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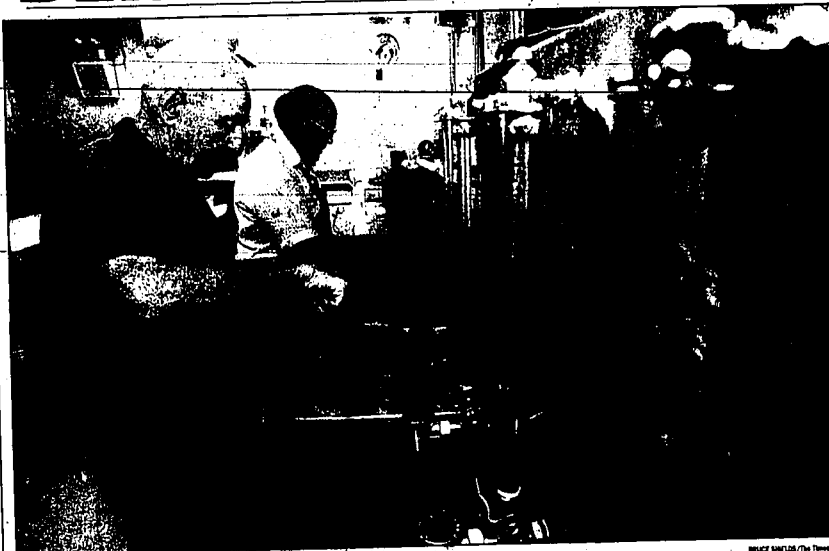
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BEHIND THE NUMBERS



Bud Touche, left, and Dale Thompson cook sausage patties at Saint Edward's Catholic Church in Twin Falls. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, volunteers at the church serve about 100 dinners to people who need assistance.

National stats don't show face of local poverty

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Across the nation, fewer people are reporting to be living in poverty, but local social-services workers say they haven't necessarily seen fewer needy families in the Magic Valley.

The U.S. Census Bureau released information this week that shows the number of people in the United States living in poverty dropped from 12.7 percent in 1998 to 11.8 percent in 1999, the lowest in 20 years. The declines were concentrated in

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— H.D. Palmer,
Idaho governor's office

metropolitan areas. Statewide, Idaho saw the number of people living below the nation's poverty threshold drop

from 13.8 percent to 13.5 percent between 1998 and 1999. The average poverty threshold for a family of four in 1999 was \$17,029, and it was \$13,290 for a family of three.

The Census Bureau's information did not include county breakdowns on poverty. But the South Central Community Action Agency reports that the number of people living in poverty in south-central Idaho has grown over the past 10 years.

Scott Hauert, who works for the South Central Community Action Agency as an AmeriCorps volunteer, has been compiling

the statistics. Hauert said that in 1999, 15.6 percent of the region's population lived in poverty. That amounts to nearly 25,000 people out of a total population of nearly 160,000. The percentage has increased from 13.5 percent in 1990, he said.

"There aren't an overabundance of high-paying jobs here," Hauert said.

Hauert's stats cover Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka and Twin Falls counties.

H.D. Palmer, a spokesman for

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Movie executives admit targeting kids

New York Daily News

WASHINGTON — Tempers flared on Capitol Hill on Wednesday after Hollywood executives admitted they test-market violent R-rated movies to children as young as 9 years old.

And when the movie moguls introduced a plan to stop targeting children in ads for R-rated movies, an angry Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., charged they were simply creating legal loopholes.

"We're in a town where we go

into what the definition of what 'is' is," McCain said, evoking President Clinton's infamous Monica Lewinsky hair-splitting defense.

Under fire for marketing violent movies to minors and hoping to blunt congressional criticism, the Hollywood executives brought before the Senate Commerce Committee a 12-point plan to clean up their act.

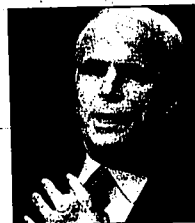
The committee hearing was called after a blistering Federal Trade Commission report accused the entertainment industry of

aggressively marketing violent movies, music and electronic games to children.

And marketing memos obtained by the New York Daily News revealed that Hollywood executives screened slasher movies such as "I Still Know What You Did Last Summer" before audiences as young as 10 — especially targeting African-American and Hispanic moviegoers.

"There is evidence to suggest that attendance at the original movie dipped down to the age of

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Sen. John McCain grills Hollywood executives Wednesday.

Clinton's land plans propel angry voters into action

Life-long Democrats consider vote for Bush

The Associated Press
Sylvia Milligan admits it: In election years past, she was a political booby. A retired teacher in northern California, Milligan called her girlfriends for schooling on political issues. She voted, sure, and always Democrat, although she can't remember her presidential choices beyond Kennedy and Clinton. "Anything political," she confesses, "went right over my head."

Dennis Smouse was equally unenlightened. A plant supervisor in rural Pennsylvania, Smouse can't recall whether he supported Clinton or Dole in 1996, even though he's a registered Republican. "I don't think I voted for Bill," he says. "I hope to hell not."

This year, the West Coast Democrat and the East Coast Republican have traded ignorance for involvement, driven by an issue uniting a strange brew of voters nationwide: Access to public lands.

Avid snowmobilers, Milligan and Smouse were so enraged by a Clinton administration proposal to ban snowmobilers in national parks that they're campaigning for Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush. Both are proud owners of "Snowmobilers for Bush"

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Jerry Klemm, former president of the paper workers union in Lewiston and a former member on the Idaho board of the AFL-CIO, is thinking of doing the unthinkable: voting Republican in the presidential election.

Area faces shortage of flu vaccines

But there might be enough to go around, providers say

By Brandon Fiala
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Flu vaccines are in short supply just as the flu season nears, but local health care providers say they may have enough.

Centers for Disease Control say influenza vaccine manufacturers expect delays in delivery of this year's influenza vaccine shipments because of manufacturing problems that is limiting supply.

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center will only receive 85 percent of the flu vaccinations because of the shortage, but the South Central District Health Department, which does

out more than 6,000 vaccinations each year, will receive its full shipment.

"There's going to be a shortage," said Patricia Heath, an infection control nurse at Magic Valley Regional. But all hospital patients who need a vaccine will get one, she said.

The hospital's pharmacy ordered 3,320 doses of the vaccine, she said.

The South Central District Health Department will receive a full order of 6,500 doses, said Linda Chaption-Frazier, immunization coordinator for the health department.

Both Magic Valley Regional and the health department expect the vaccines to arrive in October, which is the best time to get a flu shot, Chaption-Frazier said.

"After getting a flu shot, it takes at least two weeks for a person's body to become immune to the three strains of flu contained in a flu shot, Chaption-Frazier said. Flu season usually starts late November.

"We are concerned about people who wait until November," she said. "They may not have time to become immune before the flu season starts."

For high-risk groups — students, people over age 65, people who work around a large number of workers, and people who suffer from underlying medical conditions such as diabetes — the shot is especially important.

Flu vaccines are 90 percent effective at preventing flu in healthy young people, but not as

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For many, it's still all about the economy

The Associated Press

ECONOMY, Pa. — For people squeezing out a living in this upland-northern farming community, Clinton's 1992 campaign slogan echoes eight years hence. It is still all about the economy in Economy.

"I'm 70 years old and I can't stop working," said Bill Zaccagnini, a mine-safety equipment maker headed to his afternoon shift. "I'd gladly take his job out there, but I wish I didn't have to work so hard to make ends meet."

So it goes for many people in three Great Lakes states that will help determine who wins the presidency: Pennsylvania, Ohio and Michigan, where interviews with dozens of undecided voters reveal conflicting sentiments about the longest economic

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THE REGION

Camas Prairie

High: 72 Low: 34
Partly cloudy today, mostly cloudy tonight. Cloudy Friday, cooler, high 68.

Treasure Valley

High: 77 Low: 45
Partly cloudy today, mostly cloudy tonight. Cloudy Friday, cooler, high 72.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High: 75 Low: 45
Partly cloudy today and tonight. Same Friday, high 69.

Eastern Idaho

High: 75 Low: 43
Partly cloudy today, breezy, mostly cloudy tonight. Partly cloudy Friday, cooler, high 71.

Northern Idaho

High: 72 Low: 45
Mostly sunny today, cloudy tonight. Mostly cloudy Friday, breezy, chance of rain, high 64.

Northern Utah

High: 77 Low: 52
Partly cloudy today, mostly cloudy tonight. Partly cloudy Friday, chance of showers, high 75.

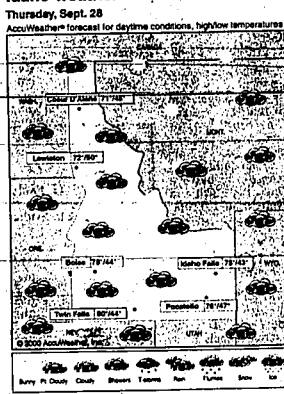
Northern Nevada

High: 82 Low: 43
Partly cloudy today, mostly cloudy tonight. Cloudy Friday, cooler, high 76.

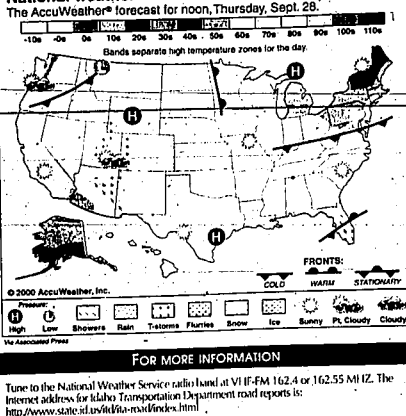
MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST



Idaho weather



National weather



UV INDEX

Index: 6 (moderate)
Burn time: 30 minutes

FIRE DANGER

The BLM's fire danger in South-Central Idaho is: Mountains: High Prairies: High

ACROSS THE NATION

Nation: Rain fell across Florida and in the Four Corners region of the West on Wednesday, while the rest of the nation was mostly clear and calm. In the West, high pressure moving inland kept the region mostly dry and warm. The only significant rain was in northern Arizona and southern Utah, due to a warm, southerly air flow. Showers and thunderstorms fired up over southern Florida with some heavy downpours near the coast as the remnants of a cold frontal boundary remained over the region. West Kindall, Fla., reported .28 inches by afternoon. A cold front moving across the northern Great Lakes pushed clouds and a few light showers through Minnesota and Wisconsin and headed toward New England, dropping temperatures from the 50s and 60s to 40s and 50s as it passed. In the central and southern Plains, high pressure raised temperatures into the 60s and 70s under clear skies. — The Associated Press

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Twin Falls	Precipitation	Idaho	Highs/Lows
Yesterday: 82-35	Yesterday in Twin Falls: .64	Boise: 79-47	Idaho: High: 86
Last year: 59-24	Month to date: .66	Coeur d'Alene: 36	degrees Burley: Low: 19
Normal: 75-39	Normal mo. to date: 10.38	Grangeville: 32	Nation: High: 104 at Death Valley, Calif.
	Water year to date: 10.40	Idaho Falls: 76-28	Low: 12 at Widom, Mont.
		Malad: 81	
		Mesa: 81	
		McCall: 70-23	
		Pocatello: 81-30	
		Salmon: 72-27	
		Sandwich: 70-19	
		Sun Valley: 72-29	

The Nation

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	84	57	.....
Anchorage	46	39	.....
Atlanta	73	49	.....
Boston	68	47	.04
Chicago	60	49	.....
Dallas	80	54	.....
Denver	73	42	.....
Des Moines	78	46	.....
Detroit	85	76	.03
Honolulu	70	42	.....
Houston	82	50	.....
Indianapolis	70	42	.....
Indianapolis	79	46	.....
Las Vegas	93	70	.....
Los Angeles	77	48	.....
Memphis	71	41	.....
Miami Beach	77	48	.....
Milwaukee	62	44	.....
Minneapolis	59	51	.....
New Orleans	72	54	.....
New York	71	49	.....
Oklahoma City	79	45	.....
Omaha	82	40	.....
Philadelphia	100	82	.....
Pittsburgh	66	43	.....
Portland, Me.	64	40	.....
Portland, Ore.	79	50	.....
Reno	71	46	.....
St. Louis	77	49	.....
St. Paul	71	49	.....
San Antonio	71	51	.....
San Francisco	73	53	.....
Seattle	77	43	.....
Spokane	69	48	.....
Washington	99	75	.....
Yuma	99	75	.....

Canadian Cities

City	High	Low
Calgary	51	39
Montreal	79	40
Toronto	64	43
Vancouver	67	48

Movies

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10," a National Research Group worker wrote in a confidential February 1998 memo, referring to the movie "I Know What You Did Last Summer." "Therefore, it seems to make sense to interview 10- to 11-year-olds as well."

The documents also show that Sony Pictures tried to get commercials for a violence-packed Bruce Willis movie called "The Fifth Element" on Nickelodeon, a cable station aimed at kids 12 and younger.

Nickelodeon declined, in a memo that said the film, which included "several gun battles, a couple of fight sequences and some devastating bomb blasts" as well as sex acts, was not appropriate for its young audience.

McCain, who heads the committee, was enraged by the industry's legalistic response. "I don't understand this language," McCain said after perusing the proposals. It's filled with loopholes... Why not simply say you will not market R-rated movies?

He repeated the question to each of the eight studio executives present and grew visibly angrier when Universal Studios chief Stacy Snider countered that

they could not guarantee that everyone under 17 would be protected from exposure to R-rated movie ads.

Some films, Snider added, such as the Holocaust movie "Schindler's List" and "Erin Brockovich," were R-rated but suitable for teens if accompanied by parents.

"We have a different opinion," McCain responded.

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Tex., warned the film industry that if it did not respond adequately to the FTC report, legislation would be introduced. "I'm sending a signal across the bow," she said.

But Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.C., reminded the panel that Congress had a 50-year history of meddling in the movie business and cast the hearings as a witch hunt. "As a Hollywood character named Ronald Reagan said, 'Here we go again,'" Hollings said.

Among the proposals offered Wednesday, studio executives said they would tell theater owners not to show R-rated trailers before G-rated movies and promised not to include children under 17 in research screenings for R-rated films.

IMF ends early, but says riots not to blame

PRAGUE, Czech Republic (AP) — Battle-weary capitalists wrapped up their global money summit a day early Wednesday, saying air business was finished and they had not been influenced by hooded protesters digging up cobblestone streets to pitch rocks at police.

Delegates from the World Bank and International Monetary Fund were scheduled to finish their

Boise protests - C4

joint annual meeting Thursday. But they ended ahead of schedule, with top officials delivering closing speeches by late afternoon.

"They moved more quickly than anticipated — they finished ahead of time," said David Hawley, a spokesman for the

International Monetary Fund. "It has nothing to do with the protests."

The summit had drawn heavy criticism from demonstrators who say the two big lenders are the enemies of the world's poor and the environment, and activists were soon applauding in the streets. "It's a victory for us — we wanted to shut them down and we made it," said Todd Caine, a

protester from Chicago who was arrested for chaining himself to a bridge Monday. "We're going to keep going after them and make things difficult for them."

Some suggested nervous delegates had sped up the program to avoid a repeat of Tuesday's mayhem, when riot police beat back firebomb-throwing militants with clubs, tear gas and water cannons.

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Poverty

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Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, said three task forces appointed by the governor met Wednesday in Boise to develop new ideas about how economic growth can be extended to all of Idaho's 44 counties.

"All of the regions of the state have yet to be full partners in the economic growth we're seeing statewide," he said.

Since welfare reform took hold in Idaho in 1997, the number of families receiving cash assistance in the Magic Valley has dropped from about 800 to just 25, said Patty Brown, the regional manager for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare's self-reliance program. The new system encourages people to find work, and as a result, families have improved their financial situations, she said.

But the sheer numbers don't mean there are fewer needy fam-

ilies in the region.

The region has seen an increase in the number of families using Medicaid, with 2,000 new cases in the past year, Brown said. The health-care program has been expanded to reach more working families who do not have health care, and there has been a push to inform more people about its availability, she said.

Diane Boyd, executive director of United Way of Magic Valley, said she has seen growing demands for help with food and for the homeless shelter. United Way received many calls for help with school supplies this year. She suspects some of the demand can be attributed to growing unemployment rates to more people becoming aware of available services.

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Want a shot?

Influenza shots will be available in October from the South Central District Health Department. Flu shots cost \$10 for Medicare-Medicaid recipients and non-recipients pay according to income. Clinics will be offered in all southern Idaho counties. Flu shots vaccinate against the most severe forms of influenza, which kill 20,000 Americans each year. Influenza is a virus typically spread through the air by an infected person

who coughs or sneezes. Here are immunization clinics in Twin Falls:

- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 20 at the Twin Falls Senior Center, 816 Eastland Dr.
- 2 to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 20 at the South Central District Health Department, 1020 Washington St. N.
- 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 27 at the South Central District Health Department.

Flu

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effective for people over age 65, Chaptin-Frazier said.

But even if the vaccines don't prevent flu for all people, they tend to reduce symptoms and serious complications. It's important older people get a flu shot because the vaccine is 90 percent effective in preventing death

from flu, Chaptin-Frazier said. Besides getting a flu shot, there are other ways to reduce the likelihood of getting the flu.

"The number one way to prevent infection is hand washing," Healy said.

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FOR LOCAL SPORT SCORES

Press GHI
4

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LOTTERY UPDATE

Wednesday, September 27, numbers	Wednesday, September 27, numbers
POWERBALL	WILD CARD
24 32 42 44 47	14 21 22 25 27
POWERBALL NUMBER: 15	WILD CARD: King of Spades
Wednesday, September 27, numbers	Wednesday, September 27, numbers
Roll-O-Rama	PICK 3
4 15 17 41 45	9 8 5

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Scientists grade states in teaching evolution

Military leaders say combat readiness is in jeopardy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nineteen states got D's or F's in a report that evaluated how public schools teach evolution, raising a new issue in a continuing dispute between science and religion.

Idaho had 13 other states were graded as B, seven got C, six were given D's and 13 flunked. Iowa was not included because it has no statewide education standards, leaving that up to each local district.

The report graded 49 states and the District of Columbia and gave the highest rankings to California, Connecticut, Indiana, New Jersey, North Carolina and Rhode Island. Kansas, whose standards were described as "disgraceful," got the lowest grade.

The report was commissioned by the Thomas B. Fordham Foundation and released Tuesday at the American Association for the Advancement of Science national headquarters.

Following the six top-ranked

More information

A report evaluating the teaching of evolution in public schools... gave six states scores of 100 for their science education standards.

California, Connecticut, Indiana, New Jersey, North Carolina and Rhode Island all received scores of 100 and grades of A.

States that scored in the 90s and received A's were South Carolina, Delaware, Hawaii, and Pennsylvania. Grades of B went to Colorado, Minnesota, Vermont, Washington, Michigan, Arizona, Idaho, Massachusetts, Missouri, Montana, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah and the

states, four states got numerical grades in the 90s and were also given A's in the report.

