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Patina, lacquer, wax

Foundry applies finishing touches to Perrine statue

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - His centennial statue will inspire civic sentiment, artist Ralph Lehman hopes.

"My wish is that the residents and friends of Twin Falls will feel some of the connection to this piece that I felt while working on it," Lehman said. "I claim it collectively as their own, take a personal pride in it and tell their friends and children the story of how this wonderful area, and especially Twin Falls, came to be," Lehman said, Monday.

His statue of Twin Falls founder I.B. Perrine sculpted in clay and cast in bronze has been finished off with patina and protective coatings.

But don't expect to see it in person until New Year's Eve. The Twin Falls Centennial Commission intends to unveil the Perrine statue at its "New Year's Eve gala, a dance at Magic Valley Mall that will kick off 10 months of centennial events," Executive Director Bonnie Lézamiz said.

Until then, Perrine's under wraps, lock and key.

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It's finished

In stories and photographs, *The Times-News* has followed the steps in creation of Twin Falls' centennial art project, a statue of I.B. Perrine.

This is the final story in that series. The finished bronze will be installed next year in a planned landscaped plaza on the Snake River Canyon's south rim.



Renditions Bronze owner Danny Edwards, right, rubs a finish coat on the completed bronze statue of I.B. Perrine, Twin Falls' centennial artwork. Helping are foundry employees Mitch Smith and Wes Shim, left.

Insurgents up the ante in attacks against U.S.

Sunday's battles show new level of planning

By Mohamad Bazzi
Newsday

SAMARRA, Iraq - Now, they are willing to stand and fight. The assault here Sunday by Iraqi insurgents on a large and heavily armed U.S. military con-

voy was one of the best coordinated since American forces occupied Iraq nearly nine months ago.

A soldier's funeral - A5

Meanwhile, the insurgency in Baghdad appears to have a central leadership that finances attacks in the capital and gives broad orders to eight to 12 rebel bands - some with as many as 100 guerrillas, U.S. Army generals said Monday, according to the Associated Press.

Decisions on individual attacks against U.S. occupation forces in the capital, however, are left up to the men who carry them out, said Brig. Gen. Martin Dempsey.

There is still no sign of a military-style command structure in the city or in Iraq as a whole.



A shop owner on Monday shows where a missile went through his shop during Sunday's gun battle in Samarra, some 80 miles north of Baghdad.

Dempsey said. Details of Sunday's battle released by U.S. commanders Monday indicated a change of tactics for guerrillas who have relied largely on hit-and-run attacks and explosives planted on roadsides.

"Here it seems they had the training to stand and fight," said Capt. Andy Deponai of the 3rd Brigade Combat Team, whose tank was hit by a rocket-propelled

grenade during the firefight. The battle began at around 1:30 p.m. Sunday as the two convoys made their way to banks in different sections of the city, U.S. commanders said. The trucks were delivering new Iraqi currency as part of a nationwide program for Iraqis to turn in their old dinars bearing pictures of Saddam Hussein for new ones printed by the U.S.-led occupation.

Col. Frederick Rudeseim, commander of the 4th Infantry Division's 3rd Brigade Combat Team, said the two convoys were guarded by about 100 soldiers in six tanks, four Bradley fighting vehicles, four-armored Humvees and several other Humvees. He said the insurgents first used machine guns and then fired rocket-propelled grenades and mortars at the convoys.

There were 30 to 40 attackers at each bank, split into small groups so they could attack from all sides, Deponai said. As the battle went on, he said, the insurgents moved around in taxis, BMWs and Toyota pick-up trucks, repositioning themselves in alleyways and behind concrete walls. Deponai said there were also fighters positioned on rooftops.

"They also had ambush points set up on routes in and out of the city, and they had prepositioned explosives on our routes," he said. Deponai said some of the fighters were wearing black clothing and had their heads covered in checkered keffiyas, a uniform used by Saddam's Fedayeen, a militia loyal to Saddam.

As the fighting subsided, Rudeseim said, the convoys delivered the money. U.S. troops left the area by 4 p.m.

Educators call for funding

By Julia Pence
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Longer school days. Mandatory all-day kindergartens. More English as a second language teachers. More teacher aides - Summer school - Smaller classes.

That's what schools need, educators told local legislators Monday. That's what it will take to implement new state and federally mandated achievement standards.

But while schools obviously need more money to fund those things, lawmakers seem to be bent on reducing the amount of money the state sends Idaho's 114 districts, educators also said.

Some 50 teachers and school administrators met at White Pine Elementary School in Burley to discuss with lawmakers what a coalition of education groups sees as priorities for the 2004 Legislature. The coalition consists of the Idaho School Boards Association, the Idaho Association of School Administrators and the Idaho Education Association. Last week the coalition discussed the same agenda with about 20 educators in Twin Falls.

Topping the list was the issue of property tax replacement. The 1995 Legislature voted to reduce the amount schools get from local property taxes by 25 percent without having to get the approval of district voters. The state was to kick in that 25 percent from the general fund. The first year that was almost \$41 million. For the 2004 school year that portion grew to \$73 million because of the increase in what property is worth throughout the state.

But the 2003 Legislature capped that replacement at \$75 million. As time passes, that means school districts will be reduced more each year in the amount they could potentially collect. It is estimated that for 2005, schools would have been getting \$76.6 million without the cap.

Lawmakers were forced to cap the amount the state kicks in because the economy turned downward, said Rep. Scott Bedke.

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Court won't hear gun rights case

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The Supreme Court disappointed gun owner groups Monday, refusing to consider whether the Constitution guarantees people a personal right to own a gun.

The court and the court's death penalty - A4

The court has never said if the right to "keep and bear arms" applies to individuals. Although the Bush administration has endorsed individual gun-ownership rights, it did not encourage the justices to resolve the issue in this case involving a challenge of California laws banning high-powered weapons.

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Experts say states' plans should protect wolves in Rockies

The Associated Press

BILLINGS, Mont. - Plans that Montana, Idaho and Wyoming drafted to manage gray wolves once they're removed from federal protection should be enough to ensure the animals' survival in the Northern Rockies, experts who reviewed the plans have concluded.

But in reports made public Monday, a number of the experts said they are concerned about whether there will be enough money to properly manage the wolves and how the states plan to monitor the animals.

A number of the experts found the

Idaho, Montana, Wyoming will manage wolves once they're off endangered list

states' reliance on federal funding troublesome.

"The success of the three state plans, or the degree to which they will be implemented, will be dependent upon the amount and annual guarantee of federal funding," wrote Bill Paul, assistant state director with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Wildlife Services in Minnesota.

Paul was one of 11 wildlife managers and scientists asked by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to review the three state plans as part of the agency's determination of whether the wolves should be removed from the endangered species list.

Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne said the reports were a significant step as the state works toward delisting the gray wolves, and he called on the federal government to defer to state management for the species.

