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Control issue resurfaces

Hospital Board starts new look at ownership, governance

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

New hospital boss - B1

Center Chief Executive Officer John Kee Monday gave board members and commissioners a rundown on the different types of hospital ownership and governance and presented a plan for studying them further.

TWIN FALLS - With the purchase of the Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital out of the way, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Hospital Board and Twin Falls County commissioners are revisiting the issue of hospital control.

Hempleman said. "It looks at all the choices."

Things have changed a lot on the health care front over the last two years.

it, which included the possibility of St. Luke's managing Magic Valley Regional.

At the same time, county commissioners appointed a seven-member advisory committee to establish criteria for lease proposals from for-profit and non-profit organizations interested in operating Magic Valley Regional.

SEEING STARS



Anna Bassett, left, Ken Taylor and LaChell Taylor, right, put up a patriotic decoration in a livestock barn at the Gooding County Fairgrounds. The stalls being decorated belong to the Spurs and Buckles 4-H club from Hagaman. The fair gets rolling today with livestock weigh-ins and the 4-H and FFA breeding sheep show.

Police: Man in shootout had recent trouble

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

Injured deputy is in good spirits, boss says

FAIRFIELD - A Wendell man who police say shot a Camas County deputy Saturday before taking his own life had recent scrapes with the law that included charges of domestic violence and driving under the influence.

Gooding County Sheriff Shaun Gough. And although he had recent trouble, Weaver's actions Saturday - which culminated in him spraying a volley of four shots from a .357 magnum revolver before firing a fifth shot into his own head - came as a shock, Gough said.

"As far as being that violent, nobody had ever seen that side of him."

ver had nearly run two other vehicles off the road.

GETTING A VOICE

Working Americans will speak at economic forum

The Dallas Morning News

WACO, Texas - President Bush brings a chunk of his administration to this Central Texas city today as he tries to calm American jitters about the economy.

Administration officials will gather with experts and average citizens at an economic summit here, aides said, because the president believes the best solutions are found outside of Washington.

"That's why he wants to hear directly from working Americans and small investors, who are the backbone of our economy," said White House spokesman Scott McClellan.

Still, no major policy initiatives are expected. Rather, experts see the forum as a way for the president to use a dramatic event to punctuate his concern about the economy.



Bruce Zanca, second from left, a consultant working advance for the White House, briefs federal and corporate staff members Monday at Baylor University in Waco, Texas, the site for today's presidential economic forum.

The forum at Baylor University will consist of eight simultaneous roundtable sessions, covering topics ranging from economic recovery to corporate responsibility and retirement security.

people who are on the front lines of our economy: workers, farmers, truck drivers, teachers.

Iraq refuses U.N. weapons inspections

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq - A senior Iraqi official said Monday there is no need for U.N. weapons inspectors to return to Baghdad and branded as a "lie" allegations that Saddam Hussein still has weapons of mass destruction.

In response to the comments by the Iraqi information minister, the U.S. State Department said Baghdad was refusing to give a straight answer on resuming inspections after nearly four years.

"They refuse to face up to their obligations, and obfuscate and look for ways to move the goal posts when it's a simple situation," spokesman Philip Reeker said.

threat to the Mideast.

Bush "knew that he is standing in quicksand when it comes to his baseless talk on Iraq," al-Sabbah told the Arabic satellite television Al-Jazeera.

Al-Sabbah said the U.N. work with key American officials in Washington last week were "bits ... and a bad American product."

He called American courting of the opposition figures "a stupid game that reflects their (U.S.) bankruptcy."

"They claim something remains. This talk can be responded to and disproved," al-Sabbah said in the interview conducted in Iraq and monitored in Cairo.

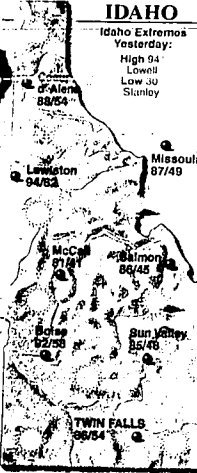
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Saddam Hussein

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FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY



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Twin Falls from 6 p.m. yesterday

Temperature

High/low	85°/60°
Normal high/low	85°/52°
High/low last year	92°/55°
Record high/low	96°/41°
Normal year to date (Oct 1)	96°/41°

Precipitation

24 hours ending 6 p.m. year	0.00"
Month to date	0.41"
Normal month to date	0.12"
Water year to date (Oct 1)	6.75"
Normal year to date (Oct 1)	10.08"

Humidity Yesterday at noon 24%
Barometric Pressure Yesterday at 6 p.m. 30.05 in

TF pollen count yesterday: 77
(High: Kocha, iodine, Russian thistle, nettle, pigweed, lamb's quarters, Mold, Moderate)

Local: Asthma and Allergy of Idaho

Shows today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

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FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

TODAY	TONIGHT	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Sunny and seasonably warm. ▲ 86° ▼ 54°	Clear and comfortable. ▲ 90° ▼ 56°	Hot with sunshine. ▲ 90° ▼ 56°	Sunny to partly cloudy. ▲ 88° ▼ 54°	Mostly sunny and warm. ▲ 86° ▼ 52°	Sunshine and a few clouds. ▲ 84° ▼ 52°

REGIONAL WEATHER

Southern Idaho: Turning very warm to hot today with a good deal of sunshine. Highs from the mid-70s in the mountains to the low 90s in the southwest valleys. Clear and pleasant tonight.

Boise: A good deal of sunshine today, turning quite warm in the afternoon. High 92. After a warm evening, the rest of tonight will be clear and comfortable. Low 58. Sunny and hot tomorrow. High 96.

Northern Nevada: Today will feature a full day of sunshine with a very warm to hot afternoon; areas of smoke and haze from the wildfires, especially in the west. Highs ranging from the 80s mountains to 90s elsewhere.

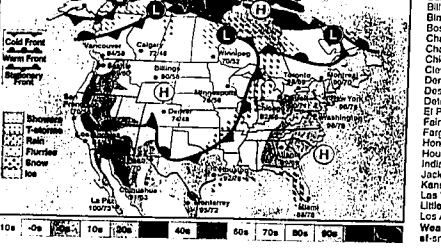
Northern Utah: An abundance of sunshine today with a pleasantly warm afternoon. Highs ranging from the 70s in the mountains to 84 in Salt Lake City. Clear tonight. More sunshine tomorrow.

Northern Idaho: Plenty of sunshine today with a very warm to hot afternoon. Highs will range from the 70s in the mountains to the low 90s in some of the valleys. Clear and turning comfortable tonight.

NATIONAL EXTREMES

High 114° in Needles, CA Low 39° in Stanley, ID

NATIONAL WEATHER



CANADIAN CITIES

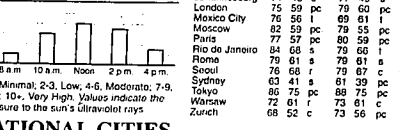
Today			Wed.		
City	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo	Hi
Calgary	72	51	71	50	71
Edmonton	85	59	84	58	84
Regina	78	52	77	51	77
Winnipeg	81	54	80	53	80
St. John's	68	51	67	50	67
Saskatoon	68	51	67	50	67
Toronto	88	69	87	68	87
Vancouver	87	69	86	68	86
Victoria	88	69	87	68	87
Winnipeg	80	52	79	51	79

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today: 6:42 a.m.
Sunset tonight: 8:43 p.m.
Moonrise tonight: 12:33 p.m.
Moonset tonight: 11:47 p.m.

Aug 15 Aug 22 Aug 30 Sep 6

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NATIONAL CITIES

Today			Wed.		
City	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo	Hi
Atlanta	89	74	88	73	88
Baltimore	88	74	88	74	88
Birmingham	89	74	88	73	88
Boston	87	70	86	69	86
Charlotte	88	69	87	70	87
Chicago	91	67	90	66	90
Cleveland	90	73	89	72	89
Denver	74	48	73	47	73
Detroit	90	71	89	70	89
Houston	92	76	91	75	91
Indianapolis	84	67	83	66	83
Jacksonville	88	71	87	70	87
Kansas City	89	74	88	73	88
Las Vegas	108	82	107	81	107
Los Angeles	88	68	87	67	87

REGIONAL CITIES

Today			Wed.		
City	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo	Hi
Boise	92	58	91	57	91
Bannock	88	56	87	55	87
Idaho Falls	88	54	87	53	87
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Economy

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Members of the White House are expected to announce a budget director in the Clinton White House, and Yahoo! executive Jerry Yang, a prominent AI Gore supporter in the 2000 election.

The list distributed Monday by the White House also includes average citizens such as a gift shop owner from Waco, a fabrication manager from Texas Instruments in Dallas, a farmer from Waxahatchie, Texas, a restaurant owner from Raleigh, N.C., and the vice-president of a dry cleaning firm in Lawrenceville, Ga.

White the forum is billed as a chance for the administration to hear ideas to strengthen the economy and make workers, and investors feel more secure, the overarching Bush message is not expected to change. Various officials, including the president, continue to stress that the fundamentals of the economy are strong.

But Bush also has laid out several steps that he says Congress needs to take to make it better, including passage of terrorism insurance legislation and laws to protect workers' pensions, promote energy independence and make tax cuts permanent.

More than a dozen top administration officials will be in town for the event.

"We're not there to pontificate or make any significant presentations of what we think. We're there to listen," said Small, Business Administrator Hector Barreto, who will chair a discussion on government regulation.

as well as to address the political implications.

Roderick Hart, a professor of communications and government at the University of Texas at Austin, said that Bush's speech about the economy have drawn a yawn, resulting in the need for a more dramatic event.

Here's the leadership issue, to show that the president is concerned and is trying to move us out of the economic doldrums," he said. Then there's the partisan effort before the November elections. "To give the Republicans some image of being concerned about the economic plight of Americans in light of corporate scandals."

Joe McKinney, professor of international economy at Baylor who will take part in the session on trade, said it's a good idea for people to be able to talk to administration officials without any layers in between.

School

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money will be promptly returned to the participating teachers, Donich said.

"We haven't cashed any checks or deducted from anyone's payroll," he said.

Without Robinson, most audiology services will be done without charge to the district by the Blind School for the Deaf and the Blind.

In another matter Monday, Donich read an e-mail regarding random drug-testing of school employees, said Donich, executive director of Drug Testing Idaho Inc. The issue has arisen since the arrest and resignation of Bickel Elementary School Principal Mary Lee Roberts, who faces a felony drug charge.

Chestnut wrote that public entities such as school districts aren't legally able to randomly drug test their employees. Chestnut wrote that attorneys specializing in public entity law said such tests would be considered an unreasonable search and

therefore a violation of the Fourth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

That's not to say the district won't discuss the possibility of random drug testing, Donich said. After all, the Minidoka County School District randomly drug tests its administrators.

"I would suggest that we go with this cautiously," Donich said. "My advice is don't adopt a random drug test policy until we've done a lot of leg work."

"I think we should begin with that dialogue, though," responded Board member Bryan Matsukawa.

Also on Monday, board members approved a 5-cent increase on school breakfasts and lunches. This semi-annual raise is necessary to compensate for increased food prices, wages and other overhead, Donich said.

Generally, the district has been taking in student money, he said. "This should get us through the next year," he said.

Hospital

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owned Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital entered into exclusive negotiations for an alliance with Boise's Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center.

Then everything changed. Negotiations between the clinic and Saint Alphonsus fell through, and last January, Magic Valley Regional bought the clinic for \$16.1 million.

Last fall, hospital Board members and commissioners got on the same page by signing a memorandum of understanding in which they agreed to annually revisit the question of governance and the possibility of restructuring in the future. But they decided to put the issue on hold until the hospital and clinic could complete their transition.

Nonprofits seem to be the trend both statewide and in Idaho. Fifty percent of Idaho hospitals are for-profit; 20 percent are for-profit; 20 percent are county-run and 10 percent are district hospitals.

Nationwide, 62 percent of hospitals with 100 to 199 beds are nonprofit; 22 percent are for-profit; and 16 percent are government-run.

"There are probably not that many for-profit systems left,"

What's the next step?

Magic Valley Regional's library staff is gathering articles on different types of hospital ownership and governance that will be distributed to board members and commissioners, who will be asked to comment on what they read. There are plans for roundtable discussions with chief executive officers from other county hospitals, mental foundations, for-profit and nonprofit systems and district hospitals. There are also plans to develop decision criteria and establish some timelines. In the end, board members and commissioners will review all the pros and cons and make a recommendation.

The board approved updating the memorandum of understanding to "make some commitments to governance," said Hospital Board Chairwoman Vesta

Shootout

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of Fairfield.

The incident was reported that Chapman and Weaver had been talking for about two minutes when Weaver suddenly reached inside his pickup, grabbed the revolver and opened fire. Chapman was hit once in the abdomen.

According to reports, Chapman just before the shooting had determined that Weaver had probably been drinking and had begun arrest procedures.

Rast said it wasn't yet clear if Weaver had simply been firing randomly or was intentionally shooting at Chapman.

There was at least one other person there who was an eyewitness to the shooting, Gough said, but he declined to identify that person.

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police chief were not returned Monday.

Police records listed Weaver as retired, Gough said.

Chapman, still at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise on Monday, is expected to recover fully from his wound and has said he wants to get back to work as soon as he can, Rast said.