Linda Holloway, former chairman of the Kansas State Board of Education, said the report was deceptive and "very unfair."

District of Columbia: Grades of C went to Maryland, New Mexico, Nevada, New York, Nebraska, Louisiana and Texas. Unsatisfactory grades of D went to Arkansas, Kentucky, Wisconsin, Virginia, Alaska and Illinois. Failing grades of F went to Wyoming, Maine, Ohio, Oklahoma, New Hampshire, Florida, Alabama, North Dakota, Georgia, Mississippi, West Virginia and Tennessee. Kansas' grade was F-minus.

Iowa was not included because it does not have statewide standards. Each district creates its own standard.

"Clearly they have an ax to grind about evolution," she said in a telephone interview.

Kansas last year rekindled the issue of teaching evolution in public schools when the state board of education, led by Holloway,

approved science teaching standards that minimized the importance of evolution and omitted the big-bang theory of the origin of the universe.

Other states have considered similar curriculum changes and some state legislatures have proposed laws that would forbid completely the teaching of evolution in public schools.

Evolution, a theory developed by Charles Darwin and others, holds that the Earth is billions of years old and that all creatures, including humans, evolved from simpler forms through a process of natural selection.

Related to biological evolution is the concept that the universe began with a "big bang" and that only later were the sun and the planets formed.

Teaching of evolution has been opposed by those who believe that the universe, the Earth and its creatures were created abruptly by God.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's military leaders told Congress on Wednesday that American troops are in danger of losing their war-fighting edge unless the next presidential address tens of billions of dollars to the defense budget or adopts a less ambitious agenda for using the military in hot spots around the world.

"We must find the resources necessary to modernize the force," said Army Gen. Henry H. Shelton, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Otherwise the cumulative strains of carrying out peacekeep-

ing and other overseas missions — while preparing for wars — will erode combat readiness, he said.

The current budget of nearly \$300 billion should be increased, said Shelton, who did not specify by how much, saying the Senate and House could be established after next year's planned review of national security strategy.

He and the chiefs of the Army, Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps were called before the Senate and House armed services committees to assess military readiness, a hot topic of debate in the presidential campaign.

Experts launch program against teen suicide

NEW YORK (AP) — Seeking reinforcements in the fight against teen suicide, mental health experts are launching a program in high schools nationwide aimed at encouraging teens to tell an adult if one of their friends confides thoughts of suicide.

The program, which starts in early October at roughly 200 high schools, has a seemingly simple goal: to enable teens to respond to suicide warning signs as competently as someone trained in the Heimlich maneuver would

respond to someone choking.

"Talking about suicide is both a symptom and also a communication that needs to be taken seriously," said Dr. Douglas Jacobs, a Harvard Medical School psychiatrist professor who is overseeing the program.

"Young people would respond if they saw someone choking or clutching their chest," Jacobs said. "With someone talking about or showing signs of suicide, they should do the same, and we want to provide them the tools."

Though the rate of teen sui-

icides has dipped slightly in recent years, it remains the third-leading cause of death for teenagers. According to federal estimates, one of every five high school students has thought seriously about attempting suicide, and one in 14 has had an actual attempt.

Jacobs is executive director of Screening for Mental Health, an organization based in Wellesley Hills, Mass., that 10 years ago initiated a still-growing national program to screen for depression.

The new suicide-prevention

program is being launched in conjunction with National Depression Screening Day on Oct. 5. Participating schools get a kit that includes posters, instruction material for adult staff, and a 20-minute video for teens that offers "do's and don'ts" in the event a friend shows suicidal signs.

Don't simply say, "Snap out of it," or dismiss the behavior as an attitude problem, the video advises. Don't assume threats are just a way of letting off steam, and don't promise secrecy.

Potent combination

Combining irinotecan with standard drugs in the treatment of colorectal cancer can slow the cancer and slightly prolong victims' lives, a new study says. Only recently, irinotecan was used only by itself — after other drugs failed.

Irinotecan, fluorouracil and leucovorin

Fluorouracil and leucovorin

Median time during which tumors stopped growing or shrank

7 months

4.3 months

Median time of survival from beginning of treatment

14.8 months

12.8 months

Percentage of patients whose tumors shrank temporarily

28%

50%

Source: New England Journal of Medicine AP

New cancer drug, combined with others, improves survival

The Associated Press

In the biggest advance against end-stage colorectal cancer in 40 years, researchers have found that combining a new drug with the standard ones can more effectively slow the cancer and prolong victims' lives slightly.

"We're starting to bring science to the point that it's breaking the logjam in progress," said Dr. Leonard Bi Salza of Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York.

The drug irinotecan, also known as Camptosar, is approved by the Food and Drug Administration for treating patients with advanced, Stage IV colorectal cancer after standard drug fail.

Because such advanced colorectal cancer is practically a death sentence, researchers led by Salza tested irinotecan together with the standard drugs, fluorouracil and leucov-

orin.

The three-drug combination increased average survival from 13 months to 15 months, and the share of patients whose tumors temporarily shrank went from 28 percent to 50 percent, compared with the standard treatment.

In addition, far fewer patients suffered from two serious side effects — one of them a life-threatening decrease in infection-fighting white blood cells.

"It is a big step forward in giving patients a better chance for tumor shrinkage and longer survival," Salza said.

Perhaps even more important, the promising three-drug approach is now being tested in Stage III patients, or those whose tumors have spread to nearby lymph nodes but not to other organs, as in Stage IV.

"We hope that this will lead to a greater number of people being cured," Salza said.

Snake River SPENDLETON

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Meat packer applies for bankruptcy

DALLAS (AP) — A meatpacking company that supplied millions of pounds of beef to the nation's school lunch programs and fought against tougher food safety regulations has filed for bankruptcy.

Supreme Beef Processors and Packers filed Tuesday for Chapter 11 reorganization in U.S. Bankruptcy Court. The company said it will lay off 300 workers and shut down plants in Dallas and Ladonia on Friday.

The move is the latest in what has become a test case over federal salmonella inspection standards adopted in 1995. The science-based system for inspecting

meat and poultry replaced "poke-and-sniff" methods used for decades.

Supreme Beef chief executive Steve Spiritas said the company could not continue to operate under a "campaign of harassment, intimidation and disinformation" by the U.S. Agriculture Department.

The agency last fall pulled inspectors from the Dallas plant effectively shutting it down — after the plant failed to meet the new safety standards. A federal judge, however, tossed out the new food safety rules, saying it was not a fair measure of a plant's

sanitation.

The USDA has appealed to the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans.

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"This company was very successful for 30 years until the USDA sought without notice to have a court battle," Spiritas said. "That's when things spiraled down at an enormous cost to us."

Virus claims victim

HACKENSACK, N.J. (AP) — An 82-year-old New Jersey man has become the first person in the United States this year to die of the West Nile virus, Gov. Christie Whitman said Wednesday.

Officials did not immediately identify the man, who died on Sept. 14, 11 days after he became ill. They said he had other ailments but that the West Nile virus was the principal cause of death.

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Prosecutors argue that plea bargain choice will rescue nuclear secrets

WASHINGTON (AP) — Letting scientist Wen Ho Lee leave jail on a plea bargain was the best way to recover missing nuclear secrets, prosecutors insisted Wednesday, but that failed to assuage senators to drop their criticism of the government's handling of the matter.

But officials from the Justice Department, the FBI and the Energy Department insisted at a Senate Judiciary subcommittee hearing that their only choice was a plea bargain to get Lee to tell them what he did with the

tapes. Lee has sworn he has destroyed them.

"The answers were more important than prosecuting Dr. Lee for his very serious crimes," said James Robinson, assistant attorney general overseeing the criminal division.

Lee pleaded guilty to one of the 59 counts of a 5 grand jury indictment. In exchange, he was released after being held for nine months.

He also agreed to tell officials what happened to the information he downloaded at the Los

Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico.

FBI Director Louis Freeh and Attorney General Janet Reno told the Senate Select Intelligence and Judiciary committees Tuesday that they had decided that they couldn't reveal nuclear secrets in court to prosecute Lee.

New York Times blames itself for poor reporting job

The Washington Post

In an extraordinary editor's note, The New York Times acknowledged Wednesday that its reporting on allegations against scientist Wen Ho Lee contained "flaws" and "a problem of tone" that "fell short of our standards."

By turns self-congratulatory and self-critical, the 23-paragraph statement said the newspaper got most of the facts right when it began reporting espionage allegations against Lee in March 1999. In the frenzy that followed, the Chinese-American nuclear scientist was fired from Los Alamos National Laboratory, jailed for nine months and freed two weeks ago after pleading guilty to a single felony — prompting an apology from the federal judge in the case and pointed criticism of the Times by a White House official.

The newspaper blamed others in part, saying that its stories were "echoed and often oversimplified by politicians and other news organizations" and that the Times was not to blame for "stimulating a witch hunt."

But the editors didn't let themselves off the hook. In fact, they made a point of saying that "the blame lies principally with those who directed the coverage," not with the "persistent and fair-minded" reporters — Jeff Gerth, the Pulitzer Prize winner who also broke the Whitewater story, and James Risén — who wrote the

original pieces.

The issue of apportioning blame was so sensitive, sources said, that Gerth, Risén and Douglas Washington Bureau Chief Jill Abramson flew to New York last week to hash things out with Managing Editor Bill Keller, whose original note had been scheduled to run Sunday. During a long session, the wording was changed in a way that clearly exonerated the reporters.

Journalists who have followed the story gave the Times decidedly mixed reviews. "It's not often you get an admission of error on that scale," said Lars Erik Nelson, a New York Daily News columnist who has repeatedly criticized the coverage. But, he said, "they sort of blame this on competing journalists and media critics as though we have some kind of agenda to hurt the Times, as opposed to criticizing poor coverage. The whole thing is defensive."

Timothy Noah, who has assailed the coverage on Slate.com, called the "nonapology apology" an "evolutionary step forward for an institution like The New York Times to acknowledge errors in its reporting that are less simple factual errors or misquotations than they are large errors, having to do with interpretation and especially with believing a source. ... They characterize as biases in their reporting things that really were examples of them being duped."

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Economy Lands

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expansion in U.S. history.
 "While most voters say their financial lives are better than a few years ago — when Clinton's aides made life the economy, Stupid" their campaign mantra — many are working harder to stay ahead and are increasingly worried about their financial futures. With feelings so mixed, both George W. Bush and Al Gore have reason to hope they can capitalize on economic issues — albeit with different messages.

The vice president is portraying himself as the national savior of the economy as well as a populist leader who can protect voters from economic bogymen: oil producers, drug companies, HMOs and other corporate giants.

The message is just starting to take hold among voters in this region, who for months sided with Bush over Gore on the economy.

"He stands up for the little guy," says Joe Padon of Parma, Ohio, who until recently didn't think Gore deserved any political benefit from the economic expansion.

Bush hopes to take advantage of lingering anxieties — promising tax cuts, health care benefits, retirement security and education improvements — that Democrats failed to deliver as the economy grew. He blames Gore for a national "education recession," a pollster's catch phrase that simultaneously attacks the Democratic education record and sounds alarms about the underlying strength of the economy.

Jim Armstrong, a 52-year-old Pennsylvania state worker, is concerned enough to consider Bush for president.

"There's been pretty steady employment the last few years," he said outside a gas station charging \$1.65 per gallon. "But things have slowed down some and I'm not sure what's around the corner."

A recent Pew Research Center poll found that voters have more confidence in Gore than Bush to manage the economy, a reverse of previous surveys. A majority of voters are satisfied with the state of the nation and Gore leads among those voters by 2-to-1.

Yet nearly two-thirds of voters nationwide said they were concerned about health care costs and more than half are worried about saving for retirement. A recent poll of voters in Illinois, Ohio, Michigan and Pennsylvania said that more of them are worried than not about retirement.

"The most precious commodity the economy can yield to people is time and peace of mind," said Michigan Gov. John Engler, a Bush ally arguing that the Texas governor's proposals — if sold correctly — will strike a chord with an electorate that he believes is still concerned about the economy.

Karen Hope, a homemaker here, is primed for Bush's arguments. She and her husband don't have health insurance and he has a low-paying job.

"My kids go to school with children who have everything they want and their parents work two jobs," she said. "I'd rather stay home with my kids. I don't want anybody else raising them."

Still, Republicans concede that a strong economy gives Gore an edge.

Sooner or later this race was going to come down to the fundamental basics of any campaign: Sooner or later Al Gore was going to benefit from that fact that he's running with a majority of the people thinking the country is on the right track and the best economy in 35 years," said GOP pollster Bill McInturff.

Cindy Lohmar is a case in point. When interviewed by the AP in April, the Bloomington, Pa., woman said she was favoring Bush because he "seemed like a nice guy" and "was talking about important issues like education."

Now, she's leaning toward Gore. "I'd like to think he had a hand in this economy with Clinton," she said.

Emily Meyer, 53 of West Middlesex, Pa., turned away from Democrat because of the Monica Lewinsky affair but is suddenly giving Gore a long look.

"I can't knock the Clinton administration, because we've had all these opportunities. Our house is appraised at the highest it ever been. We purchased our own business. Our daughter is in college. But at what price? For me, it's looking the other way after (Clinton) embarrassed the nation."

Jenny Goodger, a nurse's assistant in Roseville, Mich., said she doesn't know who deserves credit for the economy but doesn't want to take a chance by throwing out Gore. "If he's been keeping the economy humming for us, I'd like to keep it that way."

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bumper stickers.
 "When Clinton started his shenanigans, it just made me mad," says Smouse of Towanda, Pa., who also is volunteering for the campaign of a Republican congressman and plans to take Election Day off to work a polling place.

Fighting along with them are bikers, ranchers, unionized mill workers — some Democratic turncoats, others longtime Republicans. A few, like Milligan and Smouse, are political neophytes getting involved for the first time. Others, while politically active in the past, have never been so compelled to take action.

"This roadless thing and the national monuments are ludicrous," says motorcyclist Harold Soens of Santee, Calif., who has campaigned for Republicans before and is pitching yard signs for Bush this year.

"It's strengthened my resolve," adds rancher Brad Little, the Bush campaign coordinator in Idaho's Gem County. When Little's neighbors recruited him for the job, he wasn't about to say no — not this year.

Little has sued the Forest Service to repeal the road development policy, due to become final before Clinton leaves office. The initiative affects 9 million acres of land in Idaho, and Little fears it would restrict access to the Boise National Forest, where his 4,000 sheep graze.

"It could put us out of the sheep business," says Little, adding that other Idaho interests — from tim-

ber companies to recreational businesses — also are worried. "Every part of the fabric of Idaho may well be impacted by the outcome of this proposal."

That's why Jerry Klemm has hit the Idaho speech circuit. Klemm, a lifelong Democrat, worked 39 years at a paper mill in Lewiston, was president of the local paper workers union and served on the state board of the AFL-CIO. But in 1991, after environmental proposals began closing the forests to timber companies, Klemm started the Pulp and Paper Workers Resource Council to speak out against policies affecting timber-related jobs.

Now retired, he travels the state talking to civic organizations and chambers of commerce — lambasting the administrator's proposals to restrict forest access. He hasn't decided whether he's voting for Gore or Bush, but Klemm has a stern warning for his fellow Democrats:

"They better get their head out of where the sun don't shine, because the labor people are abandoning the traditional

Democratic party line."
 The snowmobile ban is one of a flurry of policies the Clinton administration has proposed this year limiting access to national forests and parks and other public lands. Others include a plan to prohibit road development in 43 million acres of forest land and Clinton's designation of 10 new national monuments at which mining, logging, oil drilling and off-road vehicle use are banned or restricted.

Vice President Al Gore's campaign says he isn't worried about any political backlash over the administration's land proposals.

"There may be those who disagree, but he thinks it's only right to conserve public lands for our children and protect the environment while we work to grow the economy," says Gore campaign spokesman Doug Hattaway.

Bush has vowed to review all Clinton-Gore administration policies that limit uses of federal lands.

To some of the newly energized, "high-handed" is a mild way of describing the Clinton policies. "I

have voted Democrat all of my life, but at this point — no way," says Milligan of Anderson, Calif., who started the Recreation Outdoors Coalition to lobby against such proposals. "I call this the War in the West. We're fighting to keep the public lands open."

The proposals could result in protest votes not only against Gore but in opposition of local Democratic candidates. Former Utah Rep. Bill Orton, for one, blames Clinton's creation of the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument in southern

Utah for contributing to his 1996 election loss.

The designation, made without local input and restricting grazing, mining and access to water, came just weeks before the election. Orton, the incumbent, was up 24 points at the time. He lost.

"Many people said the monument ought to be named after me, because it was my political tombstone," he says. Now running for governor against Republican incumbent Mike Leavitt, Orton is speaking out against such land policies, calling them "an abuse of the process."

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EDITORIAL

Why can't Idaho counties prosper in flush times?

A lot of people are talking about the income disparity between the "haves" and the "have-nots" in today's economy, but the focus usually is on personal income. It should be widened to include the income disparity between various arms of government.

At the federal level, huge budget surpluses are forecast for the next few years. At the state level, a \$235 million surplus is forecast by the end of the current fiscal year. These are the "have" years.

But by the time the discussion reaches many of our Idaho's counties, the easy money is all gone. These are the "have nots" of government. That's because Idaho counties - unlike the state and federal governments - operate under strict limits. Counties can't raise taxes more than 3 percent a year without special approval from voters.

Thus, even relatively prosperous communities such as Twin Falls see their county governments short of money, due to the rising costs of criminal justice and indigent health care.

A separate but related problem is the lagging economic fortunes of many rural communities. Some parts of Idaho, especially urban areas, are booming thanks to growth in the high-tech and tourism sectors. But money is tight in many smaller communities.

An Idaho Task Force on Rural Development has recommended several steps to aid rural economies:

- Explore ways to provide affordable broadband telecommunications to rural areas. This may be viewed as subsidizing the phone company, but it's essential if rural Idaho wants to plug into today's

information-driven economy.

- Create new incentives for business and industry to locate in rural areas.
- Boost training programs to re-equip workers in rural areas with new job skills.

These are worthy goals that could help rural communities prosper, but heightened prosperity won't solve the revenue problem for cash-strapped county governments. Meanwhile, the state Legislature is pondering what to do with their revenue surplus.

Hmmm. Too much money at the state level. Not enough at the county level.

In our view, the first priority for the surplus is a permanent, across-the-board rollback in state income taxes. Taxpayers created the surplus, and they should be the first to benefit from it - with those who paid the most taxes receiving the biggest tax breaks.

Another priority should be elimination of the community college tax in Twin Falls, Jerome and Kootenai counties. The College of Southern Idaho and North Idaho College, which the community college taxes support, are state assets that should be funded on a statewide basis. Taxing property owners in just three of Idaho's 44 counties to support these schools is unfair.

