reasons: the recession; foreign competition; deregulation in the airline, trucking and communications industries; "hostile" corporate takeovers. Self-preservation made managers more ruthless. Old plants were shut. Layoffs and "downsizings" became common. Again, the immediate consequences were often cruel. But the lasting effect was less inflationary behavior.

• New Technology: As everyone knows, business investment in computers and communications has exploded. The presumption is that these investments enable companies to do things faster and cheaper - they raise "productivity." Firms can minimize unneeded inventories or speed the processing of customer orders. Higher productivity can be magical. If a company improves productivity 3 percent, it can raise wages 3 percent without increasing prices or sacrificing profits. And productivity has improved. In recent years, it's approached 3 percent a year, up from 1.6 percent in the 1980s.

We're enjoying the fruits of purged inflationary psychology. Luck may also have helped. Economist John Malkin of the American Enterprise Institute notes that the Asian financial crisis - which first seemed to threaten recession - may have prolonged the boom. It reduced inflationary pressures by "cutting the (worldwide) demand for raw materials" and stimulating cheap imports into the United States from debtor countries. It also prompted the Fed to cut interest rates in late 1998, providing "a tremendous tail wind for the U.S. economy and stock markets."

There are many plausible reasons that the boom won't last forever. Inflation might increase, with low unemployment pushing up wages. The Fed is already sufficiently worried that it's raising interest rates. Or the prevailing boom psychology might prove fatal. Undeniably, Americans have gone on a spending spree. Since 1991, for example, personal after-tax income has risen 47 percent (with no correction for inflation); meanwhile, consumer spending has risen about 57 percent. The gap between the two - financed by borrowing or selling stocks - totals almost \$400 billion annually. Spending can't perpetually outstrip income.

One reason they have is the effusive stock market. Much of the market's increase reflects genuine economic gains. But some reflect sheer speculation.

Steve Galbraith of Sanford C. Bernstein, an investment house, reports that there's less long-term holding of stocks - and more trading for instant profits. In 1999, the Nasdaq's turnover was 221 percent. This meant that the market's total shares were bought and sold not just once during the year, but more than twice. In 1990, turnover was less than half that. "Of the 50 stocks with the highest returns (increases) on the Nasdaq only 15 made money," writes Galbraith, and "the average turnover in this group was 600 percent" (shares were bought and sold six times). "We'd all like the boom to glide along forever. Perhaps it has years to go. But it could be showing the seeds of its own destruction."

Robert J. Samuelson is a Newsweek columnist.

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LETTER

Happy Birthday, Joe

I would like to wish a happy 72nd birthday to Mr. Joe Cowles in Kimberly. Joe is my martial arts instructor and, at one time, was a student of the late Bruce Lee. Joe went on to become founder of his own martial arts system - Wu Wei Gung-Fu. This system was

taken from the concepts taught by Bruce Lee, but Joe added many joint locks and submission moves for realistic combat. Joe now has more than 2,000 people who study his own art form in the United States (we think more though). Joe is in great shape and continuously beats on us much younger guys. I would hate to be

a mugger who meets Joe out in a parking lot. Joe has a great sense of humor and always has some joke to make you laugh. Joe is truly a great man and I have much respect for him. I am very glad he took me on as his student. Happy Birthday, Joe. I hope you never get your age. KEITH OWEN Twin Falls

Medicare to cover prescription drugs? Sure - but at what cost?

Akron (Ohio) Beacon Journal

A debate bubbled last summer about the economic future of the Medicare program. President Clinton presented a plan to offer Medicare coverage for outpatient drug prescriptions beginning in 2002. The drug benefit plan has tremendous appeal. It addresses a pressing need for millions of seniors, not to mention the baby boomers fast approaching Medicare eligibility. Still, appeal is just one of many critical questions that demand consideration if Medicare is to remain viable. What are the financial implications for the program? For beneficiaries? The health-care system in general? The impetus for a bold expansion of the federal health program for elderly and disabled Americans is compelling enough. Drugs are an increasingly critical part of health maintenance. They are used to control a growing number of chronic illnesses such as diabetes, hypertension, arthritis and heart disease that once required some hospital care. More powerful, effective and expensive drugs are coming into use quicker and being promoted more aggressively to physicians and patients. Drug use and expenditures

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have risen as a result. In 1997, prescription drug spending topped \$78 billion, a 14 percent annual increase. Senior citizens account for about a third of the spending and average about \$1,100 a year for prescription drugs. Standard Medicare benefits, however, do not cover outpatient prescription drugs. Instead, various supplementary plans fill the gap. The poorest seniors get drug benefits through the Medicaid program; others have coverage through Medicare HMOs, Medigap plans and retiree health plans, though the number of employers offering this benefit has dropped 25 percent since 1994. Still, about a third of the Medicare population lacks drug coverage. The challenge, then, is how to provide coverage without bankrupting the system just as the program needs to accommodate retiring baby boomers. White House estimates for the new Medicare Part D, the voluntary drug-coverage plan, peg the cost at \$116 billion over 10 years, to be financed by premiums, government subsidies and cost-control mechanisms such as negotiated price discounts and rebates.

Others aren't as sanguine. The General Accounting Office projects costs exceeding \$160 billion over 10 years. The expense could be even higher as more people avail themselves of a popular benefit and as two disturbing trends continue: the number of HMOs pulling out of Medicare contracts and the rate at which employers, pointing to Medicare drug coverage, would drop or reduce retiree benefit plans. Drug companies, which have been ambivalent about the prescription drug plan, signaled a willingness last week to negotiate coverage plans with the feds. Obviously, the market for drugs will grow with expanded coverage, a significant consideration in the pursuit of profits and market share. The industry fear, however, is that that very access to the Medicare market would give the government increased leverage to demand price discounts and rebate programs, if not reason for eventual price controls. The high cost of pharmaceutical products is a growing concern that no drug benefit program can tolerate for long. The unease with the Clinton prescription drug plan is not about a lack of need or appeal. The worry is that demand and soaring costs will make it unaffordable in the long run.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Western Days could move - and merge

TWIN FALLS - The annual Western Days celebration will stay put in 2000, but it might hit the trail across town after that. The annual event could move to the College of Southern Idaho, said Kent Just, the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's executive vice president.

The Western Days Board of Directors will probably discuss a future move with CSI trustees, Just said.

The June event will continue at its present location at the City Park, for now.

"It's just getting too big for the City Park," Just said.

Chamber members and other local officials discussed Western Days and the Hispanic Heritage Festival, at a brainstorming session Thursday afternoon. The session was a chance for event officials to discuss what they need and how their celebrations could be done better.

Hispanic Heritage Festival and Western Days also discussed the idea of combining their events.

The Hispanic Heritage Festival is held in August.

Molestation results

In life sentence for man

GOODING - A Gooding man will spend the rest of his life in prison after pleading guilty to molesting a 3-year-old girl.

Leon Jack Anderson, 66, was sentenced Tuesday on one count of lewd conduct with a child. Another three counts were dropped in a plea agreement with Gooding County Prosecutor Phil Brown said.

The fixed-life sentence handed out by District Judge Nathan Higler was what Brown recommended based on Anderson's sex-offender evaluation, he said.

The evaluation classified Anderson as a predatory pedophile with a high chance of reoffending, Brown said.

State seeks assistance with lunch program

TWIN FALLS - The Idaho Department of Education estimates that one out of every six children goes without meals sometime during each month, but especially during the summer when school breakfast and lunch are not available. Through a federally funded summer lunch program in 1999, more than 9,000 children in Idaho were fed meals each day. Still, that compares with more than 60,000 low-income children who are fed daily during the school year.

The department is looking again this year to sponsor the Summer Food Service Program in communities throughout the state. Municipal, county or state government agencies and nonprofit groups can participate.

Mary Jo Marshall, child nutrition specialist for the Department of Education, said the program generally operates in areas where at least 50 percent of the children qualify for free or reduced priced meals under the National School Lunch Program. Sites also may qualify as low income, based on census.

Children 18 and under, as well as those over 18 who are mentally or physically handicapped and enrolled in school, are eligible for free lunches.

For more information about the program, write to Mary Jo Marshall at Child Nutrition Programs, State Department of Education, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, Idaho, 83720-0027, or call Marshall at 208-332-6821. Program agreements may be filed with the department by May 1.

CSI offers accounting software help class

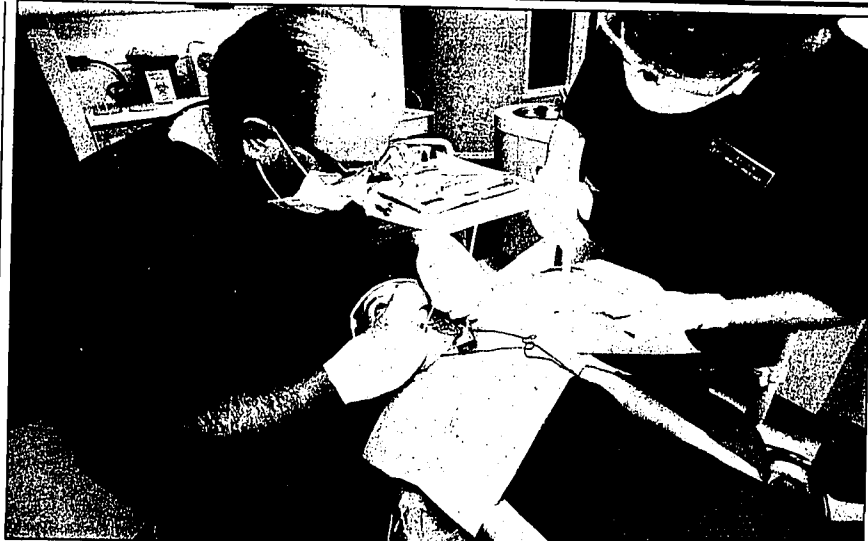
TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho is offering an introductory and advanced CYMA class during the spring semester. The instructor is Karen Kershaw.

This will be the last chance for students to take the DOS version of CYMA. The version 5.10. The program will run in a Windows environment. CYMA handles general ledger, payroll, accounts payable and receivable programs.

The beginning class will run from Feb. 15 to March 2. The advanced class will run from March 14 to April 4. Each class will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. in Canyon 124C. The fee is \$45 for either class.

For more information, call Paula Greene at 733-9554, Ext. 2302.

Compiled from staff reports



Teas Bunker, 7, has her teeth sealed by Dr. Tracy Savage, left, and Ellen Thompson. Even though screenings won't be available through Twin Falls schools, dentists hope children 6 to 9 years old will participate in the "Seal Idaho 2000 Month" program.

Dentists set sights on six-year molars

But Twin Falls schools won't open wide

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Protecting six-year molars from decay will bring dentists into schools soon, but not in Twin Falls, where parents will need to take the initiative to get children to a screening.

Participating dentists throughout the region and state will provide free, dental sealants to second-graders in February, officially named "Seal Idaho 2000 Month." Dentists will offer school screenings and will recommend to parents whether their children are ready for sealants.

Twin Falls public school students can participate, but it must be on their own time. Dentists hope that won't deter the effort.

Judging from the number of phone calls he has received, Superintendent Terrell Donich

Want to know more?

Want to know more? Seal Idaho 2000 is sponsored by the Idaho State Dental Association, the Department of Health and Welfare, Idaho Dental Hygienists Association, and local health departments. Parents needing more information can contact their school nurses or the South Central District Health Department at 733-5900, Ext. 272.

said he knows that his district's decision to skip the screenings isn't popular. The district did send home information about the program to parents, he said. Twin Falls schools receive many requests for student time throughout the year, Donich said. The district leaves decisions about how many activities and what kind can be promoted in school each year to a committee that meets each fall, he said. Other requests, including a proposal from a group wanting to screen all students for depression, also were turned away this year.

"The bottom line is protecting student time for instruction," Donich said.

It's a message he has delivered to community groups this year: Schools are required to be all things to all people, and that leaves little time to teach students.

Dr. Joel Newton, a Twin Falls periodontist, said he understands what the district is up against, but the project didn't materialize in time to present it to the district's committee.

Not going through the schools limits the project's reach, Newton said.

"The fact that we aren't going into the school shouldn't deter (parents) from having it done," he said.

Office screenings also will take a lot of office time for dentists, he said. Roughly 500 students are enrolled in the second grade in Twin Falls.

At about age 6 - the typical age of second-graders - children's first set of molars develops.

The pits and fissures in the molars make them a challenge for even the best brushing, said

Dr. Tracy Savage, a Twin Falls dentist. Dental sealants protect the teeth from cavity-causing bacteria.

Without sealants, three out of four back teeth decay by age 13, the Seal Idaho 2000 campaign says. Sealants are a plastic coating painted on the grooves of back teeth. They don't hurt and take only a few minutes apiece to apply.

"It's not 100 percent effective, but it decreases the rate of cavities significantly," Savage said.

Sealants cost between \$100 to \$125 for all four teeth, compared with fillings that can cost between \$75 to \$100 a tooth, he said. Many patients with dental insurance already take advantage of sealants, but the free service in February extends the option to everyone, he said.

Even with sealants, children still must brush and floss to combat bacteria between teeth, and children still need regular dental checkups, Savage said.

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Vision thing: Planning for Twin Falls' future

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The city needs more bike routes, increased downtown development and better-planned transportation systems and thoroughfares, several residents and officials said Thursday night.

In a series of meetings, Ballouff and Associates Inc., an architectural and planning firm, met with local officials and residents to discuss Twin Falls' "Second Century Plan" - a plan that will likely keep city officials busy in the next 50 years.

Ballouff and Associates has been drafting a blueprint for the city on what plans it should make for the future. That blueprint, more than 60 pages long, is nearing completion and should likely be completed sometime in March.

The firm hosted several public meetings Thursday to gain more input from residents and officials, before a final draft is completed.

Ballouff and Associates has already hosted a series of public

Second-century agenda

- Revising city zoning regulations.
- Revising city street and sidewalk standards.
- Finding ways to stimulate downtown business growth.
- Creating a parks, trails and open space plan.
- Increasing neighborhood planning.
- Updating the city's transportation plan.

forums throughout its more than a year of work on the plan. More meetings are scheduled for March.

"This is a visionary process," said Mike Pepper, a consultant to Ballouff and Associates. "This is a vision over about 50 to 75 years." City officials adopted a comprehensive plan in 1994. That plan outlined some of the most important issues facing the city in the future, including transportation and recreation.

The plan has included many of those same issues, along with several new ones.

Perhaps the most discussion among officials and residents

Other residents expressed their thoughts about transportation, asking for better roadway access and safer routes.

But without the money to follow through with some proposals - including an alternate route on Pole Line Road and another Snake River Canyon bridge - some ideas might be nothing more than pipe dreams, city officials agreed.

"When you start planning these things and they slip the money out from under you, you're in trouble," City Councilman Howard Allen said.

"We can't do a lot of these things without help from the state."

But the city still needs to start thinking about its future anyway, and drawing up another comprehensive plan is a start, Ballouff and Associates representatives said.

Allen, who said the plan was a good idea, couldn't help but express his skepticism about the future, however.

"The thing that blows my mind is that we're sitting here now, but who will be sitting here 20 years from now?" he said.

Thursday centered on transportation and recreation. "I was an exchange student in Germany and I rode my bike everywhere," Andre Stone of Twin Falls said. "I think if we could have bike paths detached from roadways it would be a plus."

Stone, an 18-year-old senior at Twin Falls High School, was probably the youngest attendee at Thursday's public forum. But that didn't stop him from suggesting ways to cut back on some of the city's traffic problems.

"I think if we have a set bus system, that would help with transportation too," he said.

Stone, acting as a police informant, helped set up the sting in which the prosecution alleges Dr. Charles Wesley Suits traded a painkiller prescription for methamphetamine. The defense spent Thursday challenging Gann's reliability as a witness.

The defense produced medical records of several visits in which Suits treated Gann for various ailments and injuries, gave her medical advice or encouraged her to enter drug rehabilitation. Gann said she never made any of those visits and had not suffered many of the ailments he had recorded.

Suits did offer her antibiotics for an irritated tattoo, helped adjust her back from time to time, and offered medical advice in his office, but it was all done as a friend and a lover, not as her physician, she said.

Defense lawyer Bill Manning questioned whether a drug addiction that began in 1995 affected her memory. When asked if her memory was good while she was taking drugs, she responded, "No, it's not that great, sir."

Suits was arrested Dec. 31, 1998, after giving state agent

Up the ladder

Roadless suit hits federal court

By N.S. Nokinantved
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The U.S. Forest Service has asked a federal judge to dismiss a lawsuit filed by the state attorney general over a Clinton administration roadless area proposal.

The U.S. attorney's office in Boise, filing on behalf of the Forest Service, says the state's lawsuit is premature.

Idaho Attorney General Al Lance filed the suit Dec. 10, saying the Forest Service had denied a Freedom of Information Act request and had not properly allowed public comment on an environmental impact analysis on the controversial roadless proposal.

"But neither issue is ripe for

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Liability bill starts rolling

By Michael Jousse
Times-News writer

BOISE - A bill limiting employers' liability for criminal acts committed by off-duty and former employees, championed by one of the state's most powerful lobby organizations, made a return appearance before the Legislature Thursday.

The Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry has called the rewritten bill its top priority for the 2000 legislative session. Similar legislation was killed in committee last year in large part because of opposition from first-term legislator Rep. Leon Smith, R-Twin Falls.

The bill struck after months of reworking involving IACI and Smith.

"It's OK," Smith said. "We've spent two and a half months on this. It's a result of (IACI) being able to compromise on the things I saw wrong with it."

Dawn Justice, IACI's vice president for human resources, presented the bill to the House's Judiciary, Rules and Administration committee Thursday. The bill now will be debated by the same committee that killed it in 1999.

The idea behind the legislation is to define an employer's liability for acts of current and former employees.

IACI and other bill backers said there is a fundamental flaw in the idea that an employer should be liable for the criminal actions of former employees. And Smith has said he doesn't disagree.

Smith said he agrees with the basic philosophy, but argued against it last year because it gave employers virtually no responsibility for off-duty or ex-employees, no matter the circumstances.

The bill was drafted largely in response to a 1998 Idaho Supreme Court decision that said a Boise hospital could be liable for a crime committed by a former worker - a physical therapist who molested a boy he first met when the boy was his patient at the hospital. Sixteen other Idaho associations aside from IACI supported the bill in 1999.

This year, IACI and bill sponsors are joined by the Idaho Liability Reform Coalition, which represents Idaho city and county governments, public schools and other public entities.

Scott Ward a prescription for the painkiller Vicodin, allegedly in exchange for a gram and a half of methamphetamine - an amount known on the street as a "teener."

While the state contends Suits clearly knew he was receiving illegal drugs in exchange for an illegal prescription, the defense

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MAGIC VALLEY WEST

Wendell hopes to open new park

By Gina Mulder
Times-News correspondent
WENDELL - A plot of railroad property could someday be developed into a small park in Wendell.

McCloud said the group was hoping to reapply for a grant and use the money for cleaning and landscaping. Once the project is completed, maintenance would be the city's responsibility.

Employees who have done more than their job normally entails. Last year, merit raises were given to those public utility employees who have filed in in the absence of a public works superintendent.

Educators, business reps endorse exiting standards

BOISE (AP) - Educators and business representatives endorsed proposed new high school graduation standards as a good first step to ensuring Idaho students are academically prepared for college and the working world.

Thursday but heard much of the same testimony from advocates and critics. Those representing the latter position again attacked the standards for failing to include the teaching of human development theories other than evolution and as an ineffective method of improving academic performance.

House committee will consider liability plan
BOISE - A House committee has agreed to consider a new plan promoted by business interests for limiting employers' legal responsibility for the actions of former and off-duty employees.

Ranchers, environmentalists unite to fight military flights

WASHINGTON (AP) - A coalition of Western ranchers and environmentalists sued the Air Force Thursday, asking a federal judge to suspend low-level training flights the lawsuit said hurt people, livestock and wildlife.

options. We want to make sure the (environmental study) is prepared."
A spokesman said Thursday the Air Force works with state, federal and tribal agencies to balance its training requirements "with responsible environmental stewardship."

homes, the lawsuit said. Low-level flight training routes cover about 1 million square miles, mostly over public land in the West, the lawsuit said.

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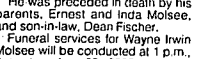


Wayne I. Molsse

Wayne I. Molsse, 63, of Filer, Idaho, went to be with his maker Wednesday, January 26, 2000, after a long battle with cancer.

in the oil fields until World War II broke out, when they moved to the west coast to work in the shipyards at Long Beach. In 1942, they moved to Wendell, Idaho, and then on to Gooding in 1943, where they farmed, and Elmer began painting houses, which was his occupation for most of the rest of his life.

Symes of North Ogden, Utah; four grandchildren, Sarah Burningham of Logan, Utah, Stefan Church of Ogden, Utah, Isaac Symes of North Ogden, Utah, and Lisa Callahan and Matthew Callahan, both of Salt Lake City, Utah, and one great-grandchild.



Mildred Kay Symes

Mildred Kay Symes, 71-year-old Albion resident, died Wednesday, January 26, 2000, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.



Robert H. Hughes

Robert H. Hughes, 87, of Mountain Home, died Tuesday, January 25, 2000, of natural causes at his home.

MOUNTAIN HOME

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Clarence, and four sisters, Emma, Etisic, Agnes and Lavina.
Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 29, 2000, at Demaray's Gooding Chapel. Friends may call from 1 to 5 p.m. today at the chapel. Burial will take place on Tuesday, February 1, 2000, in Great Falls, Montana.