"I am encouraged to learn that the majority of the experts deemed our

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A wolf walks in Yellowstone National Park in Wyoming.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Mostly cloudy and seasonably mild. Highs in the middle to upper 40s.

Tonight: Mostly cloudy skies. Lows in the lower 30s.

Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy and breezy. Highs in the middle 40s.

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Tonight: Mostly cloudy skies. Lows in the upper 20s to near 30s.

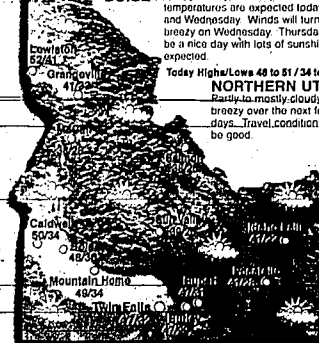
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IDAHO'S FORECAST

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Today Highs 30 to 42. Tonight's Lows 20 to 30. BOISE Mostly cloudy skies and seasonal temperatures are expected today and Wednesday. Winds will turn breezy on Wednesday. Thursday will be a nice day with lots of sunshine expected.

Today Highs/Lows 48 to 61/34 to 39. NORTHERN UTAH Mostly cloudy, mostly cloudy and breezy over the next few days. Travel conditions will be good.



Yesterday's State Extremes - High: 55 at Moha. Low: 14 at Holcator. Weather key: S=sunny; p=partly cloudy; m=mostly cloudy; c=cloudy; i=intermittent; s=snow; f=fog; w=wind; v=visibility.

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TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

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Table with 4 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure. Includes sunrise and sunset times.

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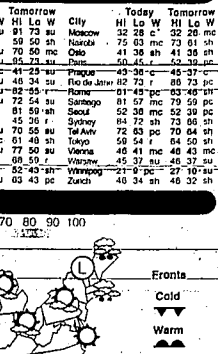
NATIONAL FORECAST

Table with 4 columns: Today, Tomorrow, Thursday, Friday. Lists cities and their weather forecasts.

WORLD FORECAST

Table with 4 columns: Today, Tomorrow, Thursday, Friday. Lists cities and their weather forecasts.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



CANADIAN FORECAST

Table with 4 columns: Today, Tomorrow, Thursday, Friday. Lists Canadian cities and their weather forecasts.

Boeing CEO quits amid ongoing trouble

CHICAGO (AP) — Boeing Co. chairman and CEO Phil Condit resigned unexpectedly Monday amid deepening turmoil over questionable tactics used by the aerospace giant in aggressively trying to win defense contracts.

Shakeup continues at Disney

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A key ally joined Roy E. Disney in resigning from the Walt Disney Co. board Monday, becoming the second vocal opponent of chairman and chief executive Michael Eisner to quit in two days.

Wolves

Continued from A1. plans adequate to protect the species upon delisting. The wolves have established themselves well beyond the levels called for in the original recovery plan.

Schools

Continued from A1. R.Oakley. "The state went from a \$300 million surplus to a \$200 million deficit in short-term debt."

Court

Continued from A1. Many other groups wanted the court to take the politically charged case, including the National Rifle Association, the Pink Pistols, a group of gay and lesbian gun owners.

Statue

Continued from A1. At the local Renditions Bronze foundry, Lehmann's Perrine figure was cast in almost 30 pieces.

temmates and friends.

The challengers included a police SWAT officer, a Purple Heart recipient, a former Marine sniper, a parole officer, a stockbroker and others with varied political views.

CORRECTION

Cassia school salaries didn't change this year. An article about school employee salaries in Thursday's newspaper contained a number of errors.

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Rep. Scott Bedke. Cagle admitted the new mandates are so new that educators across the nation are still scrambling to find good intervention programs.

Edwards said. "There's a lot of metal there," he said. About 6 feet tall, the bronze figure with steel supports inside weighs something like 400 to 450 pounds.

World falls behind in battle against AIDS, experts warn

Knights Riddor News Service

WASHINGTON — Marking World AIDS Day, experts said Monday that the war on AIDS was being lost as U.S. and world health officials began a six-day tour of four AIDS-racked nations in sub-Saharan Africa.

Led by U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Tommy Thompson and recently appointed U.S. Global AIDS Coordinator Randall L. Tobias, the 80-person delegation will tour treatment facilities in Kenya, Rwanda, Uganda and Zambia, where the AIDS epidemic continues to spread unabated.



In observance of World AIDS Day, art work and posters related to AIDS awareness surround visitors to the Illinois State Capitol rotunda Monday.

"We appear to be losing the fight against AIDS at the moment," Thompson said Monday from Zambia. "We need to redouble our efforts. This war has more casualties than any other war as we are losing 3 million people every year."

Despite billions of dollars pledged recently to fight the disease, many experts agree with Thompson that the war against AIDS isn't going well.

Forty million people worldwide are infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, according to a recent report by the Joint United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS, known as UNAIDS. This year alone, 5 million people were newly infected and 3 million — about 8,000 a day — have died from HIV/AIDS complications, the report found. Sub-Saharan Africa is the world's most severely affected region, accounting this year for more than 3 million new infections — 60 percent of the world's total — and 2.3 million deaths.

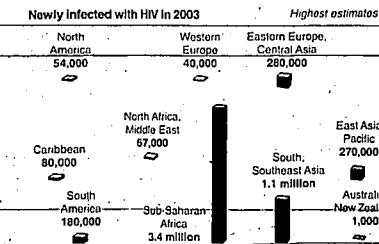
President Bush, on a campaign and raising a swing Monday through Dearborn, Mich., noted in a statement issued by his press secretary that Africa bears the brunt of AIDS devastation.

The disease also is spreading in India, Vietnam, China and Nepal as well as Latin America and the Caribbean.

International groups announced plans Monday to provide anti-retroviral AIDS/HIV treatments to 3 million patients in developing countries by the end of 2005. The so-called "3-by-5" plan, launched by UNAIDS and the World Health Organization, a separate U.N. agency, is a major step toward providing AIDS treatment to all who need it.

Worldwide control of AIDS failing

International efforts to control the spread of HIV/AIDS are failing, according to a U.N. report. There are more deaths and infections this year than ever before and as many as 46 million people live with the virus.



SOURCES: United Nations; Associated Press

Of the estimated 5 million people who need HIV drugs, only about 400,000 receive them, according to the WHO, which on Monday approved three anti-retroviral treatment pills recommended for AIDS patients in poor nations. The medications, made by two generic drug manufacturers in India, simplify AIDS therapies by combining three drugs into one pill that's taken twice a day.

Brand pharmaceutical companies haven't agreed to combine their medications into a single pill, according to WHO officials. Only generic manufacturers offer the so-called "fixed-dose combination" therapies that experts recommend for use in extremely poor countries.

