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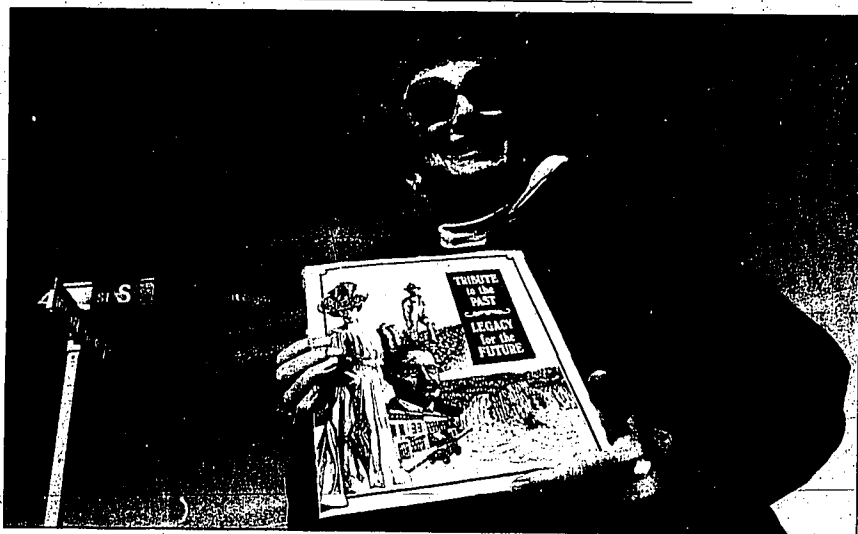
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TALKIN' HISTORY



Mary Inman's audio tour starts on the corner of Fourth Street South and Main Avenue. Inman was inspired to make walking tour tapes about the history of Twin Falls from the book, "Tribute to the Past, Legacy for the Future," edited by Donna Scott.

Twin Falls woman records tour tapes

By Kelly Bryant
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The first structures of a new town site stood on what is now the corner of Fourth Street South and Main Avenue in Twin Falls.

The temporary structures, two wooden and one framed, tent, were erected in a hurry and opened for business on July 27, 1904. Here the Twin Falls Investment Co., run by I.B. Ferrine, promoted and sold Carey Act land to homesteaders for the Twin Falls Land & Water Co. for 18 months.

This piece of Twin Falls history is narrated on a driving and walking tour tape recorded by Mary Inman of Twin Falls.

About the tapes

The tapes will lead up to the Twin Falls Centennial in 2004:

- Volume 1, 2001: Auto tour of pre-Twin Falls history, Walking tour of Twin Falls Townsite, 1904.
- Volume 2, 2002: Auto tour of the

irrigation story, "Walking tour of Twin Falls Village, 1905-1906.

- Volume 3, 2003: Auto tour of how Twin Falls got its name, and how Twin Falls developed electric power, Walking tour of Twin Falls city, 1907-1914.

Inman, a local history enthusiast, came up with the idea for the tapes after reading "Tribute to the Past, Legacy for the Future." The written history of the businesses and industries that influenced and helped develop Twin Falls County was edited by Twin Falls resident Donna Scott.

"The book was so inspiring. I was struck by how the people stuck it out through the ups and

down, and survived all through the years," Inman said. "Of how businesses got started and are still around today."

With the 2004 Twin Falls centennial in mind, Inman started digging through material at the library, conducting interviews and gathering personal histories. After three years, she will debut the first tape in the three-part series in April.

The tapes will encompass 100 years of Twin Falls history, and could unravel some mysteries about Twin Falls.

Such as the layout of the city's streets.

"Streets are made more difficult than they really are. It's really easy to get around Twin Falls once you realize that all the streets are laid out in four quadrants," she said.

Planner John Hayes designed the streets to run at a 45-degree angle to help the water run off farmland.

"Water was the secret to everything," Inman said.

The tapes will sell for \$9.50 each. Local businesses are sponsored.

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Keenans cope with life after taking on the Aryan Nations

The Associated Press

COEUR D'ALENE — In two years, Victoria Keenan went from victim to victor over the Aryan Nations.

Her lawsuit bankrupted the neo-Nazi, and last week she took possession of the hate group's 20-acre compound, which housed and trained some of the nation's most violent racists and anti-Semites. "We hope to get the evilness out of there and turn it around to something positive," said Keenan's son, Jason. They said they plan to sell the compound, perhaps to a human rights organization.

Keenan, 45, and Jason, 21, were chased, shot at and terrorized by Aryan Nations security guards in 1998. Last year they won a negligence lawsuit in civil court, getting a \$6.3 million judgment against Aryan founder Richard Butler and his organization.

Life has not been easy for them since. "There is fear around you all the time and you're watching your back all the time," Keenan said.

The Keenans still live in the Coeur d'Alene area — she won't say exactly where — and the

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Victoria Keenan her son Jason and her daughter Sarah take possession of the Aryan Nations property last week in Coeur d'Alene.

Buyback proposal raises questions

Idaho Power plan's details concern some

By Michael Journee
Times-News writer

BOISE — Idaho Power Co.'s power "buyback" plan for Idaho irrigators seems to have sparked more questions about the plan's effect on the agricultural economy, than answers for the tight energy market.

Though the Idaho Public Utilities Commission would give the final go-ahead on the plan, lawmakers have been keeping close tabs on the plan's progress and weighing in with their concerns.

"I'm worried that there's a false hope out there that there's going to be a big money basket that's going to rescue the farmers," said Rep. Bert Stevenson, R-Rupert, himself a farmer whose district has perhaps the most potential to be affected by the program.

Idaho Power's plan offers farmers an option to

idle irrigation pumps during the coming growing season, which for most of the Snake River valley starts within the next few weeks. The power saved could then be used to fulfill Idaho Power's other contract obligations during its traditional period of peak power demand in the summer.

Water writer snowpucks and an expected low spring runoff would reduce the amount of power the utility can generate at hydro plants. Idaho Power typically produces about half its power at hydro plants.

"We are not going to be able to rely on our hydro system as much as we did last year — and last year we only reached 41 percent of our generating capacity," said Dennis Lopez, a spokesman for Idaho Power.

Farmers who buy power from Idaho Power and could commit to reducing their power consumption by 100,000 kilowatt hours — the equivalent of running a 60-horsepower water pump for 2,000 hours — would be eligible for the program.

The company hopes to cut about 30 percent of its irrigation power demand — 7 percent of its overall power load.

In return for leaving at least some fields fallow, farmers would be paid a yet-to-be-determined rate for the power they would

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Study: Expect severe impact from warming

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — Effects of global warming are here already and are likely to get far worse than previously expected, killing millions of people and displacing tens of millions more over the next century.

"That is the conclusion of a panel of the world's top environmental scientists studying the probable consequences of warming temperatures, rising seas and shifts in weather patterns caused by global warming.

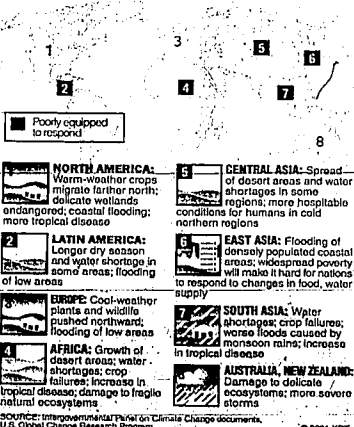
The scientists will announce their latest findings today in Geneva, Switzerland.

The experts, participants in the United Nations-sponsored Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), forecast more tropical diseases, more droughts and floods and more severe weather in general. They also foresee more deaths from heat waves.

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Warming trend's global impact

As Earth's atmosphere slowly warms during the coming century, these environmental changes and social stresses are predicted:



SOURCE: Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, U.S. Global Change Research Program. © 2001 NYT

Iraq raid adds significance to U.S., Israel missile tests

The Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Israeli and American air defense forces will conduct missile launches during a five-day joint exercise in southern Israel this week, a spokesman for the Israeli army said Sunday.

The exercise, which starts today, was planned more than a year ago and is not related to the U.S. and British airstrikes Friday on Iraq, the spokesman said.

However, until Sunday the military had refused to comment on the joint exercise or even confirm foreign reports that it was to take place.

The announcement came after Iraq threatened to take revenge on Israel and the United States for the airstrikes south of Baghdad, which killed two people. "We will teach the new American administration and the Zionist entity (Israel) lessons on Jihad (holy war) and steadfastness," the Iraqi government's official Qadissiya newspaper said in a

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front page editorial Sunday.

The official Iraqi news agency said Saddam has ordered the formation of a 300,000-man volunteer force charged with aiding the Palestinians and freeing Jerusalem from Israeli control.

The U.S.-Israel exercises, called Juniper Cobra, is part of routine training to test "interoperability of American and Israeli air defense systems," the military spokesman said.

The spokesman said U.S. forces will fire Patriot missiles during the exercise, and the cruiser U.S.S. Porter, which carries radar capable of detecting missiles as they approach Israel, will be stationed off the Israeli coast.

About 400 personnel from the U.S. 69th Air Defense Artillery Brigade have arrived in Israel from Ansbach, Germany, for the exercise, the spokesman said.

FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY

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Twin Falls through 6 p.m. yesterday

Temperature
 High/Low 47/20
 Normal high/low 49/25
 High/Low all year 41/22
 Record High 59 in 1877
 Record low 6 in 1993

Precipitation
 24 hours ending 6 p.m. yesterday 0.00
 Month to date 0.00
 Normal to date 0.57
 Year to date 1.02
 Normal year to date 6.66

Humidity
 Yesterday at noon 70%
 Barometric Pressure
 Yesterday at 6 p.m. 30.03 in.

Pollen Yields in Twin Falls
 Grass Absent
 Weeds Absent
 Trees Absent

Source: Asthma and Allergy of Idaho

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FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

TODAY	TONIGHT	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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Clouds breaking for afternoon sun.	Mostly cloudy; maybe a flurry late.	A chance for snow, but rain showers.	Clouds and limited sun; showers possible.	A few showers likely.	Mostly cloudy with the chance for showers.
▲ 46° ▼ 30°	▲ 30° ▼ 20°	▲ 45° ▼ 28°	▲ 47° ▼ 29°	▲ 46° ▼ 25°	▲ 45° ▼ 28°

REGIONAL WEATHER

Southern Idaho: Clouds this morning will break for some sunshine later today in a few areas. Highs 34 in some of the valley locations where low clouds and fog are stubborn to break to 46 elsewhere. Becoming cloudy tonight.

Boise: After breaching the 50-degree mark yesterday for the first time since early November, today will not be quite as mild with clouds stubbornly giving way to some sunshine. Highs 40-48. Becoming cloudy tonight.

Northern Nevada: Partly sunny today. Highs 26 in the coldest mountain locations to 46 in some of the valleys. Increasing cloudiness tonight will be followed by the chance of a snow shower late. Lows 8-16.

Northern Utah: Sunshine will be followed by increasing cloudiness today. Highs 26 in the mountains and 44 in some of the lower terrain. Partly to mostly cloudy tonight. Lows 10-23.

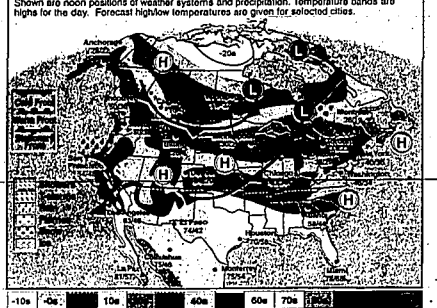
Northern Idaho: Areas of clouds and fog this morning will break for some sun later today. Highs 36-42. Partly to mostly cloudy tonight. A snow shower cannot be ruled out before dawn. Lows 18-30.

NATIONAL EXTREMES

Yesterday (for the 48 contiguous states)

High 81° in Fort Myers, FL. Low -22° in St. Cloud, MN

NATIONAL WEATHER



CANADIAN CITIES

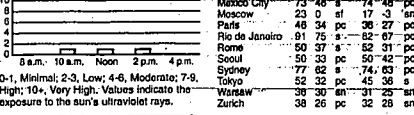
City	Today	Tue	W	Th	F
Calgary	11	10	10	10	10
Edmonton	11	10	10	10	10
Regina	11	10	10	10	10
Saskatoon	11	10	10	10	10
Toronto	11	10	10	10	10
Vancouver	11	10	10	10	10
Victoria	11	10	10	10	10
Winnipeg	11	10	10	10	10

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today 7:29 a.m.
 Sunset tonight 6:15 p.m.
 Moonrise today 5:34 a.m.
 Moonset tonight 2:55 p.m.

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NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Tue	W	Th	F
Atlanta	48	45	45	45	45
Baltimore	45	45	45	45	45
Birmingham	45	45	45	45	45
Boston	45	45	45	45	45
Charlotte	45	45	45	45	45
Chicago	45	45	45	45	45
Cleveland	45	45	45	45	45
Dallas	45	45	45	45	45
Detroit	45	45	45	45	45
Houston	45	45	45	45	45
Indianapolis	45	45	45	45	45
Jacksonville	45	45	45	45	45
Las Vegas	45	45	45	45	45
Little Rock	45	45	45	45	45
Los Angeles	45	45	45	45	45
Memphis	45	45	45	45	45
Miami	45	45	45	45	45
Milwaukee	45	45	45	45	45
Nashville	45	45	45	45	45
New Orleans	45	45	45	45	45
New York	45	45	45	45	45
Omaha	45	45	45	45	45
Philadelphia	45	45	45	45	45
Phoenix	45	45	45	45	45
Portland, ME	45	45	45	45	45
Raleigh	45	45	45	45	45
Rapid City	45	45	45	45	45
San Antonio	45	45	45	45	45
San Diego	45	45	45	45	45
San Francisco	45	45	45	45	45
Seattle	45	45	45	45	45
Tucson	45	45	45	45	45
Washington, DC	45	45	45	45	45

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Tue	W	Th	F
Boise	46	39	48	33	42
Butte	46	39	48	33	42
Coeur d'Alene	46	39	48	33	42
Elgin	46	39	48	33	42
Idaho Falls	46	39	48	33	42
Kalispell, MT	46	39	48	33	42
Lawton	46	39	48	33	42
Malden	46	39	48	33	42
Malta	46	39	48	33	42

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Firefighters battle Florida blaze

POLK CITY, Fla. (AP) — An 8,500-acre wildfire burning out of control closed a 10-mile section of Interstate 4 on Sunday and forced the evacuation of dozens of homes.

The wind-driven fire near Polk City in central Florida had grown overnight from 2,000 acres and jumped to the south side of I-4, a heavily traveled route between Orlando and Tampa.

"This is very intense and erratic fire behavior," said Paul Palmiotto, assistant chief of forest protection at the Florida Division of Forestry.

Fire officials say the drought and recent freezes mean conditions for igniting fires are worse than in 1998, when blazes burned 500,000 acres across the state.

Warming

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Changes will be especially dramatic for the globe's coastal cities where increased flooding will affect as many as 200 million people.

People living in already warm climates will suffer crop failures, famines and acute water shortages, the scientists predict. More northerly areas will experience warmer weather, richer farmland and higher crop production.

For more than a decade, scientists have warned of such developments. Now they are saying for the first time that the effects of global warming have arrived and are likely to be worse than they had once thought.

"You're going to feel the impacts no matter what," said Michael MacCracken, executive director of a U.S. government committee studying the effects of climate change on Americans.

"While most scientists agree that global warming is real, human-caused and a threat, the Bush administration is not so sure. It has negotiated a two-month delay on international talks to limit greenhouse gas emissions.

In her confirmation hearings

last month, Interior Secretary Gale Norton said: "There is beginning to be more of a consensus that global warming is occurring. There is still disagreement as to the causes and the long-term future."

The U.N.-sponsored panel forecasts an increase in the world's average temperature of from 2.5 to 10.4 degrees Fahrenheit in the next hundred years. By comparison, the world's average temperature rose 1.1 degree in the 20th century.

North America, panelists conclude, will be the continent least hurt. Gains in crops will be tempered by more droughts. Fewer people will die of the cold, but some diseases now considered tropical, like encephalitis, dengue fever and malaria, are likely to push their way north with warmer temperatures.

The increased emission of gases like carbon dioxide from the burning of oil and coal is what's causing warmer temperatures, scientists say.

These so-called greenhouse gases collect in the Earth's upper atmosphere where they slow the natural loss of the sun's heat into space, just as a greenhouse does.

Americans: Clinton, Reagan Buyback — rate among top presidents

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans mentioned Ronald Reagan, John F. Kennedy and Abraham Lincoln most often when asked in a poll who they regarded as the greatest president of the United States.

Those three former presidents were followed by Bill Clinton, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Harry Truman, George Washington and Jimmy Carter, grouped together slightly behind the top three in the Gallup Poll.

Others mentioned were George H.W. Bush, father of the current president, Theodore Roosevelt, Richard Nixon and Dwight Eisenhower. Others were mentioned by a combined 5 percent.

Reagan was mentioned by 18 percent, Kennedy by 16 percent and Lincoln by 14 percent in the poll of 529 adults taken Feb. 9-11. The poll had an error margin of 5 percentage points.

When people were asked whether they would prefer to see George Washington or Abraham Lincoln as president today, six in 10 said Lincoln and just under three in 10 said Washington.

Gallup released the poll data for President's Day, celebrated today.

Keenans

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lawsuit has made them celebrities. "Everywhere I go people know me and compliment me and hug me," Keenan said.

The court victory was hailed by many in Idaho as proof that the state's reputation as a haven for racists is undeserved. But there are those who support the Aryan Nations' white supremacist philosophy. "I've gotten some bad responses from people, evil-looking people," said Keenan. "It's been mentally draining."

The trial last summer drew numerous supporters of Butler to Coeur d'Alene. The Keenans were reviled on web sites maintained by neo-Nazis.

Last October, Keenan and her husband were trailed in a supermarket parking lot by a van with Aryan Nations stickers. They asked the driver what he wanted. "You will see soon," he replied.

The Keenans did not set out to be activists. Victoria Keenan had worked as a food server and bartender, and lived quietly in a rural area. Jason had just returned from a stint in the Job Corps when they were attacked.

The mother and son were driving home from a wedding the night of July 1, 1998, when they spotted the Aryan compound in her 1977 Datsun. Something a car backfired, a firecracker made a noise like a gunshot.

Three Aryan Nations security guards, thinking someone had fired at them, jumped into a pickup and chased them. They fired a rifle repeatedly at the Keenans, eventually shooting out a tire and forcing their car into a ditch.

One of the guards grabbed Keenan by the hair, jabbed her ribs with a rifle butt and put a gun to her head. She pleaded for their lives. Then another car approached. The guards stepped back, gave a "Heil Hitler" salute and drove off.

Their lawsuit contended Butler, his organization and his second-in-command were negligent in hiring and training the guards. It was essentially a personal-injury case, with Butler and his group penalized for hiring convicts, giving them little training, allowing them to carry weapons and filling them with rage.

"The Keenans are very heroic people," said Peter Tepley, a lawyer for the Montgomery, Ala.-based Southern Poverty Law Center who helped represent them in the lawsuit. "They stood up against the Aryan Nations and brought it down."

Jason Keenan recalled the discussions with their local lawyer, Norm Cressel, about whether to proceed with the lawsuit. "You have to look at who you are going up against. It was not like taking on a next door neighbor for slipping on a sidewalk," Jason said. "This is actually a person who could be considered crazy."

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ngoing the project, which should keep the costs down.

The Twin Falls Centennial Commission will also receive a percentage of the proceeds.