SERVICES

Mary Ellen Archer of Twin Falls, and formerly of Jerome, services at 11 a.m. Jan. 31 at the Jerome First Church of God (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome).

Mary Louise Baxter of Filer, private family burial today at the Filer Cemetery; public memorial services are at 1 p.m. today at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension in Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel).

Adelia "Dee" Van Eaton Graybill of Twin Falls, services at 1 p.m. today at the Harrison LDS Stake Center (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Robert H. Hughes of Mountain Home, services at 6 p.m. Saturday at Summers Funeral Home, McMurry Chapel, in Mountain Home.

James S. Keel Jr. of Burley, graveside services at 11 a.m. today at the old Twin Falls Cemetery (Hansen Mortuary Chapel).

Phyllis Cooper of Raft River, services at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Paradise LDS First Ward Chapel, in Paradise, Utah. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Monday at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main Street in Burley, and at the church from 11 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., prior to the funeral Saturday.

Kathryn Tophom of Twin Falls, funeral mass at 11 a.m. today at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Ely, Nev. (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Jerome).

Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Peggy Anna Emerson Ward of Jerome, services at 11 a.m. today at the Jerome First Presbyterian Church in Jerome (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome).

R. Beryl Lemmon of Kula, Hawaii, and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday

at the Wailuku Chapel on Maui. A memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Jan. 31 at the First Presbyterian Church in Cozad, Nev.

Beverly Laines Burgess Smith of Jerome, services at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Jerome Presbyterian Church. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

DEATH NOTICES

Marie Emma Walker Coble
RUPERT - Marie Emma Walker Coble, 71, of Rupert, died Thursday, Jan. 27, 2000, at the Park View Care and Rehabilitation Center in Burley. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 31, 2000, at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main Street in Burley, with Bishop's Councilor Stacy Camp officiating. Burial will be at the Decle Cemetery. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Sunday at Payne Mortuary, and from 1-4:45 p.m., prior to the funeral on Monday.

Marjorie H. Miller
TWIN FALLS - Marjorie H. Miller, 95, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, Jan. 27, 2000, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital. Services are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Betty J. Heiken Poindexter
BUHL - Betty J. Heiken Poindexter, 76, of Buhl, died Thursday, Jan. 27, 2000, at her residence after an extended illness. At her request, there will be no formal services. Arrangements are by Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Donald R. Love
JEROME - Donald R. Love, 66, of Jerome, died Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2000, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. No services are planned at this time. Arrangements and cremation are under the direction of the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel and Cremation Service.

Pauline McCollum
JEROME - Pauline McCollum, 68, of Jerome, died Thursday, Jan. 27, 2000, at her home following an extended illness. Funeral services are pending and will be announced by the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Dismissals
Cecilia Ashmead of Fairfield; Margaret McCaughey of Jerome; Bonnie McCollum of

Some names have been omitted at patient's request.
Admitted
Walter Bentzinger of Jerome; Mary Kopydlowski of Kimberly; Penny McGuire of Hagerman; and Mary Meyer and Robert Hendrickson, both of Twin Falls.

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YUMMY ART



First-graders Samantha Campbell, foreground, and Brooklyn Anderson work on art projects at Deco Elementary School. The class was constructing marshmallow snowmen.

Kimberly might offer new retirement plan

The Times-News
KIMBERLY - A new retirement plan could be offered to Kimberly's city employees. The plan, presented by Anita Parrott from Valic Investments, would be a voluntary program. An employee would designate

the amount put into the plan, not to exceed 58,000 or 25 percent of the employee's salary. The information will be passed on the employees for their consideration. In other business, the council discussed options for placing sidewalks between the elemen-

tary school and the Gem Drive subdivision and eventually on Center Street and other areas. Council member Lee McLinlay asked if people would be interested in buying a section of a new sidewalk as a community project. The council also will contact the Region IV Development

Suit

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 review, the U.S. attorney's office says. The Forest Service has made no final decision with binding legal consequences that can be challenged, and the legal response period under the Freedom of Information Act has yet run out, U.S. Attorney Betty Richardson's office said in a brief.

The Forest Service supplied the requested information Thursday. A Feb. 8 hearing had been set to hear Lance's request for an injunction, but Lodge decided Thursday to first hear the Forest Service's motion to dismiss the state's suit.

If the motion to dismiss is granted, the state's motion and other motions would be moot, attorney general's office spokesman Bob Cooper said. The Forest Service is conducting an environmental impact analysis in response to President Clinton's directive to develop rules to protect the nation's remaining roadless lands - about 40 million acres across the country, and about 8 million acres in Idaho.

Supporters of the roadless protection effort say the state's lawsuit is a delaying tactic.

Lance says the lawsuit is about the Freedom of Information Act and giving people a reasonable amount of time to comment on a sweeping land proposal. Lance says the com-

What's next?

U.S. District Judge Edward Lodge has set a hearing for Feb. 8 to consider a request from the U.S. Forest Service, which wants Lodge to dismiss a state lawsuit over a Clinton administration roadless area proposal.

ment period should be extended by four months, and the Forest Service should be forced to comply with the Freedom of Information Act.

The Forest Service notes that information about roadless areas is readily available in local forest plans, and the public will have additional opportunities to comment when an environmental impact statement is released about mid-March.

The 60-day comment period that closed in December sought preliminary comments on what people thought should be considered in deciding the fate of roadless lands, said Forest Service spokesman Bob Swinford of the Intermountain Region office in Ogden, Utah.

More than 2,700 people attended 12 public meetings in Idaho during December. Not all of those people spoke, but most of those who spoke criticized the proposal.

The Forest Service has received more than 500,000 comments on the proposal

nationwide. Environmentalists note that the roadless debate has been going on in public for more than 20 years.

Lance said the Forest Service failed to respond to his information request within 10 business days. But the Forest Service says federal law gives it 20 business days.

The request was mailed on Dec. 10, a Friday, and should have arrived in Washington, D.C., the following Monday, Dec. 13, the lawsuit asserts. The Forest Service should have responded by Dec. 28 - 10 working days later.

The Forest Service says it got the request on Dec. 23, and forwarded it to the proper official on Jan. 5. The following day, the Forest Service acknowledged receipt of the state's request.

The agency asserts it has until Feb. 2 to respond.

But that's not reasonable, Lance says.

The state sued Dec. 30, saying the Forest Service had refused to comply with the Freedom of Information Act.

The state received 11 documents totaling 571 pages late Thursday. Two documents were partially withheld. The documents relate to a two-day Forest Service planning session in October.

"We will continue to seek a court order for an extended comment period," Lance said.

Stepperettes might stay intact after all

By Lorraine Cavener
Times-News writer

BURLEY - The Burley High School Stepperettes drill team might not break up after all.

After Thursday's meeting of school officials, district officials are reconsidering a decision to disband the group.

Problems with the group had become so intense that adviser Vicky Haycock had asked Burley High School Principal Doug Bailey to disband the group for winter term, said Jerry Doggett, the Cassia County School District's superintendent.

At a Wednesday meeting with the group, parents, Bailey, Haycock and Doggett, the girls were told the group would be disbanded for winter term.

"Vicky is an excellent adviser," Doggett said. "With the experience she has had we took her recommendation seriously."

A number of the girls had quit

at the semester break, Doggett said.

One problem was lack of supervision, said Floyd Thomas, the father of one of the Stepperettes. The group has had two short time-outs in the past few weeks. Before Haycock took over, there was very little supervision, Thomas said.

"The adviser was never there, nobody checked up," he said.

Problems had gotten so far out of hand that by the time Haycock took over, it was too late to take control, Thomas said.

But many of the girls wanted the group to continue, Thomas said. And a Thursday meeting proved promising.

"It is now up to the parents and the girls," Bailey said.

Group members were given a policy sheet to show their parents. If 10 or more of the 15 girls and their parents agree to abide by the policy's five points, the group will be allowed to continue,

Bailey said.

Group members must agree to be graded on attitude and participation, wear proper Stepperettes attire to practice, follow school and athletic policy and pay fees before the end of the semester. The group also will be allowed to dance only at spring review.

Extracurricular activities such as sports and Stepperettes are often difficult to deal with, Doggett said.

"This is not the first time something like this has happened," he said.

Participants are strong, motivated people, he said, "but any organization has to have rules."

If the group is disbanded for the semester, the girls will have to join another elective, Doggett said.

Thomas is relieved to hear that the group has another chance.

"We've been worried about this all day and all night," he said.

Hospital's financial health improves

By Lorraine Cavener
Times-News writer

RUPERT - Minidoka Memorial Hospital is seeing more patients, especially for surgeries.

And from a bottom-line standpoint, that's a good sign. The 1999 budget year - October 1998 through September 1999 - was a good one.

That's the summary of a report given Thursday to the Minidoka Hospital Board by auditor Jim Maxwell - of LeMaster and Daniels.

"We had an outstanding year, the best in the history of the hospital," said Carl Hanson, hospital administrator. "We think we've made exceptional progress and done well. We hope to continue."

Maxwell attributed the good year in part to a 30 percent increase in surgeries.

"Your total increase is up 9 percent from the prior year,"

Maxwell said. "Overall expenses were up 3 percent."

This revenue increase is needed for the hospital's continued survival, he said.

The hospital's cash and cash reserves have increased by about \$715,000, he said. That gives the hospital a working margin of 7.1 percent, up from 1.6 percent last year.

The average margin for Idaho hospitals last year was 2.9 percent, while the average margin for all hospitals in the United States was 3.9 percent, Maxwell said.

Days of cash on hand increased from five to 27 days.

The bank recommends 60 days, he said. "We've taken giant steps, but we've got a ways to go."

The hospital had some major expenses over the year, such as construction on a new wing, which was put into service in 1999.

"The hospital should not have major building concerns for many years but now must focus on long-term services that will require financing from operations or external sources," Maxwell said.

Hospital board members were pleased with the report.

"It is significant that we've made the kind of progress we have," Richard Swenson said.

"A tremendous amount of progress has been made," Jay McBride said. "We had a lot on our plate."

The audit did not take into account bad debt, which was written off last year.

In December 1998 the hospital raised rates for services because of an unpaid balance of bills of more than \$1 million, dating back to the early 1990s. The bills were on the hospital's books for so long the hospital officials knew they would never collect, Hanson said.

Defense

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says Suits never asked outright for any drugs. Further, the defense says Suits was tricked into believing the agent was really a man seeking medical advice.

Though Suits acknowledges Gann was his lover in 1996, the defense contends that relationship ended after a few months and that Suits thereafter acted only as her physician.

Gann testified that she and Suits had only known each other's faces at the hospital when she offered to let Suits visit her in 1996. Suits was separated from his wife at that time, Gann's husband had just left her and she was battling drugs and alcohol, she said. Suits and Gann became sexually involved within a few weeks, she said.

Manning suggested Gann had turned Suits in because she was angry he had returned to his wife. Gann denied seeking revenge, saying that though she had been hurt and a little angry at the time, she wasn't angry anymore.

The state's evidence includes prescriptions for Vicodin and Viagra allegedly written by Suits for Gann. Gann said Suits also asked her to use a false name for the some of the prescriptions because he had wanted to keep track of them.

The defense produced a copy of a letter allegedly mailed to Gann in December 1998, in which Suits said he could no longer see her as

a patient except on an emergency basis. Gann said she never received the letter.

Gann was charged in March 1998 with two counts of forging a boyfriend's name - charges for which she was put on probation in exchange for becoming a county informant. Because of her forgery history, the defense alleges that Gann forged the prescriptions that she says Suits wrote.

Manning probed whether Gann had access to prescription pads when doing Suits' laundry or paying the bills at his office. Gann said she never came across a pad in his pockets or gave a second thought to whether any were in his desk.

Gann also testified about an alleged conversation she had in Suits' office while she was wired with surveillance equipment. She said she had asked him if he would give her a prescription for 50 Vicodin pills in exchange for the

"teener" of methamphetamine.

She also corroborated Ward's Wednesday press conference after the drug transaction, Suits communicated to Ward he'd like to meet with him again.

Before Gann took the stand Thursday, the defense finished cross-examining Ward. Ward said he handed the drugs to Suits, though the defense contends Ward placed the drugs on the dashboard of Suits' van and that Suits then tossed the bag in the garbage.

Ward denied a defense allegation that a tape of the transaction had been altered. He said local law enforcement lacks the equipment for that kind of tinkering.

Although the recording was hardly audible in places, Ward said it turned out better than many, which sometimes are plagued with static.

"The tape is actually a fairly good tape," Ward said.

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Rodney Sando, named as the new director of Idaho's Department of Fish and Game, speaks during a press conference Thursday in Boise. Sando was previously chief of Minnesota's natural resource agency.

New Fish and Game director meets with budget writers and governor

BOISE (AP) - Idaho is not alone in struggling to properly fund its wildlife agency's efforts and convince sportsmen the money they pay out for licenses is properly spent, the state's brand new Fish and Game Department director said Thursday.

Rodney Sando, 58, who headed up the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for eight years, was unanimously approved as director by the Fish and Game Commission after his selection was disclosed to legislators on Wednesday.

Commission Chairman Nancy Hadley cited Sando's responsibilities in the Midwestern department which has 3,500 employees, a budget of \$250 million a year and responsibility for parks, water and resources as well as fish and game. He remained an employee of the department, although he was on special assignment with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and has been teaching at a Maine college.

"His administrative skills, his finance and budget skills," Hadley said. "He knows how to run a company. He'll be a great

asset to Idaho."

Sando replaces Steve Mealey, who was fired last March, prompting the Legislature to reject a sportsmen's fee increase needed to maintain operating levels. Hunters and anglers also charged Mealey listened to politicians before them.

Sando, who officially takes over April 1, said Idaho is not alone in its dilemma.

"The same thing is happening at the Minnesota department," he said. "It's a perennial problem for all state fish and game agencies across the nation to legitimately get some funding based on fees."

"I think people need to appreciate those fees really have outcomes related to the resource, that they really do improve fishing, they really do improve habitat, they really do improve law enforcement, and it's not about making it better for a bunch of us on the state payroll."

Sando, who flew from a Maine snowstorm to Idaho, met briefly Thursday with legislative budget writers before sitting down with Gov. Dirk Kempthorne.

While Sando talked with Kempthorne, interim Director Jerry Mallett was still meeting with legislative budget writers, trying to reassure them that the \$4.4 million generated by the proposed hike in sportsmen's fees will be used to improve hunting and fishing opportunities.

"We have something that most of the sportsmen in this state support," Mallett said.

And Mallett pointed out that with the cash infusion and further administrative economies the department will be able to stay in the black beyond the current projection of 2005.

To foster that, Kempthorne has recommended setting aside about a third of the initial year's revenue from the fee hike as a cushion against a negative response to the increase from sportsmen or other problems.

After Mealey's ouster, Kempthorne appointed four new commissioners to the seven-member board last July.

Sando said he had no problem shifting to a department with only 500 full-time employees and a \$52 million budget.

Yellowstone: Workers targeted with threats

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) - Yellowstone park employees have an idea about the kind of intimidation and abuse experienced recently by federal employees in Nevada, park spokeswoman said.

Yellowstone employees have been the target of several threats, especially during the 395 wolf reintroductions, spokeswoman Marsha Karle said. Threats are usually somewhat veiled, she said, and are almost always anonymous.

In contentious times, and not recently, park workers living in gateway communities are occasionally told to watch their step or stay away from some establishment. "Personal threats or threats against the park are pretty few," she said, and public meetings tend to be cordial.

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Group sues feds over bears

COEUR d'ALENE (AP) - Declaring that the fate of grizzly bears is at stake, environmental groups have sued the U.S. Forest Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service over rules adopted a year ago.

The Interim Access Management rules were approved specifically for the Cabinet-Yaak and Selkirk grizzly bear recovery zones in northwest

ern Montana and northern Idaho.

The Alliance for the Wild Rockies and the Western Environmental Law Center filed suit Wednesday in U.S. District Court in Missoula, Mont. They fear the rules establish standards for core habitat that are too weak to protect bears and allow too much traffic in restricted management areas.

"It makes no sense when all

the science is pointing toward the need for greater habitat protection," alliance attorney Mike Wood said.

The new rules were adopted after the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service declared the grizzly bears warrant an endangered designation, but the listing was precluded by higher priorities. The bears are listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act.

Former official decries 'fed bashing'

KALISPELL (AP) - An atmosphere of civility between the federal government and the public would boost economic development in the West, while "fed bashing" is only counterproductive, says a former U.S. Forest Service official who claims harassment forced her to quit a prestigious job in Nevada.

"How we treat each other is often indicative of how we view the landscape," Gloria Flora told about 100 people gathered at Flathead High School, Wednesday night. "It is not about winning or losing. It is about creating an environment that people's children can inherit."



Gloria Flora
On nation-wide speaking tour

Kalispell was Flora's first stop on a speaking tour sponsored by the Montana Human Rights Network and Montana Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility. Other planned stops were in Hamilton Thursday and in Helena today.

Change, however, is enveloping the West, she said.

The national forests have been subsidized for a century by Americans, who in many cases never saw them, but they feel strongly about the environment. She referred to a recent survey purporting to show 75 percent in favor of President Clinton's roadless initiative.

It is easy to blame the federal government, to talk of armed rebellion, but the problem stems from technology, Flora said.

At a time when timber harvests were rising in the 1970s, the number of jobs in the lumber industry were falling. People simply cannot expect to carry on the same as their parents, she said.

"My father made a living selling ice from a horse-pulled cart," Flora said. "If I followed the same line, I'd be selling stainless steel refrigerators online. Survival requires change."

One of those changes would involve an effort to restore public lands, using money from the Forest Service and private incentives, she said.

She referred to several incidents of harassment, including one in which Flathead County Commissioner Dale Williams compared Flathead National Forest Supervisor Cathy Barboletus to a Nazi.

"It would be difficult to convince the millions of people who lost relatives to the Nazis that it has anything to do with forest policy, Flora said.

In another instance, she said, a congressman being apprised of complaints about harassment by her former employees commented, "They're federal employees - what do you expect?"

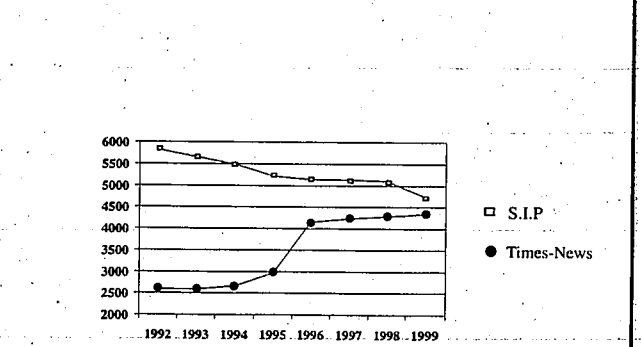
"Fed bashing is a tough word," she said. "It's the dark side of the lack of civility."

It is like racism because it targets a single group, and it goes all the way to the top, she said.

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WORLD

Putin approves plans for major increase in weapons spending

MOSCOW (AP) — In one of his first major policy decisions, acting President Vladimir Putin approved plans Thursday to modernize the Russian military by sharply increasing the purchase of new weapons and equipment.

Putin, who wants to restore Russia as a global power, also said the defense budget would be reallocated so more money goes to develop high-tech conventional weapons.

The Russian military is in shambles after being starved of funds for years and some military leaders admit privately that it could not fight a major conventional war.

The army has been underfunded for several years, which has entailed negative consequences for the nation's defense potential," Putin said. "It has raised doubts about the very possibility for Russia to have a modern army equipped with state-of-



Vladimir Putin

the-art weapons."

While the new policy does not call for an increase in the \$5.1 billion military budget for 2000, it authorizes a shift in spending priorities.

Deputy Prime Minister Ilya Klebanov said the plan calls for an increase in spending on weapons and development by up to 80 percent in some categories. He said spending on military supplies overall would increase by 50 percent, but he refused to give any more specifics.

Speaking at a Cabinet session, Putin insisted that the new policy was not linked to Russia's stalled military campaign in Chechnya. Russian forces have failed to

defeat much smaller Chechen forces despite months of fighting. Putin, who is expected to win March 26 presidential elections, owes his broad popularity to his tough handling of the military campaign in Chechnya and his calls to restore Russia's economic and military might.

It was not clear if the new policy would have an immediate impact. The government has been unable to fully fund the military budget in recent years and has yet to halt the decline of the armed forces despite several calls for greater military spending.

The government will be trying to buy more weapons by reducing spending in other areas, but there was no indication which areas would be cut. The Russian military is mainly made up of conscripts who receive almost no pay, and equipment purchases already make up a large part of the defense budget.

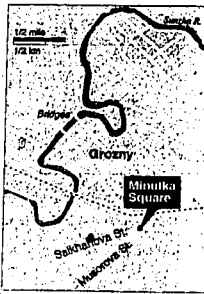
Russian troops struggle to capture strategic square near central Grozny

SLEPTOVSKAYA, Russia (AP) — Russian rockets screamed into bomb-punctured buildings in Chechnya's capital Thursday while Russian troops struggled through snow, sniper-filled streets toward a strategic square.

The Russians have been trying to wrest Grozny from Chechen militants for a month, and have concentrated for a week on Minutka Square, which would give federal forces leverage for seizing the center.

Russian Defense Minister Igor Sergeev claimed that the operation to take Grozny "is approaching a breakthrough," the Interfax news agency reported. "Notwithstanding the losses among the storming groups in Grozny, the fighters' losses are far higher than ours."