Experts on AIDS have applauded Bush's plan to provide \$15 billion to fund AIDS treatment, research and prevention over the next five years. The money is intended to prevent 7 million new HIV infections, treat at least 2 million people with life-extending drugs and provide care for 10 million AIDS-afflicted people.

Court vetos Colorado's redistricting

DENVER (AP) — Accusing the DENEVER of overreaching, the Colorado Supreme Court threw out a GOP state redistricting plan Monday in favor of a congressional map that gives the Democrats a better shot at retaining the narrowly divided U.S. House.

The high court ruled 5-2 that passage of the GOP plan violated a section of the Colorado Constitution that says the state's congressional map can be redrawn only once per decade.

The fight in Colorado is not over. The GOP plan is also being challenged in federal court. And with a Texas redistricting plan similarly tied up in court, the U.S. Supreme Court may end up deciding how often states can redraw their congressional maps. The Texas case is set to go to trial Dec. 11 in Austin.

Colorado's seven congressional districts now revert to boundaries drawn up by a judge last year. The judge acted after state lawmakers failed to agree. But earlier this year, the Republicans pushed a new map through the Legislature. The issue before the high court was whether that map was illegal.

Colorado's constitution calls for redistricting only once a decade — after each census and before the next general election — and Democrats contended that task was completed by the judge. But Republicans said the judge's map was temporary and the law requires redistricting to be done by the Legislature.

The court rejected that argument, saying "because the General Assembly failed to redistrict during this constitutional window, it relinquished its authority to redistrict until after the 2010 census. There is no language empowering the General Assembly to redistrict more frequently or at any other time."

In Texas, a federal court redrew districts after lawmakers failed to do so in 2001, but the Republicans insisted those districts should be redrawn by the Legislature.

Under the plan ultimately approved in Texas, the Republicans hope to pick up as many as six seats in the state's congressional delegation.

Foreign male visitors no longer need to register

Knights Riddor News Service

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration is ending a controversial anti-terrorism program that required thousands of Middle Eastern men in the United States to register with the government at regular intervals.

But visitors from the 25 "countries of concern" targeted by the National Security Entry Exit Registration System (NSEERS) will still face additional scrutiny when they enter or leave the country. And more than 13,000 men may be deported as a result of the program, most because they overstayed their visas.

Launched after the Sept. 11 attacks, NSEERS has drawn sharp criticism from immigration and civil liberties advocates, who said it discriminated against male immigrants based solely on their national origin.

The program required men from 25 countries that have

terrorist ties to go to U.S. immigration offices and be fingerprinted, photographed and interviewed. Some 83,519 complied.

None who registered have been charged with terrorism-related crimes. But the government does claim that the program stopped some with terrorist connections from entering the country, and 143 foreigners were jailed after it was found that they were wanted for other crimes.

Asa Hutchinson, the Department of Homeland Security's undersecretary for borders and transportation, said the NSEERS changes are designed to keep the nation's boundaries safe while minimizing the impact on foreign visitors once they enter.

Hutchinson said in an interview that the top priority of the program "didn't yield sufficient leads" to justify the money being spent. The individuals will focus more on government rather than "whole categories" of people, he said.

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Advisers urge Bush to cut steel tariffs

WASHINGTON (AP) — White House advisers are urging President Bush to head off a global trade war by rolling back steep tariffs on imported steel, administration and industry officials said Monday.

If he concurs, he is still reviewing the matter, the White House spokesman said — Bush risks alienating steel companies and workers in states that are important for his re-election. If he doesn't, a broad range of U.S. products could face retaliatory sanctions from Europe and elsewhere, among other voters.

A senior Bush adviser, speaking on condition of anonymity, said several key aides and agencies have urged the president to drop the tariffs, imposed in March 2002 to ease foreign competition while the steel industry was restructuring.

"The EU gets what it wanted," said a steel industry official on Monday, even as the European Union renewed its threat to slap \$2.2 billion in retaliatory sanctions on U.S. exports if the tariffs are not eliminated by Dec. 10.

But White House spokesman Scott McClellan said the president had not made a final decision on the tariffs, which range from 8 percent to 30 per-

cent on certain kinds of foreign-made steel and are currently set to expire in March 2005.

Since they were enacted last year, the tariffs have served as a flashpoint for global trade tensions that also had unintended consequences in this country, for steel consumers in key political states.

Bush imposed the tariffs and fulfilled a 2000 campaign promise to traditionally Democratic voters in West Virginia, Ohio and Pennsylvania. But foreign trading

partners, leading the World Trade Organization earlier this year to declare that the sanctions violate global trade rules.

At the same time, the auto industry and other steel consumers in Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin complained the tariffs hiked steel prices just as small-manufacturing companies were being hit by the slumping economy.

Bush is expected to announce his decision later this week.

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NATION

A blizzard of holiday mail

The U.S. Postal Service anticipates delivering 20 billion pieces of mail this holiday season. The busiest mailing day will be Dec. 15 with 850 million pieces of mail entering the system.

Priority mail to Operation Iraqi Freedom troops: Dec. 4 is the deadline for priority mail to ZIP Codes beginning with APO 093. Dec. 11 is the deadline for all others. After that, check with local post offices for military express mail availability.

Parcel post deadline: Dec. 15 is cutoff for normal mailing of parcel packages for arrival by Christmas.

Priority mail: Dec. 16 until Dec. 22

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21 22 Express mail begins on Dec. 22. Some post offices have delivery on Christmas day.

SOURCE: U.S. Postal Service

Postal Service anticipates Santa to bring busy season

WASHINGTON (AP) — An improving economy means the Postal Service will handle 20 billion letters, packages and other items being sent to relatives, friends and Santa Claus this holiday season.

Generally that economic news translates into additional volume for us, Postal Service chief operating officer Patrick Donahoe said Monday. "We're expecting a very successful season."

Donahoe said they have already seen a 1 percent increase in volume compared to the 2002 holiday season, and he expects that to go higher.

The 20 billion pieces of mail expected to flow through the Postal Service system this season represent a 30 percent increase in postmarks compared to the rest of the year.

Post offices will be open later in the evenings and on weekends, including Sundays, during December.

However, the Postal Service plans to hire only 10,000 temporary employees, half as many as last season.

FedEx are making similar preparations.

Among the 2.8 billion holiday stamps the Postal Service is printing this season are images of a horn-playing Santa on roller skates and reindeers in suspenders. Other stamps celebrate Hanukkah, Kwanzaa and the Islamic holiday of Eid al-Fitr, and all will be available at 82,000 locations around the country, including 38,000 post offices.

Although the Postal Service delivers on Christmas day, customers are encouraged to mail earlier to have things arrive on time.

Also on the seasonal list of dos and don'ts:

- Use tape, not string, on packages.
• Don't guess the ZIP code. Go to the Postal Service web site or call (800) ASK-USPS.
• Remove batteries from toys and wrap separately.
• If rousing boxes, make sure old addresses and addresses are covered.
• If corresponding with Santa, don't put cookies in the envelope.

