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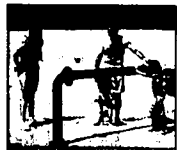
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UI terror probe widens

FBI agent alleges men have 'very strong' tie to suspect group

The Associated Press

SPOKANE, Wash. — A second man with ties to the University of Idaho has been arrested by federal agents in a widening investigation of a suspected terrorist-related web in the Moscow, Idaho-Pullman, Wash., area, an

FBI source confirmed Friday. Former Idaho student Bassem K. Khafagi was arrested in January at the Marriott Hotel near New York City's LaGuardia Airport and was returned to Michigan to face bank fraud charges, court documents show. A total of four men with ties to

the Moscow-Pullman area and the Michigan-based Islamic Assembly of North America have been implicated in the investigation.

They include current University of Idaho student Sami Omar Al-Hussayen, who was arrested in late February, about

a month after Khafagi, and is in custody in Boise, Idaho.

Federal investigators allege the nonprofit IANA, which says it was formed to promote Islam, funneled money to activities supporting terrorism. Khafagi was a

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A NIP OF GOLD



Jeff Chambers says his partner, Bobby, is much easier to be around now that a Sun Valley dentist has repaired several of Bobby's teeth. Chambers said his partner's dental problems were threatening to end his career as a drug dog.

T.F. police dog gets new caps on broken canines

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The next bad guy who figures he's tough enough to mess with Bobby could end up feeling a \$2,400 bite.

"He's only actually bitten one guy so far," said Bobby's handler, Twin Falls police officer Jeff

Chambers. "Everybody else just gives up."

Bobby, a Czechoslovakian shepherd, has been on patrol with Chambers for three years, sniffing out drugs and helping to persuade suspects to surrender. He is currently the department's only dog.

But recent dental problems

threatened to cut Bobby's career short.

Sometime during puppyhood at a breeder's kennel in Czechoslovakia, Bobby apparently took to gnawing at a metal fence, Chambers said. That cost him a broken canine tooth. Bobby came to Twin Falls via an Arkansas kennel and broke more

teeth during his training with the department, Chambers said.

With weak or broken canines, a dog can be at risk of breaking his jaw during a hearty bite, Chambers said. So there was a good chance Bobby could render himself useless.

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Smart's cousin may have also been targeted

Sheriff considers intense questioning of girl

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — With myriad questions unanswered about Elizabeth Smart's disappearance, a top law enforcement official declared the investigation had to go wherever evidence or information leads — even if it means grilling the teen.

"I'm hoping that all investigative leads are being looked at, from the very obvious to the very worst-case scenario that people don't want to look at," Salt Lake County Sheriff Aaron Kennard said Friday.

That includes any allegations

Why didn't Smart

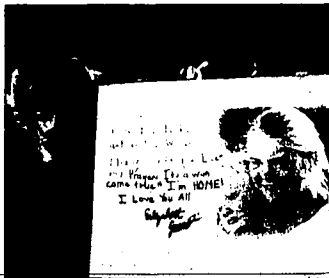
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of sexual abuse or assault that may arise, Kennard said. And to properly investigate, "we have to ask (Elizabeth) the same questions we put to women. Hard-nosed questions need to be asked. Put her through it, and then get on with life."

"Elizabeth is a victim. How did

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Ed and Lois Smart look at a poster of their daughter Elizabeth at a city-wide event celebrating Elizabeth's return Friday in Salt Lake City.

AP photo

Bush tries to stave off diplomatic failure; allies schedule Sunday island summit

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Losing their U.N. fight, President Bush, British Prime Minister Tony Blair and Spanish Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar agreed Friday to take a last-ditch stab at reviving their troubled war resolution at an Atlantic island summit.

Billed as a bid "to pursue every last bit of diplomacy," the Sunday session was hurriedly scheduled amid a cascade of events — all pointing to war.

U.S. warships steamed into the Red Sea within cruise missile range of Iraq. A prominent Muslim cleric urged Iraqis around the world to target American interests and "set them ablaze." Thousands of anti-war demonstrators gathered in Washington for a weekend march on the White House.

Protecting Iraq's treasures — B10

Inside the wrought-iron gates of the presidential mansion, Bush's team quickly rejected the latest bid for a diplomatic compromise at the

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Ranchers sue BLM

Agency already faces enviro suits

By Jennifer Sandman
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Ranchers are suing a public land agency in federal court, the same agency that already is being sued by environmentalists over the same grazing allotments.

Members of the Brackett family, a well-known ranching clan along the Idaho-Nevada border, filed suit this month against the Bureau of Land Management over the agency's handling of their grazing permits on public rangeland.

Suing the BLM are husband and wife Noy "Bert" and Paula Brackett and brother Chet Brackett. Their grazing operation in the Three Creek area includes nearly 200,000 acres under dispute in the lawsuit.

The ranchers' lawsuit follows two lawsuits that environmentalists filed in November against the BLM and the U.S. Forest Service. The Bracketts and a few other ranchers who run cattle in the area have petitioned to intervene in those two lawsuits on behalf of the federal agencies.

The web of lawsuits boils down to how many cows the ranchers will be able to graze on the land and whether the land agencies are meeting the requirements of federal environmental laws.

What's at stake? "Not much more and not much less than our livelihoods," Bert Brackett said.

From the other point of view, Jon Marvel's Western Watersheds Project and the Committee for the High Desert say the natural ecosystem is on the line.

Katie Fite, a biologist in Boise with the Committee for the High Desert, said the ranchers want "every drop of water" and "every blade of grass."

A long-term BLM management plan calls for the forage to potentially be incorporated into the ranchers' 10-year grazing permits. The ranchers are suing over what they say is a delay by the BLM in making that decision.

In one of their lawsuits against the BLM, environmentalists are suing to stop the agency from permanently allocating the expanded range area to grazing.

Barry Rose, a BLM spokesman in Boise, said the agency reseeded rangeland burned by wildfire in the 1980s. The re-seedings produced a lot of forage that has never permanently been allocated for use, but that for many years the ranchers have received permission each year to graze it.

The environmentalists, other lawsuit against both the BLM and the Forest Service aims to protect the threatened bull trout species from what environmentalists say are the harmful effects of livestock grazing.

Bert and Paula Brackett own Brackett Ranches LTD. They also own Brackett Livestock Inc. in a partnership with their adult children. Chet Brackett owns C.E. Brackett Cattle Co.

The three companies' grazing allotments span nearly 200,000 acres combined on the Juniper Butte and Poison Creek allotments — the areas of their public grazing allotments they are suing over. The allotments fall within the boundaries of the Jarbidge Resource Area.

Their combined 10-year grazing permits allow them to graze more than 17,000 animal-unit months each year on the allotments. An "AUM" is a unit of grazing management equal to the amount of forage eaten by a cow or a cow and her calf.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Cloudy with a slight chance of rain showers and thunder. Highs near 64
 Tonight: Mostly cloudy with showers probable. Lows near 58
 Tomorrow: Comfortable. Showers may form. Highs near 58

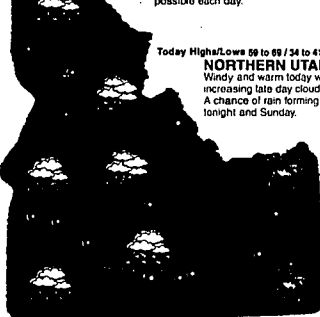
BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Cloudy and pleasant. Upper 50s to middle 60s. Highs in the upper 50s to middle 60s
 Tomorrow: Periods of light rain may surface. Lows in the middle 30s to near 40
 Tomorrow: Scattered clouds harboring a slight chance of rain. Highs in the 50s to near 60

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
 Wisely scattered rain and snow showers developing with increasing late day clouds. Comfortable temperatures and occasionally brisk winds anticipated.

Today Higher 40 to 58 Tonight's winds at times this weekend. Light rain showers are possible each day.



Yesterday's State Extremes - High: 72 at Hagerman-Low: 32 at Stanley
 weather: dry, sunny, partly cloudy, no-moistly cloudy, c-cloudy, thundershowers, rain, snow, s-snow, h-hurricane, w-wind, m-missing

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Summit

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 United Nations. "It's a non-starter," White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said of Chile's demand to give Iraq a three-week deadline to comply with new conditions.
 Fleischer also renewed a longstanding U.S. threat to disarm any weapons that Iraq acquires, even if the United Nations does not sanction military action. The Security Council voted 15-0 in November to demand that Iraq disarm or face "serious consequences."
 The United States agreed to seek a second resolution to satisfy its own policy of a report of its own party over its support of

Bush's tough Iraq policies. The president pledged to seek a vote, even if the measure was doomed to fail.
 As he backedpedaled on that, White House officials hastily organized the summit in the Azores, islands that are part of Portugal and a traditional eastern Atlantic refueling stop.
 National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice said the leaders will explore "all of the possibilities," a signal that the summit agenda will include talk about waging war without U.N. approval. "It is time to come to a conclusion that says to Saddam Hussein, it is time for you to disarm or it is time for you to disarm," she said.

Dog

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 The department sought the services of a dentist. But canine dental specialists are rare and expensive enough to quickly gnaw away a small police department's budget, Chambers said.
 Chambers finally struck a deal with Sun Valley dentist Dr. Buck Drew, who has far had worked only on human patients.
 It was decided that gold was the only material suitable for Bobby's needs because others such as porcelain—tend to be too brittle, Chambers said. In an operation that lasted about 2 1/2 hours, Drew installed three gold caps—at a price of \$800 each.
 One of the caps recently popped off, and Chambers on Friday carried it in one of the breast pockets of his uniform. But getting it put back on

shouldn't be too troublesome, he said.
 Meanwhile, Bobby is a much happier dog for having his sore teeth fixed, Chambers said.
 The shepherd was lively and friendly Friday, and eager to nose-to-nose with a human visitor.
 "His disposition is much better now," Chambers said. "He never would have allowed anybody that close to his mouth before."
 Not many dogs can boast gold teeth, but Bobby's worth it, Chambers said.
 "He's a very good, quality dog. He's very good at what he does. And this allows us to keep him in service."

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TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
High 64 Low 38	High 38 Low 38	High 58 Low 34	High 53 Low 33	High 55 Low 32	High 58 Low 35

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature	Precipitation	Humidity	Barometric Pressure	Sunrise and Sunset	Pollen Count
Yesterday's High 61 Yesterday's Low 45 Normal High/Low 50/29 Record High/Low 76/1992 Record Low 18 in 1977	Yesterday's 45 Avg. Month to Date 0.47 Avg. Month to Date 0.04 Avg. Year to Date 3.06	Yesterday's 82% Yesterday's Low 66% Yesterday's Forecast High 88% Yesterday's Forecast Low 40% A winter year runs from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30	Yesterday's 29.8 in. 5 p.m. Yesterday 29.8 in.	Today Sunrise: 6:50 AM Sunset: 6:44 PM Sunday Sunrise: 6:49 AM Sunset: 6:45 PM Monday Sunrise: 6:47 AM Sunset: 6:47 PM Tuesday Sunrise: 6:45 AM Sunset: 6:48 PM Wednesday Sunrise: 6:43 AM Sunset: 6:49 PM	TF pollen count yesterday: 120 (High). Elm, Juniper and Poplar. Mold. Low. Cladosporium, Alternaria. Sources: Asthma & Allergy of Idaho

Moon Phases

Today	Tomorrow	Next Day	First Day
Mar. 18 Full Moon	Mar. 25 New Moon	April 1 First Day	April 8 First Day

REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Monday
Boise	65-78	59-73	54-73
Idaho Falls	63-75	57-71	52-71
Chubb	63-75	57-71	52-71
Chubb	63-75	57-71	52-71
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NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Monday
Atlanta	57-69	60-73	57-71
Baltimore	57-69	60-73	57-71
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Yesterday's Weather

City	High	Low	Wind	Clouds	Precip.
Boise	65	50	0.00"		
Idaho Falls	56	44	0.00"		
Chubb	52	43	0.00"		
Idaho Falls	52	43	0.00"		
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Today	Tomorrow	Next Day	First Day
Mar. 18 Full Moon	Mar. 25 New Moon	April 1 First Day	April 8 First Day

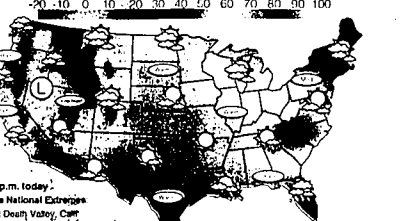
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WORLD FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Monday
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THE NATION'S NATIONAL MAP



CANADIAN FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Monday
Atlanta	57-69	60-73	57-71
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Arrests

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 founding member of the assembly.
 "There is a very strong University of Idaho tie to that organization," CIA's FBI agent told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity. "It's safe to say this investigation, because of the ongoing nature, is going to reveal additional information in the future."
 At the time of his arrest, Khafagi was community affairs director of the Council on American-Islamic Relations, based in Washington, D.C. His arrest was first reported in The Spokesman-Review newspaper in Friday's editions.
 Khafagi is charged with bouncing a \$6,000 check in February 2002 to National City Bank of Ann Arbor, Mich., which is insured by the other nonprofit organization based in Syracuse, N.Y., also under investigation by the FBI. Four Arab men were arrested there in February and are accused of raising \$4 million for unnamed individuals in Iraq through Help the Needy.

Smart

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 she became that?" Kennard said.
 "Who's the next victim? There are going to be other Brian Merritt victims," he said.
 On Friday, authorities were studying a 27-page manifesto in which Brian David Mitchell, accused of kidnapping Elizabeth on June 5 and talks of taking multiple wives. Investigators have refused to say whether Elizabeth had been abused or assaulted.
 Police found the girl on Wednesday walking in a Salt Lake City suburb with Mitchell, a shaggy-haired vagabond and self-styled prophet. With them was his wife, Wanda Barzee. Authorities said the three had been living under bridges and in tents in Utah and California.
 Kennard said the girl, a 16-year-old, was known to Barzee for 28 years and is executive director of the National Alliance for the Mentally III of Utah, told the Deseret News in Salt Lake City that she met with Barzee in jail for 30 minutes Friday. Barzee told the newspaper that the couple had been living together where to stay, including an area in the mountains above San Diego, where Mitchell was arrested for allegedly breaking into a car.
 Mitchell, a self-styled prophet, may have tried to abduct Elizabeth's 18-year-old cousin

Khafagi and Al-Hussayen

are being held for investigation of violating U.S. immigration laws while awaiting separate trials on the fraud charges.
 Al-Hussayen is accused of making false statements on student visa applications and helping set up Web sites to gather money for terrorism against Americans. Prosecutors said a computer which Al-Hussayen used had thousands of photographs, including the World Trade Center towers before and after the Sept. 11 terrorism attacks.
 Al-Hussayen's attorneys and friends in Moscow dispute the government's contention that Al-Hussayen had led a life on the fringes of terrorism.
 But federal investigators contend Al-Hussayen and IANA provided Web sites for two radical Saudi sheiks, Salmaan Al-Awdah

Safar and Al-Hawali

who have direct contact with Osama bin Laden. IANA operated more than a dozen Internet sites, many of them managed by Al-Hussayen.
 Khafagi, an Egyptian national, enrolled at the University of Idaho in 1986 and earned a master's degree in civil engineering in August 1998, school officials say. His specialty was structural engineering.
 After getting his degree, Khafagi remained enrolled at the University of Idaho, working as a teaching assistant in engineering and taking postgraduate classes.
 He moved to East Lansing, Mich., and enrolled at Michigan State University in the fall of 1990. MSU records show. He received his doctorate in civil engineering, specializing in structural engineering, in 1993.
 He later lived in Ann Arbor, Mich., operating a business called International Media Group from his home, court documents showed. It was not clear what kind of business it was, court records said.

Mitchell, whose aliases included the name Emmanuel.

In it, Mitchell calls polygamy a lost "blessing." And he refers to himself as "Jesus and Messiah." God who can restore lost blessings to those who do not sin.
 One passage, in which he appears to address his wife by a biblical name, says: "Thou wilt take into thy heart and have seven sisters, and thou wilt recognize them through the spirit as thy dearest and choicest friends from all eternity."
 Police have said Mitchell was excommunicated from the Mormon Church, the religion of the Smart family, and considered himself a polygamist. The practice has long been outlawed in Utah.
 Barzee told the Salt Lake City Tribune that during prayer in the San Diego mountains it was revealed to her when the group returned to Salt Lake City they would be picked up and "taken to a jail by the evildoers of the world." Mitchell told the Deseret News. "She said that she realized that taking six more wives would not be possible."
 Asked whether Elizabeth may have been taken to be a wife, the girl's aunt, Angela Dumke, said, "You're kidding. He's not taking any more wives."
 "This guy's probably involved in polygamy," said Dumke, Ed Smart's sister.
 Dumke said another theory is that Barzee considered Elizabeth to be her child. Barzee is 57-year-old woman said she had a violent marriage years ago, leaving behind six children.

Police said Elizabeth was

snatched from her bed at knifepoint and spent her first two months with Mitchell and Barzee in a tent within two miles of the Smart's house. They later left for the San Diego area.
 Mitchell was arrested twice during the time police say Elizabeth was with the couple — once in Salt Lake City on suspicion of shoplifting Sept. 27 and another time for trying to break into a San Diego County church, apparently in search of a place to sleep.
 Mitchell pleaded innocent to charges in the shoplifting case Friday.
 Prosecutors said aggravated kidnapping and other charges from the Smart case would probably be filed against the two Monday.
 Elizabeth's mother, Lois Smart, said Friday that the teenager was feeling "fantastic" and sleeping well for the first time since her ordeal began. The Smart's have yet to decide whether Elizabeth will return to school, she said.
 For now, "we need to be with Elizabeth," the girl's mother said.
 Late Friday, several thousand people gathered at a midtown park to welcome Elizabeth home to her parents.
 "I'm the luckiest girl in the world! Thank you for your love and prayers. I'm a girl come true! I'm home! I love you all," Elizabeth wrote.

NATION

U.S. experts test 'dirty bombs'

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — In New Mexico's desert and Russia's Ural Mountains, U.S. and Russian experts are experimenting with simulated "dirty bombs" to see how such radiation weapons and potential terrorist tools might work, officials of the two countries say.

It's a sensitive area in which some information is withheld to keep clues to bomb-building out of terrorists' hands. But American and Russian specialists attending a global conference on dirty bombs disclosed some aspects of recent testing to a reporter because, as a ranking

U.S. official said, the public should know everything is being done to deal with the threat.

"These so-called 'RDDs,' for radiological dispersal devices, haven't made an appearance yet, but the al-Qaida terrorist network, for one, is reported to have shown a serious interest in developing them."

Dirty bombs would combine conventional explosives with strontium, cesium or some other highly radioactive isotope used for such purposes as cancer radiotherapy, searching for oil deposits and sterilizing food.

They wouldn't cause the imme-

diate mass casualties or devastation of nuclear weapons, but they are much simpler to make and the contamination and fear of radiation poisoning could cause general panic and shut down sections of cities for years.

Some 600 scientists, government officials and others at the three-day conference that ended Thursday focused on tightening protection of radioisotopes in use worldwide; stopping illicit trafficking and planning emergency responses to such attacks.

Others, meanwhile, are trying to learn how a dirty bomb would behave if detonated.

For the past six months teams at the U.S. Energy Department's Sandia National Laboratories in New Mexico have been experimenting with basic designs of RDDs, said the U.S. official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Using materials that simulate the characteristics of the radioisotopes — except for the radioactivity — they have been exploding the devices to test the reach of the radiation effect as a result of blast and wind, he said.

Earlier computer modeling allows the testers to assess likely levels of radiation in various areas as a result of the blasts.

Air Force has handled 21 misconduct cases

DENVER (AP) — The Air Force said Friday it has punished 21 male cadets for rape and other sex-related crimes since 1990, offering the numbers as evidence that it takes sexual misconduct at the Air Force Academy seriously.

Of the 21, five received jail time, eight were expelled and eight were reprimanded, the Air Force said. One cadet was exonerated, and one still faces charges.

"This information was compiled to show that senior leaders are taking these matters seriously," said Valerie Burkes, an Air Force spokeswoman.

The Air Force Academy has been rocked by a scandal that has been compared to the Tailhook fiasco that shook the Navy in 1991. The Air Force has said that at least 56 allegations of sexual abuse at the academy have been reported over the past 10 years and that there are probably many more female cadets who have not come forward.

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Memorial honors crash victims

FORT DRUM, N.Y. (AP) — Eleven soldiers killed in a Black Hawk helicopter crash were honored as heroes Friday at a memorial service attended by more than 2,500 troops, dignitaries and relatives of the men.

"It's impossible to make sense of any tragic loss. Today is no exception," said Col. Kevin Wilkerson, commander of the 10th Mountain Division's 2nd Brigade.



Soldiers from the 10th Mountain Division and Light Infantry pay their respects to their fallen comrades during a memorial service at Fort Drum, N.Y., Friday.

"This is as big a loss as anyone who died in combat," he said. "Please have no doubt about it."

At the front of a hangar where the ceremony was held, 11 rifles were placed upside down, each with a helmet on top. Hanging from the rifles were the dead soldiers' dog tags. Their photos lay beneath.

"They knew they were serving something bigger than themselves," said Maj. Gen. Franklin Hagenbeck, the division commander. "These soldiers represent all that is good and great about America."

The soldiers' remains have been flown to Dover Air Force Base in Delaware to be identified and will be released to their families for burial. Each was honored posthumously with the Army's Meritorious Service Medal.

The 11 died Tuesday when a Black Hawk helicopter with 13 soldiers aboard crashed on the sprawling Fort Drum Army post in northern New York. The only two survivors remained hospitalized Friday. Spec. Dmitri Petrov was in critical condition and Spec. Edwin A. Mejia was in serious condition.

NASA starts planning for shuttle launch

WASHINGTON (AP) — NASA officials are working to return the space shuttle to orbit as early as this fall, with plans to quickly correct any flaws in the system uncovered by the board now investigating the Columbia accident.

Top NASA officials said Friday they are instructing engineers to plan any changes needed to resume the space shuttle program "as soon as practicable" after the investigation board determines why space shuttle Columbia broke apart.

The accident on Feb. 1 destroyed the spacecraft, killed the seven astronauts on board, scattered debris across wide areas of Texas and Louisiana and forced NASA to ground the three remaining space shuttles.

The goal of a fall launch was set out by William P. Readdy, NASA's chief of space flight, in a memo to department heads.

In a meeting with reporters, Readdy said engineers were to review specific problems already being studied by the Columbia Accident Investigation Board,

including how foam insulation debris peeled off the shuttle's external tank and smashed into the craft's left wing during launch.

A leading theory of the accident is that thermal protection tiles on the wing were damaged, allowing the superheated gas generated during re-entry to penetrate the wing and soften the metal structure.

The effort to resume the program will include a review of ways to inspect and repair damaged tiles while the shuttle is in orbit.

Casino worker pleads guilty to stealing thousands

DENVER (AP) — A casino worker named Crapps, too fat to fit into his company-issued pocketless uniform, stole hundreds of thousands of dollars from the slot machines by stuffing the bills into his sweatpants.

Leonard Crapps, who is 5-foot-6 and 280 pounds, pleaded guilty last month to stealing the cash from the Gilpin Hotel Casino in Blackhawk.

He was put on 12 years' probation and ordered to repay nearly \$200,000.

Crapps, 35, was assigned to help empty the slot machines after closing time by pulling full money canisters out and replacing them with empty ones.

He figured out how to open the tamper-proof canisters, and with his back to security cameras, stuffed the money in his pants.

His co-workers were required to wear pocketless jumpsuits that buttoned down the front. Crapps was granted an exemption.

"He couldn't wear a jumpsuit because he was too big," said Steve Roark, head of Jacobs Entertainment, which owns the hotel.

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Cold War spy 'Falcon' gets out of prison after a quarter of a century

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Christopher Boyce, whose Cold War spying was immortalized on film in "The Falcon and the Snowman," was released Friday after more than a quarter-century in prison.

Boyce was released from a halfway house about 4 a.m., according to the U.S. Bureau of Prisons. He will be on parole until 2046, his original release date.

Boyce was 22 when his father, a former FBI agent, helped him land a summer job as a clerk at TRW Inc. in Redondo Beach, where he had access to classified communications with CIA headquarters in Langley, Va.

He smuggled some of the documents home and sold them to the Russian Embassy in Mexico City, taking in about \$77,000 before he and childhood friend Andrew Daulton Lee, his courier, were caught in 1976.

Both were arrested, tried and convicted of espionage. Lee was paroled in 1998.

"Sometimes I think when you're young, you crave danger or are willing to put yourself in dangerous positions," Boyce told the Los Angeles Times earlier



Christopher Boyce is shown in a 1978 booking photo. This month, "But I had never gotten into any trouble in my life that I couldn't get out of. My father was in a position that could keep me out of a whole lot of trouble."