However, in spite of commanders' upbeat claims, Russian troops seem to be making little progress. Snipers were firing



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heavily from high-rise buildings to the west of the square, Russia's ORT television reported. Federal tanks and artillery were blasting

the upper floors and roofs of high-rises on the eastern side of the square, the Interfax news agency said.

Aslanbek Ismailov, the rebel commander in Grozny, told Interfax that Russian forces in many areas of Grozny had been pushed back to the positions from which they began storming the center in mid-January.

The rebels move easily around the city in small bands, and have been attacking the Russian troops from all sides and at close range. The Russian forces are often taking buildings by day only to abandon them at night for fear of rebel attacks.

But federal troops have cut many of the rebels' supply lines, and many militants are short of ammunition and food, said Russian Defense Minister Igor Sergeev. He said the rebels were occasionally raiding Russian positions to get ammunition.

Albanians accuse U.S. troops of aggressive behavior

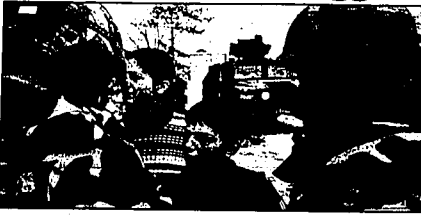
VITINA, Yugoslavia (AP) — Luzim Ukshini was hanging out with his buddies in Sam's Pizzeria when a grenade exploded in a Serb store across town. The first he heard about the attack was when four U.S. peacekeepers came looking for him.

"They started to beat me non-stop, telling me to admit that I did it," he said. "Then they pulled a knife out and threatened to cut me into pieces."

Ukshini's story of mistreatment at the hands of American soldiers is being echoed by other ethnic Albanians in Kosovo, who tell of beatings, inappropriate body searches of women and daily harassment by U.S. troops.

The allegations come at a time of heightened concern following the rape and murder of an 11-year-old ethnic Albanian girl. U.S. Staff Sgt. Frank J. Ronghi, a weapons squad leader from Fort Bragg, N.C., was charged this month with murder and indecent acts with a child in connection with her death.

Ethnic Albanians say the killing is not their only complaint against the Americans.



American soldiers speak with ethnic Albanian citizens on Sunday in the eastern Kosovo town of Vitina, where Albanian residents have accused the U.S. troops of beating and harassing them and body-searching their women.

Their allegations have prompted an official Army investigation and threaten a breakdown in trust between the U.S. peacekeepers and the citizens they were sent to protect.

U.S. officials declined to discuss specific allegations because many of the complaints are under investigation. But the Army acknowledges it has a big problem with community relations in Kosovo.

"These are serious allegations that we do take seriously," Maj. Erik Gunhus, a public affairs officer at Camp Bondsteel, told The Associated Press. "We will investigate and if we find they are true, we will act accordingly. We want to show that no one is above the law."

In a statement issued Sunday, the Army said preliminary findings indicate several U.S. soldiers

may have been involved in misconduct, "including improper use of physical force and threats against Kosovar males and inappropriate physical contact with Kosovar females." Gunhus confirmed several soldiers have been transferred out of Vitina in connection with the investigation.

Still, Ukshini and other Vitina residents are skeptical. "I wouldn't complain to KFOR because it does no good," Ukshini said, using the acronym for the NATO-led peacekeeping force that entered Kosovo in June after a 78-day bombing campaign forced a halt to Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic's crackdown on ethnic Albanians. "Every time we went to complain, they told us: 'It's not true. Our soldiers don't behave like that,'" said Ramiz Hasani, 21, whose father, Xhavit, has been detained by the Americans in the killing of a Macedonian policeman.

Hasani said American soldiers have entered his father's restaurant several times in the past two months and harassed customers for no apparent reason.

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Thailand takes rebel base

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — Twin 12-year-old boys who lead the fringe Myanmar rebel group God's Army were reported on the run through the jungle Thursday after their headquarters was overrun by Myanmar government forces. God's Army's 100 guerrillas, many of them little older than their leaders, had split up into three separate bands headed by the boys, Johnny and Luther Htoo, and a veteran adult guerrilla, Su Bia, a Thai military intelligence officer said.

God's Army was one of the rebel groups involved in the siege of a Thai hospital earlier this week. On Tuesday, 10 gunmen from God's Army and an allied group, the Vigorous Burmese Student Warriors, were killed by Thai commandos who stormed the hospital and freed hundreds of

people. The Karen National Union, the biggest rebel army still fighting Myanmar's military regime, has disavowed God's Army. But the group has operated on the edges of KNU territory and received material support from it.

The fallout from the crisis claimed Myanmar's most prominent rebel leader, Gen. Bo Mya. Bo Mya, the legendary leader of the KNU, has fought for Karen independence for nearly half a century. But this week he was voted out of the chairmanship of the KNU, a position he had held for 24 years, by a congress of the movement.

The KNU once controlled vast swathes of territory inside Myanmar. But it has suffered a series of defeats in recent years and now depends on retreating to Thai territory for refuge.

Rwandan serves life for genocide

ARUSHA, Tanzania (AP) — A U.N. tribunal Thursday found a former Rwandan tea factory manager guilty of three genocide-related charges, including rape, and sentenced him to life in prison.

Alfred Musema is the first private citizen tried and convicted

by the tribunal, which is prosecuting chief architects and perpetrators of the 1994 genocide of more than 500,000 minority Tutsis and politically moderate Hutus.

The 50-year-old Musema looked down when the judges announced his sentence, the maximum allowed under court rules.

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Section C

What's goin' on



Billy Richards' Coasters
 Playing at Cactus Petes

28/Tonight

• Billy Richards' Coasters will perform two shows, at 8 p.m. and 11 p.m., at Cactus Petes Resort Casino, Jackpot. The dinner show prices start at \$10.95; there's a \$7.50 cover charge for the cocktail show. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

29/Saturday

• Billy Richards' Coasters will perform two shows, at 8 p.m. and 11 p.m., at Cactus Petes Resort Casino, Jackpot. The dinner show prices start at \$12.95; there's a \$10 cover charge for the cocktail show. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

• 2000 Winterfest Fun Days will be held at 10 a.m. at West Magic Recreation Club at Magic Reservoir, featuring family snowmobile events and indoor games. Food and drinks are available. For further information, call 487-1202. West Magic Resort is located midway between Shoshone and Bellevue, off U.S. Highway 75.

30/Sunday

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• The Magic Valley Arts Council and Interstate Amusement will present Francis Veber's "The Dinner Game," the third installment in Foreign Film Festival 2000, at 1 p.m. in the Orpheum theater, Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$7.50 for adults, \$6 for senior citizens and \$6 for children, are available at the door, at Twin Cinema, the Magic Valley Arts Council office, Everybody's Business and Kurt's Pharmacy & Hallmark.

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31/Monday

• Blaine County's New Theater Company will present Stuart Ross' "Forever Plaid" at 7:30 p.m. at the Boiler Room restaurant at the Sun Valley Resort. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$18 for adults and \$12 for children, can be reserved by phoning 622-2135.

1/Tuesday

• Herman's Hermits will perform two shows, at 8 p.m. and 11 p.m., at Cactus Petes Resort Casino, Jackpot. The dinner show prices start at \$10.95; there's a \$7.50 cover charge for the cocktail show. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

2/Wednesday

• The Magic Valley Arts Council and Interstate Amusement will present Hugh Hudson's "My Life So Far," the fourth installment in Foreign Film Festival 2000, at 1 p.m. in the Orpheum theater, Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$7.50 for adults, \$6 for senior citizens and \$6 for children, are available at the door, at Twin Cinema, the Magic Valley Arts Council office, Everybody's Business and Kurt's Pharmacy & Hallmark.



Jim Mair, pictured with his wife, Mary, in 1998, will be one of the featured artists at the College of Southern Idaho Jazz Summit this weekend.

Who is that sax player?

Jim Mair returns to the scene of the CSI Jazz Summit he founded

By Steve Crump
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Call it deja vu on the downbeat.

• Jim Mair, who took the College of Southern Idaho jazz program from obscurity to Montreux, will return as a performer and guest clinician for the fifth annual Jazz Summit this weekend.

It's an event he founded and nourished before departing for a teaching job at Kansas City, Kan., Community College last summer.

"It's going to be great to see everybody," Mair said in a tele-

All the jazz

• **What:** The College of Southern Idaho will present its fifth annual Jazz Summit.
 • **Where:** College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center.

• **When:** Today and Saturday, Clinics and workshops for high school and junior high students will be held during the day both days, with concerts scheduled for tonight at 7:30 and Saturday at 8 p.m.

• **How much:** Clinics and workshops are free and the public is welcome to watch. Evening concert tickets, which are \$8 for adults and \$6 for students, may be purchased at Everybody's Business and Welch Music in Twin Falls, at Saw-Mor Drug in Buhl and at Arlene's Flowers in Jerome.

For further information, call Brent Jensen at 733-9554, Ext. 2557.

phone interview. "My wife and I made so many friends in Twin Falls."

Brent Jensen, a former Boise State University instructor who succeeded Mair at CSI last year,

isn't shy about welcoming back his much-beloved predecessor. "I think it's wonderful," Jensen said. "Jim left last summer without really having a chance to say goodbye to everybody."

Mair, who'll perform at both tonight's and Saturday night's concerts with the school- and community-based jazz groups he helped develop, will get much of the spotlight this weekend, but he has some illustrious company.

There's trumpeter Bobby Show, a legend in the jazz world, an alumnus of the Tommy Dorsey, Woody Herman and

Buddy Rich orchestras, and a headline performer in his own right for 30 years.

And there's pianist Frank Mantooth, a Kansas composer and educator who arranged much of the music that the students will be playing this week.

They'll be joined by trombonist Henry Wolkling, who chairs the jazz program at the University of Utah; vocalist and bass player Kristin Korb, who teaches at California's Grossmont College, and Duncan Moore, a California-based drummer and percussionist.

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Chanticleer blends the 16th century into the 21st

By Steve Crump
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Think a guy can make a living in America singing madrigal music?

• Precisely. 12 do, and they'll all be here Monday night for a performance at the College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Center auditorium.

They're Chanticleer, a San Francisco-based vocal ensemble — and the only full-time choral group in the country that sings classical music.

"Chanticleer has had the opportunity to visit many places and to sing in some of the most beautiful concert halls and houses of worship in the world," writes Frank Albinder, a Chanticleer alumnus who retired last year. "But the group has also sung in a barn in Canada, a roofless church in the former East Germany, a gymnasium in Sweden, and Central Park with the New York Philharmonic."

You can afford to do all that if you have



Chanticleer a record contract, and Chanticleer found a label — Teldec Classics International — six

Listen to the music

• **What:** Arts on Tour will present Chanticleer.
 • **Where:** College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.

• **When:** Monday, 7:30 p.m.

• **How much:** Tickets, which are \$12 for adults and \$8 for students, are available at Everybody's Business, The Homestead, Little Red Hen, Crowley's Soda Fountain and General Store, the Magic Valley Arts Council office, the CSI Continuing Education office, all in Twin Falls; at Arlene's Flowers in Jerome; at Saw-Mor Drug in Buhl, or at the CSI Outreach Center in Burley, Gooding and Kelchum. Any tickets left will be sold at the door. The performance is sponsored by First Security Bank.

years ago. The group is up for a Grammy on Feb. 23 for its disc, "Colors of Love," released last year.

Named for the clear singing of the rooster in Geoffrey Chaucer's "Canterbury

Tales," Chanticleer performs more than 100 concerts a year across the United States, Europe and Asia. It sings a blend of Renaissance polyphony, jazz, spirituals and gospel music, classic praise music and folk songs.

Chanticleer is patterned after the all-male Renaissance church choirs of 500 years ago. Good as it sounds, it's not really a career path in the 21st century.

"Louis Botto (Chanticleer's founder) realized that there were few career positions available for choral singers," Albinder said. "The group's early years were marked by long arduous tours, often eight to 10 weeks in duration, with as many as a dozen concerts in a row in a dozen different cities. The group earned so little in those days, so they tried to conserve money any way they could. Louis, a gourmet chef, owned more cookbooks than most people owned books of all types. He often bragged that he could make dinner for all the (then) 10 members of Chanticleer for less

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By Kenneth Turan
 Los Angeles Times

Animated it definitely is, but "Princess Mononoke" is no Disney movie, not even close.

A \$150-million-grossing phenomenon in its native Japan, the most popular home-grown film in that country's history, it marries a remarkable sense of visual fantasy, both lyric and violent, with an ecology-themed story and complex characters.

It's an adult fairy tale, animation as we've not experienced it before — exactly what devotees of writer-director Hayao Miyazaki

have come to expect.

Revered in Japan and overseas as perhaps the greatest artist of contemporary animation, Miyazaki and the company he co-founded in 1984, Studio Ghibli, have shown that more personal animation can reach the widest of audiences. His 1988 "My Neighbor Totoro," for instance, was bested only by Kurosawa's "The Seven Samurai" in a recent TV survey of favorite Japanese movies.

In "Princess Mononoke,"

Princess Mononoke

• **Who's in it?** Animated, with the voices of Gillian Anderson, Billy Group, Claire Danes.
 • **Where's it playing?** Magic Lantern, Ketchum.

Miyazaki brings a very different sensibility to animation, a medium he views as completely suitable for straight dramatic narrative and serious themes. Though it has humor, there are no musical comedy figures in this film, no hummable Broadway show tunes. Instead, we are presented with a haunting, even unsettling

magical mystery milieu of frustrated gods, angry spirits and overwrought humans in which images of violating beauty alternate with violent acts and nightmarish terrors as if that were the most natural thing in the world.

With themes that include death, duty, sacrifice and regeneration, as well as 16th century

characters who say such things as "I remain and contemplate my death," and "I live here and listen to the pain of the forest." "Princess Mononoke" is deeply rooted in Japanese society and tradition. As a counterforce, U.S. distributor Miramax hired Neil Gaiman, author of the adult comic series "Sandman," to do the translation and hot young American actors such as Gillian Anderson, Billy Crudup, Claire Danes, Billy Bob Thornton and Jada Pinkett Smith to help domestic audiences surmount that considerable cultural gap.

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WEEKEND

CSN&Y play Salt Lake; George Carlin comes to BSU

Today

Snooze, featuring Puya, Mr. Bungle, System of Down and Agents, will perform at Seltzer Resort in Magna, Utah, at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX. Seltzer is located 30 miles west of Salt Lake City, off Interstate 80 West at Exit 104.

The national touring company of Alain Boublil and Claude Michel Schoenberg's "Miss Saigon" will play the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 8 p.m. nightly through Feb. 6 and at 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday and again on Feb. 2-6. Tickets, which are \$29.50, \$36, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Tuesday: Spirit of the Dance will perform at 8 p.m. in Holt Arena on the campus of Idaho State University in Pocatello. Tickets, which are \$35 and \$45, can be reserved by phoning (208) 236-3627.

Wednesday through Feb. 6:

Out of the Valley

"Jaykell & Hyde" will play Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, at 2 and 8 p.m. on Thursday, at 8 p.m. on Feb. 4, at 2 and 8 p.m. on Feb. 5, and at 7 p.m. on Feb. 6. Tickets, which are \$27.50-\$55 on Feb. 4-5 and \$25-\$52 for other shows, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-5502. Capitol Theater is located at 500 West 200 South.

Feb. 5: The Idaho State University Jazz Festival will feature Latin jazz artist Nestor Torres at 7 p.m. in Frazier Hall on the ISU campus in Pocatello. Tickets, which are \$6 for general admission, will be available at the door. For more information, call (208) 236-3451.

Feb. 4-5: Pianist Pascal Roge will perform a program of Dvorak and Faure with the Utah Symphony in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall at 8 p.m. nightly. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple. For ticket information, call (888) 451-2787.

Feb. 5: Morrissey will perform at the Idaho Center in Nampa at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766. The Idaho Center is located at 5000 Garrity Blvd. on Nampa's east end.

Upcoming

Feb. 6: The Magic Circle Mime Company will perform with the Utah Symphony at 7

p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. For ticket information, call (888) 451-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Feb. 7: Twila Paris will perform at 7 p.m. at the Brandt Center on the campus of Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa. Advanced tickets, which are \$16.50, can be reserved by phoning (206) 860-9994. Tickets will be \$18.50 at the door.

Feb. 10: Chris Cornell will play the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$22.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Feb. 11: Too Grand Jam, featuring Case, Dru Hill, Kelly Prince, Montel Jordan, Playa and-Sisqo, will play the E Center in West Valley City, Utah, at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$31 and \$51, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX. The E Center is located at 3200 Deckers on 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Blue Room, 613 Fremont, Rupert.

Feb. 11: Chris Cornell will perform at Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$22.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX.

Feb. 11-12: Kathy Mattea will sing with the Utah Symphony at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. For ticket information, call (888) 451-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Feb. 11-12, 16-17: Ballet West will dance "Sleeping Beauty" at 7:30 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. Tickets, which are \$10-\$65, can be reserved by phoning (888) 451-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 500 West 200 South.

Feb. 15: George Jones will sing at the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$30, \$35 and \$60, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Feb. 12: George Carlin will play the Boise State University Pavilion at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$26.50, are available by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Feb. 13: Patch Adams will appear at the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Feb. 13-14: String Cheese Incident will perform at the Cliff Lodge Ballroom at Snowbird Ski & Summer Resort at 8 p.m. nightly. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX. Snowbird is located in Little Cottonwood Canyon east of Salt Lake City.

Take Interstate 80 East to Interstate 215 South to Wasatch Boulevard, then follow the signs east through the canyon.

Feb. 16: David Sornborn will perform at the Colonial Theater in Idaho Falls at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$45, are available at the Music Exchange in Twin Falls and at Smith's Food & Drug in Burley, or by calling (208) 234-9233. The Colonial Theater is located at 808 "A" St.

Feb. 16-17: Henry Mancini and Leslie Bruce's "Victor/Victoria" will play the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 8 p.m. nightly. Tickets, which are \$20, \$30, \$37.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Feb. 16-17: The Idaho State Civic Symphony will perform "TRG's Favorites" at 8 p.m. in the Goranson Hall on the campus of Idaho State University in Pocatello. For ticket information, call (208) 236-3479.

Feb. 17: John Amos will present a one-man theater performance of "Halley's Comet" at 7 p.m. at Pond Student Union Ballroom on the campus of Idaho State University in Pocatello. Tickets are \$6 for general admission. For more information, call (208) 236-3451.

Feb. 18: The Boys Choir of Harlem will sing at 7:30 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. For ticket information, call (888) 451-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Feb. 18-19: Cellist Allison

Eldredge will perform a program of Ravel and Lalo with the Utah Symphony at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. For ticket information, call (888) 451-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Feb. 25-26: Utah Symphony will perform a "Musicians Showcase" with cellist Ryan Sellberg at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. For ticket information, call (888) 451-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Feb. 25: Sawyer Brown will perform at the Dee Events Center on the campus of Weber State University in Ogden, Utah, at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$22.50 and \$25, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX.

Feb. 26: Opera Idaho will present Mozart's "Die Fledermaus" at 8 p.m. in the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University. Tickets, which are \$25, \$40 and \$55, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Feb. 26: Koin will play the E Center in West Valley City, Utah, at 9 p.m. Tickets, which are \$33.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDXX.

Feb. 29: James Galway & Sufi Duo will play Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$40 and \$50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Next week

Tuesday: Spirit of the Dance will perform at 8 p.m. in Holt Arena on the campus of Idaho State University in Pocatello. Tickets, which are \$35 and \$45, can be reserved by phoning (208) 236-3627.

Wednesday through Feb. 6:

Local bands, dances and comedy are all available for weekend fun

Dances, bands and comedy in south-central Idaho this weekend:

Tonight

The Echos will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Weston Plaza, 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls.

Steppin' out

Night Fire will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Hot Rocks, 170 S. Park Ave., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$1.

Saturday

Bob Nora Band will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Karaoke

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub, 402 Main Ave. N., Twin Falls.

Wednesday

The Echos will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Weston Plaza, 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls.

Thursday

Pianist Jimmy Cooper will play from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Performances, art shows, science exhibits and more slated for February

"A Geologist's Collection" is on display at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the College of Southern Idaho campus in Twin Falls. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays and 1 to 9 p.m. Saturdays. For more information, call 736-3059.

February arts calendar

At the King Fine Arts Center, Burley, featuring the BYU Living Legends. The performance is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$8 in advance, are available at Book Plaza, Welch Music and Kitcher Kneads in Burley, The Book Store in Rupert, Bell's Books, Welch Music and Crowley's in Twin Falls, and Books & Treasures in Jerome. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

8: "Half Time" featuring the work of the CSI faculty, will be on display at the Herrett Center Jean B. King Art Gallery through March 18. A public reception is set for 7 to 9 p.m. in the gallery. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays and 1 to 9 p.m. Saturdays. For more information, call 736-3059.

Everybody's Business, The Homestead Theater, The Magic Valley Arts Council office. Tickets are also available at Farmer's National Bank in Twin Falls and Buhl. Or call 734-ARTS to order tickets.

16-19 and 23-26: The College of Southern Idaho Theater Department will present "The Grapes of Wrath" at 8 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theater. 119. Tickets, priced at \$5 general admission or \$3 for students.

Each month, The Times-News Arts and Events Calendar lists arts and entertainment events occurring around the valley. Submit items to Arts and Events, P. O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0548. Items for the March calendar are due Feb. 18.

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The Wailers are set to bring reggae to Twin Falls



The Wailers' name was applied to bands behind both Peter Tosh and Bob Marley in the 1960s. The group now tours on its own and will play Twin Falls soon.