Lawmaker's defense team brings up diabetes as manslaughter trial begins

The Washington Post

FRANDEAU, S.D. — Rep. William Janklow, R-S.D., was speeding and ran a stop sign when his Cadillac struck and killed a motorcyclist last August.



Rep. Bill Janklow

Monday, but the defense argued the congressman should not be convicted of felony manslaughter because he was suffering a diabetic reaction at the time of crash.

On the opening day of a trial that could send the 64-year-old Janklow to prison for 10 years and end his storied political

career — defense lawyer Edwin Evans told a jury that Janklow "was confused." This was very likely an episode of "low blood sugar due to his diabetes."

But prosecutor Roger Ellyson told the jury that "that important person" raced through the stop sign, at an intersection. Ellyson said Janklow assured medical personnel minutes after the crash that his blood sugar was "fine."

By focusing on the medical defense, Janklow's legal team essentially admitted two misdemeanor charges against him — speeding and running a stop sign — in the effort to win an acquittal on the felony charge of killing motorcyclist Randolph Scott. A vehicular manslaughter conviction requires proof that the driver showed "conscious disregard" for the danger he caused.

Court will clarify case affecting Idaho's death row

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court said Monday it will clear up confusion over the impact of its ruling that juries, not judges, must have the final say in who gets the death penalty.

The justices agreed to decide whether inmates already on death row can use the important 2002 ruling to argue that they deserve a lesser punishment. It was unclear at the time of the earlier case whether it would apply retroactively to potentially hundreds of death row inmates who were sentenced by judges.

The Ring v. Arizona ruling last year forced changes in the death penalty laws of Arizona, Montana, Idaho, Nebraska and Colorado,

because those states left it to judges to determine if a particular convicted killer should be executed.

The ruling also cast doubt on death sentencing procedures in four additional states that used a combination of juries and judges to impose death sentences.

Lower courts have since divided over whether the ruling should apply retroactively. A California federal appeals court ruled it should, potentially tossing out death sentences of more than 100 death row inmates who exhausted their direct appeals.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said its ruling in the case of convicted killer Warren Wesley

Summerlin stemmed from the earlier Supreme Court case.

The high court will hear both death penalty cases in the spring, with a ruling expected by the end of June.

The court said in the Ring case that the constitutional right to a trial by jury would be "senselessly diminished" if jurors did not also weigh whether a particular killing merits death or life in prison.

The decision rests on what courts call aggravating factors, such as whether the killing was especially heinous or whether it was committed for money. Aggravating factors are supposed to be weighed against mitigating factors, which could include a defendant's background.

The 9th Circuit ruling affects 88 inmates on Arizona's death row, the state attorney general said. The ruling also may affect 15 death row inmates in Idaho.

Arizona authorities appealed the Summerlin case to the Supreme Court.

"The Constitution guarantees that the accused has the right to fact-finding by a jury," Summerlin lawyer Ken Murray said Monday.

In Summerlin's case, a judge found two aggravating factors made Summerlin-eligible for the death penalty in the death of Brenna Bailey.

A coroner said Bailey's skull had been crushed and she had been sexually assaulted.

Court's decision may affect terror cases

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court agreed Monday to decide whether terrorism suspects such as Osama bin Laden can be seized in other countries and brought to justice before American courts.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals already has said no, after the Drug Enforcement Administration hired Mexican bounty hunters to capture a doctor who was then tried and convicted in U.S. courts for helping to torture and murder a DEA agent.

The Justice Department asked the high court to reconsider the issue, saying the 9th Circuit ruling hamstringing the government's ability to fight a battle that knows no borders.

"Notwithstanding their rarity, extraterritorial law enforcement actions without public cooperation by foreign governments are sometimes critical to the administration of justice and national security." Theodore Olsen, the Bush administration's top lawyer, wrote in a petition to the court. The 9th Circuit ruling would prevent federal agents from picking up Osama bin Laden in Afghanistan, Olsen wrote, and likewise casts doubt on U.S. efforts to apprehend others in foreign countries who may be plotting terrorist attacks.

The review of the abduction case marks the justices' second foray into the war on terrorism. Last month the court agreed to decide whether foreign detainees in the U.S.-Naval base in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, should have access to American courts.

In some ways, the case the justices took Monday addresses the flip side of that question: whether American officials should have access to suspects who live in countries that won't send them to the United States to face charges. The high court will hear the case next year, and probably rule by July.

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Confusion surrounds Sunday's battle

By Mohamad Bazzi
Newspaper

SAMARRA, Iraq — Residents of this central Iraqi city Monday disputed the U.S. military's claim that 54 Iraqi guerrillas were killed in an hour-long firefight that ensued Sunday as U.S. forces fought their way out of two coordinated ambushes.

Iraqis said that fewer than 10 people were killed in the battle and that several of them were civilians caught in the crossfire. The two convoys, accompanied by tanks and Bradley fighting vehicles, were delivering large amounts of money to Iraqi banks in the center of Samarra, according to military officials.

By the U.S. military's account, it was the deadliest firefight between American forces and Iraqis since the fall of Saddam Hussein's regime in April. U.S. troops killed 54 attackers, wounded 22 and captured one, Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt said in Baghdad. He said five U.S. soldiers were wounded.

But doctors at the local hospital said only six bodies were brought to the morgue Sunday night, and Iraqi police said eight people were killed. There was no way to reconcile the Iraqis' accounts of the battle with that of the U.S. military.

There were even differing estimates given by U.S. commanders. Hours before Kimmitt announced his figures in Baghdad, Col. Patrick Ruedstein, commander of the 4th Infantry Division's 3rd Brigade Combat Team, told



reporters at the U.S. base in Samarra that 46 guerrillas had been killed and 11 captured.

Capt. Mowafiq Harud, a member of the U.S.-trained Iraqi police force in Samarra, said eight people were killed in the battle, several of them civilians. "It was a very chaotic situation," he said. "There was shooting and heavy weapons fire for more than an hour. Innocent people were killed and injured."

Some witnesses said U.S. forces began firing at random after they were attacked.

"They just started shooting all directions," said Akil al-Janabi, 43,



who said his brother was wounded in the cross-fire. "They have no regard for civilians. We were not

the ones attacking them, but now we want revenge for our dead and injured."

Senator questions timing of troops withdrawal plans

Newspaper

WASHINGTON — The day after she returned from Iraq, Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton Monday criticized President Bush's plan to turn control of the country over to Iraqis by July as politically motivated.

Without mentioning Bush by name or title, Clinton, D-N.Y., who voted last year to authorize the war, offered some of her sharpest criticism in a news conference, suggesting the timing was motivated by next November's election.

"My hope is that it's not driving any of our policy," Clinton said in response to a question. "My suspicion is indeed it is."