He turned down several inter-

view requests for this article.

Boyce, who turned 50 last month, successfully made his case to the U.S. Parole Commission in 1997 for early release. After spending half his life at prisons across the country, he moved into a halfway house in San Francisco last fall. He married a woman he met while fighting for parole.

Boyce made headlines in 1980 when he escaped from federal prison in Lumpoc. He was free for 19 months, supporting himself by robbing banks in the Pacific Northwest, before he was arrested in Port Angeles, Wash.

The 1985 release of the movie "The Falcon and the Snowman," starring Timothy Hutton as Boyce, who loved falconry, and Sean Penn as Lee, nicknamed Snowman for his drug problems, brought both convicts notoriety.

"It's a crazy title for a book and a movie. But I don't have any recollection of someone calling me that before," Boyce told the Times. "People called me that in prison. People call me that in the halfway house. And I always ask them, 'Please don't call me that. My name's Chris.' The Falcon, that's somebody's invention."

U.S. life expectancy reaches all-time high

ATLANTA (AP) — Life expectancy for Americans reached an all-time high of 77.2 years in 2001, federal officials said Friday.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said life expectancy increased by two-tenths of a year from 2000. A drop in major causes of deaths such as heart disease, cancer and stroke contributed to the increase.

For men, life expectancy rose from 74.3 years in 2000 to 74.4 years in 2001. For women, it went from 79.7 years to 79.8 years for the same period. The CDC analyzed more than 97 percent of all state death certificates issued in 2001.

The national death rate dropped slightly from 869 deaths per 100,000 people in 2000 to 855 deaths per 100,000 in 2001.

to Arafat," the State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said after British Prime Minister Tony Blair telephoned the Arab leader, who asked him to "exert pressure on Israel."

Bush was responding to European as well as Arab complaints of U.S. inaction as he declared Israel cannot have peace without giving freedom to the Palestinians.

In London, Blair linked the timing of the announcement to the steps toward war with Iraq. "I think it is precisely now when we do have all this focus on the issue of weapons of mass destruction and Saddam and all the things that he has done ... that we say to the Arab and Muslim world, we accept the obligation of evenhandedness," Blair said.

Bush sets timetable for drive for Palestinian state

WASHINGTON (AP) — Poised to attack Iraq over the objections of most Arab countries, President Bush said Friday that he is ready "to unveil recommendations for a path to creation by 2005 of a Palestinian state on land held by Israel. Bush linked the step to political reform by the Palestinians.

Bush timed the unveiling of the road map — including a proposal that Israel yield land for peace — to the confirmation of a Palestinian prime minister, a move that could occur by the end of next week. Bush, who once called for the removal of Yasser Arafat, hopes the new prime minister would have significant authority over negotiations and security.

"We have no interest in talking



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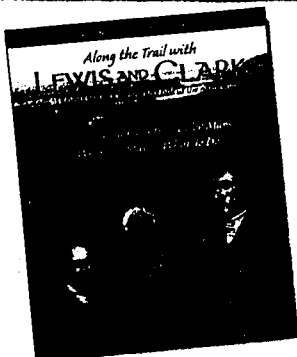
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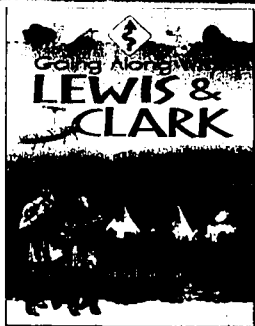
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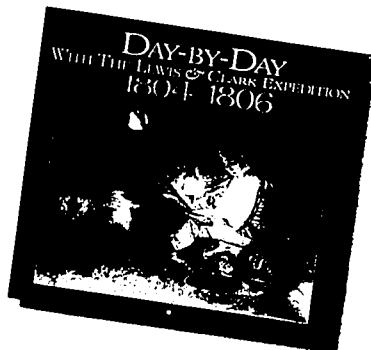
This edition contains no advertising, and is stitch-bound. It covers the whole story of the expedition, beginning east of the Mississippi River as Thomas Jefferson and Meriwether Lewis planned, and Lewis trained and traveled. Then follows Lewis and Clark and company to the Pacific and back to St. Louis. Accessible history text combines with tourism information on following their path today, and maps combine both then and now. Extensive index. 216 pages, 8 1/2" x 11" SB. \$19.95



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YOUR WEEKEND

'The Diviners'

What: The College of Southern Idaho Theater Department will present Jim Leonard Jr.'s "The Diviners."
Where: Room 119, CSI Fine Arts Center in Twin Falls.
When: 8 p.m. today.
How much: Tickets are \$5 for general admission and \$3 for senior citizens. Phone 732-6788.

Faulkner Planetarium

What: The Faulkner Planetarium will present "The Mystery of the Missing Seasons."
Where: Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.
How much: Admission is free for anyone accompanied by a child of any age.

'D'Art Show'

What: "D'Art Show," an exhibition featuring the work of five College of Southern Idaho faculty members, will be on display.
Where: The Jean B. King Gallery in the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the CSI campus in Twin Falls.
When: 1-9 p.m. today.
How much: Free.

'All's Cool That Ends Cool'

What: The Troubadour Theater Company will present "All's Cool That Ends Cool."
Where: Liberty Theater, Hailey.
When: 7 p.m. today.
How much: Tickets, which are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children, are available at the Company of Fools box office in Hailey or by phoning 578-9122.

'The Fantasticks'

What: The Oakley Valley Arts Council will present Tom Jones' "The Fantasticks."
Where: Howells Opera House, Oakley.
When: 8 p.m. today.
How much: Season passes are available for \$23, and individual tickets for each production are \$8. For ticket reservations, call 677-ARTS (677-2787), 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., today.

Benefit concert

What: BlueHeart jazz ensemble will play a benefit concert for Valley House.
Where: 712 Center St. W., Kimberly.
When: 2 p.m. Sunday.
How much: A \$5 donation is suggested.

Jazz evening

What: The Great Riff Jazz Society, in association with the CSI Jazz Studies Program, will present Jazz Sunday. The jazz quintet will play jazz classics and standards, show tunes, modern jazz and the blues. Students and families are welcome.
Where: Gertie's Brick Oven Cookery, 602 Second Ave. S., Twin Falls.
When: 4-6 p.m. Sunday.
How much: No cover charge.

Italian opera in Idaho

What: Italian opera stars Fabio Andreotti and Ilaria de Francesco will sing.
Where: The Presbyterian Church of the Big Wood in Ketchum.
When: 8 p.m. today and 4 p.m. Sunday.
How much: Tickets, which are \$25 and \$35 for adults and \$12 and \$15 for students, can be reserved by phoning 726-2220.

For more Your Week-End

Please see page A-7.

Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% season peak **
Upper Snake River	82%	80%
Salmon Falls	87%	83%
Salmon	97%	83%
Oakley	52%	46%
Big Wood	90%	80%
Little Wood	63%	84%
Henry's Fork/Teton	87%	70%
Big Lost	87%	70%
Little Lost	74%	61%

As of March 14
*A comparison of baseline snowpack, on this date, with a 50-year average.

THAT'S SNOW BUSINESS



Picabo Street mugs for the camera with her new friend, Bud, as she shoots a sleigh-riding segment on Warm Springs Golf Course.

Picabo shows off home hill on TV

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY — Picabo Street takes her umpteenth sip of hot chocolate in front of the fireplace in the River Run Lodge, licks the whipped cream off her lips and smiles at the camera.

"I'm here at the Fine Living Network's No. 1 Winter Wonderland Resort, where you have the opportunity to win a week-long vacation right here next year."

The wordy sentence is a mouthful — even for someone with Street's gift of gab. But she finally wraps her mouth around it.

Good thing, too, since it's just the first of a hundred or so times she'll have to repeat "Fine Living Network" and "No. 1 Winter Wonderland Resort" over the next 32 hours.

The dashing young ski racer turned into a charming hostess for two days recently, to tape an hour-long special featuring North America's top 10 ski resorts.

This particular shoot — one of several that will focus on Sun



On snowshoes instead of her customary skis, Picabo Street teases Fine Living viewers with yet another clue about Sun Valley.

Valley this channel — was for a new cable channel put together by the Scripps Network. That's the same group that concocted the Food Network, Home & Garden Television and the DIY/Do It Yourself Network.

The Fine Living Network encourages viewers to "live like you mean it." It combines luxury and adventure: bicycling

in Tuscany, getting the best table at a restaurant, and creating attractive home-office makeovers, said Executive Producer Stu Schreiber.

Taping a scene atop the mountain, Street teased TV viewers with one of many clues to help them guess the network's No. 1 Winter Wonderland Resort.

Please see PICABO, Page A7

Lights, camera ...

Sun Valley is playing host to a bevy of film crew and reporters this month:

- **Fox Sports'** new "54321" will cover the SunFest Big Air Exhibition and the post-exhibition street party on March 30, as well as a back-country shoot with Sun Valley Hell Ski Guides.
- **Standard Films** and either Teton Gravity Research or Matchstick Productions will also film the SunFest.
- **In addition to the Picabo Street shoot**, Fine Living Network is filming interviews with area outfitters, ski shops and ResortQuest Sun Valley for several 60-second vignettes that will run throughout the year. Topics will include how to dress for snowboarding and how to pick a condo.
- **Reporters representing** "Cooking Light," "Travel Northwest" and "Bon Appetit" plan to do stories on the Gourmet Ski Tour this Saturday.
- **There also will be journalists from** Drive Away Vacations, Salt Lake City's KSL Talk Radio, southern California newspapers and the travel guide Ski America and Canada.

Fish and Game limits ATV use for hunting

The Times-News and The Associated Press

BOISE — The Fish and Game Commission has restricted the use of all-terrain vehicles for off-road hunting in 16 southern Idaho hunting units, including three in the Magic and Wood River valleys.

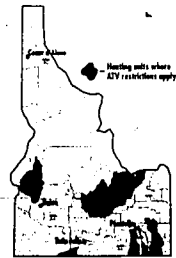
The unanimous decision will affect most general seasons and controlled hunts for big game. While it doesn't ban all ATVs from the back-country, the decision restricts hunting on motorcycles, four-wheelers and other motorized, off-road vehicles. Specifically, use of those vehicles for hunting would be allowed only on established roadways capable of handling full-sized cars.

The commission approved the ATV restriction Thursday. The Idaho Department of Fish and Game surveyed hunters across southern Idaho about the restrictions. Many hunters favored restrictions, but some hunters were confused about whether they could still use ATVs at all.

"We got a lot of comments that there's a total ban — that they could no longer have them in the back of their vehicles," said Brad Compton, the department's chief big game manager.

The restriction applies to off-road hunting only and doesn't

ATV restricted



Idaho Department of Fish and Game restricts off-road hunting vehicles on or within 16 southern Idaho hunting units and 47 southern Idaho River Valley units (outlined) on the Little Lost, Snake, and 58, 59 and 51A along the Montana border, and units 72, 73, 75, 77, and 18 in southeastern Idaho in the Bear River area.

apply to all hunts in all units. Hunters need to check the regulations for specifics. And hunters still may use ATVs off-road to recover game, to pack in to camps and for other activities — as long as they comply with travel rules on public lands.

Please see ATV, Page A7

Police investigate Jerome house fire

JEROME — Police late Friday were investigating a house fire in Jerome, a detective said.

Nobody was hurt in the fire, but police were suspicious about it because the home's resident recently had been the victim of another crime, said Jerome Police Detective Sgt. Dan Chatterton. Nobody was home when the blaze started, Chatterton said.

Firefighters were called to the house — at 228 W. Ave. E. — at about 7 p.m., said dispatch supervisor Dee Silver of the Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center. They needed only about 16 minutes to put the fire out, she said.

The cause of the fire was still undetermined, and a state fire

Magic Valley in brief

marshal had been called to investigate, Chatterton said. Police were posting a guard at the scene, he said.

Dust falls from sky onto the Magic Valley

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley buzzed Friday with speculation over what might be falling from the sky.

The air was filled with a white haze. A fine dust coated cars. The verdict: Yep, it was dust.

Tom Askew of the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality collected a sample of the

Buhl vet retires after 50 years

By Sandra Wisecaver
Times News correspondent

BUHL — At age 75, "Doc" would still be taking care of business if his health had not forced him to retire.

Even in retirement, after a career that spanned almost 50 years, veterinarian Myron Thompson is still an advocate for the well-being of animals.

"He loved practicing so much," his wife, Georgia, said. "If he hadn't gotten sick, I don't think he ever would have retired. I kept telling him he should just quit the large animals: You're getting older, and it's getting tougher. But he always said, 'No way, I really enjoy it.'"

Since 1956, Thompson had worked at the Buhl Animal Clinic six days a week. Sometimes seven.

Due to health problems, he is a patient at SunBridge Care and Rehabilitation Center in Twin Falls. The Buhl Animal Clinic remains open, offering pet food sales, dog grooming and kenneling services. A veterinarian to take over Thompson's practice is being sought.

The Thompsons, who had been high school sweethearts at East High School in Denver, both continued their education at Colorado State University. He earned his doctorate in veterinary medicine, and Georgia graduated as a psychology major. Myron also served two years in the Navy, trained as a pharmacist first mate.

They were married in 1954 and moved to Twin Falls, where he worked for Ivan and Dell Jackson. Two years later, he joined Harold Hammerquist at the Buhl Animal Clinic. They were partners for 30 years until Hammerquist moved to Massachusetts. Hammerquist's son, Lett, partnered with Thompson for a short time before he moved to California to pursue other interests. Thompson has been the sole owner of the clinic for the past 17 years.

The Thompsons have two children and nine grandchildren.

"Doc" Thompson has always had an interest in caring for animals, said his son, Gregg.

Please see VET, Page A7

Managers raise cost of firewood permits

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Firewood cutters, take note.

This summer the Boise, Payette and Sawtooth national forests will have one permit and one price for firewood.

The price? Now \$10 per cord, with a two-cord minimum.

That's a \$5 per-cord increase over last year for the Fairfield Ranger District and the area north of Galena Summit on the Sawtooth National Recreation Area. The remainder of the Sawtooth National Forest was already at \$10 per cord for the

past few years. Firewood permits for the Boise and Payette forests rise from \$5 to \$10 per cord this year.

"Having one price and one per-

mit for firewood on the national forests in southern Idaho provides better service to the firewood-cutting public," Ruth

Please see FIREWOOD, Page A7

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Metamucil adds disclaimer to Old Faithful commercial

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) — Proctor & Gamble has agreed to air a disclaimer in a Metamucil commercial featuring Old Faithful in Yellowstone National Park to appease the National Park Service.

The subtext, which will read "Dramatization — Please Obey Park Service Rules," was scheduled to begin airing Wednesday, said Greg Allgood, associate director of the company's Health Sciences Institute.

Created last year, the commercial features a park ranger pouring a glass of Metamucil into Old Faithful to help the geyser stay regular.

Proctor & Gamble described the ad as "pretty over the top" and said most TV viewers would realize it was a joke.

But the commercial drew heavy criticism from Park Service officials, who said the park's geothermal features can be damaged by dumping things into them and

advocated against park visitors venturing near geysers and hot springs, which can be dangerous.

"A number of the park's geysers and hot springs have already been destroyed by such thoughtless acts," Yellowstone Superintendent Suzanne Lewis said.

Allgood and the Park Service agreed to resolve the dispute through a disclaimer that makes it clear Proctor & Gamble does not advocate breaking park rules.

SERVICES

Evelyn 'Mickey' Garvin of Burley, service at 11 a.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley; friends may call before the service today at the funeral home.

Ruth W. Heiner of Burley, service at 10 a.m. today at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3rd and 7th Ward Chapel, 2200 Oakley Ave.; burial will be in the Riverside Cemetery in Heyburn; friends may call from 9:45 a.m. Saturday at the church (Payne Mortuary, Burley).

Jeanie Capps of Twin Falls, service at 10 a.m. today at the Lighthouse Christian Fellowship, 259 Main Ave. E., Twin Falls; burial will follow at the Richfield Cemetery (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

Doris Louise Mann of Rupert, memorial funeral Mass at 2 p.m. today at Saint Nicholas Catholic Church in Rupert; burial will follow in the Rupert Cemetery.

Robert Clyde (Bob) Seaton of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. today at the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls; interment will follow the service at Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery in Twin Falls. Friends may call

Monday from 12-2 p.m. at the funeral home.

Edgarine (Eddy) McFarland of Twin Falls, graveside services at 1 p.m. Monday at Sunset Memorial Park; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Sunday at White Mortuary.

Frances I. Wilson of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. Monday at the

Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls; interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park.

Catherine Mildred Watson Bismarck of Paul, celebration of life at 11 a.m. March 22 at the Paul United Methodist Church; interment at 10 a.m. March 24 at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

Keith Pepper — BURLEY — Keith Ray Pepper, 33, of Burley died Friday, March 14, 2003, at Burley Care Center.

Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

Curtis L. Maxwell — BOISE — Curtis L. Maxwell, 68, of Boise and formerly of the Magic Valley, died recently in Boise.

Arrangements will be announced by Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Bradley Joe Nichols — RICHFIELD — Bradley Joe Nichols, 22, of Richfield died Wednesday, March 11, 2003, at home.

The service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 15, 2003, in the Wood River Chapel. Viewing for family and friends will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Wood River Chapel in Hailley.

Arrangements are under the direction of Wood River Chapel, Hailley.

Wilma Lucille Campbell — BUHL — Wilma Lucille Campbell, 95, of Buhl died Thursday, March 13, 2003, at her home.

The service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, March 17, 2003, at the LDS Chapel on Fair Street in Buhl.

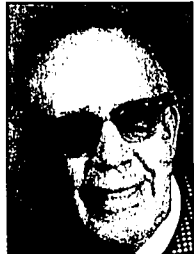
Arrangements are under the direction of Farmer's Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

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RUPERT



Frances I. Wilson
1911-2003

Frances Irene Wilson went to be with the Lord, Monday, March 8, 2003. Frances was born October 21, 1911, in Osage, Missouri, to Sam and Marnie McCullough. She was the eldest of four children. Thad McCullough of Pocatello, ID, Ruth Scott of Bliss, ID and Jack McCullough (deceased 2002) of Texas. She married Glenn Ralls (deceased 1950) and had two children, Barbara Lennie of Twin Falls, and Buddy Ralls, (deceased 2002) of K. C. Missouri. She had 6 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great-grandchild. She married Ralph Wilson in 1960 and resided in Detroit, Michigan until his death in 1992. She then moved to Twin Falls to be with her daughter, Barbara and son-in-law, Bob Lennie. Frances was a member of the First Christian Church on Shoshone St. in Twin Falls. Her hobbies were bowling, stained glass and crocheting. She had a strong love for the Lord, family, friends and was truly giving and loving mother. Frances will be deeply missed by everyone who knew and loved her and those who had the privilege of having been part of her life.

Funeral Services for Frances will be held Monday, March 17, 2003, at 11 a.m. at the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho. Interment will follow services at Sunset Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be sent to the Alzheimer's Association, 4696 Overland Ave. Boise, ID 83705 or Altim: Memorials Old Boise Elderly Center, 1000 N. P.O. Box 1100 Boise, Idaho 83701.

C. F. Tolman (Corky)
C. F. Tolman (Corky) died

Wednesday, March 12, 2003, at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley, ID.

He was born January 5, 1918, in Chesterfield, Idaho the son of Fred and Ella Sessions Tolman. The family moved to Paul in his early years where he grew up in the Paul and Rupert area. He was a farmer's son and pursued higher education in that field at Weiser, ID. There, he met Catherine Mocham and the two were married Aug. 5, 1940 in Fruittland, ID returning to Rupert to farm. Their marriage was later solemnized in Idaho Falls temple.

He was a member of the LDS church and served as a Scout Leader, Sunday School President and was a High Priest.

A World War II Veteran, he served in the Navy as a ship fitter (welder) after the war, he returned to Rupert to farm and milk his Registered Gurnsey cow herd. He owned and operated a milk can route for Pet Milk Co. and later became their field man in this area and a member of Teamsters Int. Later, he dispatched trucks for Triple C concrete and was a mill hand at Petersons Feed and Supply.

He loved his family, the out of doors and horses, and seized every opportunity to be at a Poasee race, a trail ride, a cutter or chariot race, or a hunting trip.

He is survived by 2 nephews, and 1 sister Fayne M. Frost of Des Moines, Iowa.

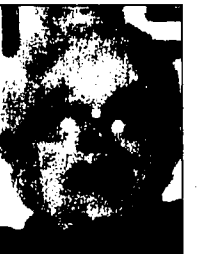
Graveside services for Lola will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 19, 2003, at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park" on Tuesday, March 18, 2003, from 4-6 p.m.

Olympia, Wash., nine grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in Death by his daughters Fred and Ella and a brother Ivan Clor Tolman.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 17, 2003, at the LDS Rupert 3rd Ward Chapel, 501 F St. in Rupert with Bishop George Chandler officiating. Burial will be in the Rupert Cemetery.

Family and friends may call at Hanson Mortuary, Rupert Chapel from 6-8 p.m. Sunday, March 16, 2003, and at the church one hour prior to services Monday.

TWIN FALLS



Lola Edith Richardson

Lola Edith Richardson, 92, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, March 13, 2003, at SunBridge Care and Rehabilitation Center.

She was born August 30, 1910, in Leon, Iowa, the daughter of Louis and Anna Hughes Merrill. She married Leland L. "Rich" Richardson on Nov. 5, 1931, at Bathurst, Missouri. They moved to Idaho in 1938 then lived in California during the war. In 1946 they moved to Kimberly, where they operated a Chevron Station and Kimberly grocery store, which later became Persons IGA, until 1951. Lola worked as a bookkeeper for Bell Wholesale until her retirement. She was a member of the Church of the Brethren, and the Order of the Eastern Star. She was preceded in death by her husband on March 11, 1975.

She is survived by 2 nephews, and 1 sister Fayne M. Frost of Des Moines, Iowa.

Graveside services for Lola will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 19, 2003, at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park" on Tuesday, March 18, 2003, from 4-6 p.m.

Cracks force bridge closure

NYSSA, Ore. (AP) — The Snake River Bridge on U.S. 20 between Oregon and Idaho is closed indefinitely because significant cracks were discovered in the structure.

The bridge, which is east of Nyssa in southeastern Oregon, was closed Thursday. Traffic is being detoured 5 to 6 miles north to U.S. 20/26 and Oregon 201 to Interstate 84 through Ontario.

A draft report by the Oregon Department of Transportation released in January concludes that with accelerated cracking in 431 bridges and weight restrictions on 401 more, "13 percent of Oregon's bridges are at or near

the end of their useful life." The cost of mending or replacing all the bridges is estimated at \$4.7 billion.

On Friday, Oregon delegates to the U.S. House of Representatives sent a letter requesting more funding for the state's bridges to members of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. The letter states that 200 of the damaged bridges are on Interstate 5 and another 66 are on Interstate 84.

The delegation is requesting a federal match for \$1.6 billion in state money that would be

included in a bridge financing plan. The state plan, proposed by Gov. Ted Kulongoski and state lawmakers, may include increasing state vehicle registration and title fees to raise money for a bond.

It was signed by Reps. Peter DeFazio, Early Blumenauer, Darlene Hooley and David Wu — all Democrats — as well as Republican Rep. Greg Walden.

Idaho Falls voters OK levy increase

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — A bid to increase the school district's levy in times of tough economic times has been approved by more than 60 percent of voters.

Idaho Falls patrons upheld raising the \$5.85 million supplemental levy to \$6.8 million each year, the first next two years.

The first levy increase in six years was needed, Superintendent John Murdoch

said, because the district has been through financially trying times over the past four years.

A \$950,000 holdback in state funding a year ago, a seven-year enrollment slide, soaring electric bills and higher district costs have forced the school board to adjust the district budget for four straight years.

Instead of raising the levy or slashing teaching positions,

though, the trustees tapped into a reserve fund.

In four years, the reserves have gone from \$7 million to \$2.9 million and could be wiped out depending upon what the Legislature does in the coming months, Assistant Superintendent Ken Schow said.

Since the supplemental levy started in 1972, voters have defeated it only once, in 1976.

National forest stays off-limits to drilling

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) — Bridger-Teton National Forest Supervisor Kniffy Hamilton has decided to keep 376,000 acres off limits to drilling.

The decision involving land between the Gros Ventre and Bridger wilderness areas was praised by conservationists and criticized by the petroleum industry.

Dru Bowler, vice president of the Petroleum Association of Wyoming, said 72,000 acres in the Hoback Basin and the southern Upper Green River Basin holds up to 80.6 trillion cubic feet of natural gas. That would be a four-year supply for the United States, although not all of it would be extractable.

"It's a tremendous amount of gas," he said Monday. "We believe that when an area has a significant potential for development, it's irresponsible to withdraw it for leasing."