TWIN FALLS - The Wailers - Bob Marley's Band - will perform on Feb. 8 at The Ballroom.

The name Wailers was first applied to groups led by Marley, Peter Tosh and Bunny Livingston in Jamaica in the mid-1960s. By the end of the decade, the trio had teamed with the Barrett brothers and began to dominate the reggae scene.

After signing with Island Records in 1971, the name Wailers became Marley's backing band. As such, they sold more than 250 million records and continued to work together until Marley's death in 1981.

The show starts at 8 p.m. Tickets are available at The Music Exchange in Twin Falls and Twist and Trout in Ketchum.

For further information, call 733-5313. The Ballroom is located at 205 Shoshone St. N.



Members of the Brigham Young University International Music and Dance Festival will perform Feb. 4 in Burley.

BYU musical, dance group will perform in Burley

BURLEY - The Brigham Young University International Music and Dance Festival will perform Feb. 4 at the King Fine Arts Center, featuring the BYU Living Legends.

The troupes will perform a combination of Polynesian music and dance with special segments featuring Latin American and Native American dance.

Burley is the first stop on the group's millennium tour. The performance is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$8 in advance, are available at Book Plaza, Welch Music and Kitchen Knreads in Burley, The Book Store in Rupert, Bell's Books, Welch Music and Crowley's in Twin Falls, and Books & Treatures in Jerome. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

The appearance is sponsored by the Oregon Trial Botanical Garden Foundation and the BYU Alumni Association. All proceeds after costs will go to the new Botanical Gardens being developed in the Magic Valley.

'School House Rock' comes to life on stage at CSI

TWIN FALLS - The Junior Musical Playhouse will present "School House Rock" Feb. 4-5 in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium.

The upbeat and energetic show began as a Saturday morning cartoon series in the 1970s, designed to teach kids about a variety of educational topics such as the structure of the English language, and the history of America. "School House Rock" has been turned into a musical with songs that include "Verb!" "That's What's Happening," "A Noun is a Person Place or Thing" and "Conjunction Junction." Tickets, which are \$6, are available

Arts in brief

733-9554, Ext. 2630.

School of wine class will teach history, appreciation

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Arts Council will offer a four-week "School of Wine" class from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, beginning Feb. 16 through March 8, at the Magic Valley Arts Council Gallery.

William Pappas, director of the Hospitality Education Department at the College of Southern Idaho, will discuss how wine is made, the history of wine, how to tell a "great" wine, wine and time vintages, and how to choose and serve the right wine. Each class will offer wine tasting.

Pappas came to Twin Falls from Boston. He has a masters degree from Cambridge College and a bachelor of arts in hotel and restaurant administration from the University of Massachusetts.

The class is designed for connoisseurs as well as the novice wine drinker.

Cost is \$65 for the four-class series or \$20 for each individual class. Class size is limited and enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis.

To register, call 734-2787 or stop by the gallery at 308 Shoshone St. E.

Watercolors class available at Destiny Christian school

TWIN FALLS - A six-week course, Beginning Watercolors with Jeannine Lee, will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. on Fridays, beginning Feb. 18, at Destiny Christian School.

Lee came to Twin Falls from eastern Oregon, where she has had numerous shows including many pieces on permanent collection at Eastern Oregon University. She has taught privately as well as instructing watercolor at Blue Mountain College. Her work is in private collections worldwide.

Cost of the class is \$65 plus materials.

For more information or to register, call Destiny Christian School at 736-4255.

Folk festival brings eclectic guitar master to Halley

HAILEY - The Northern Rockies Folk Festival will present "An Evening with Leo Kottke" at 8 p.m. March 11 at the Wood River High School auditorium. Doors open at 7 p.m.

Kottke has released more than 21 recordings and has been a guest artist with a variety of musical styles from Big Head Todd to Joe Pass. He is included in the Guitar Player Magazine's Hall of Fame.

Tickets, which are \$16 general admission and \$30 for limited reserved seats, are available at Big Bad Bills and Read All About It in Halley, and Twist and Trout Music and Chapter One Bookstore in Ketchum. For more information, call 788-4200.

Hearts and Beaus Ball warms up The Ballroom

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation and Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital Foundation will team up to sponsor the Hearts and Beaus Ball on Feb. 12 at The Ballroom, 205 Shoshone St. N.

Cocktails, dinner and dancing are on the bill for the Valentine's Day themed event, with proceeds to benefit the establishment of the Magic Valley Health & Education Endowment.

No-host cocktails start at 6:30 p.m., with dinner to follow at 7:30 p.m. Dancing is scheduled from 8:30-11:30 p.m., with music by Jeff Fox and The Canyon Side Swing Orchestra.

Tickets are \$45 per person. For reservations and information, call 737-2481. Reservation deadline is Feb. 4.

Auditions are being held for 'Alice in Wonderland'

TWIN FALLS - Auditions will be held for the Missoula, Mont., Children's Theater production of "Alice in Wonderland" on Feb. 7 at St. Edward's Catholic School.

Those who wish to audition for the Feb. 12 performance should

arrive at 4 p.m. on the 7th and plan to stay for two hours. Some of the cast members will be asked to follow for a rehearsal immediately following the auditions.

Among the roles to be cast are the three Alices of varying size, the Mad Hatter, the March Hare, the King of Hearts, the Cheshire Cat, Tweedleum and Tweedledee, the Flower Band, Cards and Lobsters. Students in kindergarten through 12th are welcome to audition.

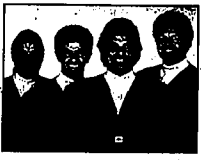
No advance preparation is necessary. Assistant directors also will be cast to aid in rehearsals through the week and to take on essential backstage responsibilities.

Missoula Children's Theater touring productions are complete with costumes, scenery, props and make-up. The MCT Tour actor/directors will direct rehearsals throughout the week from 4-8:30 p.m.

The production is scheduled for 3 and 7 p.m. on the 12th.

The MCT's week here is sponsored by the Magic Valley Arts Council, Farmers' National Bank, Independent Meat and radio station KX 103.

For further information, call 734-2787.



Herman's Hermits

Herman's Hermits will play a string of hits in Jackpot

JACKPOT - Herman's Hermits will perform at Cactus Petes Resort Casino Tuesday through Feb. 6.

Part of the British music invasion of the 1960s, Herman's Hermits became one of the most successful rock groups in the world. Since 1964, they've had 23 hit singles, 10 hit albums and hundreds of concert tours, selling 60 million records in the process.

The band will play two shows a night. Tickets to the 8 p.m. dinner show are \$10.95 Tuesday through Friday and Sunday and \$12.95 on Saturday. There's a \$7.50 for the 11 p.m. cocktail show Tuesday through Friday and Sunday and \$10 on Saturdays.

For reservations, call (800) 821-1103.

Planetarium has a show for just about everybody

TWIN FALLS - The Faulkner Planetarium at the Herret Center for Arts and Science at the College of Southern Idaho is now on its winter schedule.

"Where in the Universe Is

Carmen Sandiego?" will be shown Tuesdays at 7 p.m. and Saturdays at 2 p.m. "How to Build a Planet" will be featured at 7 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and "More Than Meets the Eye" at 4 p.m. on Saturdays.

Coming Feb. 15 will be a new show called "The Search for Life in the Universe," narrated by "Star Trek's" Leonard Nimoy. It studies the scientific possibilities that life may exist somewhere else in the cosmos.

Adult admission for Faulkner Planetarium shows is \$4, students \$2, seniors \$3 and families set in for \$9. Children under 4 are not admitted.

Western Issues symposium comes to Sun Valley Center

KETCHUM - The Sun Valley Center for the Arts is sponsoring a Western Issues Symposium, a free series of lectures focusing on the growth and heritage of the West.

The next lecture will be by Arizona State University Chicano studies professor Vicki Ruiz on Feb. 10 at the Sun Valley Center, 191 Fifth St. It's scheduled for 7:30 a.m.

Other scheduled lectures are by Stanford University history professor Richard White on March 10, and by University of Colorado history professor Patricia Nelson Limerick on April 13.

Each historian will also visit local schools. The Western Issues Lecture Series is sponsored by the Pioneer Mountain Foundation and the Idaho Humanities Council. For further information, call Heather Crocker at 726-9491.

Youth soloist competition accepting applications

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Symphony is now accepting applications for the Youth Soloist Competition on June 24 at the College of Southern Idaho.

Competition finalists may be chosen to perform at an Oct. 15 concert. There will be a \$250 prize awarded to each of the winners.

Contestants must reside in the Magic Valley area and be not older than 21. Soloists previously selected to play with the symphony may not audition again on the same instrument.

For instrumentalists, any movement of a standard concerto or concert piece with orchestral accompaniment may be performed. Audition pieces should be not longer than 10 or 12 minutes.

Contestants must provide their own piano accompanist and entrants are encouraged, but not required, to memorize their audition pieces.

Upon request, judges' comments will be given to contestants. If you're interested, please include a stamped, self-addressed business-size envelope with your application.

For applications and informa-

tion, call George Halsell at CSI (733-9554, Ext. 2556) or by e-mail at ghalsell@ori1.csi.cc.id.us. Please leave a detailed message with mailing address and phone number. Applications and a \$5 application fee are due no later than May 12. Confirmations and audition times will be sent to all eligible contestants.

Applications available for arts and crafts show

KETCHUM - Applications are available for the 32nd annual Sun Valley Center Arts and Crafts Festival to be held Aug. 11-13 at the Sun Valley Resort. The application deadline is Feb. 29.

Approximately 140 participating artists exhibit work in a variety of mediums including functional and non-functional ceramics, drawing, wearable and non-wearable fibers, glass, printmaking, jewelry, metalwork, 2-D and 3-D mixed media, painting, photography, sculpture, toys and woodwork.

The festival is free to the public and entertainment is scheduled throughout the weekend.

An orientation will be held at 5 p.m. Jan. 24 at the center, where prospective artists are invited to bring their slides and learn about the application and jurying process. Center staff will be available to assist local artists with their applications.

Applications are available at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts, located at the corner of Fifth and Washington in Ketchum, or by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the Sun Valley Center, P.O. Box 656, Sun Valley, Idaho 83353.

For more information, call the Sun Valley Center at 726-9491.

'Pirates of Penzance' show features Rupert Residents

CALDWELL - An upcoming production of "The Pirates of Penzance," a Gilbert and Sullivan operetta, at Albion College of Idaho will feature two Rupert residents.

The operetta will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 10-13 with 2:30 p.m. matinees on Feb. 12-13.

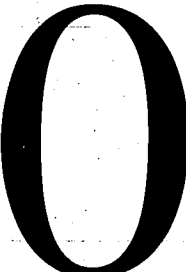
The production will be staged by almost 35 Albion College students, faculty, staff members and alumni.

Andy Percifield, an Albion College alumus who is now the choral director at Minico High School in Rupert, will share the role of the Pirate King, a character he played as a student when the college last presented the operetta in 1992.

Michael Jarolimek of Rupert also will play the sergeant of police.

"The Pirates of Penzance" tells the tale of the coming of age of Frederic, the pirate apprentice. After his apprenticeship, Frederic plans to return to normal life and wed the daughter of Major General Stanley.

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Flu vaccinations can save seniors

The Hartford Courant

If you're one of the millions of older adults who decided not to get a flu shot this winter, there are two important things you should know: The flu can kill you and it's not too late to change your mind.

In the United States, flu season runs from November until April - which means the virus will be around for several more months. Although the best time to get a flu shot is between September and mid-November, doctors say being vaccinated now is better than not at all - particularly if you are older than 65 or suffer from a chronic illness such as diabetes or diseases of the heart, lungs or kidneys.

It takes one to two weeks after you get the shot for protection to develop.

The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention statistics show that the flu kills 20,000 Americans each year, most of them older than 65. Influenza and pneumonia are the fifth-leading causes of death for the elderly. Studies also indicate the best weapon against the deadly virus and such related complications as bronchitis and pneumonia is the flu vaccine, which reduces the risk of hospitalization by 70 percent and death by 85 percent among older adults.

Convincing patients to roll up their sleeves for the simple shot, though, can be a challenge. Dr. Michael Grey has heard all the excuses for not getting inoculated, including the belief that the shot itself can cause the flu. That last year's shot will protect against this year's viruses, that the flu just isn't that big a deal and concerns about the cost.

"Patients tell me they get sick from the shot or they don't need one because they got one a year or two ago, or the flu is no worse than a cold," says Grey, an internist and associate professor of medicine at the University of

Connecticut Health Center in Farmington, Conn. "There are a lot of myths and misinformation out there."

The flu shot does not cause side effects in most people. You might experience some redness or soreness at the injection site, but you won't get the flu from a flu shot because vaccines are made from inactive flu viruses. (One of the rare exceptions is people who have a severe allergy to eggs, because viruses for flu vaccines are grown in eggs and may cause serious reactions.)

The average cold lasts about a week and consists of a stuffy nose and scratchy throat that leaves you feeling miserable but unable to function. The flu causes severe headaches, muscle aches, fever, sore throat, fatigue, coughing and congestion and can keep you bedridden for two weeks or more.

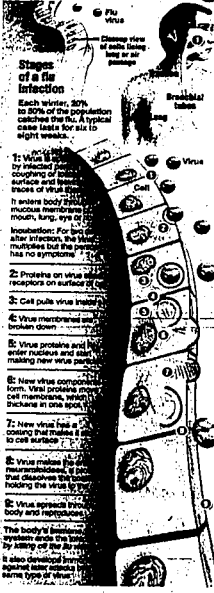
Most people who get the flu recover in a few weeks, but some people develop serious and possibly life-threatening complications. While your body is fighting off the flu, you may be less able to resist a second infection, especially pneumonia.

Flu viruses and vaccines change from year to year, so last year's shot won't protect you. Scientists share information each year to help predict which strains are going to hit and then update the vaccine. CDC reports indicate that more than 95 percent of the cases classified so far are one of the strains included in this year's shot.

The cost of the flu shot is covered by Medicare. Many private health insurance-plans also pay for the shot.

Despite what you tell your grandkids, you won't get a cold or the flu by going outside without your hair or getting a draft. You can't avoid getting infected by buttoning up your coat and wearing a hat. Influenza is a highly contagious infection that spreads from person to person in the spray from coughs or sneezes.

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The infection enters your body through your nose, mouth or eyes.

Along with getting a flu shot, you can help keep yourself healthy during cold and flu season by washing your hands frequently, especially when you first get home. Try to keep your hands away from your face. Eat a balanced diet and get enough rest.

If you do get the flu, rest in bed, drink plenty of fluids and

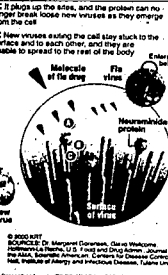
New weapons for fighting flu

Two new drugs have been approved to treat the two most lethal forms of influenza. They work by inhibiting neuraminidase, a crucial protein on the surface of the flu virus.

The drugs compared

Table comparing Zanamivir and Oseltamivir. Columns include Brand name, Makers, Used for, and Dosage.

How the drugs work



take medications such as acetaminophen to relieve fever and discomfort. Antibiotics are not effective against flu viruses.

There are two new prescription drugs on the market that can be used to shorten the duration and severity of flu symptoms, but they must be taken within 48 hours of the onset of illness, so check with your doctor as soon as you start to feel sick.

ENGAGEMENT

MONTGOMERY-MORRISON

RUPERT - Dennis and Diana Montgomery of Rupert announce the engagement of their daughter, Analee Montgomery, to Larry Morrison, son of Joseph and Patty Morrison of Franklin.

Analee graduated in 1997 from Minied High School and in 1998 from Beau LaReine Beauty College in Logan, Utah. She is employed at Wal-Mart in Logan.

Morrison graduated from high school in Preston and served a two-year Washington Seattle Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He is employed by Pepperidge Farms in Richmond, Utah.

The wedding is planned for today in the Logan LDS Temple.



Larry Morrison and Analee Montgomery in Logan.

A reception to honor the couple will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. today in Franklin and from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday at the Acequia LDS Church.

The newlyweds will make their home in Logan.

Etiquette is lost on many teens

The Hartford Courant

So Prince William has a little crush on Britney Spears. Brilliant.

So Britney might actually hook up with the future king of England. Awesome.

So let's imagine Wills and Brit on their first dinner date. Gross.

If Spears has the manners of the generation she sings and swivels to, then we're all in trouble. Just consider the meeting between the pop teen queen and the Etonian-mannered future monarch. One can vividly imagine Britney showing up to dinner in bare midriff, high-heeled Prince Charles, requesting her Dover sole be super-sized, reappraising lip gloss between courses and asking... for... she... of Jaegermeister for the road.

To be fair, Spears might have the private comportment of Audrey Hepburn and the manners of Emily Post (befitting her Southern roots). But as a teen, Spears is the poster girl for a generation weaned on MTV, Jerry Springer, Adam Sandler, the Internet and mall food. A generation that has all but forgotten to address adults with respect, will thank-you notes for gifts

received, greet people with a handshake and say "please" and "thank you."

It may be harsh to saddle the entire teen population with a bad-manners rap, but one needs only to see and hear the Class of 2000 to know it is a generation moving even further away - dangerously so - from decency, respect and basic rules of social conduct.

"We have a generation coming up now that does not know the first thing about why we have manners in our society," said Noe, who answers etiquette questions for the Web site Etiquette Hell (www.tlinds.com/imh/hell). "It's not the children's fault. It's the parents' fault. They think their children have common sense and know right from wrong."

Noe, who lives in Dallas and says she was "raised with a Bible, in one hand and Emily Post in the other," believes that today's ill-mannered teens are a product of a generation that didn't place importance on manners. "What I'm seeing more and more of in children is actually a fallout of the free-wheeling '60s, the 'Me' generation; do it if it feels good," she said. "They basically threw Emily Post out the window."

Some children fear doctors' offices

Knight Ridder Newspapers

COLUMBUS, Ga. - Though she felt sick as a dog, Shelby Wells had no stomach for going to the hospital.

"He'll make you feel better, honey," her mother, Joy, explained to the 2-year-old.

"I don't want to feel better," Shelby insisted, shouting that if nothing else, her spirit was robust.

Shelby's "fit" ended up leaving her mother fit to be tied - just as past incidents had done.

"The funny thing is that when she leaves (pediatrician Dr. Ross MacLeod's) office, she's always happy," said Wells, a Columbus resident. "Shelby will say something like, 'I like Dr. Mac.' But the next time we have to go, it's a struggle all over again."

A child's fear of going to the doctor is fairly common, but in some cases can turn extreme, child experts say.

"It's strange, but my son Wil, 6, has never really had a problem with it," Wells said. "Shelby hates it and it doesn't matter if I

Read away the fear

A good book can sometimes be helpful at easing a child's fear of the doctor and the hospital. Here are a few that might help.

- Books listed: "Robby Visits the Doctor" by Martine Davison, "The Berenstain Bears Go to the Doctor" by Stan Berenstain, "Doctors Help People" by Amy Moses, "Going to the Doctor" by T. Berry Brazelton, "Going to the Hospital" by Fred Rogers, "Max's Daddy Goes to the Hospital" by Danielle Steel.

or my husband, Greg, take her."

Of course, one reason Shelby's happier on the way out - other than just the knowledge she's survived another appointment - is that she's loaded down with prizes, coupons for french fries and such. "It's not an uncommon practice.

"I'm a briber from way back," admitted Dr. Steven Cohen, a Columbus pediatrician for more than 25 years. He estimates he buys about 40,000 lollipops a year to give to his patients. "You know, there's been a scientific study done that shows the intensity of pain is less when sucking on one."

Cohen sees few kids who aren't scared of him - at least, in the beginning. He understands.

"When you're between the ages of 2 and 4, the doctor is the big giant," Cohen said. "He's this ogre who holds you down, or has others hold you down, as he sticks all kinds of things in your mouth, in your ears. Hey, it's not much fun."

"As they get a little older," Cohen continued, "kids might start associating the doctor with a grandparent dying in a hospital. That fear of death creeps in."

"When they reach those teen years, well, the doctor is the establishment. He's in the enemy camp."

And then there are the shots. "Yeah," Cohen said, "that, too."

research, based on data collected the last eight decades, even suggests that optimists live longer than those who always see the glass half empty. The study of California schoolchildren found that those who had given optimistic answers to essay questions lived an average two years longer than their pessimistic classmates.

Life rotten? Try falling back on optimism

Knight Ridder Newspapers

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - In 96 years of living, Lela Allen never considered whether she was an optimist or a pessimist. But then 12 years ago, her husband, Walter, had a heart attack and died after supper one night as he brushed his teeth. And shortly after she buried him, Allen came down with a nasty infection in her right ankle that put her in the hospital for six months and nearly cost her her leg.

And then the senior citizen appointments she was living in burned to the ground, and she lost everything she owned.

"Now, haven't I gone through a lot?" asks Allen, as matter-of-factly as if she'd just read off her grocery list. "And I still have a good attitude."

"So what am I? A pessimist? You judge."

A growing body of research strives to understand how the way we view life, optimistically or pessimistically, affects everything from our physical health to how well we perform at work

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'My Life So Far' continues film festival 2000 in Twin Falls

By Robert Philpott
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

If you wanted to oversimplify things a bit, you could file cinematic imports from the British Isles into two categories: working-class stories told in accents so impenetrable that you wish for subtitles, and winsome but unchallenging tales that are as accessible as their perfect diction.