There are two ways in which the state surplus can be returned to Idaho's rural counties. One is through direct spending by the state; the other is through lower state taxes. When one tax burden decreases, voters may be more willing to say "yes" to another.

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LETTERS

Tree editorial was inaccurate

As executive director for the Magic Valley Arts Council, I feel compelled to write to the people of Twin Falls to correct the most glaring of the inaccuracies in Friday's Times-News editorial. While the Opinion page is certainly just that, professional journalistic standards still require that the information presented be accurate. In this case, it was not.

The sculpture project we are building will not contain a political message. In order to gain as accurate and broad a picture of our community as possible, our artist is interviewing people from all segments of Twin Falls' population, but be assured that the sculpture will not be used to promote or defame any religious or minority group. There will certainly be no reference, either present or future, to any hotel development project on the Snake River Canyon. The Times-News Editorial Board suggests the Arts Council should do more "listening." How does it think we have been able to collect hundreds of quotes if not by listening?

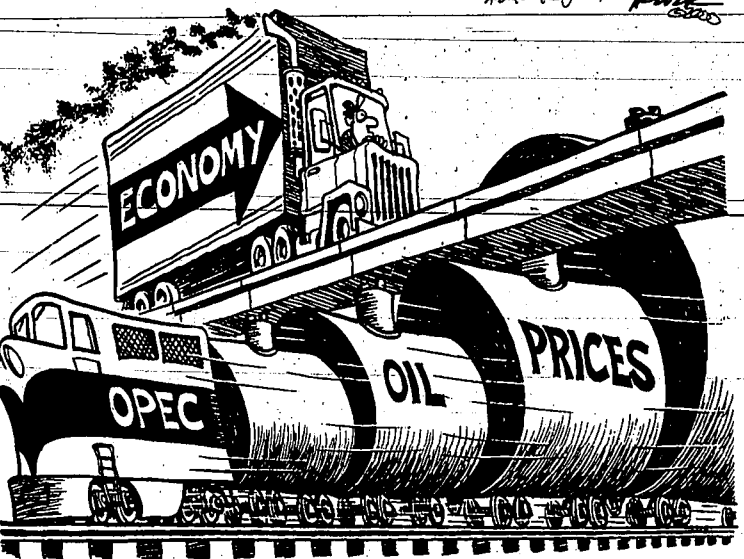
In addition to its inaccuracies, the Times-News editorial was angry, blaming and unfocused. It fairly reeked of "sour grapes." This leaves me with a question, Times-News Editorial Board: at whom or what are you angry?
• Are you angry at the Magic Valley Arts Council for bringing a major public art project to Twin Falls?
• Are you angry with the artist for including Mormons and Hispanics in the interview process?
• Are you angry at the Tree Commission for considering to us and thoughtfully responding to us ultimately approving our request to project a tree?

• Are you angry at the City Council for supporting the project and for choosing not to override the decision of the Tree Commission?
• Are you angry with your own and balanced articles about the project, which included plans for removing the tree, did not incite a public outcry?
• Or, ultimately, are you just angry with the people of Twin Falls for not reacting to the tree removal in the way you apparently think they should have. You say that the Arts Council is trying to "impose its vision on an acquiescent community." Perhaps you are mistaking the tremendous support we have received, both financial and in kind, from our community as acquiescence.

BONNA YULE
Executive Director
Magic Valley Arts Council
Twin Falls

Praise for Larry Craig

My wife and I recently returned from Washington, D.C., upon completing an internship for Sen. Larry Craig. Idahoans should feel grateful to have such a wonderful public servant in Sen. Craig. Sen. Craig and his staff (both at the federal and local level) do more for their constituents than any other senator. Craig represents Idahoans in a way that I know we take for granted. I am grateful for the chance I had to get to know Sen. Craig on a personal level. He is a good Idahoan and a great servant for you and me.
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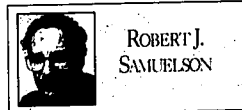
Europeans could sink U.S. investment

Our is a world of free-flowing capital. Companies, mutual funds and individuals increasingly invest across national borders. This is one of globalization's most earnest - and brutal - upheavals. The latest reminder is the steep decline of the euro (Europe's new money). It's lost about 25 percent of its value against the dollar since being introduced in January 1999. The main reason is an adverse flow of global investment funds: As money shuts from Europe to the United States, euros are sold for dollars. This depresses the euro.

Some Americans may take quiet satisfaction from the euro's slide. After all, this is a case of private European (corporations, institutional and personal investors) voting with their money in favor of the United States. In 1999 Europeans bought about \$200 billion worth of U.S. stocks and bonds. Corporate takeovers of U.S. firms added to the total. Many Europeans see America as an economic and technological wonderland. They want in for the action.

American smugness, though understandable, would be shortsighted. Unpredictable capital flows - the fancy term for global money movements - loom as a constant threat to world economic stability. The last major disturbances occurred in 1997 and 1998, when capital flight out of Asia and Russia caused local depressions. The United States is not immune to this disruptive process. The flows that now favor America could someday slacken or reverse, with damaging consequences (higher inflation or a recession).

Few Americans realize the size of foreign money flows. Consider some numbers. In 1999 all foreigners bought \$332 billion worth of U.S. stocks and corporate



ROBERT J. SAMUELSON

bonds and spent \$276 billion on direct investment in the United States - buying American companies, building factories, shopping malls or office complexes. Here is what foreign investors owned in March 2000, says the International Monetary Fund:

- \$1.4 trillion worth of U.S. stocks, or 7 percent of the total.
- Almost \$500 billion of corporate bonds, 20 percent of the total.
- About 35 percent of publicly held federal debt, with a face value of \$1.3 trillion.
- About \$1.2 trillion worth of direct investment, perhaps 5 percent to 8 percent of the total (estimates are imprecise).

Because Europe provided much of this money, the euro has suffered. What's magnified the effects are doubts about the euro itself. Will the new currency survive? Can the European Central Bank (Europe's Federal Reserve) reconcile the different interests of the 11 euro countries? In currency trading, the drift has not to add euros. If Denmark votes today not to sell euros, the selling pressures may be so far, none of this has done much economic damage. Quite the opposite. The euro's fall has enhanced Europe's economic growth, even while wounding its pride. The currency's decline improved export competitiveness. A European widget priced at one euro would have cost \$1.16 when the currency was introduced;

now the cost is between 85 and 90 cents, depending on the daily exchange rate. If you ask a company in Germany or Italy about the euro, they'd say, "Don't touch it." Says one European leader.

Similarly, the United States has benefited from large capital inflows. They have bolstered the demand for stocks and, presumably, boosted prices. The strong dollar - the mirror image of weak currencies elsewhere - has suppressed inflationary pressures. It has made imports cheap, holding down U.S. prices. Why might stop. Capital flight is a grim phrase that Americans associate only with Third World countries or creaky Europe. But it could happen here. Foreigners could slow new U.S. investments - or even withdraw funds. What triggered capital flight from Asia and Russia was disappointment. Investors didn't get what they expected. America, too, could disappoint. Profits might slow. The stock market might stagnate or drop. Then the benign cycle (large capital inflows, strong dollar, low inflation) could unravel. Every 10 percent depreciation of the dollar adds a percentage point to inflation, says Fred Bergsten of the Institute for International Economics.

The magnitude of capital inflows into the United States ought to give us pause. They could reflect America's genuine strengths - or represent speculative excess. We have ventured into unexplored territory. Hardly anyone truly understands today's rapidly changing world of global finance. Even for the United States, what goes around could come around.

Robert J. Samuelson is a Newsweek columnist.

LETTER

Twin Falls government is faulty

Before you vote this Nov. 7, ask yourself these questions:
Does being a Republican and holding a county office exempt a county commissioner from doing what the people elect him to do? What was the binding reason that Twin Falls County entered into the present E-911 system that has failed to meet expectations? Why has the county waste system become a costly mess? Was it because the commissioners failed to act until the Environmental Protection Agency deadline and hurriedly threw a temporary patch to cover the real problem? What has happened to the sheriff's budget this year? How many different county commissioners have we had in the past three or four years? Does it appear that our county is being run by the Republican Party and a governor who appoints our commissioners accord-

ing to his needs without consideration of the county residents? Why do our county officials allow the siting of dairies near schools and rural residential areas that adversely affect the health of students and residents and lower property values in the adjoining area? Who is managing Twin Falls County government? Is it the governor, Republican Party or the voters of Twin Falls County?

If you are resident of a town, a rural subdivision or owner-operator of a family farm in Magic Valley, keep in mind how the siting of dairies and allowable size of animal concentrations will affect your quality of life and the legacy left to your generations. Is it economic growth or economic development these large dairy operations are bringing to Idaho? Are these operations helping to build a strong community with good jobs, good schools, and wise use of our natural

resources? Or are these operations taking advantage of our infrastructure and only using Idaho's assets to their advantage and for their benefit?

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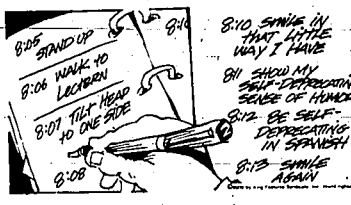
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OPINION

Keep Washington safe for whistleblowers

It may not titillate official Washington like the media debate over what the meaning of "is" is, but the short-term fate of hundreds of federal government whistleblowers hangs on Congress reaffirming its definition of "any." At stake is whether an out-of-control U.S. Court of Appeals will stymie more than a decade of bipartisan consensus and be allowed to gut one of the most important clean-government laws of the last century.

In 1989 Congress passed by unanimous vote, and five years later strengthened, the Whistleblower Protection Act, or WPA. The statute protects federal workers who challenge waste, fraud and abuse of the taxpayers' trust in the workplace. Until its passage, federal workers were prevented from exercising their First Amendment rights and brought cases of wrongdoing to the public's attention only at the greatest peril to their careers and livelihoods.

A series of decisions by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, a hotbed of extreme activism hostile to federal employee rights, have shot the WPA through with gaping holes. Now whistleblowers in arguably worse shape than before Congress passed its landmark legislation. It's bad

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enough that the court has a monopoly on judicial review for all civil service cases. It's downright sinister that the bench is headed by H. Robert Mayer. His attacks on whistleblowers - when he was a government manager - helped move Congress toward passage of the WPA as an attempt to shield them from bureaucracy's predators.

Congress unanimously reaffirmed its intent in 1994 with amendments that strengthened the WPA. A year later the Federal Circuit Court began issuing decisions that stripped whistleblowers of their rights. The most immediate problem is a series of precedent-setting rulings creating exceptions to coverage for "any" - the word chosen by Congress - lawful disclosure evidencing specific, significant misconduct.

The decisions have ripped away protection for whistleblowers who disclose wrongdoing to possible

wrongdoers (frequently their bosses), within the chain of command, when performing their job duties, or when challenging illegal policies. What this means in practice is that whistleblowers can no longer feel they are protected by the law when they attempt to solve problems internally.

Typically, whistleblowers try to work within the system. In stripping protection for nearly 95 percent of these people, the only protection left is when they make disclosures concerning personal conduct on matters unrelated to their responsibilities as public servants.

Last year, the court exceeded the limits for any rational definition of extremism. In *White vs. LaChance*, it redefined the legal concept of "reasonable belief" in a way that cancels protection under the law for whistleblowers. The court found against whistleblower John White, whose criticisms of an Air Force pork barrel training program had been upheld by an independent third-party review, as well as a charged military agency that agreed to cancel it.

The court claimed that federal workers could not claim "reasonable belief" - the test for qualifying for protection - unless they overcame a presumption that the government acts "correctly, fairly and

in good faith" by "irrefragable proof." This polysyllabic test, according to Webster, means "incapable of being overthrown, incontrovertible."

The court has set the bar so high that it is easier to send a criminal to jail than it is for a whistleblower to have his or her rights protected under the WPA.

This election year has seen a lot of high-minded promises being made about restoring faith in government and protecting the taxpayers. When it was passed in 1989, a bipartisan group of legislators said that the WPA should be called the Taxpayer Protection Act. Those incumbent representatives who want to redeem their pledges to the voters should move to restore the WPA protections by law, with a normal judicial review process outside the hands of a band of wild judicial hatchmen.

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America must help the children of drug users

From the Chicago Tribune

About 8 million children - many of whom are poor, minority or immigrant - live in homes where at least one parent is a substance abuser, according to the Children's Defense Fund.

Substance abuse is among the leading reasons children are neglected, mistreated and removed from their parents. In Illinois, the Department of Children and Family Services says roughly 80 percent of its wards come from homes where illegal drugs were used.

Vice President Al Gore and Texas Gov. George W. Bush have vowed that if elected, president they will fight on behalf of all children, they will leave no child behind. The arenas of discussion span education reform, school safety, childcare, health insurance and Hollywood.

But children who live with substance abusers seem to have been left out of the political discourse. Very little attention has been given to the effects of chemical dependency on families, particularly youngsters, and what can be done to quell America's insatiable appetite for illicit drugs.

Drug-abuse issues have rarely been hot topics during presidential campaigns, and this one is no exception. Yet, the rhetoric from both Democratic and Republican camps on protecting kids this election season has been particularly eloquent. On gun control and school safety, Gore has said, "our children cannot reach for their dreams if they are ducking for cover." Bush has promised to reform an educational system that

Other views

perpetuates the "soft bigotry of low expectations."

But absent plans that tackle the demand side of chemical dependency - all the talk has been on the supply-side, narco-trafficking strategies - kids face a whole series of lousy outcomes, which begin at birth and go on for years.

Many homes will continue to be broken with kids landing in foster care. Custodial parents, mostly mothers, will continue to be trotted off to jail with a cadre of children themselves falling into criminal and delinquent behavior.

Though the war on drugs has seen some gains over the past 10 years, with a growing number of drug treatment and prevention programs across the country, the federal budget concentrates heavily on interdiction rather than demand.

The Child Welfare League of America and the Children's Defense Fund support a bill in Congress that would guarantee \$1.9 billion over a five-year period to states for treatment to parents whose children have become wards of the state.

The bill, which has bipartisan sponsorship, would address a range of interventions including in-patient and out-patient treatment programs that involve individuals and entire families. The programs are aimed at helping families maintain their stability and regain their integrity. Without a plan that attacks demand for drugs and shores up treatment programs, the mantra "leave no child behind" will ring hollow.

Mr. Bush, Mr. Gore, start talking.

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NATION



Winifred Skinner
Struggles to make ends meet

Gore pushes Medicare

ALTOONA, Iowa — Winifred Skinner won kisses — three on the forehead, two on the cheek — from Al Gore Wednesday for her tale of making ends meet with the recycling-center nickels she gets for soda cans picked from the roadside.

Skinner, 79, didn't want Gore or the IRS to know how many nickels, though. "I withdraw that question," the vice president chuckled. "Because I'm all for you."

That sweet exclamation at Gore's campaign stop at a community center here juxtaposed the Democratic presidential candidate's sharp indictment of Republican rival George W. Bush for allegedly having it in for Medicare, the government health program upon which 39 million seniors and disabled Americans rely.

At a community center here, Gore described seeing on television in his Des Moines hotel that morning a Bush ad accusing Gore of wanting, through his proposal to add a prescription drug benefit to Medicare, to turn the program into a "government-run HMO."

"That's the way they describe Medicare. There's no big government HMO," Gore huffed. "You get to choose your doctor. You get to choose your pharmacy."

His Republican opponents, Gore continued, "never really have liked Medicare and putting it down that way is in keeping with the opposition on the other side to the creation of Medicare in the first place — and their support of Newt Gingrich's plan to let it wither on the vine in 1995."

"This proposal that (Bush) put out this year would have essentially the same effect," Gore finished.

That loaded charge, aimed at riling senior citizens who vote in reliably large numbers, came as Gore looked for ways to break out ahead in a very tight race against Bush.

Bush spokesman Dan Bartlett, in turn, said Gore's Medicare plan "creates more than 400 government regulations and gives federal bureaucrats greater control over medical decisions for seniors."

Detroit cop faces charge

DETROIT (AP) — A policeman was charged with manslaughter Wednesday for shooting to death a deaf-mute who approached officers with a fake in his hands.

David Krupinski, 23, fired on 39-year-old Erol Shaw after police were called about a family dispute Aug. 29.

The Detroit NAACP called the shooting of Shaw "horrifying and sickening." Shaw was black, the officer is white.

According to prosecutors, Shaw, who has been unable to hear or speak since birth, approached Krupinski and three other officers while carrying a wooden-handled rake, and Krupinski shot him twice.

Governor extends gas tax suspension

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Chief negotiators in crude oil across the nation, Gov. Frank O'Bannon on Wednesday extended his suspension of the state sales tax on gasoline for the third time.

He did not say when the 5 percent tax might resume.

Some Republicans have accused O'Bannon, a first-term Democrat, of using the suspension to boost his re-election chances against Republican David McIntosh. The governor has denied that. "I think it was political to begin with and I think it's more political right now," GOP state Sen. Larry Borst said.

GOP gamers nearly \$1 million from pharmaceutical firms

WASHINGTON — The pharmaceutical industry gave more than \$800,000 to Republican Party committees last month after the Senate voted to allow reimports of lower-priced U.S.-made drugs — something the companies oppose.

In addition, the president of Bristol-Myers Squibb co-chaired a fund-raising dinner Wednesday for Senate Republicans. But despite the intensive lobbying effort, Congress is likely to pass the legislation.

The pharmaceutical industry also is fighting a Democratic proposal to expand Medicare, the health care program for the elderly, to cover the cost of prescription drugs.

Meanwhile, the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee received only \$2,500 from the pharmaceutical industry in August, a single donation from Bristol-Myers.

Stuart Roy, a spokesman for the Republican senatorial committee, said the six-figure donations were made for the fund-raising dinner, where Republican vice presidential nominee Dick Cheney was the headliner.

Polis: Women, seniors assist in Bush comeback

WASHINGTON — George W. Bush has reclaimed some momentum in the presidential race, attracting women and senior citizens, focusing on his best issues

Nation in brief

and benefiting from concerns about Al Gore's truthfulness.

After several weeks when the campaign appeared to be moving in the Democrat's direction, evidence pointed to a Bush comeback fueled largely by his renewed appeal to female "swing voters" and seniors.

A new Los Angeles Times poll, which gave Bush a 48-42 lead, suggested senior citizens supported Bush slightly more than Gore — 47 percent to 41 percent. This despite findings that the elderly prefer Gore's approach to Medicare and health care generally. Gore was up by almost 20 points among this group in a poll in early September.

Bush and Gore are currently about even in other national polls.

New Yorkers lean toward Hillary Clinton, polls show

ALBANY, N.Y. — Clearing a psychological and statistical hurdle, Hillary Rodham Clinton has hit the 50 percent support level for the first time in her Senate race against Republican Rick Lazio, according to a statewide poll.

