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Is Saddam's strategy working?

By Dafna Linzer
Associated Press Writer

Militias fighting in Iraqi towns, guerrillas attacking U.S. military convoys, the Republican Guard moving south to greet approaching coalition forces.

Saddam Hussein's war strategy may look chaotic from the outside, but military experts believe it's a carefully crafted plan meant to drag out the fighting and prolong a humanitarian crisis that would prompt the international community to push for a political solution.

"That's his only hope for survival," said retired Army Maj. Gen. William Nash, now a senior fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations.

So far, Saddam's tactics seem to

World pressure from long war could force U.S. to accept political solution

be having an impact.

Lt. Gen. William S. Wallace, the senior ground commander in the conflict, said Thursday that a longer-than-expected war now seems likely, in part because of the surprisingly tough resistance by forces loyal to Saddam.

Fighting in the southern Iraqi cities of Nasiriyah and Basra has provided two striking examples of Iraq's determination.

U.S. Marines traded fire with Iraqi forces Friday in Nasiriyah, site of some of the fiercest fighting in the war. Coalition ground forces

and many believe that is why Iraq appears to be waiting for coalition forces to get to Baghdad.

Nash said that strategy would also "give Saddam a decision point of whether he wants to revert to chemical warfare."

"When the troops are gathering close together, they become a lucrative target. It's much harder to successfully strike at soldiers spread across the desert," he said.

Iraq's defense minister said the real fight will be in the Iraqi capital — home to 5 million people.

"The enemy must come inside Baghdad, and that will be its grave," Sultan Hashim Ahmed said. "We feel that this war must be prolonged so the enemy pays a high price."

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in the battle, which drew almost continuous small arms fire and rocket-propelled grenades.

In Basra, Iraq's second largest city, Iraqi forces said to be members of the paramilitary Fedayeen prevented British troops from taking the city and fired on about 1,000 civilians trying to flee.

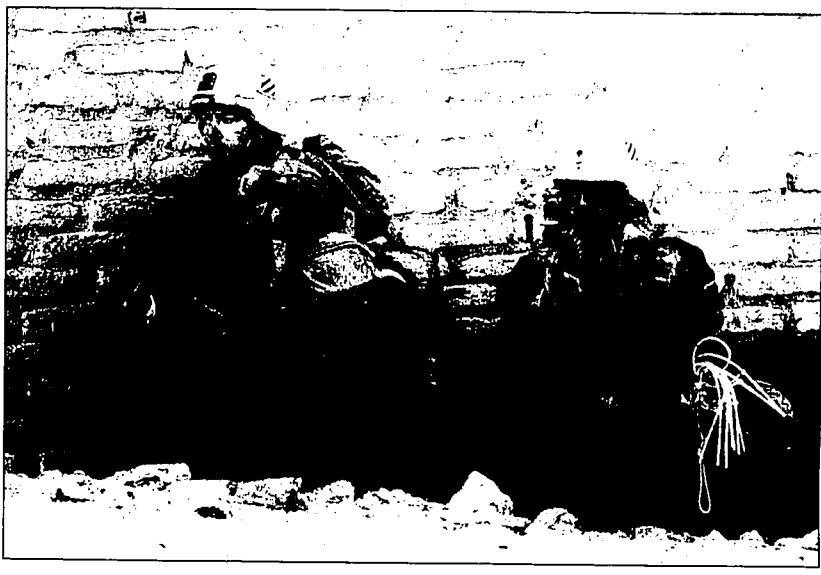
British forces have encircled the city for days, but have been reluctant to enter for fear of becoming trapped in urban warfare.

In such a situation, the defenders almost always have the advan-



This image of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was seen on Iraqi television Thursday.

CLOSING IN



U.S. Army soldiers from A Company, 3rd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment, the 3rd Infantry, search an abandoned medieval fortress in the desert near Karbala Friday. Scouts had observed Iraqi military activity in the area, although no one was found in the building.

Man who cops say had bombs goes free

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A Payette man who state troopers say they caught with homemade bombs and other weapons was set free from the Jerome County Jail recently after officials decided to move the case against him into federal court.

Robert Johnson, 29, had been held in lieu of \$100,000 bond, pending a trial on a charge of unlawful possession of explosives, according to court records.

But on March 17 — just two days before his trial was to begin — Johnson was set free after the county's case against him was dismissed, Jerome County Under-sheriff Jocelyn Roberts said.

The county dropped its case because the U.S. attorney's office apparently decided to pursue charges against Johnson, said Jerome County Prosecutor John Nicholson. He declined to comment.

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U.S. forces pound Iraqi defenses

Troops, pilots focus on supply route, entrance to Baghdad

By Elen Krijckmeyer
Associated Press Writer

IN THE IRAQI DESERT — Artillery and rocket batteries set buildings on fire and raised a pall of thick, black smoke over Nasiriyah on Friday as Marines outside the Euphrates River city tried to stamp out Iraqi resistance on a key supply route to Baghdad.

The battle gave a sample of the kind of firefight that may await coalition forces in the capital, 200 miles to the north.

With U.S. forces massing as close as 50 miles from Baghdad,

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Republican Guard.

Two Apaches crashed as they returned to the 101st's base in a remote part of the southern Iraqi desert, but all crewmembers escaped injury.

In Iraq's second largest city, Basra, U.S. warplanes firing laser-guided missiles destroyed a building where 200 paramilitary fighters were believed to be meeting. The paramilitaries, known as Saddam's Fedayeen, have kept a fierce grip on Basra even as British forces encircle the city.

All day, Marines fought pockets of Iraqi fighters in and around Nasiriyah. Cobra helicopters fired rockets into the city, raising plumes of white smoke. Artillery and tank fire rumbled, sparking bursts of white flame low on the horizon. Helicopter crews drew almost continuous small arms fire

and rocket-propelled grenades.

Four Marines with the 1st Expeditionary Force were reported missing.

Heavy smoke from a burning power plant poured over the city of 500,000, and other buildings were also on fire. In Nasiriyah's eastern neighborhoods, some buildings were reduced to shells, with debris scattered in the streets.

U.S. forces were trying to clear the strategic road around Nasiriyah, which lies at a junction of highways leading up to Baghdad and has been the scene of fierce fighting the past week.

In the chaos, progress elsewhere on the Iraqi battlefield seemed distant.

By further up the road, troops

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New Scout leaders face record checks

By Robert Mayer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — When Steve Nelson served as a Scoutmaster during his college years, he was often the sole adult supervising groups of Boy Scouts on camping trips and other outings.

That's no longer acceptable: Boy Scout policy calls for a minimum of two adults to be present for all activities.

And in another sign of the times, the Boy Scouts of America Tuesday will begin requiring criminal background checks on all new volunteer leaders. All adults applying for such positions as Scoutmaster, den leader or committee chairman will like-

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Bomb hits crowded Baghdad market, spreading carnage; Iraq says 58 die

By John Daniszewski and Sergio Lolkio
Los Angeles Times

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Gafel Handani has lived 74 years and raised one daughter and eight sons. On Friday night, his three youngest boys were stretched out on the floor of his living room in simple caskets — killed by the latest explosion in a Baghdad neighborhood.

"What can I tell you?" the old man said dejectedly as male neighbors gathered around him

and the women keened in the next room. "Isn't the sight of them enough?" he asked, pointing to his sons, aged 12, 18 and 20.

Grief and shock seized the working-class Shualla district of southeast Baghdad after a missile slammed into a crowded market area at dusk, killing at least 51 people and injuring about 50 others, hospital workers and residents said.

"I don't remember so many injured people, so much blood everywhere, in this hospital

before," said Dr. Haqqi Razouki of the nearby Mour Hospital.

"Even doctors and nurses were shocked."

The blast, like a midday missile strike that killed 14 people in another part of the city Wednesday, fanned anti-American passions and accusations that the United States is targeting civilians. U.S. spokesmen have rejected the accusations and suggested that in some cases Iraqi weapons could be responsi-

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Abdul Hussein cries after seeing the body of his son Helder, 25, in the morgue of Al Nur hospital following a bomb that landed in a busy market in the Al Shualla district of West Baghdad Friday.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Partly cloudy skies, a light breeze and slightly warmer than normal temperatures. Highs middle 50s.

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IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Today: Partly cloudy and mild. Evening will be mild, mostly dry and quite nice. Even though clouds will increase on Sunday it will not be until late Monday and Tuesday that showers will begin to redevelop.

Today Highs: 42 to 51. Tonight's Lows: 16 to 25. Mid to today and warm for Sunday. Conditions will also be dry and winds will stay very light. Mostly dry weather will persist on Monday with cooler conditions and showers expected by Tuesday.

NORTHERN UTAH

turning warmer for this weekend with dry and breezy conditions as well. Early next week should remain mostly dry with increasing winds.

Table with columns for City, High, Low, Wind, and Clouds for various Idaho locations like Boise, Idaho Falls, and Pocatello.

Yesterday's State Extremes - High: 60 at Lowell. Low: 6 at Stanley. Weather key: su-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, m-midly cloudy, c-cloudy, th-thunderstorms, sh-showers, r-rain, s-snow, H-Hurricane, W-Wind, M-misting

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Market

Continued from A1. ble for deaths among civilians. Iraqi authorities are highlighting civilian casualties in their political campaign to put pressure on the U.S. and British forces approaching the capital.

On the other hand, strikes on civilian areas are relatively rare, and that's one reason why many people in the Shuala district would have been outside even while the U.S. bombing was going on a short distance away.

"People were so badly injured that they were dying in our hands," said Razouki, who had patients lined up for a free operating room.

Before midnight, hospital staff reported 51 deaths. Information Minister Mohammed Said Sabah later put the number of dead at 58.

At the Nasr marketplace itself, a kind of cul-de-sac filled with about 10 metal stalls selling fruits and vegetables, and household items, the missile fell in the middle of the street and sent blast waves and shrapnel in all directions.

The missile left a crater about five feet wide and three feet deep, and incinerated a car nearby. Pools of blood were still on the ground when government minders took journalists to the site about three hours after the blast.

At the hospital, the wounded remembered the moments of terror and chaos. "I saw a plane in the sky, then something threw me on the ground," Salman Zakkar, a 52-year-old father of 12,

said as he lay on his side with a large chunk of shrapnel protruding from his buttocks. "I could not get up and I could not feel my legs. Women were screaming, crying, they were lying next to me, I tried, I tried to get up, but they were dead."

"I don't believe it merited is doing it by accident," said Dr. Abbas Ali Abbas, 36. "Every day, they kill civilian people. Every day, injured civilians are brought to our hospital. It is not a war. It is slaughter."

In the hospital, bodies were cleaned and then handed over to the family members. A group prayer service was held in an adjacent field and then the corpses were carried, in wooden boxes, on the top of taxis or battered cars to homes.

In the home of Hamdani, over the bodies of his three sons, the talk was that the attack would only strengthen the unity and resolve of Iraqis in this war.

One son, Haider Gafel, 24, a university student studying management, stepped forward and warned that strikes such as this one turn all Iraqis into brothers whether they be Shiite or Sunni. "We are Shiites," he said. "They may kill all the Shiites. They may kill all Iraqis. But whatever they do, we will stay true to our Islamic faith."

At the mosque near the market, named for a famous Shiite imam, the bodies of friends Marwan Hussein, 14, and Perar Matar, 17, lay in caskets next to each other.

Perar's father was killed in the war in Kuwait at around the time he was born, explained the boy's stepfather, Arad Jami, a 28-year-old policeman, and now his son had returned to meet war.

"Bush promised a clean war. Is this a clean war?" asked Marwan's uncle, Abdel Zarak, an engineer.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Five-day forecast table for Twin Falls, Idaho, showing conditions and temperatures for Today, Tonight, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, and Pollen Count for Twin Falls.

Moon Phases table showing the moon's position and phases for the next few days.

Moonrise and Moonset table providing specific times for moonrise and moonset.

Snowpack table showing snowpack levels and melt rates for various locations.

U.V. INDEX table showing UV index levels and health warnings.

REGIONAL FORECAST table showing weather conditions for various Idaho locations.

NATIONAL FORECAST table showing weather conditions for various states and cities.

WORLD FORECAST table showing weather conditions for various international locations.

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FBI seeks overseas expansion

WASHINGTON (AP) - The FBI plans to open offices in Kabul, Jakarta and eight other foreign capitals as part of a decade-long overseas expansion that officials say is crucial to meet the global threat of al-Qaida and other terrorist groups.

The blueprint also calls for adding 30 new FBI personnel, including 17 agents, to the nearly 200 stationed at 46 locations around the world, according to FBI documents and interviews with The Associated Press.

Their importance was demonstrated during the afternoon of the Sept. 11 terror attacks, the

FBI says, when agents in dozens of cities around the world were tracking down leads with the cooperation of local authorities in Germany, Canada, Great Britain and elsewhere.

Since the fall of 2001, about 500 agents and 200 support people have been working overseas on the terrorism investigation, along with the FBI agents known as permanent legal attaches, or "legats," who were already there.

The agents are often directly involved in interrogation of terrorist suspects or criminals and sometimes submit questions to those doing the interviews, including CIA officers.

War recap

A daily summary of key developments in the war with Iraq.

• Marines battled pockets of Iraqi resistance in Nasiriyah; four Marines with the 1st Expeditionary Force were reported missing. Explosions from tank fire, artillery and rockets fired by Cobra helicopters reverberated through the city of 500,000 as Marines battled to clear the main supply route north to Baghdad.

• Iraq's information minister said at least 50 people were killed in a crowded market in northwest Baghdad by what local officials called a coalition bombing.

• U.S. weapons intelligence-guided missiles destroyed a building in Basra where 200 paramilitary fighters were believed to be meeting.

• President Bush held fierce Iraq resistance "will demand further sacrifice" from U.S. troops as they advance on Baghdad.

• A suspected Iraqi missile fell into the sea and exploded near a major shipping lane in Kuwait City early Saturday, but officials said it caused no injuries and little damage.

• Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld accused Syria and Iran of meddling in the Iraq war and warned that both Iraq neighbors would be held accountable if it continued war. Syria rejected Washington's claims.

• Iraqi paramilitary forces in Basra fired mortars and machine guns on 1,000 Iraqi civilians trying to leave the besieged city, forcing many to retreat. British military officials and witnesses said. An initial group of about 1,000 fled the city safely.

• Iraqi Kurds are preparing camps to hold as many as 500,000 people fleeing Saddam Hussein's territory, but face severe shortages of tents and other equipment, officials said.

• The U.S. Security Council voted unanimously to resume a massive U.N. humanitarian program for Iraq once the U.S.-led war subsides.

• Tone of food war reached the Iraq port city of Umm Qasr escorted by attack helicopters and a minesweeping ship.

Crash halts search for shuttle debris

HOUSTON (AP) - Helicopters searching for space shuttle debris in east Texas were grounded Friday after a Forest Service chopper aiding the mission crashed in thick woods, killing two people on board and injuring three others.

The investigation was hampered because the crash site, about 35 miles east of Lufkin, was accessible only over muddy, rut-filled trails of trails. All terrain vehicles were brought in to assist crews trying to clear a road into the forest.

"Reports were that it lost power to the rotors," said FAA spokesman John Clabes. NASA Administrator Sean O'Keefe said Friday two witnesses told officials the helicopter's "engine just stopped" and it "took a nose dive" about 4:30 p.m. Thursday.

Killed were pilot J. Lee "Bozz" Mier Jr., 56, and Charles Krenke, 48, an aviation specialist with the Texas Forest Service. Mission Canyon Helicopters, had been hired by the Forest Service to help in the search.

by denied if their past includes battery, assault or abuse convictions.

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While the Boy Scouts haven't experienced any widespread

child abuse controversies, Nelson said the alert level has been raised, forcing the organization to create a preventive measure policy.

"We've been at the forefront of youth protection for some time," Nelson said.

Indeed, BSA has produced videos and publications on child abuse prevention.

For instance, "A Time to Tell" and "It Happened to Me" are videos aimed at Scouts, containing dramatized situations that could be considered abusive or otherwise harmfully manipulative of children.

They're to help children recognize compromising positions and to respond accordingly. They're also designed for leaders to recognize child abuse and how to deal with those children. They also aim to protect leaders, demonstrating how to avoid being in a situation in which abuse can happen or even accusations made.

Nelson encourages parents to participate in the viewings and discussions.

In addition, all Boy Scout and Cub Scout books feature a multiple-page parent guide in the front cover titled "How to protect your children from child abuse."

"Unfortunately, it's something that parents need to sit down and talk to their kids about," Nelson said.

The world appears to have grown more dangerous, and the fear of child predators is as great as ever, he said, particularly with recent high-profile child abduction cases.

"Life has changed," Nelson said. Hence, the extra precautions. "I think it's very important that parents and organizations understand that the Boy Scouts are doing everything they can to protect the kids," he said.

Johnson

Continued from A1. ment on why the U.S. attorney's office decided to take the case.

Even so, Johnson might not be free for long, said Jean McNeil, a spokeswoman for the U.S. attorney's office in Boise. No federal charges had been filed against Johnson Friday, but they are pending, McNeil said.

Johnson as of Friday wasn't in federal custody - but he will probably be taken back in if a grand jury hands down an indictment against him, she said. That's probable, she said. That's probable, she said. That's probable, she said.

The fact that explosives were involved was part of the reason for moving the case to federal court, McNeil said, but full details of the decision weren't yet available.

Meanwhile, agents with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms have taken all the evidence in connection with the case, said Idaho State Police detective Jim Hopkins. Hopkins had been one of the lead investigators in the county's case against Johnson.

Johnson on Dec. 1 was pulled over by troopers on Interstate 84 in Jerome County after another motorist called police and complained that a man driving a minivan was threatening him.

Troopers found some homemade bombs, firearms and other weapons in Johnson's van, according to reports. Johnson later told investigators he was planning to conduct a co-worker who he thought had connections with the al-Qaida terrorist network, according to reports.

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Report: U.S. thwarts terror attacks by Iraqis

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Terrorist plots by Iraqi intelligence aimed at U.S. facilities in two nations, including one on the Arabian peninsula, have been uncovered recently, the State Department disclosed Friday.

Suspects in the "sleeper cells" were arrested this month in both countries and weapons, including explosives, were confiscated before the attacks could be carried out, U.S. officials said. The arrests led to alerts about more potential Iraqi assaults against American interests in at least eight other countries.

The Bush administration refused to identify the Persian Gulf country targeted in the intel-

lital plots. But late Friday, the State Department issued a new warning to U.S. citizens in Yemen that the security threat there due to terrorism is now high and urged any Americans considering travel to the country to defer plans.

As a result of "credible reports that terrorists have planned attacks against U.S. interests in Yemen," the State Department also authorized the voluntary departure of all nonemergency personnel at the U.S. Embassy in Sana, the capital.

"The Department anticipates that threats against Americans in Yemen will continue given the increased tensions and security concerns resulting from the current situation in the region," the

warning said.

Yemen, the poorest and most populous country in the Arabian peninsula, has been a haven in the past for al-Qaida and Iraqi operatives.

The addition alerts for possible Iraqi operations involve countries in the Middle East, South Asia and Southeast Asia, U.S. officials said. "There are other locations we're concerned about. We're looking more closely, we're taking action and we're collecting additional information to add to the hopper," said a well-placed U.S. official who requested anonymity. "We're on them. We're after them."

In Pakistan, the U.S. Embassy warned Americans on Friday to watch out for possible attacks, including from individuals on the

streets, in retaliation for the invasion of Iraq.

The U.S. Embassy has received evidence of a potential threat to American citizens and other Westerners in Pakistan from terrorists posing as street vendors or beggars on busy streets," the embassy warned U.S. citizens using its alert system. "Americans are urged to avoid congested areas where these individuals could approach their vehicles."

This week, Philippine President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo ordered the deportation of two Iraqi Embassy employees in response to a U.S. request. Last month, the Philippines expelled a senior Iraqi envoy for suspected ties to Islamic extremists.

Outspoken Army general upsets administration

WASHINGTON (AP) — His war plan may not have panned out in Iraq quite as neatly as Lt. Gen. William S. Wallace had hoped.

"The plan is to be decisive, rapid, lethal and to give our adversary no edge he can take advantage of," Wallace, commander of the ground battle in Iraq, was quoted as saying earlier this month.

After a week of war, Wallace upset the White House Thursday by saying publicly that Pentagon strategists had misunderstood the combativeness of Iraqi fighters. The miscalculation, he said, had stalled the coalition's drive toward Baghdad.

"The enemy we're fighting against is different from the one we'd war-gamed against," Wallace, commander of V Corps, told The New York Times and The Washington Post. "We knew they were here, but we did not know how they would fight."

Wallace's comments fed into the frustration the Bush administration already was expressing



Lt. Gen. William S. Wallace

over media coverage of the pace of the war effort. The war, the White House says daily, is going well and at a good speed.

White House press secretary Ari Fleischer on Friday would not say whether he agreed with Wallace.

"The strength of the plan is at the ability to adapt to the realities of the circumstances while still focused on what it is we seek to do," Fleischer said at his daily briefing.

At a briefing at U.S. Central Command in Qatar, Brig. Gen. Vincent Brooks said uncertainty is part of battle.

"No one can ever predict how a battle will unfold," Brooks said. "We remain confident that we have a good grip on what's going on here and we're proceeding."

Immigrants take oath of citizenship

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Thousands of immigrants from more than 100 countries pledged allegiance to the United States on Friday.

The new citizens included 23 servicemen and women who received enthusiastic applause from the crowd, which displayed its patriotism by waving small flags and praised America's war to oust Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

"I don't know why they left him until now," said Khajik Haroutian, 65, who came to the United States from Baghdad six years ago.

"My feeling of gratitude to our troops is so deep," said Ann Claire Van Shaick Pahlavi, who was born in Tehran. "I feel such gratitude for their willingness to fight for my freedom. It only for that I'm proud to come here today."

In all, more than 7,500 immigrants were to be sworn in during the day's two mass citizenship ceremonies at the Sports Arena, which temporarily served as a federal court for the occasion.

The oath was administered to the first group by U.S. District Court Judge Gary Fees, who made special remarks for the military personnel who became citizens.

"Freedom comes with a price," Fees said. "I salute them and their willingness to sacrifice their individual objectives in the short run for the long-term objectives of their country."

Leroy Aleranga, an Army specialist, said he had no doubts about serving his new country.

"It's all about what you promised to do, defend the Constitution of the United States," said Aleranga, who was born in Jamaica. "It's not about where you are from, it's about where you live."

Most of the new citizens came from Mexico, followed by the



Ibrahim Ibrahim, a Palestinian immigrant, holds an American flag after taking the oath of citizenship during a ceremony in Los Angeles Friday.

Philippines, Vietnam, Korea and Iran. Mirna Franco, who is from Guatemala, said her husband, Armin, is serving in the Marines.

"We are proud to be Americans," she said. "Yet, it's sad to think about the human lives that are being lost on both sides."

The new citizens for the most part expressed strong support for America's war in Iraq.

"For one stupid guy like Saddam a lot of innocent people will die," said Pravin Patel, 45, from India. "We had to do something. He's a crazy guy."

Senators hope airline relief deal will fly

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Republicans agreed Friday on a \$2.8 billion aid package for the nation's airlines, much less than the industry says it needs to offset slowdowns caused by terrorism worries and the war with Iraq.

The package would extend the war-risk insurance that protects airlines from liability for injuries to passengers during war or an act of terrorism and would reimburse the airlines \$1.1 billion for security measures.

It also would give the airlines a six-month break from passing on to the government the proceeds from a passenger security tax of up to \$10 per round-trip ticket.

The Air Transport Association, an airline industry trade group, scaled back its effort to obtain \$9 billion in tax relief after Congress refused to fund the idea. Earlier this week, ATA President James May said airlines were instead looking for \$4 billion in help for new security costs they have incurred since the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

Three of the 12 largest U.S. airlines — United, US Airways and Hawaiian — are in bankruptcy. May said that 10,000 airline jobs have been cut and advance bookings are down 20 percent to 40 percent since the war started.

Female officer will handle probe

AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. (AP) — One of the new female senior officers at the Air Force Academy will watch over future sexual assault cases to ensure they are handled properly, an Air Force official said.

Col. Debra Gray, the incoming vice commandant of cadets and a 1980 academy graduate, is to arrive next month, said Gen. John Jumper, the Air Force chief of staff said Thursday.

In past years, cadets could opt to report assaults by anonymously calling the cadet-staffed program CASIE, or Cadets Advocating Equal Integrity and Education. Because no names were involved, some cases were never prosecuted, Jumper said.

Third death after smallpox shot causes concern

WASHINGTON (AP) — A 55-year-old National Guardsman died this week from a heart attack, the Pentagon said Friday, in the third such death that followed a smallpox vaccination.

The Defense Department is joining the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in deferring people with heart disease from being given the vaccinations until a possible relationship can be investigated, said Dr. Bill Winkler, assistant secretary of defense for health affairs.

In Florida, where a health worker died this week after a heart attack, officials temporarily stopped vaccinations so they could re-screen people who had volunteered for the shots and eliminate any with heart problems. New York put its program on hold this week.

On Friday, a federal advisory committee was considering how many people should be excluded

from the vaccination effort. One option being considered would exclude anyone over age 50.

At the Pentagon, Winkler said the soldier, who died also smoked and had high cholesterol. An autopsy showed that he had had coronary disease.

Because of those findings, Winkler said, it appears unlikely that the vaccine caused the man's death.

The man suffered the heart attack Tuesday and died Wednesday, Winkler said. CDC issued its warning after a Maryland nurse died of a heart

attack Sunday and a Florida health worker died of a heart attack later in the week. More minor cardiac problems were seen in 15 others who had been inoculated, including 10 people in the military and seven civilians.

The smallpox vaccine has never been associated with heart trouble, but CDC officials said Thursday there was some evidence the vaccine is playing a role in heart inflammation.

Winkler said the military has had few serious side effects from the vaccine program.



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America at war

Kurdish-U.S. assault sends Islamic militants fleeing

By Karl Vick
The Washington Post

BIYARA, Iraq - With U.S. Special Forces operating field artillery, calling in air strikes and supervising a massive infantry charge, 6,000 Kurdish fighters on Friday overwhelmed a band of radical Islamic Kurds in a remote mountain valley in northeastern Iraq.

The combined Kurdish-U.S. assault began at dawn and ended in a rout. By mid-afternoon this rugged village on Shram Mountain near the Iranian border was no longer the headquarters of Ansar al-Islam, a small but dangerous militant group that the Bush administration charges has links to

the al-Qaida terror network. About 40 Ansar fighters were killed and at least one Arab, described as a Palestinian, was captured, according to medical officials. Kurdish commanders said two Ansar fighters detonated explosive vests rather than be captured. The rest of the force of about 700 fled in the direction of the Iranian border.

No casualties were reported among the approximately 100 U.S. forces working in the area. Doctors said about 40 Kurdish militia were wounded and five killed. The fatalities were caused by mines planted by Ansar fighters as they retreated from bunkers on the floor of the southeastern corner of the Halabja Valley and began their climb

toward Biyara and the Shram Mountains above.

The smooth synchronism of U.S. and Iraqi Kurdish forces appeared to be a model for the U.S.-Kurdish battlefield cooperation that Kurdish leaders want to organize on the northern front taking shape against the government of President Saddam Hussein.

But the connection to the larger war was indirect. Ansar al-Islam, which means "Followers of Islam," was an obscure local group of militants last year when the first U.S. military operatives arrived in Kurdish-controlled northern Iraq - an autonomous region protected by U.S. and British warplanes since 1991 - to begin preparations for a war on Hussein. The group's

allegiance to al-Qaida emerged over time, as did the presence of at least 100 Arabs among its force of about 700 fighters. Kurdish and U.S. officials said most of the foreigners arrived early in 2002 from Afghanistan, after the fall of the Taliban.

"I'm pretty well convinced after studying this problem for 10 months that the al-Qaida piece is pretty (solid)," said the Special Forces commander overseeing the battlefield Friday from a hillcock outside Halabja, 35 miles southeast of Sulaimaniyah. The commander said he could not be identified by name.

"You talk about continuing the global war on terrorism," he said, "this is certainly a part of it."



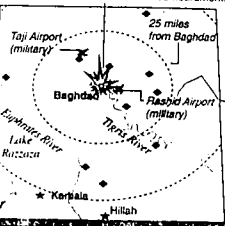
A Kurdish fighter keeps an eye on a mountain pass near Biyara, Iraq, Friday.

OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM: DAY 10

Target: Iraqi communications

The biggest bombs to strike Baghdad yet - two 4,700-pound "bunker buster" dropped from a B-2 bomber - knocked out a communications tower. Tomahawk missiles and bombs struck other communication facilities, including one of the city's main telephone exchanges. Tough fighting continued at key cities in central and southern Iraq.