Inman arrived in Twin Falls in 1993 from Jackson, Wyo. She said she immediately fell in love with the area when she drove down Blue Lakes Boulevard from the north end, at a time when it was still open and largely undeveloped. She also said she noticed the pace was slower in Twin Falls, the people were friendly and she was struck by its community pride.

"That's what makes a town. And the town is growing so nicely. Even with all the development, the city is being controlled, preserved," Inman said.

To learn more

Information about a proposed electrical buyback program will be available at a meeting this morning in Burley.

Growers who are interested in the latest electrical buyback programs are encouraged to attend the meeting, slated for 9 a.m. at the King Fine Arts Center.

The Idaho Farm Bureau Federation, the Idaho Electric Association and the Idaho Grain Producers are sponsoring the meeting.

Representatives from Idaho Power will also be there.

Any farmers' financing decisions will swing on their participation in the program.

State Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, is especially concerned about the effects on the eastern end of the Magic Valley, which has a high concentration of pump-irrigated farmland.

"Minidoka and Cassia counties are right in the bull's-eye of this thing," Cameron said.

And he is concerned about the effects on Rupert's economy, which relies heavily on agriculture, if a significant number of farmers take part.

But because many farmers have already committed to contracts with processors, some best growers and some potato farmers, it is unlikely participants would take all land out of production.

Lopez said the PUC is taking the concentration of participants into account.

"One of the goals of the PUC is to spread this out to reduce the effects on the ancillary services," he said.

While immediate local effects seem foremost in the minds of most lawmakers, House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, says the current energy cost crisis will have ramifications that could affect the ag industry for generations.

With prices for natural gas, the key ingredient in nitrogen-based fertilizers, three times what they were last year at this time, farmers will have expenses they might not have been expecting.

Therefore, buyback plans might be the only way to keep farmers in business this year.

"I think we've got to make it work — if it's workable," Newcomb said.

BPA told its electric cooperative members this week that this year could become the worst year water year on historical record and significant wholesale power increases could be likely. Those increases would in turn likely be passed on to cooperative's customers, Newcomb said.

Any BPA rate hikes would affect several of the rural cooperatives in Mini-Cassia.

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Study says prisons filled at record pace during Clinton's presidency

WASHINGTON (AP) - More Americans went to prison or jail during the Clinton administration than during any past administration, the result of get-tough policies that led to more prisons, more police officers and longer sentences, a criminal justice think tank reports.

During President Clinton's eight years in office, 673,000 people were sent to state and federal prisons and jails, compared with 343,000 during President Bush's single term and 478,000 in President Reagan's two terms, says a study by the Justice Policy Institute, an arm of The Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice.

The center advocates more balance between incarceration and treatment for criminals.

The incarceration rate at the end of the Clinton administration was 476 per 100,000 citizens, versus 332 per 100,000 at the end of Bush's term and 247 per 100,000

'President Clinton stole the show from the tough on crime' Republicans.

— Vincent Schiraldi, Justice Policy Institute

at the end of Reagan's administration, the study said.

Incarceration rates for blacks increased to 3,620 per 100,000 from around 3,000 per 100,000 people during Clinton's two terms. Two million people are behind bars and 4.5 million are on probation and parole, according to the study, which is based on Justice Department figures.

The study blamed the surge in prisoners on Clinton administration initiatives that provided more money to states for prisons, police officers and crime prevention programs. The 1994 crime bill, which

gave \$30 billion to states, was a major factor, said Vincent Schiraldi, president of the Justice Policy Institute. Other factors included tougher sentencing and the abolition of parole, he said.

Republicans are thought to have more punitive crime policies than Democrats; but the opposite was true during the Clinton administration, Schiraldi said.

"President Clinton stole the show from the 'tough on crime' Republicans," he said.

Allen Beck, chief of corrections statistics at the Bureau of Justice Statistics, disputed the notion that Clinton administration crime initiatives were the prime reason for the burgeoning prison population.

He said many states had already begun tough crime prevention programs before Clinton came to office and tougher sentencing guidelines for federal drug offenders began in the late 1980s.

Clinton fails to sway pardon critics

WASHINGTON (AP) - Former President Clinton gave his fullest defense yet of the Marc Rich pardon "on Sunday" but failed to silence critics who argue that political donations and connections helped the fugitive financier's cause.

"I want every American to know that, while you may disagree with this decision, I made it on the merits as I saw them, and I take full responsibility for it," Clinton wrote in an op-ed column in The New York Times.

The suggestion that Clinton granted the pardons because Mr. Rich's former wife, Denise, made political contributions and contributed to the Clinton library foundation is utterly false," Clinton also wrote that three well-known Republican lawyers who once represented Rich "reviewed and advocated" the case for his pardon. All three denied that assertion.

The former president's last-minute pardon of Rich, who has lived in Switzerland since fleeing a 1983 indictment on tax evasion



Bill Clinton

and other charges, has prompted an investigation by federal prosecutors in New York and congressional hearings.

Investigators want to know if Rich bought his pardon by passing money through his ex-wife, Denise Rich, who has acknowledged making large contributions both to Hillary

Rodham Clinton's Senate race and to the presidential library.

Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., a senior member of a Senate Judiciary Committee, which is reviewing the pardon, said there are "a great many questions which the former president has left unanswered."

"He does not say why he did not talk to the prosecuting attorneys. He does not say why he didn't talk to the pardon attorney for the Department of Justice" and didn't follow their regulations, Specter said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

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Experts say life expectancy might be nearing upper limit

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - Human life expectancy has increased by three decades since 1900 and may reach 85 for babies born in this century, but that may be near the upper limit unless science finds ways to dramatically slow the aging process, some researchers said Sunday.

Claims by some scientists that humans in this century will have a life expectancy of 100 or even 120 are not realistic and not supported by the trends measuring the rates of death, said S. Jay Olshansky of the University of Illinois, Chicago.

"We anticipate that many people here today will live long enough to witness a life expectancy of 85 years, but everybody alive today will be long dead before a life expectancy of 100 is achieved," he said.

The researcher was the head of a panel of experts that on Sunday analyzed trends in human life expectancy at the national meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Olshansky said there are no "magic" potions, hormones, antioxidants, forms of genetic engineering or biomedical technologies that exist today that would permit a life expectancy of

120 or 150 years as some people have claimed."

Leonard Hayflick, an expert on aging at the University of California, San Francisco, denounced what he called "outrageous claims" by some scientists that humans are capable to living well past 100 years.

"Superlongevity," he said "is simply not possible."

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Stiff wind keeps shuttle in space

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) - Stiff wind prevented space shuttle Atlantis from returning to Earth on Sunday, keeping the ship and its crew in orbit a 12th day.

Mission Control ordered the astronauts, on their way back from the international space station, to remain in orbit until this afternoon.

"Sinusitis or Cold?"

Information from the nasal-sinus specialist.



John A. Borujay, MD

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AROUND THE VALLEY

GOP to hold annual Lincoln Day banquet

TWIN FALLS - Republican big-wigs, lawmakers, officials, and party faithful will gather at the Turf Club tonight for their annual Lincoln Day evening of food and fund-raising.

Idaho's top office-holders - including Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, U.S. Sens. Larry Craig and Mike Crapo, and U.S. Reps. Mike Simpson and Butch Otter - are expected to belly up for the \$25-a-plate prime rib dinner at the Turf Club.

Each is expected to speak to the gathering.

The evening's master of ceremonies will be Mark Stubbs - a local attorney, former lawmaker, and vice president of the Idaho Republican Party.

The social hour will begin at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. The cost is \$25 per plate and tickets are available at the door or by calling Mike Mathews at 734-6360.

In addition to the dinner in Twin Falls, the Jerome County Republicans will hold their annual luncheon at the Hometown Buffet in Jerome at 12:30 p.m. which all four politicians plan to attend.

At 10:30 a.m., Simpson will tour the J.R. Simplot Co. ethanol plant in Heyburn; at 2:30 p.m., Crapo will meet with area water users at the Sawtooth Inn in Jerome; and at 4 p.m., all four will be at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School to present congressional awards to student volunteers.

Work starts soon on new Big Wood River bridge

SHOSHONE - The Idaho Transportation Department expects to begin work March 1 on a new bridge-over-the-Big-Wood River about 5 1/2 miles south of Ketchum.

It's the first of several improvement projects on Idaho Highway 75 between Alturas Drive and Timber Way.

Work at first will be limited to the east end of the existing bridge - built in 1934 - that is 174 feet long and 28 feet wide. The new, three-lane bridge will be 185 feet long and about 64 feet wide.

The bridge is expected to be finished by September 2002. The \$5.6 million project is being done by Nelson Construction Co. of Boise.

As the bridge is replaced, a diversion will be built at East Fork Road.

The diversion should allow normal traffic flow during the construction of a bicycle tunnel and the addition of a traffic signal and other improvements at East Fork Road and Idaho 75. Two-lane, two-way traffic should continue during all phases of the project, an ITD news release said.

School district offers free parenting classes

TWIN FALLS - Free Active Parenting classes for parents in Twin Falls and Jerome counties will be offered by the Twin Falls School District and the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare.

The classes will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays for six weeks.

The classes will cover a number of issues including parenting styles, parenting methods that have shown to be successful, discipline using non-violent methods, building courage and self-esteem in children, mutual respect, effective communication skills, why children misbehave and how to redirect that behavior, resolving conflicts peacefully and handling anger.

The next six-week session will begin this Wedn. sday and continue through March 28.

The classes will be held at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School in the Little House Family Center on the southeast corner of Elizabeth Boulevard and Eastland Drive.

No registration is required. Interested parents or soon-to-be parents can show up for the first class.

Call Margy Wray at 736-7649 to arrange free child care or call Marcia Lanning at 733-6900 for more information.

Compiled from staff reports

Ketchum probes transportation

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM - Just-released proposals concerning how to stop the proliferation of cars along Highway 75 will get their first big test Tuesday when the Ketchum City Council discusses the recommendations.

Representatives of the Colorado-based Otak, which helped with a transportation plan to alleviate commuter traffic going to Aspen, released a 74-

Council meeting

The Ketchum City Council will discuss traffic on Highway 75 at its next meeting which will begin at 6:20 p.m. Tuesday at City Hall.

Teen bus

One of Otak's immediate proposals

is putting a teen bus in place. The bus could run from Halley's Atkinson's Market to Ketchum on Friday night so teen-agers could catch a movie. If there's enough interest, it could run to River Run Lodge for a day of skiing on Saturdays.

The suggestion came out of a Blaine

County Teen Advisory Council survey that determined that 73 percent of 490 high school students would ride a bus from Halley to Ketchum and back on weekends. Eleven percent of the students said the bus should be free. Others said they would be willing to pay from 50 cents to \$3 per trip.

page study this past week. Cities and counties were asked to provide feedback on the plan by March 9 so that Otak can come

up with a final recommendation. Highway 75 has become an urban highway in a rural valley, thanks to escalating real estate

prices that have pushed service workers out of Ketchum and Sun Valley, said Roger Millar, Otak's transportation planning consul-

tant.

Average daily traffic on Highway 75 between Halley and Ketchum exceeded 15,000 vehicles in 1998 and is forecast to exceed 26,000 vehicles by 2018.

Many of the trips are made by commuters. Ketchum imports 1,800 workers each day. Add that up and it comes to 110,000 passengers a year.

The potential ridership on a Blaine County public transportation

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FLY-TYING LESSON



Mike Lawson of Salt Anthony demonstrates the art of making a fly-fishing lure at Saturday's Fly-tying seminar at the College of Southern Idaho.

Lowering arsenic levels in water will cost millions

By N.S. Nokkervind
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Mention arsenic and people's eyebrows go up.

It's a deadly poison, it causes cancer and it's in the local drinking water in minute quantities.

The Environmental Protection Agency says lowering the arsenic level would reduce some cancer deaths nationally.

But lowering the amount of arsenic in local drinking water supplies could be costly. A treatment system to reduce the arsenic in Twin Falls' drinking water would cost \$7 million to \$10 million, City Manager Tom Courney said.

Under the authority of the Clean Water Act, the EPA has lowered the limit of arsenic in drinking water from 50 parts per billion to 10 parts per billion - that is, 10 micrograms of arsenic in a liter of water. A microgram is one-millionth of a gram.

The new limits would affect Magic Valley communities from Kimberly westward and from Hollister northward, said Dave Anderson, water quality science officer with the Twin Falls office of the state Department of Environmental Quality.

Municipal drinking water systems would have a few years to comply with the new limit.

But it is not clear yet how close the systems have to come to the 10-part-per-billion limit - under one interpretation, anything under 15 parts per billion would be close enough, Anderson said.

Some state officials have said a limit of 20 parts per billion would be adequate. The amount of risk reduction to meet the 10-part-per-billion limit doesn't justify the expense, DEQ administrator Steve Allred told the Twin Falls Rotary Club recently.

"It's not going to benefit those who drink the water," Allred

said. There are other ways to spend the money to reduce health risks from drinking water, such as replacing aging water systems and adding chlorination, he said.

Twin Falls' water will test a 20-part-per-billion limit but not the new 10-part limit, Courney said.

A proposed aquifer recharge project using canal water is expected to cost about \$3 million, Courney said. But canal water is much lower in arsenic and may dilute the city water supply enough to get under the arsenic limit.

Water used only for irrigation would not have to meet the new standard.

Some cities also could treat only a portion of their water, then blend it back in to reduce the overall arsenic level, Anderson said.

For people with their own wells who may be concerned about arsenic in their drinking water, Magic Valley Co. Inc. will test the water for \$15. The test results take 10 days to two weeks.

The poisonous, naturally occurring element is widely used in some pesticides and herbicides, including potato-vine killers. Large doses can be lethal, but repeated small doses can add up, an EPA fact sheet says.

Chronic long-term exposure to low amounts of arsenic has been linked to several types of cancer, including skin, bladder, lung, kidney, nasal, liver and prostate; and to non-cancerous heart and lung, and immune, nervous and endocrine system troubles.

Nationwide, the EPA estimates that lowering the arsenic limit would prevent 19 to 31 cases and five to eight deaths from bladder cancer and 19 to 25 cases and 16 to 22 deaths from lung cancer. The agency also expects a reduction in non-cancerous effects.

New lighted dog collars keep pets safe at night

By Pat Murphy
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY - Sam, a yellow Labrador-golden retriever mix, was only a year and a half old when he dragged himself out of the darkness and onto the deck of Lynn Poydenis' condo in Elkhorn before slumping with a thud.

He'd been hit by a car, and was severely injured, including a smashed leg.

That was March of 1992.

After costly and lengthy treatment and rehabilitation, Sam survived the injuries and today is a healthy 10-year-old, sharing the household with a new canine pal, a year-and-a-half-old Lab named Abbie.

But out of his trauma for Poydenis and Sam came an invention that might well spare other dogs from being victims of nighttime accidents with cars -

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Poydenis, whose husband, John Manoches, is golf pro at the Elkhorn Resort, spent the next eight years experimenting with ways of creating a dog collar with illumination to warn car drivers.

She said she was "getting madder and madder about what happened to Sam" as she tested one idea after another in hope of finding a way of protecting dogs at night.

She even tried installing children's glow sticks on a collar. After a string of failures, Poydenis mastered the solution



10 pea-sized red LEDs (light emitting diodes) powered by two AAA batteries wired together.

Sam, Lynn Poydenis' yellow Labrador-golden retriever mix, was hit by a car in 1992. Sam recovered from his injuries and the accident inspired Poydenis to invent PetLights, a lighted dog collar.

er on a nylon web collar.

The collars finally went on sale last November.

The collar is a product of workers on opposite sides of the earth: wiring for collar lights is manufactured in Hong Kong, then shipped to Idaho where it's installed between nylon webbing at the Development Workshop in Idaho Falls.

The first version of the collar, she said, had blinking red lights, but "I was told by veterinarians that blinking lights at night can cause seizures in dogs."

So, steadily-burning lights are controlled by an on/off switch on the small battery box on the collar. Collars can be used during the day as well. The collars cost \$30 and are available in veterinary clinics in the Wood River Valley area and through the PetLights website at www.petlights.com, for about \$30. In addition to black, the collars also come in red, blue and purple.

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Dancers might come to Paul

By Dan Fields and Ruth Streeter
Times-News writers

PAUL - Two Paul bar owners say they only want to make a buck - even if their latest venture raises the eyes of local townsfolk.

Regan Hopp and John Ruiz, owners of The Office, plan to bring Las Vegas-style dancers to their establishment.

And to them, the reason was simple. "We figured it would be something to bring more people in here," Hopp said. "We've been thinking about it for awhile."

The pair opened the bar in December, but waited a few months before springing

their idea on the City Council.

"We wanted to be in good standing with the city for a couple of months, before we went and asked them," Hopp said.

Hopp and Ruiz said the bar has approved for the shows that could start as early as March or April and would feature both male and female dancers - as long as they strip to nothing less than bikinis.

Paul Mayor Randy Jones said he isn't thrilled about the idea of bringing such entertainers to his town, but he said it appears Hopp and Ruiz will abide by the ordinance.

"It's not going to be any worse than what we see on television," Jones said.

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Regan Hopp, left, and John Ruiz, owners of The Office bar in Paul, plan to have Las Vegas-style dancers in their establishment in the upcoming months. Hopp and Ruiz brought their request to the Paul City Council last week. The council says the dancers can perform, but must strip to nothing less than bikinis.

DAN FIELDS/The Times-News

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ON THE AGENDA

Today
Bliss School Board, 7:30 p.m., school library.
Buhl School Board, 7 p.m., district office.

Tuesday
Blaine County commissioners, 8:45 a.m. courthouse.
Burley City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Castelford School Board, 7 p.m., school library.
College of Southern Idaho Board, 5:30 p.m., Room 258, Taylor Administration Building.
Filer Planning and Zoning Commission, 7:30 p.m., council chambers.
Hagerman City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
Hailey Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., Hailey Town Center.
Hansen School Board, 7 p.m., school district's office.
Jerome City Council, 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A.

Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Jerome School Board, 7 p.m., high school, telecommunications.

Keetchum City Council and Keetchum Planning and Zoning Commission joint meeting, 5 p.m., City Hall.
Keetchum City Council, 6 p.m., City Hall.
Magic Valley Regional Airport Advisory Board, 11 a.m., Joslin Room at airport.
Rupert City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Shoshone City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

Wednesday
Bliss City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Filer School Board, 7 p.m., elementary school library.
Gooding City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Thursday
Bellevere City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Rupert, DeMary Memorial Library Board, 4:30 p.m., library, 417 Seventh St.
Sun Valley City Council, 4 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

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

City Hall
Minidoka County Planning and Zoning Commission, 8 p.m., courthouse.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 p.m., courthouse.

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

SERVICES

Ruth Merril of Rupert, service at 11 a.m. today at the Paul LDS Stake Center; friends may call one hour before the funeral at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Milton LeRoy Nedd of Hermiston, Ore., and formerly of Malta, service at noon today at the Malta LDS Ward Chapel; burial will be at the Valley View Cemetery in Malta; friends may call from 10:30-11:45 a.m. today at the church (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Perley (Arlene Tenckinck) VanTilburg, of Garden Grove, Calif., and formerly of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls.

Darlene I. Fisher Stevens of Twin Falls, graveside service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Twin Falls Cemetery; visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls; video tribute will be presented at 7 p.m. during the visitation.

George F. Ready
HEYBURN - George Francis Ready, Jr., 71 of Heyburn, died Sunday, Feb. 18, 2001, at his home.
Funeral arrangements are pending at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 East 16th Street, Burley.