Geologist Lance Cook agreed that the area has potentially significant reserves, but it is unknown whether the gas is economically recoverable.

The gas is contained in tight sand, which means it is caught in small pore spaces between sand grains, making it a challenge — and an expense — to extract.

The Wyoming Outdoor Council's Meredith Taylor said the decision reflected public opinion, which opposed develop-

ing "this pristine resource, which is in the heart of the southern Yellowstone ecosystem."

Hamilton wrote in a March 7 open letter that the area is highly valued for its undeveloped nature and recreational opportunities. Moreover, he said her interactions with the public and public comments received during an analysis of the proposed leasing confirmed her view that those values are strongly held by local, regional and national interests.

"It is my determination that leasing these areas for oil and gas exploration and development could compromise the area's character and highly valued recreation opportunities," she wrote.

Kempthorne signs anti-union legislation

BOISE (AP) — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne on Friday signed legislation prohibiting government payroll deductions for any kind of political or legislative activity.

Kempthorne signed the measure within hours of receiving it from the Legislature, where it had been introduced only 11 days ago.

Supporters claimed the ban empowers state workers to become active in their labor organizations. Critics called it a mean-spirited attempt by Republicans to silence the political voice of critics.

"It is my intention that this legislation not be perceived to inadvertently inhibit the ability of labor organizations to protect their interests outside the political process," Kempthorne said in an unusual explanatory letter to lawmakers.

Both Kempthorne and GOP legislative leaders declined to claim sponsorship of the bill. But each lobbied strenuously for its passage, and Kempthorne called in a half dozen Republican senators just before Thursday 19-16 vote to impress on them the



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importance of the bill. The governor sponsored similar legislation involving federal employees when he was a U.S. senator.

Labor leaders promised to immediately challenge the prohibition in court on various constitutional grounds, citing legal problems that have plagued similar bills in Utah, Ohio and Nevada. Those states reportedly have spent hundreds of thousands of dollars each to defend their laws.

Kempthorne said he signed the bill on the condition that another bill excluding legislative activity from the payroll deduction prohibition so that the prohibition would only bar payroll checkoff for what the governor

termed electioneering.

"Electioneering activities, and the union dues which fund them, are distinct from a taxpayer's policy from the day-to-day public activity engaged in by labor organizations to protect their interests," Kempthorne wrote.

Kempthorne has had political run-ins with unions — the most recent not fall when the Idaho Education Association unsuccessfully backed his re-election opponent.

And 20 years ago, he was managing then Republican Lt. Gov. Phil Batt's campaign for governor when he encouraged Batt to embrace the anti-union right-to-work proposition and the labor unions turned out in force to narrowly re-elect Democratic John Evans.

Critics argued that Idaho's right-to-work law already precludes payments to unions as a condition of employment as well as coercion to secure financial support, and they also cited a 1957 law requires public employees to sign an authorization annually before labor organization deductions can be made from their paychecks.

House votes down campaign finance reform bill

Legislation in brief

"This is giving the people who elect us a little light on possible conflicts of interest."

Twelve Republicans joined all 16 Democrats in favor of the bill, which failed 28-42.

Kempthorne sees written analysis legislation

BOISE — Legislation requiring written analysis of the impact of government actions that could affect the value of private property was sent to Gov. Dirk Kempthorne on Friday despite warnings that it could open state and local governments up to huge compensation claims.

The Senate voted 26-7 for the House-passed bill that advocates, including many with backgrounds in local government, said protects property owners without significantly increase expenses

for government.

It requires governments, if asked in writing, to conduct the written analysis when they make zoning and other land use decisions.

But Democrats warned that the bill also significantly expands the definition of what a so-called regulatory taking of the value of a person's property beyond only those instances that impose total permanent loss. The bill includes instances of temporary and partial loss.

Sen. Elliot Werk of Boise said that could support a compensation claim from the owner of a business that is essentially shut down for several weeks or months by major repairs to the road run.

But the bill's supporters doubted that possibility. They said compensation could only be sought of the regulatory action, violated federal or state constitutional protections for property rights.

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Heyburn, Acequia could get more money

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

HEYBURN - Things can get busy in the Heyburn Elementary School library, with a Cam Jansen book that's overdue, a request for help in finding Beverly Cleary novels, at least four students standing in line to check out books, and more milling around the library looking.

"On a wet and rainy day, this is what happens," Librarian Carolyn Walker said Friday. Bookshelves line three of four walls in the library and 12 more bookshelves are in the middle of the room. The library is to be expanded as part of an ongoing upgrade in the Minidoka County School District, with money coming from a lease option loan approved by voters in 2001.

But if voters agree on Tuesday to change the lease option loan into a bond issue, officials say lower interest rates will yield an extra \$1 million - with no extra cost to taxpayers. That will mean more improvements for the library.

Current plans call for removing a wall to create a larger library. Principal Randy Reddington said. That would create a long, narrow library.

While Walker is glad to have more room in the library, she hopes voters approve the bond issue Tuesday.

Some of the additional money is earmarked to move the check-out station to the middle of the larger library, where it will be easier for the librarian to see all corners.

Another planned library project, if the additional money is available, would result in a new area where students could sit and read and an area where classes could meet and learn library skills, Walker said.

Additional money will make the remodeled library more useable, Reddington said.

Acequia Elementary School

Acequia Elementary School also stands to benefit if the bond issue is approved. Acequia



Second-grader Justice Barrett searches for a book in the Heyburn Elementary School library.

Principal Terry Garner said extra projects at the school could include relocating the computer lab, adding storage to classrooms and remodeling the office.

Garner said the computer lab is so small, it sits in a corridor, shaped room in the old portion of the school.

Employees would like to move the lab into the newer section of the school, nearer to classrooms.

The addition of a modular classroom is also a possibility with extra money. Garner said if the computer lab is moved, the school will need the extra classroom.

Storage is limited in classrooms, and teachers would like to add more storage cabinets or cupboards to the shelves and textbooks, Garner said. The school office has been the same for at least 40 years and needs to

be larger and more workable.

Under the existing lease option loan, classrooms at Acequia Elementary School are to be remodeled this summer. Restrooms do not meet Americans with Disabilities Act requirements, Garner said. If an Acequia student is in a wheelchair - even temporarily - the student can't be accommodated.

New sidewalks, a paved parking area and a new roof over the oldest portion of the school are also planned at Acequia, with money from the supplemental facilities levy that voters approved last year.

Those projects are slated for this summer, regardless of the outcome of Tuesday's vote.

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Improvement plans

Remodeling projects at Heyburn and Acequia elementary schools are planned if Minidoka County School District voters approve a bond issue to replace a lease option loan now in place in the school district. Other projects include:

- Repairing leakage and mold problems at Big Valley Elementary School.
- Science room addition at West Minico Middle School.
- Changes to the music room at Minico High School.

The vote is March 18. Polls are open from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m.

Coming Sunday

Follow the numbers on the proposed Minidoka County School District bond issue election. See full details of the tax proposal in Sunday, 5 Times-News.

Protest will take place in Twin Falls City Park

TWIN FALLS - An anti-war protest Sunday in Twin Falls City Park will be one of several across Idaho.

Added as locations for Sunday's protests are the Hailey skate park and Memory Park in Ketchum.

The candlelight vigils will take place at 7 p.m., coinciding with more than 1,875 related events in more than 80 nations around the world this weekend.

In Idaho, vigils also were planned in Idaho Falls, Coeur d'Alene, Boise, Salmon, Moscow, Pocatello and Rigby.

Organizers ask participants to take their own candles. More information on the worldwide events is available at www.globalsig.org or from Twin Falls organizer Jeff Ruprecht at 733-9639.

Musician will perform music inspired by Peace Corps

CALDWELL - Tim Talbott, the son of Ted and Vernita (Smith) Talbott of Hagerman, will perform a concert of original music inspired by his experiences as a Peace Corps volunteer serving in the Commonwealth of Dominica. The performance will take

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place at 7 p.m. Saturday, March 15 in the Langrange Center Recreational Hall on the Albion College of Idaho campus in Caldwell.

The event is free, with a suggested donation of \$10 at the door. He also will share his experiences in Dominica. There will be a picture and souvenir display.

Talbott is an Albion alumnus and resides in Grass Valley, Calif.

Annual HOG show resumes

Into Magic Valley Mall

TWIN FALLS - The annual Harley Owners Group (HOG) Motorcycle Show will take place today and Sunday.

The show will feature approximately 30 bikes, models ranging from the late 1970s to the millennium, on display in Center Court at the Magic Valley Mall.

The Magic Valley Chapter Harley Owners Group Inc. also will have information and membership forms available.

For more information about the HOG Show, call Gary Denton at 734-4888.

- compiled from wire reports

YOUR WEEKEND

Coffee and jazz

What: The Chapter 2 Jazz Quartet, featuring Brian Crider, Steve Cox, Jeff Fox and Jake Smith, will perform.

Where: Coffee Cafe in the Lymwood Mall.

When: 7:30 p.m. today.

How much: No cover charge.

Bam boogie

What: Pocketchange will play classic country music for a barn dance. All ages are welcome.

Where: Anderson's RV Camp, located east of the Edison Twin Falls exit 182 off Interstate 84.

When: 8 p.m. to midnight today.

How much: The cover charge is \$5.

St. Patrick's Day dinner

What: The Buhl Knights of Columbus will serve an all-you-can-eat St. Patrick's Day dinner of corned beef and cabbage.

Where: The Immaculate Conception Church Hall, 1631 Poplar St., Buhl.

When: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday.

How much: \$12 for adults, \$4 for children ages 6-18 and free for children under six.

To have an event appear in "Your Weekend" send your information to: Melissa Morgan, PO Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303; e-mail her at mmorgan@magicvalley.com or fax it to 734-5538.

Idaho lawmakers kill reservation cigarette tax

BOISE (AP) - A bill that would have imposed Idaho's cigarette tax on Indian reservation retailers was defeated 32-38 in the Idaho House on Friday.

The legislation was brought to the floor by Republican leader Lawrence Denney of Midvale, who declared that it was "Not a shot at the tribes, and not a tax increase. It is an attempt to get those who should be paying tax to pay a tax."

The bill would have collected the 28 cents per pack tax from cigarette wholesalers before they were delivered to tobacco

products to tribal retailers. All five Indian tribes in Idaho opposed the bill, claiming the state had no right to impose any tax on sovereign tribal lands.

The argument rang true with a number of House conservatives, including Rep. Jim Clark of Hayden, who said the Idaho Constitution and Supreme Court law prohibited imposing state taxes on reservation sales.

In most instances, the United States views tribal governments on par with state governments, which are not allowed to tax each other.

Firewood

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Monahan, Sawtooth National Forest supervisor, said in a statement. "This will eliminate the need to purchase separate permits for people who live and cut wood in areas where two districts or national forests join each other."

Twenty-five percent of the permit revenue stays with the national forest where it is collected. This money is used for cleaning up the slash from firewood-cutting operations and for

road maintenance.

Firewood permits will go on sale for the Sawtooth National Forest as soon as snow melts and roads can be traveled without damage. Historically, this has been around the Memorial Day weekend.

SNRA managers plan to make firewood available at no charge on some areas in the Stanley Basin and Sawtooth Valley.

"As most people are aware, we have a significant increase in fuels due to trees being killed by

San Diego deputies spoke repeatedly with kidnap suspect

EL CAJON, Calif. (AP) - San Diego County Sheriff's deputies repeatedly spoke with Brian David Mitchell in recent months, but the veiled young woman who silently followed him never gave any indication she was in trouble.

Law enforcement authorities now know the quiet girl was Elizabeth Smart, the Utah teenager who was abducted last June and reunited with her family this week.

Mitchell and his wife, Wanda Barzee, spent several months with Elizabeth in a rural town east of San Diego, where they were conspicuous in their off-white robes and veils but gave authorities no reason to think there was anything seriously amiss, Sheriff's

Capt. Glenn Revell said Friday. "Most of us would agree, being dressed unusually or behaving somewhat unusually doesn't necessarily equate to criminal behavior," he said. "And we all treasure the freedom to live as each of us wishes to live."

The attitude of independence is especially strong in Lakeside, an unincorporated town about 25 miles east of central San Diego that holds onto its Old West styles and traditions.

Dozens of homeless people live in the town at any given time. Many who remember seeing Mitchell and the women in recent months said Lakeside is more welcoming to the homeless than nearby cities.

ATV

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The commission is encouraging hunters to retrieve game during the midday and not to carry weapons while they are doing that.

"What we're talking about is a restriction on hunting," Fish and Game Director Steve Huffaker said. "If they are doing anything else, they're not affected."

The rule was in effect in one test unit last year - Unit 47 in southern Twin Falls County. Unit 47 and units 48 and 49 in the Wood River Valley are included in the newly ATV-restricted unit.

The restriction extends northeast from the Wood River Valley into the Lemhi Range to the

Montana border. There also are two restricted units in the Weiser area and six restricted units in the southeastern corner of the state.

Some hunters and land managers contend the regulation exceeds the commission's authority because it restricts methods of travel. The restriction also applies to private land. The commission argued that the restriction falls under its authority to regulate the way hunters take game.

"If it is a method of hunting, it's got to be equal everywhere," Commissioner Fred Wood of Burley said. "It has to apply to private property, as well as public."

Picabo

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"This resort is first in more ways than one," she said, alluding to Sun Valley's place in history as America's first destination ski resort and the first to have a chairlift.

Fine Living Network chose Sun Valley as its No. 1 winter destination resort in part because it has retained its old-time charm and a friendly hometown atmosphere, unlike so many ski resorts that have a corporate, big-city feel to them, said Charles Segars, a network senior vice president.

"It's a good place to bring a family. And it has everything - great skiing, snowshoeing, the Christmas pageant at the ice rink. It's a very Norman Rockwell-type resort."

Exposure on such TV shows and in newspaper and magazine articles, is invaluable, said Amy Olson, communications coordinator for the Sun Valley/Ketchum Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau.

A Food Network show that featured gourmet eating at ski resorts was valued at \$40,800 worth of advertising based on a formula considering the amount of time given to Sun Valley and other factors.

An eight-minute segment featuring the Trailing of the Sheep Festival that appeared on CBS Sunday Morning a year and a half ago was valued at \$800,000 worth of advertising.

"It's becoming harder to get the attention of vacationers who

Fish and Game officials say hunters being interrupted by an ATV or other off-road vehicle is the most common complaint they receive every year. Some hunters have complained that ATVs were being used to unfairly pursue big game. A recent survey found about half of all big game hunters use ATVs.

The restriction may result in hunters who want to use their ATVs heading to the vast number of units that still allow for it and hunters looking for a different experience heading to the restricted areas.

The ATV restrictions apply to hunting units 32, 32A, 47-51, 58, 59, 59A, 70, 72, 73, 75, 77, and 78.

Now have so many options for ski vacations and are currently hesitant to travel anywhere," said Carrie Westergard, marketing director for the Chamber. "But this presents an opportunity for us to bring our area to their bedside reading table and their TVs so that when they do begin traveling we will be fresh in their minds."

That someone as well-known as Picabo Street was willing to host the latest program was an added bonus, Olson said.

Street seemed just as pleased. "I liked the way they teased the viewers, making them guess where we were. And then to have the No. 1 ski resort be Sun Valley so I could come home for a few days made it all the better."

Vet

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"He used to tell the story about when he, as a child, attempted to perform a surgery on an ailing squirrel," he said. "He was stopped by his younger brother, who told their mother, 'Dad really cared for people and their pets. Every night he would make the trip to the clinic, just before bedtime, to check on his patients. The hardest part of his job was when he lost an animal. Those calls to owners were very hard for him to make.'"

Gregg remembers holding the hands and head of a sick monkey while his dad held its tail in order to take its temperature regularly.

When the thermometer was inserted, the monkey reached up with his hind foot, pulled out the thermometer and brought it up in front of its face. "So it could see what just poked it in the rear," Gregg said. "We

laughed about that for a long time."

Doc "almost always saw the humor in situations," said D.J. Oglesbee, who has worked at the clinic for 16 years - although Thompson did lack a sense of humor about being bitten or kicked, and failed to find any humor in walking out of his boots as he crossed a corral on a rainy, sloppy spring day.

He also failed to see the irony of being called out to deliver lambs at midnight one snowy, cold Christmas Eve, Georgia said.

Thompson hosted an annual Christmas party for clients and friends. He served for six years in the Buhl City Council, before being elected mayor in 1967. He is a longtime member of the Idaho Veterinarian Medical Association and a past member of the Buhl Rotary Club. "He Thompson always loved to golf and was nicknamed 'No

Walk Doc" because he always drove his car as close to the ball as was legal. He also religiously watches pro football.

Because of his love for football, he was one of the organizers and coaches for Buhl's first little league football program. Thompson coached the scarlet team, helping the youngsters learn the fundamentals and to have fun.

And despite bad knees and a bad back, he kept working. He has always preached preventive care of all animals, and he assisted the People for Pets spay-neuter and adoption programs. He adopted several of his own pets from animal shelters, including the one he operated out of the clinic.

"I always hated it when he was called out on a cold night and had to strip to the waist to pull a calf," Georgia said. "He would come home frozen, but he loved what he did."

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Kidnap suspect's wife was devoted to him, says her family

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Two days after her arrest, Wanda Barzee remains the mystery woman in the kidnapping of Elizabeth Smart.

Police have said little about the excommunicated Mormon taken into custody along with her drifter husband, Brian David Mitchell. But her family says Barzee — a 57-year-old former professional cake decorator and beautician — changed dramatically after meeting Mitchell and that she became completely devoted to the self-proclaimed prophet.

Police say Barzee played some role in the June 5 kidnapping, fleeing into the foothills above the Smart's Salt Lake City home with her husband, where they camped for two months.

She was with the two as they traveled back and forth to San Diego and may have been alone with the teen while her husband served six days in a California jail for vandalizing a church.

Amid the dark-suited men and floral-dressed women working at the Mormon church headquarters, the couple stuck out. Barzee was often seen pandering with her husband, both dressed like extras from a Christmas nativity scene.

On the streets, Barzee was known as "God Adorn Us," said Ed Snoddy, a homeless outreach worker who met the couple three years ago.

Barzee's life has been filled with turmoil. As a child she was molested and her first husband was violent, said one of her sons, Mark Thompson.

"I can still see him hitting her," Thompson, a 32-year-old construction worker, said of his parent's relationship.

Mitchell's father also spoke about Barzee's first marriage.

"She'd come from a very troubled marriage, a very violent husband. So they were two walking invalids, psychologically," said Shirl Mitchell. "She was always very deferential to him."

Barzee fled that first marriage, leaving behind her six children. Thompson, then 11, said he does not remember her saying goodbye. But four years later they repaired their estranged relationship and he moved in with his mother and her new husband, Mitchell.

"I lived with them until they went all crazy and homeless," he said.

Although they were becoming



Wanda Barzee

Played role in kidnapping, police say

"more fanatical," it was one night about a dozen years ago that Thompson remembers in particular. He was shaken awake by the couple in the wee hours.

"They said 'We saw angels. They talked to us,' he said.

After that, his mother and stepfather were always praying. The two started shunning modern medicine and relied solely on herbal remedies, he said.

"I was like, 'Whoa, I've got to move,'" Thompson said. "I told my friends that they might even sacrifice me or something. It was the look in their eyes."

Shortly after that, the couple sold their possessions and began living on the streets.

Before the conversations with angels and prophets, Thompson said the couple were often combustible and yelled when they fought.

"She kinda controlled him in ways," he said. "She would yell at him like, 'Get out of my kitchen' and he was always like, 'Yes dear.'"

Thompson remembers his mother as loving, but also selfish and "in her own world."

Senate pushes more budget cuts

BOISE (AP) — The state Senate continued approving dramatically reduced general tax budgets for the coming year on Friday despite indications that a compromise generating additional revenue is brewing.

By lopsided votes, the Senate approved cutting more than 7 percent from agriculture and environmental quality programs. The majority also limited the fund to cover catastrophic medical bills of the working poor to \$2 million less than has been spent in the last several years.

As with all the others, this is a tough budget. Finance Chairman Dean Cameron of Rupert said. "It's maybe something we'll have to revisit. But it's the best we can do given our current revenue stream."

The budgets strip \$800,000 from water quality programs that in part keep Idaho free from federal court intrusion in stream management and \$500,000 from the Agriculture Department that will drastically curtail its ability to assure the accuracy of 7,000 scales for weighing everything from hamburger to beef cattle and 16,000 fuel pumps.

"There are enormous implications for consumers from where you buy your meat to the gas pump," Republican Sen. Laird Noh of Kimberly unsuccessfully warned. "Should this become law, our consumers and our economy would have considerable trouble."

Analysts said the catastrophic health care budget just puts off the inevitable since the state will have to come up with the extra \$2 million next year to pay the bills that will inevitably be incurred.



Legislative leaders have been putting slashed budgets for relatively small state agencies and operations to votes in the House or Senate for the past 10 days to let lawmakers see just what will happen if there is no tax increase. None of the bills has gotten final approval, and Speaker Bruce Newcomb indicated the House would not consider any other budgets until agreement is finally reached on the size of a budget and how to pay for it.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne has called for a record tax increase by raising sales and cigarette taxes to avoid those cuts. The House has resisted, but leaders believe his veto of additional budget cuts this week, helped advance the discussion of tax hikes. The governor's tax proposal is expected to be considered next week along with alternatives.

Legislative leaders have acknowledged that there are no support for pressing ahead with the current budget strategy of erasing an estimated \$160 million deficit in the new budget with spending cuts. That would require closing a prison and releasing hundreds of inmates and returning education support to the levels of the 1999-2000 school year.



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Father, son combine talents to make ancient instruments

BOISE (AP) — The gentle hum and pluck of an ancient instrument fills the air as Joe Baldassarre plays a Medieval tune.

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Together, the two reinvent Renaissance lutes, rare vihuelas and classical basses, creating music from centuries past.

Joe, a classical guitarist and music professor at Boise State University, researches and designs the instruments. Antonio, 86 years old and a retired carpenter, painstakingly builds them.

"This one took four years to build," Antonio Baldassarre said, holding the ornate Baroque guitar under a light. "See the dotted design here, around the circle? That's my name, in Morse code."

Antonio built the first of 28 instruments in 1972, prodded by his son.

"He told me I couldn't make a lute, and I had to show him he was wrong," said Antonio. "I enjoyed it and just continued."

Soon Joe was using historical paintings, woodcuttings and writings to design copies of long-forgotten instruments, and Antonio was fine-tuning the art of musical building.

"It's almost like his knowledge and strengths and abilities are the exact opposite of mine," said Joe.

"I was also the kid who couldn't put together a model airplane. Dad can probably build anything."

Musical ability is highly prized in the Baldassarre family. Antonio grew up in the tiny Italian village of Santa Cosma Damiano and was the flute soloist for one of the nation's most prestigious symphonies in the early 1930s.

In 1949 he married an American woman named Mary and together they moved to Cleveland, where Joe was born.

By the time he was four, Mary and Antonio spent an hour a day teaching Joe to read musical notes and the alphabet. They ended the day with accordion lessons, but he begged to learn guitar.

Antonio and Mary agreed, and by the time Joe was in his early teens, he was playing in taverns until 2 a.m. He also made money by recording studio guitar for popular bands, including "California Sun" by The Rivieras.

Though Antonio hated rock-and-roll, he never stopped Joe from playing.

"He never enjoyed anything as much as music, so we never interfered, just taught him persistence. We wouldn't let him jump from instrument to instrument," Antonio said.

Some rules were hard for Joe to bear. "I wasn't allowed to touch Dad's tools, because they were worried I would injure my hands. At least now I have all my fingers," he said.

When building, Antonio focuses on pulling the perfect sound from thin pieces of wood.

One of Joe's favorites is a newly made pear wood guitar. As he plays Capriccio Arabesque, a Spanish piece from the late 1800s, the fat, rich sounds resonate in the air.

"Before he started, I never knew there was such depth in guitar music," Antonio said. "I try to make the instruments look as beautiful as they will be played."

Despite frequent requests, Antonio will not sell his work. He has invested too much of himself in their creation to give them up to a stranger.

Besides, explained Joe, the cost would be prohibitive. The pear wood guitar was made with \$10 worth of wood and hundreds of hours. The instruments are not hidden away from the public, however. They are loaned to museum exhibits and used during Joe's recitals and concerts.

All the effort of researching, designing and building the instruments is worth the result, both said.

"If there's ever a case for reincarnation, I suppose it would be in my love of medieval instruments and music," Joe said. "In the music you have a framework but you improvise and can pour yourself into it."

"I'm experimenting with notes and rhythm, and Dad experiments with framework and structure. In the end, it's all the same thing — love for an art."

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BOISE (AP) — A transient being held in the Ada County Jail has been arrested in the strangulation death of 43-year-old Cheryl Ann Hanlon, police said Friday.