"We went and saw him yesterday. He was in obvious pain, but he had a good sense of humor," Rast said.

The sheriff said his deputy isn't talking to reporters while the incident is under investigation.

The shooting was being investigated Monday by a recently formed group called the Magic Valley Incident Team, Gough said. The team was formed about two months ago by the sheriff's offices in the 5th Judicial District - which includes Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka and Twin Falls counties, Gough said. At least one investigator from each of those counties is on the team.

Chapman's shooting is the first case to be probed by the team, which is working with charging into such things as officers involved shootings and deaths inside jails, Gough said.

Gough said the group looking into Chapman's shooting includes an investigator from his office, two from Jerome County, one from Twin Falls County, one from Minidoka County and two from Blaine County.

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Lawmakers want to hear case for war

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lawmakers say they are waiting for President Bush to make his case for invading Iraq before they endorse it, with evidence that Saddam Hussein is prepared to use weapons of mass destruction as the key factor.

Saudi Arabia's foreign minister, meanwhile, urged the United States to give diplomacy more time to resolve the Iraqi situation. He reiterated that his country would not allow itself to be used as a staging area for an attack its neighbor.

At the Pentagon on Monday, officials said Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld is scheduled to meet with Bush at his ranch in Crawford, Texas, on Aug. 21. The officials did not disclose the meeting's agenda.

Saudi Arabia also confirmed Sunday that it was holding 16



Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld

alleged al-Qaida members who had been turned over by Iranian officials in June after they sought refuge in that country.

Sen. Dick Lugar, R-Ind., said that while not inevitable, it now is "probable" an invasion of Iraq will be necessary. But, he added, Bush has to clearly tell the American people why Saddam is a danger.

"The president has to make the case that ... to wait for provocation (from Saddam) is to invite a very, very large disaster," Lugar, a senior member of the Senate Foreign Relations

Committee, said on CBS' "Face the Nation." "At the end of the day we have to separate those weapons of mass destruction from Saddam," he said.

Sen. Fred Thompson, R-Tenn., a member of the Senate Intelligence Committee, said he agreed the president has not yet made the justification for a war with Iraq, but that "he's in the process of doing that."

Noting that Saddam has biological and chemical weapons and may eventually get a nuclear capability, Thompson said on "Fox News Sunday": "Do we sit back and hope that we can negotiate our way out of that situation with Saddam? I don't think so."

But Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said an

attack on Iraq might simply prompt Saddam to use weapons of mass destruction "because he'd have nothing to lose."

"He's a survivalist. He is not a suicide bomber. The question is how do you contain him," Levin said on NBC's "Meet the Press." There should be continued pressure to resume U.N. weapons inspections in Iraq, he added.

Thompson argued, however, that an agreement over weapons inspections, if not unfettered, would simply give Saddam time — perhaps two or three years — to possibly develop nuclear capability.

On Monday, Iraq's information minister rejected the need for a resumption of U.N. weapons inspections, saying inspectors completed their work four years ago.

Official: Police find no physical anthrax clues

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) — Investigators probing last fall's anthrax attack have no physical evidence linking Dr. Steven J. Hatfill to the crime, but they are not prepared to clear him, a law enforcement official said Monday.

Hatfill, whose name surfaced more than a month ago but has not been declared a suspect, went on the offensive over the weekend, saying he has cooperated with the investigation only to see his life and work destroyed through speculation and innuendo. He emphatically declared that he had nothing to do with the attacks that killed five.

His attorney requested the FBI of leaking defamatory information about him and promised to lodge a formal complaint with the Justice Department.

A U.S. law enforcement official said Monday that Hatfill has been straight forward answering questions, but a number of intriguing items from his past make them unwilling to declare him cleared of any suspicion.



Dr. Steven J. Hatfill

Investigators continue to be frustrated by the absence of physical clues linking anyone to the mailings, the official said, speaking on condition of anonymity. The FBI has searched Hatfill's apartment in Frederick, Md., as well as his car, and the home of his girlfriend.

Among the reasons officials still remain interested in Hatfill is the fact that the anthrax letters contained a return address of a nonresident Greendale School in New Jersey. Hatfill once lived in Hatara, Zimbabwe, where there is a school known as Greendale School. That school is actually named for Courtney Selous, the namesake of the Selous Scouts, who fought for white rule in what was then called Rhodesia. Hatfill has said he fought with the Selous Scouts.

FAA controllers recall September 11 events

BOSTON (AP) — Regional air traffic controllers on Monday offered a detailed chronology of Sept. 11, when two planes were hijacked from Boston, but refused to say more about what actually happened on the planes.

American Flight 11 took off without incident at 8 a.m., and after it reached 11,000 feet was monitored by the Federal Aviation Administration's Boston Center, in Nashua, N.H.; one of 20 FAA facilities nationally that monitor long-distance flights. United Flight 175 left 14 minutes later.

At first, there was no sign of anything out of the ordinary, as the American pilot acknowledged he had clearance to take the plane to 29,000 feet.

But then, when given permission to climb to 35,000 feet, communications fell silent, and the "blip" on the radar screen that was Flight 11 went blank, because someone on the plane



George O'Grady, a Federal Aviation Administration employee, right, demonstrates an air traffic control screen following a news conference at an FAA facility in Westbury, N.Y., Monday.

turned off the transponder that sends out signals to controllers.

"We considered it at that time to be a possible hijacking," air traffic manager Glenn Michael recalled.

FAA controllers held news conferences in Boston, New York and Washington on Monday, giving chronological accounts of the terrorist attacks and how they forced an unprecedented shut-

down of the U.S. skies. Representatives from Boston and the Boston Center in Nashua spoke at Logan Airport. They refused to answer questions about what happened on board — such as how the terrorists got control — citing the ongoing investigation.

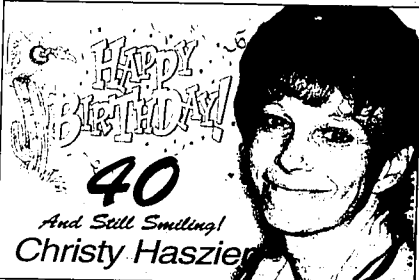
They said there was nothing unusual about United Flight 175 while it was in this region's

air space. In fact, controllers in Nashua asked the pilot on Flight 175 if he could see Flight 11. He confirmed Flight 11 was still in the air, at about 29,000 feet.

Soon after, both flights were out of air space controlled by Nashua — and were crashed into the World Trade Center twin towers.

After the first crash, flights from the Boston area to New York were grounded. After the second, all air traffic from Boston was halted.

"Once it became obvious what was actually transpiring, air traffic controllers reacted much like Americans reacted across the entire nation, with shock, with disbelief, with just stunned surprise that such acts could occur," said Joseph Davies, air traffic manager at Logan.



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INS breaks up child smuggling ring

WASHINGTON (AP) — A discovery of four lonely children in a Latin American country helped Immigration and Naturalization Service agents uncover the largest international child smuggling ring they have ever found, officials said Monday.

After interviewing the children, following other leads and gathering information with other governments, Guatemalan authorities stopped seven buses in that country last April, finding 53 children between the ages

of 2 and 17. That ended a ring that had smuggled hundreds of children into the United States from Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras since 1994, state officials said. The ring primarily brought children to the United States whose parents were already here, many of them illegally, officials said.

The investigation began when agents found the four children late in a flight. INS officials declined to give more information, citing an

ongoing investigation. "It's very uncommon to find small children unaccompanied, with no ties, not knowing where they were going," said Johnny Williams, head of field operations for the INS.

INS officials said the ring would take children from their native countries, bring them to Mexico and then smuggle them into the United States. All the children passed through Los Angeles before going to different parts of the country, Williams said.

"There's nothing more vulnerable than a 5-year-old child who has no idea of where he's going, who is being taken care of — or not — by strangers," said Hippolito Acosta, who directed INS' Mexico City office during the investigation and now heads the agency's Houston office.

Parents paid smugglers \$5,000 per child, from infants to teenagers. They crowded into hotel lobbies to sleep and the youngest were known to cry all night because they weren't fed enough, officials said.

Judge gives man who said flight would end in 'fireball' six months

MIAMI (AP) — A man who disrupted a Christmas Day intercontinental flight by shouting that the passengers would "burn in hell" was sentenced Monday to six months in prison.

U.S. District Judge Shelby Highsmith called Rodrigo Deambrosio's actions "almost unforgivable" and said that if he had been on the flight, he might have rushed the defendant himself.

Deambrosio, 34, said the American Airlines flight from New York to Buenos Aires, Argentina, would end in a "fireball" and everyone was "going to die and burn in hell," a flight attendant testified. The disruption forced the flight to be diverted to Miami.

Deambrosio's attorney, Mary Barzee, said her client was under unusual stress compounded by a fear of flying, the deaths of two friends in the World Trade Center attacks three months earlier and a history of drug and alcohol abuse. In addition, the flight took place three days after a man allegedly attempted to blow up an international flight by setting off explosives hidden in his shoes.

NASA finds more cracks in equipment

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA said Monday that it has discovered more cracked equipment, this time in the massive 1960s-vintage boosters used to haul space shuttles to the launch pads.

The problem was reported just as technicians finished fixing fuel-line cracks inside shuttle Atlantis.

The newest cracks are in the bearings of the Apollo-era crawlers. Depending on the repairs ordered, the problem could mean more launch delays.

"It's not soon to tell what impact, if any, there would be on the schedule," said NASA spokesman George Diller. Three small cracks in the plumbing of Atlantis were welded over the weekend, putting the shuttle on track for a launch as early as Sept. 28. A crawler is needed, however, to get the shuttle from the hangar to the pad, and engineers do not know how long the bearing repairs will take since there aren't nearly enough spare parts.

Drought spurs slash in crop estimates

WASHINGTON — The drought that has struck many areas of the country is cutting into corn, soybean, cotton and wheat production this year, but the losses are not likely to lead to higher consumer prices anytime soon.

In his latest forecast Monday, the Agriculture Department predicted 2002 corn production will total 8.89 billion bushels, 7 percent below last year and the lowest since 1995.

"The corn crop is clearly the saddest I've seen in years," said Bill Nelson, a commodities analyst with A.G. Edwards & Sons who recently visited farms in Nebraska and other dry states.

Forecasters for other commodities also were lowered Monday. Officials expect soybean production to drop 9 percent from last year to 2.63 billion bushels. Wheat will be down 14 percent at 1.69 billion bushels, and the cotton crop will be 9 percent lower at 18.4 million 480-pound bales.

Buyers are uncertain about how and when the smaller harvests will affect retail food prices.

"It's too early to tell now based on the information because most of the raw materials we need ... are already in production or are

being processed," said Gene Grabowski, spokesman for the Grocery Manufacturers of America. "For right now we're OK, mainly because we buy so far in advance."

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Nicolas Cage marries Elvis' daughter Lisa Marie Presley

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Oscar-winning actor Nicolas Cage married Elvis' daughter, Lisa Marie Presley, during a romantic Hawaiian island ceremony witnessed by family and close friends, publicists confirmed Monday.



Nicolas Cage

star Michael Jackson. It was the second marriage for Cage, who divorced actress Patricia Arquette in 2000. They had no children.

"The wedding was in front of immediate family and friends," Black said, including the bride's mother, Priscilla Presley, "Lisa Marie's children, Danielle, 13, and Benjamin, 10, from her marriage to Keough — and Cage's 12-year-old son, Weston, from a previous relationship.

There were no other details. Lisa Marie Presley is the only child of Priscilla Presley and Elvis, who died 25 years ago this week.

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Spammers keep e-mail flowing

By Jim Krane
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Tom Cowles, who leads one of the world's largest bulk e-mail or spam businesses, ought to be a happy guy. By his account, his company makes \$12 million a year e-mailing billions of advertisements, mainly to folks who don't want them.

It's an easy job, the way Cowles and others describe it: You get hired by a client who wants to sell a penile enlarger or an antenna booster. You write a zesty sales pitch. Then, with the help of some cloak-and-dagger software and a massive database of e-mail addresses, you deluge the planet.

If one in a thousand recipients buys it, you're rich.

But Tom Cowles is not a happy guy.

Relentless anti-spam vigilantes have hounded the 35-year-old head of Empire Towers Inc., plastering Cowles' home address and phone number all over the Web. Spam recipients call to tell Cowles how they feel.

These people will go to the lowest depths," said Cowles, of Bowling Green, Ohio. "I have some phone clips that would make you sick."

Cowles isn't the only hunted spammer. Many others' personal details are listed on anti-spam Web sites such as Spamhaus.org, which seek to shame bulk e-mailers into amending their zealous marketing ways.

Spammers tell of telephoned death threats or deer hearts received in the mail — the same scheme used to intimidate abortion doctors.

But Cowles is also the target of a stalker who has created a Web site larded with pictures of his home, his driving record and a pair of police mug shots from non-spam-related arrests.

"We had to go to a prosecutor to stop this woman from following my wife and taking pictures of her," Cowles said.

While most spam-related attention fixates on the frustrations of avoiding unwanted e-mail, the entrepreneurs causing those frustrations, like Cowles, also have a story to tell.