Louisa L. Oswald
TWIN FALLS - Louisa L. Oswald, 77, of Twin Falls died Friday, Feb. 16, 2001 at her home in Twin Falls.
At Louisa's request there will be no services. Arrangements and cremation are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel. The family suggests memorials be given to Hospice visits to St. Edwards's Soup Kitchen.
Contributions may be mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel P.O. Box 1142 Twin Falls, ID 83303.

Arthur B. Dick
GLENS FERRY - Arthur B. Dick, 80, of Glens Ferry, died Saturday, Feb. 17, 2001 at the Elmore Medical Center in Mountain Home.
Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

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SALT LAKE CITY
Gordon Bostock, 62, passed away Friday, February 16, 2001, at the Veterans hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah, of a stroke following an extended illness. He was born in Hyrum, Utah September 1, 1938, the son of William and Alice Hulise Bostock.
He was educated in Hyrum, Utah and served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean Conflict. He was a member of the Buhl Third Ward, L.D.S. Church.
His first marriage was to Martha Gravelle. His second marriage was to Sharon Schum. He then married Dale Plesch to whom he was happily married for twenty-four years.
Survived to include his wife Dale, and five sons: Greg, Randall, James, Lane, and Tony. His daughters include Jenny Lee, Vienna and Melody. He is also survived by his adopted son, Roy Mittrucker. He enjoys eleven grandchildren and two great-grand children. Also surviving are three brothers, Thomas, Ronald and Paul & six sisters, Fern, Maurine, Juanita, Midge, Virginia and Ruth.
Gordon worked many years for Halverson Company in Salt Lake City and was well known in the area for his skills as a millwright. Gordon will be missed greatly by all who knew and loved him. We wish to thank the physicians and staff at the Veterans Hospital for the many hours of love and care given to Gordon and his family.
Services will be held at 10:00 a.m., with an open viewing at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 21 at the Filer Stake Center. There will also be an open viewing at the Buriers Mortuary on Tuesday, Feb. 20 from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Burial will be at the family site in Hyrum, Utah with full Military Honors.

given to a charity of your choice in Katherine's name. Contributions may be given to general chapel staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

Melvin 'Burr' Dennis, 93, died Saturday, February 17, 2001 at his home in Twin Falls. He was born March 30, 1907 in Idaho Falls to William Wallace & Budu and Luella Maybell Heckendorn Dennis. In 1915 the family moved from Idaho Falls to Calgary, Alberta, Canada and later they homesteaded at Maple Creek in Saskatchewan. Burr moved back to Twin Falls in 1927 and married Celestia Furniss on June 3, 1939 in Buhl.
He moved to Charlton, Montana in 1946 and farmed with his brother Vernon. Burr moved his family back to Hailey in 1951 and then later moved to the Twin Falls area where he worked on ranches, farmed and was a farmer until he was 80.
Burr is survived by his wife Celestia of 61 years; 7 children: Clara Lee (Georgie) Kimpton of Twin Falls, Wayne (Ann) Dennis of Buhl, Truman (Dixie) Dennis of Twin Falls, Nelma (Paul) Plante of Boise, Keith (Carolyn) Dennis of Hollister, Wilda Lehmann of Wendell and Gary (Cathy) Dennis of Twin Falls; 14 grandchildren and one sister, Jennie Bore of Twin Falls. He was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers and one sister.
Services will be held at 10:00 A.M., Wednesday, February 21, 2001 at White Mortuary with Rev. James Frisbie officiating - Burial will be at the Buhl Cemetery. Friends may call on Tuesday, February 20 from 4:00-8:00 P.M. at White Mortuary. The family suggests that memorials be given to the Magic Valley Home Health and Hospice Services, 650 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls, ID 83301 or to the First United Methodist Church, 360 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Ruth Merril, 75, of Rupert returned to her Heavenly Father Saturday, February 17, 2001 at Minidoka Memorial Hospital.
Ruth was born November 23, 1925 in Paul, Idaho the daughter of Rupert C. & Grace Webb Merritt. Ruth was a treasured daughter and lived at home her entire life.
Where she was cared for by her parents, family, and by the Virginia Andrade.
During her stay at the Burley Care Center, and Minidoka Memorial Hospital she was well cared for, and it was said of her that she was well loved because of her sweet nature.
Ruth is survived by four brothers Keith C. (Margaret) Merril Jr. of Paul, Floyd W. (Margorie) Merril of Ketchum, Jay W. (Jean) Merril of Salt Lake City, Utah; and Evan W. (Loretta) Merril of Bonifant, Utah. She was preceded in death by her father & mother and two brothers.
Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Monday February 19, 2001 at the Paul LDS Stake Center with Bishop Michael Woodland officiating. There will be a viewing one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will follow at the Paul Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Katherine T. Hopper
Katherine T. Hopper, 76, of Twin Falls died Friday evening, February 16, 2001, at her home.
Katherine was born on July 10, 1924 in Kansas City, Kansas as the daughter of Ernest and Mattie Conway Routh. She grew up as a small child to Missouri where she grew up and attended schools. In 1941 she moved with her family to Kimberly, Idaho and shortly after she moved to California. In October of 1945 she married Lloyd G. Hopper in California. They lived in Sanger, CA for 22 years where they operated a service station.
In 1972, they moved back to Idaho settling in Twin Falls. Katherine enjoyed crocheting, and especially loved to garden.
Katherine is survived by her son, Kenneth Hopper of Twin Falls; three brothers and two sisters. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1988, her parents, and three brothers.
Graveside services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 22, 2001 at Sunset Memorial Park. At Katherine's request there will be no public visitation. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be

from the service and he met and fell in love with Naomi & Kay Landre. They were married June 20, 1948 in Manteca, California, and celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 1998.
They have resided in Twin Falls for 50 years. Bill was interested in electronics and learned to repair televisions. He owned his own television repair shop, Malberg Radio & TV. He enjoyed his work helping and meeting new people in the community. He also enjoyed hobbies like airplanes. He joined the Buhl flying club and enjoyed many flying trips. He also loved fishing, hunting, skiing, sailing and camping with his family and friends. Bill & Kay enjoyed traveling and visiting relatives around the country.
He will be missed by his family & friends. Bill is survived by his wife of 52 years, Kay Malberg, Son, Philip Malberg of Cheney, WA; His three daughters: Mickey Davidson of Ruidoso, NM; Kathy Speers of Spokane, WA; & Marie Hyde of Cheney, WA. Brother: Bob (Dorlene) Malberg of Burley, ID; 15 Grandchildren & three Great Grandchildren; Bill was preceded in death by his parents, William (Bill) Charles Malberg, Sr. & Evelyn Malberg and by his son, David William Malberg.
Funeral Services for Bill will be held Tuesday, February 20, 2001 at 3:00 P.M. at the United Methodist Church, Twin Falls, Idaho. Officiating will be Pastor Jim Frisbie. Burial will be held following the services at the Twin Falls Cemetery in Twin Falls, Idaho.
Friends are welcome to call on the family at the home of Bill & Kay, Monday February 19, 2001 between the hours of 1:00-5:00 P.M. Arrangements and services are under the direction of the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

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William 'Bill' Charles Malberg
William (Bill) Charles Malberg, Jr. died Friday, February 16, 2001 at his home in Twin Falls, Idaho. He was born January 25, 1926 in Boise, Idaho to Evelyn & William (Bill) Charles Malberg, Sr. He was raised in Twin Falls, Idaho but spent a short time in the United States Navy in California, before enlisting in the California State Navy for World War II where he served his tour of duty in Guam. He returned

Ski resorts take measures to encourage helmet use

SANDPOINT (AP) - The death of an Idaho skier and a snowboarder has prompted Silver Mountain's ski patrol director to launch a program encouraging helmet use.
Members of the resort's 70-person ski patrol now carry coupons for \$5 off a new helmet at the mountain's ski shop.
"I would love to see 100 percent of the people on this mountain wear helmets voluntarily," ski patrol director Dave Bishop said.
Safety patrolers have cracked down on dangerous skiing and snowboarding so much that those caught violating the responsibility code will not only receive a lecture, and perhaps have their pass pulled temporarily, but they also might get a coupon.
While statistics show skiing to be a safer sport than swimming, scuba diving or bicycling, it still carries its risks. In 1999-2000, there were 30 ski-area fatalities nationwide, a drop from an average of 34 fatalities per year over the last 16 years, according to the National Ski Areas Association.
Two of the most recent fatal accidents involved Idaho skiers. A 23-year-old snowboarder, Joshua Baxter, died on Feb. 12 after crashing into a tree at Bogus Basin.
Natasha Fuller, 21, of Kellogg, died while skiing in Vail, Colo., on Feb. 7. Fuller had worked at Silver Mountain Ski Resort for four years.
Schweitzer Mountain officials say they, too, are promoting better helmet use and have noted an increase in recent years.
But, Tom Trulock, Schweitzer's mountain operations director, said helmets bring with them other worries, too.
"The concern is, when they put on a helmet, do they have that extra feeling of invincibility?" he asked.

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Heyburn clarifies city's impact area

By Aaron Brock Times-News writer

HEYBURN—An ordinance the City Council passed Wednesday has clarified that the J.R. Simplot Co. is in the city's area of impact.

It is Heyburn's position that the potato processing plant has been in the area of impact, as stated in the written section of an ordinance passed in 1994, city attorney Steven Tuft said.

the ordinance was not clear about the status of Simplot, he said.

"I'm comfortable that the map could be correctly interpreted," Tuft said. "There is a little room for interpretation, I suppose, but if you look at the words, there isn't."

David Hawk, the director of energy natural resources for Simplot, sees it differently.

"The map showed we weren't in the area of impact—clearly," he said.

Even if the map showed Simplot to be outside the area of impact, Idaho law would give priority to the written description, which was in place and did designate Simplot in the area of impact, Tuft said.

"We're just trying to end that little controversy," he said.

Heyburn is trying to annex the Simplot property, and only properties within the area of impact can be annexed.

Annexing the Simplot property would give the city an addi-

tional \$185,000 annually in property taxes.

Simplot has filed a lawsuit seeking to block the annexation. It is the second lawsuit by Simplot against the city. Simplot sued in December for the right to look elsewhere for an electricity provider.

Times-News writer Aaron Brock can be reached at the Mini-Cassia Bureau at 677-4042, ext. 110, or by e-mail at abrock@magicvalley.com

CSI TODAY

Today

Campus offices are closed, no classes held on Presidents Day. District A-II boys basketball games No. 7-8, 7 p.m., gymnasium.

Tuesday

Idaho Power Co. irrigation workshop on new programs for summer, 8:30 to 11 a.m., Aspen 108.

Continuing education workshop for nurses, social workers and other health care professionals, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Taylor 276.

U.S. Cellular donates cell phones to Crisis Center of Magic Valley, 10 a.m., Taylor 277.

Bilingual Education (BESO) club meeting, 1 p.m., Shields 113.

"Half Time" art show, Jean B. King Gallery, Barrett Center (displayed until March 10).

"Mingle in the Jungle" reptile revue, 6 p.m., Herrett rainforest. Free admission.

"The Explorers," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium. District A-II boys basketball game No. 9, 7 p.m., gymnasium.

Wednesday

Region IV school superintendent meeting, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Taylor 277.

Twin Falls gifted and talented students learn drawing techniques, 1 p.m., Art lab 115.

Armed Services aptitude battery testing, 5:30 p.m., Shields 208. Silver Sage Groto (cave club) monthly meeting, 7 p.m., Taylor 276.

District A-II boys basketball game No. 10, 7 p.m., gymnasium.

Thursday

"Red Flags Idaho" training for educators on symptoms of adolescent depression, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Taylor 277.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, 2 to 6 p.m., Shields 101; free tax assistance to elderly and low-income taxpayers.

District A-II boys basketball game No. 11, if necessary, 7 p.m., gymnasium.

Snake River Symposium program on Patagonia with Matt Leidecker, 7:30 p.m., Taylor 276/277. General admission: \$5.

Friday

Bureau of Land Management willand fire training for rural departments, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Aspen 108.

KLIX Home and Garden Show, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Expo Center. Admission: \$2.

Latinos Unidos club meeting, noon, Shields 103.

"Color of Fear" workshop, 1 p.m., Aspen 108.

Idaho Fish and Game Department's "Project Wet" water education for teachers and community volunteers, 4 to 9 p.m., Evergreen building.

Golden Eagle basketball against Ricks College, women at 6 p.m., men at 8 p.m., gymnasium.

"More Than Meets the Eye," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Narcotics Anonymous weekly meeting, 7 p.m., Aspen 112.

Magic Valley Community Concerts presents "Three Hits and a Miss," 7:30 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.

Saturday

BLM wildland fire training for rural departments, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Aspen 108.

Idaho Fish and Game Department's "Project Wet" water education for teachers and community volunteers, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Evergreen building.

CSI Outdoor Program ice skating trip to Sun Valley, bus leaves Barnes and Noble at 8:30 a.m. Cost: \$15 per person.

CSI Outdoor Program back-country ski trip; for more information, call 733-9554. Ext. 2697.

KLIX Home and Garden Show, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Expo Center. Admission: \$2.

Idaho Athletic Club of the Deaf basketball meeting, 1 to 6 p.m., Taylor 277.

"The Explorers," 2 and 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Youth Symphony concert, 3 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.

"More Than Meets the Eye," 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Golden Eagle basketball against North Idaho College, women at 6 p.m., men at 8 p.m., gymnasium.

Sunday

BLM wildland fire training for rural departments, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Aspen 108.

CSI Outdoor Program back-country ski trip; for more information, call 733-9554. Ext. 2697.

Magic Valley Bible Church, 9 a.m. to noon, Shields 117 and 118.

Church of Christ, 10:30 a.m., Evergreen A05.

KLIX Home and Garden Show, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Expo Center. Admission: \$2.

Grant will help charter schools

BOISE (AP) — A federal grant has enabled the State Department of Education to give Idaho's charter schools nearly \$1.6 million this year.

An additional \$100,000 has been set aside to help develop charter schools approved between January and June.

Schools' plans for the funds vary, said Carolyn Mauer, Department of Education

Charter Schools Coordinator. "Some are purchasing computers, software, curricular materials and other supplies," Mauer said. "Nampa is using much of the money to provide busing in order to make the school accessible for all children."

Three Expeditionary Learning Outward Bound schools — Anser, Pocatello and Renaissance — will use the money for staff training.

"What's exciting is that we're starting to look at mobility — all the various ways of moving people," she said.

Steve Wolper, president of Blaine County Citizens for Smart Growth, said he was encouraged by the long-term goals of the study.

"Clearly, research shows that if you build four lanes of highway, you'll need six lanes before you finish the four," he said.

But he cautioned against doing too much in the short term before the Idaho Transportation Department has completed its environmental analysis.

Mary Jane Conger, who co-chairs Citizen Transportation Committee, said she also would like to see the environmental analysis completed before planners widen the highway and reduce the service life of the bus since the fleet's transmissions are geared for slow speeds and frequent starts and stops.

Reprogramming transmissions would cost between \$1,000 and \$2,000 per vehicle.

Blaine County commissioner Sarah-Michael, who worked with transportation issues when she lived in California, said she was surprised at the number of things that can be done right now "that don't cost that much money."

Time-News correspondent Karen Bossick can be reached in Hillyer at 578-2111.

Polygamist group shuns legal debate

COLORADO CITY, Ariz. (AP) — Leaders of Utah's largest polygamist sect are staying on the sidelines as Utah legislators move to criminalize their marriage ceremonies.

The apparent concern of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints is in sharp contrast to the show of force made by Salt Lake County followers of Owen Allred's Apostolic United Brethren at legislative meeting halls last week.

Allred's followers on Friday persuaded a legislator to soften the penalties for arranging polygamous marriages.

Allen came under pressure as 100 supporters of plural marriage descended on the Utah Capitol Wednesday and Friday.

But Dan Barlow, mayor of Colorado City and a high-ranking official of his polygamist church, says the Allen bill will not affect his community.

Barlow insisted his church allows no underage marriages and that brides always get their parents' consent.

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involved, has been given short shrift by the state for too long.

"The awareness on the part of the Legislature is very low," he said. "The only reason why it's come to the forefront in recent years is the budgets are growing so fast."

Sali and other legislators place the responsibility squarely on the shoulders of Health and Welfare's Division of Family and Community Services, primarily as it operates under former Democratic Govs. John Evans and Cecil Andrus.

But even under Republican Govs. Phil Batt and Kempthorne, some lawmakers contend the agency has kept them out of the loop.

Roseanne Hardin, the division's administrator for six years and a longtime Health and Welfare employee, indicated she had not heard there were such serious concerns.

some of the shows, but prices have been set.

"We're going to at least have it once every couple of months," Ruiz said. "If we have a good turnout, we're willing to put effort to bring them back."

Jones, who said putting on such a show is "not something I would do," understands the bar is only trying to make money, though he would prefer they do it another way.

"I guess I can understand when they're coming from. They're trying to bring business in," Jones said. "It's a shame we have to bring that kind of entertainment to do that. (But) they are businessmen in Paul. And we all want to help our businesses."

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Lighters

A large instruction tag hanging from the collar is distinguished by the PetLights logo — a large dog wearing a lampshade for a hat. Five percent of sales, she said, are being donated to veterinarians and animal shel-

Needs

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service between Bellevue and Ketchum and initiate a transportation management program that includes paid parking in Ketchum's central business district.

"During this time, the county could also build transit stations and park-and-ride lots for commuter bus service.

Long-term strategies five years out include initiating all-day scheduled bus service between Bellevue and Ketchum and local circulator bus service in Blaine and Hillyer, as well as peakhour bus service to distant communities like Carey and Twin Falls.

The study refers to a number of items the average person might not think about. For instance, using KART bus to run at highway speeds would reduce the service life of the bus since the fleet's transmissions are geared for slow speeds and frequent starts and stops.

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ters for the care and treatment of abused animals.

As PetLights collars spread across the country, Foyden says she's receiving orders from callers in eastern states, as well as the west.

A Seattle police officer with a K-9 dog has ordered a collar. She

also knows of a dog with a lighted collar that avoided being hit by a car in Elkhorn, the same area where Sam was hit eight years ago.

Time-News correspondent Pat Murphy can be reached in Ketchum at 726-6423.

TWIN FALLS — Recent activity in 5th Judicial District Magistrate Court in Twin Falls included the following:

Arraignments and appearances

Melanie Ann Shaw, 41, 1742 Fourth Ave. E., Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; public defender appointed; pleaded innocent; \$100 bond.

Brent Redd, 19, Washington Park Apts., No. 79, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; pleaded innocent; \$100 bond.

Michael David Gideon, 21, 203 Second Ave. W., No. 81, Twin Falls; violation of a no-contact order; public defender appointed; pleaded innocent; \$500 bond.

Dennis Lee Parker, 31, 1195 10th Ave. E., Twin Falls; obstructing an officer; public defender appointed; pleaded innocent; \$50 bond.

Patricia Anne Tipton, 40, 1121 Imperial, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; public defender appointed; pleaded innocent; \$50 bond. Drug

trafficking; marijuana, possession of a controlled substance; public defender appointed; no plea entered; preliminary hearing Friday, \$35,000 bond.

Michael Anthony Jones, 33, 1459 Miller Ave., Twin Falls; failure to carry a driver's license; public defender appointed; pleaded innocent; \$100 bond.

Miriah Pace, 26, 50 S. 175 W., Burley; possession of a controlled substance, altering, destroying or concealing evidence; public defender appointed; no plea entered; preliminary hearing Friday.

Curtis K. Tull, 42, 4333 Addison Ave., No. 27, Twin Falls; battery-domestic violence; public defender appointed; pleaded innocent.