Boise detectives have Eric Virgil Hall, 32, in custody. Hanlon's body was found on March 1 by a 16-year-old boy walking his dog.

Detectives said Hall was questioned Thursday and he admitted killing Hanlon in Boise's North End. He was arrested on March 8 on an unrelated charge and was in the jail when authorities met with him.

Hall was first identified as a suspect following a tip from a person who reported talking with him about the crime. Police believe Hall met Hanlon early that morning, and the two were together in the downtown area.

Detectives said Hall sexually assaulted Hanlon, strangled her and concealed her body under some brush and debris. He also is believed to have taken her vehicle and left it in another location.

Hall has no known address and is considered a transient. He will appear in court on Monday. Police seek anyone who may have seen Hall and Hanlon together on the night of Feb. 28.

Hall was first identified as a suspect following a tip from a person who reported talking with him about the crime. Police believe Hall met Hanlon early that morning, and the two were together in the downtown area.



Above, Antonio Baldassarre, left, and his son Joe stand in the basement woodworking shop of Antonio's home in Boise Wednesday along with some of the instruments which Antonio has handcrafted and Joe plays. Left, Joe Baldassarre strums a detailed Baroque guitar Wednesday.

Center opens to care for sick kids

BOISE (AP) — A Meridian entrepreneur is opening a day-care facility for sick children.

About a year ago, mechanical engineer Jared Anderson quit his job to pursue plans for Sniffles 'n' Sneezes Care Center, the first of its kind in the Treasure Valley.

Anderson decided start the business after trying to help co-workers find care for sick kids so they would not miss work.

"But the problem was that, unless there are grandparents around, there's really no place that will take care of kids when they're sick," Anderson said.

The center will open for business Monday in downtown Meridian.

At about \$40 a day per child, Sniffles 'n' Sneezes services are about \$15 more expensive than routine day care for infants and toddlers, Anderson said.

The extra expense helps pay for an on-staff nurse, several certified nurse's assistants and specially trained staff that will be needed when the day care reaches its capacity of 30 kids a day.

To prevent spreading diseases, each child will be grouped with or separated from other children based upon the type of sickness or injury.

LeAnn Simmons, director of Care Source, a Treasure Valley day-care referral service for parents, said it is a niche that needs filling.

There are about 21 day-care centers in the Treasure Valley that will take care of sick children who regularly visit the center, Simmons said.

But there are no centers in the area that focus solely on taking care of ill children for the day.

Only 300 sick-child day cares are in business across the country, according to Anderson.

"The lady down at the Health Department said I'd be opening another one in a year," Anderson said.

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One of the governor's staff opened the letter, which apparently came from an inmate in an Oregon prison, said Kent Kunz, a

Anthrax scare hits Statehouse

governor's lobbyist. Test results on the powder came back negative for anthrax, Kemphorne spokesman Mark Kemphorne said.

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It may have been difficult for Smart to fight back

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PHILADELPHIA — A man kidnaps you at knife-point from your bedroom and makes you live with him and his wife for months.

Wouldn't you try to get away? That's the question that many people are asking about the Elizabeth Smart abduction. With the whole country looking for her, why didn't a bright teenager ask for help when she was out in public with Brian Mitchell, the man accused of taking her from her affluent Salt Lake City home?

Far too few facts have been released for anyone to know the answer for sure, but therapists familiar with psychological trauma say it's harder to fight back than many people think.

"None of us knows how we would act, how we would react under stress like that," said Donna Fiedler, a trauma expert who teaches social work at LaSalle University.

The experts said that Mitchell, an excommunicated Mormon who saw himself as a prophet to the homeless, may have brainwashed Smart, as her father has said. Or she may have experienced what psychologists call the "Stockholm syndrome," a reaction in which prisoners begin to identify and sympathize with



Elizabeth Smart

their captors. Patricia Hearst, the heiress who participated in a 1974 bank robbery with her kidnappers, is the best-known example of this. Another possibility is that Smart was simply paralyzed by fear. Mitchell and his wife, Wanda Barzee, likely controlled Smart with a combination of fear and persuasion, experts say. Moira Rynn, a child psychiatrist at the University of Pennsylvania, said Mitchell might also have used drugs. "I could think of a million things that would slow her down, make her think slower," she said.

Rynn frequently sees battered women who stay with their abusers, or children who don't tell their parents of abuse because of fear and guilt.

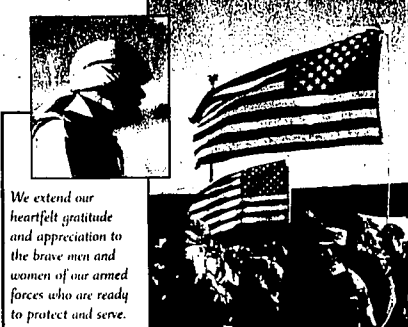
Smart, she said, "was in a crazy situation. Depending on what he did to her, who knows what she thought she had to do to stay alive?" The Stockholm syndrome was named after a 1973 bank robbery in Stockholm, Sweden, in which two men held four people hostage for six days and the captives bonded with their captors. James McGee, a Baltimore psychologist who consults with police departments, said the syndrome at work during a hostage situation in Baltimore in 2000 in which the hostages became angry

with police during negotiations. "The fundamental issue is that when someone has total, complete, absolute control over your life it's relatively easy for you to develop a kind of dependency and even positive feelings toward that person," he said.

It's similar to the feelings that battered wives or abused chil-

dren may have for their attackers. In these situations, he said, "some kind of special psychological glue tends to bond one person to another."

McGee added that, whatever Smart did during her captivity, it worked. "She deserves an enormous amount of credit for keeping herself alive," he said.



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Daniel Trotta sits on the bed he says Elizabeth Smart slept in, Wednesday. Trotta, 24, believes Smart stayed in his basement apartment in Salt Lake City for nearly a week in October.

Man says Smart lived near police station

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Elizabeth Smart stayed in a basement apartment a block from the police station for almost a week in October, making no effort to escape, says the man who rents the studio.

"I figured she could have called the cops if she wanted," Daniel Trotta, 24, told The Associated Press late Wednesday.

Trotta said he had befriended Brian Mitchell, the drifter taken into custody Wednesday after police found him with the missing girl. He invited Mitchell and his wife, Wanda, to stay with him and his brother last October because it was turning cold and the couple had no home.

The Mitchells showed up with a girl they called their daughter. Trotta said he didn't recognize Elizabeth Smart, whose face was by then familiar on kidnap posters, newspapers and television in the veil that always covered her face.

Months later, after viewing the television show "America's Most Wanted," Trotta recognized Mitchell, who went by the name Emmanuel, and realized the girl with him most likely was Elizabeth Smart.

Trotta went to police and said they showed up Tuesday to take photographs and dust his apartment for fingerprints.

Police spokeswoman Peggy Faulkner said she couldn't immediately confirm Trotta's story.

Trotta said he was a cashier at Wild Oats Natural Marketplace where he met Mitchell and was taken by his religious convictions.

Mitchell, his wife and Elizabeth wore white robes, and the women covered their faces with veils, he said.

"He was big into Jesus," Trotta said.

In his tiny apartment where they stayed at night, Smart said little, and when Trotta asked once for her name, Mitchell abruptly interrupted, telling her not to respond.

Turning to Trotta, then, Mitchell said, "just call her my love and joy."

That seemed odd to Trotta, but it wasn't the only thing to raise his suspicion. He later learned through a neighborhood hair stylist that Mitchell's stepdaughter accused him of abuse. The stylist cut the stepdaughter's hair.

Trotta also found it odd that Mitchell's stepchildren, shown on America's Most Wanted, were adults in their 30s while the disguised Elizabeth Smart was still 14 at the time.

It all began to add up for Trotta, who made a call to police Sunday to report his suspicion, though he hadn't seen the Mitchell couple or their "daughter" for months.

"We were shocked that she was here right under our nose," Trotta said.

Trotta said he never saw more than Elizabeth's eyes, eyebrows and blonde hair through her veil, but that she didn't seem in danger and expressed no fear of her captors.

He said she had opportunity to escape the apartment or call police at night.

The girl and Wanda Mitchell slept on a mattress on the floor, while Trotta, his brother and Brian Mitchell slept on the floor in the same room of the tiny studio apartment.

Trotta said he assumed that during the day, when the couple and girl left his apartment, "they were just wandering around town, asking for change."



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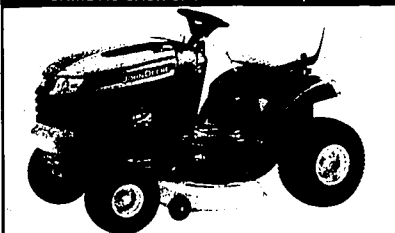
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IN BRIEF

Former Jazz forward visits Minico today

RUPERT — Former Utah Jazz forward Antoine Carr will sign autographs at the Mini-Cassia Home and Garden Show today at Minico High School from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Twin Falls Terror

softball needs players

TWIN FALLS — Softball tryouts for girls aged 14-and-under in eighth or ninth grade will be held on Sunday at the Sawtooth softball fields from 1-4 p.m.

For more information, call Bruce Peterson 733-2113 or 731-6578.

Barrel racing, pole bending clinic arrives

TWIN FALLS — The Winning Ways Barrel Racing and Pole Bending Clinic will be held at the Eldon Evans Expo Center at the College of Southern Idaho on Sunday.

There are still some available openings for the clinic, which will instruct riders on proper riding, training barrel and pole horse techniques. The will also be informational and motivational break-out sessions, with the clinic ending with a jackpot where awards will be presented.

For more information or clinic papers, call Lana Parker at 536-2772.

Ponderosa course offers reduced rates

BURLEY — Ponderosa Golf Course in Burley is offering all-day golf for \$8 on weekdays and weekends through March. Golf carts are an additional \$3 on the weekends.

Correction

College of Southern Idaho baseball player Kris Welker was omitted in Friday's team page.

The Times-News regrets the error.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

2.28, held by the 1991 Golden Eagles.

Bruin cheerleaders prepare to defend title

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Rah-rah-rah Sis-boom-bah! Pom-poms and jumping jacks aside, the days of rooting your team on with silly cheers has given way to a leaner, turbo-injected means to express school spirit.

Chorus line leg raises and group hand claps now involve high-flying stunts, human pyramids, head over heels tumbling and hip-hop dance routines. Anything over the top to get a crowd involved and excited.

And Twin Falls High School's cheerleaders are among the best in the state. Last year's grand champions of the Idaho Cheer Championships return to defend their state title today in Nampa.

Coach, Marcia Jensen, said cheerleading is no longer about beauty queens and socialites.

It is serious sport.

"We have been working real hard on building this program," she said. "We're just out here in the middle of nowhere trying to learn it. We're trying to make cheerleading in Idaho something to be proud to be involved in."

Tara Denney, head varsity cheerleader for Twin Falls, said the team is gaining more respect in the halls of the high school.

"We're becoming a lot more recognized as a valid sport instead of just jumping up and down," Denney said. "There's a lot of people that think it's really cool."

Also wearing Columbia blue, navy and white uniforms today will be Sharon Bokma, Tasha Naylor, Mandy Brumbach, Haley Charlton, Cassie Frew, Amanda Guyer, Randi May, Catrina Mueller, Katie Stundley, Ashley

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The Twin Falls High School cheerleading squad, pictured during Homecoming week. The team of 19 girls will try and defend their state title today at the annual Idaho Cheer Championships at The Idaho Center in Nampa. Twin Falls is one of 74 high school, junior high and all-star teams competing at the event.

Photo courtesy of DENISE GASSER

Davis rides to early lead

CSI cowboy takes slim edge into tonight's action

By Joe Paisley
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It certainly wasn't Kansas.

And no one is ever going to confuse College of Southern Idaho cowboy Jessy Davis with Dorothy of the Wizard of Oz.

But Davis did his best impression Friday night, clicking his heels at one moment during a wild ride that garnered him 71 points in the saddle-bronc competition.

It proved to be one of the memorable moments so far at the CSI Rocky Mountain Regional rodeo this weekend at the Eldon Evans Events Center in Twin Falls.

Showmanship plays a small part in garnering points and it looked like Davis was playing his ride to the hilt. Instead, he was just trying as best he could to stay on Sno Blue.

"He just about bucked me off there," Davis said with a grin afterward. "I had to really hustle to beat him to the jump."

He stayed on, taking a one-point lead over Weber State's Jared McFarland out of the first performance heading into Friday's second slack and Saturday's second performance at 2 p.m.

The top 10 competitors from each event advance to Saturday's 8 p.m. competition.

Eagles cowgirl Mimi Oleson is hopeful her time of 3:04.2 seconds in breakaway roping will punch her ticket to Saturday's finals.

"[I'll give me a shot]," she said. Teammate Jamie Clark (4:05 seconds) also has a good shot at advancing, since the two cowgirls were the only ones to record times in Friday's performance. Oleson recorded the fifth-best time Friday in barrel racing as well, 16.74 seconds.

For the most part, the cattle won out with only four team roping times recorded and only two steer wrestlers recording times.

CSI's Will Tolan pulled down his steer in 10.18 seconds to lead after the first go. Salt Lake Community College cowboy Coby Brown garnered a cheer from the crowd and a time of 25.25 seconds when he continued



Jessy Davis rides Sno Blue for the full eight seconds in the first round of the saddle-bronc competition of the College of Southern Idaho 27th Annual Intercollegiate Rodeo at the CSI Eldon Evans Expo Center on Friday. Davis leads the event going into today's final rounds.

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to run down his steer after it had initially evaded him. He ended up catching up with the steer after it had rounded the arena, pulling it down for the time.

That had been the case with the previous four steers and the one after before Tolan finally got a clean shot.

The steers weren't the only feisty animals Friday night. The calves in the calf roping gave the cowboys plenty of trouble with Dixie's Brandon Atkin leading with a time of 13:30 seconds. CSI's Josi Young and Weber's Beau

He just about bucked me off there. I had to really hustle to beat him to the jump.

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—CSI cowboy Jessy Davis

Smith tied for second with times of 16 seconds flat.

"The calves were a little fresh and gave everyone trouble," Young said.

And that time has Young concerned it may not be good enough to reach Saturday's finals. If the calves in the first round...

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Late triple helps Ducks down UCLA

Tough season may end Lavin's tenure with Bruins

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Luke Jackson hit a 3-pointer with 17 seconds left Friday night in the Pac-10 Conference tournament semifinals, lifting Oregon to a 75-74 victory over UCLA in likely Steve Lavin's final game as coach of the Bruins.

Jackson's basket capped a 13-1 run in the final three minutes by the Ducks (22-9), who advanced to Saturday's final against the winner of the No. 24 California Southern California semifinal later Friday.

Pac-10 player of the year Luke Ridnour led the fifth-seeded Ducks with 16 points — his 31st straight game in double figures. James Davis added 15 points and Jackson had 13 points and 10 rebounds.

Dijon Thompson led the Bruins

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(10-19) with 23 points and senior Ray Young added 21 in the final game of his college career. Jason Kapono, UCLA's offensive star, was held to five points, shooting just 2-of-10.

A victory would have put UCLA one win away from a most unlikely berth in the NCAA tournament. Instead, the Bruins concluded their first losing season in 55 years, which is expected to cost Lavin his job after seven years. He has a 145-78 record and took the Bruins to the final 16 of the NCAA tournament five times.

The loss also ended UCLA's streak of 24 straight appearances in the NCAA tournament.



UCLA coach Steve Lavin protests a foul call against Oregon Friday in Los Angeles.

Broncos suspend QB, two others from spring practice

The Associated Press

BOISE — Three Boise State University football players, including quarterback Ryan Dinwiddie, have been suspended from spring practice for unspecified team rule violations.

Coach Dan Hawkins declined to elaborate on the suspensions. Spring practice begins next Wednesday and wraps up with the intra-squad game on April 19.

Dinwiddie, linebacker Travis Burgher and offensive tackle Jason Turner were part of the 2002 team that won 12-1 and won the Humanitarian Bowl to finish 15th in the final Associated Press poll.

The three seniors can still work out in the athletic department weight room.

Dinwiddie's suspension came after Hawkins told The Idaho Statesman that the quarterback probably would not participate in spring practice because of complications from ankle surgery last year. He had a plate inserted in his leg to stabilize the ankle he broke in the Sept. 7 loss at Arkansas.

Coaches intend to use Dinwiddie's absence to develop a backup quarterback. Junior Mike Sanford and red-shirt freshman Leged Naneer and Jared Zabransky are in line for that spot.

Dinwiddie missed just four games and set a school record for completion percentage at 86.4 percent in his first game back. He led the nation in pass efficiency.

Dinwiddie was suspended for

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SPORTS

Texas Tech upsets No. 3 Longhorns

DALLAS (AP) — Bob Knight gave back his salary because he didn't like how Texas Tech. played in the regular season. The postseason is turning out quite differently.

Nathan Doughty scored a career-high 25 points, mostly on 3-pointers, to help the Red Raiders build a 20-point lead before half-time, then they held on to beat No. 3 Texas 92-81 in the quarterfinals of the Big 12 tournament Friday night.

Andre Emmett had 30 points and 11 rebounds and Kasib Powell had 12 points, 12 rebounds and 10 assists for the fourth triple-double in school history as Knight earned his most impressive victory in two years coaching the Red Raiders.

It's quite a bargain for the school, since Knight has told athletic director Gerald Myers he won't accept his \$250,000 base salary no matter how March turns out.

"Gerald has a hell of a deal," Knight said. "He has to take me out to eat tonight."

Tech hadn't beat a team ranked so high since knocking off No. 2 SMU in January 1985. The Red Raiders also had lost 13 straight against Texas.

Now, they're in the conference semifinals for the second straight year, this time as the lowest seed (seventh) to make it that far in the tournament's seven-year history. They play Oklahoma on Saturday.

Missouri 80, No. 23 Oklahoma St. 58

DALLAS — Travon Bryant didn't have time to do anything else amid all the confusion. He just sat on the ball.

Capping a wild sequence before he got the ball, Bryant got off a short jumper just before time expired to give Missouri a 60-58 win over No. 23 Oklahoma State in the quarterfinals of the Big 12 tournament Friday.

Teamate Jimmy McKinney drove to the basket to attempt a game-winning shot, but the ball got knocked away in traffic. It bounced off the shoulder of Oklahoma State's Tony Allen and through the arms of other Cowboys, straight to Bryant.

No. 6 Oklahoma 74, Colorado 59

DALLAS — Oklahoma didn't give Colorado a chance for another miraculous finish in the Big 12 tournament. The Sooners beat Colorado 74-59 Friday night, leading throughout after the Buffaloes made an opening basket. Two-time defending champion Oklahoma (21-6) has won seven straight Big 12 tournament games.

No. 4 Kansas 89, Iowa State 74

DALLAS — Keith Langford and Aaron Miles made nearly every shot they took, and the rest of the Kansas Jayhawks weren't bad, either.

The two sophomores combined for 35 points Friday in the Jayhawks' 89-74 victory against Iowa State in the quarterfinals of the Big 12 tournament.

Langford scored 19 points and Miles had 16 as No. 4 Kansas (25-6) loaded up on short shots to advance to Saturday's semifinals against the Missouri-Oklahoma State winner.

Mountain West tournament

COLORADO SPRING, Colo. — Matt Nelson scored six of his 28 points in overtime as Colorado State got its second upset victory in the Mountain West Conference tournament, beating Brigham Young 86-80 Friday night in the semifinals.



Texas Tech's Andre Emmett, right, battles against Texas' T.J. Ford during the first half of their Big 12 Men's Basketball Tournament game Friday in Dallas.

Michael Morris hit the go-ahead 3-pointer and Brian Greene scored 20 points for the sixth-seeded Rams (18-13). They complemented Nelson's post play by making almost every important free throw for the second straight day to move within a victory of an improbable NCAA tournament bid.

The Rams, who had a seven-game losing streak late in the regular season, beat Wyoming on Thursday.

They scored 19 points in the extra period against BYU, making 12 of 14 free throws.

When it was over, players and coaches hugged each other in a frantic celebration dance at mid-court.

Colorado State made a 21-1 run while holding BYU scoreless for nearly 10 minutes spanning halftime, but the second-seeded Cougars (23-8) fought back to force overtime despite the Rams' 62-percent shooting in the second half.

Conference USA tournament

No. 20 Louisville 78, No. 16 Memphis 75

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Louisville freshman Tiquan Dean's only field goal Friday night was the biggest one of the game.

The 6-foot-3 guard rattled in a 3-pointer with 11.1 seconds left that gave the Cardinals the lead for good in a 78-75 win over 16th-ranked Memphis in the Conference USA tournament semifinals.

Louisville (23-6) will play Alabama-Birmingham (19-11) in Saturday's championship. The Blazers beat Saint Louis 63-62 in Friday's second semifinal.

ACC tournament

No. 12 Duke 83, Virginia 76

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Daniel Ewing scored a career-high 32 points as No. 12 Duke extended its record ACC tournament winning streak to 13 straight with an 83-76 win over Virginia on Friday night.

The victory by third-seeded Duke (22-6) produced the first all-North Carolina semifinals since 1963 and only the fourth in the 50-year history of the Atlantic Coast Conference postseason.

home in the first two rounds. The 16 arenas for those games were chosen last summer — "predetermined sites," the NCAA calls them — and many of the tournament's top contenders aren't part of that mix.

Two likely No. 1 seeded teams, Duke and LSU, both will travel for the opening round. So will Texas, North Carolina, Mississippi State, Vanderbilt, Rutgers and Villanova.

But top-ranked Connecticut will start the tournament at home,

North Carolina 84, No. 14 Maryland 72

GREENSBORO, N.C. — North Carolina didn't want to think about its last meeting with Maryland, when a 40-point victory by the Terrapins snuffed the Tar Heels with their worst conference loss in history.

In the back of their minds, the sting from that humiliating defeat Feb. 22 never went away.

But the Tar Heels exorcised much of the pain Friday night, bouncing the defending national champions out of the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament with an 84-72 victory in the quarterfinals.

No. 9 Wake Forest 69, Florida State 61

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Josh Howard struggled but still scored 17 points Friday to lead No. 9 Wake Forest to a 69-61 victory over Florida State in the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament.

Wake Forest is the top-seeded team in the tournament after winning its first outright ACC title in 41 years. But it couldn't shake the ninth-seeded Seminoles for almost 30 minutes.

Howard finished 7-of-15 from the floor — 0-for-3 from 3-point range — and went 3-for-6 at the line.

Big Ten tournament

No. 13 Illinois 94, Northwestern 65

CHICAGO — It took Illinois less than five minutes to stomp out any hope Northwestern had of an upset.

Taking advantage of their size, depth, offensive skill and a stingy defense, the 13th-ranked Illini ripped off a 16-2 run four minutes into the game and cruised to a 94-65 victory in the Big Ten tournament Friday night.

Ohio State 58, No. 18 Wisconsin 50

CHICAGO — Two weeks ago, Ohio State was barely above .500, and the NCAA tournament was far from the Buckeyes' minds.

Now they're on a roll, two victories away from an improbable spot in the field.

which the Huskies should find particularly comforting after their 70-game winning streak was broken by Villanova in the finals of the Big East tournament.

Tennessee also will be at home, along with Kansas State, Louisiana Tech, Stanford, Purdue and Texas Tech.

"Wherever they'll send us, we'll go," said LSU coach Sue Gunter, whose team won the Southeastern Conference tournament.

Previously, the sites for first-

Indiana 63, Michigan 56

CHICAGO — Playing with a gimpy but game point guard Daniel Horton, who was ineffective on a sprained ankle, Michigan turned to hungry upperclassmen, junior forward Bernard Robinson Jr. (15 points, 11 rebounds, eight assists) and senior forward LaVell Blanchard (21 points), to take control early.

In the end Indiana got to stay a little bit longer, beating Michigan, 63-56, to move into the Saturday semifinals against Illinois.

SEC tournament

No. 2 Kentucky 81, Vanderbilt 63

NEW ORLEANS — Down by nine points, Kentucky had no reason to be concerned.

The No. 2 Wildcats simply put together one of their patented runs, cruising to a 81-63 victory over Vanderbilt in the quarterfinals of the Southeastern Conference tournament Friday night.

One night after top-ranked Arizona was upset in the first round of the Pac-10 tournament, the next team in line avoided a similar fate with plenty of room to spare.

LSU 65, No. 7 Florida 61

NEW ORLEANS — LSU forward Collis Temple III knew LSU could upset another top 10 team.

Jaime Lloreda scored 21 points and hit a key free throw with 15 seconds remaining as LSU beat No. 7 Florida 65-61 in the second round of the Southeastern Conference tournament.

It was the third top 10 team the Tigers have beaten this year. They also upset No. 1 Arizona 66-65 on Dec. 21, and then No. 7 Mississippi State Jan. 11.