She said Bush's plan, reached two weeks ago to create a transitional Iraqi government by June

30, "suggests there is some kind of political imperative to declare victory or to point to some kind of interim victory."

Clinton said there were "several dangers in this plan and in this timetable. No one has emerged who will provide a unifying presence for transition." She also said it is unclear how to protect the rights of religious and ethnic minorities.

In the face of increasing attacks on U.S. troops, Bush recently agreed to let Iraqis choose a provisional government that would write a constitution and hold general elections. The administration originally wanted to write a constitution before giving Iraqis power, but the U.S.-appointed Iraqi Governing Council demanded a "speedier transition."

Report: 'Nicer' colonoscopy works well

CHICAGO (AP) — A procedure that lets doctors find abnormal growths in the colon through three-dimensional, computer-generated images is slightly more accurate and less invasive than conventional colonoscopy, research shown Monday suggests.

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"Virtual colonoscopy is an accurate screening tool, and if our methods are used, this hopefully will result in more widespread screening, especially for patients that avoid screenings," said lead author Dr. Perry J. Pickhardt. "If we can screen more patients, we know it will prevent cancers and save lives."

A soldier returns to his home state for the last time

By Deborah Hastings
Associated Press writer

PIKEVILLE, Ky. — He traveled in his green dress uniform, in a gleaming oak box. His buttons were polished, his handsome face meticulously preserved by the Army mortician so his family could have an open-casket funeral.

Sgt. Gary Brent Coleman, age 24, was supposed to arrive Thanksgiving weekend for a two-week vacation from war.

He came home early. He was born and raised in this Appalachian county, like his father before him. On Sunday, he was buried here in the Eastern Kentucky hills that he died for.

On Nov. 21, near Balad, Iraq, Coleman and two soldiers were chasing a vehicle they considered suspicious when their Humvee flipped into a canal. Coleman was trapped inside and drowned. The others survived.

The military awarded Coleman the Purple Heart—for wounds received in action, and the Bronze Star, for meritorious service—two medals in fine boxes that will go to his 20-year-old widow, who found a husband and lost a husband in less than a year.

Kirsten Sniley and Brent Coleman married in March, three weeks before he left for Iraq as a tank driver with the 4th Infantry Division Mechanics. Coleman didn't tell his family he was getting married. He just did it. He joined the military the same way.

Pikeville, hundreds welcomed him home, solemnly filing into the high school auditorium where his casket sat on a high stage, nestled by white flowers, next to his maroon football jersey, No. 25, and



Kirsten Coleman is comforted by her mother, Sharon Sniley, as she mourns the loss of her husband, U.S. Army Sgt. Gary Brent Coleman, Sunday in Pikeville, Ky. His battered game helmet.

He was already a hero in this town, where high school football is a way of life and those who play well are never forgotten. Coleman was short for a running back — 5 feet 6 inches and 190 pounds — but he ran like a rabbit, the all-time leading rusher and scorer in Pikeville history.

They called him "Rocket" for his ability to find a hole and plow through it, his beety legs pumping like pistons. They also called him "Stumpy" — "I guess because I'm short and fat," he said, grinning from ear to ear, when the local television station named him player of the week in 1996, the beginning of his senior year.

In Iraq, his platoon called him "Hollywood" because his physique and his demeanor warranted it. He was easy on the eyes and built like



Sgt. Gary Coleman

shook the hand of every plainspoken man who leaned down and said, "Sorry, buddy." His son signed up two years ago, after studying military brochures and making up his mind. That was his way.

"Nothing surprised me about Brent, because he was always doing things that surprised me," said his mother, Janie Johnson. He was 13 when his parents divorced, and he decided to live with his father when his mother moved 20 miles from Pikeville.

On Sunday, under a maroon canopy at the base of a hill, the

U.S. Army gave Sgt. Coleman a military graveside service. A 21-gun salute shattered the warm, blinding sunshine. A chaplain read the 23rd Psalm.

Gary Coleman sat next to his daughter-in-law, a young woman he had never met until three days ago, when she arrived in Pikeville a widow. She stared straight ahead, looking at something only she could see.

A young man played Taps on a silver trumpet, and the sergeant's wife broke then, her chin bent to her chest, her small shoulders shaking and her face covered by falling blonde hair.

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Commuters continue to use freeway

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — At least a dozen times a day, Edward Sparks drives his tractor-trailer along the stretch of beltway where authorities are investigating the shootings of 11 vehicles. "You're constantly looking," he said. After the long holiday weekend, commuters returned Monday to the five-mile stretch of Interstate 270

where the shootings began earlier this year, most in the past two months. Terry Daugherty, of Pikeville, Ky., passed through the stretch of highway Monday on his way home from visiting family for Thanksgiving. "Life goes on. You've still got to live, travel and visit," he said while buying coffee at a gas station. "You don't want to go through the heart

of the city. You can't shut down the freeway for a couple of shootings." Authorities did not connect the cases until a 62-year-old woman was killed Tuesday while riding in a car driven by a friend; she was the only person hit in any of the shootings. Many living and traveling along the stretch of roadway said they don't intend to avoid the beltway that circles Columbus. Often

there's no better route. "Traffic hasn't dropped visibly since news of the shootings broke," said Sparks, 53, who makes deliveries between two book manufacturer warehouses. But he has noticed the extra squad cars, which makes him feel safer. Authorities did not connect the cases until Gail Knisley's death on Tuesday; many shootings were first

reported afterward. The bullet that killed her came from the same gun as a bullet in one other shooting, but authorities won't say which. The Franklin County sheriff's office has contacted law enforcement in other cities with similar unsolved shootings to compare the cases, but no matches have been found, Chief Deputy Steve Martin said.

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Special ed students skew standardized tests results

EAGLE POINT, Ore. (AP) — The kids in Michelle Harper's special education class have their own small victories every day — a temper tantrum stifled, two words rhymed.

When it comes time to take the standardized tests, that the federal government uses to measure public schools, many of Harper's students at White Mountain Middle School merely pick answers at random, not realizing the potentially severe consequences for their school.

Across the country this year, thousands of schools were deemed "failing" because of the test performance of special ed students.

The results have provoked feelings of fury, helplessness and amusement in teachers like Harper, who say that because of some of their students' disabilities, there is no realistic way to cover most the expectations of a new federal law backed by the Bush administration — that requires that 99 percent of all children be performing at or above grade level by 2014.

If schools fail to meet those targets, they risk being taken over by the state or private companies; teachers can lose their jobs.

"These children are going to play at a certain level — that is the nature of a disability," said Harper, who teaches students with autism, learning disabilities, mental-retardation, Tourette's syndrome, vision and hearing deficits, and brain injuries. "These kids are not going to grow out of it, not going to grow up and be OK. It's sad, but that is the way it is."