Two "bunker buster" bombs struck a communications tower in Baghdad; communications and command-and-control facilities were also hit in intense bombardment.



U.S. hit teams seek targets in Iraqi cities

By Dana Priest
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - U.S. covert teams have been operating in urban areas in Iraq trying to kill members of President Saddam Hussein's inner circle, including Baath Party officials and Special Republican Guard commanders, according to U.S. and other knowledgeable officials.

The covert teams, from the CIA's paramilitary division and the military's special operations group, include snipers and demolition experts schooled in setting house and car bombs. They have reportedly killed more than a handful of individuals, according to one knowledgeable source. They have been in operation for at least one week.

The previously undisclosed operation suggests U.S. government efforts to destroy the government leadership are far more extensive than previously known, and have continued since the March 20 airstrike on a residential compound in the suburbs of Baghdad. That attack was launched after CIA Director George Tenet presented President Bush with fresh intelligence that Saddam and his two sons, Qusay and Uday, were sleeping in the complex.

CIA officials declined to comment. Pentagon spokeswoman Torie Clarke said, "As we have said before, we have special forces in the north, west and south of the country."

As conventional U.S. and British forces have encountered fiercer than expected Iraqi resistance, the CIA and the Pentagon's covert units are under increasing pressure to fire the "silver bullets" that will kill Saddam and bring down his government, thereby bringing the ground war to a quick conclusion. The agencies have stepped up a fierce psychological operations campaign to rattle key members of Saddam's government in an effort to get them to turn on the Iraqi leader.

The covert teams are just one feature of the largely invisible war being waged in Iraq by the CIA's and Pentagon's growing covert paramilitary and special operations divisions.

CIA units and special operations teams are also involved in organizing tribal

groups to fight the Iraqi government from the north. They are secretly hunting for weapons of mass destruction and missile sites, and are looking to interrogate Iraqi defectors and prisoners of war. The CIA, National Security Agency and foreign intelligence services cooperating with the agency are helping to identify so-called "leadership" targets; the homes, offices and other sites inhabited by the officials who make up the government's infrastructure.

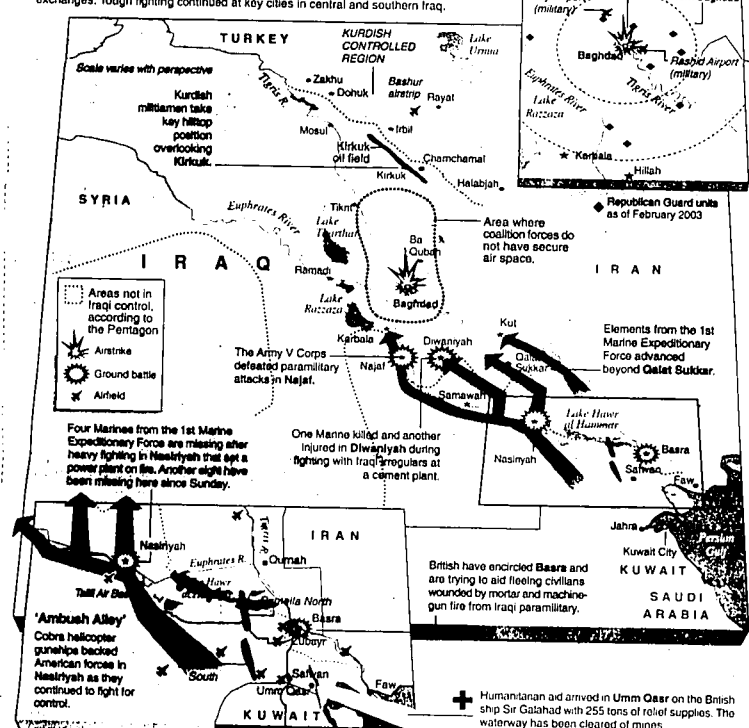
Provided with a detailed account of the contents of this article, U.S. government officials made no request to the Post to withhold any of the story's details from publication, as they have sometimes done in other cases involving ongoing operations.

While many of the missions performed by the CIA in Iraq illustrate a deep integration of intelligence into battlefield operation - made possible largely through advances in high-speed, wireless data transmission - the covert killing teams are an example of what one source called the "real-life (explosive) stuff."

The teams carry sophisticated weapons and communications equipment capable of receiving near-real-time targeting intelligence to guide them to locations where sought-after individuals are located.

Not all the explosions in Baghdad captured by western television cameras are the result of aerial bombs and missiles, the source said, implying that some have been planted by the teams.

For decades, since the assassination scandals and consequent legal restraints of the 1970s, neither the CIA nor the military undertook such selective targeting of individuals. But after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorists' attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon, the CIA in particular has been given the go-ahead to undertake much more risky and sensitive operations that do just that. The agency maintains a list of about 30 terrorists, the so-called "high value targets," and has assigned paramilitary teams, sometimes working in tandem with covert military units such as the Delta Force, to track down, capture or kill these individuals, most of whom are members of the al-Qaida organization.



SOURCES: Defense Mapping Agency, CIA, United Nations, ESRI, National Imagery and Mapping Agency, Omni Resources, Central Command, Jane's, Associated Press, AP

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were pushing north toward Baghdad with food, fuel and other supplies. North of Najaf, the Army V Corps defeated paramilitary attacks, military officials said.

Air attacks focused on the Republican Guard's Medina division. F/A-18s from the USS Kitty Hawk in the Persian Gulf attacked a fuel depot and another site with missile canisters belonging to the Medina division, said Capt. Dick Corpus, chief of staff of the Kitty Hawk battle group. Royal Air Force pilots also hit Republican Guard positions 60 miles southeast of Baghdad.

"There was fantastic visibility and I could even see the camels on the ground as well as a number of bomb craters around the encampment," Flight Lt. Scott Morley, a Harrier pilot, told a reporter for Britain's Sunday Express. "I got two good hits on Medina division artillery pieces."

At least 1,200 troops are in place in northern Iraq, and special operations forces have secured air fields and other strategic targets in the west. The big target is Baghdad. "We'll attack when we're ready," Air Force Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said.

But they won't be ready until more forces reach the environs of a city where Saddam's forces were expected to make a last stand of house-to-house fighting. And continuing attacks by Iraqi

irregular forces - along with almost perpetual traffic jams on roads north - have turned last week's sprints across the desert into a distant memory.

Marine units pushed forward. Instead of trying to avoid engagements, they looked for them, trying to clean out pockets of regime loyalists as they go. Convoys moved day and night, taking food, fuel and other supplies north, traveling in total darkness without headlights.

It's "blue-collar warfare," said Lt. Col. B.P. McCoy, commanding officer of the U.S. Marines 3rd Battery, 4th Regiment. "There's no magic solution to it. It is just the hard-grinding work of patrols."

But they did advance. Authorities said the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force was north of Qajar Sajar, 50 miles up the road from Nasiriyah.

Behind them, some pockets of resistance were vanquished. Authorities said the port of Umm Qasr was secured after days of sporadic fighting, allowing the delivery of humanitarian aid for desperate Iraqis. Elsewhere, battles raged. At Diwaniyah, a Marine died and another was wounded in fighting with irregular Iraqi forces at a cement plant. In Basra, the airstrike appeared aimed at helping break the grip of Saddam's Fedayeen on the city. The number of casualties from the strikes was not immediately known. Earlier in the day, the paramilitary units opened fire on civilians trying to flee the city.

Strategy

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Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, however, suggested American troops might lay siege to the capital rather than invade, in hopes its citizens will rise up against the government.

The United States had hoped for uprisings in several small, Iraqi towns heavily populated by Shiite Muslims, who are culturally and religiously tied to Iran, not Saddam.

When some of those communities rose up during the 1991 Gulf War, they were left later to deal with an even angrier Iraqi dictator who remained in charge when the fighting was over. The bad experience likely kept home this time many would-be supporters of the U.S. effort.

Uprisings would certainly help U.S. troops avoid an urban-warfare scenario, where they could end up fighting in unfamiliar territory surrounded by a hostile population.

"American doctrine is not geared to urban fighting," said William Hopkinson, an analyst with the Royal Institute for Strategic Studies in London. "Urban fighting is very messy and fairly primitive."

Ahmed, the Iraqi defense minister, suggested the country's defenses were organized to protect the capital.

"At the end, the enemy will have to enter the city. What's important is that the enemy should pay a dear price to reach Baghdad," he said.

Rumsfeld warns Syria, Iran against meddling

WASHINGTON (AP) - Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld accused Syria and Iran of meddling in the Iraq war and warned Friday that both Iraqi neighbors would be held accountable if it continued.

He alleged that military equipment had crossed into Iraq from Syria, and Iranian-sponsored fighting forces were inside Iraq and presenting a potential threat to U.S. and allied troops.

The only specific military items Rumsfeld mentioned as coming from Syria were night vision goggles. The ability to fight effectively

at night is a major U.S. military advantage over Iraq, and Iraqi acquisition of such goggles could negate that advantage to some degree.

At a Pentagon news conference a week after the air segment of the U.S.-led war began, Rumsfeld warned that any members of the Badr Corps, an Iranian-sponsored anti-Saddam Hussein force, who are found in Iraq would be subject to U.S. military power.

He said hundreds of Badr Corps members are inside Iraq now, with more inside Iraq, near the Iraq border.

"The entrance into Iraq by military forces, intelligence personnel or proxies not under the direct operational control of General Franks will be taken as a potential threat to coalition forces," he said, referring to Gen. Tommy Franks, the overall commander of allied forces.

He said that includes the Badr Corps, which he said is trained, equipped and directed by Iran's Revolutionary Guard.

"We will hold the Iranian government responsible for their actions and will view Badr Corps activity inside Iraq as unhelpful."

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YOUR WEEKEND

BYU Folk Dance USA

What: Brigham Young University-Idaho's Folk Dance USA will perform.
Where: The Roper Auditorium in Twin Falls.
When: 7 p.m. today.
How much: Tickets, which are \$5 in advance, are available at Crowley's The Quad and Bell's Family Books in Twin Falls, at the Book Plaza in Burley and at the Book Store in Rupert. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

'Oklahoma'

What: The Dilettantes of the Magic Valley will present Richard Rodgers' and Oscar Hammerstein's "Oklahoma."
Where: College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.
When: 7:30 p.m. today.
How much: All seats are reserved and prices are \$10 for general admission and \$7 for senior citizens and children 12 and under. The Dilettantes' box office in the Magic Valley Mall is open noon to 6 p.m. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Laughing Stock

What: Laughing Stock Theater Company will present Reed Martin, Austin Technor and Adam Long's "The Bible: The Complete Word of God (Abridged)."
Where: nexStage Theater, Ketchum.
When: 8 p.m. today and Sunday.
How much: Tickets, which are \$15, are available at Chapter One Bookstore or at the door.

Faulkner Planetarium

What: The Faulkner Planetarium will present "Through the Eyes of Hubble."
When: 2 p.m. today.
Where: Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.
How much: Ticket prices are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens 60 and over, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, are available at the door. Children 4 and under are not admitted.

'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.

Barn boogie

What: Pucketchange will play classic country music for a barn dance. All ages are welcome.
Where: Anderson's RV Camp, located east of the Eden-Twin Falls exit 182 off Interstate 84.
When: 8 p.m. to midnight today.
How much: The cover charge is \$5.

Beach Party

What: A Beach Party, featuring a DJ, will be held.
Where: The Lincoln Inn, 413 Main St., Gooding.
When: 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. today.
How much: No cover charge.

For more Your Weekend

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Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% peak**
Upper Snake River	95%	90%
Salmon Falls	61%	58%
Salmon	100%	95%
Oakley	54%	53%
Big Wood	92%	86%
Little Wood	93%	90%
Henry Fork/Teton	82%	78%
Big Lost	88%	84%
Little Lost	73%	67%

As of March 28

*A compilation of basin snowpack, on this day, with a 30-year average.

**An indicator of basin snowpack.

Is it a question of space, or race?

Jerome restaurateur says he was unfairly denied beer license

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

JEROME — They say they denied him a beer and wine license because his restaurant was too close to a school.
He says they denied him a license

because he's of Mexican origin.
Albino Ortega, owner of the El Paraiso Restaurant in Jerome, Wednesday filed a lawsuit in U.S. District Court in Boise claiming the city of Jerome violated state and federal laws when it refused to grant him a beer license while granting such a license to a nearby restaurant whose owners are not of Mexican origin.
Ortega, an Idaho citizen who was born in Michoaca, Mexico, and educated at Boise State University, is represented by Hatley attorney Keith Roark. The Jerome County School District is also named as a defendant in the complaint,

which contends the district "refused to support the plaintiff's application" for a license.

According to state law, "no license shall be issued for any place where beer is sold or dispensed to be consumed on the premises, whether conducted for pleasure or profit, that is within 300 feet of any public school, church, or any other place of worship measured in a straight line to the nearest entrance to the licensed premises, except with the approval of the governing body of the municipality..."
El Paraiso is located on Lincoln Street

South, across the street from a school building that houses the Jerome Education Center, which offers alternative or supplemental instruction to selected students as well as other nontraditional school activities.
But the state law allows cities some flexibility, said Benjamin Donaldson, who with his wife Latina owns the Trio Cafe, which is also located near the school. Trio's license was tentatively approved last June, then denied in October at the same time Ortega was denied a license.

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A TASTE OF GREATNESS



BRUCE SHIELDS/The Times-News

Bob Culver, public works director for the city of Jerome, holds a glass of the best tasting water in the state, according to the Idaho Rural Water Association. This is the second time the city has been honored for its water quality.

Jerome's drinking water gets state award

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — City public works director Bob Culver is proud of his water.

With good reason. It's the best tasting drinking water in the state, according to the Idaho Rural Water Association.

"We don't want to ruin the fresh water taste of our water so we only add a little chlorine. Just enough to kill the bacteria, not enough to flavor it," Culver said.

Jerome competed against six other Idaho cities that entered the association's fourth annual contest, which looks for the best tasting drinking water in the state. This is the second time in three years Jerome has won bragging rights. Other past winners include Sugar City and St. Anthony.

A panel of five judges — water experts from around the state — smell, taste and look at the water and rate them on a scale of one to five. The scores are added and the total determines the winner, said Don Munkers, CEO of the water association.
In addition to helping earn the award for the city, Jerome's public works director, Bob Culver, took home the State Manager of the Year Award, and Walt Appell, a senior public works technician, took home the Operator of the Year Award.
Residents seem to like the taste. Vicki Parapato, hostess at McClanahan's restaurant, said roughly half the customers prefer to drink water with their meals rather than order drinks.

"The water has nice flavor and no smell," said Ralph Peters, former Jerome mayor and state representative. "Visitors to the city often comment about how good our water is."

The city has four wells that get their water from the aquifer. The water is stored in three 3-million-gallon and one 300,000-gallon water storage tanks.

Peters — whose father was manager of the Jerome Water Company before it was transferred to the city in 1956 — said although there was some pollution during the mid part of last century from residential septic tanks and sewer systems, that problem has been solved.

"The water comes from the aquifer and it is great water,"

he said.
The city of Kimberly also took home an award from the Idaho Rural Water Association for the water system of the year. Kimberly's award was primarily due to a recent \$1 million water system upgrade.

Jerome officials will travel to Washington, D.C., to compete at the national level on April 5. Jerome took fifth place there two years ago. St. Anthony took second the year it advanced to nationals.

Although one might think Idaho would have an advantage when it comes to water because of the state's pristine snow-covered mountains and clean country living, it doesn't. One year a town in Maine took the honor, and another year it was a town in Iowa, Munkers said.

Jerome thinks about its centennial

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — The community was founded in 1907 when irrigation water became available and the Northside Tract was opened for settlement.

Jerome's centennial is still four years away. However, preliminary plans are being made to mark the anniversary.

The Jerome Historical Society is forming a centennial committee to work on a community-wide centennial celebration in 2007. Virginia Ricketts said. Anyone interested in working on the committee should call Ricketts at 324-2017.

Wes Gates, a graphic artist and owner of Screen Works in Jerome, said he is trying to organize a downtown merchants committee to put together a centennial project to go along with the community-wide centennial celebration.

Gates has been working with grant writers trying to get grants to help develop downtown cen-

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America at war

Serving Their Country

Profiles of servicemen and women with local ties who are deployed to Iraq and the Middle East. Information supplied by their families.



- Name: Travis Scott Jensen.
- Age: 21.
- Hometown: Rupert.
- Local family: Parents, Gary and Beverley Holy.
- Service, date of enlistment: Marines, October 2000.
- Rank and assignment: Corporal, Kuwait.
- Task: In charge of distributing ammunition, weapons and supplies.
- Additional information: He was deployed Feb. 24.

For a list of all people serving in the war from Magic Valley, go online to www.magicvalley.com and click on "America at War." To submit information and photos about local servicemen and women, please call Times-News reporter Jennifer Sandmann at 735-3237, or e-mail jamsand@magicvalley.com. Please include your own name and contact information.

CAR CRASH IN TWIN FALLS

Paramedics lift Robert Priest, 79, of Twin Falls, onto a stretcher on Second Avenue South in Twin Falls. Priest suffered injuries to his arm and hand when his Ford Aestor minivan flipped in a crash at about 4 p.m. Friday, said Twin Falls police traffic officer Chad Wigington.

Priest was at a stop sign and apparently inadvertently hit the van's gas pedal when he intended to hit the brakes, Wigington said. The van lurched forward into traffic on Second Avenue South.
The van struck the rear of a late-model Ford crew cab pickup driven by Dana Thomas, 47, of Buhl. The impact was strong enough to break one of the pickup's axles, spin it around and flip the van over onto its side, Wigington said.
One of Priest's hands was trapped in the wreckage, and firefighters had to cut open a section of the van's roof to rescue him. Priest had purchased the van about only two hours before, Wigington said. Priest and Thomas were both wearing seat belts, and Thomas wasn't hurt, Wigington said. A citation is pending in connection with the crash, he said.



BRUCE SHIELDS/The Times-News

Pool closure worries some officials

AN ICY TREAT

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

RUPERT—Irrigation ditches could have rocks, debris and dead animals in them. They shouldn't have children swimming in them. With the decision to not open the Rupert swimming pool this summer, some irrigation company officials are concerned children will use irrigation canals for water recreation.

"We don't want the kids in there," said Ruth Bailes, secretary/treasurer of the Minidoka Irrigation District. "We feel that children should be in a pool under supervision."

More Idaho children drown in irrigation systems than in other bodies of water, Bailes said. "It's a big concern."

There are no legal ramifications for anyone caught swimming in a canal, Bailes said. In fact, often when irrigation officials tell children to get out of canals, parents come out to yell at the irrigation officials.

Parents swam in the canals when they were young and think their children should be able to swim there too, Bailes said. But canals are dangerous

places to play.

The Idaho Water Users Association, which pairs with irrigation districts to create television ads teaching youth not to play in canals, wrote a letter to the city of Rupert supporting the effort to refurbish the Rupert pool. That plan has been in the works for about a month.

"In an effort to get kids away from canals and into supervised waters, we encourage the leaders of Rupert to consider all of the impacts that refurbishing the Neptune Pool could have on our community. It is our hope that children in your area will opt to recreate in the Neptune Pool rather than in water delivery systems, which were never intended for recreation," the letter states.

A letter from the Minidoka Irrigation District reiterates those concerns: "Many people choose to use our system currently as a local swimming area, and we're not expecting the possibility of increased increases in accidents in our water delivery system this summer due to the pool being closed."

Minidoka Irrigation District personnel conduct some education programs in schools to try to

reduce the number of children who swim in canals.

Rupert city officials are looking at ways to improve the swimming pool, including possibly making it an indoor pool. Consultant Don Carey is searching for grant money to pay for the renovation. City Administrator Roger Bagley said.

This summer, however, the pool will be closed. That means about \$16,500 in lost revenue for the city and no summer jobs for 14 people.

Average annual revenue for the pool is \$14,500. This year's budget anticipated \$16,500 in revenue. Bagley said revenue in 2001 was \$17,700; in 2002, pool revenue was \$11,000.

City officials estimate 100 people have used the pool each day during the 55 days it was open every year. The pool usually opens in late May. The pool was used by a 90-member swim team, and the Minidoka County School District ran a swimming program for second-graders each fall.

"All of those will be affected," Bagley said.

The \$60,000 allocated in this year's city budget for the swimming pool will be carried forward

to help get the pool open again, Bagley said.

Bagley remembers recommending to the City Council about four years ago to close the pool. It needed too many repairs and wasn't cost effective. But the council decided it was an asset to the community and worked hard to keep it open.

The city of Burley swimming pool is also getting old, but City Administrator Mark Mitton said the pool could go two to three years without any improvements. The city is working with Rupert city officials and Carey to see how the Burley pool could complement a new pool in Rupert.

The Burley pool is open only in the summer. Burley officials don't track the number of pool users, Mitton said. He remembers when the Burley pool was closed two or three years ago and said that might happen again this summer with Rupert's pool closed.

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These three boys took advantage of a warm Friday afternoon in Burley to chomp on ice cream cones during their final days of spring break. Brandon Moon, Shawn Metta and Jordan Moon enjoyed the cones while waiting for Metta's mom to run errands.

Property taxpayers could get a break

The Times-News

BOISE—Called the "taxpayers' Bill of Rights" by supporters, House Bill 302 passed the Senate on Friday in a 28-to-5 vote and is headed to the governor.

It sets a standard for people or businesses appealing property taxes in the state. Instead of relying on case law for a standard that would require someone appealing property taxes to prove an assessment is "manifestly excessive, arbitrary and capricious, or fraudulent and oppressive," the legislation would open up the burden of proof so that those making an appeal would only have to show an assessment is "erroneous."

In addition, it changes the burden of proof from "clear and convincing" to "preponderance of evidence," which would only be 51 percent.



Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, is the only local senator who voted against the bill. He said he believes the bill has the potential to empower large businesses to appeal their property taxes and win because of a much lower burden of proof as a requirement than previously.

As a result, a significant property tax shift to other taxpayers could occur, he said. Only those with enough money to hire lawyers to go through the appeals process are likely to prosper from this legislation, he said.

The House passed the bill in a 44-to-21 vote in early March.

YOUR WEEKEND

Boise's Extreme Measure

What: Extreme Measure from Boise will play.

Where: Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

When: 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. today.

How much: No cover charge.

To have an event appear in "Your Weekend" and your information to: Melissa Morgan, PO Box 5478, Twin Falls, ID 83403; e-mail her at mmorgan@magicvalley.com or fax it to 734-5538.

Where: Montana Steakhouse,

1826 Canyon Crest Drive, Twin Falls.

When: 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. today.

How much: No cover charge.

Steak and music

What: Country Classics will play.

Brewer will pour lager into lake to protest beer tax

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—Claiming he was a prime target of the beer tax bill that mostly Mormon state lawmakers passed last month, brewer Greg Schirf is taking a stand.

As usual, that means the witty entrepreneur will roll out a new beer ad campaign that tweaks Utah's Mormon culture. But this time, the beer will go into the drink.

On Thursday, Schirf says, he'll dress up as founding father and notorious tippler Ben Franklin. Then, in an updated version of the Boston Tea Party, he'll protest taxation without representation and assert his free-speech rights by pouring the first keg of his new 1st Amendment Lager into Great

Salt Lake.

"We're a brewery with a political agenda," Schirf said Friday. "We have a political statement to make, but we want to do it with a smile on our faces."

The Wasatch Brewery owner and managing partner of the Utah Brewers Cooperative hopes Tax Party sponsor Sen. Mike Waddoups will be listening.

Offered by Wasatch Brewery's billboard showing busy beer icon Provo Girl next to the caption, "Nice Cans," Waddoups promised to cite its "bad taste" during the bill debate.

"Our First Amendment rights were impacted because (he) told us to shut up or (he'd) come after us, and (he did)," Schirf said.

Centennial

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ennial activities, but most state grants require matching funds. This is where the downtown merchants' coalition comes in. Gates' business normally sells wholesale, not retail, but on the last Saturday of each month he pulls the racks of T-shirts out onto the sidewalk and sells misprints, overprints and overruns to the public. The proceeds from those T-shirt sales are given to charitable organizations. Gates also sets aside part of those sales for centennial marketing activities.

He is trying to convince other downtown Jerome merchants to do the same. Because merchants generally don't have a lot of money to spend on promotional activities, it is best to work ahead, he said. They need to be looking four to five years down the road before it is too late.

Gates has started a project for the centennial at his business. People bring in old photos of the early days in Jerome or the Northside Tract, and Gates scans the photos into a computer. A scanned photo can then be made into a CD-ROM or can be put on DVD with the person's voice telling about the photo or series of photos.

JEROME COUNTY COURTS

The Times-News

JEROME—Recent activity in 5th District Court in Jerome County included the following:

Misdemeanor arraignments

Brian A. Campbell, 31, M19 E. 18th, Jerome, injury to a child; pre-trial conference March 31; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Kristen L. Campbell, 34, M19 E. 18th, Jerome, injury to a child; pre-trial conference March 31; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Kevin John Cavaler, 42, 50th St., Jerome, frequenting a place where controlled substances are used, trespass; pre-trial conference March 31; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Angie Decollado, 31, 46 1/2 First Ave. W., Jerome, reckless driving, pre-trial conference March 31; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Christina R. Garcia, 24, 126 S. Lincoln, No. 81, Jerome, driving without privileges, failure to provide proof of insurance, pre-trial conference March 31; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Ismael Juan Gonzalez Carrero, 28, 28th S. E., Jerome, driving without privileges, failure to purchase invalid driver's license, pre-trial conference March 31; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Joe Alfredo Guzman, 25, 349 First Ave. W., Twin Falls, driving without privileges, failure to appear, Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

James G. Loveland, 32, P.O. Box 741, Jerome, driving under the influence, pre-trial conference April 14; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Juvenile misdemeanor arraignments

Antonio Aguilar, 17, 225 S. 400 W., Jerome, driving under the influence, pre-trial conference April 14; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Casidy.

Jerome, driving without privileges, pre-trial conference March 31; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Misdemeanor sentences
Michael P. Velman, 31, 436 W. Main, Jerome, driving under the influence, 5:00 fine, \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, 500 public defender fee, six months' unsupervised probation, 180 days in jail, 20 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Benjamin C. Wallace, 24, 708 Ninth St. W., Jerome, driving without privileges, amended to failure to purchase invalid driver's license, 500 fine, \$63.50 court costs, Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Thorald DeLano Barnes, 25, 2014 First Ave. W., Jerome, driving without privileges, 575 fine, \$42.50 court costs, Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Shandra G. Rogers, 27, 181 E. 1st Ave. W., Twin Falls, driving without privileges, amended to failure to purchase invalid driver's license, 500 fine, \$63.50 court costs, \$45 probation fee, 540 public defender fee, one year unsupervised probation, 180 days in jail, 10 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Danald Lee Monnor, 15, 2154 S. 1200 E., Jerome, violation of order, 5:00 fine, \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$40 public defender fee, one year unsupervised probation, 180 days in jail, 10 suspended, credit for five days served, 10 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Luís S. Rodriguez-Matrigue, 22, 138 B. St., Jerome, driving under the influence, 180 days' driving suspension, 570 fine, \$750 suspended, two years' unsupervised probation, failure to appear, Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Juvenile misdemeanor sentences
Celene Juarez, 15, 901 South Ave. 1, Jerome, reckless driving amended to driving a vehicle without the owner's consent, \$150 fine, \$100 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$20 public defender fee, six months' unsupervised probation, failure to purchase invalid driver's license, dismissed by prosecutor, Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Robert J. Taylor, 19, 321 W. 1, Jerome, driving under the influence, court trial April 17; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Casidy.

Misdemeanor sentences

Roy Frenco Salazar, 31, 333 Oregon St., Jerome, driving without privileges, 180 days' driver's license suspension, \$200 fine, \$750 suspended, \$750 court costs, \$45 probation fee, one year unsupervised probation, 180 days in jail, 176 suspended; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Casidy.

Myron A.J. Meyer, 19, 350 W. 51 S. A., Jerome, dispensing alcohol to a minor, \$300 fine, \$150 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$25 probation fee, \$100 public defender fee, one year unsupervised probation, 180 days in jail, 180 suspended; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Casidy.

Joseph Ray Frite, 29, 1010 E. Montana Jerome, forcible sexual penetration by use of foreign object, dismissed by prosecutor, 180 days' domestic violence, \$1,000 fine, \$900 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee, \$100 public defender fee, two years' unsupervised probation, 180 days in jail, 90 suspended, credit for 18 days served, concurrent with domestic battery charge, Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Casidy.

Juvenile misdemeanor sentences

Eudoro Hernandez, 16, 235 E. A. B. Wendell, Jerome, driving without privileges, amended to failure to purchase invalid driver's license, \$200 fine, \$63.50 court costs, Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Casidy.