Atlantic-10 tournament

Temple 63, No. 10 Xavier 57

DAYTON, Ohio — Brian Polk scored 22 points and Temple's famed matchup zone throttled David West on Friday night as the Owls beat No. 10 Xavier 63-57 and reached the Atlantic 10 tournament final.

Stung by a 31-point loss at Xavier (25-5) last Saturday, the Owls (15-14) shut down the conference's throuching player of the year and ended Xavier's 16-game winning streak, the longest in school history.

No. 22 Dayton 76, No. 25 St. Joseph's 73

DAYTON, Ohio — The Flyers needed every little bit of their home-court advantage to reach their first Atlantic 10 tournament title game.

D.J. Stelly converted a three-point play with 48 seconds left, and No. 22 Dayton withstood St. Joseph's remarkable second-half comeback to beat the 25th-ranked Hawks 76-73 on Friday night.

Big East tournament

No. 5 Pittsburgh 61, Boston College 48

NEW YORK — Defense has Pittsburgh back in the Big East conference tournament championship game for the third straight year.

Pittsburgh shut down Boston College 61-48 Friday night and extended its winning streak to eight games.

Connecticut 80, No. 11 Syracuse 67

NEW YORK — Connecticut's stars didn't have outstanding performance, but the rest of the team gave the Huskies (21-8) more than enough to reach the Big East tournament championship game for the fifth time in six years.

Freshman Rashad Anderson had 21 points to lead the defending champions to an 80-67 victory over No. 11 Syracuse on Friday night, a game the Huskies had in command the entire second half at Madison Square Garden.

IUPUI's exuberant coach hits big time

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The midcourt bellyflop by IUPUI coach Ron Hunter gave him a scraped knee and national attention.

To fans used to Hunter's sideline antics, the celebration after winning the Mid-Continent Conference tournament was actually rather tame. But that doesn't mean the moment wasn't significant — Hunter had led the Jaguars to their first NCAA tournament berth.

"I'm telling you, there's no other coach on the planet like him," forward Josh Murray said, laughing.

That's for sure. Few coaches show the sort of exuberance — or engage in the sort of shenanigans — that have built Hunter's reputation. He rarely sits during a game, once broke a leg while coaching, and has been known to take a dive at midcourt after the final buzzer.

Hunter just can't help himself. "It's me, it's my personality," he said. "Mike Krzyzewski and Bob Knight have their personalities, and I have mine. I can't sit down."

Instead, Hunter marches up and down the sideline, flailing his arms, shouting at players and officials. In the 2001 Mid-Continent title game, he even playfully grabbed an official around the neck.

And these antics have been part of Hunter's act for quite some time. His high school coach called this week to talk to Hunter and remarked that he hadn't changed a bit. Former Miami of Ohio teammate and ex-NBA player Ron Harper recalled he'd been injured by a Hunter bellyflop after they beat a rival in the 1980s.

And when Hunter's eighth-grade daughter went to school Wednesday, she was greeted by all her friends flopping around like their father.

They chorused that stunt.

Professors use software to predict NCAA field

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Want a jump on who's headed to the NCAA tournament? Two university professors can help.

Using a complicated formula and computer software, they say they can all but predict which men's college basketball teams will be happy on Selection Sunday.

"Every year we look at it and ask if this is the year it's going to screw up," said Jay Coleman, an operations management professor at the University of North Florida. "We keep our fingers crossed."

He and research partner Allen Lynch, who teaches economics at Mercer University in Georgia, developed the formula.

"Dance Card," as they named it, accurately predicted 63 of the 65 teams invited to the national tournament last year (Missouri and Wyoming were overlooked). In 2001, they hit on 64 of 65 (believe it or not, Missouri was the team that fooled 'em).

"Missouri has been a thorn in our side," Coleman said. "We're thinking of adding a rule that Missouri automatically gets in."

If the NCAA announced the field Thursday — instead of Sunday, when all the data will be in after conference tournaments — teams such as Pennsylvania, North Carolina State would just make it in this year, according to "Dance Card." On the other hand, College of Charleston, Oregon and North Carolina would miss out.

Coleman and Lynch looked at past NCAA tournament data to see how they would have done. From 1994-01, Coleman said, the model would have predicted 257 of the 274 available at-large tournament slots — a 93.8 percent success rate.

Not too shabby.

The formula relies mainly on six pieces of data about each team, including the Ratings Percentage Index rank and number of victories against teams ranked 1-25 in the RPI.

How and why did the pair come up with their system?

"Both Allen and I are sports geeks," Coleman said. "We follow sports religiously in our leisure time. But we've also published our findings in an academic journal."

He's not kidding. The "Dance Card" formula



Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis head coach Ron Hunter falls to his knees and celebrates his team's 66-64 win over Valparaiso to win the Men's Mid-Continent Conference Tournament championship Tuesday in Kansas City, Mo.

Hunter insists he doesn't plan ahead with his.

"It's all real," he said. "I don't know what I'm doing until I see it on tape."

If Hunter isn't the most animated coach in America, he's certainly endured the most physical pain.

His bleeding ulcers are under control thanks to medication, and doctors once sent him to the hospital after a game because they thought he had a heart attack.

But nothing compares to January 2001, when Hunter broke his leg by stomping on the floor during a game against Youngstown State.

"He went down," Murray said, laughing uncontrollably. "That was the funniest thing I've seen him do. I'm going to tell my grandkids about it, and I guarantee they'll break down and laugh, too."

The "Dance Card"

The 65 teams that "Dance Card," compiled by university professors Jay Coleman and Allen Lynch, predicts will make the NCAA men's basketball tournament, in order of highest to lowest probability of making it through Thursday, are:

Kentucky	Mississippi State
Arizona	Colorado
Syracuse	Cincinnati
Florida	UNLV
Texas	xUNC
Wake Forest	Wilmington
BYU	Tennessee
Kansas	xManhattan
Pittsburgh	Arizona State
Oklahoma	xWestern
Dayton	Kentucky
Xavier	Saint Louis
Duke	Indiana
Utah	Boston College
Wisconsin	Central
Louisville	Michigan
Stanford	LSU
Nebraska	Seton Hall
Illinois	Alabama
St. Joseph's	xTexas Tech
xCreighton	xPennsylvania
Memphis	Alabama
California	Oregon
Mississippi State	xTroy State
Missouri	Wyoming
Marquette	Providence
Michigan State	xAustin Peay
San Diego	xSan Diego
Southern Illinois	xWagner
Butler	xEast
xWeber State	Tennessee
Connecticut	xIUPUI
Purdue	xUNC Asheville
xWisconsin	

was published in the May-June 2001 issue of Interfaces, a journal of the Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences.

Using software developed by SAS Institute Inc., based in Cary, the formula relies on the same predictive power of analytics used by large corporations to forecast customer behavior for marketing campaigns or to anticipate problems in manufacturing.

"It's used in a number of different ways," said Anne Miller, manager of analytical strategy for SAS. "Here it's used to determine the probability of the teams on the bubble who will make it in the tournament."

By Chuck Scholfer
Associated Press writer

Ah, tournament time. Three weeks filled with excitement and tension-filled games, a time when even a lowly 16th-seeded team can dream of the possibilities.

And for some of the nation's top women's teams, the NCAA tournament will bring a new wrinkle this year.

Eighteen of the highest-seeded teams are assured of playing at

home in the first two rounds. The 16 arenas for those games were chosen last summer — "predetermined sites," the NCAA calls them — and many of the tournament's top contenders aren't part of that mix.

Two likely No. 1 seeded teams, Duke and LSU, both will travel for the opening round. So will Texas, North Carolina, Mississippi State, Vanderbilt, Rutgers and Villanova.

But top-ranked Connecticut will start the tournament at home,

SPORTS

Mallon cards 60 to lead tournament

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Meg Mallon fell just short of Annika Sorenstam's record 59 and settled for a nice consolation prize — a comfortable three-shot lead midway through the first LPGA tournament of the season.

Mallon shot a 10-under par 60 in the second round of the Web.com's Fray's Championship on Friday. She needed a birdie on the 18th hole to tie Sorenstam for the lowest score in tour history, but she left an 18-foot downhill putt about 3.5 feet short.

"It's funny saying you're disappointed to shoot 60," Mallon said.

Sorenstam had her record round two years ago in Phoenix.

Mallon's 36-hole total was 16-under 124, sending first-round leader Laurie Kane, Wendy Doolan and Young Kim into second place at 127. Kane, who shot the fourth 61 in LPGA history on Thursday, had a 66. Doolan shot 62 and Kim 64.

Grace Park was alone at 128, and Laura Davies and A.J. Eathorne were paired at 129.

Julie Inkster, who won in 1999 and was second to Laura Diaz last year, and 1992 winner Brandie Burton were six shots out of the lead. Inkster shot a 62 and Burton a 64.



Meg Mallon coaxes a putt for a birdie on the 18th green during the second round play in the Welch's-Fry's LPGA Championship Friday in Tucson, Ariz.

Ty Tryon were among those who missed the cut.

Morgan avoids wind, leads SBC Classic

SANTA CLARITA, Calif. — Early starter Gil Morgan avoided the afternoon wind that kept scores high and shot a 7-under par 65 to take the first-round lead Friday in the SBC Classic.

"I think the early starters had an advantage," Morgan said. "With the wind picking up in the afternoon, and the forecast for rain, over the weekend, it was important to get off to a fast start."

Morgan had the fastest start of the day. He eagled the first hole and birdied the third at Valencia Country Club.

Morgan birdied the ninth hole Friday to make the turn in 33, then made four birdies on the back nine.

John Schroeder, who almost pulled out of the tournament because he felt sick in the morning, encountered his lost six holes to finish a stroke back.

Tom Purtzer, who finished in a tie with Morgan for third last year, opened with a 67 and is tied for third with James Mason.

The only other players in the field of 81 to break 70 were Sammy Nicksels and Allen Doyle with 69s.

Howell, Remsey share lead at Qatar Masters

DOHA, Qatar — England's David Howell shot a second-round 72 Friday and was tied for the lead at the Qatar Masters.

Howell, one of just three golfers to complete the second round, is tied with France's Jean-Francois Remsey, who was 4 under through 12 holes on his second round. Howell and Remsey are 6 under overall.

A desert sandstorm and blustery winds halted the tournament Thursday, with just 72 of the 150 players teeing off and no one finishing the first round Friday. The second round will be completed Saturday.

Injury-free Begay climbs atop Honda Classic leaderboard

PALE BEACH GARDENS, Fla. — Although it might seem unfamiliar, Nohay Begay III felt right at home atop the leaderboard at the Honda Classic.

Begay shot a 5-under 67 in Friday's second round to take a share of the lead with David Peoples at 14-under 130 when play was suspended because of darkness.

Begay is a highly confident four-time winner on the PGA Tour who also played on Stanford's 1994 national championship team. But after finishing the 2000 season ranked 20th on the money list, he battled back problems for two years, and he didn't lead a tournament heading into the weekend until Friday.

Davis Love III, the only player in the tournament who's among the top 10 in the world rankings, heads a long list of golfers within striking distance of the lead. Love (65), Tom Byrum (64) and Estebe Toledo (67) were 13 under.

Jon Herron, Jerry Kelly, John Huston and Jeff Brubaker were two strokes back. Kelly tied a tournament record with a 10-under 62. He one-putted the first 10 holes and was 10 under with four holes to play — and thinking about trying the PGA Tour record of 59.

Thirty-four players were at least 10 under when play was suspended. Fourteen players were on the course when play was halted. They will finish the second round Saturday morning but are not expected to affect the projected cut of 6 under — which would tie the tour record set at last year's Disney Golf Classic.

John Daly, Colin Montgomerie, Paul Azinger, Chris DiMarco and

Heat, dating back to the 2000-2001 playoffs.

Hornets guard Baron Davis, who returned this week following knee surgery, didn't dress because of what the team described as "rehabilitative purposes."

Rockets 121, Bulls 91

HOUSTON — James Posey scored 12 points in a 16-1 run to open the game and the Houston Rockets were never threatened again in a 121-91 victory over the Chicago Bulls on Friday night.

It is Houston's fourth consecutive victory, matching its longest winning streak of the season. Posey finished with a season-high 26 points, while Steve Francis had 23, Glen Rice and Yao Ming 16 each and Cuttino Mobley 13 as the Rockets snapped a three-game losing streak to the Bulls.

Jamal Crawford led Chicago with 23 points, followed by Jalen Rose with 15 and Eddy Curry with 14.

Spurs 107, Clippers 96

SAN ANTONIO — Tim Duncan had his third career triple-double with 24 points, 15 rebounds and 10 assists to lead the San Antonio Spurs past the Los Angeles Clippers 107-96 Friday night.

Bruce Bowen scored 14, Speedy Claxton added 13 and Kevin Willis and Stephen Jackson had 12 each as the Spurs won their fifth in a row.

Lamar Odom led all scorers with 23 points, including 14 in the first quarter.

Chicago and Detroit.

Kevin Garnett had 23 points and 17 rebounds and Troy Hudson scored 21 points for the Timberwolves, who lost their second straight at home after a 17-game winning streak. They also missed a chance to take the season series from the Lakers for the first time ever in front of their first sellout crowd of the season.

Pistons 90, Wizards 80

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Chauncey Billups scored 25 points and Ben Wallace had a season-high 17 points with 24 rebounds, pushing Michael Jordan further away from his hope of ending his career in the playoffs.

Jordan scored 15 for Washington, which has lost five of seven and is one game behind Milwaukee for the final playoff spot. The Wizards, 9-21 away from home, play 11 of their final 17 games on the road.

Jerry Stackhouse scored 24 for the Wizards, and Bryon Russell added 10.

Hornets 87, Heat 83

MIAMI — Jamal Mashburn scored 21 points and P.J. Brown added 20 as the New Orleans Hornets rallied in the second half, completing a four-game sweep of the season series.

Mashburn and Brown combined for 16 points in the fourth quarter against their former team to help the Hornets pull away.

New Orleans won for the 10th time in 12 games. The Hornets have won 10 straight against the

winning streak.

Aaron McKie had 13 points, Eric Snow scored 12 and Derrick Coleman grabbed 10 rebounds for the 76ers. Damon Stoudamire had 16 points, Rasheed Wallace scored 15 and Dale Davis had 12 points and 12 rebounds for the Trail Blazers, who turned the ball over a season-high 25 times.

Hawks 107, Knicks 104

ATLANTA — Glenn Robinson had a three-point play with three seconds left, capping a frantic final minute.

With a final chance to tie, the Knicks went to Latrell Sprewell, who was immediately fouled by Robinson with 1.8 seconds left. But Sprewell missed the first free throw, then intentionally clanged the second off the rim.

Atlanta's Shareef Abdur-Rahim grabbed the rebound, and the Hawks had their third straight victory. They won five of six overall.

Abdur-Rahim finished with 33 points and Jason Terry added 20 for Atlanta. Robinson scored 19 points.

Lakers 106, T'wolves 99

MINNEAPOLIS — Derek Fisher scored 21 points, including a clutch jump shot with 26.6 seconds left.

Kobe Bryant (30 points) and Shaquille O'Neal (25 points, 15 rebounds) did their usual thing, but Fisher helped extend the Minnesota defense and gave the Lakers hope of salvaging a season-long six-game road trip that started with ugly losses at

Chicago and Detroit.

Tampa Bay tops Sabres to move into first

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Dave Andreychuk scored his 611th career goal and moved past Bobby Hull for 11th place on the NHL's all-time list in the Tampa Bay Lightning's 4-2 victory over the Buffalo Sabres on Friday night.

Vaclav Prospal had two goals and an assist, and Brad Richards had a goal and an assist for Tampa Bay, which last won in Buffalo on March 11, 1999 — a span in which the Lightning were 0-6-1. Tampa Bay is 10-2-2 in its last 14 overall.

The win, which came with Washington's 3-1 loss to Los Angeles, put Tampa Bay in first place in the Southeast Division.

Kings 3, Capitals 1. WASHINGTON — Alexander Frolov scored twice as the Los Angeles Kings knocked the Washington Capitals out of first place in the Southeast Division.

The loss ended Washington's streak of eight games with at least one point.

Sean Avery, acquired before Tuesday's trade deadline, also scored for Los Angeles.

Sergei Berezin, also a trade deadline acquisition, scored for Washington.

The Capitals played without Jaromir Jagr, Kip Miller and



Tampa Bay left winger Dave Andreychuk (25) watches his shot deflect in the air toward Buffalo goalie Mike Noronen as Sabres defenseman Rory Fitzpatrick skates into the play during the third period at the HSBC Arena Friday in Buffalo, N.Y. Andreychuk scored on the play as Tampa Bay defeated Buffalo 4-2.

Brendan Witt. Jagr missed his second game with a broken bone in his wrist.

Wild 3, Predators 1. ST. PAUL, Minn. — Dwayne Roloson made 22 saves for his career-high 19th victory in Minnesota's win over Nashville. Roloson, who was signed to a

three-year extension Tuesday worth an estimated \$2 million per season, had his shutout bid ended by Scott Walker midway through the third period.

Pierre-Marc Bouchard and Jim Dowd scored second-period goals for the Wild, who won their third straight game. Cliff Ronning added an empty-netter.

Lee breaks NCAA record in 200 meters

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — Muna Lee of LSU broke Merlene Ottey's collegiate record in the women's 200-meter preliminaries in 22.49 seconds at the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships on Friday.

Ninety minutes later, she defended her 200 title by winning the finals in 22.61 seconds. Her times were the fastest and third-fastest in the world this year.

Both were faster than the collegiate record of 22.79 set by Ottey for Nebraska in 1982.

"I just went out there and did it," Lee said. "I've been practicing very hard, and I can feel fast in practice on Monday so I knew I could do it."

The junior from Kansas City, Mo., began her day by leading the qualifiers in the 60-meter dash at 7.15 seconds, two-hundredths of a second off the meet record set by Angela Williams of USC last year.

Texas freshman sensation Sanya Richards, the second-fastest qualifier in the 400 earlier in the evening, was second in the 200 finals at 22.90.

South African Allister Craig of Arkansas defended his 5,000-meter title in a stirring duel with Kenyan Boaz Cheboyo of Eastern Michigan. Cheered on by the crowd at the University of Arkansas' Randal Tyson Track



Louisiana State's Muna Lee heads down the stretch during the 200 meters at the NCAA Division I Indoor Track and Field Championships in Fayetteville, Ark., Friday.

Center, Craig took the lead with three laps to go, then held on as the two matched stride for stride the rest of the way.

"The race had an unusual end," Craig said. "The crowd disappeared and I could feel my heart beat. On the last lap, I

NCAA Indoor Championships

knew I could do it. I didn't do all of that work for nothing."

Craig won in 13 minutes, 28.93 seconds. Cheboyo, the 2001 NCAA cross country champion and last year's NCAA 10,000-meter outdoor champion, finished in 13:29.26.

Lee's run was one of many impressive marks on the fast track at Randal Tyson Track Center.

Another LSU runner, freshman Kelly Willie, ran the second-fastest time in the world this year in the preliminaries of the men's 400 meters in 45.73 seconds.

Lolo Jones gave the favored LSU women 10 points with a photo-finish victory in the 60-meter hurdles. She won in 8.00 seconds, one-hundredth of a second faster than Danielle Carruthers of Indiana.

LSU led the women's team race with 23 points, followed by Stanford and Indiana with 22. North Carolina was fourth with 20, and South Carolina fifth with 17.

Heavily favored Arkansas topped the men's team standings with 19 points. Nebraska was second with 16.

SPORTS

A-rod sits out with back problem



The Cardinals' Albert Pujols rips a double against the Baltimore Orioles Friday in Jupiter, Fla.

Bonds, Pujols continue torrid spring hitting pace

The Associated Press

Alex Rodriguez should be ready for Texas' opening day despite a minor injury to his neck. The only way Vladimir Guerrero can play the opener for Montreal is if he appeals his suspension.

Guerrero was suspended for three games Friday and Florida pitcher Brad Penny was suspended for five games for their roles in a bench-clearing brawl this week.

Montreal infielder Jose Macias was suspended for three games. All three players were also fined by baseball disciplinarian Bob Watson.

The suspensions for Guerrero and Penny are scheduled to start on opening day unless the players appeal them. Macias' suspension is scheduled to start April 4.

Watson figures to be busy in the next few days. He's still deciding a punishment for New York Mets catcher Mike Piazza and Los Angeles reliever Guillermo Mota after their brawl Wednesday.

This is the second straight year players have been suspended for regular season games because of a fight in spring training.

Last year, Anaheim's Scott Spiezo and Troy Glaus, and San Diego's Bobby Jones and Ryan Klesko were suspended after a fight between the Angels and Padres.

Rodriguez will miss at least a few days with a small herniated disc in his neck but the Rangers are confident their \$252 million shortstop will be healthy by opening day.

"From everything we've been told about the injury, we sit here today very confident that Alex will be back any day," general manager John Hart said Friday. "There's no reason to think he won't."

Rodriguez complained of stiffness and

fatigue in his left shoulder after playing Tuesday and Wednesday. He went back to Dallas Thursday for additional tests, which revealed a small herniated disc in one of the vertebrae in his neck and an irritated nerve.

Rodriguez received a cortisone injection Friday to relieve the swelling and is expected back in Rangers' camp Sunday or Monday.

In exhibition games:

Diamondbacks 5, Giants 4
At Scottsdale, Ariz., Barry Bonds hit his sixth home run of the spring, a two-run shot for San Francisco. Chad Moeller and Alex Cintron homered for Arizona, which has never lost in 14 spring training games against the Giants.

Yankees (ss) 3, Devil Rays (ss) 0
At Tampa, Fla., Jose Contreras pitched two-hit ball for five innings in his best game for the Yankees. The Cuban defector entered the game with a 16.88 ERA in three previous outings.

Yankees (ss) 8, Braves 1
At Kissimmee, Fla., Jeff Weaver pitched five scoreless innings in his latest stellar spring appearance for the Yankees. Atlanta right-hander Paul Byrd missed a second straight start because of a pulled groin muscle.

Cardinals 7, Orioles 5
At Jupiter, Fla., Albert Pujols extended his spring hitting streak to 14 games and drove in two more runs. The St. Louis star is batting .442 in exhibition play with 21 RBIs in the Cardinals' 17 games.

Indians 9, Dodgers 4
At Winter Haven, Fla., Kevin Brown

pitched four scoreless innings. The Dodgers' ace has allowed one earned run over 10 innings this spring after being limited to 10 starts last season because of elbow and back injuries.

Pirates 10, Phillies 7
At Clearwater, Fla., Craig Wilson drove in three runs for Pittsburgh while Vicente Padilla again struggled for Philadelphia. Earlier in the day, free agent outfielder Kenny Lofton and the Pirates agreed on a one-year contract.

Marlins 9, Mets 5
At Port St. Lucie, Fla., Luis Castillo and Robert Stratton homered as Florida roughed up Al Leiter. The left-hander was tagged for eight runs and nine hits in the first two innings.

Tigers (ss) 10, Reds 5 (ss)
At Sarasota, Fla., Dmitri Young homered and hit an RBI single against his former team to lead Detroit. Reds starter Jose Acevedo struck out six in the first two innings.

Twins 3, Devil Rays (ss) 2
At St. Petersburg, Fla., Nick Bierbrodt had another impressive outing in his bid to overcome control problems and a shooting panel of announcers that summer, working four scoreless innings for Tampa Bay.

Red Sox 8, Reds (ss) 5
At Fort Myers, Fla., Kevin Millar, Doug Mirabeli and Trot Nixon homered for Boston. Brandon Larson and Kelly Stinetin connected for Cincinnati.

White Sox 10, Cubs (ss) 3
At Tucson, Ariz., Esteban Loaiza

pitched five strong innings for the White Sox, allowing one run and three hits while striking out six. Joe Borcherdt hit his third spring homer for the White Sox.

Astros 2, Blue Jays 2, 10 Innings
At Kissimmee, Fla., Pete Walker pitched four effective innings and also singled and scored a run for Toronto.

Cubs (ss) 3, Athletics (ss) 0
At Mesa, Ariz., Carlos Zambrano pitched five scoreless innings for the Cubs. Alex Gonzalez hit a two-run homer and Moises Alou had a pair of doubles for Chicago.

Rockies 8, Athletics (ss) 1
At Tucson, Ariz., Brent Butler hit a two-run homer off Oakland's Tim Hudson. Colorado left-hander Denny Neagle, pitching in a minor league game, left in the fourth inning with tightness in his elbow after allowing four earned runs and seven hits.

Royals 12, Padres 3
At Peoria, Ariz., Brandon Berger homered and doubled twice, driving in three runs and scoring three times to lead Kansas City.

Angels 9, Rangers 9, 10 Innings
At Surprise, Ariz., Todd Greene and Ryan Christenson hit three-run homers for Texas. Gerald Laird's single in the bottom of the 10th scored Christenson, and the game was called because the Angels ran out of pitchers.