Special education has been a battleground for years. Parents of special ed students fought long and hard for their children to be includ-



Special education instructor Michelle Harper, left, works on math problems with Erika Rodriguez at White Mountain Middle School, Ore., Oct. 28.

ed in mainstream classrooms, and for the money to provide them with extra help.

Now the new law, dubbed No Child Left Behind, has focused even more attention on special education, because of the consequences for entire schools.

The law mandates that schools bring all groups of students up to grade level on standardized reading and math tests, including special ed students and those who do not speak English. If even one of those groups fails to meet progress targets for two years in a row, an entire school can be listed as failing and face an escalating list of sanctions.

In South Carolina, more than three-fourths of schools were listed as failing. Sandra Lindsay, the state's deputy education secretary, said special education was the most common denominator.

read or understand, much less know the answer."

In Oregon, 202 schools reported that their special education students had failed to make the desired progress in reading; 181 said that was true for math.

The government is defending the special education portion of the law, though officials said some changes are in the works that would give more leeway to the most seriously disabled children and their teachers.

Oregon mother Cynthia Payne, whose son is severely retarded, said she sees a need for change in the law.

"In my hopes and dreams, I would love him to participate, to be a normal kid, but he is not," she said. "And to penalize the school because he is not capable of that is insane. The range of kids in special education is so incredibly broad, and that makes it very difficult to make any kind of statement or box for everyone to fit into."

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YELLOWSTONE AND GRAND TETON WILDLIFE PORTFOLIO		\$24.95			
IDaho WILDLIFE		\$6.95			
WONDROUS WILDLIFE		\$15.95			
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Dear Abby:
Marriage is more than just a paper.
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Section B

AROUND THE VALLEY

Court sets trial for kidnap, rape suspect

TWIN FALLS - The trial for a Gooding man accused in the kidnapping and rape of a Buhl teenager has been postponed. Timothy Carpenter, 38, waived his right to a speedy trial so his attorney, Twin Falls County Public Defender John Hansen, could gather more information about the case. Hansen requested a continuance, which 5th District Judge G. Richard Bevan granted. Carpenter was indicted in July by a Twin Falls County grand jury on charges of burglary, first-degree kidnapping, rape and two counts of lewd conduct with a minor under 16, according to the indictment. He entered a plea of not guilty. A pretrial conference is scheduled for Feb. 17, with a jury trial set for Feb. 24.

Woman gets probation in manslaughter case

TWIN FALLS - After months of plea negotiations, a Twin Falls woman received two years' probation in connection with a May accident in which a motorcyclist was killed. Margaret Lene Smith, 49, had pleaded guilty in September to one count of vehicular manslaughter, a misdemeanor. Robert L. Wise, 51, of Jackpot, Nev., died when the 1983 Harley Davidson motorcycle he was riding collided with Smith's 1996 Honda Accord. The accident occurred at the intersection of 2500 East Road and Idaho Highway 74, near the junction of Highway 74 and U.S. Highway 93. Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker withheld judgment on a sentence of a year in jail, meaning that if Smith fulfills the terms of her probation, she will not have to serve time behind bars. Although alcohol was not a factor in the accident, said Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loeb, one of the conditions of her probation is that she can't consume any alcoholic beverages. She also had her driving privileges suspended for an indefinite amount of time, must have a doctor's certificate and pass appropriate tests given by the Department of Motor Vehicles. Additionally, she must do a public service announcement for motorcycle awareness. She also received a \$2,000 fine, with \$1,500 suspended.

Groundwater district will hold annual meeting

JEROME - The North Snake Ground Water District will hold its annual meeting at 10 a.m. today in Jerome. The meeting agenda includes information about the district's mitigation efforts intended to satisfy the water rights of non-water users who rely on canyon springs. The five-year mitigation proposal will be approved by the Idaho Department of Water Resources. The plan is opposed by a number of canyon springs water users. The meeting will be held at the Ambulance Center, 240 E. Main St. Compiled from staff reports

Find more news from around the valley on B3.

Table with 3 columns: Watershed, % of Avg., % season peak. Rows include Upper Snake Basin, Salmon Falls, Salmon, Oakley, Big Wood, Little Wood, Honeyfork/Teton, Big Lost, Little Lost.

*A comparison of basin snowpack on this day, with a 30-year average. **An indicator of basin snowpack for the entire snow season, which peaks in March.

Otter: Medicare bill was best option

By Julie Pence Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Sometimes there is simply no choice but to go with the lesser of two evils. That's U.S. Rep. Butch Otter's explanation for voting in favor of a \$400 billion bill touted to modernize the Medicare system. If he hadn't, the Democrats and several Republicans with liberal leanings would have introduced and passed a \$770 million Medicare modernization bill, Otter said. The Republican spoke to The Times-News editorial board on Monday. He was also in Twin Falls, which lies outside his congressional district, to give the annual "Angels in Adoption" award to Twin Falls couple John and Denise Martin. Otter said voting for the

Medicare bill was painful. After an all-night argument in the House on Nov. 21 and 22, the president even jumped in the middle of the fracas at about 4 a.m. Otter said he fielded two phone calls from President Bush, who asked him to consider changing his vote to support the \$400 billion bill. "I said, 'I'm sorry, Mr. President, I have to say no,'" Otter said. Otter said there were too many things about the compromise bill he didn't think he could live with, such as lack of support for families taking care of elderly relatives - plus it was simply too expensive. "I just can't do it," I said. "I just can't do it," Otter said he had told the president the second time he called. Not long afterward, Otter Please see OTTER, Page B3

Here's what U.S. Rep. Butch Otter had to say on other issues during his visit to Twin Falls Monday: - A run for governor? - Otter said he's definitely planning to run for a third term as the representative of Idaho's 1st Congressional District. But that doesn't necessarily mean that he's ruling out a run for governor in 2006. "It's been my experience if you do a good job in what you've been appointed or elected to, then there are better opportunities for other jobs if they open up," Otter said. "My job right now is to do a good job as a representative right now." Otter ran for governor of Idaho once before in 1977. - A new reactor at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory? - "I'm absolutely in favor of a new reactor," Otter said. He is

Otter on other issues



Rep. Butch Otter

particularly interested in research that would make better use of the material used for nuclear energy in the fuel rods used at INEEL. Currently 97 percent of the fuel is not used, Otter said. Better use of the fuel would mean less waste. Idaho water and the salmon issue - Otter said he is weary of decisions coming out of federal courts that stand to jeopardize irrigation water for some 2 million acres of farmland on the Snake River Plain. From his perspective, the state should have sover-

eighty over its own water. "Water is to Idaho as the Constitution is to the Republic," Otter said. And there is simply no room for negotiation on the issue, he said. "Not one more bucket of water, not one more drop," Otter said. - Endangered Species Act - Otter said he supports some bills to change the law "brick by brick." He is a cosponsor of a bill that would compensate people who can no longer use their private property entirely, as they wish because of the ESA. He also supports another bill that would force decisions about land development necessary for habitat to be based upon sound scientific evidence. In addition, he says he wants to change the wording of the law so that the establishment of "critical habitat" is not forced.