David P. Heck, 41, 425 Second Ave. N., Twin Falls; violation of a protection order; public defender appointed; pleaded innocent; \$500 bond.

Faustino Flores-Estevens, 21, 1375 E. 750 S., Eden; driving under the influence; public defender appointed; pleaded guilty; sentencing pending; \$1,000 bond.

Mark Joseph Lombardi, 30, 3400 E. 355 N., Kimberly; possession of drug paraphernalia, injury to a child, two

counts; public defender appointed; pleaded innocent. Second-degree kidnapping; battery, domestic violence. Public defender appointed; pleaded innocent; preliminary hearing Friday.

Robert S. Gonzalez, 42, 856 S. 1900 E., No. 12, Hazelton; petit theft; pleaded guilty; sentencing pending.

Timothy W. Yates, 35, 654 Locust St., Twin Falls; battery, domestic violence, resisting or obstructing officers; public defender appointed; pleaded innocent; \$50 bond.

Thomas Benavidez-Garcia, 53, 900 Broadway, Buhl; battery, domestic violence; pleaded guilty; sentencing pending.

James Ralph Reynolds, 47, 1510 Ninth Ave. E., Twin Falls; driving under the influence; public defender appointed; pleaded innocent.

Patrick Lee Hunt, 42, 245 Fourth Ave. W., Twin Falls; driving under the influence, driving without privileges; public defender appointed; pleaded innocent; \$3,800 bond.

Shannon R. Wicker, 23, 537 Van Buren, Twin Falls; possession of drug



Debbie Allsop, left, and her partner Connie Evenso, right, compete in the cross cut event Saturday during the Lumber Jack and Jill Rodeo at the Montana Winter Fair in Bozeman, Mont.

Governor seeks lawsuit resolution

By Mark Warbis The Associated Press

BOISE — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne is positioning himself as the white knight in an intergovernmental joust over the state's programs for treating thousands of children with serious emotional disorders.

The governor's new focus on resolving the 20-year-old Jeff D. class-action lawsuit seeks to address not only the legal claims but smoldering legislative frustration with the Department of Health and Welfare's handling of the case.

"There is plenty of work to be done," said Health and Welfare Chairman Thomas Loertscher of Iona and his outspoken vice chairman, Rep. Bill Sali of Kuna, contend the agency has done too little to defend state policies in court or keep lawmakers involved in the process.

"They also maintain court-enforced agreements that the state and plaintiffs in the Jeff D. case have entered into over the

2001 Legislature

years, in hopes of a mutual settlement, in a deal opened the state to far greater liability than anticipated in the original 1980 complaint.

Its basis was the mixing of adult and child populations at State Hospital South in Blackfoot and a lack of community-based mental health resources for children and their families.

"The folks who are in charge of these programs have just dropped the ball," said Sali, who is an attorney.

"I don't feel like they've communicated with us well. I don't feel like they have litigated the issues in the case. And the fact that the lawsuit's been going on for 20 years, in spite of all the actions that the Legislature HAS been told we needed to take, indicates that they are not getting the job done."

Loertscher is more circumspect. But he said that mental health, in part because of the stigma

Dance

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Paul city attorney Kent Fletcher said the ordinance, drafted in 1989, was intentionally restrictive and "was in response to activities going on at the time."

"The time" was earlier on in the decade, when Paul was the site for traveling shows that included male and female dancers and wrestling, Fletcher said.

The ordinance's intent is to protect public health, safety, welfare and morals — the community, protect property values and protect against the increase in crime and violence.

Recognizing certain constitutional rights, the ordinance says: "It is not the intent of this article to inhibit freedom of speech — but rather to deter those of low morals from imposing their lack of morals upon the rest of the community."

The ordinance further states: "Just as advertising is designed

to stimulate one's appetite for desiring goods or a service, an over-abundance of preoccupation with sexual displays or material arouses the appetites of those so preoccupied and encourages violations of the criminal statutes involving sexual offenses and is contrary to the health, safety and welfare of the community."

Fletcher said the Minidoka County Sheriff's Department would enforce the ordinance. Violations would be misdemeanors.

Hopp and Ruiz said they aren't looking for trouble, but to only offer residents other entertainment options.

"We want to give the public something different for this area, rather than having them travel out of town," Ruiz said.

The bar owners said they are also looking at bringing in comedians and hypnotists. People will have to buy advance tickets for

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

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This is understandably the toughest announcement I've ever had to make. We've lost Dale Earnhardt.

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-NASCAR president Mike Helton

TRIVIA

QUESTION:

Which was the first West Coast school to be voted No. 1 in the final Division I Associated Press basketball poll?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Boys' high school basketball
A-2 SCIC Tournament, at CSI: Buhl vs. Gooding, 6 p.m.
Declo vs. Kimberly, 7:30 p.m.
Canyon Conference Tournament: Glenns Ferry at Wendell, 7 p.m.
Northside Conference Tournament, at Shoshone: Richfield vs. Carey, 7 p.m.
College baseball
Coyote Classic, at Las Vegas: CSI vs. Moraine Valley, 10 a.m.

IN BRIEF

Minico holds baseball meeting tonight

RUPERT — Minico High baseball coach Russ Wright and his staff will hold an organizational meeting for all potential players and parents tonight at 8 p.m. in the Spartan gymnasium. Wright said all boys interested in trying out for the team should attend along with their parents. Necessary paperwork will be handed out. Tryouts begin Feb. 23.

TP Parks and Rec plans 2-Ball Shoot

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department is offering a 2-Ball Shoot for boys and girls age 8-11 Feb. 24 at O'Leary Junior High School. In the O'Leary gym at 2 p.m., shooters will take aim from set points around the court, making as many attempts as possible in 60 seconds. High scorers at the Feb. 24 event advance to the area shoot, and top shooters there go on to the regional contest, which will take place during a Utah Jazz game. The local contest is free but advance registration is required. Call 736-2265 or stop by the Parks office at 136 Maxwell Ave.

St. Patrick's Run & Walk set for March 10

HAGERMAN — The annual St. Patrick's Day Run & Walk will be held March 10 at Malad Gorge State Park starting at 10 a.m. in the picnic area. Malad Gorge State Park is located off I-84 at Exit 147 (the Tuttle exit). Entry fee is \$15 if signed up March 6 and \$20 if registering after that. Race-day registration starts at 8:30 a.m. in the picnic shelter. Entry fee includes a t-shirt and the post-race party, which will include smoked trout for lunch. Non-participants can eat for \$4. Run routes of 5.5 and 3.5 miles and a walking route of 3.5 miles are available. Proceeds from the event go towards Hagerman Valley community projects and the construction of scenic overlooks at Malad Gorge State Park. Call Kevin Lynn for more details at (208) 837-4505. Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

University of San Francisco in 1955. The Dons repeated in 1956.

Clemson knocks off North Carolina

The Associated Press

CLEMSON, S.C. — Clemson jolted college basketball Sunday, beating No. 1 North Carolina 75-65 on 26 points by Will Solomon and ending the Tar Heels' 18-game winning streak. Clemson proved tough while Solomon was on the bench with four fouls, going on a 12-4 run. Edward Scott of Clemson hit four free throws in the last minute and the Tigers held on as North Carolina missed its 3-point attempt. The victory ended an eight-



North Carolina coach Matt Daherty, second from left, looks on with his players, as the No. 1 Tar Heels fall to Clemson Sunday 75-65. Brendan Haywood, Joseph Forte and Jason Capel led the Tar Heels (21-3, 11-1) with 16

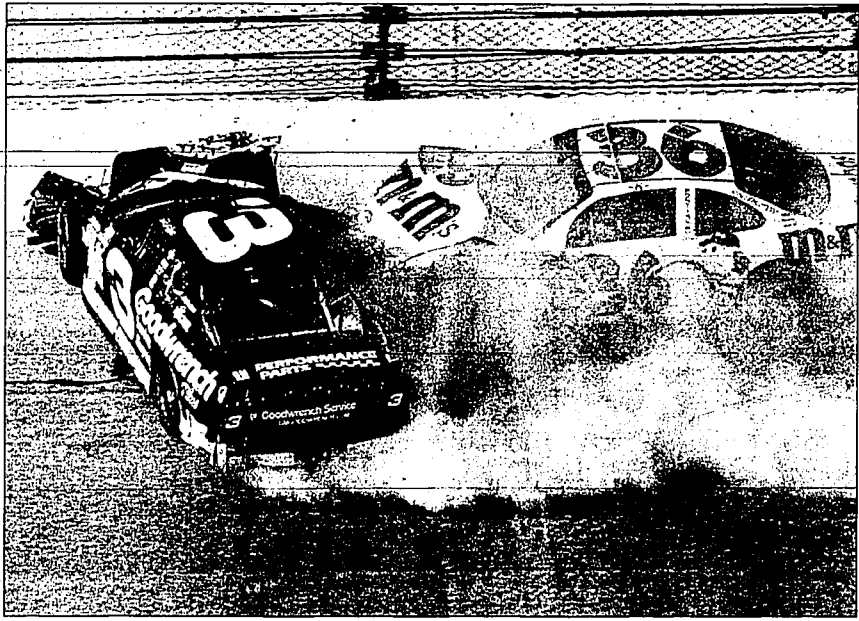
points each. The Tar Heels were coming off an eight-day layoff and looked rusty, shooting 39 percent for the game.

No. 3 Duke 91, St. John's 59

NEW YORK — Duke bounced back from its third loss of the season with some impressive defense. Duke (23-3), coming off a 91-89 loss at No. 12 Virginia, sent St. John's (13-11) to its fifth loss in seven games. Jason Williams had 26 points, seven rebounds and six assists for Duke, while Shane Battier, the

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Earnhardt dies at Daytona



Dale Earnhardt (3) hits the wall while getting hit by Ken Schrader (36) during the Daytona 500 Sunday. Earnhardt had to be cut from the wreck and was taken to a nearby hospital. He died on impact. Below, race winner Michael Waltrip lowers his head in victory lane after hearing that Earnhardt had been injured.

Legend's death overshadows Waltrip's first Winston

The Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Dale Earnhardt, the greatest stock car star of his era, was killed in a crash on the last turn of the last lap of Sunday's Daytona 500, as he tried to protect teammate Michael Waltrip's victory. The 49-year-old driver had to be cut from his battered car and was rushed to Halifax Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead of head injuries. "He had what I felt were life-ending type injuries at the time of impact and nothing could be done for him," said Dr. Steve Bohannon, an emergency physician at the hospital who also works for Daytona International Speedway. Earnhardt, considered a master of superspeedway racing, was locked in a battle for third place

as his newest driver, Waltrip, and his son, Dale Earnhardt Jr., headed toward the finish line for what should have been the most triumphant moment in the brief history of Dale Earnhardt, Inc. The accident happened a half-mile from the finish of the NASCAR season-opener. Earnhardt, running fourth in his famed black No. 3 Chevrolet, grazed Sterling Marlin's car while fighting for position. He crashed into the concrete wall at the fourth turn going about 180 mph, and was snatched hard by Ken Schrader's car.



Dale Earnhardt

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Durant shatters scoring record at Bob Hope Classic

The Associated Press

LA QUINIA, Calif. — Joe Durant capped off a near flawless 65 on Sunday with birdies on two of the last three holes to win the Bob Hope Classic and set a record for the lowest score ever in a 90-hole PGA Tour event.

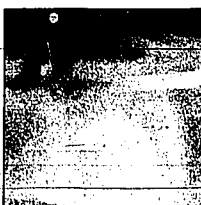
Golf

The tournament had long since been decided when Durant made the birdies to get to 36 under 324, breaking the mark of 35 under set here in 1993 by Tom Kite. Durant faltered only on the final hole, leaving an 8-foot birdie putt short, but it was good enough for a four-stroke victory over Paul Stankowski, whose 63 was only good enough to make up two

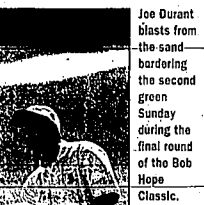
shots on the leader. About the only excitement on the final day for the quiet crowd came when Robert Gomez nearly made a double eagle at No. 6, his 15th hole, and had a chance to shoot 59 with birdies on his last two holes. He left an 8-foot short on his 17th hole, though, then barely missed a long birdie putt on his final hole for a 61 and a tie for 11th at 23 under.

Gilder grabs first senior win as Verizon Classic tourney

LUTZ, Fla. — Bob Gilder won his first Senior PGA Tour title, closing with a 4-under 67 for a three-stroke victory in the Verizon Classic. Gilder, who earned \$210,000, had an 8-under 205 Total. Bruce



Fleisher, the 2000 winner, shot a 70 to finish second along with Gil Morgan (70), Bobby Walzel (70) and Ray Floyd (67). Hale Irwin, who started the



round with a two-stroke advantage, shot a 74 to tie for ninth at 210. Jack Nicklaus, two strokes back after the second round, shot a 75 to tie for 20th at 213.

Baseball loses the great Eddie Mathews

The Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — Hall of Famer Eddie Mathews, who teamed with Hank Aaron to give the Braves a fearsome home run punch and Milwaukee its only World Series championship, died Sunday. He was 69.

Mathews died in his sleep at Scripps La Jolla hospital, his wife, Judy, said. He had been hospitalized since Sept. 3, when she took him to the emergency room after he had trouble breathing. "He worked so hard to get better," Judy Mathews said. "He just gave out."

Mathews died of complications of pneumonia, said his son, Eddie Jr., an anesthesiologist at Waukesha (Wis.) Memorial Hospital. Mathews also had long-term heart failure, although that didn't play a significant role in his death, his son said. Mathews hit 512 home runs, was one of baseball's greatest third basemen and the only person to play for the Braves in Boston, Milwaukee and Atlanta. Elected to the Hall of Fame in 1978, he had lived in Del Mar, north of San Diego, for several years.

"Eddie Mathews was my hero," New York Yankees manager Joe Torre, who played with Mathews from 1960-66, said during last year's postseason. "He was captain and I always called him that. "He never backed off, never was tentative," Torre said.

When Mathews played, few hitters in baseball were feared more. He was among only 16 players to hit 500 homers, reaching the mark on July 14, 1967, with a shot off Juan Marchand while playing for Houston at Candelstick Park. Mathews led the NL with 47 home runs in 1953 in the Braves' first year after moving from Boston to Milwaukee, and again with 46 in 1959.

Along with making it to Cooperstown, Mathews used his powerful left-handed swing to land on the first cover of Sports Illustrated. He was pictured in mid-swing when the magazine made its debut in August 1954, with a shot of him batting at County Stadium against the New York Giants.

CSI finds bats but not the plate

The Times-News

LAS VEGAS — The College of Southern Idaho baseball team couldn't combine good hitting with solid pitching over the course of two games Sunday, beating Moraine Valley 18-1 before losing to Southern Nevada 13-12.

The split moved the Eagles to 3-5 this season. The Eagles had no trouble swinging the bats, collecting 31 runs and 30 hits in two games, but their pitching struggled in the late innings of the second contest against pitching-loaded Southern Nevada.

"When you get 30 hits in a day with the wood bats you should win both games," CSI assistant coach Boomer Walker said. "We swung the bats well against a Southern Nevada team with great pitching. Our pitching is just going to have to get better."

The Eagles did have one bright spot on the mound. Sophomore Ed Dillahay had good control and his curveball working against Moraine Valley, collecting 10 strikeouts and only two walks in his first career complete game.

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Eddie Mathews



Ed Dillahay

SPORTS

Stockton fuels Utah comeback to down Kings

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — John Stockton had 12 of his 20 points in the fourth quarter and Donyell Marshall scored a career-high 31 and had 14 rebounds.

With his team trailing by seven points at the midway point through the fourth quarter, Stockton led a 12-1 run and Utah never trailed again. Stockton scored eight points during the spurt and fed Marshall for a dunk, putting the Jazz ahead 86-82 with 3:26 remaining.

Karl Malone had 24 points, nine rebounds and six assists for Utah. Stojakovic scored 27 points for the Kings.

Sixers 104, Suns 98

PHILADELPHIA — Allen Iverson scored 26 points and George Lynch added 15 points and 12 rebounds Sunday to lead the Philadelphia 76ers over the Phoenix Suns 104-98.

The Sixers have won four straight since the All-Star break, improving the NBA's best record to 40-14.

Jason Kidd had 22 points and 10 assists for Phoenix, which had won four of five.

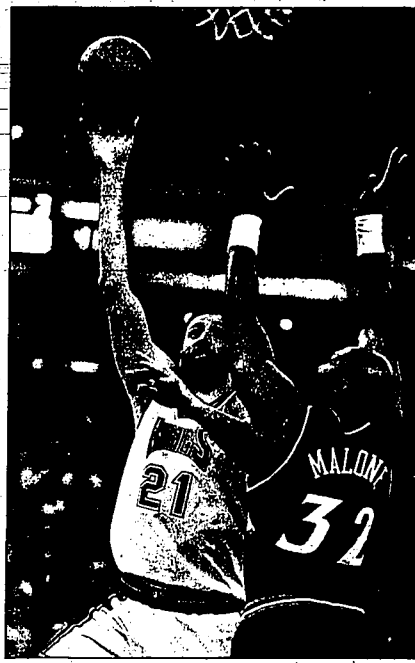
Phoenix closed to 91-88 on a layup and free throw by Cliff Robinson with 4:40 left, but Aaron McKie nailed a 3-pointer and Iverson made one free throw then drilled a 3-pointer.

Nets 102, Clippers 96, OT

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Stephon Marbury scored 18 points in the second half and added six more in overtime as New Jersey overcame a 20-point deficit.

Marbury finished with 33 points, helping the Nets stop a three-game losing streak and send the Clippers to their fifth straight loss.

After missing their first 14



Sacramento center Vlade Divac, left, shoots over Utah forward Karl Malone in the second half of their game at Arco Arena in Sacramento Sunday. The Jazz won the game 94-90.

shots in the game and falling behind by 20 points in the second quarter, the Nets came back to

take a 73-69 lead as Marbury scored 12 points in the third quarter.

Spurs 92, Raptors 74

TORONTO — Tim Duncan had 20 points, 13 rebounds and five blocked shots as the Spurs took advantage of poor shooting by Vince Carter.

San Antonio, which led by as many as 26 points in the fourth quarter, has won four straight and 12 of 13.

Grizzlies 110, Wolves 102

MINNEAPOLIS — Shareef Abdur-Rahim had 20 points and 15 rebounds and Michael Dickerson had 24 points as Vancouver stretched a winning streak to four for the first time in team history.

Erick Strickland had 14 points and Stromile Swift added 13 for Vancouver, which won for the first time at Target Center, covering 12 games.

Pacers 110, Lakers 109

INDIANAPOLIS — Reggie Miller had 18 of his 33 points in the fourth quarter and Travis Best scored with 19 seconds remaining Sunday to lead Indiana over the Los Angeles Lakers 110-109.

The Lakers led by 14 points at halftime and by nine after three quarters.

Miller scored the Pacers' first nine points in the fourth quarter and 11 of their first 16.

Magic 96, Knicks 88

ORLANDO, Fla. — Tracy McGrady scored 32 points as the Orlando Magic beat the New York Knicks 96-88 Sunday night to tie a franchise record with their ninth straight victory.

McGrady had 15 points in the fourth quarter on 6-of-7 shooting, including a 3-pointer with a 93-84 lead, putting the game out of reach. Overall, he was 13-for-21 from the floor.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Brett Lindros injured in snowmobile accident

TORONTO — Brett Lindros, a former NHL player and the brother of Eric Lindros, was seriously injured in a snowmobile accident early Sunday. Police said alcohol was a factor in the crash.