The so-called spam kings paint themselves as the Robin Hoods of American capitalism, tilting the Internet's sales power away from big corporations that can afford fancy ad campaigns toward the little guy tinkering in his basement.

"This is what the Internet is supposed to be," said Michael Jay, whose Houston-based company, America Find, sends a couple million messages per day advertising \$99 background checks. "This is free enterprise at its finest."

It's the best business that I've ever seen," said Alan Ralsky, 57, of West Bloomfield, Mich., one of the world's most persistent and prolific spammers, according to Spamhaus. "It puts you and me on the same playing field as General Motors."

Spam, after all, is perfectly legal in most places — as long as it isn't fraudulent. Spammers say the combination of nondiscriminatory volume and extremely low cost makes it worthwhile.

"It's the marketing medium of the future. You can't get around it," said Cowles, whose Massive FX e-mailing software allows a client to send a billion or so messages per month.

Products vary from insurance to fake diplomas to pornography videos sold by pitches that would make a stevedore blush.

Spammers' blanket approach ensures that more of their messages wind up in the e-mailboxes of school children than those of the few people who might want such products.

None of the bulk e-mailers interviewed by The Associated Press admitted to sending porn spam. But some, like Cowles, have been blamed by Spamhaus for it.

"I send out anything that's marketable. But I don't do porn," said Bill Waggoner, who runs Las Vegas-based AAW Marketing. Waggoner said he emails ads for



Tom Cowles, 35, owner of Empire Towers Corporation, sits in his home in Bowling Green, Ohio, last month. Cowles heads one of the largest bulk e-mail, or spam, businesses in the world.

Spammed

More than pop-up ads or in-your-face Web graphics, a withering assault of junk e-mail is souring the Internet experience. This is the second story of a three-part series that examines the surge in spam, the people behind it and the struggle to thwart them.

PART II: For the "kings of Spam," mass mailings are free enterprise at its finest. Today

PART III: Anti-spam tools get more aggressive, consumer-friendly. Aug. 20

The European problem

The Associated Press

BRUSSELS, Belgium — Like most people, Massimo Cavazzini was sick of spam. Unlike most, though, the Italian entrepreneur had the law on his side.

Yet even after winning his case against an Italian Internet company — and collecting a \$244 fine — Cavazzini still gets unwanted e-mails from the same firm. "They didn't stop it," he says. "So now I'm taking a second action."

While Cavazzini's initial victory was heralded by anti-spam campaigners, his case also illustrates the difficulty in using laws to stop the torrent of junk e-mail that circles the globe.

Seven EU countries — Italy, Denmark, Germany, Austria, Greece, Finland and Spain — effectively ban spam along with such related annoyances as automated telemarketing and unsolicited faxes.

Yet there are loopholes. Finland, for example, allows marketers to send unsolicited messages to customers asking if they can send them unsolicited messages.

And an Amsterdam district court ruled in March that a Dutch spammer with prestigious clients needed no prior consent to send unsolicited spam.

A new e-commerce data protection directive, adopted by the European Parliament last month, should provide a common level of protection across the 15-nation union.

Marketers sought an "opt-out" approach, which would allow spam but require them to provide

First among them is cloaking their identities.

"Your ISP is going to chop everything down you put up," Cowles said. "The anti-spammers will follow you. So you have to survive through obfuscation. You're constantly trying to do something the anti-spammers won't find, so you can keep a site up and running long enough to have a profitable campaign."

Spammers hide by using fake "from" addresses and relaying their messages through anonymous mail servers in places like China.

Bernard Balan, 51, who operates a bulk mail site from Emerald, Ontario called one-stop-financial.com, says he's gone through "unbelievable hardships" to keep the spam flowing.

"My operating costs have gone up 1,000 percent this year, just so I can figure out how to get around all these filters," said Balan, a former truck driver and pinball machine mechanic.

Professional spammers usually hide their identity. Even if they can be traced, they can only be prosecuted if they are within the EU.

San Francisco-based Brightmail, which sells spam-filtering technology, estimates that only about 10 percent of spam received in the EU originates there.

"Because spam is a global problem, and most legislation is by definition local, we believe that the effectiveness is going to be minimal," says company spokesman Francois Lavaste. Yet that's no reason not to try, he and other spam opponents say.

Stefano Rodota, the EU's top data protection enforcer, says contacts are already under way with other countries to try to solve the problem.

"We need some means to refuse this kind of invasion of the private realm," Rodota says.

You've got mail, but it will cost you

By Kamika Dunlap
Knight Ridder News Service

SAN JOSE, Calif. — The latest message from the Web's free e-mail services is a familiar one: It's time to pay up.

Following a strategy deployed in other Web sectors, big e-mail providers are testing customers anything beyond bare-bones service will come at a price.

With a soft economy and the collapse of the online advertising market, Web-based e-mail providers such as Yahoo, MSN Hotmail and Terra Lycos aren't abandoning their free services,

but they have launched new subscription-based offerings aimed at their more advanced, extra-demanding users.

Premium services include extra storage space for mail on the company's servers, the capability to send large file attachments and mail forwarding to another ISP. "Web users are getting more sophisticated and they want different value out of their time. They are looking for values and they are willing to pay for it," said Bryan Burdick, vice president of portal services at Terra Lycos, one of the Web's largest e-mail providers.

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Democrat's budget cutting sounds lovely - in theory

You know it's an election year when Idaho Democrats embrace budget cuts and Republicans flirt with tax increases. In reality, neither party is expressing genuine affection.

Maybe that's why we're skeptical about Democratic gubernatorial candidate Jerry Brady's proposal for more cutbacks in state spending.

Brady still hasn't announced his full plan for balancing the state budget - even though the election is less than three months away. But he hinted at his overall strategy last week by saying he would cut the fat in government agencies, and still keep education funding whole.

It's a nice trick, in theory. But Brady will be able to sell beachfront property in Idaho Falls before he sells the public on this one.

Just where are these cuts going to come from? Medicaid? Prisons? Veterans services?

We agree there may be waste to be trimmed. But the Legislature did a fair amount of whitening last winter. We'd like to hear more details on how Brady would further shave the state budget.

Of course, those details could put Brady crosswise

with citizens served by the targeted agencies - which may explain why details haven't been forthcoming.

There is a way to cut state spending, however, and still keep education spending whole.

Until the economy recovers, the state could roll back state workers' wages by small percentages - say, in the neighborhood of 2 to 5 percent. Nobody gets laid off. And salaries below a certain threshold - say, \$40,000 or \$50,000 - could be shielded from millage cuts.

Another option is to require school districts to use more of their reserves. The state is turning to its savings to stay above water. Why shouldn't school districts do the same?

Those options probably won't go over well with Brady, who has criticized state leaders for using savings rather than hiking taxes this summer.

Brady has been quick to fault Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's handling of the budget crisis. But the state's options at this point seem to boil down to higher taxes or program cuts.

So which will it be? Idahoans are curious to know specifically where the challenger will find more money.

Vroom for compromise

Common sense is finally prevailing on the issue of permitting snowmobiles in Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks. National Park Service Director Fran Maniella stated this week that controlled and "environmentally friendly access" by snowmobiles would be allowable, though a final decision has not been made.

That kind of approach is much more reasonable than the Clinton administration's 11th hour plan to phase out all snowmobiles from the parks by the winter of 2003-2004.

Maniella is also right to assert that written comments on the matter should have more impact than form letters. Although more than 80 percent of public comments supported the Clinton ban, most were form letters sent by eco-groups. And, Maniella speculates, many of the senders were under the false

impression that snowmobiles were allowed anywhere in the park.

There is plenty of room for compromise on the issue. By switching to four-stroke engines in snowmobiles, rather than the traditional two-stroke engines, snowmobiles can take a huge proactive step to clean up emissions from the machines.

Likewise, environmental groups should agree to allow controlled use of limited trails. Both sides should agree to the middle ground, which will help preserve the natural settings while allowing visitors to enjoy the parks in winter.

A compromise also saves the winter tourism industry in towns such as West Yellowstone, Mont., that depend on visitors having access to the park. If the Park Service follows Maniella's recommendations, both sides should come out just fine.

Oust Saddam or live with a nuclear menace

Many who believe a war on Saddam Hussein would be an alternative way to curb him. Send U.N. arms inspectors back to Baghdad, they say. That will check the Iraqi's plans to build weapons of mass destruction (WMD). Thus blocked, he can't threaten the region or U.S. interests.

TRUDY RUBIN

If only this scenario were plausible, it would simplify the unpleasant options that Americans confront in the debate over U.S. policy on Iraq. A defanged Saddam - minus chemical weapons, anthrax, or nukes - could be contained, and wouldn't be a regional menace. That would sharply undercut the argument for war.

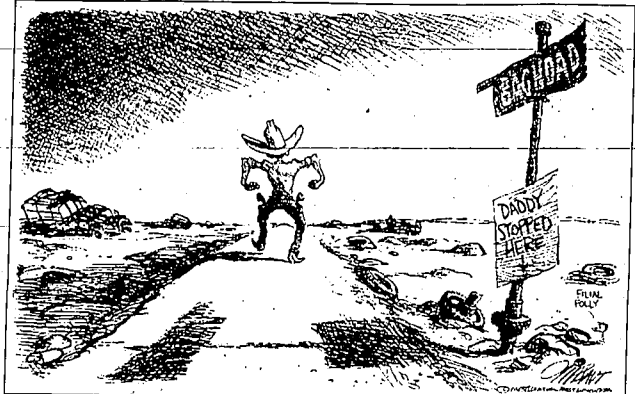
But years of U.N. weapons inspectors failed to eliminate Iraq's weapons of mass destruction (WMD), and the chances of stopping the Iraqi program would be even smaller if the inspections resumed.

That means Americans must choose between a risky war to oust Saddam Hussein, or a scenario in which he may obtain a couple of nuclear weapons in the next few years. He already has used chemical weapons against Iraq and Iraqi Kurds, and has an active bioweapons program. Once he has nukes, it would be a far different matter to attack Baghdad.

These choices are so grim that pressure is bound to increase to try the U.N. weapons-inspection option. Saddam Hussein is now offering to discuss the return of arms inspectors - who were pulled out in 1998 after Iraq totally blocked their efforts.

This is nothing but a clever Iraqi political ploy. Saddam will never willingly give up the weapons he believes are crucial to his power.

"It's not going to happen," says Charles Duelfer, who was deputy



head of the U.N. weapons inspection mission (UNSCOM) from 1993-2000. The Security Council had required Iraq to dismantle its WMD programs after the gulf war as a condition for the lifting of economic sanctions.

But the Iraqis were determined to outwit the Security Council. Duelfer told me that Iraqi officials made clear they believed the use of chemical weapons had saved them in the Iran-Iraq war. The regime also believes possession of nuclear and bioweapons programs - about which the inspectors had not had a clue.

In other words, Saddam had tricked UNSCOM and ran the concealment program right out of his presidential offices. Without the Kamel defection, UNSCOM might have declared Iraq both nuclear and bioweapons-free.

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report that Iraq had fulfilled Security Council requirements. In fact, the inspectors were about to declare that the regime had partially disarmed.

Then, suddenly, Saddam Hussein's son-in-law, Hussein Kamel - the man in charge of his special weapons program - defected to Jordan. He revealed that Iraq had hidden extensive biological and nuclear weapons programs - about which the inspectors had not had a clue.

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Duelfer believes a new inspection team will face the same run-around as did UNSCOM: Iraq will thwart inspectors. Meantime, Security Council members like France and Russia, which are angry to do business with Baghdad, will press the inspectors to declare Iraq weapons-free.

The issue, says Duelfer, "is not the inspections. It is the man himself."

And this, indeed, is why the choices about Iraq are so difficult to make. When a malevolent ruler with a penchant for invasions is determined to get nukes and has the cash, it is very hard to stop him. Ten years of experience have shown this to be the case with Saddam Hussein.

So the question Americans face is the whether the prospect of Saddam with nukes is too risky to tolerate - or not.

Trudy Rubin is a columnist and editorial board member for the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Trial lawyers troll for victims of Sept. 11 attacks

Sept. 11 was a day of infamy for America. The scars it left in our national life won't soon be forgotten.

But while a tragedy for all Americans, it was most heartfelt for the bereaved families who lost a loved one in this wanton attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

In the immediate aftermath of the attack, patriotic sentiment ran high. The Association of Trial Lawyers of America, for example, urged its members to join an altruistic and patriotic service for legal advice for the thousands who would be eligible for billions of dollars in awards.

"If ever there were a time when lawyers could pursue their calling for a noble purpose; if ever there were a cause that demanded our most magnificent effort as lawyers, as human beings as Americans - this is it," reads a brochure for Trial Lawyers Care, the pro bono organization set up by the national association. It was a statement that captured the spirit of the moment.

HERBERT LONDON

But moments pass and whatever seemed clear, pure and obvious has become muddled, contentious and ambiguous. With payment delays occurring, many families decided that a noble calling was not as effective as hired attorneys who would collect fees.

Guillermo Gleizer, a lawyer who represents more than 100 injured victims and is charging fees of up to 25 percent, noted that "...we represent a client in every single problem related to the September 11 tragedy - hospitalization, credit cards, mortgages - and we want to make money. Guy works, guy gets paid. That is the American way."