"My Life So Far," a well-acted, Scottish-set little movie that's ultimately as ordinary as its title, falls into the latter category. The life in question belongs to a young lad named Fraser, whose restlessness is quickly defined in a literal way, as the 3-year-old rye opts to crawl around the roof of his family's palatial home rather than be put down for a nap.

Most of the movie is told from the perspective of the boy at 10, and although Fraser is allegedly

If you go
The Magic Valley Arts Council and Interstate Amusement will present Hugh Hudson's "My Life So Far," the fourth installment in Foreign Film Festivals 2000, at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday and again at 1 p.m. on Feb. 6 at The Orpheum, Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$7.50 for adults, \$6 for senior citizens and \$6 for children, are available at the door, at the Twin Cinema, the Magic Valley Arts Council office, Everybody's Business and Kurt's Pharmacy & Hairmark.



Robert Norman, left, and Colin Firth in a scene from Hugh Hudson's "My Life So Far."

based on a real person, the story of his young life comes off as something that was plugged into a computer program for beginning screenwriters: Here's the eccentric inventor father (Colin Firth), here's the long-suffering wife and mother (Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio), here's the sister

(Tcheky Karyo) feeling the first stirrings of a teen crush, here's the crusty but understanding matriarch (Rosemary Harris),

and here's the dyspeptic uncle (Malcolm McDowell) who thinks that all the others in the family are a bunch of bloody lions.

And here's the uncle's much younger fiancée (Irene Jacob), a callist who's the catalyst for family rifts, attracting the attention of the increasingly precocious and sexually curious Fraser, who has a way of saying the wrong things at the wrong times) and of Fraser's father, creating an odd sort of romantic triangle. Or rectangle, since the uncle is still in the picture.

Mix these ingredients together, and you yield an uncomfortable mixture of whimsy and soap opera, with both elements underlined by director Hugh Hudson. Best known for "Chariots of Fire," Hudson hasn't directed a movie in 10 years, but "My Life So Far" seems even more frozen in time than that: He's so enamored of the movie's pastoral setting, its 1930s period flavor and

its random observations about jazz and deception that he forgets to bring any thoughts of his own to the piece. He's content to let the movie float by on its charm, and its charm isn't enough to add weight to such a light story.

He's fortunate, then, to have actors who save the film from total mediocrity. Firth is especially good as the father, whose seeming innocuousness hides a dark, flawed soul, and Robert Norman is relatively unaffected as the young Fraser, a role that could easily have been cloying. McDowell's watchable hamminess keeps the movie from sinking into its own gentility, but Harris and Mastrantonio are all but lost in their stereotypical roles. Mastrantonio's role is particularly thankless after her revelatory work in John Sayles' "Limbo." "Life" will probably please more people, but it reads in places where many movies have gone before.

'Next Friday', 'The Green Mile' remain big at the box office this week

Combined wire services

Movies playing in south-central Idaho this weekend. Opinions are by Los Angeles Times and Knight Ridder Newspapers reviewers. Ratings by the Motion Picture Association of America are: (G) for general audiences; (PG) parental guidance urged because of material possibly unsuitable for children; (PG-13) parents are strongly cautioned to give guidance for attendance of children younger than 13; (R) restricted, younger than 17 admitted only with parent or adult guardian; (NC-17) no one younger than 17 admitted.

• **"American Beauty"** - An absolutely brilliant performance by Kevin Spacey is only the tip of the iceberg in this contemporary tragicomedy about a middle-aged man's escape from suburban hell. Rated R; sexual themes, nudity, language, violence.

• **"Anna and the King"** - There aren't any songs, but there is no shortage of lyrical beauty in the fourth movie version of the true story that inspired Rodgers and Hammerstein's "The King and I." Jodie Foster plays British widow Anna Leonowens, who goes to Siam to teach English and Western ways to the sprawling brood of the king, who imposes regal restraint by Hong Kong action star Chow Yun-Fat. Rated PG-13; violence. 2 hours, 27 minutes.

• **"Any Given Sunday"** - Al Pacino is an old-school coach who butts heads with a hip-hop quarterback (Jamie Foxx) and his team's ambitious owner (Cameron Diaz) after his veteran star (Dennis Quaid) is injured in a feel-good football fantasy from all people, Oliver Stone, who spends the entire film espousing Lombardi-esque, traditional values. Rated R; nudity, language, league-sanctioned violence, drug use. 2 hours, 45 minutes.

• **"Bicentennial Man"** - Robin Williams and Chris Columbus - who directed Williams in "Mrs. Doubtfire" - do a masterful job of imagining a robot's gradual transformation into a man (2:13, PG-13 for language and some sexual content).

• **"Deuce Bigalow: Male Gigolo"** - In this surprisingly funny gross-out comedy, Rob Schneider is a fish tank cleaner who must take the role of Lophario to make some quick cash. Hooking up with a "hemedam" (hilariously played by stand-up comic Eddie Griffin), he romances women whose afflictions typically keep them dateless - supesize height, narcolepsy and Tourette's Syndrome among them. Rated R; bare buttocks, mild profanity. 1 hour, 24 minutes.

• **"Down to You"** - Freddie Prinze Jr. and Julia Stiles shine as two Manhattan college students who meet and fall passionately in love lots faster than they were prepared for. Unfortunately the film itself is mediocre at best. Written and directed by Chris McCosson. (1:29, PG-13 for mature thematic material, sexual content, language, drug and alcohol use).

• **"The End of the Affair"** - Neil Jordan's adaptation of what may be Graham Greene's best novel is like Sarah (Julianne Moore), the married woman with whom its protagonist, Bend Sinister (Ralph Fiennes), is obsessed: It may not always be faithful, but it is always true. Rated R; sexual theme, nudity, language. 1 hour, 42 minutes.

• **"Galaxy Quest"** - An over-the-top supporting cast and some boffo special effects can't save this sorry "Star Trek" spoof about TV actors' enlisted to fight

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a real alien invasion. Star Tim Allen may be the voice of Buzz Lightyear in the "Toy Story" movies, but as a self-centered actor a la William Shatner, he's bland at best. Rated PG; mild profanity, cleavage jokes. 1 hour, 42 minutes.

• **"Girl, Interrupted"** - Susanna Kayser's perceptive memoir of a year she spent as a teen-age mental institution patient in the 1960s comes an uneventful drama in the hands of director James Mangold, who either fails to see the point or to make it.

• **"The Green Mile"** - Frank Darabont's detailed adaptation of Stephen King's serial novel "The Green Mile" is not likely to suffer the fate of "The Shawshank Redemption," which fared badly in theaters, only to become beloved after being released on video. R; language, violence. 3 hours, 7 minutes.

• **"The Hurricane"** - In the '70s, a Bob Dylan song less than seven minutes long told the story of Rubin (Hurricane) Carter, a boxer convicted of a triple murder on dubious evidence. Director Norman Jewison spends 2 1/2 hours recounting Carter's two-decade stint in prison, and how a group of committed Canadians, inspired by a teenager's belief in Carter's innocence, finally won his freedom. What lifts the movie above its liberal pieties is the fine performance by Denzel Washington, who digs deep enough to unearth the hardened humanity under Carter's self-protecting, self-promoting pose. As a bonus, he's pretty convincing in the flashback boxing sequences. Rated R; violence, language. 2 hours, 26 minutes.

• **"Magnolia"** - Writer-director Paul Thomas Anderson follows "Boogie Nights," with an inversion of "Nashville," introducing us to various citizens of the San Fernando Valley whose lives intersect in wondrous ways on one incredibly humid day. Rated R; sexual situations, nudity, language. 3 hours, 8 minutes.

• **"Man on the Moon"** - Jim Carrey channels the spirit of mar-

Big box office

1. "Next Friday," New Line
 2. "Down to You," Miramax
 3. "The Hurricane," Universal
 4. "Stuart Little," Sony
 5. "The Green Mile," Warner Bros
- Source: Exhibitor Relations Co.

ginal-by-design performer Andy Kaufman in this overly reverent biography. Rated R; 2 hour, 4 minutes.

• **"The Omega Code"** - The belief that mathematical equations applied to the Bible can predict the future is at the heart of a slapdash conspiracy thriller about a media mogul-turned-politician (Michael York) who uses the code to establish himself as God. Rated PG-13; violence. 1 hour, 39 minutes.

• **"Princess Mononoke"** - Revered animated director and writer Hayao Miyazaki is often dubbed the Japanese Disney, but as this action-filled, philosophical and visually wondrous epic proves, he's really the cartoon Kurosawa. Set in a mythical feudal Japan, his film sends a cursed prince (the voice of Billy Crudup) on a quest that puts him in the middle of a feminist Industrial Era conflict: The empress of Iron Town (Minnie Driver) is up

against a wolf woman (Claire Danes) fighting alongside the spirits of the forest. Too complex and violent for small children, it's too long for almost anyone but devotees: Its originality, though, can't be denied. Rated PG-13; violence, language. 2 hour, 12 minutes.

• **"The Sixth Sense"** - Here's one for you: One of the finest films of the year is a supernatural thriller about a little boy who talks to the dead, starring Bruce Willis as the boy's psychiatrist. Rated PG-13; disturbing imagery. 1 hour, 55 minutes.

• **"Snow Falling on Cedars"** - David Guterson's compelling and poetic novel about a murder trial that reopens World War II wounds in 1950s Washington is stylized into tedium by director Scott Hicks, then reduced to melodramatic mediocrity by Hicks and cowriter Ron Bass. Rated PG-13; sexual situations. 2 hours, 6 minutes.

• **"Supernova"** - James Spader and Angela Bassett lead the crew of a medical rescue vessel that discovers an existence-altering object in space. Rated PG-13; flashes of nudity, violence. 1 hour, 31 minutes.

• **"Stuart Little"** - The shy and pleasant mouse of E.B. White's famous children's book has been

turned into a rodent whose ready line of patter would make him at home on the Tonight Show. (1:32, PG for brief language.)

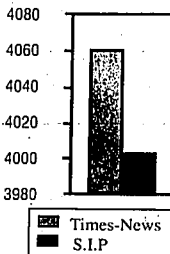
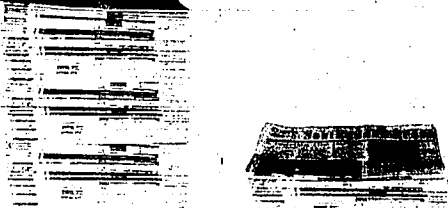
• **"The Talented Mr. Ripley"** - Anthony Minghella's sun-soaked, sinister adaptation of the first of Patricia Highsmith's novels exploring the ingenious mind of a serial killer (before the term was coined) is almost as lushly seductive as, if far less involving than, "The English Patient." Rated R; violence, sexual theme. 2 hour, 19 minutes.

• **"Toy Story 2"** - The sequel to the first full-length computer-animated feature is sweet, smart and funny comedy contradicts its point; any grown-up who can't enjoy this child's play is simply too grown-up. Rated G; nothing objectionable. 1 hour, 24 minutes.

• **"The World Is Not Enough"** - Not only is James Bond now the longest-lived, continuous feature film series in history - 37 years, 10 movies - it is the most reliably entertaining. The third installment to star Pierce Brosnan as 007 doesn't skimp on the elaborate action we've come to expect, but it's the most character-driven since the '60s Sean Connery offerings. Rated PG-13; violence, endless innuendo, sexual situations. 2 hour, 11 minutes.

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CSN&Y can still fire up a sellout crowd

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Time hasn't withered Crosby Stills Nash & Young, who brought a near-sellout crowd to its feet on their first tour in 25 years.

People in the news

Feb. 1 in Davos, Switzerland, honors people whose artistic achievements have no international boundaries and who have contributed to cultural understanding, forum founder Klaus Schwab said.

Daniels has a secret — and it's spelled J.E.L.L.O. Des Moines' mayor was the guest last week at a taping of "I've Got a Secret," a revival of the 1950s game show.

A celebrity panel including Tori Gurr, Amy Yasbeck, Kristoff St. John and Hal Sparks failed to guess Daniels' secret, and the mayor won \$1,000.

Quincy Jones gets honor for closing cultural gaps

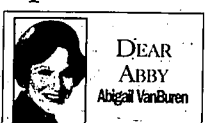
LOS ANGELES — Quincy Jones is being honored by the World Economic Forum for helping to bridge cultural gaps.

Recently, at the request of United Nations Secretary General Kofi Annan and U2 singer Bono, Jones campaigned to eradicate debt owed by Third World countries to major industrial nations.

Des Moines is apparently the Jell-O fiend capital — DES MOINES, Iowa — Preston

Dogs aren't safe in back end of a pickup truck

DEAR ABBY: I just finished reading the letter about the husky dog who jumped from the back of a pickup truck into traffic. Here is our story:



DEAR ABBY Abby VanBuren

We were camping Memorial Day weekend three years ago. Our dogs were tied up on short leashes in the back of our pickup truck. One of them leaped onto our cooler next to the side of the truck and fell out.

story to add to the one about the dog that nearly didn't survive a ride in the back of a pickup.

We have two sons, one of whom owns a pickup truck. One Saturday night a few months ago, they were headed downtown. Our oldest son jumped in the back of the truck while his brother and their buddy sat in the cab.

We drove 20 miles to the police station in Payson, Ariz. They called a vet at his home and gave us directions to his office. That wonderful man tried valiantly to save her, but couldn't. Her death still haunts us.

Every time I think of that night and what could have happened, I am grateful to God. My son survived with only minor fractures and lots of road burn. He is now back to work and is one, lucky young man.

Needless to say, none of our dogs ride in the back of our truck anymore. I am now a volunteer for the Anna Humane Society. Please, Abby, tell your readers to treat their pets as they would want to be treated. Pets are our friends.

Our sons learned a hard lesson, but animals do not have a choice whether or not to ride in the back of the truck.

— KAREN IN TEMPE, ARIZ.

Abby, please stress to your readers to THINK before they allow riders — human or animals — in the back of their trucks. They may not be as fortunate as we were.

DEAR KAREN: I'm printing your letter in the hope that the tragedy which befell your dog will discourage other dog owners from transporting their pets in the back of pickup trucks. Read on.

— GRATEFUL MOM IN TEXAS

DEAR ABBY: I'm responding to the letter regarding people who allow their dogs to ride unprotected in the back of their pickups. I believe in divine justice. When these people go before their maker on Judgment Day, they will be sentenced to ride aimlessly in the back of a flatbed truck over bumpy back roads, wondering when the devil at the wheel will make his next sharp turn.

Remember, each of us will be judged by how we treated the least of God's creatures.

DEAR ABBY: I have another

— ALLEN IN EMORY, TEXAS

DEAR ALLEN: If common sense doesn't rule, then perhaps your letter will scare careless or thoughtless pet owners into doing the right thing: keeping their dogs safely inside the cab of their trucks and out of harm's way. Read on.

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Plants have it better in poor households, some experts say

Traditional punishment for adultery in the Philippines is death by firing squad.

The bluebonnets of Texas are coming up maroon now. And pink. And lavender. Or, and sapphire. And white. Or, and any color. A dozen years of selective breeding gets the credit. Or the blame, whichever.

The wealthy do not take care of their households as well as do those people with less money. So say the commercial greenhouse keepers.

Q. Where is it that the woman proposes marriage, the children take names, and inheritance descends through her side?

A. That was long traditional on the Malayan Peninsula. Specifically, among some Muslims, Chams and Hindus.

Q. Which U.S. President in the last 50 years was the most generous in granting pardons?

A. Gerald Ford.

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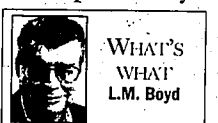
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WHAT'S WHAT L.M. Boyd

A chemical process in wild donkeys turns some of their solid food to liquid. So they never have to drink water. You can say that for gazelles, too. And prairie dogs.

When birds colonize on islands without predators, they stop flying. Pretty soon they can't fly. If man shows up, they die out.

Milton Hershey failed in New York and Philadelphia before he got his caramel candy company on its financial feet. However, not until he switched from caramel to chocolate did his notable success turn spectacular enough to make his name a synonym for chocolate.

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Jazz

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Bobby Shaw

All of them are in town to teach nearly 300 musicians from 28 different secondary schools from Idaho, Utah and Wyoming, the fine points of harmonic dissonance.

That's a near-record turnout for the Summit, which has dropped the "Blues" title from its name this year.

Thirteen clinics will be presented over the two days, covering instrumental technique, improvisation and rhythm section fundamentals.

Tonight at 7:30, the Summit All-Stars and Mair will perform, followed by the CSI Jazz Orchestra with Show.

On Saturday at 8 p.m., the CSI Jazz Orchestra will open the show, followed by a jam session with the Summit All-Stars.

Those are familiar sounds. "I worked with some fine musicians in Twin Falls," Mair said. "But the program is in good hands with Brent Jensen; CSI was lucky to get him."

Mair, who works in Kansas City's busy jazz scene before coming to CSI, said he enjoys being back in one of the meccas of syncopation.

"It's kind of an inner-city environment," he said. "Kids can get a lot of exposure to jazz in the Kansas City area, and the guy I replaced ran the jazz program for years before he retired."

"But," he added, "I miss my Idaho friends."

Movie

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One of the film's prime errors, an enormous and horrifying demon that takes the form of a fast-moving hellhound covered with writhing black snake-like feelers, appears almost at once, threatening a remote village where the last remnants of an exiled tribe called the Emishi are living out their lives.

The Emishi's prince, a heroic young man named Ashtitaka (Crudup), takes on the demon, who is prone to making such hair-raising threats as "Soon all will feel my hatred and suffer as I have suffered." In the course of the battle, the demon slashes Ashtitaka's arm, and the tribal elders say the resulting infection will surely kill him.

Knowing that his fate cannot be altered but determined to go forth to meet it, Ashtitaka leaves on his handsome red elk and vows to find the source of the small iron ball that apparently took the demon that once a noble boar god into the demon that attacked the village.

Early in his journey, Ashtitaka meets a wily priest named Jigo (Thornton), who has his own reasons for enticing the young man about an enchanted wood presided over by the holy Great Forest Spirit, a deer-like creature

with shimmering antlers and a human face who metamorphoses every evening into the towering Nightwalker.

But, despite the presence of happy-face tree spirits called kodama, all is not tranquil in this forest (which brings to mind leafy Japanese Shinto shrines such as Ise). Forces coexist within it that are eager for one another's extermination, and once he arrives, Ashtitaka meets them all.

First encountered, with blood on her face from sucking the poison out of a wound, is Princess Mononoke, familiarly known as San (Danes). A human girl raised by the giant white wolf god Moro (Anderson), whom she rides like a diminutive jockey, San is strong, feisty and contemptuous of all humans, most especially the Lady Eboshi.

As voiced by Minnie Driver (the "Tarzan" veteran who seems to do her best work in animated films), the Lady is the film's most complex creation, difficult to pigeonhole as either good or evil. Cool, enigmatic, fearless, she has founded an iron-making city that has provided a good living and a rare sense of self-worth for societal outsiders such as brothel girls (Pinkett Smith is their spokeswoman) and lepers. But her iron-making process is

destroying the sacred forest that is home to the gods, and it's the iron bullet she manufactured that turned the boar god into that awful demon.

Ashtitaka, who admires what the Lady has done and is attracted to Sen, tries to mediate between these groups as well as deal with the nefarious plans of Jigo, but this proves extremely difficult. Many of the old animal gods simply despise humans across the board, and the Lady is equally implacable in her ambitions. Given characters who believe "the world is cursed, life is hard, but still you find a reason to keep living," it's fitting that everything points to a troubling "Twilight of the Gods" conclusion that is neither tidy nor simplistic.

Director Miyazaki, who seems to literally breathe fanasy, works in a clean, fluid style that is not afraid to be dark but also takes pleasure in light pastel colors. A legendary perfectionist who avoided computer-generated work until this film and still personally retouched 80,000 of the film's 1,440,000 animation cels, he creates a self-contained world that could not exist without animation, and a more satisfying use of the medium would be difficult to imagine.

Music

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At Monday's concert, they'll sing "Alpha vibrans montanum," a 14th century French choral work; "Ave verum corpus" by the 16th-century English composer William Byrd; "Trahe me post te, Virgo Maria" and "Duo Seraphim" by 16th-century Spanish composer Francisco Guerrero; a selection of English and Italian Madrigals; excerpts from "Cinq rechants" by 20th-century French composer Olivier Messiaen; selections from "Chore fur" by German electronic music composer Karlheinz Stockhausen; excerpts from "Love Songs" by contemporary American composer Augusta Read Thomas; "The Lamb" and "Village Wedding," by contemporary British composer John Tavener; "La Doble," a traditional Argentine folk song selection from "Cinco canciones populares argentinas," by 20th-century Argentine composer Alberto

Ginastera; "La vasilja de barro," by Ecuadorian composer Benitez Valencia; "Verano Porteno," a tango by Argentine-born, American-born composer Astor Piazzolla, and a selection of popular songs.

In conjunction with their appearance here, Chanticleer will present a master class for junior high, senior high and college vocal ensembles at 10 a.m. Monday in the Fine Arts Center auditorium.

The 90-minute session will begin and end with a choral presentation by Chanticleer and include a discussion led by Jennings, as well as vocal coaching for three choirs attending.

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'Millionaire' stays atop TV ratings

Combined wire services

TV

1. "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire-Thursdays," ABC.
2. "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire-Tuesdays," ABC.
3. "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire-Sundays," ABC.
4. "The Golden Globe Awards," NBC.
5. "Fox NFC Championship Postgame Show - Tampa Bay at St. Louis," Fox.