Mariners 10, Brewers 4
At Phoenix, Carlos Guillen and Pat Borders hit two-run homers in the fourth inning for Seattle.

Minority group honors Mitchell

WASHINGTON (AP) - Bobby Mitchell thinks his decades in the Redskins' front office amounted to no more than an "internship" and showed how hard it is for black executives to advance in the NFL.

Fighting back tears, Mitchell received the first Paul "Tank" Younger award Friday from the Fritz Pollard Alliance, a new group of coaches and executives promoting minority hiring in the league.

"I spent over 40 years with the Washington Redskins, and the best I could do was an internship," said Mitchell, the team's first black player in 1962. After retiring as a player, he worked in Washington's front office until retiring Jan. 31 as an assistant general manager.

"This alliance won't let that happen again," he said.

The award was the first official event for the alliance, which has representatives from all 32 NFL teams.

Next week, the group will be joined by the Rev. Jesse Jackson and attorney Johnnie Cochran Jr. for a news conference in Detroit, where it will call for the league to punish the Lions for not following guidelines on interviewing minority candidates when Steve Mariucci was hired as coach in January.

"The last thing we want to see with this is that nothing happens that it fades away," said Hall of Fame tight end Kellen Winslow, the new group's executive director.

Mitchell spoke at length about his animosity toward the Redskins.

He said the final indignity came last season, when the team broke its own unwritten rule and allowed Mitchell's No. 49 to be worn for the first time since Mitchell stopped playing in 1968.

On the day he left the team for good, Mitchell criticized owner Dan Snyder for giving out the number. Snyder and coach Steve Spurrier later said they had erred and that No. 49 would not be worn again.

That's not enough for Mitchell. He said Friday he won't go if the Redskins decide to honor him at their season opener, as has been tentatively planned.

Redskins spokesman Karl Swanson said the team is considering retiring that number and others. The team has retired only one number - Sammy Baugh's No. 33 - but Mitchell's was among several that had been withheld from circulation.

Swanson said if Mitchell didn't attend the ceremony, "that would be a shame for all of us - the organization, the fans."

"A mistake was made and apologized for," Swanson said.



Bobby Mitchell

Uecker will enter broadcast wing of Hall of Fame

The Associated Press

Bob Uecker will be just a bit inside - the Hall of Fame, that is.

The popular Milwaukee Brewers' announcer, who parlayed humor about his career as a backup catcher into celebrity that extended way beyond baseball, was chosen Thursday for induction into the broadcasters' wing of the Hall of Fame.

"When I got the call this morning the first thing I thought was, 'Am I going to be in the regular ceremony or are they going to do something in December?'" Uecker said.

Uecker will be at the main event to get the Ford C. Frick Award. He'll join former players Eddie Murray and Gary Carter and Dayton Daily News writer Hal McCoy for the festivities in Cooperstown, N.Y., on July 27.

The 68-year-old Uecker will get a prime seat, too, right up there on the podium with the likes of Willie Mays, Hank Aaron and Sam Mitchell.

"Some of those guys were in games I played in - or sat in," Uecker kidded on a conference call. "This has got to be a first, letting a guy like me sit there."

Who had for someone who hit

200 with 14 home runs and 74 RBIs in six seasons, and was on the 1964 St. Louis team that won the World Series. But it was his humor that zoomed him to national prominence, and he turned his jokes into starring roles on television and the movies.

His line - "Must be in the front row!" - in a beer commercial where he gets shunted from the box seats to the bleachers became a catchphrase throughout the country.

At Miller Park where the team sells "Uecker Seats" - high in the upper deck and obstructed, they go for \$1.

His wry description on a wayward pitch - "Jujuust a bit outside!" - in the movie "Major League" is still often repeated by announcers and fans at ballparks all over.

Uecker joined the Brewers' broadcast team in 1971, back when current commissioner Bud Selig owned the team. They had been friends for a long time and Selig wanted him to work for the Brewers, but didn't have an immediate opening for an announcer.

"So I hired him as a scout," Selig recalled Thursday. "We

sent him up to the Northern League and the next thing I know (general manager) Frank Lane came raging into my office, asking what kind of scout I'd hired. I wasn't sure what he meant, and then he threw down Bob's scouting report. It was covered with mashed potatoes and gravy."

Despite his reputation as funnyman, enhanced by a top role in the television show "Mr. Belvedere" and about 100 appearances on Johnny Carson's "Tonight Show," Uecker is much different on the radio.

His broadcasts rarely include the standup humor that has made him a favorite on the banquet circuit, and he's known for being self-effacing.

"When I sit down to work, I'm doing a straight broadcast. Fans don't want to hear some guy telling and getting in the way of a game," he said.

Uecker made it to the majors in 1962 with the Milwaukee Braves and batted .250 in 64 at-bats. It turned out he would never hit higher than that in any season.

"He may not have had a Hall of Fame career on the field, but he certainly has had one in the booth," said Robin Yount, a Hall member who only played for the Brewers.

Uecker later played for St. Louis, Philadelphia and Atlanta. The Frick Award, named for the former broadcaster who became commissioner, was picked by a seven-member panel of announcers that included Bob Costas, Joe Garagiola, Curt Gowdy, Ernie Harwell, Joe Morgan, Vin

Scully and Curt Smith. Uecker joined Garagiola as the only former players to make the Hall as announcers.

Uecker was inducted into the National Radio Hall of Fame in 2001 and did network broadcasts of the World Series, league championship series and All-Star game in the 1970s and 1980s.

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Notes on the economy

Magic Valley report

County-by-county sales

Here are county-by-county sales results for all industries for Feb. 1 through Feb. 28. Total sales include both taxable and nontaxable. Also shown is the percent change from February 2002 sales.

Blaire			
Total	\$46,483,487	down 17%	
Taxable	\$27,570,935	down 21%	
Camas			
Total	\$693,333	down 31%	
Taxable	\$416,822	down 39%	
Capela			
Total	\$21,781,810	down 37%	
Taxable	\$5,940,360	down 50%	
Gooding			
Total	\$6,663,455	down 26%	
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Total	\$49,569,163	up 21%	
Taxable	\$11,754,936	up 1%	
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Total	\$1,539,532	down 4%	
Taxable	\$1,129,796	down 3%	
Minidoka			
Total	\$29,482,851	down 25%	
Taxable	\$3,171,103	down 47%	
Twin Falls			
Total	\$113,158,962	down 44%	
Taxable	\$30,027,442	down 41%	
VALLEYWIDE			
Total	\$269,372 million	down 30%	
Taxable	\$82,232 million	down 33%	

These exclude sales by some businesses that have locations more than one county, if those companies each file just one sales tax return, they aren't included in county-by-county numbers. Also excluded from county totals are sales by businesses headquartered outside of Idaho. The Idaho State Tax Commission's gradual shift to a new computer system periodically interrupted processing of sales tax returns between mid-2001 and January 2002. The old and new systems process sales differently. So February 2003 data is the first in which local economy watchers could depend on seeing apples-to-apples comparisons from one year to the next.

Source: Idaho State Tax Commission

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Glacier Bancorp announces dividend

HAILEY — Kallispell, Mont.-based Glacier Bancorp Inc., whose subsidiary Mountain West Bank has branches in Ketchum and Hailey — on Friday declared a quarterly dividend of 18 cents per share.

The dividend is payable April 17 to owners of record on April 8.

Glacier Bancorp conducts business under six different bank names in Montana, and as Mountain West Bank in Idaho and Utah.

ConAgra issues warning about 2003 earnings

OMAHA, Neb. — ConAgra Foods Inc., the nation's second-largest food company, warned that its earnings for fiscal 2003 may be lower than earlier projected.

The company said it now expects earnings of \$1.57 to \$1.60 a share for the year ending May 25, rather than the \$1.60 a share projected at the beginning of the fiscal year as it sold its fresh beef and pork business.

Full-year results will include about 3 cents a share in expenses related to the September sale of the red meat business, ConAgra said.

Analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call had a consensus for earnings of \$1.63 per share for the year.

In Magic Valley, ConAgra has the Lamb Weston Inc. potato-processing plant in Twin Falls and various other business operations around the valley.

Compiled from staff, wire reports

Good ideas can spur economic development

By Sandra Wisecaver
Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN — A key to growth and economic development in a community is someone who is willing to work to turn a good idea into reality.

Hagerman has an IDEA, a Improvement Development Education and Appreciation Inc. committee whose members decided good suggestions should become a reality. This project and numerous other rural community development projects were highlighted at a Regional Rural Development Partners Forum in Hagerman this week.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne in January signed an executive order reorganizing the Idaho Rural Partnership, and Idaho's U.S.

senators secured federal funding to promote economic development in rural Idaho. Under Kempthorne's Rural Economic Development Initiative in 2001, the state invested more than \$3.9 million in projects across Idaho to attract and retain businesses and employees. The state also hired 12 economic development specialists who live and work in rural communities to assist cities and counties in their economic diversification and expansion.

In Hagerman, IDEA, which also serves as the Hagerman Gem Community committee, decided the first project should be to provide downtown public parking, to encourage travelers to stop in Hagerman to patronize downtown businesses.

IDEA goals are to improve the quality of

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life in Hagerman, develop area resources, educate workers as well as children, promote appreciation of the region's unique beauty and promote investment in the community.

"It was formed by a residents who were disappointed that good ideas for the community seldom materialized," said Jim Scott, a rural economic development specialist for 12 Magic Valley communities. "What was needed was a group of people who financially and physically committed

to a project and motivated to make things happen."

The committee helped businessman Gary Chappel develop a plan to build a new grocery store in downtown Hagerman, to include a public parking lot. Chappel purchased land upon which he is building his 12,600-square-foot store, and three additional lots which he donated to the city. The value of the three donated lots, \$129,000, served a match value for grants through the Idaho Department of Commerce.

On behalf of the city of Hagerman, applied for and was awarded a \$50,000 Gem Community Implementation Grant and a \$220,000 Rural Community

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Due and payable



Mike Goedhart said construction of this \$700,000 milking barn at Good Hart Dairy four years ago sapped the Wendell dairy's equity just before milk prices tumbled.

DAVID BURGESS
The Times-News

Credit tightens for Magic Valley dairymen

By David Burgess
Times-News writer

WENDELL — Casualties in local dairying are mounting.

Five Magic Valley dairies are in Chapter 11 reorganization now, and a couple others have converted from Chapter 11 to Chapter 7 liquidation over the past couple of months, said Don Hobson, accountant with the U.S. trustee's office in Boise. Others are in Chapter 12 bankruptcy.

Some of the dairymen involved are pointing to international trade, and others are more specifically upset with their lenders, says a report in today's edition of Ag Weekly.

Harold Plantinga, partner in PAX Dairy Farm in Buhl, said he and his father have enlisted an attorney and are considering filing a lawsuit against a bank. PAX recently filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection after what Plantinga says were unfilled promises from the bank.

Good Hart Dairy south of Wendell is one that filed for Chapter 11 in 2002 after receiving notice from its lender that

loans were due and payable.

"We knew we were in tough shape, but the letter was a surprise," said Hank Goedhart, who owns Good Hart Dairy with his brother, Mike Goedhart. "We thought we still had options."

The Goedhart brothers declined to name the lender, mainly due to the cooperation of the lender in the dairy's reorganization.

While there were several factors leading to the bankruptcy, the biggest was the price of milk, Hank Goedhart said.

"Never in almost 30 years in the business has milk been down for so long," he said.

Mike Goedhart said a large part of the problem in the price is international trade agreements.

"NAFTA in my opinion is going to be the ruination of ag," he said.

Equity equation

Bill Likely, senior credit officer with Farm Credit Services in Twin Falls and a Jerome cattle producer, said that company is maintaining its credit guidelines.

"Our philosophy on any com-

munity is to set guidelines that work in down times and in up times," Likely said. "We were a little on the conservative side over recent years, so we are pretty confident with the customers we have now."

However, the lender does evaluate where customers' break-even point is.

"There is a bottom to every bucket of equity," he said. "This time around we are seeing that the marketing decisions our customers make will have as much of an effect as anything on their bottom line."

The president of Farmers National Bank based in Buhl said the condition of its dairy clients in the Magic Valley is "all over the board."

"The dairy industry as it sits today is struggling," said President Ron Brown. "Some are struggling to pay fixed costs, and we have a lot of clients that are not in severe conditions."

Some have substantial equity on which to draw, he said.

"There are still a lot of unsecured borrowers in dairies," he added.

Low milk prices have not

"The dairy industry as it sits today is struggling. Some are struggling to pay fixed costs, and we have a lot of clients that are not in severe conditions."

— Ron Brown, president of Farmers National Bank

scared the bank away from lending to dairies.

"We are not changing our policy at all relative to the low prices," Brown said. "We are just saying that if that borrower still has strong equities and the loan is secure, we are going to continue to go with them."

Brown said the bank has not cut any dairymen loose and has

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Spud group advises restraint in planting

By Lorraine Caveren
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Potato Growers of Idaho is cautioning Gem States growers to have restraint in planting this year.

Widespread concern that the 2003-04 potato market cannot bear an increase in planting, Blackfoot-based PGI distributed a statement this week cautioning growers to be certain they have a market for any spuds they plant this year, says a report in today's edition of Ag Weekly.

"All the indicators point toward a lot lower demand for potatoes this year," said PGI Executive Director Keith Espin. "We don't want to paint a doom-and-gloom picture, but we need to realize that we have it within our power to determine what kind of prices we'll be getting for our investment."

Earlier this year at a Southern Idaho Potato Cooperative meeting, growers were also reminded of J.R. Simplot Co.'s and other processors' decreased needs for

potatoes. Simplot's statements that the company will cut contracted potatoes in Washington and Idaho by 25 percent this year.

In fact, Simplot is cutting about twice what would be accounted for in just the Hyburn plant closure," Espin said. "Simplot is not just cutting contracted acreage, but also cutting production due to its Canadian expansion."

"Times have changed," said Paul Berends, who is the SIPC negotiating chairman to Simplot. "They do not need the potatoes they have in the past," he said. "They expect us to over plant."

Espin also cited the reality that demand for frozen process potatoes is down between 1 and 2 percent.

"If those two factors are not all the proof we need that growers must be prudent in making their planting decisions this year, there is more," he said, citing concerns about further plant closures. "We can't rule out the possibility that more cutbacks may be on the way this year."

H.J. Heinz Co. has also announced reductions in contracted acres.

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From Apache to Zulu: Translation service can help

The Associated Press

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. — Whether it's a carload of foreign tourists lost on the way to Disneyland, a kidnapping or a group of Kurdish refugees seeking political asylum, the translators at Network Omni have heard it all.

From their cubicles in a low-rise shopping center in Thousand Oaks, they operate a sort of mini-United Nations that at times sounds a bit like the Tower of Babel. More than 150 languages are spoken here, from Chinese and Spanish to Hmong and Navajo.

The phone rings 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Recently a call came in from a frantic Haitian woman in Florida who had just had a car accident. She couldn't speak English to the

responding officer so he called Omni. In seconds, a Creole translator was on the line. The woman's voice calmed immediately as the translator smoothly explained to each party what the other was saying.

Then there was a call from an insurance company trying to communicate with an Apache client. Omni put an Apache translator in the appropriate dialect on the line.

"We go from the mundane to the catastrophic," said George Ulmer, the multilingual founder and chief executive of the company. "These translators never know what will hit them."

Ulmer started Network Omni in 1983, operating from his kitchen table in Los Angeles. The business is now believed to be the second-largest telephone translation service in the world



George Ulmer, left, and Stephen Woodworth, of Network Omni, are shown at their offices in Thousand Oaks, Calif., Feb. 10.

AP photo

after Language Line, an AT&T spinoff.

"They are our largest competitor," said Evan Ollinger, spokesman for Language Line, a Monterey-based company that fields 9 million calls a year.

"They are a good company that has been around a long time."

Omni has 4,800 clients and takes 1 million calls a year. It has contracts with major credit card and worldwide travel companies as well as health-care and law

enforcement agencies such as the California Highway Patrol. The company has worked on investigations with the CIA, FBI and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

After the Sept. 11 attacks, it made its Arabic interpreting and translating services available to the U.S. government.

But even Omni sometimes stumbles across a language it can't decipher. Then it sends out for someone who can.

It was once asked to translate documents as part of a federal investigation into a major Nigerian drug ring. But it didn't have anyone who could understand the specific dialect — Igbo — used in the papers.

"We flew in a tribal chief from Nigeria who could translate the documents," Ulmer said.

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NATION/WORLD

War threatens ancient sites

Iraq was once Mesopotamia — the cradle of civilization

The Associated Press

Archaeologists are anxiously urging the Pentagon to help soldiers sidestep 4,000 important monuments and dig sites in sweeping across Iraq.

Experts fear the satellite-guided missiles and armored cavalry of the world's most modern army could pulverize the remnants of the cradle of civilization — the Mesopotamia we all learned about in grade school.

"Wiping out a cultural heritage is a kind of cultural genocide," said University of Chicago archaeologist McGuire Gibson, who has devoted 40 years to studying ancient Iraq.

"Iraq is not just a desert, but is a place where the first civilizations arose — the first cities, first writing, first monumental architecture, first monumental art, and first complex society."

In January, Gibson and a group of archaeologists and antiquities curators met with Pentagon and State Department officials to document important sites. Before that, the Pentagon's list was just 150 locations.

Spokesmen for the Pentagon strategists and the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle, Pa., have not responded to interview requests.

Gibson said all cities in Iraq have important mosques, schools and other Islamic buildings, usually in the heart of the old towns. Damage to any of them would be resented, he said, "and damage to specific pilgrimage centers would reverberate throughout the Islamic world."

He and others are also concerned about looting later. State Department officials pledged to include antiquities protection in their planning for postwar Iraq.

Baghdad sits on the Tigris River, and more than 6,500 years ago cities and farms thrived in the fertile crescent between it and the Euphrates.

Landmarks include the 9th Century Great Shrine of Al Mutawakkil outside Baghdad. Islamic mosques and tombs are more recent, but still date 1,000 years or more.

To the south are the royal tombs and ziggurat, or tower, at Ur, dated to the third millennium B.C. near the southern Iraqi city of Basra.

In central Iraq, 56 miles south of Baghdad, Babylon's restored hanging gardens and tower of Babel could be damaged, although Babylon's most important treasures today rest in Western museums.

Saddam Hussein has a presidential palace at Babylon, as well as controversial reconstruction that experts have dismissed as a theme park. U.N. weapons inspectors believe he might be using Babylon to hide banned weapons.

To the north near Mosul, Nineveh was the seat of Assyrian kings for 2,500 years until the 7th century B.C. when it launched an unsuccessful siege of Jerusalem. It is listed among the 100 most endangered sites by World Monuments Watch.

Over thousands of years, empires rose and fell in the area: Sumeria, Babylonia and Assyria. By the time Alexander the Great swept through to conquer what

Saving Iraq's treasures

A war in Iraq could put ancient monuments at risk of being destroyed by American bombs. Archaeologists have met with Pentagon and State Department officials to help identify important sites in an effort to spare them.



Nineveh
Cradle of Assyrian kings for 2,500 years until the 7th century B.C. when its leaders led an unsuccessful siege of Jerusalem. Its defeat proved to be the end for the oldest and most populous city of the Assyrian Empire. It is among the world's 100 most endangered archaeological sites, according to the World Monuments Watch.

The Fertile Crescent
Area of land that spawned the earliest culture known to man. It stretches between desert and mountains, from the Persian Gulf to the Nile valley.



Hanging gardens
One of the Seven Wonders of the World, this site is located on the east bank of the Euphrates River, south of Baghdad. No one knows what these ancient gardens really looked like. The modern reconstruction has been criticized as inaccurate and touristy.



SOURCES: John C. Sanders & Oriental Institute, University of Chicago; Encyclopaedia Britannica; University of Harfa

had become Persia in 333 B.C., the first form of writing — cuneiform, with its wedge-shaped characters on clay tablets — already was 2,500 years old.

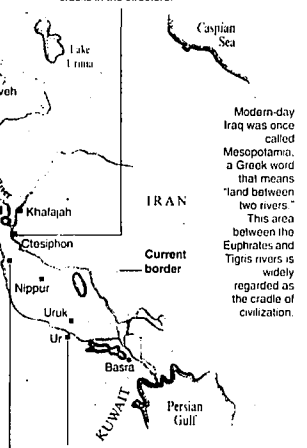
It wouldn't take a direct hit to crumble some ruins. During the Gulf War, shock waves from Baghdad bombing triggered cracks at Ctesiphon, the world's widest single-span arch of unreinforced brickwork.

The 1954 Hague Convention on the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict prohibits the targeting of monuments. The United States signed the treaty but never ratified it.

Military strategists wonder if



Ctesiphon
Ruined ancient city in what is now suburban Baghdad. It was once a center of Christianity until 637, when it was taken by Arabs who renamed it al Madain. The world's widest single-span arch of unreinforced brickwork remains here. During the 1991 Gulf War reverberations from bombs caused cracks in the structure.



Ziggurat at Ur
The most preserved of all ziggurats, or temples. It was built between 2113 B.C. - 2096 B.C. Only ruins remain, but the structure has undergone partial reconstruction. The ancient city of Ur is said to be the home of Abraham in the Bible.



engraved slabs and other treasures across Iraq's porous borders for sale in Western galleries.

"Whoever is on the ground in Iraq will be in crucial position to make damage assessments and secure sites and museums," Gerstenblith said. "The Pentagon needs to have a corps of archaeologists and conservators ready to go on the ground."

Others say Iraqis must be recruited to the protection effort. "We must find the Iraqi cultural authorities," said Gustavo Arazo, U.S. director of the International Council on Monuments and Sites.

"They will know what has been moved from the museums and where damage has been done."

Analysts: Oil prices will drop if war is short

LONDON (AP) — If U.S.-led forces invade Iraq, world oil prices will probably plunge from current levels and stay there — so long as the conflict ends quickly and causes little damage to production capacity in the Persian Gulf, several energy analysts said Friday.

However, a war that spills into neighboring countries or one in which Saddam Hussein sabotages his own oil fields could panic markets and trigger a spike in prices to \$50 or even \$60 a barrel, some said.

The wide range of forecasts is a sign of the difficulty analysts face in trying to envision how markets will react to a war of unpredictable severity.

Fighting might be over in a few days, or it might erupt into a regional conflagration that affects crude exports from Kuwait and even Saudi Arabia. How OPEC and oil-importing countries respond to a war will also have a great influence on prices.

Perhaps the only certainty is that markets will welcome any move that keeps supplies flowing. Crude prices fell Friday on reports that Saudi Arabia's state-run oil company Saudi Aramco had chartered super tankers to carry an exceptionally large shipment of crude — 28 million barrels — to the United States for delivery in May. April contracts of U.S. light, sweet crude tumbled by more than \$2 a barrel in New York before rebounding somewhat to \$34.90, down \$1.11 from Thursday's close. In London, North Sea Brent crude futures were trading 98 cents lower at \$31.45.

Analysts say that fears of a



Kuwaiti government official Abdullah Kubesli collects a crude oil sample from an oil lake at Burgan Oil Field, south of Kuwait City, on Wednesday.

wartime disruption in supply have sent crude prices by at least \$5 a barrel. This so-called war premium has increased along with tensions in the Persian Gulf because markets worry that hostilities with Iraq will paralyze that country's 2 million barrels in daily oil shipment.

Although prices might rise in the last hours before any actual outbreak of hostilities, several analysts predicted that an attack on Iraq would knock the floor out from beneath the market — just as it did when coalition forces launched Operation Desert Storm on Jan. 16, 1991.

Futures contracts of U.S. light, sweet crude plummeted by \$10.50 a barrel on Jan. 17, 1991 to close in New York at \$21.30.

Homing pigeons replace chickens for early signs of chemical attack

Knight Ridder News Service

LIVING SUPPORT AREA 1. Kuwait — The chickens that were shipped here to help provide early warning of a chemical attack didn't work out. They died in the harsh desert conditions last month.

Now the 1st Marine Division plans to go into battle with a flock of 175 homing pigeons. The birds arrived at their units Friday.

Likewise in mine shafts, the pigeons are expected to be the first to detect chemical weapons if Saddam Hussein sends his troops to use them. Their condition could help confirm a chemical attack, especially if Saddam sets fire to his country's oil wells; petroleum fumes often trigger false positives on more high-tech detection equipment.

Staff Sgt. Dan Wallace, the

Nuclear, Biological and Chemical (NBC) officer for the division's Regimental Combat Team 1, said pigeons show signs of exposure to deadly chemicals at half the dose lethal to humans. They have a higher respiratory rate than humans and metabolize chemicals faster, he said.

"If all the birds are dead and we have people getting runny noses and headaches, we'll know something is wrong," Wallace said.

"These are not early warning mechanisms. This is verification."

It's just another layer to give us the confidence out there," said Chief Warrant Officer 2 Stacy Jaembert, the division's NBC officer.