Of course, it is also the American way to offer a helping hand to those in distress. It is decidedly American to assist others out of patriotic fervor. William L. Mauk, a spokesman

for the Trial Lawyers Care, notes that "It's infuriating and frankly, I don't have much regard for them (the paid attorneys). I think they are taking advantage of a national tragedy."

Yet it is also the case that victims are feeling as if they are being victimized again. The payment process is slow and cumbersome. It is not merely a matter of fill-in the blanks legal work. The paid attorneys performing a service and the victims do have volitional decisions at their disposal.

Presumably the lawyers receiving a fee offer a "better" service than their pro bono counterparts, albeit this claim is conjectural. Paid attorneys invariably argue you get what you pay for.

From my perspective there is something unseemly about this paid legal representation. Lives have been lost and families destroyed. If there were a time to pull together to assist fellow Americans this is it. The fact that liability lawyers will use this opportunity to benefit from

someone's grief is - on a moral level - unconscionable.

My tears in this matter are all for the families. They deserve assistance. The widow with two little kids is probably crying out for help. It is her family that matters.

Clearly proper representation is necessary. And just as clearly making sure that American generosity is directed to the victims, not the attorneys, is also necessary.

America, as a nation, came together to assist the victims of September 11. It would be a shame if this national sentiment were translated into greed and hickering.

I admire the attorneys who are willing to give their service freely. But my hope is that victims' families get what they deserve and what all America wants them to have. Any other concern is pitifully legalistic.

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BYRD GOLYAY
Twin Falls

Conditions in T.F. County Jail are 'down right absurd'

I'm Johnny L. Moore. I'm writing on my behalf as well as others that are in the same predicament as myself. We all feel that our concerns and civil rights as people should be addressed as they are important not to be violated.

The conditions in Twin Falls County Jail are down right absurd! We, as taxpayers both in and out of jail, should have rights!

By Garry Trudeau

Doonosbury



Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

Republicans shouldn't let the Democrats play on their own terms



Cal Thomas

Professional football is in its pre-season and so is politics. Coaches are trying out plays and players to see what might bring them victory when the season starts next month. Politicians are experimenting with themes they think will bring them victory in the November election.

The political playbook of the Democrats is familiar: class warfare in which the poor and middle class think "the rich" are stealing from them and blaming Republicans for the few CEOs who are crooks. Republicans seem mostly content playing defense. They must learn to score or risk losing the House and allowing Democrats to pad their one-lead in the Senate.

A large turnout of angry Republicans elected the GOP class of 1994, the one that put the party in control of the House for the first time in 40 years. After

cutting taxes and reforming welfare, the Democrats mistakenly slipped back into trying to prove they were not "mean-spirited" or anti-elderly. When Republicans lack a message and fight on Democratic turf, they lose.

Who is angrier in 2002? Clearly it's the Democrats. They're angry over the presidential loss of 2000. They're angry that they've been stripped of what they regard as their entitlement to run the House. And they're at least feigning anger over the few corporate scandals that have caused thousands of layoffs and threatened the retire-

ment nest eggs of former employees. I asked Paul Weyrich about Republican prospects in the coming election. Weyrich, president of the Free Congress Foundation, has one of the best political minds in Washington. He was an architect of the 1980 Republican blowout that put Ronald Reagan in the White House and Republicans in control of the Senate.

Weyrich believes Republicans are doomed if they don't motivate their base, and that they could easily lose their House majority and fail to win back the Senate. To avoid such a catastrophe, he says President Bush and every Republican must start raising the few major issues that will get the conservative base to the polls.

Immigration is first on Weyrich's list. "Republicans have not been tackling the immi-

gration issue," says Weyrich, "because President Bush is in favor of amnesty for illegal aliens and wants to let even more of them into the country. Yet, there is no evidence he is getting any of their votes."

Issue two, he says, is the Boy Scouts. "Republican emotions are weak on the gay issue," says Weyrich, referring to the continuing controversy over whether homosexual scoutmasters should be allowed to be scoutmasters. The Supreme Court ruled that the Boy Scouts do not have to admit homosexual scoutmasters, but the school districts that allow them to use their facilities has caused many chapters to revise how they interpret the part of the scout oath about keeping "morally straight."

Issue three for Weyrich is the San Francisco Appeals Court ruling which said the phrase "under

God" in the Pledge of Allegiance is unconstitutional. Though the decision was written by an appointee of Richard Nixon, Weyrich says the political issue should be activist judges and what they've done to hurt our country. "President Bush mentions judges on occasion, but the grassroots don't hear about it unless they are physically present during the speech," he says.

Assuming the president and his party won't suddenly reverse course and start angering Republican voters, motivating them to go to the polls in November, how does the GOP make political gains this fall? Weyrich says that in such a case, only a war of liberation in Iraq can reverse Republican fortunes.

"An October surprise" will completely change the dynamic of the election," he says. "The public will rally around the president and Republicans if it is well

thought out and, in fact, Saddam Hussein is misled. We can't have a situation like we do with Osama bin Laden where he hasn't been located and victory in Afghanistan is not clear."

Weyrich is right. President Bush has been playing Mr. Nice Guy, which he is—but there is no time for nice. He knows from his reading of Ecclesiastes, and that time is now. If he wants a governing majority that he can use to advance his beliefs and policies, it's better to motivate his base and get them angry than to be angry after Democrats win a congressional majority. In control of Congress, Democrats will obstruct Bush's agenda at least as well as they did his father's and blame a second President Bush for being a "do-nothing president."

Cal Thomas is a columnist with the Los Angeles Times.

LETTERS

Political propaganda must be evaluated critically

I read of the miraculous rescue of those trapped Pennsylvania coal miners and felt a sense of pride and renewed faith in the American people. Then I turned the page and read the "Bush whacked" letter to the editor. Pride and faith wavered at the display of sheer ignorance.

Through lies and distortion, both Republicans and Democrats pander to people like that letter's author. If one were to believe liberals told us conservatives a few years ago, Clinton and Bush have to be the twin sons of Satan sent to destroy all good in America.

Sadly, many people, through laziness and a lack of critical thinking, take what "my guys" say about "those guys" as gospel-like pronouncements that bolster their partisan prejudices. In their minds, fact, logic and common sense only hinder the venting of their feelings.

Try this truth: The last year of Clinton's presidency saw the economy dramatically slowing and the NASDAQ falling by half. If you angrily blame Bush, you must just as angrily blame Clinton. The fact is, you can't blame either man for current

economic woes. We drive the economy, and that economy has its ups and downs. We, as investors, drive the stock market, and our investing has been adversely affected by the "infectious greed" of some crooked chief executive officers. Blame us!

It takes only common sense and basic knowledge to understand these truths, but some would rather live in ignorance and anger. They rely on the propaganda of political leaders (most of whom say and do whatever it takes to gain and retain power) rather than think for themselves.

You who mindlessly chant the mantra of "all conservatives are evil" or "all liberals are evil" are just as foolish as those in the world who mindlessly chant "all Americans are evil." You've gone beyond valid criticism—requiring rational, fact-based thought—and voice total condemnation based on ugly rumors and baseless accusations.

We're supposed to be better than this, but we've allowed politicians to transform an honorable calling to service into a continuous gutter fight for power. And that shameful degradation is propped up by imbeciles, proud to parade their ignorance

(as evidenced by "Bush whacked") and ready to swim the gutter with the politicians. God help us. WILLIAM LOCKER, Filer

Cassia County residents don't want a CAFO nearby

I had the opportunity to attend a meeting with my neighbors and on Aug. 6. The topic of discussion was the concentrated animal feeding operation that Brent Stoker and his partners in Alliance Land and Livestock are wanting to build here in the Decdo area. Many of their concerns are mine also.

What will be the effect on the ground water with 10,000 (plus) head of cattle waste seeping into our water table? A few of us in this immediate area had to drop our wells this past spring. What effect will an operation of this size have on an already low water table? Where will you dispose of the dead animals? We worry about the added traffic on our roads out here. Some don't relish the idea of truckloads of animal waste being hauled past their homes on a daily basis. What is going to happen to our property values? Will we be inundated with flies and stench

like our neighbors in Twin Falls and Jerome counties? The short of it is that we don't want that feedlot in our area.

I would ask the county commissioners and the planning and zoning commission if they made an informed decision. Many who attended the meetings weren't allowed to voice an opinion or their concerns.

Did you happen to see the petition that the citizens were elected to represent signed in opposition to this CAFO? Was there a conflict of interest for anyone voting? Would you want this operation anywhere near your homes?

Take a long hard look at our neighbors to the west. Why would you want to invite the kind of problems Twin Falls, Jerome and Gooding counties are having with these issues into Cassia County?

If the science supports the claims of these large operations, why aren't these CAFOs in other counties able to meet or preferably exceed the stipulations placed on them?

There is no benefit to us or my way of life here if this feedlot is built in our area. Your attention to these concerns would be appreciated. DAVE FREEMAN, Decdo

The ABC's of parents and their children's schools

BOB CHASE

not set out to baffle parents, but too often that is what happens. Parents must realize that critical areas of their child's schooling are, in fact, accessible. For example:

• **Teacher quality.** Nearly all parents consider this to be the most important element in a child's education—and rightly so. Most teachers have a lot to offer. It is important for parents to orient their child to a positive and productive attitude and to really talk with your child's teacher. Find out what your child is expected to learn this year. And if the teacher slips into jargon, so-called "educpeak," you have every right to request plain English, please.

• **Lack of challenge in the classroom.** Parents can learn how to tell when "I'm bored" is a legitimate complaint, how to talk with the teacher about it and what remedies the school ought to have in its repertoire.

• **Falling behind.** Parents can also learn how to tell if the slippage is serious, whether additional tutoring may be called for, how the child study team functions, and what strategies the classroom teacher can use.

There are no secrets. Learning them, however, requires dialoging with staff and other parents, attending school functions, reading up, exploring, participating.

Schools need to do a better job of explaining themselves to parents, and not simply as a feel-good exercise. A Department of Education study found that reading and math scores of low-achieving students rose 40 percent to 50 percent when teachers reached out to families throughout the school year—not just when the child was in trouble.

Wishing it, of course, does not make it so. Parents these days are a horribly squeezed for time. Employers must do more to accommodate parents who want to be actively engaged in their child's education, and schools must find ways to open themselves to parents with busy lives. What's more, school systems must reduce class sizes, especially in the early grades, so that teachers can devote more individual attention to your child and you.

Families who understand how schools work are vastly better equipped to help their children, and the pay-off goes both ways. Savvy families tend to be the strongest supporters of schools. Why? Because by gaining "school smarts," parents learn a very basic lesson. Namely, schools are a living, breathing community in which adults come together to do what's best for the children. And you.

parents are that community's nerve center.

This fall, as students clamor eagerly, or apprehensively, through the schoolhouse door, millions of concerned parents face an urgent choice, a test as important as any their child will take this school year: a) to be a passive consumer or; b) a contributing member of a vibrant community that just happens to hold the key to your child's future.

It shouldn't be hard to get that one right. Bob Chase is author of "The New Public School Parent: How to Get the Best Education for Your Child" and is the outgoing two-term president of the National Education Association.

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Agency nears decision on nuke relocation

WASHINGTON (AP) - Pending a final environmental review, the Energy Department is expected to move as much as several tons of plutonium and weapons-grade uranium from a federal research laboratory in New Mexico to Nevada because of security concerns, according to documents.

In a department memo, John C. Browne, director of the Los Alamos National Laboratory, called the pro-

posed move "the best overall decision to meet the post-September 11th challenges for the long-term security of nuclear activities."

An Energy Department spokesman, Bryan Wilkes, said that while no final decision has been made, moving the material to the Nevada Test Site is the preferred option being studied to increase security. The environmental study is being reviewed, he said.

Several tons of highly enriched uranium and plutonium, which could be used to make an atomic bomb, are kept at Technical Area-18 at the Los Alamos lab in New Mexico where critics have said it cannot be adequately protected.

Built in the 1940s, Technical Area-18 is located at the bottom of a steep canyon, where the high ground and an adjacent highway makes the site difficult to defend.

In repeated security exercises, troops have been unable to protect the material.

In a 1997 exercise, Army Special Forces posing as attackers wheeled away a garden cart full of props representing the nuclear material.

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Barrutia will serve two days in jail

BOISE — State Sen. Robbi Barrutia, R-Glenns Ferry, will spend two days behind bars after pleading guilty Monday to her second drunk-driving conviction in two years.

Fourth District Magistrate Christopher Bieter sentenced Barrutia to 30 days in jail, but will allow her to spend all but two days in inmate detail programs.

The 43-year-old senator was also sentenced to two years' supervised probation and fined \$750. She lost her driver's license for one year and was ordered not to have alcohol in her home or go to bars or liquor stores.

Barrutia was arrested Jan. 23 when an Idaho State Police officer noticed her driving erratically on a Boise freeway. She failed field sobriety tests, and her blood alcohol level was later tested at 0.22, nearly three times the legal limit of 0.08. She entered counseling that month.

In 1997, she pleaded guilty to a drunken driving charge and was sentenced to 30 days in jail with 27 days suspended, one year of probation and \$668 in fines and court costs, according to court records.

She lost her bid for re-election in May to Rep. Sher Sellman of Mountain Home.