Lindros was the passenger on a snowmobile operated by 25-year-old Dan Cameron of Toronto when they struck the rocky shoreline on Cranie Lake near Parry Sound about 3:30 a.m. EMT, police said.

He said alcohol "was a factor" in the accident but that the exact cause was under investigation.

Lindros was being transferred from Parry Sound to Sunnybrook Hospital in Toronto, while Cameron was awaiting transfer.

Lindros, 25, played for the New York Islanders before concussions forced his retirement. He is currently the host of a sports series on TSN.

Brother of Pistons Mateen Cleaves killed

FLINT, Mich. — The brother of Detroit Pistons guard Mateen Cleaves was shot and killed Sunday in a drive-by shooting.

Police said two vehicles passed by a Flint home and opened fire, shooting Herbert Cleaves, 27, in the abdomen. He was taken to Hurley Medical Center in Flint, where he was pronounced dead.

No arrests were reported.

Mateen Cleaves was with his family Sunday, Pistons spokesman Matt Dobek said. The rookie guard joined the Pistons after playing on Michigan State's 2000 NCAA championship team.

Michigan State coach Tom Izzo learned about the shooting Sunday morning and told his team before the start of their game against Iowa in East Lansing, Spartans spokesman John Lewandowski said.

His thoughts and prayers are with the Cleaves family," Lewandowski said. "It's a tragedy that nobody should have to deal with."

Force wins Funny Car title at NHRA

CHANDLER, Ariz. — John Force raced to his 93rd career Funny Car victory Sunday, beating Bruce Sarver in the final round of the Checker/Schaeffler/Kragen Nationals.

Force had a quarter-mile run of 4.925 seconds at a top speed of 285.77 mph. Sarver finished in 6.956 seconds at 121.91 mph after losing the clutch on his car.

Doug Kalitta and Warren Johnson also won their divisions in the \$1.8 million event at Firebird Raceway.

Kalitta took the Top Fuel competition, beating Darrell Russell with a run of 4.628 seconds at 309.84 mph.

Johnson earned his 62nd career Pro Stock victory. He beat Brad Jeter with a pass of 6.924 seconds at 199.20 mph.

Detroit Tigers catching fire in Florida

LAKELAND, Fla. — The season hasn't even started yet, and the Detroit Tigers already are a hot team.

A 1,500-acre wildfire northeast of Lakeland shut down Interstate 4 Saturday night. General manager Randy Smith and several players had to find alternate routes to reach the field Sunday for the second day of work.

Smith and some players stay near Haines City, 25 miles northeast of Lakeland. It's normally a 25-to-30 minute drive but it took double that on Sunday.

"I wasn't exactly sure where I was going," Smith said. "He was a bit late, but all the players were on time.

"It's not too bad," pitcher Chris Holt said. "You just have to get up and leave a little earlier."

That's the toughest part, added pitcher C.J. Nitkowski. "It's kind of a pain getting up that early, as it is."

While he is not in the Tigers this spring, said he called Nitkowski to get directions Sunday.

Other players staying in the Haines City area had to find alternate routes, including third baseman Dean Palmer and pitcher Dave Mikicki.

The interstate was shut down around 5 p.m. Saturday, ensnaring manager Phil Garner in a 10-mile traffic backup. Garner had gone to Kissimmee, usually a 45-minute drive. It took him three hours to get back to Lakeland.

Smoke from the fire blanketed most of Lakeland by midday Sunday, although it did not interfere with the Tigers' morning workout.

Hartwig wins pole vault at Superstars Invite

CEDAR FALLS, Iowa — American record-holder Jeff Hartwig won the pole vault, while Olympic gold medalist Nick Hysong failed to clear a height for the second time this season at the International Superstars Track and Field Invitational Sunday.

While Hartwig soared 18 feet, 9.25 inches, Hysong missed three times at the opening height of 17-2. Hysong also did not clear the opening height at the Millrose Games in New York earlier this month.

One arena record was set at Northern Iowa as Aubrey Herring of Indiana State won the 60-meter hurdles at 7.66 seconds. The previous record was 7.75 by Herring in 1999.

Compiled from wire reports

Hurricanes blow by Boston in final period

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Josef Vasicek scored with 2:41 left, breaking a 12-game pointless streak as the Carolina Hurricanes beat the Boston Bruins 5-4 Sunday.

Marek Malik added an empty-net goal to make it 5-3 with 55 seconds left before

Boston's Kyle McLaren scored with 10 seconds remaining.

The win moved the Hurricanes within one point of the Bruins for the eighth and final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

Wild 3, Sharks 1

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Minnesota ended San Jose's streak of shutouts and road victories.

The Sharks, on a league-best 10-game road unbeaten streak (6-0-4), lost their first road game since Dec. 23 at Buffalo. They

were unbeaten (3-0-2) and had won three in a row since the All-Star break.

Antti Laaksonen beat Steve Shields in the second period, ending San Jose's streak of holding opponents scoreless at a team-record 155 minutes, 28 seconds.

Blackhawks 3, Kings 0

CHICAGO — Tony Amonte had a goal and an assist and Jocelyn Thibault made 19 saves as Chicago beat Los Angeles.

Amonte reached the 30-goal mark for the sixth consecutive season.

Eric Daze opened the scoring with his second power-play goal in as many games. Michael Nylander scored an empty-net goal with a minute left.

Thibault has five shutouts this season and 16 in his career.

Senators 4, Canadiens 0

OTTAWA — Patrick Lalime tied a team record with his fifth shutout this season as Ottawa extended its winning streak to four games.

Lalime, in his 11th career shutout, stopped 25 Montreal shots and tied the Senators' single-season-high-for-shutouts set by Damian Rhodes in 1997-98.

Predators 3, Lightning 2

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Scott Walker and Rob Valicevic scored 21 seconds apart in the third period as Nashville earned a dramatic victory over slumping Tampa Bay.

Walker tied it 2-2 with a power-play goal, and Valicevic put Nashville ahead seconds later to send the Lightning to their seventh straight loss.

The Predators snapped a three-

game losing streak and tied the Kings for ninth place in the Western Conference.

Red Wings 2, Stars 1

DALLAS — Tomas Holmstrom scored a power-play goal in the third period, and Chris Osgood made 22 saves as the Detroit Red Wings extended their unbeaten streak to seven games with a 2-1 victory Sunday night over the Dallas Stars.

Holmstrom scored the game-winning goal when he slipped the puck just under Ed Belfour's stick with 14:38 left. Sergei Fedorov's wrist shot was blocked and then Holmstrom tried a shot before scoring on his own rebound.

Holmstrom also assisted on Nicklas Lidstrom's power-play goal in the first period that tied it at 1.

Birmingham bolts past Chicago

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — Duane Butler scored on a 98-yard interception return with less than two minutes to play as the Birmingham Bolts beat the Chicago Enforcers 14-3 in the XFL on Sunday.

"I saw the pass and just broke on the ball and was able to grab it and there wasn't anybody in front of me," Butler said.

The interception was the third turnover by Chicago. The others also came in Birmingham territory, including a fumble by running back John Avery in the first quarter.

"We had interceptions and fumbles at the wrong times and when you do that it makes for a long day," Chicago coach Ron Meyer said.

Birmingham improved to 2-1, and Chicago dropped to 0-3.

Avery came into the game as the league's second-leading rusher. He gained 96 yards against the Bolts' defense that limited the Enforcers to 164 total yards.

The Enforcers' only score came on a 33-yard field goal by Andy Crossland in the first quarter.

Bolts linebacker James Willis, the league's leading tackler, had 11 stops. Butler had nine tackles and defensive back Chris Shelling had eight.

James Bostic, who played at Auburn, scored the Bolts' other touchdown on a 2-yard run with 1:35 left in the first half. Bostic rushed for 82 yards on 23 carries.

Bolts quarterback Casey Weldon completed 16 of 27 passes for 152 yards. Stepfret Williams was Weldon's favorite target, catching seven passes for 81 yards.

Rage 18, Hitmen 12

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — The XFL team from Florida heated up in the cold of Giants Stadium to remain unbeaten.

The Orlando Rage rallied to beat the New York-New Jersey Hitmen 18-12 Sunday night, leaving the Rage at 3-0 and the Hitmen winless in as many games in the new league.

Former San Francisco 49ers quarterback Jeff Brohm, looking like Steve Young, scrambled 33

yards down the middle, juking three defenders on his way to the winning touchdown with 2:33 remaining.

"There were a lot of guys slipping out there," Brohm said. "Maybe that's why I got in."

"I played under Steve and learned from one of the best."

When the sputtering offenses found some rhythm in the second half, the announced crowd of 25,628 — perhaps 20,000 fans actually were on hand in 30-degree temperatures with a wind-chill of 8 — came alive.

"You could tell we were the warm weather team early on," Brohm said. "The field and the conditions affected us, but we sucked it up and showed we are the best team."

Daytona

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"I guess someone got into Dale because Dale got into me and then we went up," Schrader said. "We hit pretty hard and Dale hit harder."

The scene was grim as safety workers removed Earnhardt from the car, and the accident removed all the luster from a glittering race that kept the record crowd of 195,000 spectators on their feet most of the afternoon.

Many of them were well on their way home when NASCAR president Mike Helton made the announcement, about 90 minutes after the race ended.

"It is understandably the hardest announcement I've ever had to make," Helton said. "We've lost Dale Earnhardt."

Fans in and around the sprawling speedway wept after hearing

the news.

The death of Earnhardt left NASCAR reeling in the wake of a 2000 season in which three of its young stars were killed in separate accidents.

Adam Petty, the fourth generation of stock car racing's most famous family, and Kenny Irvin died in crashes two months apart at New Hampshire Motor Speedway and Tony Roper was killed later in the year in a crash during a truck race at Texas Motor Speedway. All three died of the same type of head injuries that apparently killed Earnhardt.

The death completely overshadowed the victory by Waltrip, his first in 15 years and 463 years of Winston Cup racing.

At first, Waltrip, the younger brother of retired three-time champion Darrell Waltrip, was

jubilant, scrambling from his car in Victory Lane and shouting in a raspy voice. "This is the Daytona 500, and I won it! I won the Daytona 500! I can't believe it!"

But he was somber as it became apparent that his new boss was badly injured.

"The only reason I won this race is Dale Earnhardt," Waltrip said.

Waltrip took the lead 16 laps from the end of the 200-lap race at Daytona International Speedway and stayed in front, with Earnhardt Jr. and the elder Earnhardt protecting his flank.

"I thought it might be too bold or bragging to say we could win it in our first race as a team," Waltrip said. "But I thought we could."

"I could never have won without Dale (Jr.)," he added. "I could never have won without the belief of Dale Sr."

Rusty Wallace, also involved in a big crash, finished the race with a jagged piece of sheet metal sticking from the side of his car.

He wound up third, followed by Ricky Rudd and pole-winner Bill Elliott in the highest finishing Dodge.

This was the official return of the automaker to NASCAR's top series after a 15-year absence. It appeared one of the new Dodge Intrepids might win the race with Burton and Marlin dominating at times.

Eagles

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"Dillabay has always fought with his control and for him to come and do what he did is huge for us," Walker said. "I feel real good for him. He needed a little success."

CSI gave Dillabay all the run support he would need, scoring 18 runs on 15 hits. Freshman Christian Colon finished 2-for-6 with three RBIs and freshman Matt Gunning was 2-for-5 with two RBIs. Creighton Fuss hit a home run in the seventh inning in his only at-bat.

"We gave the team a little wakeup call and they responded," Walker said. "We challenged the team to play a little harder and they went out and played both games with great enthusiasm."

The Eagles led for most of the second game against Southern Nevada, but their relief pitcher walked the Coyotes leadoff men in consecutive innings and struggled to find the plate. The Eagles gave up 11 runs in the final two innings, including a six-run ninth, and lost a heartbreaker 13-12.

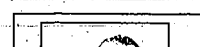
"Everytime we walk a leadoff batter this year they score," Walker said. "It was frustrating to have a lead on a team like that and then let it slip away."

The Eagles meet Morraine Valley again today at 10 a.m. Before heading back to Twin Falls to start a 10 game home-

stand. CSI will face the College of Eastern Utah on Thursday at Frontier Field.

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Hoops

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reigning two-time national defensive player of the year, had 18 points, eight rebounds and seven blocked shots.
No. 4 Michigan St. 94, No. 25 Iowa 70
EAST LANSING, Mich. — Jason Richardson had 21 points and seven steals, helping extend the nation's longest home winning streak to 42 games.
Andre Hutson scored 17 points, Charlie Bell had 16 and Zach Randolph 14 points to lead Michigan State.
No. 11 Florida 88, No. 15 Tennessee 82
KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Brett Nelson scored 25 points and Teddy Dupuy added 22 as Florida

won its third straight and seventh in eight games.
Seton Hall 74, No. 14 Notre Dame 64
SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Eddie Griffin scored 24 points and made big plays every time the Fighting Irish appeared poised to make a run, stopping Notre Dame's eight-game winning streak, its longest in 14 seasons.
No. 19 Wisconsin 59, Northwestern 37
MADISON, Wis. — Roy Boone scored 17 points and Northwestern (9-17, 1-12 Big Ten) won between its first and second field goals.
Northwestern made only 20.8 percent of its shots, a season low, hitting 4 of its first 37 attempts.

Women's Top 25
No. 2 Tennessee 75, No. 13 LSU 73
BATON ROUGE, La. — Michelle Snow took an inbound pass with 11 seconds left and made a 12-footer, giving No. 2 Tennessee a 75-73 victory over No. 13 LSU on Sunday.
Tennessee (26-1, 12-0 Southeastern Conference) was held 10 points below its scoring average.
No. 3 Connecticut 61, Villanova 43
PHILADELPHIA — Asjha Jones scored 14 points and Sue Bird added 13.
Bird's pointer with 6:21 left capped a 10-0 run that put the Huskies (22-2, 12-1 Big East) up 54-36. Villanova (18-7, 9-5) went

9-50 without a field goal during that stretch before Mimi Riley's 3-pointer made it 58-42 with 2:37 left.
No. 21 N.C. State 69, No. 4 Duke 55
RALEIGH, N.C. — Tyisha Lewis scored 17 of her 19 points in the second half of the Wolfpack (17-8, 8-6 Atlantic Coast Conference), who trailed by six at halftime, then rallied for their sixth straight league victory.
No. 5 Georgia 81, Arkansas 60
ATHENS, Ga. — Twins Kelly and Coco Miller combined for 40 points in their final home game.
Kelly had 22 points and five assists, while Coco had 18 points

and seven rebounds for Georgia (22-4, 10-2 Southeastern Conference).
No. 12 Xavier 84, Dayton 62
XAVIER, Ohio — Taru Tuukkanen scored 23 points and Mikko Levanvsky led the Musketeers (23-2, 13-1 Atlantic 10).
Tuukkanen was 10 of 19 from the field and had three blocks, and Levanvsky made 4 of 7 3-point attempts.
Northern Iowa 99, No. 15 SW Missouri St. 80
CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa — Abbi Schutte scored a career-high 30 points, Kary Dawson 27 and Amy Swisher a season-best 25 for Northern Iowa (15-7, 10-4 Missouri Valley).
Bell was blocked on a shot that would have tied the score.

BASEBALL

Sunday College Baseball Scores
Alabama 12, Louisiana 3
Arkansas 10, Tennessee 5
Baylor 10, Texas Tech 3
California 10, Oregon 3
Clemson 10, South Carolina 3
Duke 10, Wake Forest 3
Florida 10, Georgia 3
Georgia Tech 10, North Carolina 3
Iowa 10, Missouri 3
Kentucky 10, Vanderbilt 3
Louisiana State 10, Mississippi State 3
Michigan State 10, Ohio State 3
Minnesota 10, Wisconsin 3
Missouri 10, Arkansas 3
North Carolina 10, Duke 3
Ohio State 10, Michigan State 3
Oregon 10, California 3
South Carolina 10, Clemson 3
Texas Tech 10, Baylor 3
Tennessee 10, Arkansas 3
Vanderbilt 10, Kentucky 3
Virginia Tech 10, Wake Forest 3
Wake Forest 10, Duke 3
West Virginia 10, Clemson 3
Wisconsin 10, Minnesota 3

BASEBALL

Sunday Major League Baseball Scores
Arizona 10, Colorado 3
Atlanta 10, Philadelphia 3
Baltimore 10, Tampa Bay 3
Boston 10, New York Yankees 3
California 10, Oakland Athletics 3
Cleveland 10, Detroit Tigers 3
Colorado 10, Arizona 3
Detroit 10, Cleveland 3
Florida 10, Atlanta 3
Houston 10, San Diego 3
Los Angeles 10, San Francisco 3
Miami 10, Florida 3
Milwaukee 10, Chicago Cubs 3
Minnesota 10, St. Louis 3
New York Yankees 10, Boston 3
Oakland Athletics 10, California 3
Philadelphia 10, Atlanta 3
Pittsburgh 10, Cincinnati 3
San Diego 10, Houston 3
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Washington 10, Montreal 3

BASEBALL

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Atlanta Falcons 10, Tampa Bay Buccaneers 3
Baltimore Ravens 10, Pittsburgh Steelers 3
Buffalo Bills 10, New York Jets 3
Cincinnati Bengals 10, Cleveland Browns 3
Dallas Cowboys 10, New York Giants 3
Denver Broncos 10, Kansas City Chiefs 3
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Houston Texans 10, Jacksonville Jaguars 3
Indianapolis Colts 10, Baltimore Ravens 3
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Las Vegas Raiders 10, Oakland Athletics 3
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BASEBALL

National Basketball Association All-Time Top Eastern Conference Players
Player Pts Reb Ast
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New York Knicks 15,727 3,293 2,152
Philadelphia 76ers 14,868 2,434 1,311

BASEBALL

National Hockey League Eastern Conference Standings
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New York Rangers 28 12 2 108 88
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OTHER VIEWS

Rural communities need a diversified job base

From The Idaho Statesman, Boise

Something should be realized from Tuesday's announcement by Boise Cascade that it is closing its last two mills in Idaho and Monday's announcement that Sunshine Mine in North Idaho is laying off 130 workers: Bashing the federal government, blaming the Clinton administration's policies or environmental groups will not bring back lost jobs.

Finger-pointing by politicians or environmentalists will not ease the pain of people in Emmett, Cascade and the Silver Valley. Federal land policies have contributed to the decline of the timber industry. But those restrictive policies, as well as public sentiment for Clinton's roadless initiative, were brought on largely by the timber industry's overzealous logging practices.

A slow timber market has caused the timber industry's decline and contributed to the decision to lay off workers at Sunshine Mine. The focus must be on where these communities go from here.

First, the Idaho congressional delegation should work with the U.S. Forest Service to attract a new kind of timber operation that would fit the Forest Service's needs for thinning and restoration of forests. Purchasing the Boise Cascade plants is one option to consider. There is a national interest in doing so.

Jack Blackwell, intermountain regional forester for the U.S. Forest Service, says that without the two mills to process timber cut on public lands, it will be more difficult to restore ponderosa pine forests in Idaho and reduce the threat of fires.

Secondly, the closings and layoffs planned by Boise Cascade and Sunshine Mine illustrate the need for the Legislature to approve Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's rural-development plan. The governor's proposal won't save rural communities by itself, but it's a start. Idaho cannot continue to

depend on natural-resource industries to carry these communities economically.

What Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, Department of Commerce director Gary Mahn and others say is true. Rural communities in Idaho are in trouble, and the state must develop a long-term strategy to help these communities rebound. Kempthorne, with guidance from his task force on rural development, has come up with a plan.