(From Nielsen Media Research)

High 5

1. DMX, Ruf Ryders.
4. "Now 3," Various Artists, UTV, (Platinum).
5. "Christina Aguilera," Christina Aguilera, RCA, (Platinum)

(From Billboard magazine)

Country singles and tracks

1. "Cowboy Take Me Away," Dixie Chicks, Monument.
2. "Breathe," Faith Hill, Warner Bros.
3. "My Best Friend," Tim McGraw, Curb.
4. "What Do You Say," Reba McEntire, Nashville.
5. "Smile," Lonestar, BNA.

(From Broadcast Data Systems)

Country albums

1. "Fly," Dixie Chicks, Monument, (Platinum).
2. "Come On Over," Shania Twain, Mercury, (Platinum).
3. "Breathe," Faith Hill, Warner Bros, (Platinum).
4. "A Place In The Sun," Tim McGraw, Curb, (Platinum).
5. "Lonely Grill," Lonestar, BNA, (Platinum)

(From SoundScan)

'Lion's Game' hits No. 1

Knight Rider News Service

Here are the bestsellers for the week ending Friday, January 28, 2000, compiled from data from independent and chain bookstores, book wholesalers and independent distributors nationwide.

(Reprinted from Publishers Weekly, published by Cahners Publishing Co., a division of Reed Elsevier, USA. (c) 1998 by Reed Elsevier, USA)

Hardcover fiction

1. "The Lion's Game," Nelson DeMille, Warner, \$26.95

- Last Week 1; Weeks on List: 3
2. "Gap Creek," Robert Morgan, Algonquin, \$22.95
- Last Week 4; Weeks on List: 1
3. "Sick Puppy," Carl Hiaasen, Knopf, \$25
- Last Week 2; Weeks on List: 3
4. "False Memory," Dean Koontz, Bantam, \$26.95
- Last Week 3; Weeks on List: 4
5. "Timeline," Michael Crichton, Knopf, \$26.95
- Last Week 6; Weeks on List: 9
6. "Secret Honor," W.E.B. Griffin, Putnam, \$25.95
- Last Week 4; Weeks on List: 2
7. "The Cat Who Robbed a Bank," Lilian Jackson Braun, Putnam, \$23.95

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'Runaway Bride,' 'My Life So Far' come to video shelves this week

Night Rider Newspapers

New videos in Twin Falls-area stores this week:

• "Runaway Bride" - This "Pretty Woman" reteaming of Julia Roberts, Richard Gere, Hector Elizondo, and director Garry Marshall is a huge disappointment. The charm of the original gives way to kitsch. Rated PG.

• "My Son the Fanatic" - Hanif Kureishi re-limits his familiar world - the cultural clashing of old-world and new-world Asians living in England - with satisfying seriocomic flavor. There's a refreshing twist this time: It's the middle-aged Pakistani cab driver Parvez (a brilliant Om Puri) who's doing the full-frontal embrace of secular British culture. And it's his

Hot videos

Sales

1. "Toy Story," Buena Vista
2. "Pokemon: Wake Up Snorlax," Pioneer
3. "Pokemon: Jigglypuff Pop," Pioneer
4. "Payback," Paramount
5. "The Matrix," Warner
6. "Winnie the Pooh: Valentine for You," Buena Vista
7. "The Bo Workout," Ventura
8. "CNN Millennium 2000," Turner
9. "Inspector Gadget," Buena Vista
10. "The Iron Giants," Warner

Rentals

1. "Lake Placid," Fox
2. "The Thomas Crown Affair," MGM
3. "The General's Daughter," Paramount
4. "American Pie," Universal
5. "Mystery Men," Universal
6. "Deep Blue Sea," Warner
7. "Bowfinger," Universal
8. "Notting Hill," Universal
9. "Entrapment," Fox
10. "Big Daddy," Columbia

- Source: Video Business magazine



Richard Gere and Julia Roberts commune in a scene from Garry Marshall's 'Runaway Bride.'

son Farid (Akbar Kurtha) who becomes a newfound devotee of Islam and decries his father's bourgeois, capitalistic ways. In Kureishi's mature vision, no one is completely right or wrong. Contains nudity, strong language and sexual scenes.

• "My Life So Far" - 94 minutes. Colin Firth, Rosemary Harris, Irene Jacob, Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio, Malcolm McDowell, Tcheky Karyo, Kelly MacDonald. Nostalgic look at an aristocratic Scottish boyhood, circa 1928. PG-13 (sexual candor,

mature themes). DVD available. (CC)

• "Conceiving Ada" - 85 minutes. Francesca Faridany, Tilda Swinton. A computer scientist tries to make a cyberspace con-

nection with the scandalous daughter of Lord Byron. DVD available.

• "Hindsight" - 97 minutes. Kathy Shower, Ken Steadman. An aspiring actor becomes

involved with a former model. • "The Sex Monster" - 97 minutes. Mariel Hemingway, Mike Binder, Stephen Baldwin, Kevin Pollack. Comedy about a happily married man who persuades his wife to help him live out a fantasy, and is surprised by her reaction. R. DVD available.

• "The Tempest" - Peter Fonda, John Glover, Harold Perrine Jr. This adaptation of Shakespeare is set on a mysterious isle in the Mississippi bayou during the Civil War tempests. PG-13.

• "Woman Wanted" - 110 minutes. Holly Hunter, Michael Moriarty, Kiefer Sutherland. Sutherland also directed this tale of a woman who tries to mend the rift between an estranged father and son. R. (CC)

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MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

“ I don't think this is an ego trip. It would be a lot easier to go fishing.”

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—Former *Nobleska* football coach Tom Osborne, announcing Thursday his intent to run for Congress

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Women's college basketball
CSI at Dade, 5:30 p.m.

Men's college basketball
CSI at Dade, 7:30 p.m.

Wrestling
Red Halverson Tournament at Minico

Girls' basketball
TV Burley Invite

Glenns Ferry at Valley
Austin at Jackpot

Northside Conference Tournament, at Shoshone:

Ketchum vs. Carey, 6 p.m.

Richfield vs. Camas Co., 7:30 p.m.

Boys' basketball
Buhl at Kimberly

Madison at Burley
Wendell at Filer

Glenns Ferry at Valley
Gooding at Wood River

Hansen at Hagerman
Highland at Minico

Murtaugh at Oakley
Raft River at Castelford

Richfield at Clark County
Century at Twin Falls

Jerome at Pocatello
Austin at Jackpot

IN BRIEF

Hamblin finishes second in Tecumela

TECUMELA, Calif. — Twin Falls' Muni Hamblin fired a final-round 73 Thursday to earn a share of a tie for second place in the Rocky Mountain PGA Tecumela Challenge.

Hamblin finished with a 74-72-73-219, tied with Jay Frank of Boise. John Graham of Boise was the overall winner with a 71-68-78-217. Tommy Sanderson won the Senior title, with a 78-72-79-229, and John Weekes of Twin Falls was second with a 82-81-78-241. The team of Hamblin, Corky Federico, Todd Jones and Alan Stutzman ended with a 133-124-125-382, good for third.

Deadline nears for tennis tourney sign-ups

TWIN FALLS — People interested in signing up to participate in the Feb. 7-13 First Federal Savings Bank Singles Only Tennis Tournament have until next Wednesday to do so. The tournament will take place at the YMCA. Players of all ratings are welcome; juniors can play at whatever NTRP rating suits their ability. Entry fee is \$20 for TFTA members and \$25 for non-members. For more information, contact John Thompson at 734-2795, or J.C. Bordick at 736-8142.

Filer Rec District sets hoops registration date

FILER — The Filer Community Recreation District will hold a registration session for the Filer Co-Ed Youth Basketball League from 7-8:30 p.m. next Wednesday. The sign-up session will be held at the Filer Fire Station (located at the corner of Yakima and Main).

February soccer clinic planned in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS — There will be an entry-level soccer referee clinic on Feb. 8, 10, 11 and 12 at 1330 Filer Ave. E. in Twin Falls. The times on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday are 7-10 p.m. Saturday, times are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, contact John Jacobson at 734-3151.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Wolves, Hornets win first round

Ruffing paces Castleford win

By Holly Keet
Times-News writer

CASTLEFORD — Senior Katie Ruffing scored a game-high 13 points Thursday as the Castleford Wolves opened the Magic Valley Conference Girls' Basketball Tournament with a 50-45 win over Hansen.

Two minutes into the first quarter, Staci DeLeon of Hansen grabbed a rebound and drained the first bucket of the night. That jumper put the Huskies ahead at 2-0 for 30 seconds, the only time in which the team would enjoy the lead throughout the remainder of the contest.

Scoring bounced back and forth throughout the rest of the quarter, although the Wolves never dropped the lead, and ended the period with a 10-9 advantage.

Castleford got into foul trouble early in the second quarter, but managed to extend its lead to 25-21. Hansen went to the line seven times, to secure eight of its 12 second-period points.

"It was a really physical game all night," Ruffing said. "Both teams played really tough defense."

Ruffing dominated the second quarter. She had ten of the Wolves' 16 points, including two three-pointers.

"Katie played really well in the first half," said Castleford coach Gary Reynolds.

After halftime, the Wolves went on a 7-0 run to jump ahead by ten, but the Huskies replied with a jumper and a three-pointer at end of the third quarter, cutting the lead to seven at 38-31.

Castleford started racking up the fouls in the fourth quarter, to send Hansen to the line five times. However, the Huskies couldn't get their shots to drop, shooting just 25 percent.

"All the girls played hard," said Hansen coach Rick Abel. "We



Hansen's Staci DeLeon tries to steal the ball from Castleford's Dana Cotta in Thursday night's first round of the Magic Valley Conference Tournament at Castelford High School. The Wolves beat the Huskies 50-45.

just didn't shoot well."

Dianna Cotta of Castleford stepped it up in the fourth quarter to grab two lay-ins off steals, a free-throw, and one three-pointer. Cotta, a 5-2 sophomore, had eight of her 12 points in the final period.

Lindsey Ostrander and Alicia

Stimpson led the Huskies with 11 points apiece.

The Wolves are now 10-10 and travel to top-seeded Murtaugh Saturday for their second game of the Magic Valley Conference regional tournament. Hansen drops to 7-12 and will play the loser of Saturday's game pitting

second-seeded Raft River against Oakley on Wednesday.

Sixth-seeded Oakley advanced in the winner's bracket Thursday upsetting No. 3 Hagerman 34-31 on the road. Hagerman's Mandy Henslee led all scorers with 12.

Please see VALLEY, Page D2

Tigers fall to Blackfoot once again

By John Dorr
Times-News writer

JEROME — The streak is over.

A loss to Blackfoot in the Jerome Tigers' opening game started an 18-game winning streak that included a perfect 12-0 run through the conference.

But that streak ended Thursday night, as the same non-conference Blackfoot Broncos did it again, stopping Jerome 70-54 in front of

a packed house of fans anticipating a battle featuring two of the best teams in the state.

The first time the teams played, the Broncos took off early and were never threatened. This time it was close throughout, even if the final score did not indicate as much.

Thursday the Tigers led early only to see the Broncos come back with a flurry of three-pointers. Jerome rallied several times, cut-

ting the advantage to single digits, but each time Blackfoot converted from beyond the arc to maintain the lead. The Broncos finished the game with 10 three-pointers.

"They have great shooters and they are built on the three-pointers. Tonight, Blackfoot dictated the tempo," said Jerome coach Michelle Skyles.

Jerome scored first as Kendra West, who finished with 10 points, got the feed from Cyrril Warner

on the fast break. The teams traded baskets for the rest of the quarter until Warner went coast to coast for the lay-up and a 12-10 lead after one period.

Warner continued the run, connecting inside, and Brandi Escovar added a jumper in the lane. Camille Britain hit inside on another feed from Warner as the Tigers led by six midway through

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'Grits Bowl' matchup tests fans' interest

The Associated Press

ATLANTA — There is no Steel Curtain in Atlanta this week. No Silver and Black, Doomsday Defense or last hurrah for John Elway.

These are the kind of big-name images the Super Bowl has been built around, the kind that won't be around come this Super Sunday.

"Maybe some people still want Green Bay and Denver," Titans tight end Frank Mychek said. "But to me, this is a refreshing game. It's two great teams who have been through some tough times and deserve to be here. For people to say this is not a glam-

orous game doesn't make sense. These are the two best teams left."

Those two teams are Tennessee and St. Louis.

It's a small-market, middle-America game that offers plenty of compelling stories, most of them dealing with underdogs overcoming long odds to finally play for a title.

But whether those stories and those teams are enough to hold the nation's interest through a week's worth of hype, a day full of pregame shows and four hours of football has yet to be seen.

After a slow start in the television ratings, the playoffs got a boost last week in the conference tie games.

The so-called Grits Bowl, a small-market Southeastern showdown between Jacksonville and Tennessee, drew an overnight 24.2 rating, down just 6 percent from the early game between Atlanta and Minnesota the year before. The St. Louis-Tampa Bay game got a 26.9 rating, a 3-percent jump the previous year's

Broncos-Jets matchup in the late game. It was the highest-rated show since the Academy Awards last March.

Howard Katz, president of Howard Katz Sports, seems to be approaching the Super Bowl with a sense of resigned inevitability. "People have asked how we feel about the teams," Katz said. "We're here to cover the game. We hope it's a great game."

So does the NFL. "Could there be a small difference in ratings because these teams are from smaller markets and not larger ones? Sure, I'd be stupid if I said differently," NFL network executive Dennis Lewin said. Please see NFL, Page D4



Americans Andre Agassi, right, and Pete Sampras shake hands after the Australian Open semifinal match in Melbourne, Australia, Thursday. Agassi won the match 6-4, 3-6, 6-7, 6-6, 6-1.

Agassi advances to fourth straight major final

The Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia — When Andre Agassi finished bowing and blowing kisses, and Pete Sampras moped away, 15,000 delirious, utterly drained fans at the Australian Open stared at each other as if sharing a secret treasure.

They knew they had witnessed the rarest of matches when history and greatness converge and two players push each other to the limit with the stakes high on a Grand Slam stage.

Only Sampras could make the best returner in tennis look feeble in a tiebreak shutout.

Only Agassi could absorb 37 acres of Sampras and still find a way to win.

Only the two of them could produce the most exquisite rallies, point after point for five sets

over three hours, each taking turns hurling himself horizontally to hit balls that seemed impossibly out of reach.

Together they put on a show for the film archives Thursday, Agassi winning 6-4, 3-6, 6-7 (0), 7-6 (5), 6-1 to become the first man to reach four straight Grand Slam finals since Rod Laver swept them all in 1969.

"It's quite a feeling out there, almost like you are at a concert," Agassi said of the thunderous ovations he and Sampras received during the match and at the end. "Your ears are ringing, you can't hear. You can't even hear yourself grunt when you are playing the points. It's quite an atmosphere, and then in some strange way it's incredibly silent in your mind. When you can experience it on that level it's quite a memory."

Wrestling's two-tourney weekend starts

By Matt Peterson
Times-News writer

If you go ...

- Rud Halverson Memorial Invitational**
Where: At Minico High School
When: Today, 2:15 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m., finals around 3:30 p.m.
Gooding Avonmore Invitational
Where: Gooding High School
When: Saturday, 10 a.m., finals around 4:30 p.m.

The Red Halverson Memorial Invitational Tournament, held at Minico High School, will feature six of the state's top 10 Class A-1 teams (No. 1 Blackfoot, No. 2 Minico, No. 4 Centennial, No. 6 Bonneville, No. 8 Borah and No. 9 Pocatello), plus the No. 1-ranked A-2 team, Snake River.

The host Spartans have won the last two Halverson tournaments and will be looking for a third straight team title this weekend. Three-peating might prove difficult, however, as Minico enters the tournament with a long list of walking wounded.

Five varsity wrestlers, including No. 1-ranked Jesus Tamayo of U.S.C. and No. 10, are battling injuries suffered last weekend's Tiger-Griz Invitational. On Wednesday, the shorthanded Spartans endured a 10-12 dual meet thrashing — their worst of the year — from top-ranked Blackfoot.

Understandably, Minico head coach Brad Cooper said he sees the Broncos as the team to beat this weekend.

"Blackfoot has probably got the strongest team I've seen them have in years," said Cooper, whose team edged Blackfoot by less than 10 points in last year's tournament. "We'll really have to wrestle over our heads (to win)."

While Cooper said he expects three of his injured starters, including Tamayo, to be in action this weekend, he remains uncertain about USC's 160-pounder who has continued to be bothered by a knee injury that forced him to withdraw from the Tiger-Griz Invitational. USC's last year's state runner-up, Matt Torres (third in state last year at 112) and Pocatello's Shiloh Armstrong (second at state last year at 103).

In the latest A-1 state rankings, Tamayo stands No. 1, Armstrong No. 2, Torres No. 3 and Summers No. 4. But with Tamayo wrestling with a bruised knee and Wolfley coming off a big tournament victory at the Tiger-Griz, the division's outcome may be hotly contested.

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SPORTS

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Late starter Mickelson leads in Phoenix

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Phil Mickelson seems to have regained his touch at the Phoenix Open. A late starter, Mickelson shot an 8-under-par 63 Thursday to tie Tom Lehman for the first-round lead and leave everybody else at least three strokes behind.

Belichick finally gets his job with Patriots

FOXBORO, Mass. — Bill Belichick was hired Thursday as coach of the New England Patriots after New York Jets boss Bill Parcells made a last-ditch phone call to mend fences and grab New England's top pick in this year's draft.

Saints hire Mueller to be new GM

NEW ORLEANS — After putting together a roster that turned the Seattle Seahawks into a just place team by the WFA, stopped Marc Johnson at 2 minutes of the second round of a scheduled 10-round heavyweight bout Thursday night at the Manhattan Center.

Canada's Johnson beats U.S.'s Johnson

NEW YORK — Unbeaten Kirk Johnson of Canada, ranked eighth by the WBC and IBF and 10th by the WBA, stopped Marcus Johnson at 2 minutes of the second round of a scheduled 10-round heavyweight bout Thursday night at the Manhattan Center.

Sanders is out, Vincent in for Pro Bowl

PHILADELPHIA — Dallas' Deion Sanders will miss the Pro Bowl game because his wife is expecting a baby, and the cornerback will be replaced by Philadelphia's Troy Vincent.

Former Husker to run for Congress

HASTINGS, Neb. — Former Nebraska football coach Tom Osborne, who won three national championships before retiring in 1997, said Thursday that he will run for Congress in this football-crazy state.

Yankees' prospect may not play in 2000

NEW YORK — New York Yankees infield prospect D'Angelo Jimenez fractured a bone in his neck in a car accident and might not play this year.

Davis and Trent suspended for one game

NEW YORK — Mark Davis of Golden State and Gary Trent of Dallas were each suspended for one game without pay by the NBA on Thursday. Trent also was fined \$10,000 and Davis \$7,500.

KC's Thomas is out of intensive care unit

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — All-Pro linewriter Derrick Thomas, left partially paralyzed but not out of intensive care after a traffic accident that killed another man, is under contract to the Kansas City Chiefs.

Compiled from wire reports

Wood River stops Indians

The Times-News

BUHL — The Wood River Wolverines hit five three-point goals in the first half to take a 31-22 lead as they beat the Indians 67-56 in Class A-2 boys' basketball.

"They (Wolverines) came out very hot," said Buhl assistant coach Kevin Cato. "They are on a roll and shooting very well."

The Indians (4-12 overall, 3-4 conference) travel to Kimberly tonight.

Wendell 66, Glenns Ferry 47 — WENDELL — The Trojans put a close game out of reach with a 27-point fourth quarter in a non-conference win over the Pilots.

Leading scorers Brett Lancaster and Nelson King hit four three-pointers (two apiece) in the decisive period, which also saw King, Derek Roseborough and Shey Pope make key rebounds.

The Bears (1-14) play at Carey Tuesday. Shoshone (8-8 overall, 6-3 conference) hosts Ketchum this same night.

Dietrich 68, TFCA 42 — TWIN FALLS — The Dietrich Blue Devils led Twin Falls Christian Academy 31-14 at the half, and the Warriors could not recover as they lost to Dietrich in a non-conference game.

The Warriors (8-5) host the O'Leary ninth-grade team, on Monday, Dietrich (11-5) travel to Camas County Tuesday.

Richfield 65, Carey 56 — RICHFIELD — The Tigers recovered their unbeaten A-4 Northside record by holding off the surging Panthers.

Richfield coach Garr Ward said Carey "worked hard" and converted 62 percent of its field goals and shot 45 percent from the field. The Tigers needed up 36 percent from the foul line and 42 percent on field goals.

ISDB 48, TFCA JV 38 — GOODING — Russell Curry scored 16 points and recorded 13 rebounds for the ISDB Raptors as they beat the Twin Falls Christian Academy junior varsity.

"It was a close game from the start," said ISDB assistant coach Todd Houser. "TFCA tried to keep the game close by slowing down the tempo."

The Raptors (13-3 overall, 11-3 conference) travel next week to Salem, Ore., for the Western States Basketball Classic. They play Thursday against Arizona School for the Deaf.

Camas County 57, Ketchum 45 — KETCHUM — The Musersh and the Cutthroats each shot 50 percent from the free throw line, but Camas County was successful in 15-of-30 attempts versus 1-of-2 for Ketchum to secure the Class A-4 Northside win.

"That was definitely the difference in the game," Cutthroats assistant Bob Doyle said. "We lost by 12 and they shot 28 more free throws than we did."