Clinton's numbers had been stalled for most of this year, but some polls had detected a bounce for her after their first debate, on Sept. 13, during which Lazio

strde across the stage, thrust a piece of paper at her and demanded she sign a pledge to buy soft money from the campaign.

Some voters, especially women, were offended by what Clinton spokesman Howard Wolfson called a "menacing" approach.

According to the poll issued Wednesday by the Quinnipiac University Polling Institute, Lazio trailed among likely voters with 43 percent.

Spared earlier, Texas executes man for murder

HUNTSVILLE, Texas — A condemned man who won an unprecedented reprieve from Gov. George W. Bush for DNA tests that only confirmed his guilt was executed Wednesday for killing his 12-year-old stepdaughter.

Ricky McGinn, 43, received a lethal injection for raping Stephanie Flanary and bludgeoning her with an ax. He denied evidence was planted or tampered with, but DNA tests completed in August again linked McGinn to the 1993 crime.

"I don't want nobody to be mad at nobody," McGinn said moments before his death.

The McGinn case drew attention because of the June 1 reprieve granted by Bush, the Republican presidential candidate who has been criticized for

allowing executions to continue in his home state while he campaigns as a "compassionate conservative."

It was the first time he had used his authority as Texas governor to issue a 30-day reprieve to a condemned killer.

Since 1982, when Texas resumed capital punishment, 232 people have been executed. Texas is on pace to execute 40 people this year, which would break the record of 37 executed three years ago.

Ending a case that became known as "Cookiegate," state officials ruled that a county judge did not break the law when he gave cookies to poll workers on the day he was elected to the bench.

D. Todd Ehlers sent the cookies along with "thank you" cards signed by his children-to-poll workers during the April 4 election.

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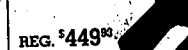
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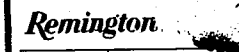
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Max Paisley Wood River football

There was a time Wood River High would receiver Max Paisley might have surprised some people. Not anymore. By now, opponents know what to expect from Paisley. Problem is they still can't stop him. Through four games, the 5-10, 165-pound senior has hauled in 31 catches for 566 yards and six touchdowns. That's an average of better than 140 yards per game and more than 18 yards per reception. Needless to say, he's a big reason why the Wolverines (1-0 conference, 2-2 overall) enter Friday night's pivotal SCIC Conference football game against Declo boasting one of the region's most explosive air attacks.

"The main thing with Max," said Wood River coach John Blackman, "is he's got an uncanny ability to adjust to the football while it's still in the air. ... He's got total concentration on the ball." He's also a slippery, open-field runner.

"He's tough to tackle," Blackman said. "We throw him a 10-yard out and he turns it into 20 or 30 yards." Though Paisley said he's enjoyed being the featured player in the Wood River offense, he gives much of the credit to quarterback and longtime best friend Cory Colcochean. "I'm just working hard and running my routes sharp," Paisley said. "But I couldn't be doing it without Cory." The pair have played together since grade school and have developed a unique on-field relationship, one based on instinct and feel.

"We've been playing together since recess," Paisley said. "We know what each other is going to do." After cracking 800 yards receiving last season, Paisley is well on his way to breaking 1,000 this year. Beyond that, Paisley—who also plays basketball and baseball—said he wants to play football in college, most likely at a NCAA Division II, or Division III institution.

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McSorley says injury was accidental

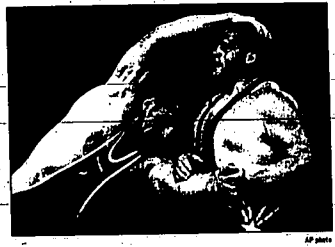
VANCOUVER — British Columbia's Mary McSorley testified Wednesday she wasn't trying to hurt Donald Brashear when he bashed the Vancouver Canucks defenseman in the head with his stick. "I was trying to strike Donald Brashear high in the body, up around his shoulder area," McSorley said. "Did you intend to injure him?" asked his lawyer Bill Smart. "No," McSorley replied. McSorley, who has played in the NHL for 17 seasons, could get up to 15 years in prison if convicted of assault for clubbing Brashear in the Feb. 21 game between Boston and Vancouver.

Plane in Stewart crash had previous trouble

WASHINGTON — The Learjet that carried golfer Payne Stewart to his death last October — probably after losing cabin pressure — had previous problems with its cabin pressure system, maintenance logs show. The NTSB, which continues to investigate the accident, has released a series of reports this week on the crash describing the findings of various tests of aircraft. The new report showed no conversation on the plane's cockpit voice recorder which, though heavily damaged in the crash, saved the final 30 minutes of sound. —compiled from wire reports

MIRACLE ON THE MAT American wrestler dethrones Goliath

The Associated Press
SYDNEY, Australia — Rulon Gardner did the unthinkable. He beat the unbeatable. He proved that Alexander Karelin isn't perfect — and he won a gold medal that virtually nobody in the world thought he could win. Gardner, never an NCAA champion, never a world medalist, ended Karelin's string of three Olympic gold medals and 13-year unbeaten streak by winning the Olympic super heavyweight wrestling gold medal 1-0 Wednesday (Tuesday MDT).



Alexander Karelin, left, struggles to take down Rulon Gardner of the United States Wednesday in the final seconds of the 130 kg Greco-Roman wrestling final at the Sydney Olympic Games.

Miracle on ice? This was the miracle on the mat. "When did I think I could beat him? About 10 minutes ago," Gardner said. "I kept saying, 'I think I can. I think I can.' But it wasn't until it was over that I knew I could." Karelin is universally considered the greatest Greco-Roman wrestler of all time, a man who had never lost in international competition, who had not been scored upon in 10 years.

More Olympics — B4

Ragtag U.S. squad topples Cuba

Americans gain identity

The Associated Press

SYDNEY, Australia — No names, no more. "I said that when this is over, everybody in the world is going to know about these players," manager Tom Lasorda said. "And by golly, they do." The Cubans do, that's for sure. By doing what no one thought possible, a ragtag bunch of U.S. minor leaguers won their country's first baseball gold medal and fulfilled the prediction of its illustrious Hall of Fame manager. A 4-0 victory Wednesday night over Cuba gave the Americans an identity as well as a medal.

Ben Sheets — the pitcher who brought the Cuban baseball dynasty to its knees. Mike Neill — the outfielder who homered and made the diving catch that clinched America's first Olympic baseball gold medal. Ernie Young — the player who shoved the Cubans' catcher and beat their hardest thrower. Beat them? They shut them out, leaving them without a gold medal for the first time in the three Olympic tournaments.

The Big Red Machine of international baseball tore through the competition in Barcelona and Atlanta, going undefeated while picking up a matching set of gold medals.

Cuba brought the core of that team to Sydney, where professionals were allowed for the first time and bats were made of wood, not metal. Thirteen of the Cubans



United States pitcher Ben Sheets elinks to his knees in celebration after the U.S. beat Cuba 4-0 to win the Olympic baseball gold medal Wednesday in Sydney, Australia.

already had Olympic gold medals. The Americans? They had a pitching staff of high draft picks and an everyday lineup of big-league castoffs. The most prominent player was 37-year-old catcher Pat Borders, who was the MVP of Toronto's 1992 World Series championship.

"I know that when this team was picked, a lot of people looked at the list and said, 'Who are these guys?'" said Doug Mientkiewicz, who twice won games with homers. In die end, they were the guys celebrating on the field with flags. Please see OLYMPICS, Page B2.

And Gardner beat him, stunning a crowd that included IOC president Juan Antonio Samaranch, who had come to present Karelin with his fourth gold medal — the medal he will never get. "What does this mean? He just beat the best wrestler in the history of wrestling — a wrestler who had never been beat," U.S. national Greco-Roman coach Steve Fraser said.

The upset was so stunning that virtually no one in the crowd in the Sydney Exhibition Hall, outside of Gardner's immediate family, could believe it. Nor could Karelin, who, Gardner said, "mumbled a few words at me in Russian toward the end. I don't know what he said." Please see WRESTLE, Page B2.

Smits quits

Pacers' big man puts foot down

The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Rik Smits never lost his love for basketball, but his aching size-21 feet told him it was time to get out. The 7-foot-4 center, who played more games for the Indiana Pacers than any player except Reggie Miller, retired on Wednesday, less than a week before training camp opens. He said he made his decision several weeks ago, but at the urging of team president Donnie Walsh took more time to think things over.

"I always felt like I would retire at or near the top," Smits said during a news conference at Conseco Fieldhouse. "This past year, I felt I went a little over the top. I said I was beginning as soon as I'm going downhill or I'm over the hill, I'd like to call it quits." Smits, one of NBA's best shooting big men, wouldn't rule out a comeback with the Pacers, provided his legs feel better.

"I'll leave the door open," he said. "These years have flown by so fast, it's going to be interesting to see how fast this year is going to go. It's going to be different sitting at home watching the guys on TV every night. I'm not sure I'm going to like it or not." "If for some reason I get real energized over this winter and get feeling healthy again, we'll see what happens next summer."

His retirement means the Pacers will be without three starters and four players from the team that reached the NBA Finals last season. "Rik is a guy we couldn't replace," Walsh said. "With some of the other departures, we knew we would replace their positions. ... But Rik was the mainstay of the team in a lot of ways."

The 34-year-old Smits said he wants to spend more time with his wife, Candice, and their 7-year-old daughter, Jasmine, and 4-year-old son, Derrick. He plans to stay in Indianapolis at least two more years while his wife takes classes at Butler University. Smits, the second pick in the 1988 draft, spent his entire NBA career with the Pacers.



Rik Smits

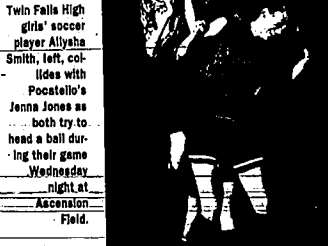
Pocatello blasts Bruins in soccer

By Kevin Hall Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — In the Bruins' last five outings, the Twin Falls girls' soccer team has posted five shutouts. Unfortunately, they've won only two of them. The latest nil game came Wednesday when the mighty Pocatello Indians struck in the first 1:30 of the game on a goal by Julia Stapleton, then added four more scores en route to a 5-0 romp of Twin Falls (1-2-1 in conference, 3-5-2 overall). Five different Indians accounted for the damage. "That's how we are. That's the character of this team," said Pocatello head coach Farshid Farsi. Going in, Twin Falls coach Steve Schmid felt confident his team could run with once-beaten Pocatello (4-0 in conference, 11-3 overall). But after the Indians grabbed the early lead, Twin Falls was forced to push its attack and abandon its ball-control game plan.

"We seemed to get a little bit tired (late)," said Bruin co-captain Rachel Welch. "We played them pretty even in the first half." Pocatello held a 2-0 advantage at halftime, and superior quickness and conditioning by the visitors got the better of the Bruins late. "In the first half, I think we played our game," Schmid said. "The second half we started getting sloppy." It didn't take long for Pocatello to find the net for more insurance in the second half. Forward Terina Jones took the ball, dribbled between two defenders, then punched it past a diving Joann Swenson in goal at the fifth minute. With both sides mounting pressure, Twin Falls mustered one of its few scoring chances at the 14th minute when Mallory Tortorelli found an opening through the suffocating Pocatello defense. But her shot sailed

high and over the net. Teammate Debbie Dodds came right back with a steal of the goal kick and boomed a cannon shot just wide of the net. At the 24th minute, Pocatello's Whitney Routh launched a kick near midfield toward a streaking Lacey Pearson. After the ball bounced in front of her, the fullback cradled its control, took a few steps to the right and floated it perfectly over the head of Swenson and into the back of the goal for the 4-0 lead. Two minutes later, Pearson was again on the run, this time with teammate Jeniece Spicer. With the pair holding a two-on-one advantage against a lone Bruin defender, Spicer took an assist from Pearson and kicked the ball in for the game's final goal. "Our conditioning came through in the second half," Farsi said. "I also made a little change in the lineup and it bore fruit." Please see SOCCER, Page B2.



Twin Falls High girls' soccer player Allysha Smith, left, collides with Pocatello's Jenna Jones as both try to head a ball during their game Wednesday night at Ascension Field.

Mets punch return ticket, earn a trip to consecutive playoffs

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — For the first time ever, the New York Mets are going to the playoffs in consecutive years. Rick Reed (11-5) limited Atlanta to four hits in eight innings and pinch-hitter Darryl Hamilton singled in the go-ahead run in the fifth as the Mets beat the Braves 6-2 Wednesday night to clinch the NL wild card berth. After slumping for the third straight September, the Mets survived and will open the playoffs Oct. 4 at San Francisco or St. Louis. The NL East champion Braves start a day earlier against the Giants or Cardinals, with the matchups depending on final records. Kevin Millwood (10-13) finished the poorest of his three

full seasons in the major leagues, giving up five runs and six hits in 5 1/3 innings and forcing in the Mets' first run with three walks in the fourth. Please see BASEBALL, Page B2.

AROUND THE VALLEY

Verdict might come today in murder case

TWIN FALLS - Defense attorneys for 31-year-old Buhl resident Alisha Ann Murphy rested their case Wednesday without having called any witnesses in Murphy's first-degree murder trial.

Prosecutors also rested Wednesday after calling several witnesses this week, including Murphy's 12-year-old son and 9-year-old daughter.

Closing arguments began today at 9:30 a.m. in the Theron W. Ward Judicial Building in Twin Falls.

The case is expected to go to the jury early this afternoon.

If jurors cannot reach a unanimous decision today, they will be sequestered in an area motel and deliberations will continue Friday, said District Judge Daniel Meech.

Prosecutors say Murphy on Dec. 18, 1995 knocked her husband, James L. Murphy, unconscious with a frying pan and then shot him once in the head with a .22 caliber revolver.

Alisha Murphy's defense attorneys contend Jim Murphy shot himself that night.

Jerome School Board holds noon meeting

JEROME - The School Board will hold a special meeting today to consider a couple of matters, including an easement for a county bike path.

The board is scheduled to consider approval of an FFA trip to a national competition. And the board will discuss granting an easement along district property for a community bike path. The proposed path - a new section of a community bike path - would run past Jerome High School on the east side of Tiger Drive.

The board will meet at noon in the district office conference room.

Doctor presents waste management seminar

TWIN FALLS - Dr. David Parker, assistant professor of environmental science and engineering at West Texas A&M University, will present a free seminar on "Animal Waste Management Relevant to Southern Idaho: Challenges and Vision for the Future" at 1:30 p.m. today inside the Evergreen Building at the College of Southern Idaho. The seminar is open to the public.

Parker is a candidate for the University of Idaho Extension Waste management specialist position in Twin Falls.

County commissioners discuss litigation

HAILEY - The Blaine County Board of Commissioners will hold a closed executive session to discuss pending litigation at 2 p.m. today in the old county courthouse.

Man-mule race to start this weekend in Elko

ELKO, Nev. - Back in 1978, two area residents made a friendly wager about who would cover the 13 miles from Lamaille to Elko in the fastest time - a long-distance runner or a mule.

Since the late Fred Harris and runner Tony LaMorte made that first run, the Man-Mule Race has become an annual fund-raising event that attracts scores of people each year.

This year's event will begin at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at Lamaille Grove south of Elko. Gale Scott of Ruby Mountain Riding for the Handicapped said runners will go nine miles, walkers will traverse six and the horse or mule-poker run will be about five miles.

A Boy-Burro Fun Run will cover about two miles and is open to all riders and walkers. Scott said people can also push strollers with children or ride tricycles, bicycles, burros or ponies.

The \$25 registration fee includes a picnic lunch, T-shirt and raffle tickets. Participants in the Poker Run will also receive a poker hand with the individual holding the best cards receiving a 25-inch color television set.

The Elko Lions Club will provide lunch and local merchants have donated items for the raffle.

Proceeds from the event go to the Ruby Mountain Riding for the Handicapped.

For registration information, call Gale Scott at 775-738-3819.

Compiled from staff reports

Internet campaigner hits road

By Michael Journee
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - He's the man behind the emails. His pioneering, yet inexpensive, Internet campaign for Congress was supposed to have helped Craig Williams, a virtually unknown Democrat in an overwhelmingly Republican congressional district, get his message out while striking a blow for campaign finance reform.



Craig Williams

His campaign against popular Republican incumbent Mike Simpson hasn't gone as well as he'd hoped. But Williams is still fighting and is proud of what he has accomplished since announcing his candidacy

for Idaho's 2nd Congressional District seat in the U.S. House. "I'm not a dummy," Williams said. "I knew it was an uphill battle and I would have done a traditional campaign. I thought hard about it, but I don't like it. I don't like the philosophy."

Williams said modern campaigns focus too heavily on raising money rather than the issues. He said proudly that he has spent a mere \$5,000 - most of it his own money - on his e-

mail-reliant campaign, while his opponent has spent about \$500,000 the traditional way. "I've spent one percent of what he has," said Williams, who says on his campaign Web page that he does not want supporters to send contributions. He said he often turns down checks, "but there are some who strongly insist" he take a contribution. He said those types of gifts have not totaled more than \$500.

Williams, who is stepping up

his bid for visibility in the campaign by traveling the 2nd District in a fixed-up school bus, said while campaign finance is a big plank in his platform, it's really taxes that set him apart from Simpson.

"In my opinion the tax structure has been created so that people who get the most out of society give the most back," Williams said. He's willing to discuss an overhaul of the tax system.

Please see ROAD, Page C3

Sheep will show for festival

By Pat Murphy
 Times-News Correspondent

KETCHUM - For awhile this summer, fears plagued the Wood River Valley that the annual Trailing of the Sheep Festival might suffer the ultimate humiliation - no sheep to showcase during the three-day event.

During the summer drought, the U.S. Forest Service began encouraging sheepherders to end their summer grazing in the foothills around Ketchum because of the lack of water in some streams and head south earlier than usual.

But not to worry. The show will go on as planned.

Some of the sheepherders trucked in water to their bands (herds) and remained in the leased grazing areas.

So, the full schedule of weekend events of the Trailing of the Sheep Festival will be staged, climaxed by the annual herding of some 2,000 sheep through Ketchum on Main Street at high noon on Sunday, Oct. 15.

Although some of the 20,000 sheep that grazed in the Ketchum area during the summer have already headed south, a band of 2,000 sheep owned by the Faulkner family of Gooding has been in the high country far north of the Wood River Valley near Stanley, and will make the run through downtown Ketchum.