Misdemeanor dismissals

Thomas E. Luper, 22, 313 W. F., Jerome, pleading guilty on public or private property, dismissed by prosecutor, Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Casidy.

Civil filings

Mario Banica vs. Bert Harbaugh Motors, Don Sankey RV and Marine

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Risk Management Alternatives vs. Victor Torres and Patricia Torres, husband and wife. Seeking \$1,126.27, plus interest, \$1,275 attorney fees. Plaintiff alleges defendant owes for accounts assigned to the plaintiff for collection.

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Felony arraignments

Justin Wynn Jappan, 28, 156 Madison, Twin Falls, sex offender failure to register charge, name of address, 5:00 fine, \$200 suspended, 2 yrs. trial, 180 D. District Judge Harry W. Wood.

Felony sentences

Ricardo Lopez Villa, 21, P.O. Box 509, Gooding, delivery of a controlled substance amended to possession of a controlled substance, dismissed by prosecutor, District Judge Harry W. Wood.

After the influence, three year driver's license suspension, \$2,000 fine, \$78.50 court costs, five years' determinate permanent term, retained probation, resort to probation, driving without privileges, driving without privileges, driving without privileges, driving without privileges, driving without privileges, Separate case, bail jumping, \$200 fine, \$63.50 court costs, 84 days in jail, credit for 84 days served, District Judge Harry W. Wood.

Samuel Josh King, 19, 5781 S. Highway 91, Jerome, aggravated battery, dismissed by prosecutor, aggravated battery, dismissed by prosecutor, \$1,000 fine, \$750 suspended, \$55.70 court costs, three years' supervised probation, one year unsupervised probation, failure to appear, District Judge Harry W. Wood.

Seeking \$9,000 plus interest, attorney fees of \$1,000. Plaintiff alleges defendant owes for damage to a motor home while in the possession of Snake River RV and Marine.

Gateway SPV vs. Mary E. Ridgeway. Seeking \$4,601.01 plus interest, attorney fees of \$1,500. Plaintiff alleges defendant owes for accounts assigned to the plaintiff for collection.

Child support cases

State of Idaho Health and Welfare vs. Oscar Romero. Seeking determination that defendant is the father of Leonor F. Romero, \$130 attorney fees.

Divorces

Beth L. Huber vs. Kenneth C. Huber. Seeking Marital Waiver and Randall Nacobs.

James Lawrence Cisco vs. Anna Mac Cisco.

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Misdemeanor arraignments

Jessie Freme, 52, 131 E. Hagerman Ave., Hagerman, forgery, arraignments April 1; District Judge Barry Wood.

Ricoberto Garcia Llamas, 21, 393 River Blvd., Blain, driving without privileges, hearing May 12; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Casidy.

Theodore A. Kingston, 20, 1937 Woodrider Road, Gooding, driving without privileges; pre-trial conference May 1, jury trial May 12; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Casidy.

Raymond L. Mahule, 42, P.O. Box 607, Hagerman, driving under the influence, driving without privileges, open container, court trial April 17; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Casidy.

Paul Saldaña, 18, 1600 E. Bob Barton, Wendell, inattentive/erratic driving, failure to purchase invalid driver's license, trial to hearing April 17; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Casidy.

License

emphasized with Albino Ortega, saying he hopes he too gets his license.

"The reason we got our license back is because the city has certain discretionary rights," Donaldson said. "They don't have to follow the state law to T."

Jerome city officials would not comment on the door-to-door measuring option or Ortega's complaint.

"I can't comment on it because it's pending litigation," said Travis Rothwell, Administrator of the City of Jerome. Rothwell also could not be reached for comment.

city's and school district's actions "are unreasonably discriminatory, arbitrary and unreasonable, lack a rational relationship to any legitimate purpose that may be invoked by city or school district, and constitute denial of the equal protection of the laws that are guaranteed to Mr. Ortega under the equal protection clauses of the Constitution of the United States and Idaho."

The lawsuit also says the city and school district "agreed and conspired with each other to deny the plaintiff the rights guaranteed under the United States Constitution and the Idaho Constitution." The complaint goes on to say the defendants' conduct harmed Ortega, and unless restrained, will continue to harm him.

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Ortega is asking the court for:

- A temporary restraining order, a preliminary injunction and a permanent injunction requiring the city, school district and their agents to refrain from interfering with his rights under the U.S. and Idaho constitutions.
- A declaratory judgment stating he is entitled to a beer license or a variance to obtain one.
- Compensatory damages in an amount to be proven at trial.
- An award of attorney fees of the lawsuit and attorneys' fees.
- Other relief that is just and proper.

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Governor vetoes senior program budget

LEGISLATIVE LOG

BOISE (AP) — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne vetoed the 2004 budget for senior citizen programs on Friday, saying the 7 percent cut would rob thousands of elderly residents of critical services.

"These programs that help senior citizens live nobly and independently in their own homes do not represent wasteful government," the Republican chief executive said in his veto message to the GOP-dominated Legislature.

The governor said he was willing to work with lawmakers toward compromise to solve the state's financial crisis, but he also promised more vetoes for budget cuts that would go too deeply affecting essential programs and services.

Kempthorne said the \$529,000 reduction in general tax support for the Office on Aging would have denied 1,000 seniors home-delivered meals. 1,700 wouldn't get help in coping with health and other needs; 500 would lose housekeeping assistance, and 550 bring respites for family



caretakers would be lost. More than 20,000 free trips for seniors to doctors, grocers and other destinations would have been eliminated.

"We're talking about real people and real impact," Kempthorne said. "We're talking about dignity and independence for our senior citizens."

State Senate leaders doubted that an attempt would be made to override the governor's veto, considering the solid line of Republican supporters. Kempthorne has against a legislative strategy to erase the estimated \$160 million deficit with budget cuts rather than higher taxes as the governor has proposed.

Kempthorne advised legisla-

tive leaders Thursday evening of his intention. He had said publicly two weeks ago he would not accept the spending plan for senior programs.

The veto was his first on a 2004 budget bill and reinforced his pledge to reject a legislative strategy to erase an estimated \$160 million deficit in the new budget with cuts rather than the tax hikes he has proposed.

The governor also vetoed a plan to cut \$43 million from the current budget — \$23 million more than he had imposed last summer — and was not challenged by lawmakers.

Friday's action came a day House Appropriations Chairman Maxine Bell pulled back a reduced budget for veterans programs amid escalating criticism over the cuts and the bill's failure to finance operation of the new veterans cemetery. Kempthorne had repeatedly indicated he would not accept the bill without cash for the cemetery, and key lawmakers accused him of using veterans and the war in Iraq for political

advantage in the state budget battle.

Kempthorne dismissed the strident criticism from lawmakers, saying simply that "there are times it will get a little bit testy."

He did sign 11 other minor bills, all for relatively minor agencies and programs that deal mostly with government administration. Each was significantly reduced from this year's level.

"I'm willing to work with the Legislature," the governor said. "Anyone we can go ahead and make the stretch, make the reductions, we will do that."

Kempthorne, however, said that the state's \$2 billion general tax budget has already been cut 10 percent over the past 18 months and will continue to reject deeper cuts that erode government's ability to provide basic services and programs people expect.

"Right now the objective is to get through the next couple of years until we see a national recovery with essential services and programs intact," he said.

The Associated Press

Vetoed by Governor

S1144 (Finance) — Allocates \$11.2 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Commission on Aging.

Signed by Governor

S1140 (Finance) — Allocates \$6 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Insurance Department.

S1141 (Finance) — Allocates \$112,700 for 2003-2004 operations of the lieutenant governor's office.

S1142 (Finance) — Allocates \$14 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Department of Finance.

S1145 (Finance) — Allocates \$5.5 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Legislative Council.

S1146 (Finance) — Allocates \$625,500 for 2003-2004 operations of the Endowment Fund Investment Board.

S1147 (Finance) — Allocates \$18 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Public Employees Retirement System.

S1148 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$25 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Human Resources Division.

S1149 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$4.5 million for 2003-2004 operations of the State Lottery Division.

S1150 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$11 million for 2003-2004 operations of the State Lottery Division.

S1151 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$10 million for 2003-2004 operations of the State Lottery Division.

S1152 (Appropriations) — Allocates \$14 million for 2003-2004 operations of the Office of Business Operations.

Sent to Governor

H102 (Revenue and Taxation) — For the

burden of proof to change a property valuation by the Tax Commission on the person seeking the change.

H103 (Education) — Provides liability protection for those reporting threats of violence on public school grounds.

H127 (Aging and Health) — Limits liability on public sector employees for loss of care of land under certain circumstances.

H128 (Health and Welfare) — Adds a technical change in the hospital payroll tax law.

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H130 (Health and Welfare) — Limits the maximum length of a combination vehicle to 115 feet.

H131 (Health and Welfare) — Permits the State Health and Welfare director to order isolation of operations subject to study of costs.

H128 (Industry and Rules) — Requires training of health-care workers in mental illness for the regulated community in health-care facilities.

H132 (Health and Welfare) — Clarifies the status of payments under support devices that are made at the time attempts are made to modify the device.

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Confirmed by Senate

Annual Report of the Governor to the Commission on Aging and Health.

Legislative Action Complete

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Senate panel OKs lease for four-season resort

BOISE (AP) — A Senate committee on Friday unanimously endorsed the House-passed long-term lease for a billion-dollar, four-season resort on Lake Cascade.

"The citizens of Valley County would like to see the state acquire the resort," said Rep. Brad Little, Emmett, one of the other members of the Resources and Environment Committee. "We ought to charge on."

Final approval of the legislation, expected next week, will provide a \$600,000 payment to the state from the developers of the Tamarack resort, previously known as WestRock, under terms of the lease signed last year.

The state has already been paid \$400,000 for use of the 2,100 acres on the west side of the

lake. If the project is still under way in four more years, it will begin collecting more than another \$1 million.

But Jean-Pierre Boespflug, the project's chief executive, tried to assuage concerns of some lawmakers by promising to include a disclaimer in sales documents for residential lots at the resort that the state lease is not an endorsement of the resort as an investment.

He said money to finance the first phase of the project has already been secured, and cash generated from sale of home lots will be put in escrow as a hedge against any future problems.

It would be the first major North American ski resort to be built in more than 20 years.

State Lands Director Winston

Wiggins said the state's interests are protected by the terms of the lease on the 2,100 acres. He called the project feasible.

The project is the successor to the failed Valbois resort plan of the 1980s.

"This project has had more studies to it than any other project in the state of Idaho," Valley County Commission Chairman Terry Gustin told the committee at an earlier hearing. "I believe it's time to take it out from under the microscope and see if it will work."

Resort developers have said they need the extended lease to attract financing. Boespflug said backing for the first phase is sufficient to go beyond the lease requirements with three instead of two lifts and an 18-hole rather

than 9-hole golf course. There will also be a lodge to serve skiers and golfers.

The resort opened its Nordic skiing course this winter and plans to start construction on the alpine ski hill and other amenities this summer.

Advocates contend the resort will be an economic boon to an area hit hard by the timber industry's decline. But opponents claim it will damage the region's basic services and environment, clog Idaho Highway 55 from Boise and overtax the local government's ability to provide needed support services.

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At least 14 claim Smart reward money

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — At least 14 people have claimed or been nominated for \$295,000 in reward money for the recovery of Elizabeth Smart.

The money was pledged by the private donors and the FBI for Elizabeth's safe recovery. She was taken at 10:30 a.m. from her bedroom June 5, and returned to her family March 12 after she was spotted on the street of a Salt Lake City suburb with two strangers who have been charged with her kidnaping.

Immediate Smart family members did not contribute to the reward money that the city and police will distribute, said Smart family spokesman Chris Thomas.

"The family is very, very grateful for those people," who pledged the money the day Elizabeth disappeared, Thomas said.

Mayor Rocky Anderson and Salt Lake City Police Chief Rick Dinse will decide how to dole out the money within several weeks, said Josh Ewing, the mayor's spokesman. Anderson and Dinse can consult with the district attorney before awarding a \$250,000 city reward, and they may consult with the FBI before distributing that amount's \$45,000 reward.

The reward money may be divided among several parties if Anderson and Dinse decide so, Ewing said. Anderson's office is

not releasing the names of nominees or claimants and may not name recipients even after they receive money, Ewing said.

The family sponsored another \$10,000 reward for anyone who could exonerate Richard Ricci, once a potential suspect in Elizabeth's kidnaping. The arrest of Brian David Mitchell and Wanda Barzee apparently cleared Ricci, a former Smart handyman who died of a brain hemorrhage in August.

That reward will be distributed by a committee of the FBI and Salt Lake City police, but as of Friday, no one had been nominated or had claimed the reward, Thomas said.

Prosecutor faces allegations of blowing officers' covers

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — The district attorney fired a prosecutor accused of deliberately blowing the cover of two plain clothes officers at an anti-rally.

Assistant District Attorney Jennifer Albright was dismissed Thursday after her boss said she betrayed the trust of local police and could no longer serve as an effective prosecutor.

"We have to work so closely with law enforcement in the preparation and prosecution of cases and, if there isn't that trust or confidence, we simply can't be effective," Bernalillo County District Attorney Kari Brandenburg said Friday.

"I just didn't see how she could remain an effective prosecutor."

Albright attended the Sunday anti-rally near downtown Albuquerque, which drew 300

protesters. Police, who had worked with her on criminal cases in the past, say she recognized at least two undercover officers and pointed them out — both verbally and with gestures — to fellow protesters.

With their cover apparently blown, the officers had to leave the rally for safety reasons, according to a police report.

Albright did not deliberately point out the officers and did nothing wrong, said her attorney, John Boyd. He said she is entitled to a hearing and that "just because she is an at-will employee of the district attorney's office does not mean she can be fired under these circumstances."

Albright joined the district attorney's office about a year ago. She was out of town and could not be reached for comment Friday.

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It's been a week! What kind of war is this?

"Are we there yet? Are we there yet?"

The media are beginning to sound an awful lot like brats in the backseat nagging Daddy Rumsfeld because the war is taking sooooo long. I mean, it's been a little more than a week already!

As a military friend said recently: "The American attention span for wars is the length of an average Hollywood movie."

Since the U.S.-allied attack began on Iraq, reporters and commentators have been struggling for definition. It's as though we were all handed a syllabus at the beginning of the war, and any deviation thereafter is a narcissistic insult, or worse, a military failure.

KATHLEEN PARKER

In nearly every press briefing lately, whether with generals in the desert or with President Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair, the question surfs back: Why is the war taking so long?

Part of the problem, now thoroughly dissected, is the 24/7 news coverage, which provides a focus of war without the larger context.

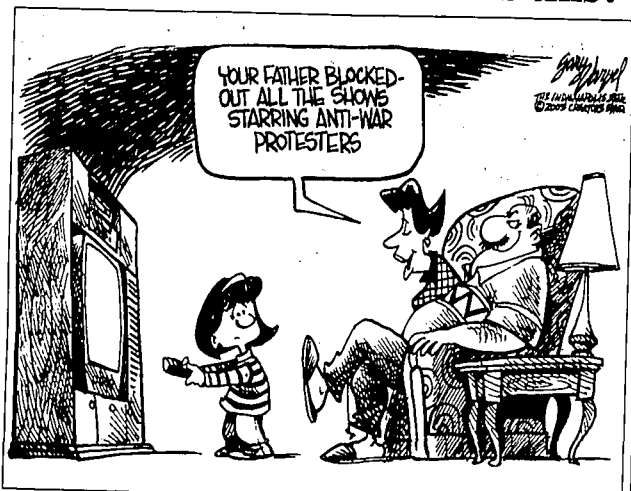
Forget not seeing the forest for the trees; we're focused on the granular composition of the sand.

Such saturated emphasis on minutiae moreover conveys the impression that the war has been on going for months when it has been little more than a week, as Rumsfeld has noted.

When reporters asked Bush and Blair Thursday how long the war will take, Blair gave the only answer possible: "We will carry on until the job is done." Blair added that the schedule isn't "set by time; it's set by the nature of the job."

It's true that the U.S. military thought we'd be in Baghdad by now, but those predictions were predicated on a northern front that would have forced Saddam to split his defenses.

Even so, our forces were within 10 miles of Baghdad by the fifth day.



Thus, what's slow isn't the war itself, but our capacity to absorb the onslaught of information. Although embedded reporters may provide us with up-to-the-second, live-action outtakes, our brains are just as fast as they were 50 years ago. That is, we need time for due consideration, time to absorb, process, select and analyze.

Yet we allow ourselves none of the time.

It isn't hard to trace the roots of this quintessentially American problem.

We're a drive-through nation addicted to fast food and accustomed to stories that wrap up in a couple of hours.

In real-time war, we can't cheat and skip to the last page or dodge into the next-door theater and catch the end of "Rambo Does Iraq."

War requires that we become comfortable with ambivalence, that we temporarily suspend our need for instant gratification

and perhaps that we adopt the attitude of a wounded American soldier interviewed Thursday in Germany, whose comments were posted on National Review Online.

"I saw that my foot was gone," he said. "I put that out of my mind."

War demands such toughness, yet we spectators lack the training that allows that young man to soldier on.

Instead, our instantaneous exposure to war's brutal and bloody consequences makes us wish for a hasty end. Call it the Mogadishu Effect.

Although there's nothing inherently wrong with the instinct to retreat in the face of danger, pulling back now renders meaningless the sacrifices thus far made and, as Blair said, would send a disastrous signal to the world's brutal dictators.

It is worth suggesting, meanwhile, that Bush and Blair might be commended for their honesty regarding the duration of war rather than criticized for their failure to speculate about its end.

Compare their candor to President Clinton's promise in 1996 that we would be in Bosnia for only one year.

An Army officer serving in Bosnia told me how the military had to rename its operation from IFOR (Implementation Force) to SFOR (Stabilization Force) in order to meet Clinton's one-year promise.

"We were scrambling madly to figure out what to call ourselves. All we did was change the lettering, but we were essentially the same operation, although a little smaller."

Five years later, we still have forces in Bosnia.

In other words, when Bush and Blair say the war may take a while, it may take a while. But better to be realistic - not to mention honest - about what lies ahead than to play word games in order to calm the brass.

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National security faces off with pork barrel spending

BRIAN RIEDL

Should our tax dollars fund our troops fighting in Iraq, or the Smithsonian's national worm collection?

If it's business as usual up at the Capitol, then this is the type of question Congress will grapple with in the coming weeks. And if history is our guide, the outcome is too close to call.

On March 25, President Bush unveiled a \$75 billion proposal to provide immediate funding for the war in Iraq. Of that amount, \$63 billion would be to fight the war, \$8 billion would be targeted to foreign assistance and humanitarian aid, and \$4 billion would strengthen homeland security. The lives of the men and women in our armed forces depend on Congress providing these funds immediately.

It's unlikely to be seen if Congress will act quickly and responsibly. On March 21 of last year, President Bush proposed \$27 billion in immediate aid to prosecute the global war on terrorism, upgrade homeland security and rebuild downtown Manhattan. It was not until July 24 - four months after receiving the proposal - that Congress finally sent the legislation back to the president's desk to be signed into law.

And what caused the delay? The Senate was busy adding billions in pork-barrel spending. As al Qaeda quickly regrouped, the institution built itself a security "world's greatest deliberative body" made sure that no defense or homeland security funds would be released unless they also included: \$2 million for the Smithsonian's national worm collection, \$1 million for student housing in Baltimore, \$2.5 million for coral reef mapping in Hawaii, and additional funds for everything from honeybee research to a Dog Dealers Task Force.

By the time the Senate was done, the president's \$27 billion proposal had ballooned to \$31 billion. Senators did offset some of this new spending with reductions elsewhere: They refused to fund the president's \$10 million plan to put a foreign terrorist tracking task force in the FBI. Apparently, the FBI was no match for honeybee research on the Senate's priority list.

It was not just a few senators who held national security funds.

ing hostage last year. Their spending plan passed the Appropriations Committee by a vote of 31 to 0, and the full Senate 71 to 26. Eventually, the Senate relented and offset some of the new spending with reductions in programs such as housing for the poor. President Bush wisely exercised his option to not release some of the more egregious expenditures.

Will Congress again hold national security hostage? There will certainly be pressure to act quickly to guarantee the safety of our troops, but Congress may respond by adding the same pork projects at a faster rate. At this very moment, well-connected lobbyists and influential constituents are surely delivering their wish lists to members of Congress.

Congress should pledge that any new funding added to the president's \$75 billion request be used solely for assisting our men and women in combat. Every dollar spent on an irrelevant pork project represents one dollar that could be better spent keeping our troops safe.

Instead of once again adding \$3 million for cattle genome sequencing, Congress could use that money to purchase 1,000 additional night-vision goggles for our troops. Rather than adding \$700,000 for a biomass project in Winona, Minn., lawmakers could buy 2,000 more gas masks to protect our military from chemical and biological attacks. Instead of adding \$21 million more for ocean mapping, Congress could equip our military pilots with 1,000 more targetable-guided bombs that can target elite Iraqi military divisions.

Unless, of course, Congress thinks that money would be better spent on pork.

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Fear at home, distrust of U.S. paralyze Iraqis

Trudy Rubin

As in a sandstorm, it's hard to fathom what is really happening in the battle for southern Iraq.

U.S. officials had predicted that the Shiite Muslims of southern Iraq would rise up and greet invading U.S. forces with sweets and flowers. The south has suffered horribly under Saddam Hussein's misrule.

But no uprising has happened. I talked about why with several Iraqi Shiite exiles who are in touch with fellow Shiites inside.

What they told me holds important lessons for U.S. forces during - and after - this war.

The most obvious reason for Shiite quiescence is fear. Regular Iraqi army troops in the south, who are mostly Shiite conscripts, have melted away. But Saddam has done better than expected in injecting irregular forces into southern cities to wage guerrilla war and terrify the locals. Early reports of an uprising in Basra are now being discounted.

Saddam's security forces have made clear that the penalty for rebellion is death. Two weeks ago, according to several Shiite exiles, an anti-Saddam riot occurred in the southern city of Karbala during the religious holiday of Ashura. Saddam's security forces mixed in with religious processions and started chanting pro-Saddam slogans. The marchers attacked the security men.

"It was almost an uprising," one source told me - but the men opened fire, killing several

crushed by Saddam's special forces with heavy artillery and bulldozers. In a Najaf cemetery, Shiites were burying their dead and whispered that the secret police were killing anyone suspected of opposition.

The repression has continued. Since then, police have murdered leading clerics, drained the southern marshes, made thousands of arrests.

So Shiites aren't likely to move until the coalition has Saddam reeling. So far, the U.S. effort hasn't convinced them it does. Iraqi TV broadcasts show Saddam still alive and in control and bloodying U.S. forces. U.S. efforts to close the broadcasts down haven't succeeded. Saddam tells Iraqis that, as in Vietnam, U.S. troops will leave if the casualties grow higher. U.S. counter-propaganda efforts clearly aren't working.

"People are hedging their bets," says Fareed Yasseen, an Iraqi technology expert living in Massachusetts. Until they are sure that America really intends to take Saddam out, and won't back off if the going gets tougher, Iraqis won't be willing to risk their lives.

Shiites also recall that the former President Bush was reluctant to oust Saddam precisely because he feared Iraq's Shiite majority. They compose 65 percent of the population but have been repressed for years by a Sunni minority.

The first Bush feared Iraqi

Shiites might ally with Iran, a country dominated by Shiite clerics. This fear held sway even though Iraqi Shiites are Arabs (as opposed to Iranians, who are Persians) and fought loyally in Iraq's long war against Iran. Some Shiites believe America is so allergic to Shiites that it will try to impose another Sunni dictator on the country after Saddam is gone.

Meantime, administration plans for an American military government play right into Saddam's propaganda. He tells Shiite patriots that America is coming to occupy them as the British did in the 1920s. "People have been hearing the Americans were going to appoint U.S. generals to rule over them," says Sharistani. He says that Shiites, who led a bloody rebellion against the British in 1920, wouldn't accept a U.S. military occupation.

In sum, Shiites hate Saddam but have very mixed feelings about Americans. They may yet rise up and welcome U.S. forces if Saddam is about to be defeated. But unless the administration redresses the legacy of 1991 and handles the Shiites with skill, the warm welcome won't last for long.

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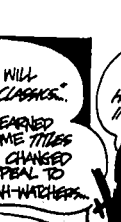
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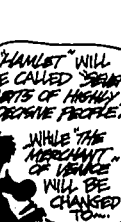
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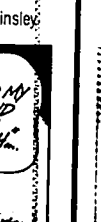
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—Arizona Wildcat Rick Anderson, who will be charged with the duty of stopping Collison today when the teams meet with a Final Four berth on the line

TRIVIA

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High school baseball
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 Twin Falls vs. Ontario, Ore., at Storey Park, 1 p.m.
 Twin Falls vs. Meridian, at Storey Park, 7 p.m.
 Minico vs. Kuna, at Ft. Boise Park, 1 p.m.
 Minico vs. Boise, at Ft. Boise Park, 7 p.m.
 Jerome at Payette Invitational
High school softball
 Jerome at Mountain Home Invitational (2)
 Minico at Boise Invitational (2)

IN BRIEF

Bruins beat up Caldwell, 11-2
 CALDWELL — Twin Falls pounded out 12 hits, including a two-run homer by Brandon Christiansen, and Steve Turner threw a three-hitter as the Bruins baseball team clobbered Caldwell 11-2 in the opening day of the Bucks Bag Tournament around the Boise area.
 The Bruins (4-0) will face Ontario, Ore., at 1 p.m. and Meridian at 7 p.m. today at Storey Park in Meridian.
 Christiansen and Turner were hardly the only ones contributing as Christiansen went 3-for-4 with a double, triple and the home run. Brandon Salinas also tripled as the Bruins received strong efforts from throughout their lineup.
 The Bruin JV team fell to Valluue 9-8.

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T.F. Muni holds free ladies clinic today

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls Muni golf pro Mike Hamblin and his staff will be holding a free ladies clinic today for beginners looking to have more fun when they play golf. The course, which will run from 2-4 p.m., will be limited to 30 students. The clinic will go over the grip, stance, setup, shortgame, full swing and course management.

Beeks aces No. 4 at Twin Falls Muni

TWIN FALLS — Paul Beeks had a hole in one on No. 4 at Twin Falls Muni with a 5-wood. The hole was 180 yards. He was playing with Larry Whittle and Mike Cowan.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Memphis State. The three Big East teams were Villanova, Georgetown and St. John's.

NASCAR impounds Stewart's car before practice

The Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas — Friday Cup champion Tony Stewart's car was impounded Friday because it didn't meet specifications, a punishment never before handed out by NASCAR.

Stewart, known as the bad boy of the sport, was forced to use his backup car at the opening practice for Sunday's Samsung/Radio Shack 500 at Texas Motor Speedway.

Moving into the backup prepared hurriedly by his team,

Stewart qualified 22nd in the 43-car field.

"The cars all look the same from where I'm sitting," Stewart said. "I've got three things I'm in control of: a steering wheel, the shifter and the pedals. All our cars are good, whether they're primary or a backup."

Trying to match the right car with the track, Stewart had never used this particular vehicle. But the Joe Gibbs Racing entry failed inspection because it didn't meet

the exact specifications for "the area around the back of the car, back window to back deck," NASCAR president Mike Helton said.

"We decided to impound the car instead of letting them cut it up and try to fix it, if they wanted to," Helton said.

Helton said the car will be sent to the sanctioning body's new research and development facility in Concord, N.C., for further study. NASCAR had never impounded

the entire car of a Winston Cup driver. Stewart's team could face other penalties or fines, but losing the primary car was damaging enough.

Six races into the 2003 season, Stewart is off to his best start ever, ranking third in points. It was unclear when or if he would get the car back.

"This was as big a shock to me as it was to the people at NASCAR," said Stewart's crew chief, Greg Zipadelli. "There's a measurement between the offset of the decklid and the roof, and it wasn't exactly where it

needed to be."

Zipadelli said he was disappointed with the Gibbs crewmen, who put the car together at the race shop in Huntersville, N.C., "because it's a measurement that's pretty cut and dry."

"We're not to work a little harder now to overcome this deal. We'll race well, but this has got everyone kind of down. It's a distraction is the biggest thing. But it's self-inflicted, so we've got no one to blame but ourselves."

Zipadelli said the team was

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NCAA TOURNAMENT

Ford powers Texas win

Guard comes back off bench to lead Longhorns past Connecticut

The Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Texas was in trouble. T.J. Ford was on the bench and the Longhorns' lead had slipped away.

No matter, the little guy was there at the end and topsped Texas to win the South Regional final after an 82-78 win over Connecticut on Friday night.

Brian Boddicker also made a big play, blocking Marcus White's layup attempt that would have tied it with 35 seconds left. The ball got wedged between the rim and the backboard, and the possession arrow went Texas' way. So did the rest of the game.