Gooding County holds health forum Wednesday

GOODING — Gooding County Memorial Hospital will hold its fifth annual Forum on Rural Health-Care Issues on Wednesday at the hospital.

The informal event will give employees, medical staff, board and foundation members an opportunity to meet their elected representatives and discuss the health-care delivery system in the United States.

State Reps. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, and Tim Ridinger, R-Shoshone, and Sen. Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum, are scheduled to be in attendance. Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, U.S. Sens. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, and Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, and U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson, R-Idaho, have been invited.

The agenda includes brunch from 10 to 10:30 a.m., state issues from 10:30 to 11 a.m., federal issues from 11 to 11:30 a.m., and questions and answers from 11:30 a.m. to noon. Those who want may take a tour of the hospital at noon.

For more information, call Roxey Braga, community relations director for the hospital, at 934-4433, Ext. 120.

Republican picnic will feature governor, senator

TWIN FALLS — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and U.S. Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, are scheduled to attend the Twin Falls County Republican Party's annual picnic at 6 p.m. today at Twin Falls City Park.

Master of ceremonies will be Idaho Republican Chairman Sen. John Sandy of Hagerman, who is state a senator for District 23 until Jan. 1.

GOP candidates planning to attend the event include John Risch for lieutenant governor, Lawrence Warden for attorney general, Keith Johnson for state controller and Ron Crane for state treasurer. Many local candidates seeking re-election also plan to attend.

Cost is \$8 per person or \$20 for a family. The public is invited. For more information, call Joyce Grundstaff at 543-5755.

Highway district plans seal coating today

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Highway District plans to seal coat these roads today:

Rock Creek Road from Third Fork to Diamondfield Jack.
* 4000 East from 2900 North to 3200 North.

Newsman looks for Elvis fans for article

TWIN FALLS — Friday is the 25th anniversary of the death of Elvis Presley, and *The Times-News* is preparing an article about local residents who still love everything Elvis. If that describes you, or you know of such a person, give us a call.

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Compiled from staff reports

Judge sends waste plan to court

The Times-News and The Associated Press

BOISE — A federal judge refused to let the U.S. Energy Department unilaterally reclassify highly radioactive, and long-lived nuclear waste from "high level" to "incidental" waste without defending the plan in court.

Reclassification would allow the department to avoid sending the waste to a geological repository.

Instead, the government could cement radioactive sludge in aging underground storage tanks held in concrete vaults about 500 feet above the Snake River aquifer.

Activists and American Indian tribes brought the lawsuit. Idaho filed a friend of the court brief in support of the lawsuit, because leaving the waste in the tanks violates the 1995 nuclear waste cleanup agreement between the

state and — the Energy Department.

It's a separate lawsuit than the one between the state and Energy Department over whether the agreement covers removal of all plutonium-contaminated waste buried in a landfill at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

The tank sludge at INEEL and at federal nuclear sites in

Washington and South Carolina is a byproduct of a discontinued process to recover usable uranium in spent reactor fuel. Liquid from 11 tanks at INEEL has been emptied, but a total of about 1 million gallons of sludge remains.

"While the judge has not yet ruled on the merits of this case, he made it very clear that the DOE may not continue to act as a law unto itself when it comes to

how it disposes of radioactive waste," said Gary Richardson, executive director of the nuclear watchdog group Snake River Alliance.

"This comes as very good news to the people of Idaho, Washington and South Carolina whose waste sites are being threatened by irresponsible nuclear waste disposal practices," he said.

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New hospital boss likes a challenge

By Sandy Miller Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — When it comes to the future of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, new Chief Executive Officer John Kee has set his expectations high.

Hospital control issue resurfaces — A1

About the new hospital CEO

- Name: John Kee
- Age: 47
- Childhood: Grew up in rural Kennett Square, Pa.
- Family: Wife Jan, children Jessica, Ryan, Kelly and Erin.
- Education: Bachelor's degree in business from the University of Idaho.
- Occupation: Magic Valley Regional Medical Center chief executive officer.
- Annual salary: \$165,000.

"We want to be the regional delivery system of choice, and we will be," Kee said. Kee, 47, officially took over the hospital's top job on Aug. 1, when former CEO Jerry Hart retired.

Although the title is new, Kee isn't new to the job. The former senior vice president took over Hart's duties in March after Hart had emergency surgery.

Kee came on board at Magic Valley Regional in October 2000 as chief operating officer, overseeing human resources, medical staff offices and ancillary services. He had provided practice management and consulting services to Magic Valley Regional and affiliated physicians for several years before joining the hospital's administrative staff.

Kee was promoted to senior vice president in October, to focus his energies on the \$16.1 million purchase of the

Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital and the hospital's partnerships with physician groups in the area.

The competition changes

Kee said Magic Valley Regional's purchase of the clinic can bring only good things for patients in the Magic Valley. Not only did the deal bring two medical staffs together, but the combined population of patients will allow Magic Valley Regional to start offering services it hasn't been able to offer in the past, Kee said.

For instance, two organizations that provide acute rehabilitation services recently expressed interest in

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John Kee is the new chief executive officer of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. He was formerly a senior vice president at the hospital.

Jerome Urban Renewal Agency eyes growth

Officials base fire substation plans on population projections

By Dixie Thomas Reale Times-News correspondent

JEROME — In order to decide how large to build a new fire department substation, the Jerome Urban Renewal Agency is trying to determine how big the city will be in 10 years.

The agency also wants to know where the new growth will be concentrated.

In July, Urban Renewal selected ZGA, a Boise-based architectural firm, to design the city's proposed new fire station on 200 South Road between Lincoln Street South and Interstate 84. The agency and ZGA are negotiating a contract.

Once the contract is signed, members of Urban Renewal, the architect, the fire chief and other interested city officials will discuss the city's wants and needs

for a fire department substation. The substation's price tag is estimated at between \$750,000 and \$800,000.

City Administrator Travis Rothweiler told Urban Renewal board members on Monday that the city will place a well and water tank at the butte east of the city. Water and sewer lines will be installed along Main Street East to the butte. Growth is expected to occur eastward along that Main Street corridor.

Sewer and water lines will be installed over the interstate on Lincoln Street South later this year, as part of an interstate landscaping and beautification project. Once water and sewer is available south of the interstate, growth is expected to continue southward from the city limits as well, Rothweiler said.

Crossroads Ranch, located at the intersection of U.S. Highway 93 and the interstate, will hook up to the city sewer system by 2005. Once that happens, growth will occur southward along the frontage road next to the interstate. Growth is expected

southward and eastward from the current city limits in the next few years, Rothweiler said.

Rothweiler said he expects the city to continue to grow at the current rate of between 4 and 7 percent annually. If it does, the city population should be between 13,000 and 17,000 in 10 years.

Urban Renewal financial consultant Bob Richards predicted serious growth around WOW Logistics and on both sides of the interstate if the city is able to get a third exit for the interstate at 100 South Road.

Board member John Shine said the fire substation should be designed so the station will have two drive-through bays, and also so it could be expanded as future growth demands.

Fire Chief Jim Auclair said the new substation will house one captain who will be work from 9 to 5 during the week and three engineers who will rotate 24-hour shifts every three days. There will be three trucks housed there. Some of the trucks will have to be driven by volunteer firefighters.

Evel Knievel denies having big tax debt

The Associated Press

HELENA, Mont. — Evel Knievel, who made millions as a motorcycle stuntman in the 1970s, denies published reports that he owes hundreds of thousands of dollars in unpaid income taxes.

"I don't owe the state of Montana one dime," Knievel told The Associated Press Friday in a telephone interview from Sturgis, S.D.

Meanwhile, a Twin Falls woman is pursuing court action in Montana against Knievel to collect \$9,700 she claims he owes her for outdoor toilets for Knievel's failed rocket launch across the Snake River Canyon near Twin Falls in 1974.

News reports that Knievel still has large tax debts in the state appeared just days after the city of Butte, Knievel's hometown, wrapped up a week-long tribute

to him.

District Court records in Butte indicate Knievel owes as much as \$800,000 in back taxes. The Department of Revenue confirmed it has records showing it filed two liens against Knievel totaling \$395,000. It was not immediately clear, however, when those liens were filed.

Normally, if a taxpayer satisfies a lien filed against him either by paying the full amount or reaching a settlement with the government — a record of that would be filed in court, releasing the lien. However, there was no immediate indication of such a record in District Court.

Knievel is adamant, however, that while he once owed back taxes in Montana, all those debts are paid.

"I paid everything I owed," he said. "I had to sell my house to do it, but I did it."

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MORNING BREAK

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Tinker's trade survives only in childhood verse

This is in reply to "Desperate in Olin," whose astute used to recite a saying, but she could not remember the ending. My mother frequently quoted the verse to me when I was a child and wanted something. It went: "If wishes were horses and beggars could ride, 'Til turkeys were swatches, I'd wear one by my side. 'Til 'ifs' and 'ands' were pots and pans, "There would be no work for tinkers." -NEVILLE E. TEAGUE, COLUMBIA, S.C.



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DEAR ABBY: It appears to be an old Irish proverb - a tinker is an Irish gypsy, and they still roam Ireland today. My mother is from Kildare, and I remember as a child seeing all the "tinker" children riding bareback on ponies by the side of the road. I was jealous of their life, since their parents didn't make them go to school.

DEAR NEVILLE: Thank you for rushing to the rescue - as did the rest of other good readers. That question evoked some fascinating responses. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Perhaps this is an appropriate time to educate those readers who were born after the 1930s. A tinker was a craftsman who navigated city streets and country roads in a horse-drawn cart, offering his services to mend pots and pans - repairing broken bundles, smoothing dents and, especially, repairing small holes.

DEAR ABBY: My thanks to you for reviving a long, quietest memory: Greenwich, London, England, 1935-1938. Two children, excited by the sounds of the horse-drawn milk wagon coming down the street, the gypsy calls for "rags and bones, rags and bones," black coal tumbling his way down the chute into the basement, and the tinker in his coat coming to solder damaged kitchenware.

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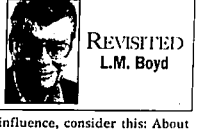
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TV BEST BET

Today "Sugar & Spice" - If cheerleading has a dark side, this 2001 satire shows it. Pregnant by her football hero boyfriend, a teen (Marley Shelton) organizes fellow pom-pom carriers into a bank-robbing team. (C) STARZ, 8 p.m.

Male will remain monogamous if mate needs him

Q. Most birds, once married, stay married for life to speak. They're monogamous. But do they ever get divorced? A. Indeed, many kittiwake gulls, which usually mate for life, split up, if they don't hatch during the first season. How did Nature arrange that bit of behavior, pray?



A clever convict who went over the wall in bloodhound country escaped the dogs simply by wearing another man's slines to the river and changing to his own shoes on the other side.

Q. How long does it take the average human baby to double its weight? A. Six months. Q. What was the "Zip" and the "Huzard"? A. Early automobiles. Why didn't the last I don't know. Good name for a car, Huzard. "Sea level" out there in the middle - pick your ocean - varies in elevation by as much as 600 feet.

influence, consider this: About 95 percent of the human body is structured almost identically in both the male and the female. Where women were scarce, they got the vote early in Wyoming, for instance. And the women on Pitcairn's Island - where the Bounty mutineers set up their little government - got the vote in 1838, the first women to do so in any English-speaking country.

Within them are great swirling pools of water and rivers clustered with ice. Sort of Palm Springs for polar bears.

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speculation, stick with number 4. Scorpio involved. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Lunar cycle high; you will have love, money and restoration of health - you so permit. Capricornians are taking dramatic turn in your favor. Write your thoughts, feelings and opinions.

concoits with "winning streak." You upset odds and beat the game. You will attract mysterious people whom you fascinate. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): It is time to stop frivolity aside. Serious creative endeavor succeeds. Some of you want something for nothing; don't give it to them! Cancer represented.

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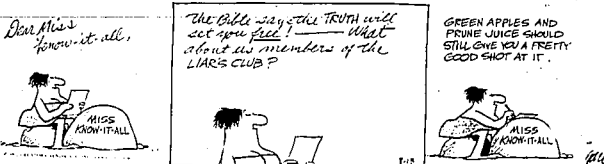
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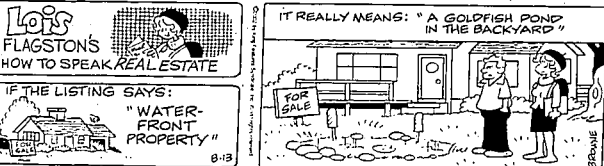
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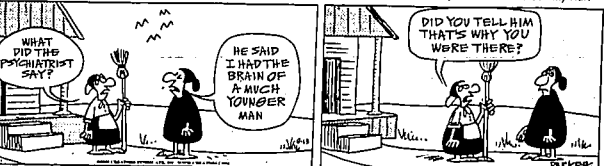
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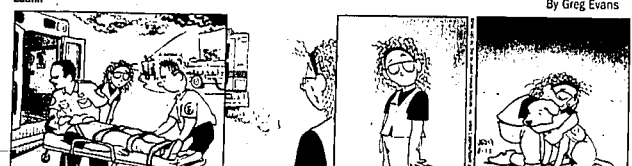
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Feds say Utah man has porn ring ties

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Federal agents have accused an Oregon photographer of taking part in an international child pornography ring.