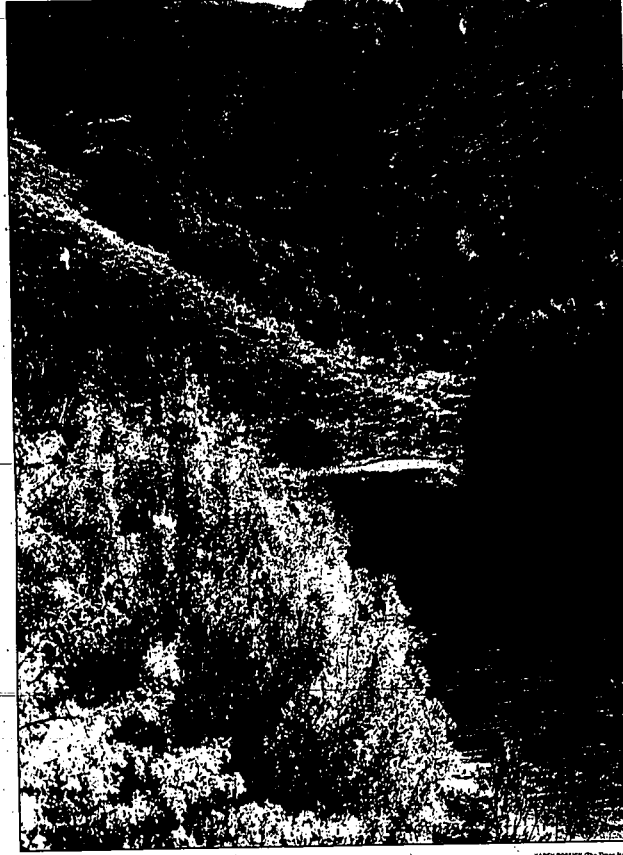
Festival coordinator Diane Peavey, whose husband and son operate at their 100-year-old Flat Top Sheep Co. near Carey, said that one of the major complaints from last year's sheep run through downtown was that the spectacle was too brief.

This year, she said, the sheep will be preceded by the large Boise Highlanders bagpipe band, by sheep wagons in which sheepherders live while tending sheep in the hills, and Basque dancers, who'll perform at each intersection on Main Street.

But if the reaction of thousands of spectators lining Main Street is any indication, the show will be a success.

Please see SHEEP, Page C3

AUTUMN COLORS



Aspen and willow are beginning to change into their fall wardrobe, as this picture taken along Parker Gulch Road near Sun Valley shows.

18 vie for open magistrate position

By Mark Helz
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The process of replacing one of the Magic Valley's longest-serving magistrate judges will begin soon.

Eighteen candidates have filed to replace 5th District Magistrate Judge Melvin Edwards. Edwards, 57, recently filed written notice that he did not seek another term. His current term ends Jan. 8, 2001.

A Magistrate Commission charged with finding a replacement will hold its first meeting Oct. 8, district Trial Court Administrator Linda Wright said. The board is chaired by the 5th District's administrative judge, Barry Wood.

Also on the board will be the chairman or chairwoman of each county commission in the eight-county judicial district. Twin Falls Mayor Elaine Steele and one other mayor; two citizens at large; and two lawyers. A magistrate judge holds a non-voting advisory position.

The board will choose about 10 finalists to be interviewed on Oct. 21, Wright said. If all goes smoothly, a finalist could be picked by a simple majority vote the same day, she said.

The board's selection must

The would-be judges

Here are the candidates to replace 5th District Magistrate Judge Melvin Edwards:

James T. Baird, Twin Falls; deputy attorney general with the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare
Bruce H. Birch, Payette; Payette County prosecutor
Jonathan P. Brody, Twin Falls; Twin Falls County chief deputy prosecutor
Calvin Campbell, Wendell; Caraha County prosecutor, associate in a Twin Falls law firm
Rudolph E. Camarillo, Pocatello; chief civil department attorney, city of Pocatello
Randall S. Grove, Nampa; assistant Boise city attorney
Brian D. Harper, Twin Falls; private practice
Roger B. Harris, Twin Falls; private practice; fills in for Twin Falls County public defender's office in cases where a conflict of interest exists
Thomas D. Kershaw, Twin Falls; private practice
Francine R. Kumbum, Jerome; private practice
Karen C. McCarthy, Twin Falls; staff attorney with Idaho Legal Aid Services
William L.M. Nary, Meridian; assistant Boise city attorney
E. Scott Paul, Shoshone; Lincoln County prosecutor, also private practice
John S. Ritzch, Twin Falls; private practice
Casey U. Robinson, Shoshone; Twin Falls County chief deputy public defender
Justin R. Seamons, Twin Falls; private practice
Howard D. Smyser, Burley; Cassia County deputy prosecutor
Randy J. Stoker, Twin Falls; private practice

Comments sought

Questionnaires for public comment on the selection of a new magistrate judge are available at the trial court administrator's office in the Theron Ward Judicial Building, 427 Shoshone St. North, Twin Falls. The phone number is 738-4085.

Comments should be returned to the trial court administrator's office, P.O. Box 126, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0126. Comments are due Oct. 13.

Evaluation questionnaires on the applicants will also be sent to attorneys across the state.

then be approved by all District judges in the district.

The standard yearly salary for a magistrate judge - set by the Legislature - is \$85,192. To qualify, a person must be at least 30 years old, must be a member in good standing of the Idaho State Bar, and must have at least five years' experience practicing law.

A magistrate judge hears civil cases in which the amount of damages requested does not exceed \$10,000, criminal misdemeanor cases, and small claims cases. A magistrate also may conduct preliminary hearings in felony cases.

Edwards has served since 1978 and is one of three magistrate judges based in Twin Falls.

Markets get help from city consultant

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Somebody finally said it. All those Second streets should be renamed.

City planning consultant Tom Hudson was the messenger at Wednesday night's public, but he had plenty of input from people who do business in the older part of town where those streets are located.

Businesswoman Barbara Morales told a story about some people who came to her store for directions after getting lost wandering through the 16 different Second streets and Second Avenues.

"I told them to call the city," Morales said, "and they told me 'we are the city.'"

But access to the older part of town needs help, too, Hudson said. The five-point intersections almost create barricades, instead of inviting out-of-towners - or even locals - into the historic areas of Twin Falls.

"Your primary job is to be market-driven," he said. "And that means people have to be able to get to the market."

Hudson, the Moscow, Idaho-based consultant who has been in Twin Falls since Monday, will visit several times over the next few months to provide direction to downtown business and property owners. The city of Twin Falls, the Urban Renewal Agency and the Business Improvement District are paying Hudson \$55,000 to help downtown business and property owners revamp business strategies.

And the key to those strategies is to understand the markets, he said.

One significant market is made up of downtown workers who want to shop and eat after work.

Over 50 percent of sales take place after five, Hudson said.

Twin Falls has many more strengths than most other cities that have chosen revitalization projects, he said. Though only a city of 33,000, the city has population density at least 100,000 from which to draw shoppers. In addition, the original design of the town was almost a stroke of genius, he said. He gave examples of several buildings with inspiring architecture and mentioned an original layout that protected residents from wind and sun.

But if residents want their children to come back home because there is a future in Twin Falls, they'll have to make the city an attractive place to be, he said.

Hudson suggested redoing storefronts. And it can't be just a hit-and-miss project. Instead, he said, it should be a long-term project, everyone should work together to lend continuity to the design of downtown. He also said everyone should set customer-friendly hours and keep sidewalks clean.

It may not be too late before deciding if the hours are increasing sales throughout the district.

Other ideas included incorporating the Internet into every business, working to attract young people and children, installing well-placed signs leading to the area, remodeling buildings with second and third stories for residential facilities, and lighting the area so shoppers feel safe at night.

He said downtown areas across the nation are experiencing a renaissance.

"People don't want to feel disconnected," Hudson said. "They're returning to a sense of community, a sense of place, a place with a historic feel."

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Gooding School District updates science curriculum

By Aimee Metcalf Times-News correspondent

GOODING - The district has updated its science curriculum to make sure students learn what they need to know before taking the Idaho Tests of Basic Skills. The School Board on Tuesday got a first look at the new curriculum...

by Gooding Middle School teacher and curriculum specialist Gooding High School Principal David Hocklander, includes study in physical, life, earth, space and technological sciences. Learning objectives of one grade are reinforced in the following grade...

ent-graders will compare and contrast animal characteristics, behavior and habitats. Classification of animals will be studied in the second grade, and animal survival will be studied in grades two through seven.

Kimberly seeks a loan to improve sewer system

By Margaret Jones Times-News correspondent

KIMBERLY - The city has received judicial confirmation allowing it to move ahead in applying for a \$1.5 million loan from the Division of Environmental Quality to improve its water and sewer system.

Grant consultant Susan Riddle told the City Council on Tuesday she will also apply for a \$500,000 block grant to help pay for system improvements that will include replacing old, deteriorating sewer lines.

The council will hold a special meeting at 6:45 p.m. Tuesday to review and possibly approve an engineering contract with J-U-B Engineers for work on the sewer project.

signing off on it. The council approved an application from Taurds Bar & Restaurant for a beer, liquor and wine license. The council will hold a special meeting at 6:45 p.m. Tuesday to review and possibly approve an engineering contract with J-U-B Engineers for work on the sewer project.

SERVICES

Dale Connell of Shoshone, services at 2 p.m. today at the Shoshone LDS Church.

Calvin L. Neal of Jerome, services at 11 a.m. today, at the Jerome Second Ward LDS Chapel on north Lincoln (Hove-Roberson Funeral Chapel).

James L. Snyder of Twin Falls, graveside services at 1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 29, 2000, at Sunset Memorial Park.

Friends and family may call from 11 a.m. to noon Friday at White Mortuary.

George E. Miller of Idaho Falls, service at 3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 29, 2000, at Buck-Miller-Hann Funeral Chapel, 825 E. 17th St. in Idaho Falls.

Murlene Mae Barber of Rogerson, there will be a gathering of family and friends at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, at Murlene's home, 1515 N. 2278 E. in Rogerson.

Jamie Dee Hager of Tendency and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service at 1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 29, at the Salmon River Funeral Chapel in Salmon.

Annie Romer of Eden, services at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 30 at the Hazelton LDS 1st Ward.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Friday, at White Mortuary and from 10:10-4:5 a.m. Saturday at the church in Hazelton

DEATH NOTICES

Esther L. Pusey GLENN'S FERRY - Esther L. Pusey, 83, of Glenn's Ferry, died Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2000, at a Boise hospital.

Earl Goodrich PAUL - Earl Goodrich, 79, of Paul died Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2000, at Bannock Regional Medical Center in Pocatello.

Carl Wayne Henley BURLLEY - Carl Wayne Henley, 67, of Ogden, Utah and formerly of Burley, died Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2000.

Carl M. Van Tassel BURLLEY - Carl M. Van Tassel, 79, of Burley, died Sept. 27, 2000, at his home.

Ilene Marguerite Winterholler KIMBERLY - Ilene Marguerite Winterholler, 74, of Kimberly passed away Sept. 26, 2000, at the Bridgeview Retirement Center in Twin Falls.

Barbara Neilson, Randy Thompson, Clara Knight, Barbara Daniels, Kimberley Bohon and baby boy all of Rupert

HOSPITALS

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

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OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0931, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every dayline.



PAUL Bob is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Edna of Paul, two sons, Rick (Barbara) Renz of Boise and Daryl (Laural) Renz of Cambrria, Calif., one daughter, Lonna (Mark) Newcomb of Rupert, one brother, Jerry (Renee) Renz of Paul, one granddaughter, Mary Newcomb of Rupert, one grandson, Jake Renz of Boise, and several nieces and nephews.

two sisters and one brother. She is survived by her daughter, Sharon Willis of Boise, grandson and wife, Brian and Nikki Holm of Nampa and two beloved great-grandchildren, Kelsea and Austin. Also, three sisters, Clara Wright of Oregon and Emma Himon of Boise and many nieces and nephews.

Robert 'Bob' Renz Robert 'Bob' Renz, 70 year old Paul resident, died Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2000, from injuries sustained in a two-truck accident.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother, Fred and Ida Renz, and one brother, Jake Renz.

KIRKLAND, WASH. Sada Ruth Craig Sada Ruth Craig of Kirkland died Sept. 23, 2000, at Evergreen Hospital in Kirkland. She was 76.

Robert 'Bob' Renz was a family man who moved to Idaho in 1963 at the age of five. Bob attended the old Pioneer School and graduated from Paul High School in 1981. Bob worked for many years at Holme's Construction and then drove long-haul truck for Garritt Freighters.

Ethel R. Fletcher BOISE Ethel R. Fletcher, long time Rupert resident, passed away Sept. 25 at the home of her daughter, Sharon Willis of Boise, with family at her side.

Survivors include her sons James Craig of Bothell-Wash., Robert Craig of Duvall, Wash., and daughters Deborah Haines of Woodinville, Wash. and Susan Nollette of Redmond, Wash. Her brother Alvin Clymore of Paul, Idaho, her sister Lucile Duffant of Houston, Texas, and two grandchildren.



Standing in front of an abandoned vehicle on Monday, Thomas Hendricks, owner of the property, explains how vehicles wrecked a wetland near Caribou, Colo., during a mud driving rally.

Mountain 'mudfest' damages wetlands, spurs investigation

DENVER (AP) - Monster trucks and SUVs that converged on a mountain marshland for a four-wheeling "mudfest" have severely damaged sensitive wetlands and habitat for a rare toad and prompted investigations into the involvement of a Denver radio station and the Colorado National Guard.

Hundreds of off-road enthusiasts headed to Caribou Flats 25 miles west of Boulder on Saturday after hearing disc jockeys on KPBI-FM talk about mucking in the mud for thrills.

worth it. That's the last thing we wanted to do, man." A Colorado National Guard captain believed the mudfest was "a legitimate, media-sponsored event" and authorized four soldiers to take two Humvees as a recruiting effort, said spokesman Holly Peterson.

The spot they picked was land owned by gold-mine operator Tom Hendricks. The bugs, 10,000 in altitude and surrounded by forests and mountains, also are home to the toad, a candidate for the federal endangered species list.

"It's churned up so much there's no vegetation left," said Bob Akright, a geologist who works with Hendricks. "There are deep ruts. There's oil floating in the water."

The Boulder County Sheriff's Office and the U.S. Forest Service are also investigating, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency officials are determining whether they have jurisdiction.

About 25 acres were affected, and eight were seriously damaged, Akright is waiting for direction from regulators about restoration.

"I don't think it's going to be like raking your back yard," he said. The radio station manager and DJs apologized to Hendricks on Tuesday and offered to help repair the damage.

Some of the mud-runners said they thought they were on public land. Hendricks said the property is clearly marked as private.

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Attorney general questions legality of new law setting premium tax rate

LEWISTON (AP) - A state law setting a lower premium tax rate for insurance companies that invest at least a quarter of their total assets in Idaho is legally and constitutionally questionable, Attorney General Al Lance said.

ten protest, arguing Idaho's two-tiered premium tax discriminates against out-of-state companies and is unconstitutional.

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The insurance companies paying the lower premium tax rate saved \$10.8 million last year.

Lance said several state goals could be offered in an effort to defeat any constitutional challenge to the law.

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Uncertainty lies in whether any given court will find that the potential reasons for the reduced rate statute constitute legitimate state purposes and, assuming legitimacy, whether the statute is reasonably related to achieving those purposes.

Lance said court rulings on the issue have been inconsistent. Many cases have been reversed on appeal, he said, and many appellate decisions have flowed from divided courts.

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Companies such as Aetna and Prudential routinely pay Idaho premium taxes under writ-

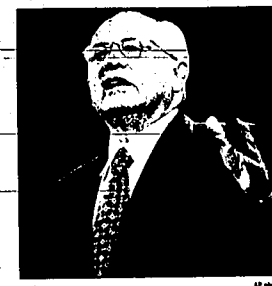
Lance said about 35 states impose premium tax rates lower than Idaho's regular rate of 2.75 percent. Four states charge premium tax rates lower than Idaho's reduced rate of 1.4 percent, he said.

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IDAHO/WEST

Ex-Soviet president talks leadership

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A strong leader must be able to foresee danger and work toward it when the politics or business forces...



Former Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev talks Wednesday in Salt Lake City. Among other things, he presided current President Vladimir Putin.

"A modern leader is a kind of leader who feels the music of this time," Gorbachev said. "Few people can have the vision and foresight and act on this perspective, rather than working for the short-term advantage..."

He told several funny anecdotes along the way, including one about his first foray into politics, when he ran for the head of the local chapter of the Soviet youth organization...

Boise police confront dozens of IMF protesters downtown

BOISE (AP) — More than a hundred demonstrators marched through downtown Boise Tuesday night in solidarity with protests in the Czech Republic...

Seventeen protesters were arrested and charged with unlawful assembly, said Lt. Jim Tibbs, a police spokesman. The demonstration started around 5:30 p.m. as protesters...

Later, the group marched through the downtown area, where some protesters sat down in traffic intersections. "During that time there were episodes where they would sit down in traffic. Those people were arrested..."

U of I secures \$9 million grant

MOSCOW (AP) — The National Institutes of Health has awarded the University of Idaho a five-year grant worth more than \$9 million for research into animal and human diseases...

injuries or property damage were reported. Several protesters said the police used excessive force. "It doesn't take that many people to drag out a guy who's handcuffed," said Lani Haskell, 28, of Boise...

The grant, the largest grant ever awarded to the Moscow school, "will create a level of awareness of Idaho has long strength in biomedical research..."

Only when he sat down, Gorbachev said, someone had pulled the chair out from beneath him. "Everyone was laughing, just as you're laughing now," he said. "That was the first lesson in my problem..."

He also talked about the process of opening up the Soviet Union — avowing that he first understood the need for change when he was a regional governor...

Gorbachev won the Nobel Peace Prize for his policies that effectively ended the Cold War. He resigned on Dec. 25, 1991, when the Soviet Union broke up...

USA AUCTION BEST IN THE WEST

ZILLNER ESTATE AUCTION Saturday, September 30, 2000

HOUSE Home site on lot 501/252 - 2 Bedroom 1 1/2 Bath Kitchen Dining Room Laminate Room 11x15 w/c. w/o carpeting \$22,500

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GLASSWARE Chicken cookie jar - Rooster serving bowl with matching cookie jar (red top) - 47 matching cups and saucers

HOUSEHOLD MISCELLANEOUS Cordless telephone - Stuffed animals - Metal vases - Christmas candles and decorations

LAWN SHOP - MISCELLANEOUS Extensive cold - 2000 Mowing Machine - Lawn Care - Walker - Gopher - Gopher - Gopher

OWNER: HAROLD & EFFIE MILLER ESTATE TERMS: Cash or Bankable Check Day of Sale

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LOADERS, TRUCKS, PICKUPS, & STREET SWEEPER 1970 John Deere loader, 1969 International Dump Truck, 1977 Dodge Pickup...

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TED C. DIVINE ESTATE AUCTION

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EPA questions Idaho about field smoke

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - The Environmental Protection Agency wants Idaho officials to move beyond theorizing and do something about agricultural field-burning-in-the-wake-of-a-Rathdrum-woman's-death.