Texas had watched a 14-point second-half lead evaporate, with UConn taking the lead with just over five minutes left.

Ford, the Longhorns' stellar point guard, returned with four fouls and once again worked his magic, assisting on the final plays down the stretch that made the difference.

Ford's two free throws with 11.8 seconds left provided the final points and he stripped Eneke Okafor at the other end before sprinting up court as the final seconds ticked off.

Brandon Mouton scored a career-high 27 points and Ford had 13 points and nine assists for Okafor had 21 points and 17 rebounds for UConn (25-10).

Texas advanced to the round of the eight for the first time since 1990. All four top seeds are in the regional finals.

Texas had taken the game's biggest lead at 62-48 behind a 3-pointer and a baseline jumper by Mouton. UConn immediately responded with an 8-0 run that cut it to 62-56 and sent Ford to the bench with his fourth foul with 10:30 left to play.

After a timeout, Texas committed a turnover, Ben Gordon hit a 3-pointer and two free throws by Okafor cut it to 64-61.

Mouton hit a 3-pointer to temporarily stem the rally before the Huskies cut it to 67-65 on four straight free throws.

But the Texas offense disintegrated with Ford on the bench for five minutes.

Talick Brown finished a fast break with a layup to tie it at 71 and Ben Gordon swished a 3-pointer from the left wing for the Huskies' first lead of the half at 74-71.

Ford returned with 5:31 to play and Texas tied it with three free throws from Royal Ivey and Boddicker.

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Texas' T.J. Ford celebrates Texas' 82-78 win over Connecticut Friday in the NCAA South Regional Semifinal in San Antonio.

Oklahoma ends Butler's surprising run

The Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. — Ebi Ere was Oklahoma's forgotten man. Not anymore.

Ere, playing with a broken bone in his left wrist, scored 25 points as the topspeeded Soomers ended Butler's surprising run with a 65-54 win Friday night in the semifinals of the East Regional.

Oklahoma (27-6), Big 12 champion for the third straight year, is one step from its second consecutive Final Four. The Soomers will meet either Syracuse or Auburn on Sunday for a berth in New Orleans.

Butler (27-6), regular-season champions of the Horizon League, was the lowest-seeded team left in the tournament after pulling off two big upsets. The 12th-seeded Bulldogs edged fifth-seeded Mississippi State 47-46, then beat fourth-seeded Louisville 79-71.

The only 12th seed ever to advance to a regional final was Missouri, which beat No. 8 UCLA in the round of 16 last year before losing to No. 2 Oklahoma in the West Regional final.

Butler lost because it never got its perimeter game going against

the active Oklahoma defense, which held the Bulldogs to 4-of-13 shooting from beyond the 3-point arc.

The screens that had worked so well before never clicked, and Butler had to go inside to score. And when the Bulldogs missed, there weren't many second chances — Oklahoma dominated the glass 39-21, including 19 offensive rebounds.

Senior center Joel Cornette led the Bulldogs with 21 points and eight rebounds. Darnell Arley, who hit eight 3-pointers in the win over Louisville, scored six points and attempted only three 3s. Duane Lightfoot, Butler's other big man, had eight points and Brandon Miller and Mike Monsereez each had seven.

Butler was more worried about Hollis Price, the Soomers' leading scorer who was nursing a tear in his left groin. Oklahoma made it to the round of 16 with virtually no production from Price, who averaged 19 points during the season. He had only eight points in the tournament before Friday but said he was 99.9 percent for this game.

He was. Price had 12 points and five assists, but it was Ere

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Mariners' new manager won't change much for '03

By Tim Korte
 Associated Press writer

SEATTLE — No more harsh words in Seattle when it comes to his new team, Mariners manager Bob Melvin thinks he can accomplish more with encouragement and a pat on the back.

In his last managerial job, the 41-year-old Melvin has an established and experienced club. Not much has changed in the lineup or the expectations, just a new manager to replace the late Lou Piniella.

"This is a well-oiled machine," Melvin said. "It wouldn't be right for me to come in and start changing things just for the sake of changing them."

Eduardo Sanchez is back. So is Khiro Sunka and two other Gold Glove defenders, Bret Boone and John Olerud. Over the winter, Melvin created a deeper, faster team, one that better suited for spacious Safeco Field.

With the timetable for spring training complete, Melvin is confident they're among a handful of teams capable of reaching the World Series.

"We're every bit the team we were two years ago when we won 116 games," Boone said. "We're not going to win 116 games, but we're basically the same team with a few changes here and there. We've upgraded our bench quite a bit and we're ready to go."

That's what Melvin is counting on. The new manager, only a few years older than some of his players, knows a veteran team would need much hand-holding, and he plans to issue only two rules: be on time and play hard.

"My personality isn't that intense as you might think, but the one having a big say is Steve Lerner, the Union speaker," Melvin said. "I'm going to ease into it. I want to get to know all the guys on a one-to-one basis."

The plenty of reason for optimism in Seattle, which the Mariners won 93 games last season — the second most in franchise history — but failed to make the playoffs in the AL West.

Seattle has one of the top outfields in the majors with Sunka in right, Mike Cameron in center and, in left, Randy Winn — who came from Tampa Bay as compensation for Piniella leaving to manage the Devil Rays.

It's a solid lineup, and Melvin can't wait to get to work. "We'll get our intensity up," he said. "This team starts so well and they look forward to getting it going."

Seattle bolstered its bench by adding platoon players John Mabry at catcher and Eric Bruntz. Melvin's plan is to rotate them, along with veteran Mark McLemore and newcomer Willie Bloomquist, regularly enough to keep everyone else fresh. "It's an older team with a veteran team, with a lot of guys on the other side of 30, so the key is going to be keeping this team healthy," Boone said. "But I think if this team is healthy, we can beat anybody in baseball."

Fatigue was a silent enemy last season.

The Mariners were 55-33 at the

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Butler's Joel Cornette does into the defense of Oklahoma's Jabbari Brown during the East Regional Semifinal Friday in Albany, N.Y.



AP photo

SPORTS

Jerome punishes Oregon opponents

PAYETTE - The Jerome Tigers crushed a couple of Oregon teams - Nyssa and Vale - Friday at the Payette tournament, behind strong pitching performances from Jed Seamons and Kyle Roberts and offensive heroes from just about everybody.

In the 13-1 victory over Nyssa, Seamons not only picked up the victory on the mound but also went 4-0 with five RBI, three runs scored and a three-run home run. Jesse Pallas went 3-for-4 with a triple and four runs scored. And Doug Benson finished 3-for-5 with a double and two RBI. Seamons was selected MVP of the game.

In the Tigers' 15-3 spanking of Vale, first baseman J.D. Lott picked up his second game MVP award, going 3-for-4 with two doubles, a home run, three RBI and two runs scored. Benson went 3-for-4 with five RBI for the day. Kyle Roberts picked up the victory for the Tigers, who face

Homeedale at 11 this morning.

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Bryant, Jordan share similar work ethic

By Kevin Ding
The Orange County Register

Kobe Bryant will frown upon seeing yet another story comparing him to Michael Jordan. Except this is not merely more jabber about them being the same size, both jumping high or reverting the same coach.

There's something beyond all that - a common ground on which they've both built their greatness.

So says Chip Schaefer, who was the Chicago Bulls' trainer for all six of Jordan's championship years and has now worked closely with Bryant through these three Lakers title runs.

"There are a lot of common traits, but one stands out," Schaefer said. "They both love to work. That's the one."

It's impossible to miss the parallels between these two magnetic basketball champions, even at 15.5 years apart in age. It's a night for celebrating Jordan as he leaves and savoring Bryant because he stays.

Beyond that, though, is understanding how both rose to the top of a league where the average player is taller than their 6-foot-6 stature.

"They both touch the lines," Schaefer said, alluding to the age-old training drill of running sprints.

Like Jordan, Bryant is driven by his own work ethic, his own insistence that he not stop running, short of any line just to get done faster.

It's the work that makes them improve far faster than others do. Bryant is often asked about various promising prospects, and he will invariably say that they can be great - depending on how willing they are to put in the work.

Bryant likes to talk about working - peppering his parlance with plain remarks such as "punching the clock" or "it's my job" - even when listeners want more provocative quotes.

And even now, as Jordan's career ends while Bryant's still ascends, they have the same work-related way of playing all 82 regular-season games.

Bryant has never been able to do it - and is clearly determined to this season. Jordan has been remarkable in this regard. Aside from a broken foot in his second season and that 1995 return from baseball, Jordan has played in all but seven of 902 possible regular-season games.

Schaefer knew after knee problems last season meant Jordan could play just 60 games; he'd insist on playing all 82 this time. Sure enough, Jordan is 71 for 71 now and closing in on the end.

Phil Jackson, championship coach for both, appreciates the drive in Bryant and Jordan more than anyone. Yet even Jackson initially fell into the trap of thinking Bryant was chasing Jordan's legend instead of his own.

"Just by Kobe's mannerisms, a lot of times, he looks like Michael Jordan," Jackson said. "And you can see the boy who watched the Star."

So, in practice one day in Jackson's first Lakers season, there was what Jackson called "a heated confrontation" in which Jackson accused Bryant of wanting to take over games and "be Michael Jordan."

"I realized he was very sensitive," Jackson said. "He said he wasn't Michael Jordan."

In Bryant's view, his drive and other qualities can be praised on their own, not just likened to Jordan's. Years of those slights have left Bryant downplaying this final matchup.

"Things move on," Bryant said. "I'm not going to be teary-eyed over his last performance in L.A. It doesn't really matter to me."

What does matter is that people try to understand that Bryant works because he is a worker - and that he doesn't want to be Jordan, it's just in Bryant to want to be the best.

"I just wish people would let me be me and appreciate what I do as a basketball player," he said. "Stop comparing me to Mike. He's the greatest player of all time. I'm just trying to do what I do here for the Lakers. Maybe they're just trying to pass the torch."

"But all I know is my name is Kobe Bryant, and that's Michael Jordan. Let me grow into being the person I'm becoming."

Warriors' Boykins comes up big

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - Earl Boykins scored 10 of his 23 points in the fourth quarter, and the Golden State Warriors withstood a strong comeback to beat the Philadelphia 76ers 102-98 Friday night.

Antawn Jamison had 26 of his 30 points in the first half as Golden State ran out to a 23-point halftime lead, and Gilbert Arenas helped the Warriors close the deal with five points over the final 1:26.

Allen Iverson had 28 points and 10 assists to lead the 76ers, who have lost two in a row at home. Kenny Thomas added a season-high 18 rebounds and Keith Van Horn had 18 points.

Philadelphia began the night just half a game behind New Jersey for the Atlantic Division lead, and three games behind Detroit for the best record in the Eastern Conference.

A 3-pointer by Van Horn pulled Philadelphia to 100-98 with 1:18 to go, but Boykins grabbed an offensive rebound and Arenas drove to the basket with 17.7 seconds left for the final margin.

The Warriors are 2-1 on their five-game road trip, which continues in New Jersey on Saturday night and ends in Portland.

Nets 122, Knicks 101
NEW YORK (AP) - Richard Jefferson put on a dunking exhibition, throwing down all manner of stuff shots while scoring a career-high 39 points to lead the New Jersey Nets past the New York Knicks 122-101 Friday night.

Jefferson had a half-dozen dunks, the last of which brought teammate Kenyon Martin jumping out of his seat and whooping uncontrollably early in the fourth quarter as the Nets took a 101-82 lead.

New Jersey scored 74 first-half points and shot 62 percent from the field overall while increasing its Atlantic Division lead over Philadelphia to 1.5 games. The 76ers lost at home to Golden State.

Celtics 104, Cavaliers 95
BOSTON (AP) - Paul Pierce had 27 points and nine rebounds, and Eric Williams scored 17 points as the Celtics snapped a six-game losing streak.

Ricky Davis had 31 points and 10 assists, and Carlos Boozer had 10 rebounds for the Cavaliers (14-58), who need two more victories to avoid posting the worst record in franchise history.

Pacers 140, Bulls 89
INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - Brad Miller had 22 points and 10 rebounds, and Indiana shot 62 percent to rout the Bulls.

Al Harrington added 19 points for Indiana. The Pacers signed Thursday as a free agent, scored 14 points in his first NBA game in more than a year.

Hornets 101, Raptors 92
TORONTO (AP) - Jamal Mashburn scored 27 points and Baron Davis had 22 points and 11 assists as the Hornets swept the season series against Toronto 4-0.

Wilkins is one loss away from tying Bill Fitch for the most by an NBA coach (1,106).

Heat 111, Timberwolves 84
MIAMI (AP) - Rookie Caron Butler scored a season-high 35 points as Miami shot a season-high 62 percent and overcame an early 18-point deficit.

Butler led seven Heat players in double figures. Eddie House finished with 18 points, including 13 in the fourth quarter.

Jazz 103, Bucks 90
SALT LAKE CITY - Matt Harpring scored 22 of his 28 points in the third quarter as the Utah Jazz matched their longest winning streak of the season at six by beating the Milwaukee Bucks 103-90 Friday night.

Andrej Kirilenko added 19 points and four blocks, and Karl Malone scored 18 points as Utah handed Milwaukee its third straight loss.

The Bucks have lost eight of their last 11 and are a game behind Washington for the No. 8 playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

John Stockton had 11 assists and 10 points and Calbert Cheaney scored 10 points for Utah, which shot 65 percent (22-for-34) in the second half. Greg Ostertag, who had nine points and eight rebounds, was the only Utah starter who didn't score in double figures.

Suns 94, Pistons 91
AUBURN HILLS, Mich. - Stephon Marbury scored 13 of his 26 points in the fourth quarter to lead the Phoenix Suns past the Detroit Pistons 94-91 Friday night.

The Suns, who have won four straight at the Palace, moved one game ahead of the Houston for the final Western Conference playoff spot.

Shawn Marion added 19 points and 10 rebounds for Phoenix, while Bo Outlaw had a season-high 17 off the bench.



Golden State's Earl Boykins, left, is fouled by Philadelphia's Allen Iverson Friday in Philadelphia.

Pyatt's hat trick lifts Sabres past Canadiens

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) - Taylor Pyatt had his first career three-goal game to lead the Buffalo Sabres to a 4-1 victory over the Montreal Canadiens on Friday night.

Pyatt, playing after missing four games with a concussion, has six goals and nine points in his last eight games. Jochen Hecht scored his fourth goal in the last six games for Buffalo, which won its third in a row.

Martin Biron stopped 27 shots for the Sabres, and Miroslav Satan, Daniel Briere and Alexei Zhukov each had two assists.

Petrus scored his third goal in 43 games for Montreal, which lost for the fifth time in six games.

Capitals 3, Senators 2
OTTAWA - Peter Bondra and Trent Whitfield each had a goal and an assist in Washington's victory.

Sergei Berezin scored for the second straight game and Olaf Kolzig made 30 saves for Washington, which won its second straight to improve to 3-2-0 on its six-game, cross-Canada road trip.

Martin Havlat scored twice for Ottawa, which ended a four-game unbeaten streak as it failed in its second attempt for a franchise-record 49th win. The Senators, who have four games remaining, still lead the NHL with 105 points.

Bondra opened the scoring with his 27th goal early in the first period and set up Whitfield's first NHL goal in over two years 16:44 into the second to put Washington up 3-1.

Maple Leafs 5, Islanders 2
UNIONDALE, N.Y. - Mats Sundin had a goal and two assists and Ed Belfour stopped 37 shots as Toronto beat New York.

Alexander Mogilny scored twice, while Tomas Kaberle, and Robert Reichel also had goals for the Maple Leafs, who are firmly in fifth place in the Eastern Conference standings, and likely will play either Philadelphia or New Jersey in the first round of the playoffs.

Roman Hamrik and Steve Webb scored for the Islanders, who have lost four straight home games and are five points away from clinching the last playoff spot in the conference. The Islanders, who had beaten the Maple Leafs seven straight times at home, are trying for their second straight postseason appearance after missing seven straight years.

Devils 1, Thrashers 1
ATLANTA - Atlanta's Marc Savard and New Jersey's Scott Gomez scored just over four minutes apart in the third period as the Thrashers and Devils skated to a tie.

The Devils outshot the Thrashers 44-18, extended their unbeaten streak to six games (4-0-2) and increased their lead in the Atlantic Division to four points over Philadelphia.

With the tie, New Jersey's Martin Brodeur (39-22-6) remained one victory shy of becoming the first goalie to record four 40-win seasons. He is the only goalie to record seven consecutive 35-win seasons and eight straight 30-win seasons.

Atlanta picked up its 66th point of the season to move one point behind Florida for third place in the Southeast Division.

Wild 4, Blackhawks 3, OT
ST. PAUL, Minn. - Richard Park scored with 1:14 left in overtime to give the Minnesota Wild a 4-3 victory over the Chicago Blackhawks on Friday night.

Park one-timed a pass from Marian Gaborik past Chicago's Steve Passmore as the Wild earned their first win since clinching their first playoff berth Sunday.

Cliff Ronning sent the game to overtime with a goal for Minnesota with just 36.9 seconds left in regulation. The goal, which came after the Wild pulled goaltender Dwayne Roloson in favor of an extra skater, completed a furious third period in which the teams traded four goals during the final 10 minutes.

Sergei Zholtok and Jason Marshall also scored for the Wild, who lost back-to-back shutouts heading into Friday night.

Zholtok snapped Minnesota's scoreless streak at 124 minutes, 13 seconds just 3:54 into the game.

Mike Eastwood, rookie Igor Radulov and Alexander Karpovtsev scored for Chicago.

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Gonzaga coach Few likes plenty about UCLA

SPOKANE, Wash. - Speculation is heating up that Gonzaga coach Mark Few might be lured away by a higher-profile program.

Much of the talk centers around UCLA, where coach Steve Lavin was fired after that first season in 55 years.

Gonzaga athletic director Mike Roth has not heard from UCLA officials, but he's expecting he will.

"I'm certainly not going to be surprised if he calls," Roth said Thursday of UCLA athletic director Dan Guerrero. "I mean, if I'm the athletic director at UCLA, why wouldn't Mark Few be on my list?"

"And if other (quality) jobs open up, it's going to be the same with them, too."

Few did not return a telephone message from The Associated Press.

After the Bulldogs lost in double-overtime to Arizona last weekend, Few said he planned to do some fly-fishing.

Few has posted a 105-29 record in his four seasons as Gonzaga's head coach and taken the Bulldogs to the NCAA basketball tournament each year.

But as a small private school with a 4,000-seat arena, Gonzaga basketball cannot generate the revenue of major powers like UCLA.

Few's salary is private, but he is thought to make about \$500,000 per year in base pay and incentives.

It has been reported that UCLA could pay as much as \$1.2 million for a high-profile coach.

Others thought to be in mix for the UCLA job are Pittsburgh's Ben Howland, Utah's Rick Majerus and Marquette's Tom Crean.

At last week's NCAA West Regional in Salt Lake City, Few refused to comment on the UCLA job.

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Few told the newspaper he wanted to be at a place where he had a shot at making the Final Four and winning a national championship.

While not discounting his chances of doing that at Gonzaga, Few has everything in place to be at the highest level.

Roth said Gonzaga could not come close to matching UCLA in pay.

Roth said Few, despite having received more lucrative offers in the past, has never attempted to force Gonzaga into a bidding war for his services.

"He's never come to me and said so-and-so is offering me X amount of dollars and you need to match it," Roth said when asked if he had ever been approached by other schools.

"He's a real team player in that respect, and very understanding of the process."

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Abdul-Jabbar shows interest in Columbia job

NEW YORK - Kareem Abdul-Jabbar is interested in returning to New York City as Columbia University's basketball coach.

"It would be wonderful," Abdul-Jabbar told the Daily News on Thursday night in San Antonio.

The 55-year-old former NBA star, who coached the Los Angeles Clippers in 1999-2000, said he would be interested in returning to New York City as an analyst for CBS' NBA tournament coverage, confirmed that he interviewed with Columbia officials this week.

"It would be the perfect profession for me," he said. "But I don't make any comment right now. I'm going to give them the opportunity to make a decision."

The Hall of Famer grew up in New York, starting at Power Memorial Academy before playing at UCLA and in the NBA.

Last season, Abdul-Jabbar coached the Oklahoma Storm to the U.S. Basketball League championship. He also was an assistant coach for the Los Angeles Clippers in 1999-2000.

Columbia fired Armond Hill as coach two days after the team finished 2-25, the worst season in the school's 103-year basketball history. The Lions lost their final 18 games.

WSU will announce new basketball coach today

SPOKANE, Wash. - Washington State athletic officials have scheduled a news conference today to announce a successor to fired men's basketball coach Paul Graham.

Former Wisconsin coach Dick Bennett is widely thought to be coming out of retirement to turn around the Cougars' program.

WSU Sports Information Director Rod Commons declined to say Friday whether Bennett, who walked away from the successful Wisconsin program in November 2000, had agreed to contract terms.

Athletic director Jim Sterk met with Bennett in Spokane at the NCAA West Regional last weekend, Commons said.

A source close to the WSU basketball program, who asked not to be named, told The

Associated Press that Bennett had called or met with some of the Cougars players last week.

"I've been told not to talk to anyone about this," spokesman forward Shamus Gill said when contacted Thursday at the airport by team manager Thomas Kelati. Gill said he was told to refer questions to Commons.

The Capital Times of Madison, Wis., reported Thursday that Bennett's contract with WSU stipulates that his son, Tony, an assistant at Pullman, would join him in Pullman as head apprentice when his father retires.

The elder Bennett turns 60 next month. Tony Bennett, a top recruiter, is 33.

Pronger returns, but MacInnis will be captain

ST. LOUIS - St. Louis Blues defenseman Chris Pronger will be back on the ice today for the first time since he was injured in a playoff game last season.

Pronger has been practicing for several weeks as he recovers from severe knee and wrist injuries. He announced his return Friday following the Blues' 4-1 win over the Dallas Stars.

The Blues' host Central Division rival Detroit Red Wings will win three points of the division-leading Red Wings. Both teams have five games remaining.

Pronger was the most valuable player and Norris trophy winner as the league's top defenseman in 2000. His return comes at a time when the injury-riddled Blues may be nearing their healthiest point of the season, with the playoffs less than two weeks away.

'God Bless America' to be sung at home opener

NEW YORK - Major league baseball teams will pay tribute to the U.S. armed forces and the nation by singing "God Bless America" during the seventh-inning stretch of all home openers.

While the song had been part of all games since the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001, it will be sung this season only at the home openers, Sunday games and holidays, the commissioner's office said Friday.

To celebrate the start of the season, an opening-day logo will be on the field and on top of the bases during each team's initial home stand.

Transactions

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SPORTS

Orangemen edge Auburn

Syracuse faces Oklahoma for Final Four berth

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Syracuse hung on instead of coming back and the Orangemen are suddenly the only Big East team still around.

Freshman Carmelo Anthony scored all 18 of his points in the second half and the third-seeded Orangemen beat 10th-seeded Auburn 79-78 Friday night in the East Regional semifinal.

There was no need for another comeback this time as the

Orangemen (27-5) moved on to the round of eight in the seventh time overall and fourth under coach Jim Boeheim.

Syracuse will play top-seeded Oklahoma on Sunday with the winner advancing to the Final Four. The Sooners (27-6) beat 12th-seeded Butler 65-54 Friday night.

The four teams from the Big East in the field of 65 went 8-0 in the first two rounds, but Syracuse was the only one to win on the second weekend of the tournament. Notre Dame, Pittsburgh and Connecticut all lost in the round of 16, leaving the Orangemen as the league's only remaining representative.

Syracuse rallied from a 17-point deficit to beat Oklahoma State in the second round, marking the 14th time this season the Orangemen came back to win.

There was no need for that this time, although this victory wasn't a sure thing until the final ticks as the Tigers (22-12) hit four 3-pointers over the final 1:18.

The last of those was by Nathan Watson at what most of the crowd thought was at the buzzer. While Boeheim and Auburn coach Cliff Ellis shook hands, the officials checked the replay and put three-tenths of a second back on the clock.

Anthony inbounded the ball to Kuehn Duany and the Orangemen officially had the win.

Hakim Warrick had 15 points for Syracuse, Josh Pace added 14 and Duany had 12, including four free throws in the final 27 seconds.

Marquis Daniels had 27 points for Auburn, but he had only 10 in the final 7:35 as Syracuse stopped his inside scoring against the 2-3 zone.

With a good portion of the sell-out crowd of 15,093 at the Pepsi Arena solemnly behind the school located just 2.5 hours away, Syracuse took control early without putting anything from Anthony, at 22.2 points the sec-



Syracuse's Jeremy McNeil (34) tries to block the shot of Auburn's Brandon Robinson (23) during the first half of their NCAA men's basketball East regional semifinal game in Albany, N.Y.

NCAA Tournament		Thursday	
At Alamo Dome Albany, N.Y.		Kentucky 63, Wisconsin 57	
Semifinals		Marquette 77, Pittsburgh 74	
Friday		Today	
Oklahoma 65, Butler 54	Syracuse 79, Auburn 78	Kentucky (32-3) vs. Marquette (26-5), 2:40 p.m.	
Championship		WEST REGIONAL	
Saturday		At Arrowhead Pond	
Oklahoma (27-6) vs. Syracuse (27-5), 12:30 or 3 p.m.		Anaheim, Calif.	
Semifinals		Friday	
SOUTH REGIONAL		Arizona 68, Notre Dame 71	
At The Alamodome		Kansas 69, Duke 65	
San Antonio		Championship	
Semifinals		Today	
Texas 82, Connecticut 78	Maryland 60, Maryland 58	Arizona (28-3) vs. Kansas (28-7), 5:05 p.m.	
Championship		Saturday, April 5	
Texas (25-6) vs. Michigan State (22-12), 12:30 or 3 p.m.		At The Louisiana Superdome	
Semifinals		New Orleans	
MIDWEST REGIONAL		East champion vs. South champion	
At The Hubert H. Humphrey		Midwest champion vs. West champion	
Metropolitan		Monday, April 7	
Minnesota		Semifinal winners, 7:22 p.m.	
Semifinals			

ond-leading freshman scorer in the country.

Duany, scoreless in seven minutes in the win over Oklahoma State, had eight points in the opening 2:25 against Auburn as the Orangemen took a 10-2 lead.

Freshman Gerry McNamara then took over for Syracuse, scoring seven points in less than

three minutes as Syracuse went up 19-7.

Duany, one of the big pluses Syracuse had off the bench last Sunday, scored six points — almost double his average — as the Orangemen led by as much as 33-16 on the way to a 37-27 halftime lead.

Auburn shot 30 percent (9-for-

30) against the 2-3 zone in the first half and the Tigers hurt themselves with 13 turnovers, only two of what they average for a game.

The Tigers, the team many thought didn't even deserve an at-large bid to the tournament, opened the second half looking more like the team that beat Saint Joseph's and second-seeded Wake Forest in the first two rounds.

The Tigers got within three points for the first time on a 3-pointer by Derrick Bird with 6:51 left. Anthony scored Syracuse's next seven points as the lead went to 68-60 with 4:31 left.

But Auburn took advantage of three straight missed front ends of 1-and-1s to stay within striking distance and Watson had three of the four 3-pointers in the final 78 seconds.

After Duany made the free throws to make it 77-72 with 13 seconds left, Watson hit a 3 with 7.9 left. Pace dunked a long pass to make it 79-75 with 6 seconds left and Watson hit the last of the 3s.

Watson finished with 16 points and was 4-for-7 from 3-point range. The Tigers went 12-for-22 from beyond the arc, 7-for-15 in the second half.

While Oklahoma will be trying to return to the Final Four for the second straight year, the Orangemen haven't been there since losing to Kentucky in the championship game in 1996.

Intriguing story lines abound in round of 16

The Associated Press

So far, the NCAA women's basketball tournament has produced buzzer beaters and broken bones, upsets and upstarts.

And, of course, the usual victories by Connecticut and Tennessee.

Now it really gets interesting — 16 teams playing in the regional semifinals, each just two victories from a berth in the Final Four in Atlanta.

Every region has at least one former national champion and one underdog. There are established stars and stars on the rise, coaches who have been here so often it's habit, others enjoying the ride for the first time.

Story lines — and questions — abound.

Can someone accomplish what never has been done: Beat Tennessee in an NCAA tournament game in Knoxville and keep the Lady Vols from a 14th Final Four trip.

Does Amber Jacobs of Boston College have another game-winning shot in her repertoire?

How long can Diana Taurasi keep carrying Connecticut and its hopes for a second straight title?

Will two broken bones in her face hinder LSU's quick, spunky point guard, Tanisha Johnson?

Can New Mexico, winless in its only previous NCAA tournament appearance, draw enough energy from its large home crowd to win two more games?