SALVATION ARMY KICKS OFF ANGEL TREE CAMPAIGN



Joy and Arnie Ruggles of Filer look at a Salvation Army Angel Tree, holding gift requests for children, at the Magic Valley Mall Monday. The Salvation Army of Twin Falls hopes to provide gifts to some 400 families and senior citizens during the holidays. The Angel Trees are located at the Center Court of the mall, where instructions on how to contribute to the program are also located. The Angel Tree campaign kicked off Monday.

Longtime car dealer Harrison dies at 84

By Karin Kowalski Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Emmott Harrison, the former owner of Theison Motors and an active community member, died Sunday. He was 84. "Businessman" Doug Vollmer remembers Harrison's efforts to help the Magic Valley grow through work with the city and the chamber of commerce. "He was a good ambassador for Twin Falls," Vollmer said. "He earned his place in society." Vollmer recalls one instance about 20 years ago when Shoshone High School needed to raise some money quickly. Harrison gave it to the school.

Ernie Wills, general manager of Wills Toyota, served with Harrison on the Idaho Automobile Dealers Association board and praised his business ethics. "I admired him as a respected competitor," Wills said. Harrison was born Sept. 19, 1919, to Emmett and Mae Harrison in Union Parish in northern Louisiana. He graduated from high school in Spearville, La., then worked for the Civilian Conservation Corps during the Great Depression. He worked several odd jobs before being drafted into the Army. After World War II, he worked in sales at Walk-Over Shoes in Salt Lake City. Later he joined

Central Service, an automobile dealer based in Kansas City, Mo., which sent him to work in Ogden, Utah, then Twin Falls. He started work for Theison Motors as a sales manager in 1953. Harrison saw the dealership grow from five to more than 50 employees when he retired in 1994. In 1978 he bought out the dealership. He was president of the Idaho Automobile Dealers Association and a board member for eight years. In 1968, 1974 and 1984 he was on the Lincoln Mercury National Dealers Council. Outside work, Harrison was a member of the Twin Falls County Fair Board from 1981 to 1989 and was president the last year.

After he retired, he was a member of the Twin Falls Planning and Zoning Commission for several years. In 1995, he helped found the Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers, a group that provides care for elderly people. Harrison gave more than 35 scholarships at the College of Southern Idaho during the 1990s. He also funded several LDS Church missions. Harrison is survived by his wife, Vida; son Jules; daughters Marilyn Harmer and Patricia Harrison; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Services are pending through White Mortuary.

Developer pulls request for residential subdivision

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Plans were put on hold Monday for a residential development on Flier Avenue West. Earl Williamson was scheduled at Monday's City Council meeting to request a zoning district change and zoning map amendment for about 37 acres on the north side of the 1100 block of Flier Avenue West. But Williamson contacted city planning and zoning staffers Monday afternoon and notified them of a change in his proposal, said LaMar Orton, city planning director. The item was not discussed at Monday's City Council meeting.

"I think they intend to come back with a different proposal," Orton said. "I haven't seen it, but that's my understanding." Williamson had requested a change from R-1 to R-2 zoning. R-1 zoning means that single-family lots must have a one-acre minimum size. In R-2 zones, the minimum lot size is 6,000 square feet for a single-family dwelling. The process Williamson was planning was two-fold: request rezoning, then get plat approval. The City Planning and Zoning Commission had recommended denial of the request on a 5-4 vote. Residents raised concerns about that development proposal. Please see SUBDIVISION, Page B3

Jerome residents can comment on mobile home park changes

By Dixie Thomas Reale Times-News correspondent

JEROME - The public can comment tonight on a proposal to require six units for an area to be defined as a mobile home park within the city. The city's current requirement is two units for an area to be considered a mobile home park. A public hearing on the proposed ordinance was held before the Planning and Zoning Commission on Oct. 14. The commission approved the ordinance and forwarded it to the City Council, which will conduct its own public hearing tonight. Space requirements for each unit would remain the same. Only

Want to go?

The Jerome City Council meets tonight at 7 in council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A. The public is welcome. the number of units required would change. As it stands now, two units can be placed on a 5,000-square-foot lot, so the space per unit is 2,500 square feet. A six-unit park would need to be at least 15,000 square feet to hold the six units. Mobile home parks must meet all other requirements of the city, which include lighting, fencing, curbs, gutters, sidewalks and parking.

All mobile home parks already in existence in the city with fewer than six units would be grandfathered. In other business, a second public hearing is planned on a request to change the zoning of three and a half lots directly east of the Washington Elementary School campus. Two of the lots are located on East Avenue E, and one and a half lots are located on East Avenue F. The Planning and Zoning Commission approved the zone change from residential (R2) to neighborhood services (NS) on Sept. 23. Gina Boer, a property owner Please see JEROME, Page B3

T.E. foster parents earn award

By Loretta Burkhardt Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Local foster parents Denise and John Martin are recipients of the national 2003 "Angels in Adoption" award. The congressional award was hand-delivered to the couple on Monday by U.S. Rep. C.L. "Butch" Otter. In Idaho, in the company of family members, friends, and members of the staff of the Twin Falls office of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. - How to help Interested in training to become a foster parent? Give Denise Martin a call at 733-6223. Otter was among the more than 150 members of Congress who participated in selecting "Angels in Adoption" from their districts and states for the award ceremony that was held in Washington, D.C., in September. But when it comes to the "Martin" family's story, it's a different story. Otter brought the award to the family in Twin Falls. During the afternoon ceremony, he recognized the contributions the Martins have made to Idaho's children and to the local community. He also commended their efforts in providing guidance and support to those who need it most - the children. To a crowd of some 30 people, Otter said the Martins represent "the true nature and character of the Idaho spirit." With respect to their contributions in changing the lives of children in need specifically through adoption and foster care - he said the award was well deserved. With three children of their own, the Martins are active in programs within the community that involve caring for children. Over the past several years they have served the needs of others by being the foster parents of five children. "These guys are wonderful," said Kathy McCarrill, social worker with Children and Family Services in Twin Falls. As community leaders in foster care Please see FOSTER, Page B3

MORNING BREAK/MAGIC VALLEY

CROSSWORD puzzles including 'Across', 'Down', and 'Monday's Puzzle Solved'.

Marriage is more than just a piece of paper

DEAR ABBY: Our 32-year-old daughter was raised in a home with traditional values. She was excited when she got engaged last February to the fellow she was living with. We began making wedding plans.



Her interest in the wedding began to wane. On a recent visit she stated that a marriage certificate was just a piece of paper, and they don't need to be married to have children. Her fiancé told us that giving their children love would be enough.