"Let's try to finally get a handle on this, put it in a box rather than just speculating on, well, we might do this or that," EPA spokesman Mark MacIntyre said. "If that doesn't address the problem, then what can we come in with on a federal level?"

But the state's top environmental official contends there is little more the state can do, and the EPA knows it.

Steve Allred, director of the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, said he already has answered the questions in the letter signed by Charles Findley, the EPA's regional administrator.

"What information would they get now that they didn't get in a meeting here on Aug. 23? We met here to talk about the whole subject," Allred said.

Copies of Findley's letter were sent to the Coeur d'Alene Tribe and the Idaho Department of Agriculture.

Alfred Nemej, the tribe's executive director, said on Tuesday that he had not seen the letter.

Agriculture Department spokeswoman Julie Pipal said director Patrick Takasugi had not seen the letter, either.

Marsha Mason died two weeks ago of an acute asthma attack. The Kootenai County coroner ruled that smoke from area field burning was a contributing factor.

The EPA wants to know what, specifically, state agencies and the tribe are doing to address public health concerns raised by Mason's death. In particular, Findley wrote that he wanted to know what authority those agencies have to control agricultural burning.

MacIntyre said Mason's death

and growing concerns are forcing the EPA to speed up its investigation on the subject of field burning. "As more and more tangible effects from smoke are coming to light—and Em sure we're going to hear more over the coming weeks—it has accelerated our schedule," he said. "We're getting a better picture of the gravity of the problem."

But the state is doing all it can, Allred said. His department is bound by state and federal regulations. He said there are few options beyond increasing awareness about pollution levels and getting better pollution-monitoring equipment.

Defense makes case in murder trial

MOSCOW - It could be the core of Dale Carter Shackelford's defense. Someone else killed Donna Fontaine and Fred Palahniuk.

Shackelford is charged with two counts of first-degree murder, first-degree arson and other crimes in the shooting deaths of his ex-wife and her boyfriend. He faces the death penalty if convicted.

Fontaine, 44, a lawyer who lived in Pilot Knob, Mo., but had property in Idaho, and Palahniuk, 59, of Newman Lake, Wash., were found in a burning building near Kendrick in May 1999.

Fontaine was the only witness against Shackelford on a rape charge she lodged in Missouri for an incident that occurred shortly before the two were divorced in 1998. The pair met while Shackelford was serving a prison sentence for sodomy and Fontaine was teaching a junior college class for inmates.

Idaho activist strikes over jail's meaty meals
MISSOULA, Mont. - The Idaho activist who threw canned

West in brief

salmon at Rep. Helen Chenoweth-Hage during a congressional field hearing in Montana is on a hunger strike because jailers will not serve him vegetarian meals.

Randall Mark, 20, of Moscow has refused all meals since he was jailed in Missoula on Sept. 16, insisting that he be provided with a diet free of anything derived from an animal, and he has recruited some other inmates to his cause.

"He's demanding, not asking," Missoula County Undersheriff Mike McMeekin said.

"No dairy products. No meat. Nothing that has anything to do with an animal or animal byproduct."

While the jail can and does accommodate special diets for legitimate medical or religious reasons, it does not cater to inmate requests, McMeekin said.

Police officers cleared in coroner's inquest

BOISE - Boise Police officers sued against the coroner during the shooting of Brian Allen Poppletton June 12, a coroner's jury concluded.

The six-person jury delivered its verdict - that the shooting was not a result of criminal activity - after 90 minutes of deliberation at the conclusion of the Ada County coroner's inquest into the shooting.

As a result, no criminal charge will be pursued against the officers involved, Ada County Prosecutor Greg Bower said.

Poppletton was shot and killed by officers after a standoff at an intersection near Boise's Towne Square mall.

He was being sought on a domestic violence charge when officers spotted him in his truck. After a short chase, Poppletton parked in the intersection and put a gun to his head, threatening to kill himself.

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Wednesday's Puzzle Solved with the completed crossword grid and a list of words.

Streisand farewell 'sold out', but brokers still have tickets

NEW YORK (AP) — Scalpers expecting to make a profit on Barbra Streisand's farewell concerts at Madison Square Garden have resorted to selling tickets for less than face value.

The face value of the tickets was \$125 to \$1,500, with VIP tickets going for \$2,500, including dinner.

Several brokers who would speak only on condition of anonymity said that as the concerts approached, the more expensive tickets started selling for less than face value.

One man who described himself as a ticket wholesaler who sells to other brokers said that he could probably secure one of the 5,500 tickets for \$700 or \$800.

Streisand's spokesman, Ken Sunshine, said he was glad some brokers had lost money on the tickets.

"We're thrilled about that," he said. "They're the scourge of the industry."

People in the news

House painted by Rockwell goes into foreclosure

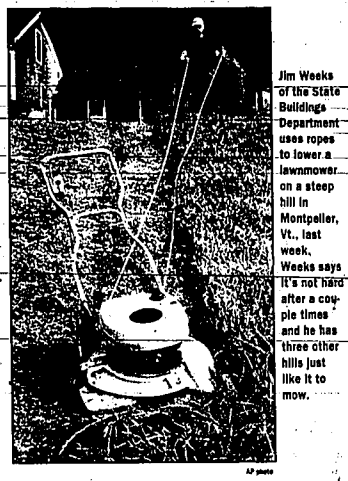
TROY, N.Y. — In 1952, the home inspired a Norman Rockwell painting. Today, it's in foreclosure.

A brick townhouse that was the backdrop for a painting depicting America's optimism and vibrancy was recently turned over to the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, which will offer it for sale for six months.

Linda Peru, curator of the Norman Rockwell collection at the Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, Mass., said Rockwell chose Troy for several paintings because it was the nearest big city to his home.

—compiled from wire reports

DOWNHILL MOWING



Jim Weeks of the state Buildings Department uses ropes to lower a lawnmower on a steep hill in Montpelier, Vt., last week. Weeks says it's not hard after a couple times and he has three other hills just like it to mow.

That morning numbness is not a circulation problem

When you wake up, sometimes a numbness in your arm gives way to a pins-and-needles sensation. D, you cut off blood circulation? Everybody thinks that. No, pressure on a nerve blocked brain messages, that's all.

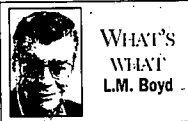
Before the thermometer was invented, a cook stuck a bare arm into the oven, and counted. If the arm had to be pulled out before the count of eight, the oven was hot enough to bake bread.

Bluffing has been described as "piecing together what you know to cover up what you don't know." Claim is the best grades on multiple choice tests are made by the best bluffers.

No butterfly was ever a baby. Q. What prompted Paul McCartney to give up the trumpet?

A. Some lips. If you don't want to be labeled either "introvert" or "extrovert," you can always call yourself an "ambivert."

Elderly men are 20 percent more forgetful than women their age, according to Johns Hopkins researchers who do not explain



WHAT'S WHAT? L.M. Boyd

the why of it. But another analyst says to remember, I suspect elderly men just don't want to remember that much."

Turtles go back farther than dinosaurs. Yes, cats get acne. And that's why I'm not a cat person.

No geographer realizes that those who use sign language can do so with regional accents.

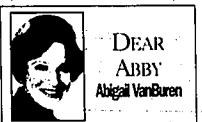
Connecticut has more dentists and fewer divorces per capita - no connection - than any other state.

Geographers call the South "into. Deep." "Lower." "Upper." "Old" and several called "New." You say your people come from "The South"? - Which South?

Skywatchers know clouds don't roll by in a random manner. Certain kinds of cloud formations always precede others.

Daughter's poster hanging annoys dad

DEAR ABBY: My stepdaughters like to decorate their room with lots of posters and whatnots. The girls hang them using thumbtacks and constantly rearrange them. As a result, their walls are full of tiny holes. I don't mind their hanging one or two posters, but the number they hang (and move from place to place) is



DEAR ABBY: Abigail VanBuren

Staggering. It shows little respect for our home.

My wife disagrees. She is right when she says we can repair the walls when the girls are older, but I feel we are not teaching them discipline by allowing them to be so destructive. My wife is angry that I won't let this go.

Abby, if the girls refuse to respect my decision on the number of posters they can hang in their room, it makes it difficult for me to respect their decisions. Should I just shut up and allow them to hang and move their posters as they please?

—TICKED OFF IN LOUISIANA

DEAR TICKED OFF: Posters are important to young people. The "wired" deers' statements" are part of growing up. It has nothing to do with a lack of respect for you.

Look at it this way: The holes in the wall can be easily repaired when the girls outgrow this phase - as they will eventually. It's harder to "repair" an overly strict relationship. Loosen up, Dad, and don't swear the small stuff.

DEAR ABBY: About two years ago, I received a letter from a

woman incarcerated in a California state prison. To make a long story short, I ended up sending her stationery, envelopes, stamps and many money orders - one for more than \$600.

She told me she had no family and needed a place to live after she was paroled. Well, I took the bait, her line and sinker, and "helped" her for more than 18 months.

I'm 43 years old and thought I had finally found my future mate. Her letters seemed sweet and sincere. I felt sorry for her. She even sent me a document that looked genuine showing her "release date." All of it was a lie. I'm sick to my stomach, not only because of the amount of money I sent her, but because I was hurt by someone I thought could give me

a few months ago I received the same story in a letter from a woman inmate in a Texas prison. Do you think these prisoners are passing my name around? Also, is there any way I can get my money back?

—FEELING USED IN UTAH

DEAR FEELING USED: Write the wardens at both prisons, giving the names of the women who have contacted you. Prison officials should be aware that some

exciting scenario. You will be offered leadership role. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): People look to you for prophecies. Suggest reading material. Relationship more serious than originally anticipated. Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius persons in picture.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You recently had more to escape. Don't repeat mistakes. Family member deserves attention, affection. Taurus, Libra individuals plan to surprise you.

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Leo - your moon suggests you avoid crowds

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Focus on proposals that include partnership, marriage. Check details including measurements. Mathematical solutions. Taurus, Leo, Scorpio persons are in scenario.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Keep appointments regarding health. Be ready for sudden changes of itinerary. Read and write, teach and learn. Filtration is not frivolous. Protect self in clinics.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Domestic adjustment necessary.

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Deal gingerly with Libra. Scentinal highlights flowers, music, artistry. Beautiful surroundings, especially in residence.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Overcome tendency to be moody. Meditation brings positive results. Pices could mislead without intending to do so. Define terms; outline boundaries.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Steer clear of traffic jams. Moon position declares, "Stay out of crowds if possible." Focus also on production, promotion, organizing priorities. Capricorn involved.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): What was lost will be recovered almost effortlessly. Look beyond the immediate. Explore possibility of overseas journey. Aries,

Libra persons play roles. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Toss aside preconceived notions. You are a miracle. A different kind of love on horizon. Take yet another chance on romance.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Emphasis on proposals, career and marriage. Moon position highlights courts-institutions, visit to hospital. Remember that discretion is better part of valor.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Win friends and influence people. Luck rides with you. You will entertain and be entertained. Some major hopes, wishes will become realities. Obtain funding.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Red tape will not stop you. Fill out forms in good humor. Taurus, Leo, Scorpio persons figure in

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Anti-Milosevic rally draws about 200,000



Ferry sinks; police arrest captain, crew

PAROS, Greece (AP) — Greek authorities on Wednesday arrested the captain and four crew members of a ferry that struck a rocky outcrop marked by a light beacon that could be seen for seven miles. At least 62 people were killed.

Some survivors said crew members were watching a soccer match on television Tuesday night when the ship went aground in a gale in the Aegean Sea, just two miles from shore.

"I joked with my husband, 'Who's driving the ship?'" said Christa Liczbinski, a pregnant, 37-year-old from Seeheim, Germany.

Greece's lead prosecutor, Panagiotis Dimitropoulos, said he would seek indictments for the crew on murder charges.

"It is inexplicable how the ship collided with a well-known rock that carries a light visible from a distance of seven miles," said coast guard chief Andreas Sirigos.

Survivors described a scene of panic and chaos as passengers tried to slip off the sinking ship into the swelling seas, and authorities said the death toll could rise because eight to 24 people were unaccounted for.

Attorney closes criminal case

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel's attorney general on Wednesday rejected a police recommendation to try former Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on corruption charges, clearing the way for the popular hard-liner to challenge Prime Minister Ehud Barak.

In a 22-page statement distributed to news organizations, Elyakim Rubinstein cited "difficulties with the evidence" that made a conviction of Netanyahu and his wife Sara unlikely. Police suspected the couple of conspiring with a government contractor in a kickback scheme, illegally keeping gifts, and obstructing justice.

The announcement comes at a sensitive time for Barak, who soundly defeated Netanyahu in May 1999 elections. Barak's far-reaching peace proposals have lost him majority support in Parliament, and Netanyahu's hard-line Likud party hopes to force him out once Parliament reconvenes Oct. 30.

Sect members die in Chinese custody

BEIJING (AP) — Two members of the banned Falun Gong sect have died in custody, the latest deaths in China's crackdown on the spiritual movement, a rights group reported Wednesday.

The deaths bring to at least 52 the number of Falun Gong followers who have died in detention, the Hong Kong-based Information Center for Human Rights and Democracy reported.

The government has denied the deaths were the result of mistreatment.

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — More than 200,000 joyful opponents of Slobodan Milosevic swarmed the capital's downtown district Wednesday, supporting an opposition claim of an electoral triumph over the Yugoslav president.

The biggest demonstration ever against Milosevic completely blocked Belgrade's main streets around Republic Square. Much of the downtown area teemed with people waving flags and chanting: "He's finished."

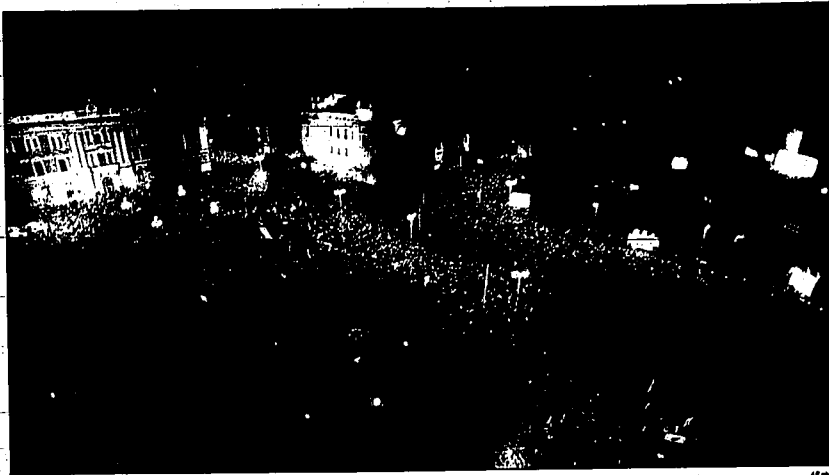
Throughout Serbia, the main Yugoslav republic, thousands streamed into city streets, celebrating what they say was the opposition's stunning triumph in Sunday's presidential and parliamentary elections.

Despite that claim, Milosevic's government scheduled a runoff for Oct. 8. The plan for another vote comes amid calls from President Clinton and other Western leaders for Milosevic's government to acknowledge defeat.

Vojislav Kostunica, who the opposition claims defeated Milosevic in Sunday's vote, told the crowd there will be no runoff.

"If we bargained with them, then we would recognize the lie instead of the truth," Kostunica said. "If we bargain, we would recognize that the will of one man, Slobodan Milosevic, was stronger than the will of the entire nation."

The opposition, using figures from its poll watchers, claimed Kostunica won 52.54 percent of Milosevic's 32.01 percent — enough for a first-round victory in the five-candidate field. But the



People crowd into central Belgrade, Yugoslavia, Wednesday in a rally calling for President Slobodan Milosevic to accept election results and leave office.

state electoral commission, which is loyal to Milosevic, says Kostunica finished first with 48.22 percent while Milosevic polled 40.23 percent. That would necessitate a runoff, since neither received more than 50 percent. The opposition quickly rejected the idea, but the government set the runoff date.

In New York on Wednesday, former Prime Minister Milan Pantic urged Russia, Yugoslavia's traditional ally, to offer Milosevic an exit in order to spare the country from civil war. "Otherwise, conflict is almost inevitable," said Pantic, who was defeated by Milosevic for the Serbian presidency in December 1992.

To avoid conflict, Pantic suggested Russian President Vladimir Putin send a plane to Belgrade "to take Milosevic and his clique out."

Protesters threw firecrackers and flares, and waved thousands of banners reading "He's done with," referring to Milosevic's apparent stunning defeat in the presidential election.

In the center of the square, a note displayed on a digital clock reading "Sloho, where is your courage now?"

"Milosevic is a strongman left without his strength," said Kostunica, calling on the police and the army "not to defend Milosevic's family, but the people."

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President contends GOP fears gay-rights bill would 'split their base'



President Bill Clinton

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton accused congressional Republicans Wednesday of ducking a gay-rights bill out of fear it might anger some of the party's bedrock supporters.

"The Republican majority does not want a bill that explicitly provides hate crimes protections for gay Americans," Clinton said at the White House. "I think they think it will split their base or something."

Clinton is pushing an anti-hate-crimes

bill that would define crimes against homosexuals in much the same way as racially motivated crime.

Clinton said the legislation is not complicated, and could be attached to any number of bills now moving through Congress.

"So if it doesn't get on (some bill) it will require an effort of the leaders to keep it off," Clinton said before leaving for a fundraising trip to Texas that will include a speech to a gay audience. "In other words,

minority rule, not majority rule in the Congress."

A spokesman for Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott denounced Clinton's remarks as "demagoguery at its worst."

"Pitting one group against another in order to gain personal electoral advantage is bad even for President Clinton," Lott spokesman John Cawartacki said, adding that it is "is certainly not our inclination" to put the bill to a vote.

"We do not have an interest in telling the families of some crimes that their sons or daughters are less important in the eyes of the federal government than the victims of other crimes," Cawartacki said.

Clinton's plan would add crimes motivated by sexual orientation, gender or disability to the list of offenses already covered under a 1968 federal law, and allow federal prosecutors to pursue a hate-crime case if local authorities refuse to press charges.



Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott

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- Healthy babies should always sleep on their backs.
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- Check for loose strings or straps on bumper pads.
- Quilts, comforters and blankets should be placed on top of a sleeping baby; never underneath.
- Pillows and plush toys are for decoration only and not for baby's use. Remove them when baby is sleeping or unattended.
- When selecting a changing table, select one that has straps to help prevent baby from falling.
- When changing a baby, make sure all the products you need are easily accessible.

Kitchen

- Put cleaning products and toxic chemicals on a top shelf, out of reach.
- Plastic and other shopping bags should be put away.
- Always make sure highchair is secure and stable.
- Make sure food is soft enough and small enough for baby to eat.
- Check the temperature of the food before you feed it to your baby.