The chickens died from what Jaembert believes were natural causes, but the pigeons are harder and are expected to fare better.

School suspends teachers for refusing to remove anti-war signs

ALBUQUERQUE (AP) — Dozens of students walked out of class to protest the suspensions of two Rio Grande High School teachers who were removed after refusing to take down anti-war posters in their classrooms.

Carmelia Roybal, a ninth-grade English teacher, was placed on leave with pay Wednesday after refusing to remove a black-and-white "No War Against Iraq" poster from her classroom. Art teacher Heather Duffy was asked to leave Thursday and suspended with pay for refusing to remove a similar poster. About 45 students walked out in protest Thursday.

Rigo Chavez, a spokesman for the Albuquerque school district, said such posters can be displayed if there is a class discussion about the issue, but "they're not supposed to promote one side or another of a controversial issue."

He said the district had not specifically informed teachers about war posters.

Roybal said Thursday she thought of her two brothers who fought in Vietnam, a nephew based in Kuwait and two former students deployed overseas this year. "I knew I couldn't take it down because I love those people," she said.

Cleric urges threats against U.S. interests

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A prominent Muslim cleric urged Iraqis around the world Friday to threaten U.S. interests and "set them ablaze" as Baghdad pressed its verbal assault against American efforts to win U.N. authorization for war.

"The entire world, Muslims and non-Muslims, curses the aggressive intentions of the American administration against Iraq, which, God willing, will be frustrated," Abdel-Razzaq al-Saadi, the imam of Umm al-Maarek, or Mother of All Battles mosque, said in his sermon during Friday prayers.

An editorial published Friday in Al-Thawra, the newspaper of Saddam Hussein's ruling Baath Party, said Washington was adopting tactics akin to those of "road bandits and pirates" in pressing for U.N. approval for war and predicted they would fail.

The editorial also called on nations opposed to military action against Iraq to strengthen their "projection of aggression ... and to condemn the Bush administration



Steam from a catapult envelope a flight deck crew member as he directs the pilot of an F/A-18 Hornet on the flight deck of the aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk in the Gulf Friday.

that the cost of any war on Iraq would be much more than what it is dreaming to gain from such aggression."

U.N. weapons inspectors, meanwhile, were back on the road

Friday, supervising the destruction by Iraqi bulldozers of more banned Iraqi missiles at a site north of the capital Baghdad, according to the Information Ministry.

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Cheating in retaliation won't work

DEAR ABBY: I am a 21-year-old member of the Air Force stationed in South Korea. I would have been married last month to "Barbara," whom I met back home three years ago. However, Barbara broke up with me because she thought our engagement was too long, and she was tired of waiting.

After Barb broke our engagement, she started hanging out with a rough crowd—drinking, smoking dope, etc. The last time I was home on furlough, she confessed that two weeks after our engagement was called off, she had sex with a guy she didn't even know. Barb knows she made a terrible mistake.

After much soul-searching I forgave her—and we are once again talking marriage. My problem is, I feel a strong urge to cheat on her before we tie the knot. I was up-front with Barb about my feelings. I argued that it took 11 months before she'd sleep with me, and it took her only two weeks to find a total stranger to have sex with.

Every time I think about the fact that Barbara had sex with someone else, it makes me want to retaliate. Should I act on it, Abby?

—SOULSEARCHING
IN SEOUL

DEAR SOUL-SEARCHING: Please reconsider everything you



DEAR
ABBY
Abigail
VanBuren

are considering. Having sex with someone in order to punish a third party is a poor reason to have sex. I urge you to resist the impulse. Frankly, I think neither of you is ready to marry anyone at this time.

DEAR ABBY: I am curious about baby shower etiquette. I'm 27 and pregnant with my second child. My son from a previous relationship will be 8 years old this month. I am now married, and this will be my husband's first child. I had a shower before my son was born, but as the years passed I've given away most of his baby things.

A few of my closest friends want to give me a shower, but my sister is telling everyone that it's not appropriate. It's not so much the gifts I want, but the celebration of this new life growing inside me. If you can offer any advice, it would be greatly appreciated.

—SECOND-TIME MOM
IN LOUISIANA

DEAR SECOND-TIME MOM: I see nothing inappropriate about a shower for the new baby, for the good reasons you have given. Please don't let your sister spoil a happy occasion.

DEAR ABBY: I am a recovering alcoholic with 20 years of sobriety. My daughter is in the midst of planning her wedding. I am going to pay for it, which I'm happy to do.

My dilemma: I feel reluctant to pay for the alcohol. My daughter and her fiancé explained the situation to his parents and asked them to pitch in. They refused.

I have no objection to liquor being served, but as a matter of principle, I don't want to foot the bill. Please advise.

—FATHER OF THE BRIDE
IN OHIO

DEAR FATHER OF THE BRIDE: Do not feel guilty for standing by your convictions. Under the circumstances, your position is understandable. Since the groom's parents refuse to pitch in, arrange for a variety of nonalcoholic beverages to be served—and don't apologize. If your daughter wants to serve alcohol, tell her that she and her fiancé are welcome to pay for it.

HBO shows 'Monster's Ball'

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Today

"Frequency" — A man sees the opportunity to change the past when he is miraculously reunited with his long-dead father via ham radio. (CC) (TV14) ABC, 7 p.m.

"Congo" — An ape with the ability to communicate with humans figures in an expedition to find a missing explorer and a lost city. (CC) SCEINCE FICTION CHANNEL, 7 p.m.

"Monster's Ball" — A prison guard begins a tentative romance with the unsuspecting widow of a man whose execution he presided over. (CC) HBO, 9 p.m.

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Friday's Puzzle Solved

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MEET, ANITY, RENT

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Day clouds fly higher

Item No. 336C in our Love and War man's file labeled Sudden Attraction reads: "People who fall in love at first sight invariably were already in love with love."

Lady Godiva's real name was Goldfish.

Geologists say a river is either old or new. An old river flows gently and turns gracefully. A new river flows swiftly and turns sharply.

Day clouds fly higher than night clouds.

Q. What part of the tongue detects bitter tastes?

A. Every part that has taste buds. The old notion that you taste sweet, sour, salty and bitter on different parts of the tongue was proved wrong a few decades ago.

Henry David Thoreau wasn't all bad. He said, "You cannot kill time without injuring eternity."

Q. Are ground squirrels immune to rattlesnake venom?

A. Those that live in rattlesnake country are. They develop the immunity after they're about 30 days old.

"The God to whom little boys say their prayers has a face very like their mother's." James M. Barrie wrote that.

Q. An apple falling from a tree inspired Isaac Newton's sudden grasp of gravity. Is that particular tree still producing apples?

A. Either it or a graft from its



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L.M. Boyd

stamp is. Bitter little apples. At Woolsthorpe Manor near London.

That doctor of worldwide renown, Sir William Osler, said, "A man should go out of this world as he came in—chiefly on milk."

English was not this night school student's native tongue. Understandable he had such a tough time explaining his wife was sterile. He called her "impregnable" and "unbearable" and even "inconceivable," but none sounded quite right.

Only college in New England to stay open during the Revolutionary War was Dartmouth.

Q. Why are promo lines on book jackets called "blurbs"?

A. Humorist Gelett Burgess in 1907 was about to put out a book. For its jacket, he drew a picture of a simpering girl. She just adored the book, he wrote. He named her Miss Belinda Blurb.

"Mermaids," you know about. "Mermen," you don't. I suspect. But mythologists say the ancients felt there had to be males of the species, just had to be.

Scorpio: You're overdue for added recognition

IF MARCH 15TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY — you have artistic talent, appreciate the finer things of life. There is some tendency to be extravagant; financial affairs have "ups and downs." Still, you can turn a nice profit by investing in stock market, antiques or property. You have a melodious voice, enjoy music, dancing. Taurus, Libra and Scorpio natives play special roles in your life. A creative and romantic year for you; if married, an addition to family likely.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Romantic affairs draw more than usual attention; someone "pops the question." Despite independent nature, you may be ready to "settle down." Think it over carefully!

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Element of deception exists; it's not the best day for real estate transactions, signing of leases. There are apt to be hidden issues, plus plumbing, roofing problems. Bide time!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Short trips, dealings with relatives, siblings indicated. You hear of a "bargain" for automobile, boat or other motorized equipment. Remember: All that glitters is not gold!

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Past investments pay dividends, more than originally expected. You might cash in a "bond," collect on an insurance settlement. You have where-withal for desired journey.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You gain the spotlight; a party is planned in your honor. You bask in the love, admiration of cohorts; introduction to an interesting member of opposite sex leads to "something big."

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't fear the unknown; delve into areas considered "forbidden." Knowledge is power; helps you overcome ob-

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cles. Let loved ones know you care; visit one who is ailing, lonely.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Circumstances move in your favor; hopes, wishes come true. You are lucky in money and love. If speculating, stick with number 3. Be selective in choice of companions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A promotion might seem more than you can, or care to, handle. Weigh pros and cons carefully. Acknowledge limits, but do not underestimate capabilities. You're overdue for added recognition.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Some final conclusions. "You've been right all along!" Be gracious in accepting an apology; don't "rub it in." A business trip may put you in touch with future mate.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your compassion for those in need surges to forefront. Dispense good advice, funds where applicable; however, know when to say "Enough!" Your presence desired at reading of will.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Cycle low; play waiting game, especially where legal affairs, partnership and marriage are concerned. Someone withholds needed information; protect reputation, other interests.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Lunar emphasis on work to be done, relationships with co-workers and attention to diet, health matters. You also obtain "green light" for proceeding with business venture. Power play!

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What would Jesus say?

What Would Jesus Do?

He'd probably wince at the commercialism, sarcasm and politics that threaten to pervert a noble movement born in his name.

But the more I think about WWJD and the effort to make faith tangible, the more I think the movement will outlast the profiteers and single-issue activists.

I think Jesus would still approve.

When Charlotte (N.C.) Observer colleague Craig Paddock and I began discussing our differences over the movement, we both agreed that it's being sullied by the culture.

WWJD is catchy. It has a loyal following.

And so, people out to grab a big headline, a fast buck or a cheap laugh have ripped it off. It's the American way.

The anti-SUV crowd asks, "What Would Jesus Drive?" Given the rising price of gas, environmentalists behind this promotion got their wish - lots of TV, radio and newspaper play.



KEN GARFIELD

Vegetarians wonder, "What Would Jesus Eat?" Going beyond the simple WWJD bracelets, there's a "What Would Jesus Eat?" cookbook and "What Would Jesus Eat?" self-help manual.

One wiseguy from Massachusetts is promoting a role model for the HBO generation: He's plastered "What Would Tony Soprano Do?" on baseball caps, coffee cups, even a thong.

A company that manufactures sports statues has produced several figurines of athletic Jesus, including one where he uses his sandaled feet to pass a soccer ball.

The catchphrase?

"What Would Jesus Play?"

Then there's the California newspaperman in need of a tough editor and good taste. Playing off the "What Would Jesus Drive?" buzz, he offered dozens of his own WWJD questions.

"What would Jesus refinance?"

"The manager."

We've come a long way from the birth of WWJD 20 years ago in Michigan.

A church youth group had been discussing "In His Steps," an 1896 novel by Charles M. Sheldon in which a vagrant challenges believers to ask themselves "What would Jesus do?" when confronted by a hungry stranger.

The bracelets started turning up a short time later. Then some other simple jewelry. Then thoughtful sermons. Soon it was a movement. Now it's a movement under siege.

I believe it deserves to survive.

WWJD was created by people with the purest of intentions: to always think about doing the right thing, to follow the lead of a leader whose ministry was built on love and justice.

They want their faith to be more than something expressed on Sunday, then forgotten until next Sunday.

They want to be reminded of the importance of thinking of others before thinking of themselves.

It's not turning a deity into a slogan.

It's bringing him to life.

The selfless intentions behind the movement are still there, even if they're hidden today behind a blizzard of selfish gimmicks.

What would Jesus do?

He'd want us to keep on struggling to remove the thickest and most dangerous still world asking us to wear.

Ken Garfield is the religion editor at The Charlotte Observer.

Pastor comes to Magic Valley - a home away from home

By Correen Hart
Times-News correspondent

RUPERT - Praise Chapel has new pastors. David Graham is a Texan who met his wife, Nicholle, at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview, Texas, when he was leading a student ministry. Since their marriage, they've pastored together in Colorado and Texas, but they've never been far from Rupert.

"We've spent all our vacations in Mini-Cassia," said Nicholle Graham, whose parents live in the area. "For five years, we've been praying for this church."

Her father and stepmother, Nate and Kathy Warren of Albion, have attended Praise Chapel for years.

Nate Warren is an elder at the church. When Pastor Brian Robyn transferred to a church in Illinois and the position came open, Warren notified the

Grahams and David quickly submitted his resume.

David Graham was raised in a Baptist home, and he's a third-generation pastor. His father has a church in Durango, Colo., and his grandfather was a pastor in Texas.

"Our life revolved around church," said Graham. "Our home was a Christ-centered home and he was present in all our decisions."

He continued, "I was in junior high before I found out that everybody didn't spend Sunday morning, Sunday evening and Wednesday evening in church."

He invited Christ into his heart at age 7, received his call to the ministry when he was in high school and began his work in student ministry. Along the way, he became affiliated with the Open Bible denomination.

Please see PASTOR, Page C2

More Information

Praise Chapel, 818 S. Oneida, Rupert
Sunday school/fellowship: 9 a.m.
Sunday worship: 10:30 a.m.
Bible studies: Throughout the week
More information: Call secretary Wanda Knapp at 436-0367



David and Nicholle Graham pose with their children, Hannah and Brayden. The couple are the new pastors at Rupert's Praise Chapel.



Dietrich Bonhoeffer at Tegel Prison in Berlin. The story of the theologian's decision to join the plot against Hitler is the subject of a new documentary.

THE ULTIMATE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP

German theologian's ideas still resonate decades after his death

By Bill Broadway
The Washington Post

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, one of the world's great theologians, died at age 39 on a Nazi gallows, stripped of clothes and dignity, his death unknown to his family until three months later. They never found his remains. After his execution April 9, 1945, three weeks before Adolf Hitler committed suicide and the Allies captured Berlin, Bonhoeffer became one of the 20th century's most popular theologians. And his ideas still resonate.

"Everybody has their own Bonhoeffer and interacts (with him) the way they want," said Victoria Barnett, a specialist on church history during the Holocaust and one of several scholars interviewed in "Bonhoeffer," a new documentary on the German pastor and teacher by Journey Films of Alexandria, Va.

Mainline Protestants and Catholics see him as a model for social action, of religion working through society to end oppression and racism. Evangelicals praise his intense piety and heavy reliance on biblical texts. And preachers of all stripes quote passages from such works as "The Cost of Discipleship" and "Letters and Papers From Prison."

What intrigues many people the most is Bonhoeffer's decision to join a movement to assassinate Hitler, said Barnett, who lives in Arlington, Va. The documentary, shown in Utah churches during this year's Sundance Film festival and later in Washington and other cities, differs from previous films about Bonhoeffer by showing his spiritual development from early childhood to Resistance member, she said.

Bonhoeffer, one of the first people to openly condemn the Nazi regime and the Protestant leaders who supported it, saw the community of faith as more important than individuals or institutions - including churches, she said. If institutions or leaders violated the human community, as he believed the Nazis did in killing Jews, then it was an individual's responsibility to try to stop the oppression. What action a person took was a matter of conscience rather than of preconceived notions about right and wrong, Barnett said. If Bonhoeffer were alive today during the war on terrorism and struggle for human rights around the world, he would advocate that same kind of "radical discipleship," she said.

"I suspect that if Bonhoeffer were an Iraqi he would be a part of a dissident movement opposing the Hussein regime," she said. "At the same time, because he was a pacifist, he would seek a peaceful solution to the conflict."

Martin Doblmeier, who produced, wrote and directed the 90-minute documentary, said he had

long wanted to chronicle Bonhoeffer's courageous stand not only against Nazism but also against the German Evangelical Church, to which he belonged. Many church leaders supported Hitler's National Socialist regime and his efforts to systematically remove Jews from German life.

"What's really important is that Bonhoeffer could identify early on (in the 1930s) the direction his church and Adolf Hitler were going," said Doblmeier. "Most alarming to him was the corruption of preaching the Gospel by Hitler, who was famous for using religious symbolism and the willingness of the church to go along with this."

Doblmeier talked with former South African archbishop Desmond Tutu, a Bonhoeffer admirer, and hired actor Klaus Maria Brandauer to read passages from the theologian's books and letters. Among them is his famous distinction between "cheap grace" and "costly grace."

"Cheap grace is grace without the cross, grace without the living, incarnate Jesus Christ," Bonhoeffer writes in "The Cost of Discipleship" (1937). "Costly grace is the gospel. It costs people their lives."

Most Americans "have no clue what that means" because we live in a privileged society, said the Rev. Scott Schiesswiler, pastor of Park City (Utah) Community Church, which has shown the film. "The cost of discipleship means that to be faithful we must be willing to die" for our beliefs, he said.

Priest doubts scope of abuse, quietly counsels clergy

By Brooks Egerton
The Dallas Morning News

In the world according to Father Benedict Groeschel, the Catholic Church's sexual abuse scandal is largely the stuff of fiction. Reporters "doing the work of Satan" are driven to lie, the New York priest says, because they hate the church's moral teaching.

These are not the opinions of a marginal figure. Indeed, Father Groeschel is one of the most prominent priests in America, reaching millions with his books, tapes, parish lectures and regular appearances on the Eternal Word Television Network.

His stature is high among many church leaders, too - he has heard the confessions of a cardinal, consulted with the Vatican on a case for sainthood, been a friend to Mother Teresa.

Archbishop Timothy Dolan, who praised Father Groeschel for putting the abuse scandal in context.

For all his commentary on the crisis, Father Groeschel has revealed few details about his role as a player in it: He has been a key figure for 30 years in the loose-knit nationwide network of therapists who have helped troubled priests keep working.

The Franciscan friar's base is a mansion on Long Island Sound, where he runs the Archdiocese of New York's spiritual development office and Trinity Retreat Center for clergy.

There, according to his own written account, he has counseled hundreds of his brethren and "happily, 85 priests have returned to the active ministry." Father Groeschel, who declined interview requests, has not said publicly how many of his clients were accused of abuse. Archdiocesan spokesman

"When a scandal occurs, about two percent of what is said in the media is true."

"Father Benedict Groeschel in 'From Scandal to Hope'

Joseph Zwillinger would not comment on Father Groeschel.

Leaders of the Diocese of Paterson, N.J., one of several that sent business to Father Groeschel, blamed three "unfortunate" resignations on his advice. Two of those priests were subsequently accused of misconduct in their new jobs.

"We relied on his recommendations," said Marilanna

Thompson, spokeswoman for Paterson Bishop Frank Rodimer. Father Groeschel used words such as "misinformation," she said, and helped arrange transfers between dioceses.

Thompson said Father Groeschel had close ties to the late New York Cardinal John O'Connor, who endorsed the friar's "Hussite" movement from a Franciscan order in the 1980s and formation of a new group that has won renown for service to the poor.

"From Scandal to Hope," completed shortly before the nation's bishops met in Dallas last summer, Father Groeschel acknowledged that some priests had abused boys.

He described the problem as "active homosexuality with minors," stressing that most victims were teenagers and never mentioning AIDS. "Many of the cases now in the papers are about clergy who, perhaps under the influence of alcohol two or

three decades ago, engaged in improper actions, but not sexual acts. They went into treatment and have behaved well over the years."

Father Groeschel said nothing in his book about his own success rate in treating priests.

He saved his harshest words for the news media's coverage of the abuse issue, which he called a "blitz of lies."

Like Adolf Hitler, he wrote, news organizations are "spreading lies in order to destroy" the Catholic Church.

"When a scandal occurs," the priest wrote, "about two percent of what is said in the media is true."

Such statements have infuriated victims.

"It just burns me to no end," said Buddy Cotton, who has accused the Rev. James Hanley of abusing him in the Paterson Diocese and recently called Bishop Rodimer to complain about Father Groeschel.

Head of Presbyterian Church presides in a time of conflict

By Mark Pinsky
The Orlando Sentinel

The Rev. Fahed Abu-Akel knows quite a bit about intractable conflicts.

As a Palestinian Christian, raised in Israel and fluent in Hebrew, he is impassioned about the plight of Arabs living under Jewish occupation in Gaza and the West Bank, and the need for peace in the Middle East.

As the elected head of the 2.5 million-member Presbyterian Church, USA, he leads a denomination that is internally divided over sexuality and steadily losing members.

At a time when not enough conflict and controversy, his denomination also opposes war with Iraq — which most Americans support.

Abu-Akel was elected leader of the Presbyterian Church, USA, in 2001.

"He is a very caring person, very warm, a very committed Christian," says Nancy Warlick, a retired Presbyterian missionary now living in Orlando, Fla. "It was an important step for the Presbyterians to elect him moderator, for what he's done and what he represents."

Abu-Akel is the founder and executive director of the Atlanta Ministry with International Students, which oversees foreign students studying throughout the

United States. He is also director of the National Christmas International House Program in 32 cities, which places foreign students in American homes during the Christmas holidays.

The religious leader hasn't let complicated situations and unpopular stands hold him back or keep him quiet. In the 1960s, he left his home in Israel's Galilee and the Orthodox Christian faith of his parents to study at Southeastern College in Lakeland. The school is affiliated with the Protestant Assemblies of God. Ultimately, Abu-Akel was ordained in the Presbyterian Church.

For an immigrant like him, coming to the United States is "the most liberating experience of my life."

But he has not left his past entirely behind him.

Abu-Akel believes that the 35-year occupation of the West Bank and Gaza by the Israeli military has resulted in more hardship for the Palestinians than the 1948 war that resulted in the establishment of the Jewish State, and the departure of hundreds of thousands of Arab refugees. He believes the economic future of the Middle East will be based on tourism, with so many sites holy to Jews, Christians and Muslims. But that will require a comprehensive and just peace.

Church signs inform, inspire, draw the faithful

By Allison Kennedy
Knight Ridder News Service

COLUMBUS, Ga. — Savell Quinn climbs a metal ladder. Under the threat of rain, he efficiently picks off black and red plastic letters, laying them aside. Then he takes more letters in his hand. In a matter of minutes, the sign's message changes from a ground-breaking ceremony from last Sunday to a special concert this Sunday.

"Sometimes things change and they let me know when they have something new coming up for the weekend," said Quinn, the custodian and groundskeeper for St. James AME Church in Columbus.

It's one of his responsibilities every Monday to change the message. "Rain or shine," he said.

Call them what you will — distractions, thought-provokers or eye-catchers — but the messages in front of area congregations are an intentional marketing tool in a day when busy residents spend many hours a week in their cars.

Consider: The 1999 annual Mobility Report of the Texas Transportation Institute estimated that the average amount of time Americans spent in their cars went from 16 hours per week in 1982 to 62 hours in 2000. That's a lot of time in a vehicle. And there are many congregations that beckon drivers with their front-yard signs. The busier the thoroughfare usually the more prominent the sign.

Signs from God

From signs around the country:

- If you pause to think, you'll have cause to thank.
- As sure as God puts his children in the furnace, He will be in the furnace with them.
- God won't be looking for your medals, degrees or diplomas. He'll be looking for your scars.
- Trade God your pieces for His peace.
- It's hard to stumble when you're on your knees.
- Make your eternal reservations now — smoking or non-smoking?
- Don't be God's weakest link.

—Source: sbloomberg.com/cbs/

Edgewood Presbyterian Church in Columbus has carried a God and country theme on its sign in recent months. A current message: "America! The only country deliberately founded on a good idea!"

Messages on church marquees apparently pay off. "I've had people say they have noticed the church because of the sign," said the Rev. Scottie Swinney of St. James. "The sign is the most identifiable marker of the church. I think it makes a difference."

The Rev. Joe Roberson of South Columbus United Methodist Church in Columbus said his signs "have been a very strong marketing tool." Usually the message is his sermon title. The message gets changed every Monday.

"Sometimes people come simply because of the message (on the sign)," said Roberson, who believes that his church would have a weaker presence in the community if it weren't for the sign. "It's an evangelistic ministry."

Messages on church signs vary. Some simply advertise the sermon title for the coming Sunday or upcoming special events and list a worship schedule and names of clergy. A portable sign in front of Carver Heights Presbyterian Church promotes its day care center.

Other signs inspire, such as the one at Waldrop Memorial Baptist, which in recent months offered this thought: "Give God What's Right Not What's Left." And the sign in front of St. John AME Church recently read: "It's a time for giving. Try volunteering."

Whatever the message, three lines of copy is the standard

amount for a congregation's sign, according to an account manager for a national sign company, whose most popular model is called the marquee, with the ability to interchange its letters.