The answers start coming today in the Midwest and Midwest. In the Midwest at Knoxville, Tennessee (30-4) plays Penn State (26-8) and Villanova (27-5) meets Colorado (24-7). The Midwest games at Albuquerque, N.M., have Duke (23-1) facing Georgia (21-9), and New Mexico (24-8) meeting Texas Tech (28-5).

On Sunday, Connecticut (33-1) plays Boston College (22-8), and Purdue (28-5) takes on Notre Dame (24-10) in the East Regional at Dayton, Ohio. And in the West at Stanford, it's LSU (29-3) vs. Louisiana Tech (31-2) and Minnesota (25-5) in the round of 16 for the first time, playing Texas (27-12).

"It's awesome," Minnesota's Shannon Schonrock said. "Watching doesn't even begin to compare to playing in it. It doesn't count along that often, and we really need to take advantage of it."

Fifteen other teams are thinking the same thing.

East

Call this the region of champions — or the familiar four.

The last four national champions are here: Purdue (1999), Connecticut (2000 and 2002) and Notre Dame (2001). Boston College has never been this far before, but the Huskies play in the Big East with UConn and Notre Dame. Notre Dame and Purdue play each other in the regular season and met in that 2001 title game, the Irish winning 66-66.

Connecticut seems to have regrouped after having its 70-game winning streak stopped by Villanova, winning by margins of 47 and 15 points. Taurasi has been sensational, averaging 28 points in the first two rounds and showing no signs of the back and ankle problems that nagged her the final month of the season.

Boston College has the two most dramatic wins of the tournament, both courtesy of Jacobs. Her jump shot with 3.3 seconds left beat Old Dominion in the first round and she made a layup with 2.5 seconds remaining to beat Vanderbilt in overtime.

BC gave UConn one of its toughest games before the loss to Villanova. The Huskies led by just three points with 2:40 left before winning 83-75.

Purdue beat Notre Dame 71-54



Tennessee guard Kara Lawson shoots during a practice on Friday in Knoxville, Tenn. Tennessee faces Penn State on Saturday.

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back on Jan. 4, but the 11th-seeded team played in the regional semifinals. They made the round of 16 by beating sixth-seeded Arizona and third-seeded Kansas State, holding those teams to a combined 28 percent shooting.

Midwest

Penn State, Colorado and Villanova will be ready for a color other than orange and a song other than "Rocky Top" by the time this regional ends.

Tennessee, a six-time national champion, is 42-0 in NCAA tournament games at home. To stay perfect, the Lady Vols will have to slow Penn State's Kelly Mazzante, who has scored 27 points in each of the first two games.

Villanova, in the round of 16 for the first time, wins with tough defense and methodical offense. The defense will try to contain 6-foot-5 Tera Bjorklund, who scored 34 points in six previous Colorado's upset of No. 3 seed North Carolina in the second round.

Get ready for a big crowd. Sixth-seeded New Mexico drew more than 16,000 for each of its first two games and fans will pack The Pit again for Texas Tech.

Tech, the 1993 national champion, has more to worry about than the fans. New Mexico's Jordan Adams scored 27 points in a first-round win over Miami and had 19 points and 10 rebounds in an upset of third-seeded Mississippi State.

Buke's Alana Beard is still scoring — 46 points in the first two games — but the Blue Devils have put up only 66 and 65 as a team. They averaged 81.6 during the season.

Georgia's already slim roster shrunk even further in a second-round victory over Rutgers. Guard Sherrill Baker is doubtful with a separated her right shoulder.

West

Though they are established powers in the same state, LSU and Louisiana Tech are meeting for only the second time in 12 years. Tech has the nation's longest winning streak at 29 games. LSU is counting on Johnson being back after she was elbowed in a second-round win over Wisconsin-Green Bay, breaking two bones in her face.

Sixth-seeded Minnesota, under first year coach Pam Borton, returns to Stanford's court after ending the Cardinal's 26-game home winning streak in the second round. The Gophers face another streak now. Texas has won 15 in a row and has a strong inside game with Stacy Stephens and Hattie Schreiber. The Longhorns won the 1986 national championship.

Texas

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Texas took the lead when Ford found Mouton for a short jumper in the lane and Okafor answered on the other end. Ford then set up James Thomas under the basket who drew a foul and hit both free throws for a 78-76 lead.

Boddicker's block gave the ball back to the Longhorns, and Ivey hit a pair of free throws. After a shot by Okafor cut it to two, Ford hit his last two free throws to seal it.

Texas stopped the Huskies from reaching a regional final for the second straight year.

Much had been made of Texas playing just about 40 miles from their campus in Austin, and Longhorns fans filled the

Alamodome with cheers of "Texas Fight!" more than an hour before tipoff.

UConn was greeted with smarting of boos when it hit the floor for warmups.

Neither team looked comfortable in the cavernous arena. The Longhorns shot just 35 percent but made up for it with 29-for-36 shooting from the floor line, including going 6-of-6 down the stretch.

Mouton was 10-of-18 from the floor, including 4-of-7 on 3-pointers.

Thomas missed all six of his shots from the field in the first half. He finished with 13 points with 9-of-13 foul shooting and nearly matched Okafor.

Maryland's chance to win falls short

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Once again, Maryland got a last-second chance to hang onto its national title. But when Stacy Blake missed at the buzzer, the Terrapins' reign was over.

Freshman Paul Davis hit a leaping bank shot with 4.7 seconds left and Michigan State defeated the defending champions 60-58 Friday night to advance to the South Regional final.

The senior-led Terrapins overcame a 13-point deficit with 8:07 left, taking a lead in the final minute. Davis' powerful dunk tied with 50.6 seconds left, and he put the Spartans ahead when he muscled along the baseline for the go-ahead basket.

Blake then took the inbound pass and dribbled up the floor to the top of the key. He got a good look at the basket, but the ball hit the back iron and bounced away.

After beating North Carolina-Wilmington on a last-second shot in the first round, the Terps seemed convinced this one would fall, too. When it didn't, they stood slumped-shouldered and



Michigan State's Paul Davis (40) puts up the winning shot Friday.

stunned as the Spartans wildly celebrated their eighth win in nine games.

Davis had a team-high 13 points to put Michigan State (22-12) a win away from its third

South Regional

Final Four in four years, an incredible feat for a team that was 14-11 on Feb. 23.

The seventh-seeded Spartans, the lowest seed left in the tournament, will play Sunday against top-seeded Texas. The Longhorns advanced by beating Connecticut 82-78.

The Terrapins (20-10) were the only team that made the Final Four the last two years — and the only one to even make the regional finals both times.

Michigan State was in control nearly the entire game, leading by 10 in the opening minutes and holding Maryland to 24 points in the first half, matching its lowest 20 minutes of the season.

Even when the Terps tied it at 32 early in the second half, the Spartans responded with a 15-2 run. Maryland seemed to be out of answers, especially when Blake stole the ball at the top of the key and coasted in for an

uncontested basket and instead jammed it into the outside of the rim.

Michigan State's lead was 52-39 with 8:07 left when the Terps made their move again.

Using a full-court press against a Spartans guard lacking a true point guard, Maryland scored 16 of the game's next 18 points to go ahead 55-54 on Blake's layup.

The lead was 58-56 when Taj Holden made one of two free throws with 1:30 left.

Holden was caught flat-footed on the other end of the Spartans' next possession, when the 6-foot-11, 240-pound Davis went flying at the rim for a two-handed jam that knotted the game at 56.

Maryland's Jamar Smith missed from inside the lane and Michigan State called a timeout with 16.5 seconds left. The play ended up going to Davis on the baseline.

He went to his left toward the basket, leaned around his defender and popped his shot off the backboard and into the basket for the lead with 4.7 seconds left.

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Oklahoma

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who was the hero. Ere, who asked Kevin Sampson to take him out of the lineup in January after his production had plummeted, scored 10 points in the final four minutes of the first half. And when the Bulldogs rallied to within 50-47 on a 3 by McCarver with 6:15 left, Ere hit a tough shot in the lane over Lightfoot, who fouled, and hit the

free throw to put the Sooners up 53-47.

Ere, who also had eight rebounds, followed that with a hook at 5:20 after dribbling across the lane, and Price fed Kevin Bookout for an easy layup to boost the lead to 57-49 with 3:16 to go. Bookout finished with 16 points and eight rebounds.

Butler, unable to stage one last rally, had made a game of it

behind Cornette. After Ere's jumper from the left wing gave the Sooners a 40-28 lead at 14:44, Cornette scored nine of Butler's next 11 points. His reverse layup with 9:53 left moved the Bulldogs to 44-39.

Neither team led by more than three points in the first 15 minutes, but after Cornette's free throw tied it at 20, the Sooners began to assert themselves, domi-

nating the glass and riding Ere's scoring. Oklahoma held a 19-9 edge on the boards at the break, 12 on the offensive glass, and had 20 second-chance points to none for Butler.

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Frenchwoman leads Sorenstam

Back-nine bogeys cost Sorenstam at year's first major

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. (AP) — Patricia Meunier-Lebouc thought playing with Annika Sorenstam might make her a better player. So far at the Kraft Nabisco, she's been better than ever.

Paired with Sorenstam for her fourth straight round, Meunier-Lebouc shot a 4-under 68 Friday to take a two-stroke lead over her playing partner midway through the first LPGA major championship of the year.

While Sorenstam faltered with three back-nine bogeys, Meunier-Lebouc parred her way in on the last eight holes to take the lead on day when unpredictable wind made scoring difficult on the Dinah Shore tournament course at Mission Hills Country Club.

"It's just so much fun to play with Annika," Meunier-Lebouc said.

Sorenstam struggled with the wind but came back to hit a sand wedge to 9 feet and birdie the final hole for an even-par 72. Another shot back at 141 was Mexican rookie Luzona Ochoa.

"It was difficult today because the wind was swirling on the front nine, and on the back it would gust a bit," Sorenstam said. "There were several shots I couldn't believe."

Among them was a pitching wedge Sorenstam hit on the 136-yard 14th hole that flew the green and led to a bogey. Meunier-Lebouc watched the shot, then put away the 9-iron she wanted to hit and hit her wedge short of the green.

"I feel kind of worn out because I was thinking so much about the course," Sorenstam said.

After an opening two tournaments on the LPGA Tour in which players had to shoot in the low to mid 60s to win, the first major championship features a tougher course, deeper rough, quicker greens and wind.

"They weren't enough to knock 13-year-old Michelle Wie out of the tournament. She shot a 74 to make the cut at the 9-iron she wanted to hit and hit her wedge short of the green."

Combined, though, they made for a frustrating day for almost everyone but Meunier-Lebouc, who is known better for being the best woman player from France than for any accomplishments in her three years on the LPGA Tour.

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Patricia Meunier-Lebouc watches her tee shot on the second hole at the Kraft Nabisco Championship Friday in Mirage, Calif.

Sorenstam and the first two rounds of this week to her improved play.

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for the caddies, to tote his bag in the morning, then used veteran caddie Tony Lingard in the afternoon.

"My voice must have sounded like that of a crazed woman," said wife Maureen Perks, who called Lingard at home. "I wouldn't call it an exciting day. Until Craig went birdie-eagle, I don't think I relaxed."

Perks didn't have much to say about Erb, only that he would have a long talk with him Friday night and that his caddie would be back to work today.

For Woods — the chaplain, not the world's No. 1 player — it was an exciting opportunity.

"I told him, 'I'll clean your clubs and stay out of the way,'" he said.

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she would do that in her round. But she came back with four birdies, including one from 3 feet on the 12th hole that tied her with Meunier-Lebouc at 6 under.

Sorenstam then bogeyed the 14th from over the green, three-putted the 16th for another bogey and flubbed a chip from the rough on 17 for a third bogey.

Still, she was in the first group for Saturday and feeling pretty good about her chances of becoming the first woman to win the same major three straight times in 64 years.

"My goal is to be in contention on Sunday," Sorenstam said. "I'm right there."

While Sorenstam is very familiar with being in the final group, it's still a fairly new experience for Meunier-Lebouc, who played the European women's tour before making it onto the LPGA Tour two years ago.

With a bucket hat on her head and a smile for everyone, Meunier-Lebouc has charmed the crowd. She doesn't know how she'll react playing in the lead, but she knows she likes being in the position.

"What else do you want from living in life," she asked. "I'll be able to say I was leading Annika in the third round of a major championship."

Contending for a major championship is not new for Ochoa, who finished 11th here last year as an amateur, when she also had to worry about finishing a paper at the University of Arizona.

In her rookie year, Ochoa is widely viewed as one of the rising stars of the tour, and she expects a suggestion that a win here would come too early in her career.

"I don't think it's ever too soon to win a major," Ochoa said. "I have a good weekend, and, really low, I can win this tournament."

Divots: Natalie Gulbis and Christina Kim may have felt old playing with 13-year-old Michelle Wie. Kim is 18, while Gulbis is 20.

Naoy Lopez, who is playing in only a few tournaments in semi-retirement, shot an 83 Friday and missed the cut at 16. ... First prize in the \$16 million event is \$240,000.

This is the 21st time the tournament has been played as a major championship.

"I could go out there and play better and do worse," he said. "I'm never surprised what golf shows up. I'm hitting it poor all the time, but I'm recovering well. It's a strange game. If you're going to hit one good shot, it's better to be the putter."

He has taken only 52 putts through the first two rounds.

Perks was No. 203 in the world last year when he won the Players Championship with the wildfist finish in its 29-year history. He chipped in for eagle on No. 16, made a long birdie putt on No. 17 and chipped in for par on the 18th.

He was just as efficient the first two days. On the famous three-hole stretch, he has taken a total of nine putts his last three rounds.

Better yet was his two-day total of 19 putts, 137, especially considering he hasn't contended since won the Players Championship last year.

"Everyone basically has written me off," Perks said. "I've obviously got some incredible momentum, and it certainly inspired me to play a lot better than I have so far this year. I didn't want to embarrass myself these first two days."

Now, the 36-year-old from New Zealand has bigger plans.

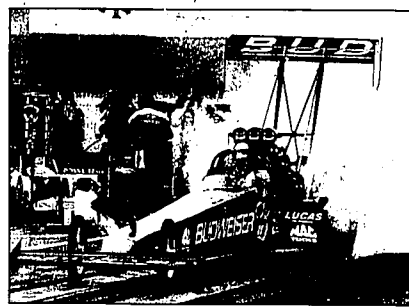
"I'm still the defending champion," he said. "My ball is still flying out there, and hopefully it will be that way Sunday evening."

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Brandon Bernstein drives his Top Fuel dragster during qualifying at the Mac Tools NHRA Nationals in Gainesville, Fla., March 14.

Bernstein steps up to fill legend's shoes

By Mike Harris Associated Press writer

Brandon Bernstein wasted no time trying to take the place of a legend.

The hand-picked successor to Kenny Bernstein drove the Budweiser King Top Fuel dragster to a win in only his second race.

Then he did it again in his third race, a good week and a half later.

Even Dad didn't expect 20-year-old Brandon to get off to a start like this.

"Winning so early shows a couple of things. The team is really doing a great job and Brandon's doing his job," said the elder Bernstein, the first man to surpass 300 mph in the quarter-mile.

"I won't take anything away from him, either. He's got a lot of pressure on him and he's withstood that pressure."

"It's an amazing start for a driver whose previous professional experience came last year in a Top Alcohol dragster — a byproduct of playing Triple-A baseball."

The youngster certainly showed promise when he won the Division 7 championship, and he and Kenny became the first father and son to win events at the same NHRA meet — doing it twice during the 2002 season.

Now the kid is in the big time, but he's, certainly not overwhelmed.

"I knew we could win, but to win two out of the first three, it's pretty amazing," he said.

Kenny, who retired from the cockpit at the end of last season at age 59, is the only driver to have won championships in the National Hot Rod Association in both Funny Cars (4) and Top Fuel (2).

He remains the team owner but admitted he missed driving. Still, watching his son succeed has softened some of the pain of being on the sidelines.

"I've missed driving the car and competing tremendously," he said. "It's something I love to do, and when you just stop something cold turkey, it's pretty difficult, no matter how much you thought you were ready for it. It's been a pretty big adjustment for me."

"When you win, though, it's a lot easier."

Brandon, who lived with his mother after his parents divorced when he was 2, decided during high school that he wanted to follow in his father's footsteps.

"Having a father who is famous, I was always looking at articles and reading about him, seeing his success," Brandon said.

"I guess the best thing he does for me, though, is he says, 'Go and do the best that you can do.'"

"I know right then that this is what I wanted."

"Brandon didn't grow up around the sport and, when he started showing interest, Bernstein brought the youngster along slowly. He let him get the feel of his surroundings at first by sweeping floors and running errands. Brandon stepped into his first car three years ago at a driving school.

He knew immediately how to go fast. And it appears the rookie also knows how to handle success.

"He's doing really well with it," Kenny said. "The knows he has a job to do and he's in a learning curve and that he's still learning every time when he goes out there to race when he does an interview."

"It's a blast for him. He's just starting out his career and it's a lot of fun."

Brandon said he has put a lot of faith in his father and the rest of the team, headed by veteran crew chief Tim Richards.

"I haven't really felt any kind of pressure or nerves get to me," he said. "I just have been talking with Dad and Tim a lot, and especially Dad on the driving side."

Having his father around has other benefits, too.

"We're like best friends, and father-son, and employer and boss all rolled into one," Brandon said. "Our relationship is tremendous and the knowledge base he gives to me can save us in certain instances from mistakes that might happen."

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Harrington limps to lead on strange day at TPC

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Padraig Harrington had a sore thumb, but he couldn't hit the ball straight and wound up leading The Players Championship.

Craig Perks woke up to learn that his caddie was in jail, asked a sheriff to carry his bag until he could find a replacement and wound up in contention.

And the only normalcy on a long, strange day at Sawgrass was Tiger Woods.

On the verge of a major championship, he was hit with three quick birdies and remains a factor.

"You can never be surprised," Harrington said after making 10 birdies in 26 holes, giving him rounds of 67-68 and a two-stroke lead in golf's first big event of the year.

Harrington was on the practice range when darkness suspended a 20th round, with 27 players unable to finish.

He was at 9-under 135 and had a two-stroke lead over Perks (69), David Love III (67) and Skip Kendall (69), who has yet to get bogey on the TPC at Sawgrass.

Woods had an 8-foot par putt on his 10th hole and was in jeopardy of falling below the cut line. He made that, plus three birdies in the next four holes, for a 70 to finish seven strokes back going into the weekend.

The cut likely will be even par when the second round is completed this morning, the lowest since it was 2 under in 1996.

"I didn't know what the cut was," Woods said. "We thought it would be about 1 or 2 over. Evidently, it dropped, which is kind of remarkable on this golf course."

Indeed, it was a remarkable day.

Brad Couples woke up early and turned back the clock, pelting off a 5-under 67 in the morning to shore the first-round lead with Harrington.

Couples, a two-time winner at The Players Championship and still the crowd favorite, had a 71 in the second round and was at 6-under 138, along with 22-year-old Adam Scott (69) and 49-year-old Jay Haas (70).

"I know not everyone and his brother is worried about what I'm shooting, but I'm worried about it," Couples said. "I'm playing well right now."

The biggest worry belonged to Perks, the longest-hitting winner at Sawgrass last year who has been hearing all week how he has no chance to repeat.

He had to finish five holes Friday morning because of the rain delay. The problem was finding someone to carry his bag.

His caddie, Rodney Erb, was stopped for speeding Thursday night and police discovered an outstanding warrant for worthless checks. A Duval County jail sergeant said Erb spent the night in jail before posting bond for \$513.

Meantime, Perks summoned The Rev. George Woods, a chap-

lain for the caddies, to tote his bag in the morning, then used veteran caddie Tony Lingard in the afternoon.

"My voice must have sounded like that of a crazed woman," said wife Maureen Perks, who called Lingard at home. "I wouldn't call it an exciting day. Until Craig went birdie-eagle, I don't think I relaxed."

Perks didn't have much to say about Erb, only that he would have a long talk with him Friday night and that his caddie would be back to work today.

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Nicklaus will return to play Masters after missing last year

The Associated Press

"Jack Nicklaus will play in the Masters for the 43rd time, con-

tinued by two prize rounds at Augusta National that he feels good enough and hits the ball long enough to compete.

"Nicklaus, a six-time Masters champion, played a practice round Sunday with his three oldest sons and played again Thursday with his youngest son and Arnold Palmer.

"While I don't know if my golf game is good enough or not, I feel good enough physically, and I am hitting the ball long enough to play the golf course," Nicklaus said on his Web site. "Now, it's up to me."

The 63-year-old Nicklaus did not say what he shot in either round, but did say the score was irrelevant.

He skipped the Masters last year because of lower back problems. Nicklaus is on a new diet that has left him trim and fit. The only thing left to decide was whether he could handle a course that is 7,290 yards — 305 yards longer than he last played in the Masters.

During practice rounds last year, he hit eight fairway metals into the par 4s.

"Last year, I hit driver, 3-wood into No. 1, and this week I hit 6-iron into that green," Nicklaus said. "On (No. 5) last year, I hit 4-wood into that green, and I hit 8-iron Sunday."

Even with a new tee on the fifth hole that added 20 yards, Nicklaus said he managed to reach that green with a 6-iron.

"When you can hit mid-irons over those new par 4s, that's long enough for me to play the golf course," Nicklaus said. "It's certainly not Tiger Woods' length. That's not even quite Sam Saunders' length."

Saunders in the 15-year-old grandson of Palmer who played with them Thursday.

Palmer, who played in his last Masters a year ago, persuaded Nicklaus to play in the Bay Hill Invitational last week. Nicklaus had rounds of 82-76 to missed the cut.

"If this is any indication here, I can't play anything," he said.

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having another car trucked in to replace the rest of the weekend.

The Winston Cup inspection process has been more stringent this season with the adoption of a set of templates intended to fit all makes of cars competing in NASCAR's top series.

All the cars must exactly fit 18 of 32 steel templates used during technical inspections. Until this season, there was a completely different set of templates for each make of car.

NASCAR had never impounded an entire Winston Cup car, although it often seizes illegal or unapproved parts and displays them for other teams to see.

This time it is Stewart's race car that was on display next to the NASCAR hauler.

Asked if that was an indication to other teams how seriously NASCAR views this violation, Helton said, "The parts and

pieces we confiscate get tagged and are left out on the back of our truck for people to look at. I'd say this fits that scenario."

Stewart has been in trouble with NASCAR for on- and off-track problems. He finished the last two seasons on probation, last year becoming the first NASCAR driver to win a title while on probation.

He was fined \$60,000 and had to undergo anger management counseling after he punched a photographer at the Brickyard 400 in August. He also was accused of shoving a worker and pushing a fan.

NASCAR put Stewart's impounded car on display outside its hauler in the garage area because it wanted other teams to see the problem inspectors found.

Helton said the impounded Monte Carlo will be taken to NASCAR's new research and development facility in Concord, N.C., for further study.



Former Detroit second baseman Damon Easley, left, greets coach Rafael Landestoy Feb. 17 in Lakeland, Fla. The Tigers announced Friday they were releasing Easley.

Detroit cuts pricey Easley from roster

By The Associated Press
Rick Ankiel is ticketed for the minors, Paul Byrd is headed to the disabled list and the Detroit Tigers cut loose costly Damon Easley.

Easley became the most expensive player cut in baseball history Friday when the Tigers released him with \$14.3 million still owed on his contract. The 33-year-old second baseman is in the fourth season of a \$29 million, five-year deal. Detroit must pay him \$6.5 million this year, \$6.5 million in 2004 and a \$1.3 million buyout of an \$8 million option for 2005.

"It's a very tough decision for everybody involved," Tigers president Dave Dombrowski said. "He's a quality individual. He's done a lot for the organization. It's a lot of money."

Ankiel, still struggling with his control, was optioned to Double-A Tennessee by the St. Louis Cardinals.

The 23-year-old left-hander, an 11-game winner as a rookie starter in 2000, was expected to have a spot in the St. Louis bullpen this season. He's trying to rebound from the wildness and elbow injury that derailed his promising career the past two years.

The Atlanta Braves placed Byrd on the 15-day disabled list because of a sore right elbow, retroactive to March 21. Byrd, slated to be the team's fourth starter, can be activated April 5.

The right-hander, who signed with Atlanta as a free agent in

Mariners

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All-Star break and led the AL West as late as Aug. 22. Then they slumped, going 8-12 while Oakland won 20 straight, and even Seattle's 93 wins - the second-most in franchise history - couldn't guarantee the playoffs.

Nobody was exempt from wearing down.
Suzuki hit .404 in May and .353 in June before dropping to .282 in August and .248 in September. Martinez, who probably is in his last season, just turned 40 after a year where he spent much of the first half on the injured list.

Then there's crafty 40-year-old lefty Jamie Moyer, throwing second in the rotation. By season's end, Boone, Olerud and three other regulars - McLemore, third baseman Jeff Cirillo, and catcher Dan Wilson - will be 34 or older.

"You've got to keep these old guys on the field," Boone said. "The older the team is, the more vulnerable they're going to be to little injuries."

Closer Kazuhiro Sasaki is 35 and saw limited action in spring training after offseason surgery to remove loose chips from his throwing elbow. Other relievers include Jeff Nelson, 36, and Shigetoshi Hasegawa, 34.

"Solid as they were last season, the Mariners will need to be

Reds' new ballpark pays tribute to Pete, past

CINCINNATI (AP) - Pete Rose is not allowed to christen the Cincinnati Reds' new ballpark, but memories of baseball's career leader are all over the place. His former team wouldn't have any other way. When they drew up plans for Great American Ball Park, the Reds made the past their priority. Unlike sterile Cinergy Field, the new place is filled with the history of baseball's first professional franchise.

Front and center is Rose. "About the only place you won't see him will be with the retired numbers," chief operating officer John Allen said. "We did what we could. He earned it. That's the right thing to do."

Rose's lifetime ban prevents him from participating in the opening-day ceremonies for Great American, just as it kept him away from last September's closing of Cinergy Field. He may be an outcast to baseball, but his legacy is well documented in the 42,000-seat ballpark. Rose sits in the first row of a Big Red Machine mosaic on a lower concourse, hands perched on knees, eyes fixed straight ahead. A huge photograph of the bat and ball he used for hit No. 4,192 adorns the back of the scoreboard in left field, a reminder of the hit king's most memorable moment.

The lounge for the club-seat patrons is named "Club 4,192," a tribute to his record-breaking single on Sept. 11, 1985.

Next year, a rose garden outside the ballpark will honor the spot where the hit landed. He'll also be included in the team's Hall of Fame when it opens in 2004.

One of his favorite lines, "I'd walk through hell in a gasoline suit to keep playing baseball," is included in a stream of Reds' quotes along another concourse.

Cincinnati's most famous and most infamous baseball figure is everywhere. "It's very clear that we can honor our history and the great

moments in the franchise, so there's no unexcused in that perspective," Allen said. "It's what the fans and players wanted."

Although a lot of baseball history was made next door at Riverfront/Cinergy Field, there were few reminders in the multipurpose stadium. The most distinctive part of the new place is its willingness to remember.

"It's great, not just for the fans to get into the history, but for a lot of players to find out about the history of the Reds," pitcher Danny Graves said. "When you play for baseball, you're always thinking of 'back then.' All of the other stadiums for all of the new teams, they don't have 'back then.'"

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through season, but is somewhat of a surprise to be pushing the four-time world champion so hard.

"I scout all the time," Kwan said. "I am a competitor. It is a very when I go to local rinks, I see little girls and think, 'Oh-oh.'"

"It's weird, because I hear people say she's changed," Kwan

added Sokolova, who was eight in her only other worlds, in 1998 at Minneapolis. "The energy was there, and she has that energy."

So does the 22-year-old Kwan, who remains at the top despite skating few competitions this season. She won Skate America, then took her seventh U.S. crown - and sixth in a row. And now she leads heading into Saturday night's free skate.

Kwan's masterful presentation to Peter Gabriel's driving rhythms, and her surpassing spins and spirals, made a huge difference. Kwan even got a 6.0 for artistry. Of course, under the

current judging system in which nine of the 14 panelists' votes are official, who knows if it counted?

"I was going to say, 'Wait, I don't even know if it matters,'" she said with a laugh. "Now if I got all 6.0s, that would be something."

The partisan crowd, filled with flag-waving fans and dozens of banners and signs proclaiming Kwan as golden, particularly responded to her footwork.

"I think the audience talked that last judge into giving me a 6.0," she said. But maybe it was the way she danced from one end of the rink to the other in perfect

IOC head Rogge dismisses breakaway skating group

LONDON (AP) - IOC president Jacques Rogge refused to consider the new World Skating Federation's bid to replace the International Skating Union as the sport's governing body.

"We have good relations with the ISU," Rogge said in a telephone interview with the Associated Press on Friday. "We recognize the ISU. They're doing a good job and we are happy with them."