Living Room

- Cover all electrical outlets with protective caps.
- Electrical, drape or blind cords should be placed out of reach.
- Check toys for loose or broken parts.
- Keep away any small objects that babies could choke on.
- Make sure playpens will not tip over.
- Playpens should not have small corners anywhere in baby's area.
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BUILDING BLOCKS OF SAFETY

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- Make sure your child's car seat is officially approved and properly sized.

BUILDING BLOCKS OF SAFETY

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BUILDING BLOCKS OF SAFETY

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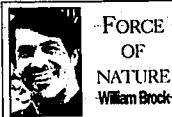
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A canoe, a dog and adventure

Southern Idaho never ceases to amuse me. When plans for one outdoor activity go sour, I can always do something else to salvage a satisfying day afield.

It happened again over the weekend. My nephew and I were planning to scout an unfamiliar mountain bike trail in the Albion Mountains, but he was in sickbay when Saturday rolled around. We put the reconnaissance trip on hold, but he was still feeling crook on Sunday. I faced a dilemma: Should I do the ride alone? Or not?

I was inclined to go, but my domestic associate convinced me it was time to embark on a 25- to 30-mile bike ride over unfamiliar terrain, alone, at this time of year. The bike ride was off, so it was time for Plan B. It had to be fairly close to town because the day was already slipping away.



Conditions were ripe for a jaunt to Vinyard Lake. I tossed my little canoe onto the truck, whistled for the dog, and drove to Twin Falls Park on the Snake River.

The boat was on the water within moments. The dog, Abby, hopped aboard and we settled in for 15 minutes of easy paddling. We headed upstream, angling across to the north shore, then turned in at the mouth of Vinyard Creek.

Suddenly, the murky waters of the Snake gave way to the startlingly clear water of the creek. I could see fish darting beneath the boat. Underwater plants swayed in the current.

After about 100 yards, the creek became too steep, swift and rocky to paddle. It was time for the adventure to continue on foot. Once we were ashore, the stilling sound of the creek was pierced by an eerie, rhythmic squeal. It sounded like a windmill. My interest was piqued.

As proved to be a decrepit metal waterwheel, probably decades old, steadily turning in the tumbling waters of Vinyard Creek. I'd seen it on previous visits, but the creek had never been fast enough to spin the wheel continuously. Now, with spring flows high after months of nearby irrigation, the creek could keep it turning.

Abby and I pressed on, working our way west, past the mouth of the box canyon formed by Vinyard Creek. Then we began climbing out of the Snake River Canyon.

Up we went, scampering over low bands of basalt cliffs, looking for the easiest line. I strolled and Abby frolicked through large, rocky amphitheaters studded with patches of golden cheatgrass. Whenever I thought I had the landscape figured out, unexpected wrinkles produced fresh challenges and new discoveries.

At the shy of the top, a continuous cliff band barred the way. It looked like we were stymied by insurmountable cliffs - rimrocked - but I spotted a notch that looked promising. Close inspection revealed a smooth rock face, about head high, that I could easily surmount.

Abby was skeptical, but - whimpering slightly - she allowed me to boost her over the top.

From there, we walked to the lip of Vinyard Creek Canyon. The idea was to walk the edge of the box canyon from one side of the mouth to the other.

The hike went fine until we got rimrocked near the end. It was getting late and the only options were to retrace our steps, or descend into the box canyon and make our way around Vinyard Lake.

I chose the latter, but there came a point when the trail faded out on a steep cliff about 30 feet above the lake. A sturdy but narrow board spanned the five-foot gap.

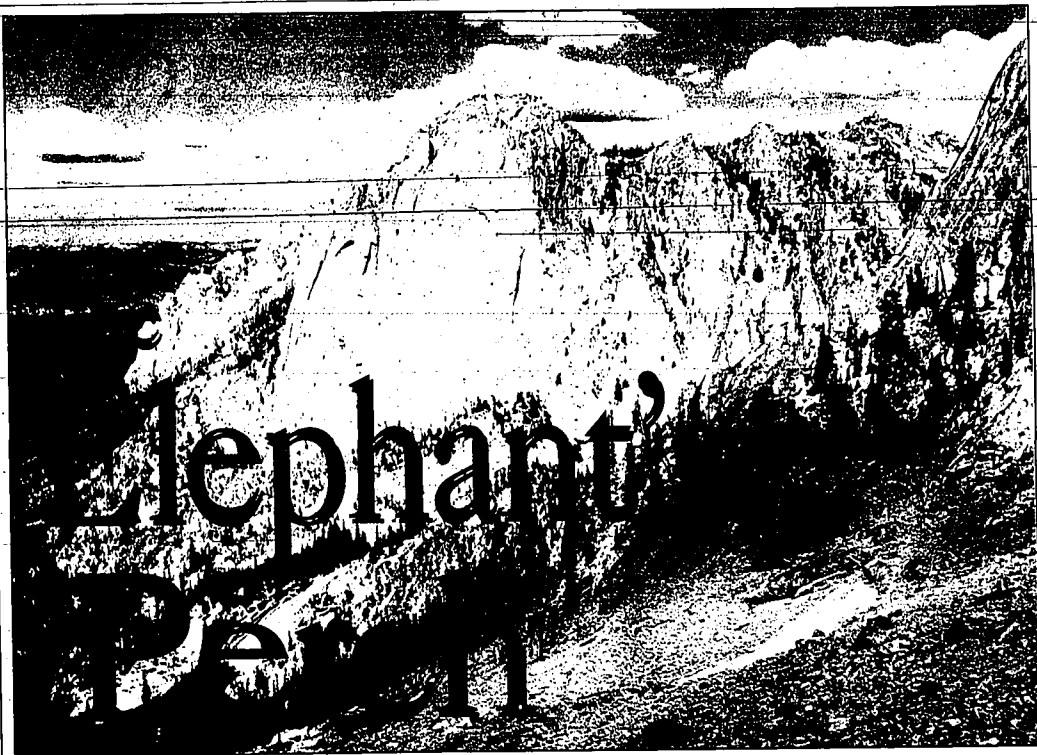
It was a moment of truth. We were either 19/20ths of the way through our hike, or we were halfway. It all boiled down to whether Abby would cross the bridge.

She had balked when we'd been there on an earlier outing, but we had been on the other end of the bridge that day. It had been a simple matter to turn around and head back to the canoe.

It wasn't so simple this time around. I shuffled about a third of the way across the bridge, then crouched down and bade Abby jump into my lap. She was having none of it - so I scooped 50 pounds of dog into my arms, duck-walked another couple of steps and deposited her on the far side.

We were back at the boat a few minutes later. A tight moment, and another good adventure, lay behind us.

William Brock is Outdoors editor of The Times-News.



The Elephant's Perch in the Sawtooth Mountains, center, offers some of Idaho's finest alpine climbing. The Mountaineer's Route is viable near the left hand edge of the formation.

Majestic Sawtooth peak is a magnet for alpine climbers

Central Idaho is famed for its rugged mountains unspoiled and alpine beauty. Foremost among the Gem State's wild areas are the toothy summits of the spectacular Sawtooth Mountains.

Climbers have been exploring this jagged range since the 1930s, but it wasn't until the early 1960s that a team finally scaled what to become one of Idaho's most coveted climbing objectives: the Elephant's Perch.

Casual hikers can see the Elephant's Perch when hiking along the Redfish Lake Creek trail behind Redfish Lake; when heading up the trail, the Perch is to your left, across the creek. It stands just south of the Grand Mogul, which dominates the southern end of Redfish Lake.

The Elephant's Perch is hard

to miss because it is a mesmerizing wall of golden stone that rises uninterrupted for nearly 1,200 feet.

Since the first ascent in 1963, hundreds of climbers have scaled the Elephant's Perch. Today, it is laced with more than 25 separate climbing routes. Of these, one line stands out as the most traveled way to the top - the classic Mountaineer's Route.

The Mountaineer's Route ascends the Perch's northwest face, tracing a line of good edges and clean cracks. Although it is the easiest route on the formation, it is by no means a give-away. The climb is rated 5.9, Grade 3 which means it should take a competent team the better part of a day to complete. The six- to eight-pitch route is characterized by vertigo-inducing exposure and varied climbing up some of the best leads on

the entire wall. It weaves around several loose blocks and an impressive three-tiered roof system.

The route was first climbed in 1967 by a trio of seasoned climbers with considerable experience in California's Yosemite Valley. One member was Long-time Wood River Valley resident Gordon Webster. Among the strongest crack climbers of the 1960s, Webster put up the Traveler's Buttress Route on Lover's Leap in California - a line that's considered one of the 50 classic climbs of North America.

Thanks to his Idaho connections, Webster was intimately familiar with the Sawtooths.

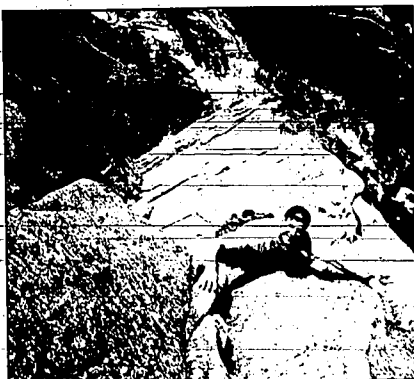
Webster's companions, T.M. Herbert and Dennis Hennek, were equally competent on hard rock. Herbert took part in first ascents of the West Face and Muir Wall routes up Yosemite's El Capitan, as well as the Chouinard-Herbert Route on Sentinel Rock, also in Yosemite. Hennek played a key role in the first ascents of Tis-Sa-Ack on Half Dome in Yosemite, and the North Buttress of California's Mount Good.

Ironically, these three eminent climbers didn't come to Idaho's Sawtooth Mountains to make history or forge new and difficult routes. Instead they came on vacation. Their plan was to relax with their wives and girlfriends and soak in the beautiful Sawtooth scenery.

As it turned out, they weren't content to look. During the course of their holiday, they scampered up what would later become one of Idaho's best-known climbs.



Like ants in a vertical world, two climbers work their way up the Mountaineer's Route on the Elephant's Perch.



With nothing but space - and the rope - below him, former Magic Valley resident Ron Veldink carefully ascends the Mountaineer's Route.

Story and photos by Mark Weber

OUTDOORS

Nordic ski club will clear South Hills trails

HANSEN - The High Desert Nordic Association will hold its annual Trail Clearing Day beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Magic Mountain Lodge in the South Hills.

Participants can get to know the trail system and enjoy some hiking. Bring work clothes, tools and a lunch. Everyone is invited. For more information, call Mike Bailey at 732-5443.

Fish salvage seasons open Sunday on some waters

JEROME - The Big Wood River below Magic Reservoir and the Richfield Canal will not be open to fish salvage this fall. The water level in Magic Reservoir and with means there will be enough seep

Outdoors in brief

age-and-spring-water-to-maintain fish populations in the river and canal below the dam.

The river between the dam and the Richfield Canal diversion is open for fishing until March 31. The Richfield Canal is open year-round. A six-trout limit applies in these waters.

The Big Wood River, from the Richfield Canal to the Milner-Gooding Canal, and the Lincoln Canal system will be open to public fish salvage on Sunday. The salvage season for these waters runs through Dec. 31. Fish may be taken by snagging, spearing, archery, dipnet, seines or with the hands. The use of any toxic

chemicals, explosives, electric current or firearms is prohibited. Bag and possession limits are removed; however, a valid fishing license is required to salvage fish.

Other canals in the region also will be open to salvage as water levels are lowered over the next several weeks.

CSI offers instruction on rock climbing Sunday

TWIN-FALLS - Anyone interested in learning how to rock climb should plan to be at Dierkes Lake on Sunday.

The College of Southern Idaho is sponsoring a day of instruction for CSI students and non-students. Early registration is

encouraged at either the CSI Outdoor Program office in the Taylor Administration Building, or at the Twin Falls City Parks and Recreation office at Harmon Park.

Anyone over the age of 12 is welcome. The cost is \$12 per person. Equipment will be provided. Participants should bring lunch and a drink.

For more information, call the CSI Outdoor Program at 733-9554, extension 2697.

- compiled from staff reports

Gunman poaches deer in national park

GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) - Two large mule deer bucks were poached, apparently solely for their trophy-size antlers, rangers said.

The deer were apparently killed Sept. 18 evening east of Moose and south of Birch Creek and discovered Sept. 19 by rangers.

"This is one of the most appalling kinds of crimes, killing beautiful and gentle animals in cold blood, simply for a wall trophy," park Superintendent Jack Neckels said.

Both deer had been shot, but only one had its antlers removed, prompting speculation that someone unknowingly passed

near the scene and caused the suspects to flee, rangers said.

A reward of up to \$5,000 is being offered for information leading to an arrest and conviction.

The killing of wildlife in national parks is a federal offense and can be prosecuted as a felony.

Agency releases bull trout plan

HELENA, Mont. (AP) - The Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks has released a plan to guide efforts to restore threatened bull trout populations in Montana's Clark Fork and Kootenai river basins.

The restoration plan is a voluntary effort on behalf of the state to restore bull trout to a level that will allow recreational fishing.

The plan was developed by the Montana Bull Trout Restoration Team, appointed by Gov. Marc Racicot in 1993. It is based on a series of scientific reports that focus on the 12 western Montana watersheds bull trout are known to inhabit. The overall goal is to ensure the long-term persistence of bull trout in its native waters in western Montana.

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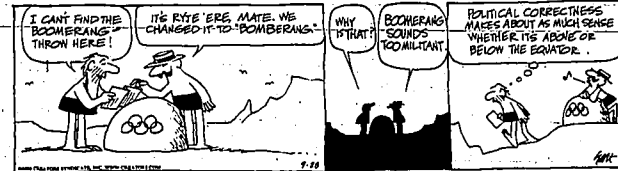
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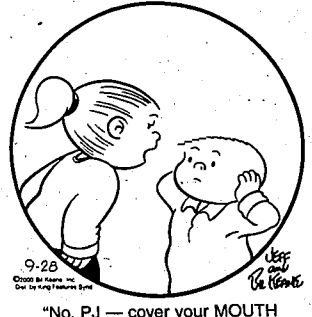
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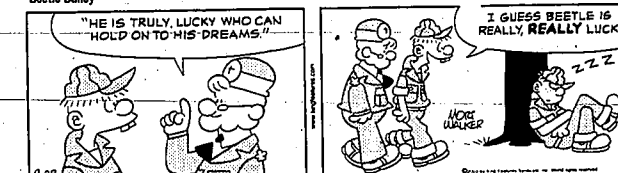
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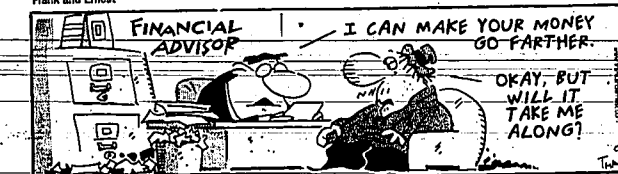
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OUTDOORS

Dwindling wildlife confounds biologists

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — Despite conservative hunting and mild winters, eastern Idaho's antelope population continues to stagnate, confounding biologists.

"We don't know what's going on," said Mike Scott, wildlife manager for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game in the Salmon Region. "It doesn't make any sense."

Threats for the stagnation are more plentiful than bucks with 17-inch horns. Some believe their high desert habitat has changed subtly, becoming drier and less productive. Others blame the weather, namely cold spring rains that kill newborn fawns.

Some hold the belief that predators, namely coyotes, are eating too many of the fawn-toed animals. And still others believe that too many antelope are being shot by hunters, right in the season's core. Monthly, hunters will be looking at smaller, more widely scattered herds.

"The outlook is fair, at best," Scott said. The problem started in the late 1980s when antelope were thick and caused lots of headaches for the region's farmers. In 1989, the legislature took \$500,000 from other Fish and Game programs and used the money to pay for crop damage caused by antelope.

To appease farmers and the Legislature, Fish and Game aggressively hunted antelope. In the early 1990s, permit levels topped out at roughly 2,300, including 540 tags specifically for does and fawns. The goal was to contain a species that can be very prolific in good conditions. In a perfect habitat, does can have two fawns per year, and a healthy population can see as many as 120 fawns born per 100 does. (Scientists are quick to point out that breeding rates vary dramatically, depending on the habitat.)

Right now in eastern Idaho, there are less than 45 fawns per 100 does, according to a survey Fish and Game performed in August. Biologists say that is still enough to provide a surplus of animals for hunters.

"When you get down to 20 per 100, you worry," Compton said. Unfortunately, the department's aggressive harvest levels continued through 1995, two years after the killer winter of 1992-93. Scott now believes the combination of the tough winter and prolonged doe hunting is partly to blame for the slow recovery of the antelope population.

"We probably contributed to the decline in the population with too much doe hunting when production was already going down," Scott said. One hunter agrees.

"I think we're over-hunting them, have been since 1993," said long-time hunter Paul Kniss. "There was probably an 80 percent kill after the winter of 1992-93, and the department didn't cut back on the tags. That's no bad."

Realizing the antelope population wasn't bouncing back, biologists reduced doe hunting in 1997. This year, there are only 1,800 tags and only 130 tags for does and fawns in the Magic Valley. There are no doe tags in the Salmon or Upper Snake River regions. Still, the population hasn't flourished, like many people expected.

Some, like Kniss, want more hunting restrictions. "In some areas, we shouldn't be hunting them at all," Kniss said. "We just don't have the numbers."

Biologists say limiting hunting won't work. They say doe hunting, not buck hunting, is the way to control a population. If they stop buck hunting, they will only hurt hunters.

"Antelope aren't increasing in places they aren't hunted, so I have a hard-time pointing to hunting," Scott said, pointing to the non-hunted herd in Yellowstone National Park.

Others agree. "Hunting males doesn't impact pregnancy rates," said Brad Compton, wildlife manager in Idaho Falls. "Seventy to 80 percent of our harvest is males. We could cut the heck out of hunting, but it's unlikely to have much impact."

Other biologists, though, worry that hunting bucks may be a problem.

Because the antelope season starts during the breeding season, some mature bucks are killed before they can breed. That means some does may not be impregnated, said Justin Nadermann, a biologist in Idaho Falls.

"If you take a buck but of his territory, some does may not move into another territory," he said. "That might be a problem; we just don't know."

Compton believes the problem is the loss of winter range to agriculture, the invasion of cheatgrass, which is not good antelope food, and the loss of migration corridors to highways. To make his point, he looks at the size of the mature bucks killed each year. Instead of growing horns up to 17 inches long, eastern Idaho's antelope top out at 14 or 15 inches.

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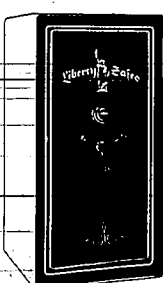
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Teens break it on down

By Levi Aspeytla
 Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS—Before "La Macarena," younger generations were learning and mastering another type of dance.