Joseph Paul Durborow had an initial appearance in federal court on Monday. A federal complaint says Durborow took pornographic pictures of girls, one of them his own foster daughter, and distributed them over the Internet.

Durborow's photographs were discovered as part of an international pornography ring known as "Operation Hamlet." Ten Europeans and 10 Americans — including Leslie Peter Bowens of Burley — were indicted last week by U.S. authorities, who said the

group sexually molested and photographed their own children and swapped pictures over the Internet.

Forty-five children were victimized, mostly Americans ranging in age from 2 to about 14, Customs Commissioner Robert C. Bonner said after the indictment was unsealed Friday in California.

Paul Warner, U.S. Attorney for Utah, said he plans to take Durborow's case before a grand jury next week.

"It's a despicable business. It will be aggressively pursued," Warner said.

Police in Orem were already investigating Durborow after receiving complaints from chil-

dren and their parents about his photography studio, but they hadn't gathered enough evidence for an arrest, said detective Wade Raab.

Warner says Durborow promised girls fashion photo shoots, then secretly photographed them while they were changing clothes.

Durborow said little at his initial hearing Monday, other than to tell U.S. Magistrate Judge Ronald Boyce that he wanted a lawyer.

Wendy Lewis from the Federal Defender's Office was appointed to represent him. She said after the hearing that she hasn't yet discussed the case with her client.

The federal complaint says that Durborow admitted to the crimes and confirmed that one of the girls in the pornographic photos is his foster daughter, who was 10 or 11 at the time.

Federal officials say Durborow and his wife have 10 foster children, ages 8-14. State welfare officials are now investigating the case and will determine what to do with the children, Warner said.

Bowcut, 28, also ran a photography business in Burley. He faces a new federal charge of conspiring to sexually exploit children after pleading guilty to 14 Idaho counts of lewd and lascivious conduct with a minor younger than 16.

Death toll rises to 74 in devastating flooding

VIENNA, Austria — Europe's flooding death toll swelled to at least 74 on Monday as torrential rains unleashed raging waters that swept away Russian tourists, triggered landslides in Germany and Switzerland and shut down shipping on the Danube River in Austria.

Russia was by far the hardest-hit area, with at least 58 deaths. Giant cranes hoisted ruined cars and other debris out of the Black Sea on Monday, and cleanup crews scoured coastal beaches in search of more bodies.

Thousands of Russian tourists who had descended on the Black Sea Coast for their summer vacations were caught in the surprise flooding. Many remain stranded, their cars swept out to sea by a wall of water that came rushing down from the mountains.

As many as 4,000 tourists were still trapped in Shirokaya Balka, a scenic coastal village that was devastated by the flooding, the Interfax news agency reported.

An investigative team was being formed to examine all the deaths for possible criminal charges, prosecutor Nikolai Buzko told the ITAR-TASS news agency.

The team was also examining why some buildings had been erected in areas where development is prohibited because of erosion and flooding concerns.

World in brief

North Korean negotiator and a Cabinet counselor, said at a banquet following a 70-minute meeting at a Seoul hotel.

Department spokesman Phillip Reeker said the United States thinks the resumption of dialogue between the two Koreas is a "positive development and we certainly hope that it indicates a new attitude on the part of North Korea. Inter-Korean dialogue is the key to peace and stability on the Korean Peninsula."

Drought eats away at Idaho spring wheat crop

BOISE (AP) — Drought continued to take its toll on Idaho's spring wheat crop during July, shrinking the projected harvest by more than 1 million bushels from June.

Based on Aug. 1 field conditions, the Agriculture Department estimated the state's spring wheat production at 538.7 million bushels, or 73 bushels an acre off 530,000 acres.

The yield is down two bushels from the July estimate, accounting for the drop in total production from 39.8 million bushels. It will still be markedly larger than last year's crop of just over 33 million bushels but remains the second smallest crop since 1991.

The production forecast for winter wheat remained unchanged from July at 51.8 million bushels, or 75 bushels an acre, from 690,000 acres. The winter wheat harvest is only about 16 percent complete statewide, running about percentage points behind the average.

The spring wheat harvest is just getting under way.

U.S. crops do poorly — 44

Total production at 90.5 million bushels is also above last year's harvest, which was reduced dramatically by acreage taken out of production as part of the utilities power buyback program. But it is the second smallest crop since 1991.

Nationally, the estimate for wheat production was dropped another 4 percent from July, leaving the crop 14 percent below last year. At 1.69 billion bushels, it will be the smallest crop since 1972.

The spring wheat production estimate was dropped another 8 percent from July while the winter wheat projection was lowered another 2 percent.

"There has been some strengthening in the market in recent months, but Agriculture Department analysts have cautioned against expecting any major turnaround since exports remain weak and stockpiles are increasing over year-earlier levels.

WILD RACE



Lee Moses (20) riding Black Charlie, races to the bank of the Okanogan River during the World Famous Suldice Race Sunday in Omak, Wash. Racers start at the top of a 225-foot hill, cross the river and then run 1,500 feet to the center of the Omak Stampede arena.

Director believes snowmobiles are OK for Yellowstone Park

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — National Park Service Director Fran Maniella believes snowmobiles can be used in Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks without causing significant harm.

The Park Service announced in June it will probably abandon an earlier plan to ban snowmobiles in the parks in favor of allowing a limited number of cleaner-burning and quieter machines.

Snowmobilers would have to be part of a guided group or receive training before riding the machines in the parks.

Maniella, who toured Yellowstone and Grand Teton earlier this month, emphasized that a final decision has not been made on whether to allow snowmobiles in the parks but "environmentally friendly access" by snowmobile would be allowable.

"We'll make sure there's no impairment to the park," she said.

Maniella said the park service is considering what she called substantive comments on the issue and does not give any great weight to the fact that more than 80 percent of the 350,000 comments on the winter management plan favored a ban because many were just form letters.

Many who sent in comments from outside the region may also have the misconception that snowmobiles are allowed anywhere in the park, she said,

and not just on park roads.

She said that while many of the details have yet to be worked out, the emphasis on snowcoaches and more efficient sleds while limiting snowmobiles is a good step.

"Some of that technology has changed in just the last year," she said.

A snowmobile manufacturing group and others sued the Park Service last year over a plan approved during the final days of the Clinton administration to phase out snowmobiles from the two parks by the winter of 2003-2004.

Under a settlement, the Park Service agreed to do another study of how the parks should be managed during the winter. The plan is expected to call for cleaner-burning and quieter snowmachines, including snowcoaches, using the best technology available.

The deadline for the Park Service to finish the plan was recently extended to next March 21.

Vatican: Pope's travel plans include returning to Rome

VATICAN CITY — The Vatican confirmed Monday that Pope John Paul II's travel plans include a return to Rome from Poland next week, contrary to a published report that the pontiff might return to his native land after the journey to his homeland.

The French newspaper Le Journal de l'Église reported Sunday that the 82-year-old pope might return to a villa in his beloved Tatra mountains in southern Poland instead of returning to Rome at the conclusion of his Aug. 16-19 trip to Poland.

But Vatican spokesman Joaquin Navarro-Valls said the official trip schedule has the pope flying back to Rome Aug. 19 after a speech at Krakow airport in Poland.

Navarro-Valls also said Monday he preferred not to respond to a German newspaper's report that the pope's Poland trip would be his last foreign visit. The tabloid Bild am Sonntag quoted unidentified cardinals for its Sunday report.

Court approves expulsion of alleged terrorists' relatives

JERUSALEM — A military court on Monday approved the expulsion of three Palestinian relatives of suspected terrorists from the West Bank to Gaza, the Israeli military said.

The expulsions would be the first of their kind, a new Israeli tactic aimed at discouraging Palestinians from carrying out attacks. Human rights activists said the decision would be appealed to Israeli civilian courts.

In a statement, the Israeli military said it would carry out the expulsions "in the framework of the struggle against suicide terrorism and its supporting environment."

Palestinian political factions, meanwhile, gave in to militant groups and scrapped a call for an end to attacks on Israeli civilians.

Inside the groups, meeting in Gaza City to try to create a "national unity leadership," endorsed the Palestinians' 2-year-old uprising against Israel.

Koreas sound upbeat after day of reconciliation talks

SEOUL, South Korea — Resuming high-level talks after a nine-month hiatus, South and North Korean negotiators on Monday discussed sports exchanges, the reopening of a cross-border railway and more reunions of family members who were separated by the 1950-53 Korean War.

South Korea proposed the initiatives, spokesman Lee Bong-joo said, and there were no details on North Korea's response. But representatives of both sides said significant progress was made in their efforts to revive the reconciliation process on their divided peninsula.

"If we join forces, there is no mountain or river we cannot cross," Kim Kyong Song, the chief

Villagers blame mysterious UFO for nighttime attacks

SHANWA, India — It comes in the night, a flying sphere emitting red and blue lights that attacks villagers in this poor region, extensively burning those victims it does not kill.

At least that's what panicky-even villagers say. At least seven people have died of unexplained injuries in the past week in Uttar Pradesh state.

"A mysterious flying object attacked him in the night," Rajnarain Pal said of his neighbor, Ramji Pal, who died recently in Shanwa. "His stomach was ripped open. He died two days later."

Many others have suffered scratches and surface wounds, which they say were inflicted while they slept. In the village of Durra, 53-year-old Kalawati said she was attacked last week and displayed blisters on her blackened forearms.

Doctors dismiss the stories as mass hysteria or insects.

"More often than not the victims have unconsciously inflicted the symptoms themselves," said Narrotram Lal, a doctor at King George's Medical College in Lucknow, the state capital.

The police have another explanation: bugs.

"It is a three-and-a-half-inch-long winged insect" that leaves rashes and superficial wounds, a police official said.

— compiled from wire reports

Food industry defends genetically modified foods

SALEM, Ore. (AP) — The food industry is mounting a concerted effort to scuttle the first attempt by a state to require labels on genetically engineered foods.

A measure that will be on the November ballot in Oregon would require labeling of all modified food and food additives sold in stores and restaurants, and any such food produced in the state.

"If this ballot measure passes, it would set a dangerous precedent that would result in significant costs to taxpayers and consumers," said Gene Grabowski of the Alliance for Better Foods, based in Washington. The national coalition of food producers and retailers, biotech companies and agricultural groups has hired a Portland consulting firm to put together what promises to be a multimillion-dollar campaign.

They are pitted against activists who worry that genetic engineering could cause unintended or harmful side effects.

"We could be creating something we can't control," said Donna Harris, a chief sponsor of the measure. "They haven't done any human testing of this in the United States."

Labeling requirements already exist in Japan and parts of Europe, but there are none in the United States so far. Oregon has broken new ground before, including its unique laws allowing doctor-assisted suicides and statewide voting by mail.

Based on the overall amount of genetically modified crops, industry and environmental groups estimate that 70 percent of processed foods on U.S. supermarket shelves contains some genetically engineered components.

The main crops that come from genetically altered seeds are soybeans and corn, along with canola that is turned into oil, according to the Agriculture Department.

Products made from modified soybeans include bread, candy, cereal, chocolates, crackers, flour, frozen yogurt, ice cream, infant formula, margarine and pasta, according to the Seattle-based Campaign to Label Genetically Engineered Foods.

Proponents say genetic engineering can boost the nutritional content of food or allow farmers to grow more pest-resistant crops that require less chemical treatment.

Grabowski, the food industry spokesman, also said there is already plenty of government regulation of food quality and that fear of harm by genetically modified foods is unfounded.

"It's in all kinds of food, and there's never been a single case of illness or any other problem," he said.

Backers of the labeling measure say too little is known about the long-term health effects of genetically engineered foods.

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West Magic: The community by the lake

By Almee L. Durand
Times-News correspondent

About West Magic Recreation Club

SHOSHONE — For more than two decades, the West Magic Lake Recreation Club has been celebrating summer, and the rest of the year for that matter. Its origins go back to Dec. 1, 1978, when Rosa Lee Harmon typed a letter of intent to form a snowmobile club at the West Magic Resort, located on the shores of Magic Lake north of Shoshone. On Feb. 3, 1979, the first meeting took place, and the decision was made to form a recreation club to benefit all people who visit the reservoir behind Magic Dam. Harmon suggested the nickname, "Dam Fools," but it was voted down. The name remains on membership cards and a sign over the clubhouse.

Meetings are held at noon on the second Sunday of each month, and anyone is welcome to attend. The cost of membership is \$5 a year, and includes a membership card and an events schedule. The club is working on a Web site. New members are welcome. Call 487-2202 for more information.

The organization was incorporated in June 1979 with 140 members. The first Winter Fun Days and boat parade was held in 1980. The club now includes 600 members worldwide.

"We have members in Canada and Germany. Every time we get travelers through here, we make them a 'Dam Fool,'" said Bert Lee, club president.

In addition to having fun, the club participates in a multitude of charitable work, including raising money for Camp Rainbow Gold for children with cancer, the Idaho Youth Ranch, holiday bas-

kets for senior citizens and Boys and Girls State. The land used by the club is leased from the U.S. Bureau of Land Management, and members say they are making progress to buy it. There are picnic shelters, a deck and horse-shoe pit, all open to the public. The club facilities also can be



rented for private parties by contacting any of the club officers. Each month, the club holds an activity for members and the public. For example, it celebrated Father's Day with a pancake breakfast and lots of smiles. Also at the clubhouse is a monument displaying names of deceased members. Family members have

donated the trees planted by the picnic area.