Sizes differ. "It depends on how close to the road you are or how quickly people are driving by," said Jane Carner of U.S. Signifiers in Osceola, Ind. "If you're on a busy thoroughfare and away from the road, we would recommend increasing it 3 feet all around."

Carner said about half the price quotes siting on her desk are from congregations in the South. Carner said the quick, inspirational messages must be making the rounds across the country — sayings such as "CHCH. What's missing?"

"There's got to be a catalog or something," she said.

A new trend in church signs is the electronic message board.

Wynnton United Methodist Church in Columbus added its electronic sign last fall. Its scrolling message, in red lettering, offers inspirational sayings.

"A few folks have said they came because they saw the sign, or it was something they needed to see at that particular time," said the Rev. Glenn Martin, senior minister of the church. The church wanted to improve on its identity, to let people know who they were, he said. "It's not just to advertise what we're doing, but it's a ministry."

Volunteers open new window on prayer with spiritually oriented Web sites

By Caryle Murphy
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Three times a week, Frances Bremer of suburban Chevy Chase, Md., logs onto her home computer and goes to a Web site where more than 250 messages from complete strangers await her personal attention. One by one, she reads about their problems, fears, doubts, desires and anxieties. She lingers over each entry for up to three minutes in silent prayer.

"Sometimes, if I feel there is a healing need, I put my hand on the screen," said Bremer, a prayer volunteer with www.dailyprayers.com. "Or if there is a whole lot of conflict and a little evil going on, I would make a cross on the screen."

Bremer's activity illustrates how the Internet is being used to enhance and alter one of the oldest and most intimate forms of human activity. Increasingly, people are going online to seek and offer prayer, a phenomenon that has allowed strangers from different regions and diverse faiths to spiritually connect with one another to a greater degree than ever before.

"Computer-mediated prayer represents a growing edge of online religion," said sociologist Brenda Brasher, author of "Give Me that Online Religion." For many people, computers are the antithesis of prayer. But others find the medium very suitable for prayer.

People are using the Internet for prayer in many different ways, sending out prayer requests by e-mail, offering prayer instruction online and enlisting millions to pray for global causes through postings on various Web sites. And the ancient "prayer circle," which traditionally requires a physical gathering of individuals in one place at the same time, has acquired a virtual counterpart: the Web prayer circle, whose boundaries are more like those of a wind-buffed cloud, always in flux.

About 15,000 such prayer circles have blossomed in the past three years on the multiplatform www.beliefnet.com Web site, providing what could be a written facsimile of the silent prayers offered at congregational worship services on any weekend.

Recently, www.presidential-prayerteam.org, the Web site of an evangelical Christian organization based in Tucson, Ariz., began posting a "Let's Adopt Our Military in Prayer" page in anticipation of a U.S. war against Iraq. Visitors are randomly assigned the name of the person for whom they should pray. The organization, whose site receives 3 million hits per month, is a private group not associated with the White House.

"We are busy, go-go society, both believers and nonbelievers need to have a sense of connectedness

and support in good and bad times," said Chad Nykamp, who helps administer www.crosswalk.com, a Christian evangelical Web site based in Richmond, Va.

While most scholars of religion stress that there are many acceptable forms of prayer, some doubt the online version can substitute completely for the old-fashioned kind.

"Clearly there are groups out there that sincerely connect with one another and overhear one another's prayers," said Don Saliers, a professor of theology and worship at Emory University's Candler School of Theology in Atlanta. Still, an electronic prayer "is a disembodied presence" that lacks "the gestures, tears, laughter and physicality of human presence" found in the communal prayer that takes place in a house of worship, Saliers said.

Even mainline denominations are taking prayer online. Five years ago, Georgetown Presbyterian Church in



Washington began e-mailing its 80 members weekly asking them to pray for fellow members who

were ill, unemployed or bereaved. The church's associate minister, the Rev. Merritt Schatz, noted

that the e-mail is simply a variation on the "telephone tree" churches used for decades to gen-

Prayer volunteer Frances Bremer of Chevy Chase, Md., logs onto a Web site to answer prayer requests from strangers. Increasingly, people are going online to seek and offer prayer, a phenomenon that has allowed strangers from different regions and diverse faiths to spiritually connect with one another.

erate prayers for congregants — but with the added plus of greater accuracy. With phones, Schatz said, "by the time it gets through many people, the story changes."

In a December 2001 study, the Pew Research Center found that 28 million Americans had used the Internet for religion-related activities. More people "have gotten religious or spiritual information online than have gambled online, used Web auction sites, traded stocks online, placed phone calls on the Internet, done online banking or used Internet-based dating services," the center noted.

Dailyprayers.com began processing prayer requests from its own Web site and six others three years ago, said Gail Orser, prayer department manager in the ministry's outreach division. The numbers have "just boomed" since, she said. Last June, her division received about 14,000 Web prayer requests; in January, the number shot up to 22,570.

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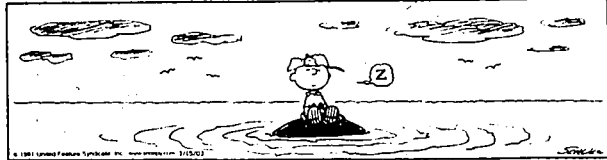
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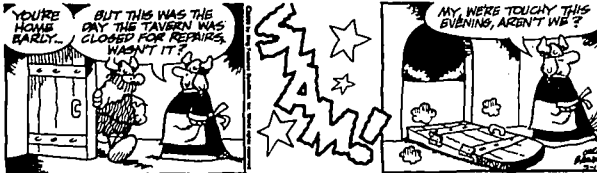
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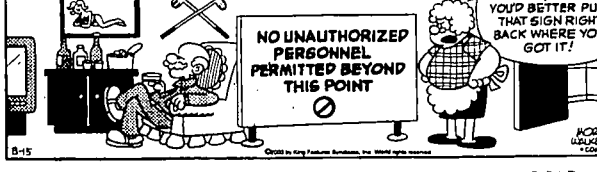
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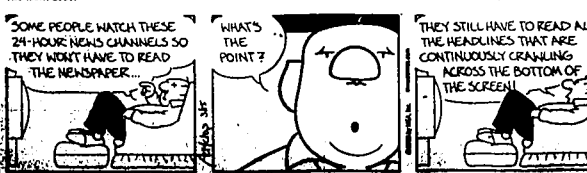
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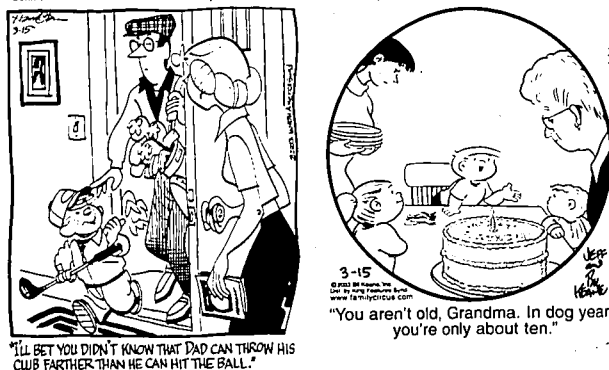


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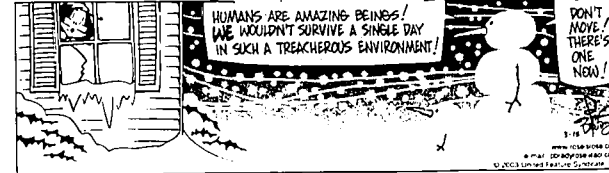
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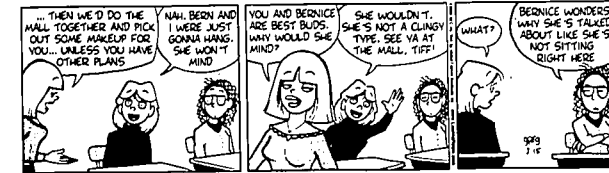
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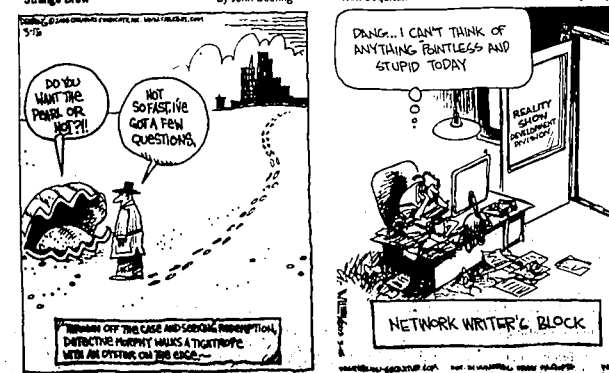


Strange Brew

By John Deering

Non Sequitur

By Wiley



Coalition takes nominations for youth Spirit of Service awards

GOODING - Across Gooding County and the Magic Valley, young people are making a difference in the lives of others - as tutors, mentors, coaches, Lunch Buddies and in other dynamic roles serving both the young and adults.

To acknowledge and thank the young volunteers of Gooding County, the Gooding County HealthNet Coalition is launching the Spirit of Service Awards. Anyone may nominate a Gooding County young person for consideration. Qualified service may be through work with individuals, community groups or entities, such as a library or as advocates for developmental assets and positive lifestyle choices. The service must be undertaken as a volunteer on the young person's own

For more information
Call the Gooding County HealthNet Coalition office at 934-5514; Melissa Kerner, Gooding County HealthNet Coalition facilitator, at 536-2782; Julie Wolfe, AmeriCorps Promise fellow, at 934-5567; or Linda Quintero, AmeriCorps Asset Builder, at 837-6059.

time, and not as a school mandated or credit project.

Nomination forms are available through the Gooding County HealthNet Coalition office. Call the office at 934-5514. The deadline for nominations is April 15.

A selection committee comprised of the Gooding County HealthNet Youth Action Council, HealthNet Coalition members and others will review nomina-

tions. The awards are not a contest, coalition representatives emphasized. All those with a demonstrated record of service as reflected by their nomination and selection committee evaluation will be recognized during a community reception at 1 p.m. May 3 at the new Basque Cultural Center in Gooding.

The sponsors are the Gooding County HealthNet Coalition and the county HealthNet Youth Action Council.

The HealthNet Coalition is a group of agencies working on improving the health of the region's residents, and focusing on building assets for young people, which are defined as developmental building blocks young people need to succeed in life.

SNAKE RIVER BROS CONTRIBUTION



The Snake River Bros presented Angela, daughter of Connie Sanders, with a check for \$500 during the group's Feb. 9 meeting in Twin Falls. Angela, 12, has leukemia and must travel from Twin Falls to Salt Lake City, Utah, for treatment, the club says. The money will go towards utility bills and new tires for the Sanders' car. The Snake River Bros has raised more than \$10,000 last year for children in need. For more information on the group, call Kreg Ball at 543-6569.

SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

Library volunteers - The Twin Falls Public Library needs volunteers for its technical services department. Volunteers would perform varied clerical tasks in the preparation of materials for circulation. Volunteers must have good typing skills, dexterity of hands and ability to perform with significant speed, accuracy and neatness. Volunteers are needed for 4-10 hours per week. Orientation and training is available. Call Mareda at 733-2954, ext. 105.

Senior readers - The America Reads program needs volunteers ages 55 to work with children in grades kindergarten through third grade. Call Shirley Basham at 736-2122, ext. 325.

Volunteer drivers -

This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of region with volunteer help.

If you need a volunteer, call Judy Tipton, director of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), at 736-2122, Ext. 312. RSVP is a United Way sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho. Please submit a request before 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday for Saturday publication. Please call weekly to later a request.

Volunteers age 55 and older are needed to drive clients to doctors and grocery shopping. Volunteers are reimbursed mileage and are covered by excess insurance. Call Edith at 736-2122 or Kitty at 436-0727.

Landscaping, maintenance - Hospice Visions Home needs vol-

unteers to help with landscaping, maintenance, repairs and grounds keeping. Call Flo Shatter at 735-0121.

Clothing - The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center needs clothing for men, women and children. Items may be dropped off from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1-4:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. Call Aleksandra at 736-2166.

Clerical, fund-raising - Idaho Home Health and Hospice needs volunteers for patient/caregiver support and to run errands in the Twin Falls and Rupert areas. Hospice and OSHA training are offered each month for new volunteers. Extended training will be offered at a later date. Call Susan or Grace at 734-0661.

CSI speech team places at tournament

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho speech and debate team placed third in the Phi Kappa Phi Region III Forensics Tournament in early March in Casper, Wyo.

CSI placed just behind Hutchinson Community College of Hutchinson, Kan. and Glendale Community College of Glendale, Ariz.

Individually, CSI was led by Chae-freshman Bridgette Harwood, who placed first in per-

suasive speaking, second in informative speaking and fourth in prose interpretation. Idaho Falls freshman Chad Judy placed third in extemporaneous speaking and second in impromptu speaking.

Kimberly sophomore Jeremy Egusquiza placed second in extemporaneous speaking and second in persuasive speaking. Egusquiza joined Kimberly sophomore Flint Espil to tie for third place in parliamentary

debate. Espil also took fourth place in informative speaking and third place in persuasive speaking.

Simon freshman Katie McFarland and Twin Falls freshman Jenette Miller also tied for third place in parliamentary debate to round out CSI's scoring.

CSI returns to competition April 14 at the Phi Kappa Phi National Tournament in Portland, Ore.

ASSET BUILDERS

This month, Asset Builders focuses on resistance skills, that is the young person can resist negative peer pressure and dangerous situations.

The 2002 asset survey data indicates that regionally, 44 percent of young people report having this asset in their lives.

Shane Hansen, sixth-grader at East Minico Middle School

"I can resist negative peer pressure by keeping this thought in my mind. What would I do if my mother was standing next to me? I would feel ashamed if I did anything that disappointed my mother. Another thing I can do is to decide before I am in the situation what I will do. It is easier to decide before there is pressure from others."

Shane Hansen

Margie Newman, sixth-grader at East Minico Middle School

"In a dangerous situation, I would tell someone to go and get a teacher or a neighbor for help. If I wasn't by help, I would scream so maybe someone could hear me. If all else fails, I would run."

Margie Newman

Victor Zarate, seventh-grader at Gooding Middle School

"How I would say no to someone offering me drugs, cigarettes or beer is I would just say 'no thanks' like I would to a friend or a mother asking me for seconds."

For more information, call Kurt Bywater at 734-9330.

If they insist, I would just tell them that I have to go to class or a teacher is coming, but if I'm outside or not at school, I would say, 'I have to go home' or just talk about something else or just leave. Reasons you shouldn't do drugs are: it is a deadly poison to our youth, also a friend that offers you drugs isn't a true friend."



The Times-News presents "Asset Builders" in cooperation with HealthNet, a community partnership that aims at improving health in the community.

National research shows there are 40 positive "assets" that help teens succeed and avoid risky behaviors.

Each month we'll focus on a different asset with comments from local teens.

For more information on HealthNet, call South Central District Health Department at 734-5900, Ext. 281.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Skin cancer screening set today at Park View Care

BURLEY - Cassia Regional Medical Center, the American Cancer Society and Park View Care and Rehabilitation are sponsoring a skin cancer screening clinic from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. today at the Park View Care and Rehabilitation Center, 2303 Paake Ave. in Burley.

Registration will be in the Park View Atrium room.

B.J. Duplicate Bridge Club announces results

RUPERT - Results for the B.J. Duplicate Bridge Club for March 11 were, north/south: first, Faun and Warren McEntire; second, Nanette Woodland and Vera Mai; third, Harry Warnke and Clarence Niwert; and fourth, Bob Freuburger and Katherine Cañon. East/west: first, Barbara Cañon and Eunice Merrigan; second, Margarite Manning and Virginia Martin; third, Marion Snow and Lila Buman; and fourth, Jackie Brown and Marie Price.

Play continues at 1 p.m. each Tuesday at the Rupert Elks. The public is invited.

Basque Festival benefits St. Nicholas Church

RUPERT - A Basque festival will be held from 6-8:30 p.m. today at the Rupert Elks. Admission is \$15 per person with proceeds going to St. Nicholas Catholic Church and School. Tickets for the dance only are \$5.

The festival includes a lamb dinner, an auction and raffle. Items to raffled include a quilt and a trip for two to Las Vegas.

Relay for Life team works for tips today

HEYBURN - The Mini-Cassia Times-News/Relay for Life team will wait tables from 4-9 p.m. today at Steve's, 290 S. 600 W., Heyburn.

All tips will be donated to the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

Baseball try-outs are set for Mini-Cassia All Stars

BURLEY - Mini-Cassia All Stars try-outs for 9 through 12 year olds will be held at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday at the Burley baseball field.

For more information for 11-12 year-olds, call Troy Winnill at 678-5975. For 9 and 10 year-olds, call Darin Moon at 678-9212 or Bernie Boehmer at 678-8393. Ages 13-15 can sign up now for Babe Ruth baseball at Donnelly Sports, 1300 Overland Ave. in Burley. For more information call 677-4310. The registration deadline is April 10.

AARP discusses Volunteer Day at meeting

TWIN FALLS - AARP Magic Valley Chapter 4352 will meet at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Idaho Office on Aging annex on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

Nora Wells, executive director of the Interfaith Volunteers, will speak on her association's plans for National Volunteer Day on May 1. Volunteer Day has replaced AARP's National Independent Living Week. At least five local groups will join in this year's observance here, said Oleta Bybee, AARP chapter president.

There also will be an open discussion related to Quest's recent request for telephone rate deregulation and the potential impact of on Idaho's senior residents.

The meeting is open to all, but AARP members particularly are encouraged to attend. Bybee said.

For more information, call Bybee at 733-2752.

Wood River Bridge announces recent winners

HAILEY - The recent Wood River Bridge winners were announced.

Monday: first, John Bush and Peter Gray; second, Marilyn Walker and John Chapman and third, Sue Binn and Gayle Medley.

Wednesday north/south: first, Marilyn Nesbit and Peter Gray; second, Peggy Berman and Jessie Riley and third, Linda Edwards and Barbara Corwin. **East/west:** first, Craig and Lydia Saunders; second, Jannette Johnson and Margaret Walker and third, Connie McGowan and Jim Siegel.

Thursday north/south: first, Janet Prentice and Pam Murray; second, Marilyn Nesbit and Carolyn Ring; third, Claire and Lynn Bailey and fourth, Jessie Riley and Peggy Berman. **East/west:** first, Jim Siegel and Warren Nesbit; second, Linda Edwards and Gay Medley and first in flight C, Olive and Ernie Greff.

Sunday in Twin Falls: first, Gayle Medley and Sue Binn; second, Connie McGowan and Mike Knox and third, Larrey Kelley and Vickie Currie.

Winners of the team games on Sunday were a tie between the teams of Marilyn Walker, Nancy Cord, John Chapman and Max Thompson; Jim Siegel, Cuneale

McGowan, Craig Saunders and Lydia Saunders and John Bush, Marilyn Nesbit, Ed and Shirley Usim.

South Central Idaho Stamp Club meets Monday

TWIN FALLS - The South Central Idaho Stamp Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the Referral and Information Services, 451 Second Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

Anyone interested in stamp collecting is welcome to attend.

For more information, call 326-5696.

Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

GOODING - The Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club announced its winners for the championship game on March 7.

North/south: first, Dick and Mary Cook; second, Lonnie and Beverly Burns and third, Riley Burton and Peggy Hackley. **East/west:** first, Jim Holden and Jo Ann Jackson; second, Cecil Davidson and Jodi Faulkner and third, Sid Bokovoy and Bill Simonsen.

Overall winners: first, Dick and Mary Cook; second, Lonnie and Beverly Burns; tied for third, Riley Burton and Peggy Hackley with Jim Holden and Jo Ann Jackson and fourth, Cecil Davidson and Jodi Faulkner.

Refreshments were served. The club meets at 1 p.m. every Friday at Gooding City Hall, 308 Fifth Ave. W.

Magic Brethren club meets Tuesday

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Brethren Club will meet at 2

p.m. Tuesday at the Office on Aging annex, 998 Washington St. N. in Twin Falls.

For more information, call Kurt Bywater at 734-9330.

Labyrinth walk offered at Eighth Street Center

BUHL - A labyrinth walk will be offered from 1-4 p.m. Sunday at the Eighth Street Center, 200 N. Eighth Ave. in Buhl.

The labyrinth is 26 feet in diameter and a Santa Rosa design. The center also has a 36-foot labyrinth patterned after the one at the Notre Dame Cathedral, and there is an outdoor butterfly garden labyrinth across the alley from the center.

The walk is free, and open to all ages.

For more information, call the Buhl Arts Council at 543-2888.

Buhl Knights of Columbus serve dinner Sunday

BUHL - The Buhl Knights of Columbus will serve an all-you-can-eat St. Patrick's Day dinner of corned beef and cabbage from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday at the Immaculate Conception Church Hall, 1631 Poplar St. in Buhl.

The cost is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children ages 6-12 and free for children under 6.

For more information, call 543-8169.

AARP sponsors driving class for seniors

WEDELL - The AARP will sponsor a safe driving course from 8:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday in the United Methodist Church basement in Wendell.

The cost is \$10 for course mate-

rials and a certificate of completion.

For more information, call Jean Harris at 536-2021.

Sons of Norway hear from Norwegian immigrant

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Viking Sons of Norway Lodge will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the home of Ella McCauley, 504 Fifth Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

McCauley will share her memories of her life in Norway before her immigration to Idaho as a young woman. Members are asked to bring a treat to share.

For more information, call 324-4085.

Hospice Visions holds 'Raking in the Green' raffle

TWIN FALLS - Hospice Visions Inc. will hold its annual spring fund-raising raffle, "Raking in the Green." The winner will receive 50 percent of the proceeds from the raffle.

Tickets cost \$1 or six for \$5, and will be sold from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. today at Magic Valley Mall and during and after the St. Patrick's Day parade downtown on Monday. The drawing will be held at 4:30 p.m. Monday, and the winner does not need to be present to win.

For more information or a ticket, call 735-0121.

Quilt presentation held Thursday in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - Leona Hankins will present a program on her quilts at a meeting of the Art Guild of Magic Valley at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Main Street Plaza, 132 Main Ave. in Twin Falls.

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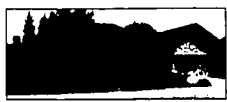
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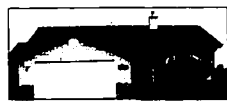
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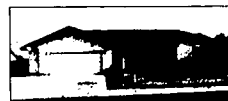
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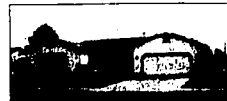
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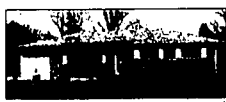
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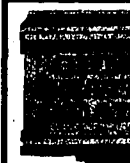
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Saturday, March 15, 2003

THE ACES ON BRIDGE®

Bobby Wolff

"O ye who lead, take heed!
Blindness we may forgive, but
baseness we will smite."
— William Vaughn Moody

The ace of trumps is a problematic card on defense. Obviously it is better to have it than not. It increases your chances either of establishing a side-suit (since you should regard the lead fairly early on in the hand), or of getting a ruff, for the same reason. Indeed, Giorgio Belladonna wrote a bridge tip advising holding up the ace of trumps till the right moment. Paradoxically, though, a bare ace of trumps can frequently be a milestone around the neck, in that one can be employed with it to open up a suit involuntarily.

On today's deal Nuria Almiral of Spain found herself in what appeared to be a hopeless slam. One way to avoid losing a heart trick in addition to the trump ace is to find a singleton king of hearts, but Nuria did better than that.

She won the diamond lead in dummy as East showed an even number, cashed dummy's other diamond and the top spades, pitching a heart, and ruffed a spade. Now she cashed one more diamond and led a low trump, hoping for a defensive error from West, or for the actual lie of the cards. West won her bare ace and was forced to open up hearts or concede a ruff-and-discard. Of course, Nuria still had to guess whether to play dummy's 10 or queen, but having gone this far down the road to success, she was not going to spoil a good piece of reporting by misguessing an ending, was she?

NORTH		EAST	
♠ A K 5		♠ J 9 7 6	
♥ Q 10 7 2		♥ K 6	
♦ Q		♦ 9 6 4 2	
♣ Q J 9 8		♣ 10 7 3	

WEST		SOUTH	
♠ Q 10 8 4 3		♠ 1 NT	
♥ J 9 5 3		♥ 3	
♦ 10 8 3		♦ 4	
♣ A		♣ 5	

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: North

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
2♠	Pass	1NT	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	Pass
4♠	All pass		

Opening lead: Diamond three

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:		West holds:	
♠ Q 10 8 4 3		♠ 1 NT	
♥ J 9 5 3		♥ 3	
♦ 10 8 3		♦ 4	
♣ A		♣ 5	

ANSWER: Bid three diamonds, as a cue-bid, on your way to game in one of the majors. Your hand figures to fit well with partner's (you can ruff your diamonds in his hand), so aim for your eight-card major-suit fit and play game there.

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