He has proposed offering \$15.8 million in business incentives aimed at helping diversify Idaho's rural communities. His plan encourages broadband communications development, which will allow telecommunications operations to set up shop in rural communities.

Economic experts, including Mahn, say diversification is a key to helping rural Idaho get back on track. There is not enough state money to prop up the dying timber and mining industries, or compensate farmers for low crop prices.

Emmett is well on its way toward diversification, in terms of practice and attitude. Emmett is growing, and people from there are making the 40-mile commute to Boise daily. David Foruria, a Boise Cascade mill worker, says he and his co-workers are preparing to go after computer jobs in Boise or other positions that may come open closer to home.

"They think we're a bunch of sawmill bums, but we're educated," Foruria said.

The sting is greater in Cascade, which is part of the long and rich tradition of Boise Cascade. But there is hope for timber communities if the congressional delegation works with the Forest Service in a new direction that will meet pressing management needs.

And there is hope for the Silver Valley and other rural communities in Idaho if the Legislature opens the way for diversification.



Colombia's drug war must be won in the U.S.

—WILLIAM RATLIFF

BOGOTA, Colombia — Here in Colombia, the new U.S. film "Traffic" comes alive with a vengeance. While the movie is based on the Mexican drug trade, the corruption, kidnappings, terror and frustration of the U.S. war on drugs are even greater here.

Colombia has dozens of drug cartels, two guerrilla armies, and guerrilla paramilitaries, a sometimes inadequately controlled national army, a deadbeat economy, massive corruption and seriously weakened democratic institutions. A million people have been displaced, while thousands are kidnapped and killed every year by competing armed forces.

Added to that are the United States, whose tragically misguided policies were escalated though not begun by the Clinton administration.

Events earlier this month hint at the complexities. Even as U.S.-trained and supported Colombian military forces sweep into cocaine-producing areas guarded by so-called Marxist FARC guerrillas in the south, President Andres Pastrana was trying to resuscitate stalled peace negotiations by meeting the top guerrilla leader, Manuel "Sure Shot" Marulanda, in guerrilla-held territory farther north. The talks have been called "very productive." If time proves otherwise, however, Pastrana will likely become the Ehud Barak of South America — the reformer whose failures opened the door to more right-wing forces.

In a perverse way this nightmare will be good if it forces the new Bush foreign policy team to step outside the psychological lockbox of previous administrations. A comprehensive new policy on drugs in particular is essential immediately. It too

will be imperfect but likely better than what we are doing now. An increasing number of Americans, including former Secretary of State George Shultz and Nobel laureate Milton Friedman, have warned that the global war on drugs is now causing more harm than drug abuse itself.

The much-discussed Plan Colombia, mostly funded with about \$1 billion in U.S. military support for drug eradication, is a well-intended idea, but it is dishonest and fated to fail. U.S. leaders say the aid is intended only to fight drugs, but drug dealing and the FARC have fused, and we are in fact becoming deeply involved in Colombia's decades-old armed conflict.

Washington's response to Colombia's needs and our own security interests must come in other ways. We cannot strike effectively at the drug problem abroad without taking the first steps at home. Without this, the crisis abroad will shift location but never disappear.

Since its early years, the drug war has been a failed campaign against human nature and the laws of economics. When we drove the drug industry underground, we guaranteed astronomical illegal profits for those people who were willing to take whatever chances are necessary to benefit from supplying the product to a large U.S. market.

For decades we have largely and hypocritically blamed suppliers for the violence and corruption our policy created. Our policies of interdiction and eradication stacked chaos in Colombia and other countries by making the drug business an

explosive and highly profitable illegal operation. Few Americans realize how this war has decimated people and fledgling democratic institutions here or how current policies are already spreading corruption and violence in neighboring countries.

If the enormous profits from this massive drug industry were slashed through some form of "decriminalization" as part of a broader program in the United States, the level of corruption and violence in Colombia, Mexico and other countries would become much more manageable.

Major military support for drug eradication in southern Colombia, as is under way now, should end immediately along with certification programs. We should consider whether — or in what way — we want to help bolster the Colombian military in its fight against the guerrillas. The United States now correctly urges Pastrana to pursue his "peace offensive." However, without tangible progress he will be overthrown by Colombian popular frustration before the next election.

A total revamping of the United States' drug war is critical to a successful Bush administration policy in Latin America, though that policy also must include stronger support for hemispheric trade, legal reform and more comprehensive education and alternative crop programs. Failure to treat these matters with the honesty and seriousness they require will rebound badly in many Latin American countries and become an enormous headache, if not an outright threat, to the United States.

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LETTERS

Questions need answering

I was sorry to hear about the death of Tim Williams, who I grew up with next door. I can not believe that he was a violent person and deserved to be shot so violently.

I remember Tim as a quiet person but someone who was so funny at times. The Tim I knew was also wary of guns and what they could do to a person. When Tim was in junior high, I remember how he and a friend messed with a shell, trying to make rockets and it backfired and went into his chest, injuring his heart. His sister and I found him laying on his bed with a hole in his chest. When he recovered from this, we talked about how silly it was to do such a thing and we made a promise to each other that he would not do something like this again.

I know that he is in a better place now, but I would still like to know why he was shot so many times and why it is being covered up. I will be watching this as it unfolds and hope someone can answer how a person can be shot so many times and if the officers were wearing their bulletproof vests or were they shot by their own backup.

My thoughts are with Tim's family and also those of the officers who all died such senseless deaths.

KAY (ADAMS) PETERSON
Claremont, Calif.

Speak out of the bad guys win

I injured my left shin while helping build the Hunt Project in 1942 and drove to the project dispensary to have it rebanded. A routine arose wherein I would pick up some teen-age men walking along the road; drop them at the snack bar and pick up some on my return. After they got used to me, they chattered easily among themselves in English. They never spoke Japanese. They could have been some of my high school friends, talking about sports, girls and school. I was amazed!

There were few Orientals in America until the late 1800s. Then many Chinese were transported here to work at rail road construction, mining, prostitution, etc. They had yellow skin and slanting eyes. Their facial expression was reserved and inscrutable. Their living habits were very different. Many of them came from lower social stratum of their home country. It was easy for those who used them for their own gain to promote the idea that Orientals were sly, cunning and untrustworthy.

When the tide of Oriental immigration began to swell, this prejudice shifted to the new immigrants. The average citizen did not distinguish between Chinese and Japanese. These new immigrants were keen, energetic people lured to America by the prospect of freedom and a better

life. Their neat, prosperous-looking homes and business places were envied by many.

When the military forces of Japan overran much of the Western Pacific, reports of their brutal, ruthless actions filled the news. It was easy to believe their widespread success came as a result of spies and traitors. This was the mindset of the average citizen when it was proposed to round up all Japanese on our West Coast and lock them up. It has long been my belief this action was promoted by individuals who held extreme prejudice and/or greedy realization they could profit from it.

Maybe some former internee will remember a march 1936 four-door Chevy driven by a gangly teen-ager wearing a floppy-crowned, billed, cloth cap.

To all internees: Please accept my individual apology for what was done to you and yours.

To all Americans: We must remain vigilant to ensure such a terrible violation of our Constitution never happens again. Remember, it was done by executive order. Congress should have stopped it. The U.S. Supreme Court should have stopped it. When good people stand by and do nothing, then bad people succeed.

CECIL LEON RICE
Filer

Collector hasn't harmed anyone

Once there was a little boy who like to collect artifacts. The child was fascinated by the works of the past. This man has put together the finest collection of Indian heritage seen.

He did not put them in a box somewhere — with his own money, family and hard work made a dream come true. The dream: to put his collection on display for everyone to see. This is an opportunity to view heritage many have forgotten.

He now is being punished — for what, I ask? A wonderful collection? Or for knowledge of the past?

This man has never stole in his life. If a person has the knowledge to put together a fine display (neatly and carefully), doubtfully he would deface Indian relic sites. This man should be commended, not condemned.

Three years ago, the Idaho Heritage Museum was ransacked by the government, more than 4,000 pieces taken from the museum; their homes invaded, their lives displayed like a science project.

This is unimaginable. The Idaho Heritage Museum sponsors children and schools. Schools and various groups travel to see the displays presented by this establishment.

My daughter asked the owner to

speak on Indians to her first-grade class at Hollister Elementary School. He was proud; he took a day from work to help the little girl.

Fantastic presentation! That is education, not the acts of a thief or artifact site destruction.

Individuals have destroyed a business and man — the spread of gossip. You individuals should be ashamed of yourselves! Your jealousy and pettiness should be embarrassing for you and your family. No names need mentioned — you and I both know who you are.

If this case — many are guilty for finding artifacts. Only one man is liable for many's actions?

This is not a crime. This man has brought no harm to anyone or anything. Where does justice begin and end? Justice isn't an innocent man facing a prison sentence for displaying "past knowledge" for all to benefit from. He has done nothing wrong. Wrong is people who sell drugs to our children, rape, beat, kill, come into your home to do you harm, walk free for copping a bargain when they are guilty. Wrong is punishing the innocent!

Where does this stop? One day, "you" could be charged with the "crime of innocence."

CANDIE JONES
Twin Falls

Doonesbury



By Garry Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

The right has room to woo America's Latino population

The confirmation of John Ashcroft as U.S. attorney general was a major setback for pro-choice liberals.

Whether or not Ashcroft intervenes in abortion-related court cases, as many liberals fear, his visibility and prominence will add momentum and legitimacy to the pro-life cause.

In fact, polls suggest that public support for this cause has grown steadily in recent years. Since 1995, the percentage of Americans identifying themselves as pro-choice has fallen from 56 percent to 48 percent, while the number identifying as pro-life has increased from 33 percent to 42 percent. Liberals tend to blame this shift on the pro-life movement's success at the state level on "second-tier" issues, such as parental consent or federal insurance coverage for abortion. But the source of the shift may be demographic. Voters, especially

STEWART J. LAWRENCE

those born after Roe vs. Wade, are simply growing more conservative on abortion.

Of all the voters who are likely to influence the abortion debate, none are more important than Latinos.

The degree of Latino opposition to abortion is a matter of some dispute. Most major polls on abortion do not include sufficient numbers of Latino respondents to report reliable statistics. Polls conducted among Latinos exclusively can be perceived as biased or partisan. For example, when a December 1999 Zogby poll found that 69 percent of Latinos in California agreed that abortion was a form of manslaughter and nearly 60 percent opposed partial-birth abortions, liberals denounced the poll

as misleading. Last July, however, a nationwide poll conducted by the public opinion research firm Hispanic Trends found that nearly half of all Latinos supported an outright ban on abortion.

If Latinos are such strong social conservatives on abortion and on other issues from gun control to crime, why do so many continue to vote Democratic? First, Latinos believe in a role for government, especially in the economy. When Republicans seem to argue for unrestrained free markets and for the elimination of social programs, as they did during the Ronald Reagan and Newt Gingrich years, Latinos are susceptible to appeals from their liberal leaders to vote Democratic.

More important is the immigration issue. Nearly every Latino family has at least one relative who is seeking to enter the United States. A steady drumbeat of attacks on U.S. immigration policy from the nativist wing of the

Republican Party since the mid-1990s dealt a devastating blow to Republicans in 1996 and kept George W. Bush from capturing a larger share of the Latino vote. Bush ended up with a 35 percent share, slightly less than the 37 percent Reagan received in 1980. Polls suggest, however, that had Republicans not opposed amnesty for certain classes of illegal immigrants, Bush's Latino support could have topped 40 percent.

Yet Bush's election, coupled with changes in domestic and international policy, could now lead increasing numbers of Latinos to embrace Republican candidates and issues by 2004. Bush's proposed tax cut will find strong support in the growing Latino middle class, while his call for expanded involvement by faith-based organizations in social services should receive a favorable reception among the Latinos who still aspire to be middle class. With the election of Vicente

Fox as Mexican president, there is a growing possibility of a new bilateral framework for regulating the flow of Mexican workers into the U.S. economy. While liberals and the labor lobby are likely to deride the Bush-Fox plan as a throwback to the infamous bracero program of the 1940s and 1950s, the plan's proposed safeguards could ensure a fairer deal for low-skilled Mexican workers.

And what of the abortion issue? The trends seem to point toward a steady erosion of support for traditional pro-choice positions. Polls indicate that Latinos are sharply divided: U.S.-born Latinos and those with higher English fluency tend to be more favorable to abortion, while foreign-born and primarily Spanish-speaking Latinos remain staunchly opposed. In addition, only South Americans and Cuban Americans generally support abortion, while strong majorities of Mexicans, Puerto Ricans and Central Americans are

opposed. For Republicans, this is largely good news, as foreign-born, Spanish-speaking Mexicans are the fastest-growing component of the U.S. Latino population. None of this means that Latinos can be counted on to vote for or against a particular candidate based solely on his or her stance on abortion. But Republicans may be in a position to neutralize the traditionally pro-Democratic impact of immigration and economic issues. A similar opportunity exists to exploit issues such as crime, gun control and school choice, on which Latinos tend to be more conservative. But time is of the essence: In the next 10 years, Latinos will account for 43 percent of U.S. population growth, and one in every four new voters is likely to be Latino.

Stewart J. Lawrence is president of a Washington-based Latino market research and communications firm.

LETTERS

Congratulations, T-N

I would like to commend The Times-News for its consistent, salient and detailed coverage of the nuclear waste issue. This is not an issue that should be only of concern to those of us living near a dump site (Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory).

The nuclear waste issue affects the future of life on earth as we know it. The solution for nuclear waste disposal has not yet been found. Radioactivity is persistent in the environment for more than 240,000 years after it has been

produced, and nuclear power plants (the major source of nuclear waste) are proliferating all over the world with the economic assistance of the United States. It is not just the Snake River Aquifer that is threatened with contamination. Every nuclear power plant is located at a water source for availability of water as a cooling medium. It is only a matter of time until radioactivity at these sites is released by accident, container deterioration or water seepage into dump sites. The seeds of destruction have been sown and all higher life forms will suffer

cancer, genetic mutations and death. The current "energy crisis" makes this country ripe to accept more nuclear power development. Short-term solutions can create long-term problems. In this case, the energy that gives us "quality of life" will ensure no future on this planet for the human race and other endangered species. I urge your readers to write their congressmen and Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham to tell them to stop current and future production of nuclear waste. Individuals can also address the

problem by energy conservation, including recycling efforts.
CAROL SPERRY
Twin Falls
Respect the police force
I have worked with at-risk youth in the Magic Valley for about eight years. Most of the youth that I have worked with have had plenty of negative experiences with the police departments of their respective communities. Because I know many of these youth as friends, I have heard over and over again their feelings about the police departments of this area. I

have grown used to the negativity that they express when they see a police officer drive past. I am no stranger to disdain for "our men in blue." Usually though, I can excuse the sentiments shared with me because I remember that my friends are still maturing. They're still growing up. Imagine my surprise when I found this same disdain and lack of community trust in such a "grown-up" paper like yours. Your coverage of the Eden tragedy is loaded with unproven insinuations and dangerous inferences.

Now, I realize that you are my "elders." After all, I'm just 27. But to my young, still-maturing mind, it seems that you are merely milking a tragic event for the purpose of selling newspapers. While this may improve your bottom line, I believe it only serves to widen the gap of trust between the police officers and the citizens of the communities they serve. In the end, the community will pay the price for the increased revenue that your "investigative reporting" will inspire.
TED BRUN
Menifee, Calif.

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NATION/WORLD

Mexico, U.S. acknowledge energy need

SAN CRISTOBAL, Mexico (AP) - One country suffers blackouts and soaring energy costs. The other could likely face the same.

As neighbors, it would seem Mexico and the United States have no choice but to work together to create a regional energy plan, helping each other provide enough power to fuel their growing economies.

But the proposal for a common energy policy for the region stretching from Panama to

Canada - put forth by President Bush and Mexican President Vicente Fox during their meeting here Friday - could face strong opposition in Mexico.

The country's state-owned electricity commission has been a sacred symbol of Mexico's sovereignty, and past proposals to privatize or even allow more private investment were widely called attempts to sell out Mexico.

Late Saturday, a spokesman for the largest party in Mexico's Congress, the Institutional

Revolutionary Party, expressed concern that Fox's commitments on energy might jeopardize Mexican sovereignty and said the party wanted to summon Foreign Secretary Jorge Castañeda to explain before lawmakers.

Former President Ernesto Zedillo also tried, but failed, to privatize more of the energy market to overcome a growing need for power and to modernize a sluggish bureaucracy. Those funds and resources are still lacking in Mexico.

Airstrikes may complicate coming talks

UNITED NATIONS (AP) - The latest allied airstrikes near Baghdad are likely to complicate upcoming U.N. Iraq talks aimed at breaking a stalemate over U.N. sanctions and getting weapons inspectors back into the country.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan is to meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Mohammed Saeed al-Sahhaf on Feb. 26-27 for talks that had been seen as a chance to start a dialogue on the intertwined issues of sanctions and weapons inspections.

In a letter to Annan and the Security Council, al-Sahhaf said the U.N. chief should "condemn the dangerous aggression and the increase of tension" and should take "speedy steps to prevent such attacks from taking place again," the official Iraqi News Agency said Sunday.

Iraq wants the U.N. to lift crippling economic sanctions imposed after it invaded Kuwait in 1990. The United Nations says Iraq must first let inspectors back in to make sure President

Saddam Hussein is not developing weapons of mass destruction.

Though a major breakthrough had not been expected from the meeting, the fact that Baghdad requested it and sent such a high-level delegation was seen as positive.

Iraq's supporters on the Security Council - Russia, China and France - had been hoping the United States and Britain, would help their efforts to nudge Iraq into cooperation with weapons inspections.

Yugoslavia urges action after blast

LUCANE, Yugoslavia (AP) - An explosion ripped through a police van and killed three Serb officers just outside Kosovo on Sunday, heightening tensions already taut after a bus bombing that killed at least seven Serb civilians inside the troubled province.

Yugoslavia blamed both attacks on Kosovo's ethnic Albanian militants, who denied responsibility and said one of their commanders was killed by Serb police later Sunday in Lucane, just outside a buffer zone separating Kosovo from the rest of Serbia.

With violence mounting, Yugoslavia urged NATO to act immediately to keep the militants out of the buffer zone, which they have used to stage attacks on Serbian police and Yugoslav army troops.

The militants want to join the zone with Kosovo as part of a push for independence for the Serbian province, which has been run by the United Nations and NATO-led peacekeepers since June 1999, when Yugoslavia halted its crackdown on the Albanian majority after a NATO bombing campaign.

Friday's bombing of a bus carrying Serbs to visit the graves of relatives in Kosovo killed at least seven people and wounded 43, the deadliest attack in the province since 13 Serb farmers were machine-gunned to death while tilling their fields in July 1999.

The three policemen died Sunday when their van was demolished by what were believed to be anti-tank mines on a road near Lucane, a southern Serbian village just outside the three-mile-wide buffer zone.

Border police say gangs smuggled Kurd refugees

FREJUS, France (AP) - Criminal gangs operating in Turkey and Iraq were behind the smuggling of hundreds of Iraqi Kurds who landed in France after a weeklong journey in a decrepit freighter without toilets or provisions, border police said Sunday.

The burgeoning trade of immigrant smuggling hit French shores in an unprecedented way Saturday, when hundreds of Kurds desperate to leave Iraq successfully slipped into France on the "East Sea," a decrepit ship that ran aground off the country's posh Riviera.

"It's an Iraqi-Turkish mafia ring that brought 910 people on the boat that ran aground," said Daniel Chaze, deputy central director of the French border police.