Warren Merrill, a past president, says he is an active member because of the friendship and camaraderie. Other officers are Janet Anderson, vice president; Rita



Top, Magic Lake is a popular recreation spot. Above, Ron and Stacy Woodall, and West Magic Recreation Club treasurer Rita Woodall cook for the Father's Day breakfast, one of the many club events. Left, Chuck and Rosa Lee Harmon, who helped originate the club, enjoy Father's Day breakfast.

Woodall, treasurer; and Directors Amy Sherman, Stacy McLaughlin and Don Grubb.

"We could sure use some more active members," Grubb said. "We do a lot of good things and have fun," Sherman said. "It's a very fun close knit family."

STORK REPORT

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center

Jayson Michael Libarino, son of Michael and Shanna Libarino of Gooding, was born Thursday, Aug. 1, 2002.

Devon Anthony Heath, son of Della Lin Heath of Bliss, was born Friday, Aug. 2, 2002.

Rubi Rosales, daughter of Alfonso and Georgina Alfonso of Richfield, was born Friday, Aug. 2, 2002.

Ellie Marie Lucero, daughter of Cory and Lana Lucero of Jerome, was born Sunday, Aug. 4, 2002.

Seth Tristen Quintana, son of Kenneth and Jennifer Quintana of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2002.

Cassia Regional Medical Center

Gonzalo Magana Alvarez, son of Gloria and Gonzalo Magana of Burley, was born Tuesday, July 31, 2002.

Ernesto Alvarez, son of Margarita Garcia and Ramon Alvarez of Burley, was born Thursday, Aug. 1, 2002.

James William Wendel, son of Jamie Mabey and Jason Wendel, was born Thursday, Aug. 1, 2002.

Eric Estrada, son of Guadalupe Artiga and Efrain

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Angel Eduardo Mojica, son of Margarita and Jose Juan Mojica of Burley, was born Saturday, Aug. 3, 2002.

Jonah Zema DeLanney Terry, daughter of Terry L. Terry and Darrin M. Terry of Rupert, was born Saturday, Aug. 3, 2002.

Ethan Teancum Peterson, son of Bradley and Chelsea Peterson, was born Saturday, Aug. 3, 2002.

Talen Wayne Adams, son of William Ray Adams and Stacey Setser, was born Monday, Aug. 5, 2002.

Loni Jordan Bingham, daughter of Debi and Rick Bingham, was born Monday, Aug. 5, 2002.

April Jaelyn Robert, daughter of Bob and Michelle Roberts of Paul, Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2002.

Lane Leanne Hale, daughter of Jason Hale and Sandra Dilworth, was born Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2002.

Judson Murray Mathis, son of Murray and Kimelise Mathis of Burley, was born Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2002.

Kellar James Klein, son of Josh and Janelle Klein, was born Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2002.

Kade John Cottrell, son of Travis and Kim Cottrell of Rupert, was born Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2002.

Ivan Tavera Munoz, son of Herminia Munoz and Erasmo Tavera of Burley, was born Thursday, Aug. 8, 2002.

St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center

Stockton Everett Alberdi, son of Michelle and Eric Alberdi of Hailey, was born Tuesday, July 30, 2002.

Juke David Rushton, son of Kelley and Kyle Rushton of Hailey, was born Sunday, Aug. 3, 2002.

Jordan Matthew Organist, son of Angela and Matthew Organist of Shoshone, was born Monday, Aug. 5, 2002.

Isai Olivera Mendoza, son of Teresa Mendoza and Efrain Mendoza of Bellevue, was born Monday, Aug. 5, 2002.

Lincoln Rodeo crowns royalty

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE — Lincoln County crowned its rodeo royalty July 20 at the Lincoln County Fair and Rodeo in Shoshone.

The contestants were judged on horsemanship, poise and personality and modeling and impromptu speaking, said Holly Cook, rodeo queen contest advisor.

Jessica Robinson, 18, of Richfield was crowned queen. She is the daughter of Vic Robinson. She is a 2002 graduate of Richfield High School, where she participated in volleyball and high school rodeo. She enjoys plans to attend the College of

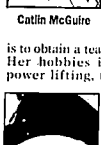
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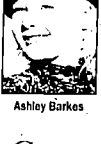
Southern Idaho, and wants to become a teacher. Catlin McGuire was crowned teen queen. She the daughter of Leon and Linda McGuire of Jerome. Her long-term goal is to obtain a teaching certificate. Her hobbies include dance, power lifting, tennis, student council and rodeo.



Kiersten Hill

Kiersten Hill, 8, was crowned Build our Barn (BOB) queen. She is daughter of Chuck and Monica Hill of Gooding. She likes riding horses, barrel racing, dancing, reading and swimming.

She hopes to someday be a finalist in high-school rodeo. Princess Makenzie Hatch, 5, is the daughter of Lewen



Ashley Barks

princess Ashley Barks, 12, the daughter of Todd and Dennis Barks of Murtaugh. She enjoys riding horses, camping and showing horses.



Rachel Hatch

Hatch and Rachelle Hatch of Richfield. She enjoys riding her horse, watching cartoons and weekends with her grandparents.

GOOD DEED



Alex Cooper, 9, and Hayden Simmons, 9, both of Twin Falls, pose with a neighborhood dog they returned after the dog had escaped from his backyard. The boys also raised \$47 on their own for the new animal shelter in Twin Falls.

50-YEAR MEMBER

Jay Throckmorton is honored as a 50-year charter member of the Rupert Kiwanis club. Bob Camefon, left, presents Throckmorton, right, with a plaque commemorating his years of service.



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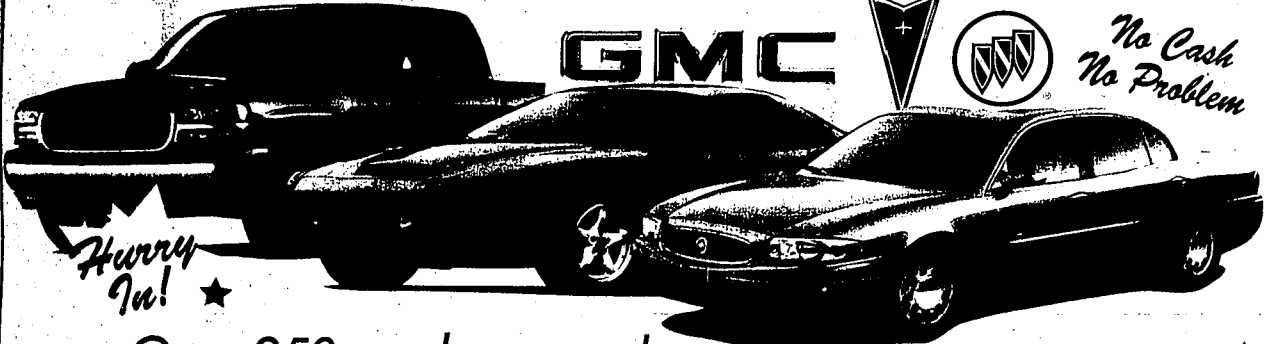
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Fall sports calendar

Fall sports tryouts, practices and meetings for all area high schools and junior high schools will be posted all week...

Gooding H.S.

Football equipment check-out and practice begins on Friday at 7 a.m. at the high school.

Twin Falls H.S.

Twin Falls High School will hold volleyball tryouts on Friday at 9 a.m. at the small gymnasium.

School boys and girls will be held starting Friday. Boys will meet at Ascension Field on Friday at 6 p.m. and again on Saturday starting at 8 a.m.

Football Meetings, football gear check out

Wendell H.S. Wendell High will check out football gear on Wednesday for juniors and seniors at 6 p.m. and again Thursday for freshman and sophomores at 8 p.m.

Robert Stuart JHS

Robert Stuart Junior High eighth and ninth-graders planning on playing football can check out equipment on Wednesday.

Minico H.S.

Tryouts for the Minico High volleyball team will be held on Friday at 10 a.m. at the high school.

Jerome H.S. girls

Tryouts for the Jerome High girls soccer team will be Friday and Saturday from 9-11 a.m. both days at Horizon Elementary School.

Minico H.S.

A mandatory organizational meeting for all Minico High football players and parents will be held on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Minico High auditorium.

Camps

Twin Falls H.S.: The Twin Falls High Junior football camp runs today through Thursday from 6-9 a.m. at the high school.

Buhl H.S.

Tryouts for the Buhl High School volleyball team will be held Friday and Saturday at Buhl Middle School.

Minico H.S. girls

Tryouts for the Minico High girls soccer team will be held on Friday from 4:30-6:30 p.m. and on Saturday from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the West Minico Junior High school gymnasium.

Twin Falls H.S.

Equipment check-out for the Twin Falls High football team will be on Thursday with juniors and seniors at 8:30 a.m. and all others at 9 a.m.

Jerome H.S.

Jerome High is holding its football camp starting today for incoming players in grades 4-8 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. daily.

Declo H.S.

Declo High School volleyball tryouts will be held from 9-10 a.m. and 12-3 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the high school gym.

Filer H.S. boys

Practices begin Friday at 8:30 a.m. for the Filer High boys soccer team. Practices will be held at the field in front of the high school and will last approximately 90 minutes.

Kimberly H.S.

The Kimberly High football team will check out equipment on Wednesday and Thursday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the high school.

Volleyball

Tryouts for the Kimberly High volleyball team will be held Friday at 7 a.m. at the high school gymnasium. All players in grades 9-12 are encouraged to try out.

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Cross country

Tryouts for the Kimberly High cross country team will be Monday at 7 a.m. at the high school gymnasium.

Legion

Continued from D1. They threw everything we had at them and they just kept hitting."

Bucs begin Gruden era with win

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — The Jon Gruden era with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers is off to a successful start. Frank Murphy returned the opening kickoff 95 yards for a touchdown and Rob Johnson threw a 4-yard TD pass to Keenan McCardell as the Buccaneers beat the Miami Dolphins 14-10 in their first game under the NFL's youngest head coach Monday night.

Starrz win team-record 20th game against Monarchs

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Now, that's how the Utah Stars wanted to head into the playoffs. Margo Doo scored 19 points, including two free throws with 11.4 seconds remaining, and Adrienne Goodson had 17 points and three rebounds as the Utah Stars beat the Sacramento Monarchs 81-79 on Monday night.

WAC

Continued from D1. They are expected to be atop the standings again this fall in a league that stretches from the South to the edge of the Pacific Northwest to the middle of the Pacific Ocean.

Slaughter

Continued from D1. "The Mad Dash" is commemorated outside Busch Stadium in St. Louis by a bronze statue depicting Slaughter sliding home.

Boxes

Marshall Falls 21, Jerome 11. Jerome (10-12-15) vs. Twin Falls (11-10-12) at 8:05 p.m.

Mountain Home

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Board

Last winter, a committee of parents and Twin Falls High School boosters approached school administrators about ways to build the lacking enthusiasm and success in Bruin athletic programs.

WAC

Continued from D1. The WAC's reputation for reved-up offense, which was forged back in the days when the Wall College of Idaho's Husky team dominated the league, hasn't changed much.

Slaughter

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He joined the Cardinals in 1958 and, except for missing three years to serve in World War II, stayed in St. Louis until being traded to the New York Yankees in 1954.

On that particular play, he outran that ball the last 10 yards, Mustal said. "He just outran it. It

Sosa belts league-leading 40th home run in loss

CHICAGO (AP) — Sammy Sosa connected again, hitting his major league-leading 40th home run and No. 490 of his career, but it wasn't enough as the Houston Astros beat the Chicago Cubs 9-6 Monday night.



Chicago's Sammy Sosa begins his swing on a two-run home run in the seventh inning against Houston Monday at Wrigley Field in Chicago.

Sosa now has five home runs and 16 RBIs in three games. Coming off a big weekend at Coors Field, his two-run shot made him only the third player in NL history with five straight 40-homer seasons.

Tino Martinez also homered as the Cardinals stretched their NL Central lead to 2.5 games over idle Cincinnati with their fourth win in five games.

Hall of Famers Ralph Kiner (1947-51) and Duke Snider (1953-57) also accomplished the feat.

Miami — Jason Jennings became the youngest rookie in Colorado history and Todd Helton hit an RBI double as the Rockies beat A.J. Burnett and the Florida Marlins.

In a game in which Cubs ace Kerry Wood (9-6) and Houston pitcher Roy Oswalt (14-6) were both ejected, the Astros took a 9-2 lead and held on.

Rockies 1, Marlins 0. MAMI — Jason Jennings became the youngest rookie in Colorado history.

Darley Ward led the Astros with three RBIs and a career-high four hits, finishing a triple away from hitting for the cycle.

Jennings (11-9) lost despite pitching a four-hitter and going to nine. He leads the NL with six complete games.

Wood was tossed in the sixth inning after arguing with home plate umpire Mark Kucera.

Jennings (13-5) supplanted Armando Reynoso's franchise record of 12 wins by a rookie in 1993.

Oswalt was ejected in the seventh after hitting Alex Gonzalez in the back in the seventh.