Former Olympic champions Scott Hamilton, Dick Button, along with other prominent names in the sport, announced the breakaway federation on Tuesday at the World Figure Skating Championships in Washington.

WSF officials say their disenchantment with the ISU, and president Ottavio Quinziato in particular, has been building for years. But it was the Salt Lake City Olympics pairs scandal and the ensuing fallout that prompted them to act.

Critical to the WSF's future is recognition by national federations and, ultimately, the International Olympic Committee.

Rogge confirmed he received a letter this week from the WSF's leaders, but offered no encouragement for their cause. "This is not the order of the

day," he said. "We recognize only one federation per sport. We are very happy with our relations with the ISU."

Rogge rejected the WSF's call for a meeting, but said he would reply to the letter.

"I don't think at this stage there is a need for a meeting," he said.

Jon Jackson, a WSF founder, said Rogge's comments were not unexpected at this time.

"We expect a very difficult journey to get IOC recognition," he said in Washington. "Our obligation to figure skating is to prove to the IOC that the ISU is not doing a good job in figure skating, and figure skating will be better served when figure skaters are making the decisions."

Rogge defended the ISU's attempts to reform the scoring and judging system.

"We asked the ISU to review the judging and they did it," he said. "Some disagree with the new system, but that's an internal issue and not for us to intervene."

"This is an ongoing process," he added. "The actual judging system is not the final one. We are convinced with time, experience and feedback the future system will be a better one. That's what the ISU has promised and that's what they have delivered."

Capriati advances to showdown against Serena

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. (AP) - Jennifer Capriati is in a more mellow mood these days, not stressing out about bad calls, double faults or even the Williams sisters.

Her new attitude will be put to the test today, when Capriati bids for a breakthrough victory against top-ranked Serena Williams in the final of the Nasdaq-100 Open.

Capriati is 0-4 against Venus Williams and has lost six matches in a row to Serena, all of them close. This time, Capriati will play on her 27th birthday against Serena, who is 16-0 this year.

"Maybe she'll feel generous and give me a birthday present and let me win," Capriati said with a laugh. "I figure one of these times it has got to go my way."

In 11 tries, she has never won the Key Biscayne title, but by beating Chanda Rubin 6-2, 6-4 on Friday, Capriati earned a berth in the final for the third year in a row. She lost to Venus in 2001 and to Serena in 2002.

Also in action again today will be No. 2-seeded Andre Agassi, who plays No. 9 Albert Costa in the men's semifinals. Agassi, bidding for a sixth Key Biscayne title, advanced by playing almost flawless tennis to beat No. 19 Younes El Aynaoui 7-6 (6), 4-6, 6-1.

Costa won his rain-delayed quarterfinal match, taking 13 minutes to finish off No. 4 Roger Federer 7-6 (4), 4-6, 7-6 (7). The match was suspended Thursday in the final game of the final set, then resumed 19 hours later.

Costa overcame three match points, including one in the final tiebreaker.

"Today was like heads or tails," said Costa, who owns 12 career titles but is bidding for his first hard-court championship.

Fellow Spaniard Carlos Moya, seeded fifth, earned a berth in the final by winning the final five games to beat No. 13 Paradorn Srichaphan 6-4, 6-2.

Capriati, seeded sixth, has won plaudits at Key Biscayne not only for her inspired play but for her bluffs demeanor. She beamed as she toweled off in her

changeover chair after beating Rubin.

"It's a beautiful day to play tennis," she told a TV interviewer. "We're here. We're happy. We're alive. How much better can it get?"

Crankiness has accompanied Capriati's inconsistent results in the past year. Her tantrum during one match prompted a sponsor to pull out of a \$1.8 million endorsement deal.

But at Key Biscayne she has yet to cause a fuss, and she has been positively pleasant during interview sessions. "You could say that I'm just trying to enjoy the time that I have now while I'm doing it."

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Spirits

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changeover chair after beating Rubin. "It's a beautiful day to play tennis," she told a TV interviewer. "We're here. We're happy. We're alive. How much better can it get?"

America at war

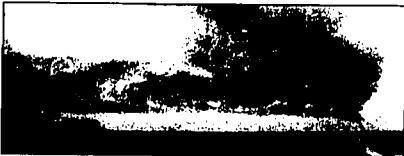
Bandits hamper peacekeeping effort

British soldiers try to keep order in southern Iraq

By Keith B. Richburg
The Washington Post



Members of the British 11 Platoon, Zulu Company First Fusiliers patrol past destroyed or abandoned Iraq armor just south of Basra, Iraq, Friday. Below, an oil fire burns south of Basra Friday.



and steal from our companies. How can we restart our companies?"

"We are afraid from both sides," said the man, who asked that his name not be printed.

"We are afraid of the thieves, and we are afraid of them, pointing at the British troops paraded in what was the headquarters of the ruling Baath Party. 'The thieves have guns,' he said, 'but we have no guns.'

He added, ominously, "If this continues, in seven days or more, we will fight" the British soldiers.

"We have no guns, but we can get guns. If this place is still without water, still without electricity, we will fight them. Even this child," he said, patting the head of an 8-year-old who was listening intently in the crowd. "He can fight," the engineer said of the child. "He is an Iraqi."

Most of the people in this area work for one of the four complexes that belong to the Iraqi state oil company. The largest one, the refinery, employs 3,500 people, although there has been no work

here since the start of the war. Now the abandoned facilities have become a favorite target of the bandits.

"They stole from our company — air conditioners, machines, cars, trucks," said another middle-aged man, also an engineer with the company. "And this force here doesn't protect."

Before last week, he said, security was not a problem. "There were police, and they had stations around this area," but now he said, "There are no Iraqi police. And no one can carry a pistol — it is a crime now."

At one of the smaller facilities of the oil company, workers Friday were using a bulldozer to build a dirt wall around the entrance to prevent the thieves from entering. "We are closing this, so the thieves won't come," said Kadim Kassim, 59, an employee of the oil company for 26 years. "There's no policeman, no watchman. No anything."

He said the village did not lack food or medicine, only fresh drinking water since the supply

was cut when the war started. But the main issue, he said, is security. "We need police," he said. "We want police to save this place."

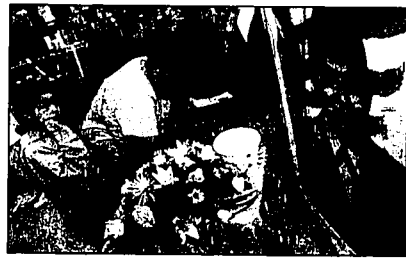
The British troops here do apprehend some thieves, when alerted by the local villagers. On a drive here down a gutted and muddy path, reporters saw British soldiers forcing several Iraqis out of a truck. The men were made to stand with their hands against a wall while they were frisked.

Just after noon in Mushirij, British troops marched four other suspected thieves through the crowd to the Zulu Company headquarters, where the villagers outside jeered them and shouted "Ali Baba! Ali Baba!"

The suspects were young men with light beards, and with their necks wrapped in red-and-yellow checked keffiyehs.

And in just three minutes — from the time they were brought in at 12:15 until 12:18 — the men walked out the gates, free, smiling.

British commanders say there is little they can do, since at the moment they are not here to provide police functions. For punishment, "We give them a kicking off in a very robust British manner," said Maj. Duncan McSparran, who conceded that his role has become something like that of a Wild West sheriff. "I am the sheriff, aren't I? That's one of my main functions."



Bernice Manygots and her daughter, Albertina Watchman, of Cow Springs, Ariz., sign a card Thursday for Pvt. 1st Class Lori Piestewa, photo at right, who is missing in action in Iraq.

Soldier's disappearance shakes Arizona town

TUBA CITY, Ariz. (AP) — In this wind-swept town on the sprawling Navajo reservation, an American flag flutters near a trailer home and a swing set moves in the breeze. A stream of solemn visitors silently pass by yellow balloons and signs offering support.

"The spirits are there and the angels have gone to keep her safe. Don't worry. We love you," reads one poster taped to a chain link fence.

Inside the home are the parents of Pfc. Lori Piestewa, who has been missing in Iraq since last weekend. The 23-year-old Hopi is the daughter of a Vietnam veteran and the granddaughter of a World War II veteran and a source of pride for Tuba City, as one of the very few Indian women in the military.

"The town's kind of in a little shock," said one of the residents, Rick Holmes. "We can't have nothing done. We have to wait and see."

Piestewa is a member of the Army's 507th Maintenance Company, which was attacked by Iraqi soldiers last Sunday. At least two 507th soldiers were

killed, and the Defense Department said eight more are missing and five are prisoners of war. Piestewa is among the missing.

This town of 8,200 people — mostly a collection of government offices, a grocery store, a coin-operated laundry and a pizza parlor — is marked by its dark red dirt and its tight-knit residents. It is on the Navajo Reservation but close to Hopi land.

"It's been a very sudden traumatic experience for everyone," said Vanessa Charles, spokeswoman for the Hopi Tribe. "These situations are the sort of things that bring people together. It unites people. It helps people put their differences aside."

Officials from both tribes have attended prayer services in honor of Piestewa (pronounced PEESS-tuh-wah) and other military personnel. Hopi officials say she is one of 45 Hopis serving in the U.S. military.

Historically, American Indians have enlisted in the U.S. military at higher rates than other groups. Defense Department officials say about 12,800 Indians are enlisted.

Mother says goodbye as two sons head to fight in Iraq

By Tim Pitter
Night Rider News Service

FORT RILEY, Kan. — It's hard enough for a mother to say goodbye to one son going to war. But two of Patricia Perkins' boys — both in the same tank battalion (a real no-no by Army standards) — are headed to Iraq.

"I'm afraid that they've joined the service. The heart-breaking part of it is to see them go to war," said Perkins, a nursing home dietary director in Akron, Colo.

"She is planning to visit her sons this weekend. It will tell her that I love them very dearly and that I'm proud of them." She'll also tell them how comforting it is to know her two sons will be riding in 70-ton Abrams battle tanks. "They got a lot of armor around them," she said.

One son, Spc. Jeff Perkins, 20, is a tank loader for Charlie Company of 1st Battalion, 13th Armor. Another son, Spc. Scott Weber, 22, is a tank driver for Alpha Company of the same battalion, which has about 500 soldiers.

They are the youngest of four sons Patricia raised by herself. She and their father never married, but Jeff took his mother's last name and brother Scott chose his father's. The men have not had contact with their father for many years.

For obvious reasons, the Army has a general policy of not allowing siblings to serve together in the same units. The different last names may have opened the door to the exception, but battalion commanders finally decided to let the brothers stay together because they are in separate tank companies, of about 80 men each. Another reason for the exception: Their family has at least one male heir not in harm's way, said battalion Sgt. Maj. Ricky Pring.

The two brothers, who grew up in Nebraska and Colorado, joined the Army together more than two years ago. They went through basic training together at Fort Knox, Ky., and were glad to be assigned to the same battalion at Fort Riley. Until recently, they lived in the same barracks.

Coalition losses in Iraq

There have been 28 U.S. casualties and 22 British casualties since the war began in Iraq.

Combat	Non-combat	Captured	Missing
March casualties	casualties		
21	*****		
22	*****		
23	*****	*****	*****
24	*****	*****	*****
25	*****	*****	*****
TOTAL	23	26	16
American	15	12	7
British	8	14	9

*The dates of one American casualty and one American non-combat casualty were not released.

SOURCES: British Ministry of Defense, Associated Press

Poll: Three-fourths in U.S. back war

The Washington Post

News from the front has been decidedly mixed in the past week, but the unexpectedly gloomy reports have not shaken public support for the war in Iraq, according to the latest Washington Post-ABC News poll.

Nearly three out of four Americans continue to back U.S. actions to remove Iraqi President Saddam Hussein from power — even though they have come to believe that there will

be "a significant number of additional U.S. military casualties." If anything, that support may be hardening.

The poll found an increase in the number of respondents saying they "strongly" support the war.

Four in 10 said it is likely that the United States will get bogged down in a drawn-out war with Iraq, and one in four said it was a "mistake" to attack Iraq. But those views have not shaken support for the war.

Aid reaches Iraq, but not besieged Basra

Instability around city hampers delivery of much-needed supplies

By Tim Tran
Associated Press Writer

UMM QASR, Iraq — Tons of desperately needed food and water reached the port city escorted by attack helicopters and a minesweeping ship, but the people it could benefit most — 1.3 million residents of nearby Basra — remained under siege Friday and under fire from Iraqi fighters.

Iraq's second-largest city, just 20 miles north of the port where a British supply ship delivered water, rice, powdered milk and other humanitarian aid, was considered by British forces.

When about 1,000 residents tried to flee Basra to find food on Friday, Iraqi paramilitary forces fired on them with mortars and machine guns, British military officials and witnesses said.

Women and children were targeted as they ran across a bridge leading out of the west side of Basra, according to a British report. Wounded civilians were taken to a British regimental aid facility, where the sobbing husband of one slightly injured woman offered repeated thanks, the report said.

Before the mortar and machine-gun fire started, more than 1,000 other Iraqis had escaped the city via the bridge. They greeted British forces with pleas for food and water, and with cries of "Down with Saddam."

"Here perhaps are the first pieces of evidence of Iraqi people trying to break free," said British Col. Chris Vernon. "And clearly the militias don't want that. They are trying to keep the population in there, and they fired on them to force them back in."



An Iraqi child runs with the humanitarian aid he just received from the British Royal Marines in Umm Qasr, southern Iraq, Tuesday. The U.N. Security Council adopted a resolution Friday to restart the oil-for-food program.



attack, fearful that they might hit civilians, said Lt. Cmdr. Emma Thomas, spokeswoman for British forces in the Persian Gulf.

Inside Basra, electricity and water supplies remain cut off. Many residents have been forced to drink contaminated water, raising the possibility of widespread cholera and diarrhea, and U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan has called for "urgent measures" to prevent a disaster.

British forces have ringed Basra in an effort to eradicate units loyal to Saddam Hussein while clearing a path for the aid. Earlier

this week, British officials reported that some civilians in Basra had turned on the Iraqi forces.

The desperate need for aid was demonstrated in the southern Iraq border town of Safwan, where two trucks carrying aid from Kuwait were quickly overrun Friday in a near riot. Some 500 people emptied the trucks of bottled water, cheese and other food in barely 10 minutes, just as they had when a similar delivery arrived two days earlier.

The flow of humanitarian aid through the key port of Umm Qasr started with the arrival of the

British supply ship Sir Galahad, which navigated mine-laden waters to deliver 100 tons of water and 150 tons of rice, lentils, cooking oil, tomato paste, chickpeas, sugar and powdered milk.

The Galahad followed the British mine-detecting ship HMS Sandown up a 200-yard wide channel along the 40-mile route from the Persian Gulf to Umm Qasr. A U.S. Navy patrol boat protected its rear, while two Kuwait patrol boats and attack helicopters provided an escort.

A new source of fresh water in southern Iraq was expected this weekend in Lt. Gen. Ali al-Momen, head of Kuwait's Humanitarian Operations Center, said Kuwait will begin pumping 1.5 million liters of fresh water daily to Umm Qasr.

And a seven-truck convoy of medical supplies was headed Friday to Baghdad, the target of daily bombings since the war began March 19. The trucks departed from Amman, Jordan, carrying anesthetics, antibiotics, pain killers, blood and bandages dispatched to the Iraqi Red Crescent, said the official Jordanian news agency.

Looking ahead, a U.N. food agency appealed Friday for \$1.3 billion to help feed the Iraqi people for six months as part of potentially the biggest humanitarian operation in history. The United Nations is asking for a total of \$2.2 billion.

The World Food Program estimated most Iraqis will run out of food in May. Some 60 percent of Iraq's 22 million people, about 13 million people — are totally dependent on food handouts. The British government announced it would contribute \$102 million to the U.N. fund.

The operation aims to feed refugees through cross-border operations, then move into the country to deliver supplies, and ultimately to help Iraqis feed themselves. The agency expects to move 1.76 million tons of food into Iraq over the coming six months.

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Number of registered users	42 million
Sales, 2002	\$1.2 billion
Items sold	15 million

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Sunbridge Care owner reports Q4 earnings

TWIN FALLS — California-based Sun Healthcare Group Inc. — owner of Sunbridge Care & Rehabilitation for Twin Falls — reported heavy operating losses for its fourth quarter and year that ended Dec. 31.

For the quarter, Sun reported total net revenues of \$476.5 million and a net loss, before reorganization costs and income taxes, of \$415.5 million (which included an asset impairment charge of \$407.8 million). That compares with year-over total net revenues of \$543.3 million and a net loss, before reorganization costs and income taxes, of \$27.2 million (which included an asset impairment charge of \$18.9 million).

For the year, Sun reported total net revenues of \$1.9 billion and a net loss, before reorganization costs, income taxes, discontinued operations and extraordinary items, of \$444.3 million (which included an asset impairment charge of \$407.8 million) compared with the prior year's total net revenues of \$2.1 billion and an operating loss, before all those things, of \$26.2 million (which included an asset impairment charge of \$18.8 million).

The company operated 237 long-term and other inpatient care facilities with 26,845 licensed beds at the end of 2002, down from 247 facilities with 27,954 licensed beds a year earlier.

Sun said it aims to "transition certain underperforming facilities to other operators." "Our restructuring is intended to allow the company to reinvent itself and make it through these very troubled times in the long-term care industry. We are attempting to reduce our portfolio to focus it toward financial stability in a reduced reimbursement environment," said Richard K. Matros, Sun's chairman and chief executive.

Sun emerged from bankruptcy on Feb. 28, 2002, and adopted the provisions of fresh-start accounting effective March 1, 2002.

Albertsons will participate at consumer conference

TWIN FALLS — Albertsons Inc. on Friday said it will participate in the Banc of America Securities Consumer Conference in New York City, and anyone may listen in online.

The Albertsons presentation will be broadcast live at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at www.veracast.com/webcasts/basc/consumer. The presentation will be available in an archived format until April 18.

Boise-based Albertsons has grocery stores in Burley, Halley and Twin Falls.

Pocatello business closes unexpectedly

POCATELLO — U.S. Transformer West closed its doors suddenly Wednesday afternoon, leaving about 50 workers unemployed.

"They came in and told them they didn't have enough money to operate any longer and were closing their doors," said Bob Chandler, business manager for the electricians' union, Local 449.

The employees do not know whether the closure is temporary, long-term or permanent, Chandler said.

"An employee who answered the company's phone Thursday said the business had no comment.

Two years ago the company employed more than 100 people.

"Police Maj. Mike Staylor said (U.S. Transformer officials) asked to have officers stand by while they told employees.

"They were afraid there possibly (could) be some problem because apparently there was no notification they were all being terminated and the business was closing," Staylor said.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Speaker: Promote area food's security

By Virginia S. Hutchins
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — As war wages and Americans worry about domestic security, sustainable agriculture can promote itself as a way to reduce consumers' anxiety, a conference keynote speaker said Friday.

The massive amounts of imported food that Americans eat pass through many hands and cover many miles before reaching the plate, said Arizona nature writer and biologist Gary Paul Nabhan, opening the two-day "Connecting Through Local Foods" conference at the College of Southern Idaho. And often it's hard to trace just where contaminated food came from.

"Homeland security is food security," Nabhan told an audience which included many small farm producers.

In the traceability of food, small local farmers and ranchers have an advantage, he said. But they must learn to talk about what they do in a way that reduces the anxiety people feel about the food they eat — and demonstrates to lawmakers and business leaders the tangible benefits of farmer's markets, heirloom vegetables, organic methods, locally adapted seeds and the like.

"What you've been doing all along is valuable and supportable," Nabhan said. Buying local food, he said, supports the farming community and local economy,

ensures food safety, reduces fossil fuel use and carbon dioxide emissions and supports the movement toward sustainability in agricultural methods.

And organic isn't everything. Organic production is one of a cluster of values that sustainable agriculture leaders promote, Nabhan said. If organic produce comes from another state, for instance, the environmental cost of transportation can outweigh that of chemical use.

"A lot of people don't get that local thing," he said.

Some do. The number of farmer's markets nationally, at 3,200, has almost doubled since 1994, Nabhan said. But he said the growers and ranchers

who sell directly at farmer's markets and elsewhere don't talk enough to consumers about the benefits of buying local. Freshness. The sense of place engendered by foods available only in that place, at that time of year. Assurance that more profits go to the farmer. Entertainment.

Like it or not, a farmer or rancher is an entertainer, Nabhan told his audience. But there's no need to dress like a haysseed. Just talk about how the food was raised, why the variety is special or why it's important to your family.

"People enjoy the contact with you, and don't underestimate that," he said. Magic Valley already boasts a number of farmer's markets. Please see FOOD, Page B11

Former factory chief returns to Twin Falls

By Lorraine Cavener
 Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — When Lee Odenwald left Twin Falls 17 years ago, he said he would be back.

Odenwald, the former head of Idaho Frozen Foods in Twin Falls, moved away when business took him to Chicago, Milwaukee, Tampa, Fla., and other metropolitan areas.

Now retired, Odenwald a little over a year ago moved back to where he really wanted to be — Twin Falls. And as a former business and community leader here, he sees the town with the perspective of both an insider and a resident of places coast to coast.

"Twin Falls has great people, and it's a great place to live," he said.

When he left he was impressed with several livability factors. The quality of life helped businesses recruit executives from out of state.

"There was a major move to improve the schools," Odenwald said.

While he was gone Twin Falls continued improvement at a steady pace.

Aside from heavy development on Blue Lakes, Bayshore, Odenwald has not been disappointed with what he has seen in Twin Falls. Developers could have kept a country environment with the use of more setbacks and by leaving more trees.

"When I was here Blue Lakes was still a street with a lot of trees," Odenwald said.

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Lee Odenwald on Friday looks out over Auger Falls property, which was owned by Idaho Frozen Foods when Odenwald managed the company. Now the city of Twin Falls owns the land, and Odenwald plans to volunteer to help develop a recreation area there.

Laid off workers buy company shop

The Associated Press

GREAT FALLS, Mont. — Inside an old building on this city's west side, Allan Besich, Dean Brandt and Paul Peterman spend their days building and repairing metal trailers, water tanks and grain elevators.

More importantly, they're building a future for themselves.

After General Mills laid off the three men in December, the trio decided to create their own niche and their own jobs.

In early January, they bought the former General Mills metal fabrication shop, including the equipment and inventory inside, and opened their own business, Montana Metal Fabrications.

The layoff ultimately turned out to be an opportunity, one the three men have enthusiastically embraced, despite the challenges of running their own business.

"I've always wanted to do something like this on my own," said Brandt, 42. "I've always wanted to work for myself, and we have a great combination of experience."

The men bring a total of 65 years of metal fabrication experience to the new venture, and Brandt said that instead of relying on the company, the men rely on one another.

"We complement each other, and I think it's really gonna go," he said. "I had no hesitations about doing this."

Peterman, 44, agreed that there

was no hesitation, but he admitted they had little choice.

"We had worked for General Mills, and we really didn't know anything else," Peterman said.

"I've worked in grain elevators my whole life. I kind of grew up with it. My uncle and dad did it."

Today, Peterman said he is happy to be working with two good partners with similar backgrounds. The timing was perfect for the new venture, he added.

General Mills originally opened the shop about two years ago as a cost-saving measure. Equipment was purchased in Chicago and installed in the west-side shop, where General Mills' employees performed maintenance and repair on an as-needed basis, said Besich, 49, a 25-year veteran of General Mills.

"With no grain and little noise, this place was not being used to its full potential," Besich said.

When the company decided last year to lease elevators to Columbia Grain and lay off some of its workers, Besich said the shop was offered as an asset.

When Columbia decided it had no need for the shop, Besich said, the three men negotiated with General Mills to purchase the machinery and inventory. Today, the men lease 5,000 square feet of space in what is actually an old brewery.

"The beauty of this thing is that the building and machinery were

here; we just stepped in here and began business," Besich said. "We feel very good about being able to pursue this. There's pride in ownership, and we really couldn't see a downside."

Besich said Montana Metal Fabrications is ideally situated, both in terms of location and the necessary equipment, to serve the region's grain growers and elevator facilities.

All three perform hands-on work in the shop, but Besich, because of his experience and his contacts in the grain industry, focuses much of his time on marketing, getting people in the grain industry to know the company is open for business, and the book keeping.

With their experience at General Mills, the grain industry is a natural fit for the men, but a second niche they aim to fill is in custom metal fabrication.

"Whatever you want, come in and we'll build it for you," Besich said, pointing to a water tank in progress and a couple of completed trailers and personalized truck boxes. They also build trailers for golf carts and snowmobiles.

The young business is attracting a steady stream of customers. "We had no idea we'd be as busy as we are these first two months," Besich said. "We're happy with what we've done so far, and we're hoping to have a relatively busy summer and harvest."



Paul Peterman measures for a drill hole on a flatbed under construction at Montana Metal Fabrication in Great Falls, Mont., last month.

NYSE suspends trading of Touch America Holdings Inc. stock

The Associated Press

HELENA, Mont. — The New York Stock Exchange suspended trading of Touch America Holdings Inc. stock Friday and informed the company, known as the Montana Power Co. before its disastrous move into high-tech, that it was being delisted from the exchange.

The move comes one day after an arbitrator ordered Touch America to pay Qwest Communications — the predominant provider of local-phone service in Magic Valley — \$59.6 million plus interest in a dispute over a June 2000 purchase of

Qwest assets.

Linda McGillen, director of Touch America's investor relations, confirmed the company had received notice from the exchange of the intent to delist. Trading of its stock, which was suspended Thursday in anticipation of the arbitrator's announcement, remained suspended Friday. It last traded Wednesday at 53 cents a share.

"The exchange offered that they just weren't going to be allowed to continue trading," McGillen said Friday.

McGillen said bankruptcy remained a very real possibility for the telecomuni-

cations company, which has not posted a profit in nearly a year. Cash reserves once bolstered by the sale of Montana Power assets have dwindled to about \$20 million.

McGillen said the company was pursuing "a number of outstanding claims" in its arbitration with Qwest that might be able to reduce the award it was ordered to pay. If that happened, she said, bankruptcy might be avoidable.

Touch America and Qwest had been embroiled in a dispute over the 2000 purchase of Qwest assets. Both claimed the other was coming up short on agreements, but an arbitrator ruled in favor of

Qwest Thursday.

"From the beginning, we looked at this arbitration with Qwest as something hanging over our head that we needed to get out of the way," McGillen said. "We were hoping for a favorable outcome, but we didn't get that."

Touch America originally claimed it was owed \$43 million from the purchase of Qwest phone business, and has other claims which could push the amount of \$100 million.

But Qwest, which filed a claim for more than \$300 million, said it hopes the matter is done.

MONEY

Stocks trade moderately lower for third straight day

NEW YORK (AP) — Investors worried about a drawn-out war with Iraq sold stocks lower for the third straight day Friday, snapping Wall Street's two-week winning streak. But analysts, characterizing the selling as moderate, said the market was holding up well despite the uncertainty.

There were more advanced signs that the decline of the New York Stock Exchange, a sign that investors, while concerned, are not panicking.

The Dow Jones industrial average held on to more than half the 997 points it gained in the six days leading up to the war and the two sessions that followed the start of fighting.

"The rally we saw a week or so ago does show that there is a desire to be back in stocks," said Susan L. Malley, chief investment officer for Malley Associates Capital Management, adding that her firm is "not ready to pour money back into stocks yet, but we have put a little more into equities than we had before the war."

The Dow closed down 55.68, or 0.7 percent, at 8,145.77, incurring a three-day loss of 134.46. For the week, the blue chips lost 4.4 percent.

The broader market also retreated for a third day and for the week overall. On Friday, the Nasdaq composite index fell 14.64, or 1.1 percent, to 1,369.61. The Standard & Poor's 500 index declined 0.502, or 0.6 percent, to 863.50.

For the week, the Nasdaq gave back 3.7 percent and the S&P forfeited 3.6 percent.

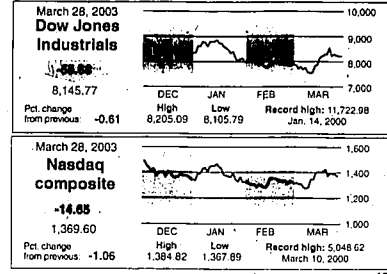
Investors have been collecting profits this week from the retreat rally, but the Dow has gained about 555 points, or nearly 56 percent, of its 997-point advance. Fears that the fighting in Iraq



Traders signal their orders at the crude oil pit at the Mercantile Exchange in New York Friday. Oil prices fluctuated in volatile trading after posting strong gains on Thursday.

will last longer than investors anticipated have been responsible for this week's selling, although their effect has waned as the market's losses moderated. Wall Street is concerned that the longer the war takes, the more cautious consumers and businesses will become.