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If it looks and talks like a dad, it's a duck

Sometimes people ask me: "Dave, what is the essence of parenthood?"
I always answer: "Lowering your standards."

For example, recently I was in a restaurant, having a bite to eat with my brother-in-law, Steve. And when I say "having a bite to eat," I mean "not having a bite to eat," because also on hand were my daughter, Sophie, who is 11 months old, and Steve's daughter, Juliana, who is 15 months old. They're "toddlers," which means they have figured out how to walk, but they have no destination in mind.

But they have plenty of energy. During a standard restaurant meal, a standard toddler can easily toddle 58 miles in totally random directions, while your hamburger cools and eventually reverts to a frozen patty. You have to follow toddlers closely at all times, because they could cheerfully toddle right out the door and into the path of a cement truck.

So Steve and I were clumping along behind Juliana and Sophie as they wandered aimlessly around the restaurant, pointing at things and saying what they were. Juliana actually knew the right words for some things; Sophie called pretty much everything "duck." This is her favorite word, and she applies it to anything that is remotely duck-like, including pelicans, certain trees, and Vice President Cheney.

Anyway, the two girls were pointing at a vending machine when I suddenly noticed a distinctly fragrant in the air. Somebody had definitely done something.

I said, "Do you smell that?" And Steve said, "Yes." Without another word, we both executed the same maneuver, which consisted of picking up our toddlers, pulling out the backs of their diaper waistbands, sticking our noses down there, and taking a whiff.

"It's not Sophie," I said, greatly relieved.

"It's definitely Juliana," said Steve, staggering slightly.

My point is this: Most of us grow up believing in a set of core values, and one of them is that we will never sniff another person's butt in a restaurant. But parents do this kind of thing ALL THE TIME.

And hygiene is not the only area where parents of babies have to lower their standards. There is also the area of intellect. I am reading a lot of books with names like "Conrad Cantaloupe Has a Sad Day." Modern children's books are written by people who (a) get paid by the page, and (b) are hitting the bourbon pretty hard. The books all sound like this:

PAGE ONE: "Conrad Cantaloupe was sad."
PAGE TWO: "He was very sad."
PAGE THREE: "He was sad, sad, sad."

PAGE FOUR: "He went to see his friend Earl Eggplant."

PAGE FIVE: "He said, 'Earl Eggplant, I am sad.'"

PAGE SIX: "Earl Eggplant said, 'Why are you sad, Conrad Cantaloupe?'"

PAGE SEVEN: "Conrad Cantaloupe said: 'I will tell you why I am sad, Earl Eggplant.'"

PAGE EIGHT: "But not on this page."

And so on. It is no wonder American students get such lousy test scores; they grow up listening to this dreck, while parents in foreign countries are reading to THEIR babies from literary masterpieces such as "The Brothers Karamazov" ("The Brothers Karamazov were sad. They were very sad. They were sad, sad.")

Also, did I mention that my car, which used to be spotless, now contains roughly 250 million freerange Cheerios? But I'm not complaining, because it's all worthwhile when I look at my baby girl, and she looks back at me, and her face lights up when I tell her I am very, very special to her. And then she calls me "duck."

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You might not recognize your next set

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY -- Pocket Rockets Big Six. These are a sign of skis to come.

Just when you thought the shape-of-skis-might-reverse themselves and get a little lengthier, a little less shaped, guess what? Not!

Next year's crop of skis is shorter and fatter with flashier colors and designs than ever. "They're just getting more fun," said Seth Martin, of Formula Sports in Keetchum. "They're getting easier to turn and they can hold an edge on the ice better than ever."

Martin was one of a thousand ski reps and ski shop employees who flocked to the just-ended Western Winter Sports Representatives Association On-Snow Demo at Sun Valley to preview and test next year's skis, snowboards, goggles and other products. Similar shows will be held at Colorado's Copper Mountain and California's Mammoth and Sugar Bowl.

At Baldy, the reps set up shop in a brightly colored enclave of tents at the base of Greyhawk. And Bald Mountain became a playground — whoops, make that workplace — for ski shop owners from throughout the northwest as they took a couple dozen skis and snowboards out for test drives each day for three days running.

What they tried and liked will soon be coming to a ski and snowboard store near you.

If you're in the market for skis, you'll find them shorter and made of material that makes them easier to turn. Skiers used to buying 150-centimeter skis will likely find them measuring in at 150 and 170 centimeters this year, said Nordica representative David Sword.

Volant, which has flooded the slopes with silver during the past few years, has gone for the gold this year. A vapor core makes the top scratch-resistant. (Now if only they could come up with something like that for the bottom of the skis.)

Of course, Volant still plans



Terry Howells and Aaron Edwards show off the new Flow snowboarder binding and Line twin tip skis at the just-ended ski and snowboard trade show held at Sun Valley.

to offer plenty of silver for silver diggers. A melted core and stainless steel top in Volant's new Gravity series allows you to get

quicker edge pressure on the snow. No more wishy-washing. Salomon is still big on its yellow X-Screams, arguably one of the most popular skis to

take to the slopes in the history of skiing. After all, why would you want to mess with success? But this year Salomon also

hopes to ignite some excitement with its Pocket Rocket, a twin tip free riding ski curled up at both ends. Never mind the "pocket" part. It's a big ski designed to ensure more stability and float in backcountry powder and plenty of fun and games in half-pipes.

Fischer has done the same thing with its Big Six — a name that somehow has you humming McDonald's. "You Deserve a Break Today."

The all-black Nordica Gel Driver features a non-injected foam core, wide tip and narrow waist that gives you a light ski with softer flexing. Line Skis, of Burlington, Vt., is boasting a line of twin tip skiboarder/snowboarder skis good for hitting jumps, riding half pipes, sliding handrails, laying super low carves like snowboarders do and cruising the mountain.

The skis come in a wide variety of sizes designed to fit what you most want to do — from the very short 133-centimeter Chetto Blaster to the 182-centimeter Mothership. And, they've broken new ground in skis by sporting the jazzed-up graphics previously found only on snowboards.

The Flow snowboard binding is a cross between the traditional binding and the step-in binding. Its one-time adjustment foot strap allows you to adjust your forward lean by turning a dial, disperse the pressure from your foot more evenly and transmit more energy. Just step in, snap up the back buckle and ride, according to Terry Howells, the Tacoma, Wash., manufacturer's rep.

And Inca, out of Portland, Ore., has revived an early concept in snowboards with its dual camber snowboards that undulate on the bottom like a rollercoaster ride rather than staying flat all the way across.

The idea is that it increases your edging 40 percent and 60 percent, said representative Mark Haleson. It's lightweight and easier to handle and good for carving or for Border Cross racing.

If you like what you see, there'll soon be an Inca board for women and children.

And to see all this more clearly, look no further than Sun Valley's own Smith's, which has come up with new distortion-free tapered goggle lenses.

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Artist pieces together quilt

Can you imagine a pictorial quilt made up of more than 22,000 fabric pieces? The award-winning wall hanging called "Piece and Quiet" is just that, and yet it looks totally unified, like an impressionistic landscape painting.

It was created by Texas quilt artist Cynthia England. "Piece and Quiet," executed in shades of blue, green and brown, won best of show at the 1993 International Quilt Festival in Houston, as well as first place at the 1994 American Quilter's Society Show in Paducah, Ky.

England began quilting at age 13, essentially self-taught. For many years she worked in a traditional style. Then, using the skills she developed as a commercial graphic artist, she began to design quilts depicting some of her favorite subjects — flowers, landscapes, antiques and architecture — in a different technique. They are realistically detailed pictorials.

Basically, she breaks up a picture into straight-lined pieces,



sews them into sections with freezer paper as a backing, then creates the whole. The straight-seam technique allows her to include intricate details and subtle shading. Occasionally she applies shapes that overlap the border.

After numerous requests to teach her technique to others, England launched a line of quilt patterns called Picture Piecing. If you want to see her work and products online, the Web address is <http://www.englishdesign.com/>.

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Scientists fear return of smallpox

Smallpox once was mankind's most deadly natural enemy, having killed more people in history than any other disease — 300 million in the 20th century alone. Though it was officially eradicated in 1980, concern over its use as a biological warfare agent has prompted the U.S. government to take an enormous interest in the virus.

"One day there was this slew of poxvirus requests for applications," said Stuart Isaacs, a virologist at the University of Pennsylvania. "I nearly fell out of my chair."

Now, Isaacs and colleague John Lambiris have a \$1.1 million grant from the National Institutes of Health to study new strategies to fight the virus, as well as ways to prevent complications that could arise if the nation decided to renew mass vaccinations.

Scientists across the country are looking at other ways to deal with smallpox.

Health notes

The eradication of smallpox, an international effort headed by the World Health Organization, was considered one of the great achievements of the century.

Workers traveled from continent to continent, chasing down pockets of the disease and vaccinating everyone within a wide radius.

The virus, which needs human hosts to survive, was cornered and eliminated.

Surviving brain injury

For most brain-injury survivors, life is never the same. Like stroke victims, they learn to adapt, and other parts of the brain can be trained to compensate.

"Nobody goes back to normal, and there's always some residual effect," says Dr. Ziyad

Ayyoub, chief of adult brain injuries at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center in Downey, Calif.

Patients have deficits in memory, in concentration and in the way they process information.

Their judgment and intellectual abilities are hampered — and their personalities can change.

"They look fine, but they can't cope," says Mary Kay Bader, a neuroscience clinical nurse specialist at Mission Hospital Regional Medical Center in Orange County, Calif.

"The old self dies and the new person emerges. Friends drift away because they can't deal with the person they've become. There's often a desperate yearning for their old life, because they know what they want to do but now they're not able to do it."

— compiled from wire service reports

HEALTH & FASHION

Red Cross offers first aid course

The American Red Cross is offering a community first aid and safety course at 6 p.m. today and Tuesday at the chapter office, 718 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls. The class will include adult, child and infant cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first-aid instruction.

Pre-registration and prepayment are required. For more information or to register, call 733-6464 or (888) 367-6321.

Parkinson's support

Parkinson's Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the conference room at KNVT in Twin Falls. Members are asked to wear their name tags.

The speaker will be from the Twin Falls Police Department with the topic "Safe and Sound." For more information, call Don Arrington at 733-8868 or Ray Clark at 324-5013.

Bone marrow registration

Bone marrow registration will

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be taken from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. today through Thursday at the Southern Idaho Regional Cancer Center, 656 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls. Donors must be between 18-50 years old and in good health.

For more information, call 737-2441.

C-section class

A cesarean class will be offered from 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the St. Benedict's Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome.

The class is free for those who will be delivering at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center. To register, call 324-4301.

Alzheimer's support

Alzheimer's Support Group will meet from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the SunBridge Care and Rehabilitation Center,

640 Filer Ave. W., Twin Falls. For more information, call Becky Jacobsen or Judy Black at 734-8645.

Childbirth class

A childbirth preparation course will be offered for mothers who plan on having a vaginal birth or a previous cesarean delivery. To schedule an appointment with a childbirth educator at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, call 737-2901.

Arthritis help

Arthritis self-help classes will be offered from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, beginning March 6 through April 10, in the doctors' conference room at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 650 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls.

Cost is \$30, which includes the "Arthritis Help Book." Pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, call the Arthritis Foundation at (800) 444-4993.

Cardiac coupons

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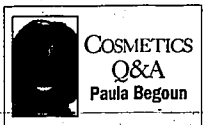
Lifeline, a personal emergency response system, is available for senior citizens who want to live independently.

For more information, call 737-2065.

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Dermatologists make mistakes, too

DEAR PAULA: You talk about products that combine AHA and BHA and suggest there is no purpose in doing so. According to my dermatologist, AHA expedites the effects of BHA. Also, the combination seems to me to be appropriate for adult acne, as the BHA attacks the blemishes while the AHA addresses sun-damage and wrinkles. Your thoughts?



—ABIGAIL

over-the-counter hydrocortisone creams. You write that the stronger creams can cause problems if used for longer periods of time, but what about Cortaid 1%, for example? I use it to "cut" my 0.1 percent Retin-A, which I use full strength on my body for keratosis pilaris. Even since my Accutane treatment, my skin gets irritated by plain moisturizer-*er* Retin-A, but when used with Cortaid, I get beautiful, clear, smooth skin with none of the dermatitis.

Will daily use of Cortaid on facial skin cause problems? If not, is there a problem with mixing it with Retin-A before application? Or would it be better off diluting the 0.1 percent Retin-A with water for application at night and then using the Cortaid during the day?

—CORRINE, DETROIT

DEAR ABIGAIL: Your dermatologist is mistaken or you misunderstand. If anything, the opposite would be true: The beta hydroxy acid (BHA) would prep the skin for the alpha hydroxy acid (AHA), allowing for deeper penetration, as the BHA can get through lipid layers that the AHA cannot.

Neither BHA or AHA has disinfecting properties, so the issue for both BHA and AHA is exfoliation—period.

AHA works on the surface of skin, affecting sun-damaged skin, but BHA can work on both the surface and in the pore. (It's not as if BHA isn't exfoliating on the surface equally as well as in the pore; it exfoliates well in both arenas.)

There is no reason to have two exfoliating ingredients for the surface. After all, there is only so much skin that can be exfoliated.

DEAR PAULA: I have a question regarding the daily use of

body is far less than on the face. But there is also another exception that seems to exist. There are studies that indicate that the use of cortisone with Retin-A or Renova prevents the cortisone cream from having a negative effect on the elastin and collagen in skin, while still retaining the positive effects of reducing or eliminating irritation.

For example, when skin-lightening products with high concentrations of hydroquinone are prescribed by a physician, they are often accompanied by a cortisone cream and Renova or Retin-A.

This way the hydroquinone's potential irritation is eliminated and the Renova does double duty in preventing collagen loss and improving cell production.

Another option for you is to consider—using the cortisone as needed.

Rather than using it every day, only use it when the irritation first shows up. Intermittent use of cortisone does not present a problem for skin.

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TURNER-SUHR

PAUL - Tom and Dorothy Turner of Green River, Wyo. announce the engagement of their daughter, Jeannie Turner, to Max Suhr, son of Don and Colleen Suhr of Paul.

Turner is a 1999 graduate of Idaho State University. She is currently a drafter for Excelsior Building Systems in Burley. Suhr is also a 1999 graduate of ISU. He farms north of Paul.

The wedding is planned for Saturday at the Rupert First Christian Church.

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WHAT CAUSES ULCERS?

Scientists have discovered that most duodenal ulcers are caused by infection, not spicy foods or stress. This type of infection is known as Helicobacter pylori. If untreated, this infection can literally eat a hole in the stomach lining, requiring surgery. Chronic inflammation from an ulcer can cause swelling and scarring. Over time, this scarring may close (obstruct) the outlet of the stomach, preventing the passage of food and causing vomiting and weight loss. In severe cases, ulcer complications can lead to death.

The second most common cause of ulcers is the use of pain medications called non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs), which include aspirin and ibuprofen. People often take NSAIDs to reduce pain and inflammation, often for arthritis. Frequent or long-term use of NSAIDs, especially among the elderly, can increase the risk of developing an ulcer.

WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS OF PEPTIC ULCER DISEASE?

The most common symptom of an ulcer is a burning pain in the stomach, between your ribcage and your navel button. You'll often feel this pain when your stomach is empty, between meals, but it can occur at any time. Sometimes this pain will wake you in the middle of the night. The pain will last anywhere from a few minutes to several hours. While not as common as stomach pain,

other symptoms include nausea, vomiting, blood in the stool, or loss of appetite. Bleeding may be the first and only symptom of an ulcer, when an ulcer bleeds, and can cause dizziness without treatment, a person may become anemic and weak.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I HAVE SYMPTOMS?

Contact your physician and schedule an appointment as soon as possible. Your physician may give you one of several tests to determine if you are infected with the ulcer causing bacteria, Helicobacter pylori. Another test for ulcers involves the use of endoscopy. In this test, the doctor inserts a small flexible telescope through the mouth and into the stomach while the patient is asleep. The telescope has a camera inside that allows the doctor to look for the presence of the inflammation or ulcers. The doctor can also take small samples from your stomach lining to be tested for the presence of Helicobacter pylori. An alternative to endoscopy is an x-ray test, where you are given chalk-like substance to drink, after which x-rays are taken to show the outline of your digestive tract. This test is called an Upper GI Series.

WHAT IS THE TREATMENT FOR PEPTIC ULCER DISEASE?

If you have been diagnosed with Helicobacter pylori infection, your doctor will prescribe a treatment plan to kill the infection and reduce the acid in your stomach. It is important to follow the treatment plan exactly as your doctor has prescribed, and if you smoke, you should stop, as smoking inhibits ulcer healing. You should also not take NSAIDs, like aspirin or ibuprofen, and avoid alcoholic beverages.

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Husband hangs tough with neighbor



DEAR ABBY
Abigail VanDuren

DEAR ABBY: My husband likes to spend time in our garage working on projects, cleaning his boat, etc.

Our problem is that almost every time he's out there, a married female neighbor comes over to "hang out" with him. It used to be she'd come over only when I was at work, but lately she comes knocking on our door even when I'm home, wanting him to go outside to converse with her.

When I answer the door, she asks for him and won't tell me what she wants. Sometimes her whole family comes over, which includes her two "monster" children and her husband. They stay till all hours and have even gotten drunk in our driveway.

My husband is not interested in the woman, Abby. In fact, he's becoming more and more annoyed with her. If he's working in the garage and sees her starting across the street, he'll close the garage door and hurry into the house.

He doesn't seem to be able to discourage this woman from com-

ing over every time he is outside. Jealousy is not the problem, although I am becoming increasingly angry about it. She does the same thing to another married man across the street. He, too, is getting fed up with her. I would like to solve this problem by addressing our neighbor face-to-face. Have you any advice on what I could say to her without causing a rift? Since we live across the street from each other, I do not want any animosity.

-HAD ENOUGH OF THE NEIGHBOR LADY
DEAR HAD ENOUGH: Your neighbor never learned the importance of proper boundaries, and I have a hunch she won't listen if you attempt to tell her. Your husband can't hide from her - that's

no solution. He must be the one to tell her that he wants to devote his full attention to his projects, and therefore she must give him his privacy.

DEAR ABBY: The wife of an elderly neighbor recently died. She was the one who did the driving, but since her death, the husband has been driving himself. I have seen him drive, and believe me, he should not be behind the wheel of a car at all.

He is all over the road and drives much too fast. More than once, I have seen his car in the driveway with fender damage. I called the Department of Motor Vehicles. They told me they have no mechanism by which you can anonymously complain and have a person retested. It has to come from a family member or physician. He has no family that I know of, and

I'm not comfortable confronting him. I would feel terrible if he was in an accident and injured himself, or worse; someone else, which is bound to happen sooner or later. Do you have a suggestion?

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front him. DO ask him if he knows the name of a good doctor, and pray that he refers you to his. Then telephone or write the doctor and tell him or her exactly what you have told me.

Another thought: It is possible that your neighbor is driving erratically because he is simply out of practice, his wife having been the designated driver for so long. If that's the case, AARP offers an excellent refresher course for senior drivers. Consider suggesting it to him as lightheartedly as you can.

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Actor picks ranch over Meg Ryan

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — It was a tough choice for Oscar-nominated Australian actor Russell Crowe: A herd of cattle or Meg Ryan.

The cows won. In an interview with Melbourne tabloid The Herald Sun, Crowe said he split with Ryan six months after they became an item on the set of their hostage movie "Proof of Life" because he wanted to

spend more time on his Australian ranch. "I have a big life here," Crowe said of his spread in New South Wales. "When I'm off the hook with the schedules, I have to come home."