Break dancing has become a favorite pastime of many Latino teen-age boys. A lot of the teens do it for fun, others dance to stay out of trouble, while Juan Morquecho, 19, of Twin Falls said he breaks for both reasons.

Roberto Martinez, 15, of Twin Falls, has another incentive. "Break dancing is a way for me to clear my mind," he said.

Like other musical moves, break dancing takes practice, practice and more practice. Dancers will spend hours working on the more advanced moves or be content just gaining mastery of the basics, such as popping or locking.

"I practiced everyday for an hour or two," said Jose Vazquez, 14, of Jerome.

"I practice about four or five times a week for about seven or eight hours," added Rolando Hito Graza, 15, of Twin Falls.

Break dancers gather with friends to practice or work by themselves and then show their moves at parties or get-togethers. They challenge each other to see who pulls off a bigger move.

"I practiced for eight weeks straight with a bunch of friends," said Marco Palomo, 14, of

Twin Falls, about preparing for the break dancing competition at the Hispanic Heritage Festival in the Twin Falls City Park on Aug. 13.

The dancers sometimes spent days practicing one move.

They said they wanted to have full control of their body and not mess up in front of a group of people. Sometimes, the difficulty of a move is determined by how long it took to practice.

"If you really are dedicated to it, mastering a move will take a week to a week and a half," said Tim Martinez, 17, of Twin Falls.

How these young men broke into break dancing differs.

Some say their friends introduced them, others say they learned from watching people like their brothers or other relatives.

"I started seeing people doing it and also saw break dancing on music videos," said Daniel Murillo, 17, of Twin Falls.

Most of the break dancers in the Magic Valley are males. There is a small handful of female breakers, but they are rarely seen.

"There is not that many female break dancers because they don't feel that it is their thing," said Anthony Alvarez, 16, of Twin Falls, said, "and the few that do break-dance are shy."

While observers may see break dancing going the way of the Twist, the young dancers say the moves are here to stay.

"Break dancing has become very popular and is still becoming even more popular," said Marty Pedraza, 17, of Twin Falls.

Right, Marco Palomo shows his moves during the break dancing competition at the Hispanic Heritage Fiesta at Twin Falls City Park. Left, Rolando Garza shows a head spin.



Some break dancing moves

Handy sweeps: Dancers balance on their hands while rotating their shoulders and waists simultaneously.
Windmills: On their backs, dancers rotate their shoulders and waists at the same time.
Head spins: Dancers are on their heads, keep their whole bodies stiff and use their legs as balance. They use their hands to spin themselves.
Helicopter: The dancer balances his body on one hand and rotates his whole body with the other hand.
Popping: It starts as a hand movement and expands through the whole body.
Locking: Dancers freeze during a move.
Break dancing first appeared in the South Bronx in the 1970s. Performers mixed aerobics with martial arts and disco dancing. Because it is layered with meaning, the dance is often a vehicle for a dancer's personal vision. Breaking replaced fighting and the violent rumble gave way to dance competitions. Source: One Ray of Sunshine Web site



Fund-raiser, raffle help Burley family

BURLEY—A taco dinner and raffle will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 7 at the Snake River Plaza in Burley to raise a benefit for Arturo Bernal Junior and family.

Bernal, the son of Arturo and Maria Bernal of Burley, was seriously injured in a motorcycle accident in Camp Pendleton, Calif. on Aug. 4, organizers say. He is in a coma and medical expenses are mounting. The taco plate dinner is \$4 and includes two tacos, beans and rice. Organizers will also deliver

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to job sites by calling 678-5751 (evenings) or 678-2224 by Oct. 6. The raffle will be held at 4 p.m. Oct. 7. Prizes include gift certifi-

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Quinceañera



Marie Cantu and escort Justin Cano

RUPERT—Marie Gantu, daughter of Adam and Lucy Cantu of Kimberly, celebrated her quince año Sept. 9 at St. Nicholas Church in Rupert.

Father Henry Carmona officiated. A reception and a dance were held at the National Guard Armory. Music was provided by La Familia.

Marie is a 10th-grader at Kimberly High School and involved in bowling and powder puff girls.

Her chambelán (escort) of honor was Justin Cano, who is on the Kimberly High School football team. Other chambelanes included Louis Pena Junior, Manuel Pena, Jose Ortega, David Gurte, Andy Aguirre and Moni Herrera.

Her damas (female attendants) included Crystal Esparza, Angelica Ortega, Lanessa Robbins, Melinda Hernandez and Amanda Ruiz. Padrinos (godparents) are Norma Esparza, Yoli Gomez, Gilbert Lopez, Lydin and Louis Pena, Manuel and Yolanda Luna, Salvador and Liz Ruiz, Robert and Candl Gomez, Larry and Eva Eastman, Beatrice Vasquez, Juan and Rosa Gonzales, Juan and

Luanh Vela, Pete and Dalila Espinoza, Ralph Martinez, Becky Diaz, Mr. and Mrs. Molina, Andy and Judy Maestas, Lily and Abram Casanueva, Junior Gomez and Nina Boston, Jose and Sandra Carrasco, Marina Hernandez, Carol Howell, Aurelio and Josie Tirado, Cory and Feliz Eames, Rick and Hilda Rodriguez and Monica Ortega.

The cake was given by Angel Cano, Leticia and Adolfo Saldana and Becky McDole. The dress was given by Adam and Lucy Cantu, Maria Luna, Tina DeLeon and Lydia Pena.

The following gifts were also given: rosary and book, Maria Luna, Tina DeLeon and Jeremy Pena; crown, Eddie and Janie Luna; ring, Manuel Pena and Louis Pena Junior; necklace, Joe and Elsie Luna; bouquet, Simon Arevalo and Maria Ramon; picture, Linda Robbins; champagne, classes, Christina Rodriguez; pillow, Enrique and Lorraine Martinez; decorations, Ida Cano, Lydia Pena, Maria Cantu, Mel Martinez and Andrea Stewart; invitations, Ida Cano and Victor Nava; spatula, knife, Marie and Rosalinda DeBosque and guest book, Ralph and Nina Castro.

Digame! (Tell me!)

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Test of 'dynamic pricing'
Internet firm's price variations cause customer revolt

The Washington Post
Few things stir up a consumer revolt quicker than the notion that someone else is getting a better deal. That's the lesson Amazon.com has just learned.
Amazon, the largest and most potent force in e-commerce, was recently revealed to be selling the same DVD movies for different prices to different customers. It was the first major Web test of a strategy called "dynamic pricing," which gauges a shopper's desire, measures his means and then charges accordingly.
The Internet was supposed to empower consumers, letting them compare deals with the click of a mouse. But it is also supplying retailers with dynamic pricing tools that they never had before, along with the technology to use all this accumulated data. While prices have always varied by geography, price and when, retailers were never able to effectively target individuals until the Web.
"Dynamic pricing is the new reality, and it's going to be used by more and more retailers," said Aaron Keenan, a San Francisco Internet consultant. "In the future, what you pay will be determined by where you live and who you are. It's unfair, but that doesn't mean it's not going to happen."

One man recounted how he ordered the DVD of Julie Taymor's "Titus," paying \$24.49. The next week he went back to Amazon.com and found that the price had jumped to \$26.24. As an experimenter, he stripped his computer of the electronic tags that identified him to Amazon as a regular customer. Then the price fell to \$22.74.
"Amazon was trying to figure out how much their loyal customers would pay," said Barrett Ladd, a retail analyst with Gomez Advisors. "And the customers found out."
A number of DVDTalk.com visitors were particularly distressed to find that prices seemed to be higher for regular customers. "They must figure that with repeat Amazon customers they have 'won' them over and they can charge them slightly higher prices since they are loyal and/or 'mind and/or don't notice' that they are being charged three to five percent more for some items," wrote a user whose online handle is Deep Sleep.
"It was done to determine consumer responses to different discount levels," said spokesman Bill Curry. "This was a pure and simple price test. We don't do that anymore. We have no plans ever to do it."

My most sincere apology for any confusion or frustration caused by our dynamic pricing "experiment" was given by Galen Saitter. "Dynamic testing of a customer base is a common practice among both brick & mortar and internet companies."
Physical stores have always had varied pricing. Prices might be higher in an affluent neighborhood or lower, depending on the goods being sold. A stereo system or camera purchased in certain neighborhoods of Manhattan would almost always be cheaper than in a small town with only one electronics store. Industries as basic as airlines and automobiles routinely adjust their prices because of the consumer's negotiating skills and general savvy.
Still, these traditional methods used to calculate prices are being dismantled by the Internet's scalpel. For one thing, the Web provides a continuous feedback loop: The more the consumer buys from a Web site, the more the site knows about him and the value he brings to the position it. It's as if the corner drugstore could see you coming down the sidewalk, clutching your fevered brow, and then double the price of aspirin.
If a retailer would love to do dynamic pricing if they could," said analyst Ladd. "If you could make the optimum amount of money from a consumer who's willing to pay more, that's a beautiful thing."

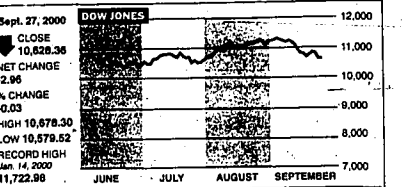
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The reaction was swift and brutal, causing Coke to promptly deny it would ever have vending machines do any such thing. When it was forced out in December, the reason was in part attributed to the public relations fiasco.
An online retailer's ability to use dynamic pricing is limited only by its number of customers and the variety of products it sells. What person listed in the index of a White House aide's memoir would not pay for a trip to Hawaii? Consumers in Los Angeles obviously have a greater need for Armani sunglasses than those in, say, Vermont, and might pay accordingly. Hurricane preparations kits could be at a premium for Florida residents in the fall. And what parent anywhere - particularly one who lives in a wealthy ZIP code - would not pay a bit more for that hot, hard-to-locate Christmas toy his child desperately wants?
"Amazon knows who has the ability and perhaps the incentive to pay more based on demographics, on income and purchasing history, on income and urgency," said Jupiter Communications analyst Mike May. "The variable that they're deficient on is which customers won't mind paying more. They don't know the level of outrage."

With its detailed records on the buying habits of 23 million customers, Amazon is perfectly situated to employ dynamic pricing on a massive scale. But its trial run into a snag early this month when the regulars discussing DVDs at the Web site DVDTalk.com noticed something odd.

But an Amazon customer service representative called it exactly that in e-mail to a DVDTalk member. "I would first like to send along

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Stocks fail to rebound, but rally limits decline

NEW YORK (AP) - Stock prices fell Wednesday, failing to rebound as investors concerned about third-quarter results once again punished the shares of poor performers.
But the decline could have been much worse. Bargain-hunting in the last half hour helped some battered issues stage a mild recovery, allowing the Dow Jones industrial average to almost break even and limiting the size of the Nasdaq composite index's drop.
The Dow closed down 2.96 at 10,628.36 after dropping more than 50 points during the day. It

fell 176 points on Tuesday. Broader stock indicators also closed lower.
The Nasdaq dropped 32.80 to 3,656.50, its fifth straight decline, after spiking into positive territory earlier in the day. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 0.64 to 1,426.57.
"Q3 did see some bargain hunting for some of these beat-up tech stocks and that perhaps is one reason why you saw the Nasdaq and Dow come back," said Dick Dickson, a technical analyst at Scott & Stringfellow Inc.

Prices rose more than first reported

WASHINGTON - U.S. consumer prices climbed 0.1 percentage point last week, previously reported from December to August because of errors in calculating the index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics said Wednesday.
The BLS said that from December 1995 to August 2000, the consumer price index rose 2.7% based on the new data instead of the 2.6% increase orig-

inally reported. "The revisions to the CPI correct errors that were recently discovered in the software to calculate the residential rent and owner's equivalent rent components of the index," the Bureau said.
An annual release of Economic Analysis, which publishes gross domestic product data, told BridgeNews prior to the BLS announcement that he understood the error to be in the housing portion of the CPI report.

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During summer, the travel parties who sign the visitor center, typically have something like four or six people. It is different. "Almost always now, it's two, two, two, two. It's senior, married people that are traveling," Just said.

The chamber continually educates its volunteer visitor-center staff about Idaho's attractions. Last week it took 32 of its volunteers to eastern Idaho for four days to get to know that area better.

The chamber has taken center volunteers on trips to 40 of the state's 44 counties in the past four years, Just said.

The business organization each year replaces about 20 percent of the volunteer staff, which totals just more than 100 people, he said. And the chamber hasn't had trouble finding them.

"We consider ourselves very lucky," he added. Here's a roundup of this week's other Twin Falls chamber news: • About half of the 1,000 seats are sold for the chamber's Oct. 19 annual Success Breakfast...

Just said. "One of the most sought-after keynote speakers in America, Smith was being motivated individuals to gain better control of their lives and professional lives through value-based time and life management since he helped create the company in 1984," the College of Southern Idaho said earlier when announcing the breakfast's speaker.

Last year's Success Breakfast, featuring former Navy captain and Mercury 7 astronaut Walter M. White Jr., Schirra, Walterly said, said that he expects this year's sales, with Smith's word, to top that performance.

On a related note, the chamber extended its nomination deadline for the 2000 Personal Achievement Award and 2000 Lifetime Achievement Award and both to be announced at the Success Breakfast.

Nominations for both will be accepted through Friday, though members for final feedback and then, in December, formally adopt.

Center

The chamber already has plenty. "The chamber's 16th annual leadership class started last week with a sponsor appreciation luncheon. First Security Bank and the city of Twin Falls received more than 20 leadership students each during the program's lifetime.

This year's ninth-month course is full, with 37 people. "Biggest class we've had," Just said.

The course is a revenue source for the chamber, which charges \$650 for a sponsorship or tuition and no more than \$100 per student after expenses.

Preparing for the 2001 Legislature, the chamber's legislative committee has prepared a two-page list of 12 issues it says are important for lawmakers to address.

The committee has been at work since July and it will meet every Friday for at least the next two months, he said. It wants feedback from chamber members on its list of issues.

Then Channel 10 will broadcast two chamber-sponsored, 7 p.m. candidate discussion on the 12 issues, he said.

The Oct. 12 event will feature state legislators that are up for reelection unopposed in Districts 22 and 23.

The Oct. 19 version features candidates in three contested races: District 22 senator; the Twin Falls county commissioner's seat held by Gary Grindstaff; and Twin Falls city council.

Four groups — responsible for planning in economic development, membership, community affairs and public affairs — are about half finished working through concerns taken during the summer and compiling those statements about what the chamber should do during the next five years.

At the end of October, Just expects to have a drafted strategic plan that the chamber board can modify or approve, send to chamber members for final feedback and then, in December, formally adopt.

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Table of metals and currency prices for various commodities like gold, silver, and various currencies. Columns include item name, price, and change.

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Table of cheese prices for various types and brands. Columns include variety, price, and change.

POTATOES

Table of potato prices for different grades and origins. Columns include variety, price, and change.

SUGAR

Table of sugar prices for different grades and origins. Columns include variety, price, and change.

LIVESTOCK

Table of livestock prices for various types of animals like cattle, hogs, and sheep. Columns include variety, price, and change.

FOSSIL FUELS

Table of fossil fuel prices for various types of oil and gas. Columns include variety, price, and change.

EXCHANGE RATES

Table of exchange rates for various international currencies. Columns include currency name, price, and change.

COMMODITIES

Table of commodity prices for various goods like wheat, corn, and soybeans. Columns include variety, price, and change.

NATURAL GAS

Table of natural gas prices for different grades and origins. Columns include variety, price, and change.

MATERIALS

Table of materials prices for various types of raw materials. Columns include variety, price, and change.

SPOT NONFERROUS METALS

Table of spot nonferrous metal prices for various types of metals. Columns include variety, price, and change.

MUTUAL FUNDS

Table of mutual fund prices for various investment funds. Columns include fund name, price, and change.

Power

Continued from E3. Changes made by the commission would not create a regulation taking effect on Oct. 1, 2001. The law mandates that major power consumers — the bulk of Oregon's businesses — buy on the open market.

Small companies and residential customers will be able to contract with their current, regulated suppliers. Instead, the regulators propose allowing big power users to enter into contracts of varying length —

six months, a quarter of a year — with their current, regulated providers.

Power users would pay higher rates tied to free-market prices. Through a complicated accounting process, providers would give their credits that would be returned to the current regulated rates.

When the contracts are up the users could either jump into the free market or renew their contracts with regulated providers. If market rates were still too high,

Large table of mutual fund prices and performance data, including fund names, prices, and changes.

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failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust Note, the monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds of \$799.48, due per month for the months of May through June, 2000 and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement...

obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale contained in the deed of trust executed by THOMAS W. FAUX, as grantor, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., an Idaho Corporation, as successor trustee...

District Meetings are scheduled as follows:
District 1: Time: 4:00 - 8:00 PM Date: October 2, 2000
District 2: Time: 4:00 - 8:00 PM Date: October 3, 2000

THE INFORMATION BELOW - YOU ARE HEREBY NOTICED that in order to defend the lawsuit, an appropriate typed response must be filed...

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demanded by the Plaintiff in the Complaint. A copy of the Complaint is on file with the Court...

OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION Case No. CV-00-3030... MAGIC VALLEY COLLECTIONS & RECOVERY, INC. Plaintiff.

Twin Falls, ID 83303-1587 September 28, 1982 at Twin Falls, Idaho...

September 28, 1982 at Twin Falls, Idaho... KRISTINE WENGREN has been filed in this court...

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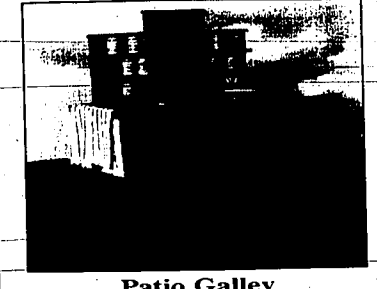
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CDL. OTR reffer, experienced, good driving record. Call 736-7336.

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107 ABORTION ALTERNATIVES

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ROUTE 558
300-600 Blk. Adams Street
200-400 Ash St.
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THE TIMES-NEWS CURRENTLY HAS THE FOLLOWING INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER ROUTES ON THE EAST SIDE OF TWIN FALLS

ROUTE 719
1100-1200 Blk 11th Ave. East
1000-1200 Blk 10th Ave. East
1000-1000 Blk Blue Lakes Blvd.
1000-1400 Blk Poplar Ave.

ROUTE 820
100-400 Madison Street

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- BEST ROUTE IN TOWN \$3,000/mo (realistic) 20 vending sites, no competition, 8 hrs/mo., \$9,800 cash required 1-800-268-6601 (24 hrs.)
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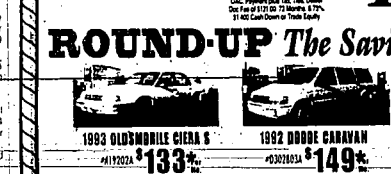
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