Economic news contributed to Friday's declines. The Commerce Department reported consumer spending was flat for a second straight month in February as people clamored down amid job and war worries and higher energy prices. Investors are particularly sensi-



to news about consumer spending, which accounts for two-thirds of the economy, although Friday's reading was better than the 0.2 percent decline economists forecast.

The Commerce Department also said Americans' incomes rose by a modest 0.3 percent in February, down from a 0.4 percent advance the previous month.

The University of Michigan's consumer sentiment index for March fell to 77.6 from 79.9, according to Dow Jones Newswires. Still, economists were expecting war worries to erode sentiment further.

Analysts were heartened to see the market hold up fairly well in the face of war uncertainty and lackluster economic news. Some believe investors are becoming cautiously optimistic about the market and the economy, enough to make some bets.

"Investors are looking through the current war-related concerns to what might be in store (later this year)," said Charles G. Crane, strategist for Victory

SBSF Capital Management. "Assuming that (war) doesn't take several months... what I see is an economy that is in satisfactory condition, not great, and prospects for single-digit earnings growth in '03 and '04."

On Friday, Barr Laboratories fell 51.48 to 556.32 after Merrill Lynch downgraded it to "neutral" from "buy."

British Airways declined 88 cents to \$17.27 after J.P. Morgan cut its earnings outlook on the company.

UAL rose a penny to 85 cents on its last day of trading on the NYSE, which announced it was delisting the troubled parent of United Airlines for failing to meet its minimum share price standards.

Dell Computer slipped 14 cents to \$27.70 after a meeting next week with equity analysts. Dell's stock price climbed \$1.35 to \$56.90 after raising its first-quarter profit estimate.

B.J.'s Wholesale Club rose 44 cents to \$11.50 after J.P. Morgan & Co. upgraded the retailer to "hold" from "underperform."

Commission denies request of independent producers

BOISE (AP) — The public utilities commission Friday declined a request by independent electrical producers which wanted larger power projects to be allowed to qualify for the same rates as smaller projects.

Currently, only producers that generate up to 10 megawatts can qualify for the rates. The Independent Energy Producers of Idaho asked that projects up to 30 megawatts be included.

The energy crisis of the late 1970s prompted Congress to pass the Public Utilities Regulatory Policies Act. Its purpose is to encourage the development of renewable energy as an alternative to burning fossil fuels or building new power plants.

The act requires electric utilities to offer to buy energy produced by qualifying small producers.

State commissioners set the rate that utilities must pay small producers for that power. The rate is to be equal to the cost the electric utility avoids by not generating the power itself.

Last year, the Idaho commission acted to a request by the small producers to extend the contract length of projects from five to 20 years and increase the size of projects that can qualify for the rates from one megawatt to 10 megawatts.

One megawatt powers about 800 homes.

The Independent Energy Producers of Idaho claim that the 10 megawatt limit is still not big enough to allow them to recover their investment.

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Food

Continued from B9 projects in organic, direct local marketing and sustainable agriculture.

A few examples: A Ketchum grocery store buys produce from many local farmers.

Jerome woman raises rabbits and sells the meat to people who can't find it in stores.

Four Magic Valley couples - one in Gooding, one in Shoshone and two in Fairfield - received federal sustainable agriculture research grants.

Continued from B9 "pretty trees," he said. "I hoped they would have done a little better in the design."

Twin Falls also has a higher crime rate than he expected. Some of Odewald's family members, in law enforcement in California, have pointed out problems.

"Twin Falls is clearly in a drug corridor," he said. "You have to wander."

But the positive aspects of Twin Falls far outweigh the negative, he said.

He is particularly impressed with the College of Southern Idaho's accomplishments, especially the role the college has played in recruiting new employees.

Odewald plans to become involved in several Twin Falls projects.

In 1982 Idaho Frozen Foods bought the property and used the land for surface application of wastewater from the food processing plant.

"The system didn't meet the needs of the plant," Odewald said.

The property is now weed-laden pasture.

"I'd like a vested interest," Odewald said. "At one time my company owned that. The location

is near and dear to my heart," Odewald now likes the idea of turning the property into a place for climbing, fishing, camping, biking and jogging.

"It can and should be visited. As his budget permits, I hope they move forward with that," he said. "I'll donate my time and energy to that happens."

Odewald said he has some friends between those who want growth and those who want things to stay the same.

"Both can be accomplished if done correctly," he said.

Odewald said he also volunteered with the Juvenile Probation Department's Lunch Buddy program.

One of Odewald's friends jokes about Odewald being involved in many community activities.

"He would make a real good school crossing guard while he's not busy," said Doug Vollmer, mayor of Twin Falls in the mid '80s.

Vollmer said it is good to have Odewald back.

"It's a great asset to the community," Vollmer said.

Odewald was involved in many economic development and local improvement projects while he was here.

"He was always active in recruiting new business," Vollmer said.

Twin Falls attorney Steve Tolman agreed.

"He was always promoting Twin Falls and economic growth," Tolman said. "He is an individual that is going to get involved and stay involved."

Odewald had many Twin Falls friends with whom he kept in touch while he was gone, Tolman said.

"He didn't come back a stranger," he said. "It's good to have him back."

Odewald said he not only plans to be involved, he also plans to stay. "My coming back to Twin was coming home," he said. "I have no intention of leaving."

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DEAR ABBY

DEAR ABBY: I am a 13-year-old boy in the eighth grade. My problem is my parents and their lack of confidence in me. I'm an above-average artist, and I think I've got a lot of potential. But when my parents question me about what I want to do when I get older and I tell them I want to be an artist for an animation studio, they say, "That's not a realistic goal." Mom says stuff like, "Why don't you pick an occupation that's more practical?" And Dad just keeps quiet.

DEAR ABBY: I know I'm only 13, but I have aspired to be an animation artist since I was 4. It hurts knowing my parents do not support my dream. What should I do about it?

—HIGH ON TALENT/LOW ON SELF-ESTEEM IN COLORADO

Married mom feels frazzled at home coping with three kids alone

DEAR ABBY: I am a 26-year-old, stay-at-home mom married to a man in his 60s. We had three children right away.

Because of health problems, my husband is getting to the point where he can't help me with the kids as much as he once could. He comes home from work, eats supper in bed, and then falls asleep.

It's up to me to supervise the kids getting their homework finished before baths and bedtime. I struggle to keep up with all that needs to be done. What I want to know is: Why shouldn't I be able to raise my children without help? There are single moms out there who "do it all." Have you any suggestions for me?

—A MARRIED MOM IN VIRGINIA

REPLY: REVEREND MOTHER, I certainly do. First, ask yourself why you're being so hard on yourself. Three small children are a handful, and I'm sure every single mother reading this has felt overwhelmed at one point or another. Second, although he is in his 60s, your husband is working and hardly an old man. I don't know what his health problems are, but his doctor should be told about his lack of energy. It could be a symptom of depression, which is treatable. It could also be a symptom of a treatable physical problem.

Third, you could use a respite. Ask around and see if you and



DEAR ABBY
Abigail VanBuren

'another mother in the neighborhood could watch each other's children for a few hours on a regular basis. It's important to your mental and physical health to take time for yourself.

DEAR ABBY: A month ago I learned that my husband, "Danny," cheated on me with a co-worker. I found out because Danny told me himself. I was terribly upset when my husband broke the news, but after many long talks and lots of tears, we're trying to work through it. The hard part is I made the mistake of telling my family, and now they won't speak to him. They say I'm going about this all wrong, and that I'm stupid for accepting his apology so quickly.

Is my family right, Abby? Am I forgiving my husband too quickly?

—WILLING TO START FRESH IN WINSTON-SALEM, N.C.

animation, which can be quite lucrative. (I'm sure the librarian will be happy to assist you.) There are many jobs in the arts and graphic design, and as you grow older your interests may broaden. For now, continue taking art courses, hold onto your dream and keep your academic standing high. That way you'll get into a good college or art school.

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DEAR WILLING TO START FRESH: Your family may mean well, but they should not influence your decision to forgive your husband. The wisest course for you and him would be to work this through with professional counseling. Please don't wait.

Vacation video is key to crime on 'Law & Order'

Tribune Media Services

Tonight
"Figure Skating" — From Washington, D.C. (CC) ABC 7 p.m.
"Law & Order" — Detectives hope vacation video shot by an Ohio couple will help them to the murderer of a actress found shot to death in her apartment, but matters get complicated when the tourists decide to make a quick buck by selling the tape to a TV station. (CC) (TV-14) NBC 7 p.m.

TV Best Bets
"High Crimes" — A lawyer faces the fight of her life when she must defend her ex-Marine husband against murder charges. (CC) HOME BOX OFFICE 10:30 p.m.

Sunday
"The Kid" — A no-nonsense image consultant is forced to re-examine his life when he comes face-to-face with his 8-year-old self. (CC) (TVPG) ABC 6 p.m.
"Rudy: The Rudy Giuliani Story" — Based on the true story of the New York mayor and how he pulled the city together in the wake of the 9/11 attacks. (CC) THE USA NETWORK 6 p.m.
"Shanghai Noon" — In 1881, an imperial guard from China joins forces with a mellow outlaw to rescue a kidnapped princess. (CC) (TVPG) CBS 8 p.m.

What weather disaster has killed the most people?

Q. Has any odor been demonstrated to cause sexual attraction in people?

A. Only musk, according to Dr. Mary Ellen O'Connor, a biopsychologist at the University of Tulsa.

Your body, if normal, makes its own alcohol, an ounce a day, about.

What put Smith & Wesson — Horace Smith, Daniel Wesson — into weaponry's big business was their invention of the metallic cartridge.

Q. Did Bob Hope know President Harry Truman?

A. He did. When Truman upset Thomas Dewey in 1948, Hope sent Truman a one-word telegram: "Unpack."

To wear her offspring, a mother kangaroo bends far forward as she nibbles grass so the baby in the pouch can nibble a bit, too.

The opposite name named Cervantes who said: "The higher a woman's I.Q., the more she is likely to be masculine in outlook. The higher a man's I.Q., the more he is likely to be feminine in outlook."

The opposite name is 10 times deadlier than the corporate car. Buddha said, "When you cease expecting, you have all things."

Q. Flood. Hurricane. Ice storm. Earthquake. Tornado. Ask the meteorologists what kind of weather disaster has killed the



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most people?
A. Fog, they say.

Las Vegas law prohibits the painting of dentures.

President Ulysses S. Grant, that humorist, handed out cigars that exploded when lighted. Grant was not up to the "father of our country" image. More like the national "brother in law."

A Wild hog on some Indonesian islands grow tusks through the skin of their snouts, curling up, back, out. Clearly, those tusks aren't for rooting. Or for defense. They grow in the wrong direction. So what are they for? Nobody knows.

Your kum gmel is starving if its hump gets so flabby it flops over.

A felony or two is committed every week in this country by somebody protected by diplomatic immunity. So reports a student of the subject.

Queen Victoria lived more than 40 years after her husband Albert died. And wore black every day and every night.

You will shine, Virgo

IF MARCH 29TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY — travel — both short- and long-distance — is strongly indicated this year. You are about to break with the old rules. You are emotional and romantic, and this year should bring you an interesting relationship. There are career changes in store. You exude self-assuring inner harmony and confidence, which attract many into your orbit. Member five plays a part.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Lady Luck smiles on you. Try your luck with a lottery ticket. Romance is in the air too! But your controlling nature could upset love's appreciative Leo proves helpful.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): You want to relax, but your mind is nagging you. You're worried about legal news and whether you should redecorate or change your surroundings. Take things step by step.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Past problems that you thought solved and forgotten are catapulted back on the scene. Your dual personality is well-equipped to handle them.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You might be lucky tonight, so throw the dice. You feel sexy; give romance another chance. Money flows from unexpected sources. Aries plays a part.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The Places moon has many surprises in store. Hidden money may be located. You will be called upon to lend a helping hand or give a service.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Today's moon in opposition to your sun sign promises a great

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time for an unexpected social event. You will shine. There is renewed responsibility in store.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Confusion and drama in the morning, but by tonight things will be resolved. You are in a party mood and want to please. Aquarius has a part.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Things have been going your way, and you're mighty pleased. It seems you have overcome the problems of the past. Rest assured, friends acknowledge your value.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): With the moon and Venus enhancing your home life, you feel in a very positive frame of mind. Your innate wisdom has carried you out of difficult situations once more.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You may wonder about an inheritance — or is it wishful thinking? Your monetary situation needs revising. Circumstances take a dramatic turn in your favor. A lucky break!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): To see your ideals fulfilled, you need to take the initiative and present your ideas on paper. What appears to be mystical and abstract will become crystal clear.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Please guard your belongings. A new chapter is beginning. You wonder how to reorganize your life in order to make the change from the old to the new.

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Section C

Thoughts and prayers for troubled times

"The sun shines nobly this gentle Sunday morning in spring. I am driving to work at the hospital; I am listening to music on the radio ... We interrupt Bach's Mass in B Minor to bring you THE WAR IN IRAQ!"

"An epitaph: So this is it, so succinct, this moment of clarity, our world in nutshell. And here I thought irony was dead. After a few minutes the music returns, still serene, sublime, celestial ... But do I not now hear poignant overtones of sorrow and grief ... or is it just me?"

"Kyrie eleison. May God have mercy on our souls. The Latin Mass; Latin, the tongue of empires - the old Roman, the new Imperial American."

"Christe eleison. Christ have mercy on us. I achingly long for Paeon to be Dona Nobis Ced; I pray that the Great Mass of All Humanity will not, in the End, be a magnificent, but flawed, and unfinished, masterpiece. The sketches have been so promising. It is a Magnum Mysterium. I will ponder this in my heart."

"Kyrie eleison. Lord have mercy on us."

-*Daiglit Dirks, Wichita, Kan.*
A society is influenced by religion in three general ways, according to sociologist Henri Desroche. His comments were summarized by Martin Marty in the March 24 Sightings newsletter.



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When a society is "self-affirming," religion provides an attesting or integrating function. That's said to be the normal state of affairs.

When a society is examining itself and its foundation or purpose, religion has a contesting function, challenging the status quo.

When a society doesn't allow religion to exist or actively subverts it, then religion has a protesting function.

Even during the height of protests against the Vietnam War, writes Marty, few religious leaders were in the third stage, which leads to revolution and subversion. That stage would mean that they were "ready to tear up the U.S. Constitution and replace it with utopia or anarchy," he said. "The majority of citizens during a war, like now, are atesting. Even many religious leaders who did not find the new 'preemptive war' doctrine compatible with Christian 'just-war' theory will do less contesting and will focus on the moral issues of running the American Imperium after it."

While most religious leaders opposed the 1991 Gulf War, they counseled and prayed for others, including U.S. troops, once war came. When this current war is concluded, Marty said, "some will then again pray for the enemy ... to help take the pressure of hate off their hearts."

"We will also need to offer that prayer, I would add, for our fractured country."

The following prayer for peace with Iraq is part of a series of prayers compiled by Churches Together in Britain and Ireland, which invites others to pray this daily. I concur.

"Lord of hope and compassion, Friend of Abraham who called our father in faith to journey to a new future, we remember before you the country of Iraq from which he was summoned."

"Ancient land of the Middle East, realm of the two rivers, birthplace of great cities and of civilization. May we who name ourselves children of Abraham, call to mind all the peoples of the Middle East who honour him as father."

"Those who guard and celebrate the Torah, those for whom the Word has walked on earth and lived among us, those who follow their prophet, who listened for the word in the desert and shaped a community after what he heard."

"Lord of reconciliation, God of the painful sacrifice uniting humankind, we long for the day when you will provide peace for all nations of the earth yearning for peace. But now when strife and war are upon us, help us to see in each other a family likeness, our inheritance from our common father Abraham."

"Keep us beyond the threshold of our hearts, and preserve within us a generous spirit which recognizes in both foe and friend a common humanity."

"This we ask in the name of the one who came to offer us the costly gift of abundant life."

-*Alan and Clara Aron, Iowa Community*

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Church breaks ground for building

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - Nearly 150 Presbyterians gathered on the cold, blustery morning of Feb. 23 to break ground and plant a cross on an eight-acre parcel off 2024 East Road across from McGinnis Park in Wendell.

"Where is God?" a child's voice asked, as parishioners held their coats tight against the stiff breeze and walked across the field to the building site.

Pastor Mark Cox asked the child, "Can you see the wind?"

"No."

"Can you feel the wind?"

"Yes."

"God is like wind," Cox said.

"We can't see God, but we can feel him."

If the wind was any indication, God was definitely present at the dedication ceremony that day.

The church band played hymns, and everyone shoveled earth into the hole where the wooden cross was planted. Then, the children released balloons.

The congregation currently meets in a little A-frame building on First Avenue behind the old middle school, and the facility is badly overcrowded,

explained Bill Stouder, chairman of the church development team. The chapel portion of the church has a seating capacity of 125, and attendance at Sunday morning services consistently averages between 180 and 250.

The standing-room-only crowd spills out of the sanctuary into the dining room and kitchen area and down the hallway.

Efforts toward a new church building started in 1996. The congregation has been raising funds for the last four years.

Recently, a three-year raising campaign was launched and the pledges are turning in cash sooner than anticipated, Stouder

said. The land cost \$45,000 and is already paid for. The estimated cost of the new church is \$1,200,000.

The old church measures about 7,500 square feet. When completed, the new church will contain 20,000 square feet. Giving the congregation plenty of room to grow.

"We are not a wealthy congregation," Cox said, "but nothing is impossible for God, so we are moving forward with confidence."

The church will be built with a lot of volunteer labor. The congregation serves people from throughout the Magic Valley - Wendell, Twin Falls, Jerome, Hagerman, Bliss, Gooding, Buhl.

A bit of history: A Presbyterian church in Wendell was established in 1909, a tent



Above, children release balloons at the Wendell Presbyterian Church ground-breaking ceremony.

called the Tabernacle. The early congregation was made up of settlers who came to Magic Valley when irrigation water became available on the North Side. A little white church, a permanent structure, was then built on the church's current location at East First Street and, in 1950, an educational wing was added. That building was used until 1965, when the current church was built.

Phase I of the building plans include a sanctuary which will seat up to 400, a large foyer, a small prayer chapel, a large kitchen, eight classrooms, a large nursery, three offices, restrooms and a community center which can be used by community groups.

Target date for completion of this phase is before the end of 2003.

Phase II, the addition of a social fellowship hall, will have to wait for further financing, Cox said.

The church development team completed a master plan for the entire property. Six phases were

identified that could be developed as the congregation grows.

"We don't know when these phases will be developed," Stouder noted. "We will depend on the Lord as to when to build another phase."



Jeff Jayo and Mary Woford shovel dirt, while Pastor Mark Cox steadies the cross and Charlie Wanamaker watches, at their Feb. 23 church ground-breaking ceremony.

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JUST LIKE GOOD BOY SCOUTS



Dale and Pat Kimsey, in their basement storage room in Sandy, Utah, were college students in the early 1970s when they first started storing food, just in case. As members of the Mormon faith, they heed Scriptural and practical advice to plan ahead for the unexpected.

In age of terror, Mormons benefit from long tradition of preparedness

By Patty Henetz
The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY - Dale and Pat Kimsey started back in the 1970s by storing a few extra cans of food under the bed, just in case.

It's not that the Kimseys felt there was an imminent threat of war or disaster. The couple, both Mormons, were simply following their religious teachings.

"It's something that church members are always encouraged to do, not so much in the case of disaster, but just a little bit of personal preparedness," Pat Kimsey said. "Every time the terrorism meter goes up, and they advise people to be prepared, I think, 'Yeah, we've been doing that for 30 years.'"

Over the past two months, the national terror alert status has bounced between yellow and orange, or high, with new threats against the United States and then the war on Iraq. Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge has suggested that Americans put together disaster kits with a three-day supply of water, food, medicine and - famously - duct tape.

Mormons were way ahead of Ridge.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints' Web site has a comprehensive checklist on basic needs for one year or one month, including food, medical supplies and instructions for storing water and rotating supplies (though there's no mention of duct tape).

The Mormon penchant for planning goes beyond simple common sense. It has theological roots dating to church founder Joseph Smith, and the religion's "law of consecration," which instructs followers to pool their belongings to help the poor. It also stems from the church's turbulent history and the hazards of 19th century frontier life.

"Latter-day Saints like to think of themselves as trying to take care of themselves and be in a position to reach out and help others. If they had supplies, they would likely want to share with neighbors who did not have supplies," said Richard O. Cowan, professor of church history and doctrine at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.

Cowan keeps ample supplies of water, whole wheat and other goods at his home in Provo.

"It isn't quite a grocery store," he said. But "my guess is we could probably survive for weeks on what we have."

Less than a month after the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks, church President Gordon B. Hinckley, in a talk at the faith's semiannual general conference, reminded members to plan for the unexpected: "As we have been continuously counseled for more than 60 years, let us have some food set aside that would sustain us for a time in case of need," said Hinckley, whom many expect to make a similar call at the upcoming conference in April. "But let us

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It's young, it's hip and it's Christian

By Chris Cobbs
The Orlando Sentinel

ORLANDO, Fla. - For twenty-somethings looking for a way to plug into God, life and progressive culture, Relevant Magazine and its online cousin, relevantmagazine.com, seek to provide answers.

The magazine is part of Relevant Media Group, a 3-year-old venture launched by Cameron Strang, 27. Strang is the son of Steve Strang, founder of Strang Publications, a successful Christian book publishing firm in Lake Mary, Fla.

Cameron Strang's business also includes Relevant Books - including religious titles featuring "The Sopranos" of TV fame and rock stars such as U2 and Bob Dylan - plus a client-services group that helps marketers appeal to evangelical-minded young people, a demographic without a publication designed to fill its spiritual longings. The bimonthly, 84-page magazine, which began life with a March print run of 20,000 and 4,000 pre-paid subscribers, will be sold on college campuses and in general-interest book stores.

"Nobody else is addressing the 18-34 audience from a faith-based perspective," Strang said. "All our product stuff has a religious affinity, and we want to be the company that gets it for that group. However, although God-centered media is the crux of who we are, we are trying to get people to think for themselves. We want to be outside the Christian bubble and talk to people who may not trust the church anymore."

To that end, the magazine will analyze music from a world view, treating a performer such as Eminem as a cultural phenomenon's everywhere and even touching upon actor Keanu Reeves as he chants Buddhist prayers on the set of the movie "The Matrix: Reloaded," magazine managing editor Cara Baker said. Relevant's readers can skim through pages of music and clothing ads interspersed with short features on how to live within their means, survive

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RELIGION

Rock Creek church offers special music at worship

TWIN FALLS - Shy Patterson will provide special music during worship at 10 a.m. Sunday at Rock Creek Community Church, 131 Grandview. Pastor Dale Metzger will speak on "Beginning Again."

Sunday school at 9 a.m. will be the "Dick Van Dyke Show" Bible study for adults and a study in the life of Jesus for children.

Jack Hyder will sing at Crossroads United Methodist KIMBERLY - Jack Hyder, of the Jerome United Methodist Church, will sing "God Speaks," with piano accompaniment by Beverly Crothers, during worship at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at Crossroads United Methodist Church.

Rupert church schedules 'Singspiration' service RUPERT - A fifth Sunday "Singspiration" is set for 7 p.m. Sunday at Rupert First Christian Church, 1110 Eighth St. All Methodist churches are invited. Local churches will provide "Praise Bands," including SPAM; New Beginnings; Praise Chapel;

Out of chaos, coordination. In a place of crisis, coordination is behind President Bush's military "coalition of the willing" waits a small humanitarian army, a coalition of the called.

Many of the non-government organizations, or NGOs, are Christian-backed by Catholics, Lutherans, Baptists, Mennonites, Quakers, Orthodox and a variety of ecumenical movements. Some are resolutely multifait or non-religious: the Red Cross, Doctors Without Borders, the International Medical Corps. And a few - the Red Crescent and the Islamic American Relief Agency - are Muslim, like most of the population of Iraq.

In a less dire situation, that kind of mix might be a recipe for bitter arguments. But in Iraq, as in so many other troubled regions in the world, aid workers say differences that could lead to fighting pale before the size and importance of the task at hand.

"We always try to be clear about who we are. We always say, 'We are not missionaries.' We are a Christian NGO driven to help all people by our Christian ethos and spirituality," said Steve Matthews from his temporary headquarters in Amman, Jordan.

Other groups preparing to help the Iraqis include a new group called All Our Children, which combines the efforts of the Church World Service, Jewish Partners, Lutheran World Relief, the American Committee and MCC USA, Mennonite Central Committee Canada, National Council of Churches USA, Sojourners and Stop Hunger Now.

Nobody really knows what additional burdens the war will create. How many refugees will flee across nearby borders? How many will be left without shelter? How many will be injured? Then there are the horrible wild cards that make this crisis a particular test: Will chemical or biological weapons contaminate the country? Will brutal tribal warfare and revenge killings follow the fall of the dictatorship?

For the immediate future, the U.S. military and its allies will carry the load of helping the war-torn Iraq. More than \$16 million in disaster relief supplies have been brought to the region by the United States. And a Disaster Assistance Response Team known as DART and composed of U.S. civilian humanitarian experts, is ready to enter Iraq.

Church news

M4C Mini-Cassia Community Christian Church; and Rupert Christian. Also performing will be the Carter Gospel Quartet, Kerri and Bob Miller and the combined choir of Holy Christian Church and the United Methodist Church of Burley.

Catholic author will present seminar Sunday and Monday BUHL - Patrick Madrid will present a seminar at 7 p.m. Sunday and Monday at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Admission is free, and the public is invited.

The Bible-based presentation by Catholic author/apologist will look at the basics of the Catholic faith and help people explain, defend and share their Catholic faith more effectively. An open forum question and answer period will follow.

Madrid is founder/publisher of the award-winning Envoy magazine and a contributor to the forthcoming Ignatius Press Encyclopedia of Catholic Apologetics. He has a bachelor's degree in business management with advanced studies in theology and hosts two EWTN television and radio series. He and his wife, Nancy, have 11 children.

For more information on the seminar, call 543-5136.

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Group holds prayer vigil for soldiers at Shoshone church SHOSHONE - A prayer vigil for U.S. servicemen and women and world peace is set for 7 p.m. Wednesday. Christ Church Episcopal, 108 West 1st.

Care packages will be prepared for troops. Donations of money, lip balm, cookies and canned goods are welcome. To add service personnel to the prayer list, call Kenneth Crothers at 866-7715.

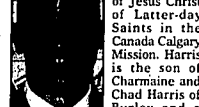
Little Flower church presents annual spaghetti dinner BURLEY - Little Flower Catholic Church, 1601 Oakley Ave., will hold its annual spaghetti dinner from 5 to 8 p.m. April 5. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children 12 and under. The public is invited.

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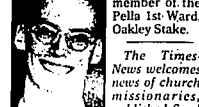
MISSIONARIES

Elder Chad Jacob Harris has been called to serve a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Canada Calgary Mission. Harris is the son of Charmaine and Chad Harris of Burley and a member of the Star 2nd Ward, Burley West Stake.



Chad Harris

Lima South Mission. Young is the son of Kaye and Mary Young of Burley and a member of the Pella 1st Ward, Oakley Stake.



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RELIGION LETTER

Men created religion, gods to explain the universe Religions and gods were created by men because they knew so little about the universe, which has no beginning or ending.

There always had to be something because it's impossible to make nothing. The bad thing about religions is they divide people all over the world, causing many wars and untold killings. Man has made many good laws,

which they call God's laws to the people; but the trouble is, too many people do not abide by them.

WILLIAM HAFFNER Twin Falls

The Times-News welcomes letters on religious topics of 200 words or less. Include signature, address and phone number. Letters considered libelous, obscene or in bad taste will be rejected, and The Times-News reserves the right to edit all letters.

Through ills of war, youths find comfort, strength in faith

By Berta Delgado The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS - War weighs heavily on Karl Beck's mind. He worries about his brother Paul, a platoon leader in the Marines who is currently in Kuwait. He worries about the innocent people in Iraq. He worries about his uncle in New York City. But he's not scared, he said, because he has his parents, his faith and his church.

On March 19, shortly before the war with Iraq began, the 12-year-old boy and dozens of other pre-teens at Christ Church Episcopal in Plano, Texas, followed their youth pastor in prayer for the president, the country, the troops and their families. Then they split up into groups to talk.

"I just want people to realize that every one of those soldiers

has a family," Karl said. "I don't think kids think about that unless they know someone who is in the war."

Karl said he was glad the youth minister, the Rev. Pam Costlan, encouraged them to talk about their feelings.

Religious leaders who work with children, youth and teens say it's important that youngsters be given an opportunity to talk about the war and that they have someone to approach with questions.

At Prestonwood Baptist Church in Plano, young children drew pictures a couple of weeks ago. Older children wrote letters to God, said Sondra Saunders, senior preschool children's minister.