However, Crowe said he remained open to the possibility of someday moving to Los Angeles, the newspaper reported Saturday.

Aries - Check real-estate values, define terms

IF FEBRUARY 19TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you are independent in thought, action. At times you have ability to see and interpret the future. Always take care to protect right eye from injury. Leo, Aquarius persons play major roles in your life, could have these letters, initials in names: A, S, J. During current cycle you could change residence, marital status. November will be romantic, profitable.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Define terms, check real-estate values, opportunities. Someone is not telling entire truth, protect self in emotional clinches. Pisces involved.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Favorable lunar aspect coincides with ability to foretell future. Focus on idealism, spirituality and preparation for journey. Capricorn plays role.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Look beyond the immediate, let go of losing proposition. Separation from loved one is temporary. Dramatic reunion takes place in near future.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Push aside preconceived notions. Accent original thinking, the daring and new. Avoid heavy lifting, speak from the heart. Mingle humor with wisdom.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Family member helps in completing basic survey. Emphasis on household-goods, plumbing.

HOROSCOPE Sydney Omarr

Proposals received: business, career, marriage. Cancer, Capricorn are in scenario.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Diversity, highlight humor and intellectual curiosity. Find out why things happened. New wardrobe makes you feel like a new person. Sagittarius in picture.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You may not be accustomed to current challenge, but you will win.

Revise, review and rewrite. Be aware of property value and what to do about it. Scorpio represented.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Read and write, be "in touch" with relative just completing journey. Flirtation serious, could lead to change of marital status. Virgo figures prominently.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Attention revolves around domestic issues that include repairs at home. Keep exercise, diet resolutions. You will get money's worth. Don't worry!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Imprint style, cycle contin-

ues high, don't be too available. Maintain aura of mystery, intrigue. Avoid people who take you for granted. Pisces represented.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Secret revealed, verifies views. Focus on promotion, responsibility, intense relationship. You get credit long overdue. Success crowns your efforts.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Participate in political, humanitarian project. Complete project started two months ago. You are on brink of international recognition. Aries, Libra play key roles.

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Second, consider leaving the original of your will with your lawyer. This was once a more popular option than it is today. These days people tend to want more control over their own affairs, are more mobile, and tend not to leave wills with their lawyers.

Third, file information concerning the whereabouts of your will with the Idaho Secretary of State in what is known as the "will registry". Effective July 1, 2000 persons making a will can file basic information about the will (the name of the person, the date the will was created, and its location) so that the will can be easily found, or a last-its-existence be known. The registration is entirely voluntary and failure to register with the Secretary of State's office does not have any effect on the validity of the will. Neither the will nor its contents are filed with the Secretary of State.

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A parents' guide to ear infections

This problem often requires trip to doctor

Knight Ridder News Service

Mothers know that ear infections are among the most painful, frustrating afflictions: You can't reach an earache to scratch it or squeeze it or hug it or rub it - and don't even consider trying to kiss it and make it better.

In many cases, you can't even tell exactly where it hurts. My nephew, Collin, was 2 years old the first time he brought his mother the telephone and demanded, "Call Dr. Morrow, and tell her we need her to look in my ear, right now."

Collin already suffered through several ear infections, he was the first to recognize the symptoms and the need for an appointment with his pediatrician.

"It's the season for ear infections - many begin as winter's chilling cards of upper respiratory infections and colds. To prepare for the inevitable, we assembled this guide: What every mother and father need to know about otitis media - from diagnosis to treatment to ear infections' subtle side effects.

Basic facts and stats

Who otitis media affects: Otitis media - inflammation of the middle ear - inspires 26-million-doctor visits each year. It is the most common diagnosis among preschool children visiting pediatricians.

By age 3, 80 percent of children have had at least one episode of otitis media, and almost 50 percent of children have had three or more episodes, says the 2000 edition of the Johns Hopkins Family Health Book.

Acute otitis media can develop at any age, but it is most common in young children, whose eustachian tubes are short, narrow and almost parallel with the ground, all contributing to inadequate drainage of fluid from the middle ear. As children grow, their eustachian tubes begin to angle down more, providing better drainage for the fluid that can accumulate.)

Symptoms: Symptoms include severe earache, temporary hearing loss and vertigo. Young children often develop nausea, vomiting, diarrhea and temperature up to 105 degrees.

Complications: Can include infection of the bones and canals of the ear, permanent hearing loss, facial paralysis and meningitis - inflammation of the brain and spinal cord.

How it develops: Cold viruses or bacteria from the throat get into the middle ear and cause excessive mucus to build up behind the eardrum. Bacteria begins to multiply in the fluid, which fails to drain adequately in infants and young children.

Why it's a growing problem

Younger infants in day care, exposure to secondhand smoke, an increase in allergies among young children, increased bottle (rather than breast) feeding, the misuse of antibiotics and the emergence of "superbugs" (drug-resistant bacteria) are blamed for the increase in ear infections and repeat infections in recent years.

The number of recurrent ear infections rose 44 percent in the

1980s, with the increase especially pronounced among infants in child care, according to research from the Department of Pediatrics, Community and Preventive Medicine at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry in New York.

Increased prevalence among infants is of special concern, because early age of onset is one of the strongest predictors of recurrent ear infections. If the first episode of otitis occurs in infancy, the risk of recurrent otitis is two times higher than if it occurs after 12 months of age, according to the Rochester researchers.

In this analysis, the increased prevalence was most dramatic in infants in child care and those with allergies. Other important risk factors include exposure to secondhand tobacco smoke, recurrent otitis in a sibling, male gender, white race and bottle feeding.

Side effects

Otitis media is associated with mild to moderate conductive hearing loss, presumed to have an adverse effect on language development when children are learning to speak. Studies from the 1990s involving children 3 and older have shown mixed results, with some concluding that otitis treatment can make a difference in language development.

Sometimes the temporary hearing loss a child had as an infant is not detected until much later - when the child is beginning to learn to read. Such children, whose hearing ability is completely normal, are unable to distinguish certain phonetic sounds because they missed learning these sounds at key developmental moments in their infancy. In cases like this, speech therapy is necessary to construct these essential language building blocks.

For this reason, among others, doctors have often recommended treating early ear infections with ventilation tubes. However, a new study published in the September 2000 issue of the journal Pediatrics shows that tubes may not necessarily be the answer.

Researchers at University Medical Center Saint Radboud, Nijmegen, the Netherlands, studied the effects of different types of treatment on language development in 187 infants and 375 children 16 to 24 months old. Treatment with ventilation tubes was compared with watchful waiting in children with persistent otitis. Language development was tested six and 12 months later.

The study found that ventilation tubes did not have a substantial effect on language development in the children.

Treatment by antibiotics

Ear infections are the most common reason doctors prescribe antibiotics. Estimates show that at least one-third of all antibiotics prescribed for children under 18 are to treat otitis media - and the portion is much higher for children 4 and under.

At least 16 antibiotics are FDA-approved to treat otitis, but their overuse and misuse are blamed in part on the rise of "superbugs." These drug-resistant bacteria are flourishing in a pair, because too many children quit taking their antibiotics too soon, leading to the creation of "survival-of-the-

fittest" bacteria. In addition, overuse of newer drugs is rendering them less effective on the more severe infections for which they were developed.

Recent recommendations from the National Centers for Disease Control advise doctors to stick to simple antibiotics, in particular the old standby, amoxicillin, as the first choice.

The CDC report urges doctors to double the recommended dose to 80 or 90 milligrams per kilogram of a child's weight, so that a 4-year-old child weighing 40 pounds would get two teaspoons three times a day. If there is no relief after three days, the CDC recommends switching - to a newer, more expensive drug, such as Augmentin, developed specifically for drug-resistant bacteria. Guidelines published by the American Academy of Pediatrics in 1994 make similar recommendations on when to use which drugs.

"We usually start a child with a rip-roaring ear infection on amoxicillin, and if there is no response to that, we go to Ceftriaxone or Augmentin," says Dr. Ray Rhodes, a Fort Worth pediatrician. "The pendulum is swinging back away from prescribing the new antibiotics - saving them for problem cases. I've seen published studies that show as many as 80 percent of ear infections will resolve without treatment. It's big in England not to treat, to give the immune system time to take care of the infection. But, it's hard to convince a parent whose child has been screaming all night to just 'wait and see' what happens."

Surgical treatment

Ear tubes are the treatment of choice for young children who suffer persistent, recurrent ear infections and who have gone through three or four kinds of

antibiotics. Ear tubes (also called ventilation tubes) are inserted during surgery to form an opening for drainage.

"If they've had a prolonged episode lasting three to four months or recurring episodes over four to six months or persistent fluid in the ears or a decrease in hearing, those are the primary indications for ear tubes," says Rhodes.

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Dizziness could signal something serious

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO - Most of us have experienced momentary dizziness after a lurching train ride or a spin on a carousel or when looking down from a high floor of a skyscraper. But dizziness also can be a signal of something ominous or a problem that interferes with daily living.

Only lower back pain and headaches exceed dizziness as the most common complaint that patients report to doctors.

It's arguably one of the most complicated symptoms in medicine because its possible causes are myriad, and a diagnostic misstep could have serious consequences.

Dizziness can be a symptom of an inner ear problem, a side effect of medication, part of a psychiatric disorder or a cardiac problem as well as the calling card of a brain tumor or seizure.

What's more, dizziness is a subjective complaint and often is difficult to describe. It may manifest itself as a feeling of being about to faint or lose balance, a sensation of spinning (vertigo) or a wave of unsettling lightheadedness.

In an initial examination, an internist or family practitioner may try to find a straightforward cause such as dehydration, diet, low blood pressure, a reaction to a medication, or a severe allergic response. Then a patient with dizziness may be referred to an otolaryngologist (ear, nose and throat specialist), a neurologist or both for further evaluation.

"Dizziness is very challenging (to diagnose)," said Dr. Sam Marzo, an assistant professor of otolaryngology and director of the Balance Center at Loyola

Is it serious? What to tell the doctor

Is it serious?
It's not common for dizziness to signal a serious illness, but sometimes it does.

Get help immediately if a dizzy feeling is accompanied by chest discomfort or pain, fainting, sweating, nausea or shortness of breath. It could be a heart attack.

Similarly, dizziness along with sudden numbness of the face, arm or leg (especially on one side of the body), confusion, difficulty seeing, speaking or understanding speech, loss of coordination or sudden severe headache

are symptoms of stroke, or brain attack. Call for help, even if it seems that the symptoms are passing.

If you're concerned about any symptoms of dizziness, err on the side of caution and call your doctor.

What to tell the doctor
Doctors suggest that rather than using the terms "dizziness" or "vertigo," whose definitions can be subjective and vague, it's best to describe exactly how you're feeling, as in "When I get up, I feel as though I'm going to pass out."

Be prepared to answer specific questions like these as the doctor attempts to determine the cause of the problem:

- Does the dizziness occur with a change of body position?
- Does the room seem to move, or is there any sensation of movement?
- When did the dizziness start?
- How often does it occur?
- How long does the dizziness last?
- Are there any other symptoms at the same time?

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University Medical Center. Thirty percent of the population experiences dizziness by age 65, so as the population ages we expect dizziness to be more and more common."

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Clear braces straighten a metal mess

Knight Ridder News Service

LEXINGTON, Ky. - When it comes to full metal brackets, Lexington's Kara Police has been there and done that.

From sixth to ninth grade, she had a mouthful. At night, she even slept in full orthodontic head gear.

After all that effort, she has been concerned about her shifting teeth ever since her wisdom teeth arrived.

But there was no way she'd even consider returning to her metal-mouth days.

"I just did not want to go down that road again," the 23-year-old administrative assistant said. "Braces, to me, was not an option."

Then she learned about the latest in wireless technology:

- Invisalign, custom-made plastic tooth aligners that are removed for meals, brushing and flossing.
- It's the latest evolution in less-visible orthodontic treatment. The new braces are see-through, nearly invisible, without any metal or wires. They often go unnoticed, even at close range.

Police has been wearing hers for eight weeks now, and without rubber bands, or metal cutting into her gums, it's a much better experience.

"They're just a lot easier," she said.

Launched in July 1999, Invisalign has been offered for less than a year in Lexington. At least four Lexington orthodontic practices are now offering the devices.

Orthodontists make exact rubber impressions of the patient's teeth and Invisalign creates a progressive set of custom aligners. Each set is worn for two weeks, moving teeth gradually.

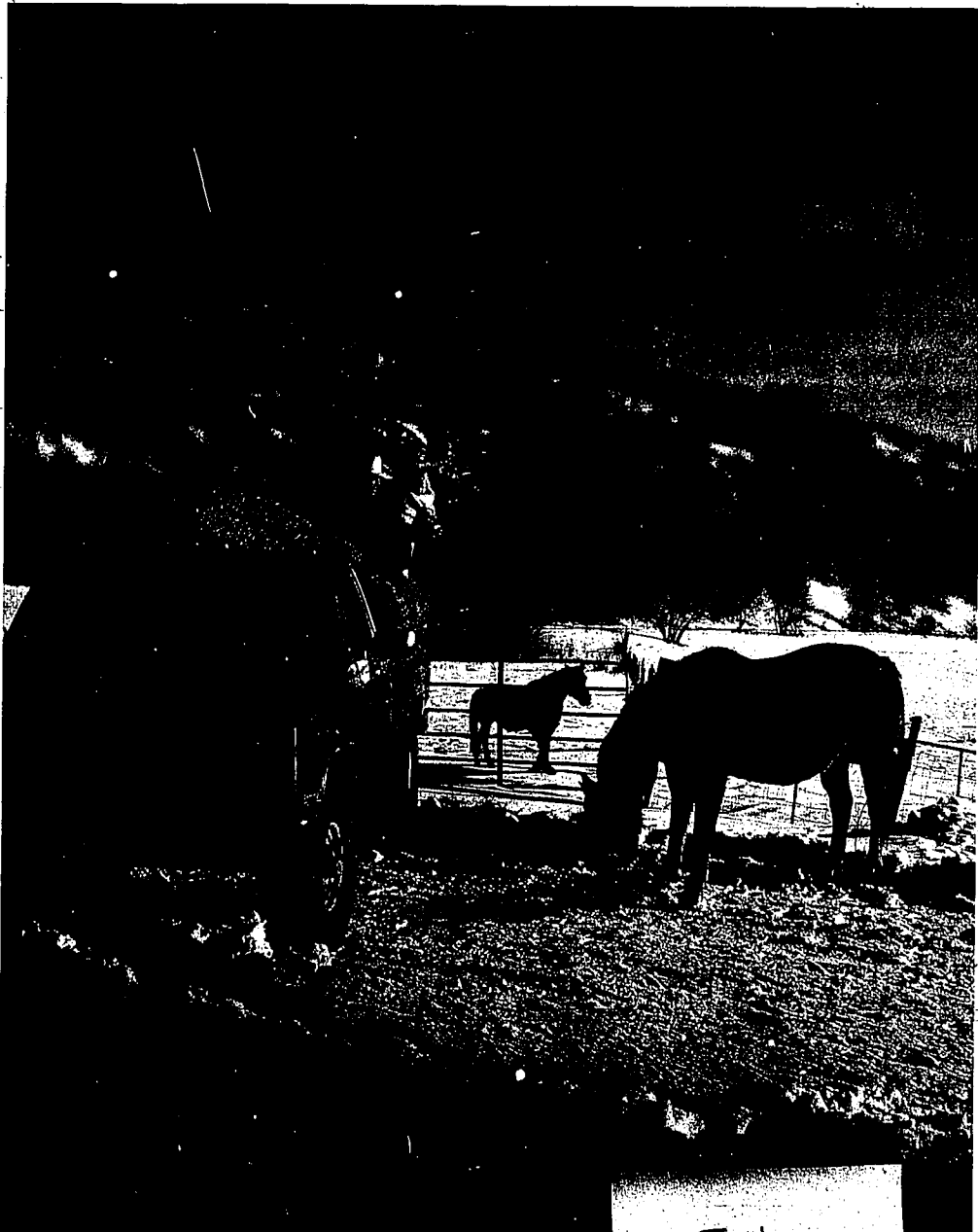
A computer progression, using a model of their own teeth, shows the likely changes.

"That was encouraging," said Dr. Jackie Banahan, 47, a Lexington pediatric dentist who started using Invisalign a week ago. "I thought: My mouth's actually going to look like this." The braces are worn 22 hours a day for a period of six months to two years, depending on the case.

But not everyone is a good candidate something that isn't clear in the deluge of the product's advertising.

"A lot of people think this is for everybody, and it really isn't," said Dr. Edward Tipton, a Lexington orthodontist who is treating 15 patients with Invisalign.

Children can't use it; it's only for use after full adult tooth development and jaw growth. That's usually no younger than 15 for girls and no younger than 17 for boys.



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A model shows one of Ralph Lauren's dresses in the New York Fashion Week designer previews last week in New York City.

Fashion Week marches from runway to reality

NEW YORK (AP) — Slip into a pair of unworkable giletto boots, the shortest of skirts, and a sweater sprouting enough ostrich feathers to rival Big Bird.

A streetwalker's primer for dress-for-success? Perhaps. But they're also hot tips for fall dressing, based on last week's New York Fashion Week designer previews. The round of shows included the usual looks that don't necessarily segue from runway to reality.

But wait. Industry experts are calling fall one of the more wearable seasons to come.

"This season seems to be on a conservative turn," says publicist Eleanor Lambert, who in 1943 created the shows that became Fashion Week.

"The change in fashion comes about every seven years. The clothes are getting to look more real. They even have sleeves where sleeves ought to be," Lambert says.

Take the major equestrian trend for example, starting tweed riding jackets and britches. It is run costume faster than you can say "Flicka," unless

you break it down piece by piece.

"The story is not really the jodhpurs, it's the flat boot, says Harper's Bazaar editor-in-chief Katherine Betts. "I doubt many women will wear that jodhpur — although it might pave the way for a narrower pant — but they will think about buying a boot for winter, and this winter they will buy a riding boot."

Some of the season's most acclaimed looks derive from leading designers who work from inspired visions rather than personal roots. Michael Kors says he dedicated his equestrian collection to "the most horsey kind of country," even if on horseback he's "like an 'I Love Lucy' episode." And Bronx-born Ralph Lauren drew praise with his British-influenced designs.

While sitting rampside, fashion editors, stylists and retailers have to decide what would appeal most to customers.

"It's the retailers' job to edit the collection and make it work for their clientele," says Joan Kaner, Neiman Marcus senior vice president.

Collect shoes in a whole new way

Shoe nut? Count 'em up. If you've got more than 30 pairs — and any unworn — you probably qualify, in which case here's some exciting news: You can collect them in a whole new form. That's right. "Just the Right Shoe by Raine" makes 4-inch-long porcelain miniatures out of everything from golf shoes to high-heeled, purple platforms.

And, even better, they're meant for display, so you can litter your house with fabulous footwear. If that's not enough for you, Raine also makes jewelry shaped like shoes. Earrings, necklaces, pins who knew there were so many places to wear shoes?

The figurines range from \$12.50 to \$24, and the jewelry sells for between \$25 and \$85. Order

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Company introduces new bra with push-up pads

For \$42 you can get the same effect a box of tissues used to get, you. Well, maybe that's not exactly true — this time, stuffing your bra has gone high-tech. Natori just introduced its, "Natorious Lift" bra, which is, or, fleshed out with liquid push-up pads filled with paraffin oil and water. The pads warm with your body temperature

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