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tributed 13 for the winners. Alex McCoy "held us in the game," Doyle said, and "played a good defensive game."

Ketchum next plays Tuesday at Shoshone.

Shoshone 55, Bliss 27 — SHOSHONE — The Shoshone Indians jumped out to a 19-2 lead in the first quarter and went on to beat Bliss in Northside Conference basketball.

The Bears came on strong in the fourth quarter, outscoring Shoshone 18-11, but struggled overall than that. Brian Vandervest (Bliss) led all scorers with 15 points. Shoshone's Tyson Allen finished with 15 points.

"Our team finished strong in the fourth quarter," said Bliss coach Jon Goss. "We need to be more of an offensive threat."

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seed, while the Lady Senators, by way of a winning a coin toss with Bliss, will be the No. 5 seed. Gooding's opponent and the site of Monday's 7 p.m. are yet to be determined.

Loughmiller, a 5-foot-9 senior, rebounded well and also scored 17 points — 10 in the second quarter. She shared team-high scoring honors with senior guard Adrienne Fullmer. Gooding's Joanne Anderson led all scorers with 20 points.

Gooding finished 37 in conference and 3-17 overall.

Wood River 56, Kimberly 18 — HAILEY — With Thursday night's win over the Lady Bulldogs, the Wolverines ended the year tied with Wendell for second place in the SCIC. Whoever wins today's coin toss will play No. 5 Gooding, while the loser will play No. 4 Kimberly Monday night in the opening round of the tournament.

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Hillcrest 51, Burley 32 — IDAHO FALLS — The Burley Bobcats trailed 20-4 at the end of the first quarter and could not battle back from the deficit as they lost to Hillcrest in a non-conference game.

"We couldn't handle (Kelsey) Young," said Burley coach Gordon Kerbs. "She's a big-time, 6-foot-two-inch athlete."

Young was the top scorer with 22 points. Melvin Arritt led the Bobcats with 16 points and Rebecca Plotts added 10.

Burley finished the season 4-16. They begin district tournament play at Hillcrest 5-3.

Wrestling — Filer sweeps tri-meet — KIMBERLY — Filer swept its matches against the host Bulldogs on their Senior Night and a combined team from Oakley and Raft River high schools.

Kimberly coach Troy Palmer said one of the featured matches of the evening came between two sophomores at 103 pounds, as Bullido David Eggersdorf and Wildcat Todd Billington renewed a rivalry that started when they were in sixth grade.

Eggersdorf, trailing 2-0 going into the final period, used an arm bar to twice put Billington on his back, earning the decision. It was the first time Eggersdorf had ever beaten Billington.

The Gambrell brothers continued their sound wrestling, Palmer said, both earning pins in their matches.

The Bulldogs, whose dual record is now 7-4, will participate with 12 other teams Saturday in

Bowling — Gooding 4, Wendell 1 — GOODING — Jessica Bodegar rolled a 161 Thursday as the Gooding varsity beat visiting Wendell 4-1.

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Lindros presence is felt in return to Flyers

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Eric Lindros had an immediate impact in his return to the Philadelphia Flyers.

The Flyers captain rejoined the lineup Thursday after missing the first four games with a concussion and scored an early goal against Florida.

Lindros, who received his third concussion in 22 months Jan. 14 in Atlanta, scored his first goal since Jan. 2 with 8:38 left in the first period. He slammed home a loose puck in the crease for his

18th goal after a pass from longtime linemate, John LeClair.

Lindros took his customary spot at center ice for the opening shift. At the first play stoppage 40 seconds into the game, he gave way to new teammate Keith Primeau, who received loud cheers.

Primeau's season-long holdout ended Sunday when he was traded from Carolina to the Flyers for Rod Brind'Amour. Primeau played center on the second line with Mark Recchi and Mikael Renberg.

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while Oakley's Sarah Lloyd paced the Hornets' win with 11.

"Oakley is a team play," said Hagerman coach Bob Finney, whose team will meet the loser of the Castelfredo-Murtagh contest next Wednesday. "You have to give them credit. They were more intense than we were."

Category 5 Ball Team Standings table with columns for Team, W, L, Pct.



Where are the Super QBs?

ATLANTA (AP) — Super Bowls often are defined by their quarterback matchups. Montana vs. Ellison, Elway vs. Favre, Aikman vs. Kelly, McNair vs. Warner?

While both are about to finish their seasons for the Tennessee Titans and St. Louis Rams, neither can be lumped with the Hall of Fame arms of Namath, Starr and Bradshaw.

Regardless, they will be centerpieces of Sunday's game. Steve McNair at least had the credentials to take the Titans this year.

He's not an undrafted free agent who started only one year in college. Kurt Warner is.

He's not an Arena Football and NFL Europe refugee. Warner is.

He wasn't an untested backup who cracked the lineup only after the starter was injured. Warner

Still, the road hasn't been smooth for McNair, who enters the big game with a severe toe injury that limits his practice time. Just the second starting black quarterback for a Super Bowl team — Doug Williams led the Redskins to victory in the 1988 game — he still isn't anything close to a classic pro quarterback. He's often more dangerous as a punter.

"Basically, I'm a guy who'll do whatever it takes to win," McNair said. "Regardless of how I have to

Super quarterbacks

The quarterbacks facing off in Super Bowl XXXIV have vastly different styles. Steve McNair of the Tennessee Titans has baffled defenses with his ability to run down field like a running back. Kurt Warner of the St. Louis Rams usually stays in the pocket and hits his quick receivers with pinpoint accuracy. Here is a look at their numbers.

Steve McNair		Kurt Warner	
Regular-season statistics			
Quarterbacks			
331	Pass attempts	499	
187	Completions	325	
56.5	Completion percentage	65.1	
2,179	Passing yards	4,353	
12	Touchdowns	13	
78.8	Interceptions	109.2	
72	Rushing attempts	23	
337	Rush yards	92	

do it, I'll run, throw, improvise. "My job is to be a great part of my talent. I do a lot of improvising once things break down in the pocket. I'll get outside and make a second chance. I think it's a great added dimension to our game."

The Titans aren't considered multidimensional. They like to pound the ball with Eddie George, who rushed for 1,304 yards and nine touchdowns during the season and has 354 yards in the playoffs. They rarely throw deep, partly because they have so-so receivers, partly because coordinator Les Stechel designs a more conservative offense.

After taking McNair with the third overall pick of the 1995 draft, coach Jeff Fisher sat him for two years behind Chris Chandler.

"It was very frustrating at first," McNair said. "But Coach Fisher set me down and filled me in what his style of play is. It was a tremendous change from throwing 4,000 yards a year in college (at Alcorn State) and throwing at least 40 to 50 times a game."

"But now it's like playing in a

more controlled offense and that's something that I had to get used to and get my mind focused on..."

If he outplays NFL MVP Warner on Sunday, the doubters should disappear. Of course, before this season, St. Louis was a pro football wasteland and Warner was almost totally unknown.

After this season, the Rams were 13-3, NFC West champions, and had the third-highest scoring offense in league history. Warner joined the elite company of Dan Marino as the only NFL quarterbacks with 40 or more touchdown passes in a year.

Warner was elevated to starter only because Trent Green, a \$16 million free agent acquisition, wrecked his knee in the preseason. But he too has proved doubters wrong.

"I've never been around a player that has matured as quickly," coach Dick Vermeil said. "I don't think it has ever been done as quickly as Kurt Warner has done it. He's no fluke."

Cold spell threatens big day

ATLANTA (AP) — Hotlanta warmed up Thursday, but an approaching winter storm threatened to dump up to four inches of snow and shut down the Super Bowl this weekend.

The NFL scrambled to plan for the worst-case scenario, knowing a Deep South city like Atlanta is hardly equipped to cope with severe winter weather.

While Sunday's game between the St. Louis Rams and Tennessee Titans wasn't threatened, the league was concerned that icy roads would prevent local workers from reaching hotels, restaurants, and other businesses catering to Super Bowl visitors.

The winter week could have ramifications beyond Atlanta.

NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue indicated Thursday that Georgia were unlikely to land a Super Bowl without a dome.

Vermeil earns coach honor

In a vote conducted on the Internet, Dick Vermeil of the St. Louis Rams won the NFL Coach of the Year award on Thursday.

"This is a humbling experience that I share with my entire coaching staff," said Vermeil, who sent his thanks via videotape because he was preparing for the Super Bowl. He also coached the Eagles in Super Bowl XXV, and he had a few comments on that too. "It's much bigger. The cars were faster, bigger, prettier, streamlined. The NFL is bigger, faster, streamlined. There are a lot more people involved," he said.

Bush is back

Devin Bush, who was with the Falcons last year, is with the NFC team in the Super Bowl for the second straight year, but he'll play a much bigger role this time.

He played only about a dozen plays for the Falcons in last year's Super Bowl, and felt he wasn't being utilized enough. He signed a four-year deal with the Rams and is now the starting free safety. "It's nice to go right back because you always hear you may never get a chance to go all at. To go back to back gets you a lot of attention," he said.

Like father, like son

When Anthony Dorsett starts in the secondary for Tennessee Sunday, he'll be part of the third father-son combination to reach the Super Bowl.

His father, Tony Dorsett, played in the Super Bowl with the Cowboys in his first two years in the NFL at the end of the 1977 and 1978 seasons.

The other two are quarterbacks Bob Griese of Miami and his son Brian of the Dolphins and defensive tackle Frank Cornish of Miami and his son, center Frank Cornish of the Cowboys.

Kicker golfs well, too

At Del Greco actually has to stop and think about it when he's asked what he likes best, golf or kicking a football.

"Standing here on the brink of the Super Bowl, it might seem unbelievable that I have to think about it to answer," the 16-year veteran kicker said. "But I enjoy a day of golf as much as anything."

With 320 career field goals and 209 consecutive extra points, the Tennessee Titans kicker is one of the best in the business. But Golf Magazine has also called Del Greco, a regular at celebrity events, the best golfer among non-golf athletes.

Tennessee Titans		St. Louis Rams	
50	280	31	14
10	58	294	37
20	47	198	24
30	36	166	19
40		11	52.8

Source: Elias Sports Bureau AP/Ed De Gasse

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said. "That said, I think the market size of the teams is going to barely be a blip on the radar screen."

But clearly, Tennessee-St. Louis is a far cry from Pittsburgh-Dallas.

The core of the problem is that there is no history, tradition or significant fan following for these teams on either coast, or in many places in between.

"These are not teams that interest me," Atlanta resident Ted Kloser said. "It's the Super Bowl, so you feel like you should watch it. But if the game isn't good, it's not too difficult to turn it off."

He may not have thought that way in the mid-90s, when it was the Buffalo Bills, piling loss on top of loss and finding new ways to fail over the span of four straight years. Or last year, when it was the Broncos going for a repeat, with Elway riding off into the sunset after a runaway victory.

The Titans are in just their third year in Tennessee. A name change combined with three relocations during the last four seasons makes them an unlikely candidate for nationwide fan base.

If there are fans suffering from Rams fans out there, they're probably living in Los Angeles, not St. Louis.

"I can see why some people might not be thrilled with this," Rams linebacker Todd Collins said. "They get used to the glamour, the Hollywood, the stories, the players they see constantly on TV. We're not any of that. We're guys coming out of nowhere."

And so, the networks and the NFL will lean on their most reliable trump card — that this is the Super Bowl and everyone will be compelled to watch, even if they don't feel any connection with the players, the cities or their history.

"All the stars are going to come out regardless of whether they're in Los Angeles or St. Louis and regardless of who we're playing," Rams cornerback Todd Lyght said. "This is the biggest show in the world. It's bigger than the World Cup, bigger than the World Series, bigger than the NBA finals. This is the Super Bowl, and you've got to figure people are going to want to watch."

Trivia time

25 things you didn't know about Super Bowl XXXIV

- This is the first Super Bowl in which neither starting quarterback played for a Division I-A college. Steve McNair went to Alcorn State and Kurt Warner went to Northern Iowa, both I-AA schools.
- Titans guard Bruce Matthews played in 277 career games, including 1999, before making his first Super Bowl appearance, the longest drought among all active players (not including kickers). A 17-year pro, he was a teammate of head coach Jeff Fisher at the University of Southern California.
- The Titans are 8-0 when the offense scores on the first drive of the game.
- Rams owner Georgia Frontiere earned a Doctor of Philanthropy degree from Pepperdine (Calif.) University.
- Titans offensive coordinator Les Stechel is a highly decorated veteran of the Vietnam War and a colonel in the Marine Corps Reserve.
- Rams defense lineman Kevin Carter majored in zoology at the University of Florida, but aspires to be a pharmacist following football.
- Eddie George is one of only four men to rush for 200 yards in each of his first four seasons. Earl Campbell, Eric Dickerson and Barry Sanders are the others.
- The Lombardi Trophy, awarded to Sunday's winner, costs \$12,000 and is made by New York's Tiffany & Co. The NFL will pay for up to 125 rings for the winning team, at \$5,000 per ring.
- Titans wide receiver Chris Sanders, his wife and children will appear in the music video of Madonna's remake of "American Pie."
- When Rams linebacker Mike Jones left the University of Missouri, where he also played offense, he was the school's all-time leading

receiver among running backs.

- Counting the playoffs, the Rams have played 38 games — 15 were on artificial turf (13 victories). Of those 15, 13 were played indoors (12 victories). Sunday's game will be played indoors on turf.
- Tennessee is 4-0 on turf, including 2-0 indoors.
- The Titans' Fisher is second all-time in Bears history in career punt returns and third in punt return yardage.
- McNair intercepted 30 passes while playing defensive back at Mount Olive High in Mississippi, giving him a share of the state record held with current Dolphins cornerback Terrell Buckley.
- On Nov. 23, 1980, Dick Vermeil's Eagles beat the Raiders, 10-7. Two months later, they lost to Oakland in the Super Bowl.
- On Oct. 31, 1999, Dick Vermeil's Rams lost to Tennessee, 24-21. Tennessee led 21-0 after the first quarter.
- Only two of the previous six wild-card teams that reached the Super Bowl won it. The 1980 Raiders (defeated Dick Vermeil's Eagles) and the 1997 Broncos (beat the Packers).
- Jaimie Leas, the Titans' official seamstress, explains which jerseys need the most maintenance: "Almost every week I get Eddie George's No. 27 jersey and Jevon Kearse's No. 90 to fix." Bet you didn't even know teams had an official seamstress.
- Tennessee is the last of the former AFL franchises to reach the Super Bowl. AFL teams are 7-13 in the game.
- Foil Collins, Christina Aguilera, Enrique Iglesias and Toni Braxton are all part of the halftime show, otherwise known as the half-hour between the second and third quarters.
- The Rams' Kurt Warner can become the sixth regular-season

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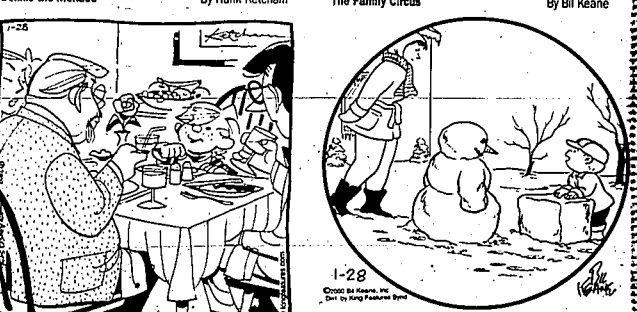


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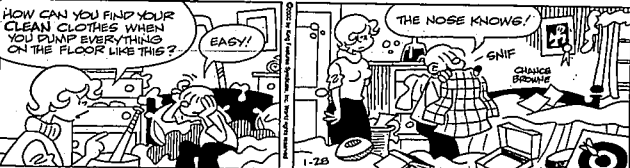
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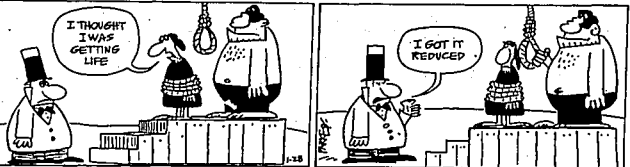
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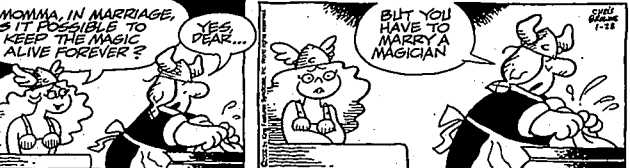
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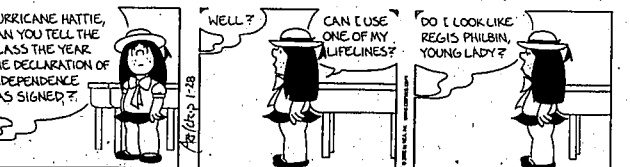
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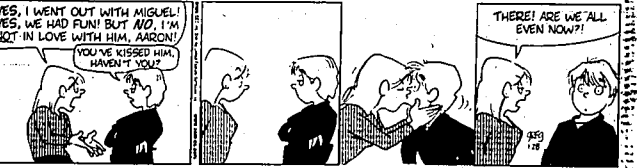
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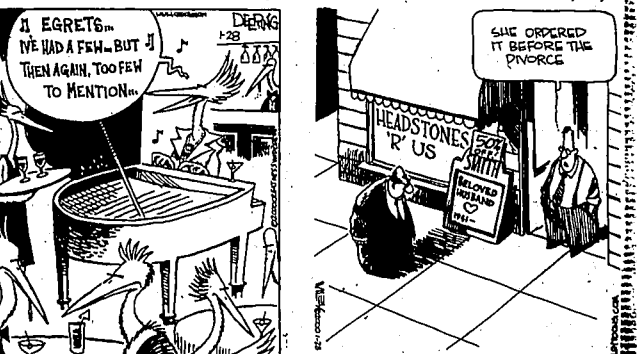


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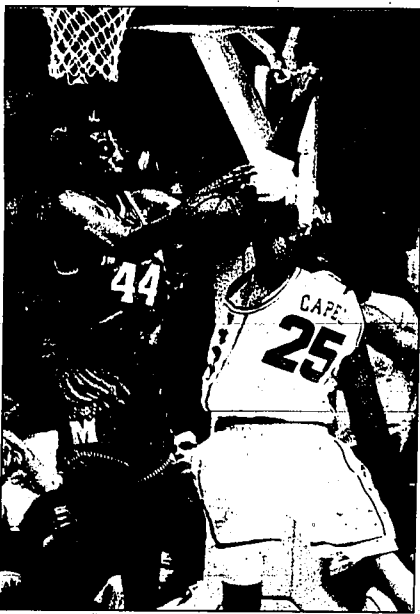
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SPORTS



Maryland's Terence Morris, left, battles North Carolina's Jason Capel for a rebound during the first half of Thursday night's game in Chapel Hill, N.C.

Light winds knock America's Cup off its schedule

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (AP) - The third race of the America's Cup challenger finals was postponed Thursday because of light winds, continuing weather problems that have plagued the competition between AmericaOne and Prada of Italy. The best-of-9 series, tied 1-1, is scheduled to resume Saturday. The race committee postponed

Thursday's race 1 hour and 25 minutes after its scheduled start of 1:15 p.m., local time. For a race to begin, a breeze of at least five knots over a 10-minute period must be measured, and its direction must be relatively constant. But during the 85-minute wait, the wind on the Hauraki Gulf was stronger than five knots for just a few minutes.

and the direction shifted dramatically. Better sailing conditions were forecast for today - a northerly breeze from 10 to 20 knots. The series had been scheduled to begin last Monday but was delayed for 24 hours by heavy seas, strong winds and a rain-storm that limited visibility. It did start Tuesday, when

Prada won by 24 seconds in moderate winds that ranged from 10 to 14 knots. The sailors awoke Wednesday to rain and lighter winds. The rain stopped, but the third race was delayed by 65 minutes until the breeze picked up. Prada appeared headed for another victory, leading by 1:49 after the first of six legs.

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Huskies romp; Tar Heels trip Terrapins

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) - Albert Mouring scored eight of his 20 points in a 23-9 first-half run to lead No. 6 Connecticut to a 64-50 victory over Providence on Thursday night, the Huskies' first Big East home win of the season. UConn (14-4, 3-2) played most of the second half without junior point guard Khalid El-Amin and senior forward Kevin Freeman, both sidelined with injuries. El-Amin bruised his right thigh in a collision with Providence center Karim Shabazz with 18:16 left in the game and did not return. A few minutes later, Freeman took an elbow to the back and sat out with spasms. The Huskies had lost at home to St. John's and Notre Dame this season and were coming off a 74-88 loss at No. 4 Syracuse. Shabazz had 17 points for the Friars (8-11, 1-5), who have lost five straight.

No. 9 Michigan St. 59, Northwestern 29
EVANSTON, Ill. - No. 9 Michigan State had a 25-0 first-half run and held the Wildcats to just seven field goals in the game. Morris Peterson scored 19 points for the Spartans (14-5, 5-1 Big Ten), including nine to spark the decisive spurt as they took a 32-12 halftime lead. Northwestern (4-14, 0-6) managed

NCAA Top 25

Just three field goals in the first half in its second lowest scoring game of the season.

Clemson 59, No. 21 North Carolina St. 42
CLEMSON, S.C. - Will Solo-man had 12 of his 15 points in the second half as the Tigers (7-12, 1-5) snapped a six-game losing streak. It was the fewest points for North Carolina State (13-4, 4-3) since a 38-36 loss to Princeton on Nov. 12, 1997. Archie Miller had 15 points for the Wolfpack, who were within 42-38 with 7:35 to go only to see Clemson close the game with a 17-4 run.