The only run scored in the fourth, Larry Walker drew a one-out walk and scored on Helton's double to left field.

Major League Baseball

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Table with columns for NL Boxes, Rockies, Marlins, Florida, and various game scores.



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Baseball

Table of baseball games including Atlanta Braves vs Tampa Bay, Red Sox at Yankees, and other matchups with scores.

ASTROS 5, CUBS 6

Scoreboard for Astros vs Cubs game.

Major League Soccer

Scoreboard for Major League Soccer games including Houston Dynamo vs Chicago Fire.

TENNIS

Scoreboard for ATP RCA Championships tennis matches.

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WNBA Standings

WNBA Standings table showing team records and standings.

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ATP Money Leaders

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Monday Night Football

Monday Night Football summary table with game results.

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Women's Amateur

Women's Amateur golf tournament results table.

Filer offers signups for tackle football

FILER - Signups for fifth- and sixth-grade youth tackle football will be held on Thursday at the Filer Middle School gym from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Cost is \$25.

Rupert CC plans best-ball tourney

RUPERT - The Rupert Country Club will host a four-person best-ball tournament on Saturday. Fees include a first-course, first-serve basis. The entry fee is \$40 per player. Lunch is included. Teams will be flighted by handicap on the team. The format is gross and one net ball.

Autopsy finds cocaine in Porter's system

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Former All-Star catcher Darrell Porter had cocaine in his system when he died, according to autopsy results released Monday. Porter, 50, had a level of cocaine in his system "typical of someone who uses (cocaine) recreationally," Jackson County medical examiner Dr. Thomas Young said.

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Team USA makes a run at Jordan

Can Michael Jordan save the U.S.A.? Actually, the question is can Michael Jordan save USA Basketball? The U.S. organization that sponsors teams for international Olympic-style basketball events has an NBA team opening training this week for the FIBA World Basketball Championships this month in Indianapolis.

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MRI exam shows no damage to Davis' knee

GREELEY, Colo. - Results from an MRI exam on Terrell Davis' swollen left knee showed no structural damage, but Denver's star running back last year when he'll be able to practice again. Davis, who's had four knee surgeries, said he's had a cortisone shot on Monday to reduce the swelling and another injection to help ease an arthritic condition in his knee.

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Investors question if Fed will cut rates

NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street stalled Monday as investors took profits from last week's big rally and considered the possibility that the Federal Reserve might not cut interest rates after all. Blue chips pulled back slightly, while technology shares managed a small gain.

Analysts said would-be buyers would not see what retail earnings and other economic data looked like, and whether companies would meet a government deadline to certify financial statements later this week.

The Dow Jones industrial average closed down 56.56, or 0.7 percent, at 8,688.89, cutting short a four-session winning streak and its 432-point gain last week.

Broad stock indicators were mixed. The Standard & Poor's 500 index slipped 4.84, or 0.5 percent, to 903.80. The Nasdaq composite index was little changed, rising 0.72 to 1,306.84.

Although the market's losses narrowed late in the day, analysts were hesitant to read too much into the move, noting that trading volume was light — suggesting most investors were staying away from looking in gains from last week's powerful rally.

Study: Farm conversion costs Canyon economy

CALDWELL — A new study by the University of Idaho warns Canyon County officials that the continued conversion of farmland into subdivisions is costing the county not just its agricultural tradition but cold cash.

The study, financed by farm interests, determined that every acre of irrigated farmland taken out of production takes a big bite out of the county's annual economic activity.

Sтивен Peterson of the university's Department of Economics and Rural Sociology, one of the study's authors, urged Canyon County leaders to channel development away from private farmland, even in times of rapid growth.

"If manufacturing facilities and housing tracts locate on irrigated farmland, then the growth comes with an economic trade off," the report said. "Each acre taken out of production will reduce aggregate economic sales in the county by \$6,535."

It pointed out that more than 32 percent of all sales in Canyon County are generated by agriculture or agricultural processing.

"What makes Canyon County special is the availability of water, rich soil, and the weather," Peterson said. "You have the second-biggest agricultural output in the state and the second-biggest population. It's amazing to have this side by side."

KeyBank uses research to reach consumer market

KeyBank is working to get to know you better. As part of a developing strategy at the consumer banking arm of KeyCorp, old products are getting new twists in an effort to give consumers exactly what they want.

In the process, of course, KeyBank, which has branches in Magic Valley, is building market share and growing new customers.

According to Chief Marketing Officer Karen Haefling, Key is using recent research conducted for the industry group Bank Administration Institute to break consumers down not simply by age and income but by attitudes and motivations.

Research conducted by Cambridge Associates separated consumers into eight segments, with such names as Confident Asset Managers, Striving Borrowing Families, Established Traditionalists and Overwhelmed Survivors.

Key-held focus groups across the country recently to find out what matters to three groups wanted from their banks. The groups Key is targeting are Family Asset Builders, Bewildered Boomers and Time-Driven Transactors.

Not surprisingly, those groups want "ultra-convenience," excellent service, the ability to do much of their banking online, and strong personal relationships with bank employees.

Compiled from wire reports

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill doesn't see the U.S. economy falling back into a recession, despite stock market turbulence, Americans' eroding confidence and a fitful recovery.

In an interview with The Associated Press on Monday, O'Neill expressed confidence that current difficulties, including the roller-coaster stock market, would be overcome.

"The fundamentals of our economy, I continue to believe, are sound," O'Neill said. "As I travel around the country to people in communities, I find people are more calm than one would assume."

His upbeat remarks come a day before President Bush convenes a summit in Texas on the struggling economy at the Federal Reserve examines its policy on interest rates, which are now at 40-year lows.

The spurring economy is posing a political challenge for Bush,

with Democrats sharpening their attack on the administration's handling of the economy as the country heads into midterm elections.

O'Neill dismissed charges from prominent Democrats that the administration is only interested in hearing from like-minded Republican business executives who support Bush's policies.

He also dismissed the notion that the timing of the forum had anything to do with Wednesday's decline for top chief executives to certify with securities regulators that their financial statements are accurate.

After bolting out of the starting blocks at the beginning of the year, the economy lost considerable momentum in the spring, growing at a rate of just 1.1 percent in the second quarter. That's down from a brisk 5 percent pace in the first three months of the year.

Some private economists are predicting sluggish growth for the second half of this year, while others

worry that the recent plunge in stock prices, triggered by a wave of corporate accounting scandals might push the economy into a "double dip" recession.

"I don't see the basis for that in the data that we are looking at," O'Neill said. "No, at the moment, I don't see a double dip out there."

O'Neill credited the \$1.35 trillion tax cut package, adopted by President Bush and passed by Congress last year, along with the Federal Reserve's 11 interest rate cuts, for pulling the economy out of a recession that began in March of 2001.

But O'Neill said more needs to be done to help the recovery.

He called on Congress to make last year's tax cuts permanent, to pass terrorism insurance and the president's energy program, and to increase protections for workers' pensions, an issue that gained national prominence after thousands of workers at Enron saw their retirement savings disappear with the energy giant's collapse.



Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill is interviewed by the Associated Press in Washington Monday.

Bankruptcy fears heighten at United

Airline's shares fall after US Airways files

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — The stocks of major airlines fell sharply Monday and there was growing concern that United Airlines, the nation's second-largest carrier, could follow US Airways into bankruptcy.

Shares of United parent UAL Corp., which have already had lost more than half their value since the start of July, sank another 27 percent to close at \$3.80 on the New York Stock Exchange. They traded at \$5 a year ago.

United has more than \$2 billion in cash reserves, more aircraft than US Airways and a superior route system. But high costs, daily losses exceeding \$1 million and lingering fallout from the Sept. 11 attacks threaten the same fate for United as its smaller rival if its recovery plan doesn't take off soon.

Without significant changes, analysts said, United could file for bankruptcy by the end of the year. Like US Airways, the majority employee-owned airline would likely continue to operate while reorganizing its operations.

United's labor costs are among the industry's highest and the carrier wants to roll back some of the cuts but raises it negotiated recently.

"The way things are going, particularly with the unions, I think United is decidedly on the way toward Chapter 11," said veteran industry observer David Field, Americas editor for Airline Business magazine.

United officials have declined to discuss the prospects of a Chapter 11 filing, but interim CEO Jack Creighton told United employees Sunday that the government appears likely to reject the company's application for a \$1.8 billion loan guarantee, which it considers key to its ability to compete in a struggling market.

United's pilots have agreed to conditional wage cuts as part of the final recovery plan, but mechanics and flight attendants have not. The airline says the agreements are crucial to cutting costs.

Even the loan guarantee would not ensure that United can avoid



A traveler looks at the flight schedules for US Airways in a terminal at the Philadelphia International Airport on Monday in Philadelphia.

bankruptcy, not after losing a record \$2.1 billion last year and another \$851 million during the first six months of 2002.

US Airways received a \$900 million loan guarantee and weeks later became the third airline

since Sept. 11 to seek protection in bankruptcy court, following Vanguard Airlines and Midway Airlines.

Shares in AMR Corp., parent of American Airlines, fell Monday, as did stock in Delta Air Lines,

Continental and Northwest.

Industry consultant Michael Boyd said United's strengths ensure its survival but it needs to quickly find a strong replacement for Creighton, who turns 70 next month and wants to step down.

Idaho farmer uses technology to amaze labyrinth's visitors

The Associated Press

ERIE, Colo. — Five years ago, Jim Anderson was like countless other family farmers, struggling to make a living in an industry that has grown bitterly unprofitable.

Then he discovered "agritainment." Now, the Erie farm that Anderson's father and uncle bought in 1958 has been transformed into a kind of old-fashioned amusement park with hayrides, pumpkin patches, a petting zoo and, the crowning jewel, an elaborate cornfield maze.

While the idea behind "agritainment" is to take visitors back in time, the making of it was more

like back to the future — Anderson's elaborate maze was built using global positioning system technology.

The bridge between past and present is Shawn Stolworthy, a one-time Idaho potato and grain farmer who also turned to corn mazes a few years back when making a living growing food got too tough.

Instead of painstakingly making a grid and cutting the maze on his farm himself, as was the custom then, Stolworthy, his brother and a friend jury-rigged a GPS system that could tell him exactly how to navigate the dizzying constables. Soon, Stolworthy had aban-

doned his own corn maze and was traveling the country with his homemade system, designing and cutting elaborate corn mazes for farmers turned entrepreneurs all across the United States.

"It was very frustrating the first couple times; there were lots of problems," Stolworthy said, noting that when you make your own computer system "there's no man-

But Stolworthy has gradually fine-tuned his system — and his array of fancy maze designs — into a streamlined process. Now he can show up at a farm in the morning and leave that night with a maze completed. A similar project could take as long as two

weeks by hand.

The time savings were what attracted Lyle Murray to Great Adventure. Last year, Murray decided to turn one of the fields on his 85-year-old family farm in Bright into a maze to make some extra money. But because he still grows corn, wheat and alfalfa, Murray did not have time to spend precious days building a maze.

"We didn't try it ourselves, because today, you've gotta have the technology, you've gotta have the computer program," he said.

You wouldn't guess at the high-tech way the mazes are made when you pull up to Anderson's farm, where corn stalks glisten in

the sun against a dramatic mountain backdrop. Indeed, both Murray and Anderson have found a cottage business in the nostalgia of visiting a farm.

Peggy Shupe, Anderson's business partner and cousin — and a former technology entrepreneur — believes they are only beginning to tap the potential to market the farm experience.

Shupe expects 36,000 people to visit the corn maze this year, up from 30,000 last year. She also hopes to expand the farm's business of renting space for private parties, believing the farm can draw weddings and class reunions year-round, rather than just during the summer months.

Dell ends deal with the IRS

Knight Ridder News Service

For nearly two years, Dell Computer Corp. has been on a search-and-destroy mission to cripple its competitors and grab as much market share as possible in the personal-computer business.

Dell slashed prices and dared competitors to follow, knowing they would lose money if they did. Some wondered whether Dell was going for market share at any cost.

Apparently it isn't. A few months ago, Dell drew the line in a bid it successfully made to the Internal Revenue Service in May 2001. After selling about 41,000 desktop and notebook computers to the agency, Dell walked away in April from an order for another 23,000 machines. Dell said it no longer could make money at the prices it bid — \$850 for desktops and \$1,475 for laptops.

Retailer PlanetGov Inc. now has turned to Hewlett-Packard Co. to fulfill the rest of the IRS order. H-P said last week it will provide 23,000 computers for about \$35 million.

Not surprisingly, Dell and H-P offer different versions of what happened.

Dell said it signed on for an initial order to supply 27,000 machines, with an option for another 17,000 machines. It took that option but walked away from another extension for the remaining 23,000, spokeswoman Amy King said.

H-P and PlanetGov, however, paint a different picture, saying Dell committed up front to provide all of the more than 60,000 machines and then backed out.

The IRS declined to comment. "Under this scenario, the cost structure . . . was too much for (Dell) to withstand," said Brian Nightingale, a senior vice president for PlanetGov, which is based in Chantilly, Va.

"They made the bid at a time when Dell was more interested in the revenue side than the profitability side."

"Now they're looking more toward profits. To Dell's credit, they did fulfill over 41,000 units at that aggressive price . . . but they made and then backed out. We can't do that anymore."

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