One girl, Alyse, 9, wrote: "Lord, please be with America through these hard times. Keep your angels around us. In Jesus'

name I pray." For other children, more physical activity, like playing outside, will help lower stress levels.

Saunders said parents must be aware that children will watch what is on television in their homes.

They will worry if they see their parents worried: "Parents need to spend time praying with their children and reading through Scriptures that show how God helped different people through the Bible and how he will take care of us."

Parents looking for tips on how to talk to children about war and how to deal with related stress can visit various religious sites, including

www.usccb.org/publishing/peace/index.htm; www.focussonyoungchild.com and www.lifeway.com.

Prepared

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do not panic nor go to extremes." The Kimseys already learned that less than ideal years ago, we had a pallet of freeze-dried food. We asked, "What would happen if we actually have to live on this stuff?" Dale Kimsey said.

They opened a container of dried milk and found that it wouldn't dissolve in water; the only way to consume it was to take bites. "We decided to get the stuff we would normally get," he said.

Robert Egan, who serves as a Mormon stake president in Sandy, said he hasn't noticed any increased preparedness activity

recently. But that could be because those in his stake - an organization that encompasses many local congregations - took extra precautions in advance of the new millennium. Having a year's supply of necessities on hand isn't just to safeguard against natural or political disasters, he said.

"There are a lot of people in this economy who have been out of work recently. Their year's supply may have saved them," Egan said.

While Dale Kimsey said he doesn't believe Utah is a target, he does believe in practicality.

"If we are prepared, we don't have anything to worry about,"

he said. "If you're in a position where you can take care of yourself, you're in a much better position to take care of others, too."

The threat of more terror attacks as a result of the Iraqi war is personal for the Kimseys. One of their sons is in the Utah National Guard. And two of their daughters have an apartment in the New York City borough of Brooklyn, where they witnessed the collapse of the World Trade Center towers.

"They were in this dinky little apartment about the size of a closet. They didn't have anything," Kimsey said. "So my wife went back and helped them buy supplies they could stuff under their beds, too."

Music

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getting laid off and take a ski vacation on minimum funds, said Kyle Chowning, sales and marketing director.

By blending religion with Rolling Stone-type music and cultural coverage, Strang just may have found an audience without a magazine voice, said Jay Swartzendruber, publicity manager for Nashville-based Gotee Records, a modern music label specializing in urban and alternative fare.

However, the magazine faces challenges, including a difficult

advertising climate that has recently seen a venerable, conservative Christian publication, Moody, go out of business after a century of publication. In addition, Relevant can expect criticism from Christian-based publishing houses that tend to shy away from including coverage of popular culture in their pages, said Cindy Crosby, a writer who contributes to Publisher's Weekly magazine.

Meanwhile, the magazine's Web site is attracting about 130,000 visitors a month, who find a daily news update, short

bits from the magazine, mention of the company's books and other short, easily digested items. It all adds up to a growing revenue stream that could top \$2 million this year, including \$250,000 from client services, \$750,000 from magazine sales and subscriptions, and \$1 million from books, Strang said.

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Patrick Madrid Well-known apologist, author and speaker, will be at Immaculate Conception Church 1631 Poplar • Buhl, Idaho Sunday, March 30 and Monday, March 31 7 p.m. both nights Lenten Mission 2003 All are welcome • Free-will offering will be accepted For more information, call 543-5136

Mutual funds wizard invests heavily in religion

By Richard N. Ostling
Associated Press writer



John M. Templeton speaks at the announcement of the 2003 Templeton Prize for religion in New York March 19. For most of his 90 years, Templeton, who puts his personal wealth at \$700 million, has sought to avoid spiritual pitfalls by serving God while simultaneously making money.

NEW YORK — Jesus warned that "you cannot serve God and mammon," referring to worship of wealth. John Marks Templeton has tried to heed those words by making money, but in doing so, he has found it hard to explore the nature of spirituality.

An investor and philanthropist who endows an annual prize filled as the world's richest, Templeton is fascinated by the intersection between religion and science. He's tried for decades to aid those who study how the two fields can offer insights into each other, and at a spry 90 years of age, he plans to keep at it.

"I claim no human has known even 1 percent of what has been discovered about divinity. The best way to discover it is by scientific experiments," Templeton said in a recent interview. "I'm happy to spend all my life on it now. I work harder than I ever did before."

That's saying something after a hugely successful business career.

In 1999, 300 experts ranked Templeton the 20th century's richest investor (behind Warren Buffett and Peter Lynch). Money magazine proclaimed him "arguably the greatest global stock picker of the century." Templeton puts his personal worth at \$700 million today.

Not bad for a boy from Winchester, Tenn., who worked his way through Yale and got an Oxford law degree thanks to a Rhodes scholarship.

After years in the U.S., he moved from the United States to the Bahamas and later became a British citizen. He was eventually knighted by Queen Elizabeth. The lifelong lay Presbyterian also was a Sunday School superintendent at 15. Though he dropped thoughts of a missionary career, he decided after Yale to always donate a tenth of his income to charity.

The honor, won last week by ecological philosopher Holmes Rolston III, got a lumpily long-winded new title in 2001: the Templeton Prize for Progress Toward Research or Discoveries about Spiritual Realities. Templeton explains that past judges mistakenly chose people with general religious accomplishments, and the new name sharply defines his original intention of encouraging scientific study of the spiritual aspects of existence.

"I never met or heard of anybody who titheed and didn't become prosperous," he said. "There's a magic to it."

Since selling off his mutual funds empire in 1992, Templeton has toiled full time on his philanthropies, which dispense \$40 million a year. His most publicized project has been the annual Templeton Prize for Progress in Religion, first awarded 30 years ago. He conceived of it as religion's version of the Nobel Prizes and has kept the prize (currently \$25,000 British pounds, more than \$1 million) above the Nobel amount.

That's also the major purpose of the John Templeton Foundation, established in 1987 and run by his son, John Jr. Some prominent scientists participate in its projects, which include books, conferences, research grants and the designing of col-

On the Net
<http://www.templeton.org>

lege courses. Other scientists ignore the effort, though open hostility is rare.

But it's quaint to measure progress in religious research? Can working scientists discover information about spiritual matters like prayer, forgiveness, "unlimited love" or the evidence for "purpose" in the cosmos? (Those were topics for recent grants given by the foundation.)

Templeton defends his vision. His interest in science and religion originated with books on cosmology he read in the 1930s. They presented a picture of a "universe millions of times larger than most people had up to that time. ... It seemed ridiculous and sufficient to think God was just for one tribe or one planet, so we ought to study everything that's been created as evidence of what God is like." He said knowledge has increased vastly in fields like medicine, physics, economics and electronics while religious information remained static.

He says scientists "look forward to try to make discoveries, but there's never been a major religion that advocated discoveries." To him, relying on 2,000-year-old scriptures and traditions alone is like modern physicians using only Hippocrates.

Such comments unnerve religious traditionalists, most visibly "creation science" advocates. They think Templeton's foundation promotes evolution and seeks some united world religion. The latter complaint is misguided, Templeton insists. As a believer in free enterprise, he thinks that in religion, too, competition is beneficial.

Many misconstrue meaning of 'many called, few chosen'

The Kansas City Star

The Bible says that many are called but few are chosen. Why would a loving creator create a situation where most fail?

The Rev. Drew A. Newman, pastor, Trinity Lutheran Church, Kearney, Mo.: These words are often taken out of context, even as this question has done.

What Jesus speaks of here is the ultimate outcome of his offer of full and free salvation for all through his own suffering, death and merit.

It is not an edict of God's will, for indeed the Scriptures clearly speak of God's will being that all might be saved solely through a knowledge of his Son as Savior (1 Timothy 2:4).

What this text deals with, then, is the response of many to God's free offer of salvation.

Although everyone is called to trust in Christ as Savior, ultimately few heed that call, pre-

Faith Q&A

ferring instead to sinfully trust in something or someone other than Christ—be it their own good works or the false gods of another religion.

In context then, these words are addressed to those who are offended at Jesus' teaching that his kingdom is open only to believers, and that it is God's work alone through his Son which grants sinners admission to heaven.

Therefore, this statement is not an expression of God's will. Instead it simply reflects the sad reality and consequence of our sinful, fallen state, where, believing falsely that we know more than God, we set our own standard for achieving salvation and eternal life, and thereby refuse to respond to his call to believe in his Son and live.

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Conversion plays multiple roles in the war on Iraq

It is indeed in the hands of the generals now. And, of course, we must all support our troops and pray that they will have a successful and brief, that military and civilian casualties will be minimal. There also should be restraint in criticizing our leadership. These are wartime proprieties that citizens are obliged to observe.

But it doesn't violate a patriotic concern for decency and good order to reflect on how we got here and on what happens after American victory is achieved. Religious belief and practice are highly visible as the war begins, they were prominent in the rationale for the invasion and, presumably, they will figure in our postwar policies.

There is a holy-war motif on the part of both the United States and Iraq. Our president believes that Saddam is evil and that the United States "has been chosen by God and commissioned by history to be a model in the world of justice." Saddam has assured his people that God is on "your side" and that "your enemies will go to hell and be damned." Our troops reportedly are into reflection and prayer. Rosaries and Bibles are in short supply at Camp New Jersey, Kuwait. For many of us, praying is the most obvious thing to do.

Religion played a major role in getting us here. President Bush has had two conversions that are attributed to his religion. The first is the well-covered evangelical conversion he experienced in 1986. The context was an intense interdenominational Bible-study group that provided him with the prototypical Methodist conversion and a personal commitment to Jesus Christ. This conversion led to a transformation of lifestyle, including abstinence from alcohol. It is a testimony to the power of personal religious conversion in human life. There is every reason to believe that the president's faith enables him to decide on a course and not look back. Steadfastly he set his face toward Baghdad.

The second conversion is ideological in nature and not amenable to precise dating, but I believe it occurred as long as eight months ago. It provided the rationale for his decision. According to an interesting piece by Jeanne Cummings and Greg Pitt in Tuesday's Wall Street Journal, Vice President Richard Cheney was instrumental in winning the president to a policy of pre-emptive warfare by the United States as the world's superpower, virtual guarantor of security and champion of democracy.

Religious faith, particularly a critical and refined religious faith, is both more than and less than an ideology. An ideology is a systematic scheme that characteristically entails a detailed prescription for social improvement.

LEO SANDON

It tends to begin with a simplified interpretation of reality that becomes the premise for the formula of a political program. This program is pushed to the exclusion of alternative possibilities.

Theology — religious faith seeking understanding — goes beyond ideology in its assertions regard-

ing human nature and the possibilities of human achievement. It has more of a place for mystery in interpreting the will of God, of Lincoln's recognition that "The Almighty has his own purposes." Ideologies have a way of being overtaken by history.

Faith is also less than an ideology in that it usually is short on detailed prescriptions for specific situations.

As the post-invasion dust

begins to clear, it will be profitable to review our ideological perspectives and to remember the ideology that is implicit in too closely identifying the will of God with national aims. Even our national aims.

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Pinewood Derby winners in the Bear division were, from left, Nolan Arters, Luke Young and Andrew Peterson. Kevin Brown won second place for the best designed car. Behind them is Cub master Dennis Severa of Pack 7 of Filer.



Photo courtesy of KATHY PETERSON

Scouts earn Pinewood honors

By Mary Lou Potts
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Scouts from the area brought their cars, and were ready to compete at the annual Pinewood Derby. The Falls District derby was held at the Magic Valley Mall Feb. 8. About 39 Cub Scouts raced, and first place winners of each division were pitted against each other in the grand finale heat for the championship. Emerging as the overall champ was Josh Schrader of Pack 103 of Twin Falls.

In the 6-7 age Tiger group, in the first-place winner was Tyler Bruke of Filer, Pack 7.

The Wolf group of ages 7-8 was captured by Zack Davis, Pack 81 of Twin Falls, Bryce Holyoak, Pack 59 of Twin Falls, and Ian

McKenzie, Pack 75 of Wendell. McKenzie was a guest participant because his home district, Northside, did not hold a derby.

The Bears group for ages 8-9 came on strong with Andrew Peterson, Pack 7 of Filer, in the winner's circle, Luke Young, Pack 69 of Twin Falls, in second, and Nolan Arters, Pack 81 of Twin Falls, coming in third.

"My teacher, Mr. Mahannah of the third grade, had me announce to my school class that I had won the Bear division race," Andrew Peterson said. "Some of the kids congratulated me. I haven't thought about next year's car yet, just make it faster."

This was the last competition for some Webelos Scouts, whose age limit is 10-11, and they will move on to the Boy Scout Troops next year. Placing in that division

was Josh Schrader, Jordan Kezale, Pack 81 of Twin Falls, and Derek Schwabedisser, Pack 89 of Hansen.

The Scouts build the cars with the help of parents and scouting leaders. There are kits available, but some cars are carved from a block of wood.

"I directed Drew on shaping the wood, sanding, painting and applying weights in the right places," said Andrew's father, Pete Peterson of Filer.

Detailing the cars is exciting for the boys as numbers and racing stripes finalize the project, and the car is ready for practice runs before entering the big race. The best designed car trophy was awarded to Preston Brown, Pack 84 of Twin Falls, with Kevin Brown, Pack 70 of Twin Falls, as second place best designer.

Rotary honors woman for supporting the arts

TWIN FALLS - Teddy Snow, a music teacher and pianist, was presented with an honorary Paul Harris Fellow Award during the Feb. 19 meeting of the Twin Falls Rotary Club.

The awards, which are named after Rotary founder Paul Harris, honor members of the club who contribute financially to Rotary's international humanitarian programs or members of the community who exhibit the ideals and ethics of Rotary International. The Twin Falls Rotary Board of Directors voted unanimously to give the award to Snow to honor her enthusiasm for Rotary and outstanding contribution to the arts in the community over the past three decades.

Snow spent 17 years teaching elementary school music and serving as music supervisor for the Twin Falls School District. She is married to retired Twin Falls High School principal Carl Snow.

The Snows moved to Twin Falls in 1965. Teddy taught school at Head Start and later,



Teddy Snow, left, receives an honorary Paul Harris Fellow Award from the Twin Falls Rotary Club for her support of the arts in the Magic Valley. Carl Snow, Rotary president, stands behind her.

Photo courtesy of Twin Falls Rotary Club

music in the Twin Falls school system. She retired from the school system in 1999 but continues to teach private piano lessons.

She also is active in PEO orga-

nization, the Magic Valley Arts Council and the Baptist Church. She provides the musical accompaniment during weekly Rotary club meetings.

SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

Housekeeping, yard work - Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers needs volunteers to assist the elderly with light housekeeping and yard cleanup. Call 733-NEED (6333).

Selling raffle tickets - Organizations or individuals are needed to sell raffle tickets for Safe Harbor's May fund-raiser. Safe Harbor was formerly known as the Homeless Coalition. Call Phyllis Berg at 735-8787.

Playhouse - Northside Head Start in Jerome needs a playhouse or a building that can be used as a playhouse on the playground. Call Judy at 324-2385.

Cooking, cleaning - Hospice Visions Home needs volunteers to help with cleaning, cooking, running errands and patient care. Call Flo Slatter at 735-0121.

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

This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of a volunteer help. **If you need a volunteer,** call Judy Tator, 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 pub-**

lication and grocery shopping in the Magic Valley area. Volunteers are reimbursed mileage and covered by excess insurance. Call Edith at 736-2122 or Kitty at 436-0727.

Landscaping, maintenance - Hospice Visions Home needs volunteers to help with landscaping, maintenance, repairs and grounds keeping. Call Flo Slatter at 735-0121.

Clothing, computer games - The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center needs clothing for men, women and children and children's computer learning games. 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

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 733-2964, 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 - Volunteers age 55 and older are needed to drive clients to doc-

HELPING THE NEEDY

Kimberly Police Chief Pat Birmingham and Cecilia Griffith, co-chairman of the East End Providers, share a laugh when she presented her with a \$500 check from the Idaho Peace Officers Association to be used to help the needy in the east end of Twin Falls County.



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M.V. Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Duplicate Bridge Club announced its weekly winners.

March 20: first, Harold and Renee Bulcher; second, Enid Cook and Don Rabe; third, Riley Burton and Peggy Hackley; fourth, Betty Grant and Ruth Rabe; and flight B, Mary Ferrell and Sam Sundry.

March 22 club championship; first, Riley Burton and Bobette Plankey; second, Wilma Driscoll and Evelyn Meyer; and tied for third, Marilyn Botkin and Jessie Lingnaw with Dick and Mary Cook.

March 24: first, Harold Bulcher and Dorothy Young; second, Sidney DiCostanzo and Doris Finney; and third, Betty Sabo and Doris Wartz.

March 25: first, Faye Kochneff and Madeline Sawaya; second, Mary Ferrell and Betty Grant; third, Mary Lee Pfefferle and Mary Ann Siegel; and tied for fourth, Enid Cook and Polly Mulliner with Gloria Hann and Donna Mason.

March 26 for north/south: first, Mary Ferrell and Tom Schmidt; second, Riley Burton and Peggy Hackley; and third, Renee Bulcher and Max Thompson. Flight B winners: first, Dick and Carmen Kevan and second, Al and Frances Anglin. East/west: first, Lorraine Burns and Jessie Lingnaw; second, Paul Cooper and Polly Mulliner; third, Joyce Astorquia and Enid Cook; and fourth, Herb Burgess and Jan Fitzgugh.

Bridge Center, 246 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls. Refreshments are served.

For a partner, call 324-2000.

Empty Pockets Coin and Currency Club meets

PAUL - The Empty Pockets Coin and Currency Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Paul City Hall.

The club will continue the program on coin grading, and how to grade the condition of coins to help determine their market value. Members and visitors are encouraged to bring a few coins to be graded.

For more information, call 678-3938.

4-H Wildlife Habitat Evaluation contest is set

POCATELLO - The 4-H Wildlife Habitat Evaluation will be held May 3 in Pocatello.

The contest is an educational program designed to teach wildlife habitat management. Teams are made up of three or four young people ages 14-19 for the senior division, and age 9-13 for the junior division. Team members do not have to be from the same club or county.

Ribbons and plaques will be awarded to the top five junior individuals and top three teams. There will be \$500, \$300 and \$100 scholarships for the top three senior individuals, and an all-expenses paid trip to nationals in New Mexico for the winning senior team.

Anyone who is interested should call a University of Idaho Cooperative Extension office by Tuesday to put together a team and find a coach, or call 678-9461.

Fourth District American Legion meets April 5

GOODING - The Fourth District American Legion will meet at 1:30 p.m. April 5 at the War Memorial Hall in Gooding.

Registration will begin at 10:30 a.m., and lunch will be served at noon.

Elections will be held for district officers.

For more information, call Gene Behnman at 934-5796.

Area 4 Square and Round Dancers holds gather

RUPERT - The Area 4 Square and Round Dancers will host a 5th Saturday Association Dance Saturday at Gil's Hall in Rupert. Rounds will begin at 7:30 p.m. with squares at 8 p.m.

The guest caller will be Boyd Murdock from Area 5, and the cuer will be Clare Gil from Area 4.

For more information, call E. Washburn at 733-1792.

Pregnancy Crisis Center accepts auction donations

TWIN FALLS - The 12th annual Pregnancy Crisis Center's banquet will be held from 6:30-10 p.m. April 25 at the Twin Falls Reformed Church, 1631 Grandview Drive N. in Twin Falls.

To donate items for the silent, live or dessert auction, call the center at 734-7472.

Valley Presbyterian Church holds Spring Fling Friday

HAZELTON - Valley Presbyterian Church will hold its annual Spring Fling Friday at the church, 310 Park in Hazelton.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Dinner will be served at 6 p.m., and will feature beef barbecue by Jim Schutte. An auction with Lily Masters as auctioneer will begin at 8 p.m.

For more information, call Neil Cross at 825-5023.

Program on paranormal research benefits museum

GOODING - A presentation on paranormal research, the basics of ghosting and the stories of haunts in Idaho will be held at 6:30 p.m. April 5 at the Schubert Theater in downtown Gooding. Doors open at 6 p.m.

The presentation is open to those age 12 and over. The cost is \$2. Proceeds will go to the Gooding County Historical Museum fund. The event is sponsored by the Gooding County Jaycees.

For more information, e-mail rd_roule_paul@bigfoot.com.

Gooding Public Library announces new additions

GOODING - The Gooding Public Library, 306 Fifth Ave. W., announced its new recent new additions.

Children's section: "Murphy and Myrtle the First Day of School," "Hoary for reading," "Bob the Builder: Run-Away Roley," "Bob the Builder: A surprise for Wendy," "The Hershey's Kisses Subtraction Book," "A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving," "Crispin the Pig Who Had a Little," "Moonbeam's Dream," "Happy Easter Little Critter," "Snow Pumpkin," "Grandfather's Christmas Tree," "Hats Off for the Fourth of July," "How Santa Got His Job," "Five Trucks," "We are Wolves,"

Juvenile section: "The Bailey School Kids," "Swamp Monsters Don't Chase Turkeys," "An American Girl," "The Strange Case of Baby H," "Mary Kate & Ashley - Make-up Shake-up," "The Dream Team" and "Even More Scary Stories for Sleepovers."

Tax forms also are available. For more information, call the library at 934-4089.

Twin Falls man celebrates 88th birthday on Monday

TWIN FALLS - Virgil Malone of Twin Falls will celebrate his 88th birthday at 2 p.m. Monday at North's Chuckwagon, 1839 Kimberly Road.

Malone was born March 31, 1915. He has lived in the Magic Valley most of his life, and has been active in the Good Sams Club and the senior citizen program. He delivered meals on Wheels for 15 years.

Friends and family are invited. Malone requests no gifts.

Gooding Basque Association serves dinner

GOODING - The Gooding Basque Association will hold a "First Friday Dinner" from 6-9 p.m. Friday at the Basque Cultural Center, located at the intersection of Highway 26 and Highway 46 in Gooding.

The meal will be served buffet style. Entrées will include roast beef in wine gravy, lamb chops

Shooting sports instructor training will be held

GLENN'S FERRY - A 4-H shooting sports instructor training will be held April 11-12 in Glenns Ferry.

This training is for 4-H leaders who have young people taking shooting sports projects. The entire training must be attended to be certified. Registration is \$35. Lunch will be provided both days.

Registration is required by Tuesday. Registration forms and more information are available at any University of Idaho Cooperative Extension office or call 436-7184.

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and cod, Garbanzo soup, salad bar, Basque rice and green beans also will be served.

The cost is \$15.99 with wine or \$13.99 without wine for adults and \$13.99 with wine and \$11.99 without wine for seniors. Children will be served for \$5.

The dinner is open to the public.

For more information, call Helen Sabala Faulkner at 934-5920.



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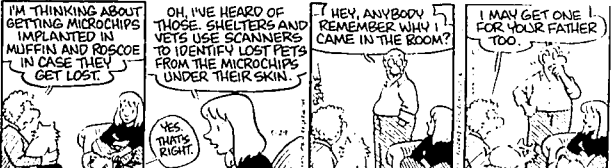
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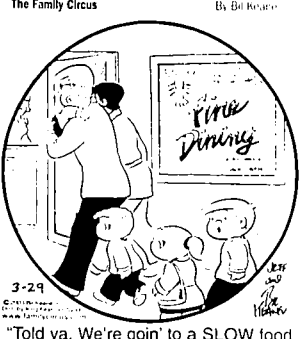
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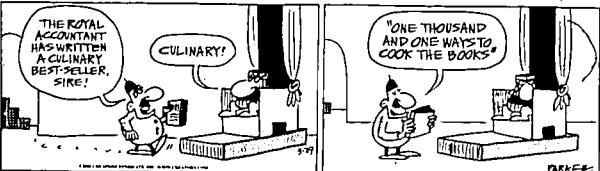
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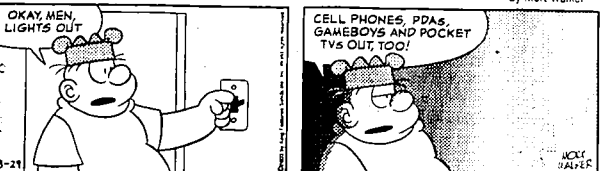
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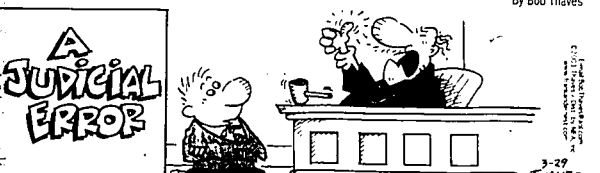
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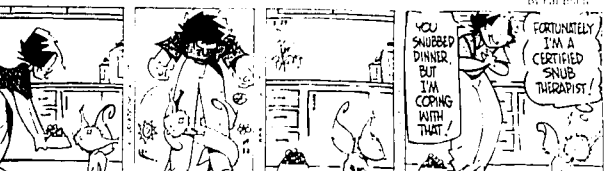
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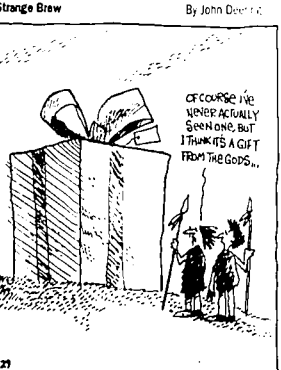
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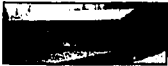






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Tour of Homes

In conjunction with Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Lezamiz Real Estate Co. would like to present these twelve homes on Saturday, March 29.

Noon-1 p.m. 1:30-2:30 p.m.

\$87,500 406 Golden Spur Dr. Filer—38D/2B	Hosted by Sam Santiago Lezamiz Real Estate Co.	\$119,900 403 Centlle Ave. Filer—38D/2B
\$17,000 281 Cavell Ave. W #D11 Twin Falls—28D/2B	Hosted by Sid Lezamiz Lezamiz Real Estate Co.	\$89,900 426 Jefferson St. Twin Falls—38D/2B
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For more information on one of the homes included on this tour, please contact our office at 734-7007

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Saturday, March 29, 2003

THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

"If the law supposes that, the law is a ass." Charles Dickens

One of the biggest taboos in bridge is against giving declarer a ruff and discard. Sometimes, though, it can be the winning defense. Often when declarer is relatively short of trumps between the two hands. There are rare occasions when the benefit can come from a completely different direction, as with today's hand.

NORTH 7 ♠ 2			
♥	3	♠	K
♦	9 7 5 4 2	♣	10
♠	Q 6	♠	A J 10 8 7
♠	J 8	♣	K 10 6 5 2

WEST 5 ♠ 4 3			
♥	9 7 5 4 2	♠	K 10
♦	Q 6	♠	A J 10 8 7
♠	J 8	♣	K 10 6 5 2

SOUTH A J 10 9 8			
♥	A 3 8 6	♠	5 4 2
♦	Q	♣	Q

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: East

BID WITH THE ACES
South holds: ♠ K 10, ♥ A J 10 8 7, ♦ Q, ♣ K 10 6 5 2.
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 2 ♦ 3 ♠
3 ♠ Pass 4 ♠ All pass

ANSWER: Bid two diamonds rather than bidding the Unusual Two No-Trump. Your suits are strong enough for the Unusual Two-No-Trump call, but you have far too much in side cards for what is supposed to be a distributional hand without defense. Instead bid two diamonds, hoping to bid clubs cheaply on the next round to get your strength across.

If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bwv@timesnews.com

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DRIVER
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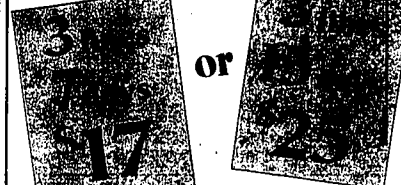
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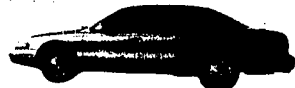
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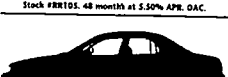
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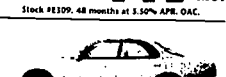
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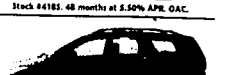
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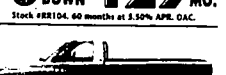
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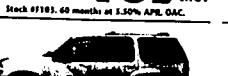
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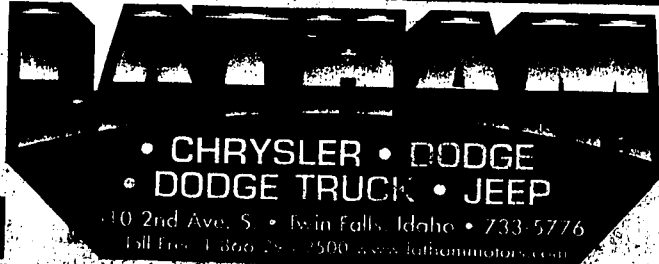
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