North Carolina 75, No. 22 Maryland 63
CHAPEL HILL, N.C. - Brendan Haywood matched his career high with 24 points as the Tar Heels avoided their first five-game losing streak since 1952. The Tar Heels (12-8, 3-3 Atlantic Coast Conference) trailed by as many as 11 points in the first half and seven at halftime, but stormed back in the early portion of the second half to end a miserable stretch of six losses in nine games. A 14-0 run gave them a 59-50 lead. Juan Dixon had 22 points for Maryland (13-6, 2-4).

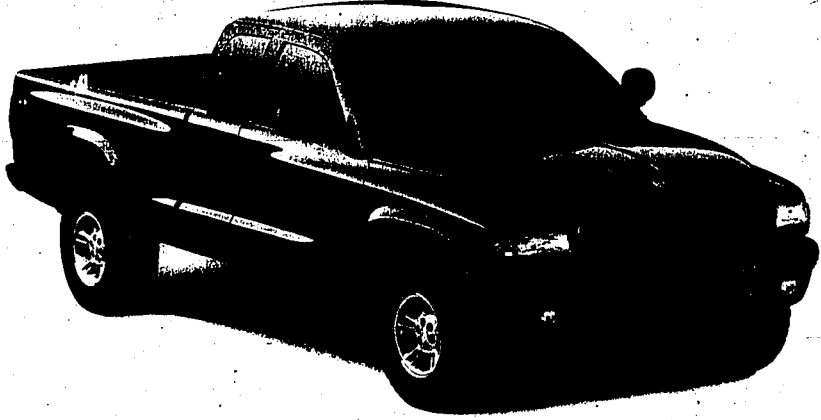
Rape rap follows Tyson to Britain

MANCHESTER, England (AP) - Mike Tyson was introduced Thursday as a man of the British people. "The man on the street loves him and the woman on the street loves him," promoter Frank Warren said at a news conference for Tyson's fight against Julius Francis Saturday night. Then, a woman stood up to ask Tyson a question. "What advice would you give a woman who has been abused by violent men?" she asked.

"We're here to talk about the fight," Warren interjected. A few minutes later, Tyson, who served three years in an Indiana prison on a rape conviction, gave his reply. "I've been wrongly convicted of this rape scene, and that's why I've gotten slack," he said. "Just because you've been in prison and have a record don't mean you're a piece of trash or that you can be thrown out like a used towel."

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"Our return to South America is the first significant assignment in the second year of Noranda's three-year contract with Earth Search," said John Peel, chief executive officer of Earth Search (OTCBB: EDS).

The project, which involves more than 200 flight lines in Chile and Argentina, marks Earth Search's second mission in Chile for Noranda.

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J.C. Penney magazine targets 'modern spenders'

PLANO, Texas - If you're a working woman between ages 35 and 54, you might not recognize the next mailing you receive from J.C. Penney.

The Plano-based company with Magic Valley stores announced it will launch RealYou, a women's fashion and lifestyle magazine.

"This magazine is very fresh and very modern and very new looking and we're looking to bring that to the Penney company image," she said.

George Low, assistant professor of marketing at Texas Christian University, said a company magazine could be more effective for image-building than other forms of marketing.

"It's not directly selling anything so it has a more subtle way of changing perceptions," he said, adding that even though a reader knows the publication is company-initiated, "A magazine is seen almost as objective."

RealYou will include 65 pages of editorial content on families, fashion, finance, home decor, health and other general advice. The remaining pages will have a mix of advertising from Penney vendors and third-party businesses.

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BBB director: Shop in your own store.

Get a fresh look at business, she advises

By Virginia S. Hutchins Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A company's largest group of customers usually gets the least of the owner's or

manager's attention, Nora Carpenter said.

Business people tend to focus on the displeased and the wildly thrilled clients, and they largely ignore the huge number of folks in the middle who feel OK about their experiences with the company, said Carpenter, executive director of the Better Business Bureau office serving southwest Idaho and eastern Oregon.

But a company that manages to move 10 percent of the "OK" customers to "wow" has great potential for growth, Carpenter says.

Her advice to business people? Shop yourself. "That is, put yourself in the position of a customer, client or guest getting a first impression of your dental office or gift shop. Most owners and managers come and go by the back door, bypass

the receptionist and don't scrutinize familiar surroundings.

Here's how to get a fresh look, Carpenter said:

- Spend five minutes sitting in your car in the parking lot out front. Are the shrubs overgrown? At night, are the lights burnt out?
• Walk in the front door and pause, to see what the customer sees. Are the plants dusty, the

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US West sees loss for quarter

Company puts more money into wireless businesses

The Associated Press

DENVER - U.S. West's fourth-quarter net income dropped 54 percent, primarily due to an investment loss and efforts to build its wireless and Internet businesses amid growing competition from telephone rivals and cable companies.

Wireless and data products accounted for nearly 78 percent of the quarter's revenue growth, "a significant milestone," said Sol Trujillo, chairman, president and chief executive officer.

"Continuing to transform U.S. West into a higher-growth-oriented vehicle will be critical as we move closer to completing our merger with Qwest."

The Denver-based Baby Bell, which serves the Magic Valley, earned \$166 million or 32 cents a share in the final three months of 1999, including a loss of \$259 million from the sale of about 24 million shares of its former merger partner, Global Crossing.

But excluding the investment loss, U.S. West earned \$425 million or 83 cents a share in the fourth quarter, surpassing Wall Street forecasts by a wide margin and up from 1998's fourth-quarter profit of \$397 million or 78 cents a share.

Sales for the quarter totaled \$3.49 billion, up 6.3 percent from \$3.28 billion in the fourth quarter of 1998.

For the year, U.S. West reported net income of \$1.3 billion, or \$2.63 a share, on revenues of \$13.2 billion, compared with net income of \$1.4 billion, or \$2.86 a share, on revenues of \$12.4 billion in 1998.

The results reported this week were adjusted to accommodate a change in an accounting method related to U.S. West's directory publishing unit.

Shares of U.S. West edged higher following the report.

In July, U.S. West agreed to be acquired by Qwest Communications International in a deal then valued at \$35 billion. The merger, still awaiting approval by the Federal Communications Commission, is expected to close early this year.

The purchase of U.S. West, a regional provider of local phone service, will bring Qwest more than 25 million customers and a 14-state communications network that is expected to lower the costs Qwest pays to complete long-distance calls.

Denver-based Qwest operates a national fiber-optic network and provides high-speed data services, primarily to business customers.

MALLS CLIP BUSINESS



Tony Matarazzo, left, cuts the hair of Len Duggan at Tony's Barber Shop in Somerville, Mass. Traditional barber shops face an uncertain future as many are being replaced by mall-based haircutting stores.

AP Photo

Bye-bye, barbers Striped pole, straight edge face uncertain future

The Associated Press

SOMERVILLE, Mass. - Tony Matarazzo swivels around the chair, scissors in hand, and remembers the days when this city of 76,000 had more than 100 barbershops.

Today there are fewer than 10, he says.

"Fifteen or 20 years from now, you might have to go to the next

town or city to find a barber," says Matarazzo, who has been clipping hair for 54 years. "It happened to the shoemakers. It might happen to the barber shops."

The institution that gave rise to the striped barber pole and the barbershop quarter is being replaced by mall-based haircutting shops and a fast-paced lifestyle that affords no time for

barbershop banter.

The number of barbershops across the country has fallen nearly every year since 1979, according to unofficial figures from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. The only exception was in 1997, when the decline halted briefly at 11,900 shops nationwide.

Today, there are 9,400 barbershops in the United States, down

from 33,000 in 1972, according to bureau estimates.

"We've become malled out in America," says barber Phil Vozzella, who has been cutting hair with Matarazzo for six years. At Tony's Barber Shop, they're resisting the trend.

They still sharpen straight-edge razors on a worn leather

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BANKRUPTCIES

The Times-News

BOISE - Recent activity in U.S. Bankruptcy Court included these Magic Valley filings:

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Rodney D. Brander, 277 A. Idaho Highway 50, Hansen, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 00-40068.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$50,000 to \$100,000

Kenneth Gary Sirucek, also known as Kenny G. Sirucek, Sirucek Enterprises, K-Spray and Jorory Cleaning, and Athena Louise Sirucek, also known as Teena Sirucek, Teena L. Brute-Sirucek, and Teena L. Bullers, 3968 N. 2300 E., Filer, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 50-100 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 00-

40080.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$100,000 to \$500,000

Herbert Reidlinger, 858 W. Baseline, Paul, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 00-40075.

Karren Bridwell, 1862 E. 2900 S., Wendell, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 00-40074.

Chapter 13, nonbusiness, \$100,000 to \$500,000

Arvil Parke Bunn and June Bunn, 674 S. 450 E., Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 13, 16-49 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 00-40042.

Steven R. Torix and Bonnie J. Torix, 1202 W. 100 S., Paul, joint, nonbusiness, Chapter 13, 16-49 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 00-40076.

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Crude prices fall on Mexican official's comments

Knight Rider News Service

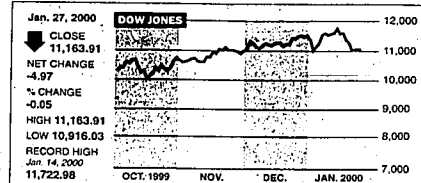
NYMEX Mar crude oil futures fell, to their lowest levels in 2 weeks, after a report that Mexican oil minister Luis Téllez indicated that Mexico's supply will still decline to increase supply after March and on expectations for lower heating fuel demand in the US Northeast next week. Mar crude settled

down 52¢ at \$27.32 per barrel. Feb heating oil fell 96 points to 91.17¢ per gallon, while Feb gasoline ended down 84 points to 74.15.

Téllez, at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, said OPEC and other major producers would maintain their supply reduction agreement until its expiration at the end of March.

"At that point we will look at the conditions in the market to see if it is going to be necessary to increase supply or to maintain stability to enable the agreement until the end of June," he added. He said it was "too early to say" what the outcome could be. He also said oil prices will

decline to more normal levels. Ali Rodríguez, OPEC-member Venezuela's oil minister, also denied Thursday reports that OPEC has already agreed to extend output cuts beyond March. Also, temperatures are expected to rise early next week in New England, the nation's largest heating oil market.



Barber

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strop. The smell of bay rum aftershave and Clubman tall still fills the air as it is in barbershops for more than 100 years. And the straight-edge still chases the shaving cream around the ears and across the nape - the sure sign of a true barber's cut.

Matarazzo's father and grandfather both were barbers, but he opened the Somerville shop in 1927. A dented silver can on his shelf is the same one that has been oiling the family's shears and clippers for 75 years.

Passersby tap on the front window to red, white and blue pole and wave hello. Others come in to chat or chase away boredom. Two ask about Matarazzo's daughter, who had been ill.

"Some people just come in to listen for a while," says Carmen "Charlie" Ruggiero, 73, who's been putting his head in Tony's hands for 46 years. "You don't even come in for a haircut."

Still, the folks at Tony's and other old-fashioned barbershops fear they are part of a dying breed.

"People are so busy, they don't have time to hang out in barbershops anymore," says Edwin C. Jeffers, a barber for 43 years from

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Westerville, Ohio, and founder of The Barber Museum in Canal Winchester, Ohio. Barbershops have always been more than places where men get their hair cut. Part fraternal organization, part clearinghouse for neighborhood news, the barber shops had a chat room long before the Internet.

In fact, the barber got to be so common, the state of Ohio passed a law in 1934 prohibiting barbershops from opening on Sunday. The law - which has since been repealed - was meant to keep men in church with their families, instead of hanging out at the barber shops.

The heyday of barbering may have been in the late 1940s and '50s, when Americans, fresh from World War II, favored the short hair of military-style cuts.

But gradually, styles changed. Hair grew longer, and barbers

suffered. Some blame the Beatles' "bow" haircuts. Others point to the "John John" cut popularized by F. Kennedy Jr. as a young boy.

Then came Vietnam. And hippies. "It used to be in the early '60s a guy would never go over two weeks without a haircut," Jeffers says. "Now they go over two months."

Barbers like to joke that theirs is the oldest "honorable" profession. In medieval England, barbers also served as surgeons, performing minor operations such as tooth-pulling and bloodletting, which was thought to improve one's health.

But in the 18th century, the barbers and surgeons split. The surgeons took the serpent as their symbol, and the barbers adopted a striped pole. The red strip stood for the blood taken during bloodletting, and the white for the bandages used to dress the wounds.

Only later, around 1900, was the blue stripe added to signify the tint of veins, Jeffers says.

Charles Kirkpatrick, who leads the National Association of Barber-Bonds of America, says there is reason for some hope: The numbers of barbershops appear

to be on the rise again in some parts of the country.

In Arkansas, Kirkpatrick's home state, there are now 2,248 barbers, up from 1,998 in 1989, he says. In Massachusetts, state Barber Board chief Nina Skerney says there are now about 5,000 barbers, up from 4,500 in the late 1970s.

Kirkpatrick says there are now close to 80,000 barbershops nationwide, far more than the U.S. government's estimates.

Some attribute the return of shorter hair and the revival of barbering to the movie "Top Gun" in 1986 or Operation Desert Storm in 1991. Kirkpatrick points to the success of smooth-domed Michael Jordan, who led the Chicago Bulls to six NBA championships in the 1990s.

Back at Tony's, Vozella is at work on the next customer, combing, clipping and wistfully recalling a youth when Somerville had an old-time barber shop "on every corner."

For a moment, the scissors and comb halt their dance, as Vozella's thoughts shift from past to future.

"As long as someone wants to continue these shops, there'll be barbers around," he says. Then the scissors start again.

Stocks close mostly lower in another volatile session

NEW YORK (AP) - Stocks fell Thursday in another volatile session as the Dow Jones Industrial Average looked ahead to next week's Federal Reserve meeting and anticipated that an interest rate increase will be the first of several this year.

The Dow Jones industrial average slipped 4.97 points to close at 11,228.02. The modest finish, following a 3.10-point gain on Wednesday, belied a wild session in which the Dow rose as much as 130 points and tumbled as much as 116.

Broader stock indicators also gave up early gains and closed lower. The S&P 500 index fell 5.53 to 1,398.56, and the Nasdaq composite index fell 30.35 to 4,039.56. Trading was heavy.

Analysts could find no single catalyst for the selloff that put the brakes on the market. The latest attempt to rebuild from steep losses in recent sessions. The Dow has fallen 6 percent from its Jan. 14 closing high of 11,722.98, and the Nasdaq has slipped nearly 5 percent from its closing high of 4,235.40, set just last Friday.

But market watchers said the continued volatility stems in part from worries about the Federal Reserve's upcoming meeting on interest rates. Next week, the Fed is expected to raise interest rates in a bid to keep inflation at bay as the nation's economy continues to grow at a rapid pace. Higher interest rates can threaten corporate profits.

Three separate quarter-point rate increases in 1999 have done little to slow the economy's torrid growth. Thursday, the latest sign of unfettered expansion came from the Commerce Department's report that shipping orders to U.S. factories for big-ticket manufactured goods surged in December.

On Monday, the government will release the latest figures on the gross domestic product and on the employment cost index. Analysts said many investors began pulling money out of the market in advance of the reports, fearing that they will suggest that sharply higher interest rates are needed to slow the economy.

"There's a very high level of expectation built into the share prices of many companies," said Richard Babson, president and chairman of the investment advisory firm Babson-United Inc. in Watertown, Mass.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Name, Div, Last, Chg. Lists various stocks like AIG, AMZN, AAPL, etc. with their respective prices and changes.

MARKET SUMMARY

Summary table for NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ. Includes columns for Most Active, Gainers, Losers, and Diary. Lists stock names and their performance.

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

Table listing NASDAQ national market stocks with columns: Name, Div, Last, Chg. Includes various tech and growth stocks.

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Table listing local interest stocks with columns: Name, Div, PE, Last, Chg. Includes regional companies like Albemarle, Amstar, etc.

HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Here are the 525 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, the 400 most active on the NASDAQ National Market and 100 most active on American Stock Exchange. Mutual funds are a 1,115 list. Stocks in bold changed 5 percent or more in price. Name: Stocks are listed alphabetically by the company's full name (not its abbreviation). Company names made up of initials appear at the beginning of each letter list. Div: Current annual dividend, the paid on stock, based on latest quarterly or semiannual declaration, unless otherwise footnoted. PE: Price-earnings ratio. YTD: Year-to-date change in price. Chg: Change in price for the day. No change indicated by a dash. Fund: Name of mutual fund and its category. Sell: Net asset value, or price per fund, should be noted. Chg: Daily net change in the NAV.

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Child suffocates on Pokemon ball

Second death prompts another alert
INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - The Consumer Product Safety Commission Tuesday issued a second nationwide alert in a month after a 4-month-old Indianapolis boy suffocated in his crib on a Burger King...

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Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Change. Includes Gold, Silver, and various metal products.

FOSSIL FUELS

Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Change. Includes Oil, Gas, and various fossil fuel products.

Ford autoworkers get profit-sharing payment

DEARBORN, Mich. (AP) - For the first time, in 1999 only hourly workers were covered under the company's profit-sharing plan. About 109,000 people will receive checks on March 3.

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NOTICE OF HEARING. JOSEPHINE YOUNGER, and all blood relatives or other persons who are or may be concerned: A Petition Pursuant to Chapter 38 of K.S.A., has been filed in this Court on January 28, 2000.

ANDRA ALMSTEAD, individually and as Personal Representative of the Estate of Leonard Olmstead, deceased, FIRST SECURITY BANK, N.A., Defendants. NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SEIZED BY THE ABOVE-NAMED PLAINTIFFS. THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE.

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INC., as Beneficiary, by assignment recorded January 2, 2000, as instrument No. 2000-00417, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO ESCROW, INC. AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE, FOR THE BENEFIT AND SECURITY OF THE BENEFICIARY TO PROTECT ITS SECURITY INTEREST.

Identifying Data of Mortgage or Deed of Trust* Defaults Causing Foreclosure: Non-payment of periodic payments since 3/99. Estimated Total Amount Owed on Principal: \$47,314.29. Doed of Trust or Mortgage* Est. Int'l. 3,391.12. Being Foreclosed on the Est. Costs: 1,800.00. Estimated Date of Foreclosure: Est. Total: \$52,505.41.

South Central Community Action Agency applies for grant to repair and improve the water supply system in the rural areas of the U.S. Department of Agriculture to correct agricultural water related problems in rural Idaho homes. South Central Community Action Agency is seeking funding from the USDA - Rural Development program to operate the House-Insulation Grant (HIG) program designed to assist low-income homeowners.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS. Case No. CV-99-443. PLAINTIFF: FLOYD E. WHEELER and ANNA WHEELER, husband and wife. PLAINTIFFS: LAWRENCE H. REUBLE, LOUISE S. REUBLE, LEONARD L. REUBLE, and BARBARA J. BROWN.

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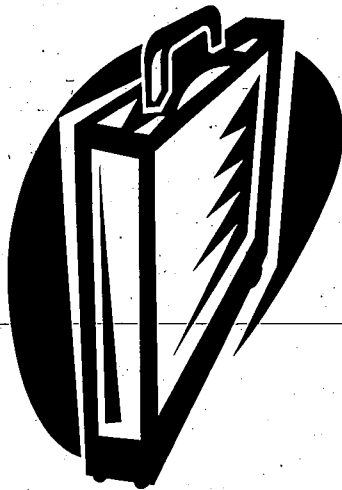
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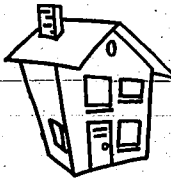
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"Partner, what a brilliant play," gushed an ecstatic East. "Had you not thrown your king out there, we could not have defeated the game."

It was a brilliant defense by West. However, the truth is hidden behind the rest of the story.

South covered West's heart 10 in dummy and captured East's king with his ace. Next, South led a shy club eight toward dummy, intending to pass it to East. Unfortunately for South, West interrupted matters by putting up his king.

What would happen if West had played second hand low? Nothing good for the defenders. If East takes his jack and returns a heart, South can win two spades, two hearts, four clubs and one diamond. And if East refuses to lead in his club jack, South would retaliate by conceding a spade loser. Then he would win three spades, two hearts, one diamond and three clubs.

What was the effect of West's startling play? South could no longer make his game. Whether or not he took West's king, he could not win three club tricks, leaving him with no winning options to score nine tricks.

What was the rest of the story? West didn't intentionally make his brilliant play at trick two. He did accurately, it was an action reflecting his disappointment that his "worthless" club king was encircled by dummy's A-Q.

NORTH 01-25-A
 ♠ 8 7 3
 ♥ 10 9 8 6 4
 ♦ 3 2 4
 ♣ A Q 9 7 6

EAST 01-25-B
 ♠ K J 10 6
 ♥ K 7 3
 ♦ K 10 8
 ♣ J 3 2

SOUTH 01-25-C
 ♠ A K 5 2
 ♥ A J 2
 ♦ A 6 5 2
 ♣ 10 8

Vulnerable: North-South
 Dealer: South
 The bidding:
 South West North East
 1 NT Pass 3 NT All pass
 Opening lead: Heart 10

BID WITH THE ACES 01-25-D
 South holds:
 ♠ 8 7 3
 ♥ 10 9 8 6 4
 ♦ 3 2 4
 ♣ A Q 9 7 6

ANSWER: Four hearts. There's no second choice. Honor-x in hearts is very good support for a suit that has been jump-bid.

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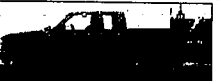


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