MINIDOKA COUNTY COURTS

RUPERT - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Minidoka County included:

Misdemeanor dismissals: Arnold L. Chapp, 38, attempt to elude an officer... Driving under the influence dismissals: Coppler, C. McNett, 18, one count misdemeanor driving under the influence under age 21...

Driving under the influence sentencing: Ernie Lee Alcala, 18, one count driving under the influence... Felony sentencing: Timothy H. Dennis, 26, possession of a controlled substance...

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Capricorn feels trapped

IF DECEMBER 2 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you are caring and sensitive to the point of being touchy. You're an avid reader and have fun with novels, putting pen to paper...

HOROSCOPE

Jeraldine Saunders: impact, as you've remedied lack of family interchange. New ideas can put you in the forefront where the written word is concerned.

DEAR ABBY

DEAR WORRIED: You are overdue for a frank talk with your daughter. Why on earth is she planning to have children with someone she wouldn't want to marry?

marriage certificate is far more than a "piece of paper." Your letter brings to mind one that appeared in this column in 1996. Its message bears repeating.

TWIN FALLS ARRAIGNMENTS

Jeffrey Dean Maloney, 21, 740 Idaho St., Twin Falls, probation violation; private confinement; pleaded innocent; pretrial conference set for Jan. 6...

defender appointed; pleaded innocent; pretrial conference set for Jan. 6... Terrell R. Eichel, 29, possession of a forged check; misdemeanor; pretrial conference set for Dec. 23...

She doesn't really like it

It has been reported by pollsters that only one in 20 young women really likes her given name.



REVISITED L.M. Boyd: One man in 12 dyes his hair, according to those who purport to know. Your heart doesn't skip a beat, cowboy. What it does sometimes is pulse a merry little tune...

DEAR ABBY

When a person buys an automobile, he had better have that "piece of paper" or he could be in a lot of trouble.

Health-care reform advocate dies at 63

The late Terry Reilly reunited LeBow to join his community health efforts in 1971, and LeBow was the first staff doctor for the affordable clinics.

campaign for health-care reform after his injury. The annual Bob LeBow Classic Bike-Tour raises funds to provide health-care services for people who do not have the money or insurance to pay.

WORLD

Kashmiris reunite - on either side of river

By Roshan Mughal
Associated Press writer

KARIN, Pakistan - A cease-fire in place, the people of this divided Kashmiri village - separated by the fast-flowing Neelum River that also marks the frontier between India and Pakistan - congregated on both sides of the icy channel Monday, shouting greetings to relatives as curling letters wrapped around stones.

The reunions were unthinkable before a cease-fire reached last week by the uneasy neighbors, who have fought two wars over Kashmir since gaining independence from Britain in 1947.

India and Pakistan agreed on Monday to resume airline overflight and landing rights by Jan. 1, two years after the South-Asian nuclear rivals ended all transportation links while on the brink of war.

However, peace on the ground remains tentative with both sides having proven reluctant to settle the territorial dispute.

Hundreds of thousands of Indian and Pakistani forces are faced off along the Line of Control that separates Kashmir into Indian and Pakistani sectors. Intense exchanges of shelling by both armies has taken a heavy toll on residents, and roads leading to the river have been closed for years.

But with the cease-fire holding, hundreds of Kashmiris gathered on both sides of the 30-yard-wide river to renew ties, if only by sight and sound.

"Now I can cry out to them, and gesture to them, but it's very



Kashmir refugee Asad, living in the Karin village located in Pakistan Kashmir, throws a packet of cookies across the Neelum River to his relatives living in the Indian part of Kashmir, Monday.

unnatural," said Raja Azhar Khan, 60, as he waved across the water to his two younger brothers. "I cannot even shake hands with my own brothers because the river is separating us."

Khan said he fled India 13 years ago after he fell under suspicion of harboring separatist Islamic rebels fighting Indian rule.

Standing on the rocky river bank, relatives hurled presents -

packs of cigarettes, candy and Kashmiri coconuts - across the water. They gestured wildly and bellowed to make themselves heard in the mountain-ringed river valley. Some raised their

hands in prayer. Joy and sorrow mixed.

Her face streaked with tears, Badshahadi Begum, 38, had just learned her brother - who lived on the Indian side - died last week in a bus crash.

The widow of Begum's brother jumped into the frigid river water in a vain attempt to cross to the Pakistani side to be with his sister-in-law. Onlookers hauled the grieving woman back to land before the current could sweep her away.

"My brother has died," Begum said. "My brother's daughter is waving at me, and when she waves it touches my heart and makes me cry."

Khan, however, was overjoyed to see two of his three wives, whom he left behind when he fled India in 1971. Also with him were two younger brothers, both now Indian government officials.

"It's a unique opportunity," Khan said. "It gives me a new lease on life to see them. I can't imagine this happening if the situation was tense."

The divided Karin village is emblematic of the Kashmir conflict. About 50 traditional wooden houses, known as havelis, are on the Indian side of the river. About 10 are in Pakistan.

The dispute over Kashmir has deepened since 1989, when Islamic militants began fighting Indian rule. India still accuses Pakistan of arming and supporting the militants, although Pakistan maintains it only gives diplomatic backing.

Putin may impact merger

The Washington Post

MOSCOW - Oil tycoon Roman Abramovich met with President Vladimir Putin before unexpectedly suspending the multibillion-dollar merger of his firm with the larger company Yukos last week, a source personally informed about the talks said Monday.

The meeting suggests that Putin may have played a direct role in unraveling the largest business transaction in Russian history. It is a major blow to Mikhail Khodorkovsky, Yukos's imprisoned chief shareholder. The source said Putin also made clear to Abramovich that he would veto any political deal to free the jailed billionaire, Russia's richest man.

Abramovich, who has been close to the Kremlin over the years, abruptly put the merger of his Sibneft oil company with Yukos on hold Friday just as shareholders were meeting to finalize the deal. The suspension came after Yukos owners recently rejected a takeover attempt by Abramovich, who tried to put his own management team in control of the merged Yukos-Sibneft company, several Yukos officials said Monday.

The development jeopardizes Khodorkovsky's goal of creating Russia's first international oil company.

Israelis, Palestinians launch unofficial Mideast peace accord

GENEVA (AP) - Hundreds of Israelis and Palestinians joined Nobel Peace Prize winners Monday for a ceremony filled with song and hope, celebrating an unofficial peace accord intended to guide their peoples out of conflict.

The "Geneva accord," negotiated over almost three years by former Israeli and Palestinian officials, tackles the issues that have torpedoed other peace efforts: the fate of Israeli settlements, the borders of a Palestinian state,

the status of Jerusalem and Palestinian refugees.

"The alternative, to this initiative is sustained and permanent violence," former President Jimmy Carter told the conference. "It is unlikely that we shall ever see a more promising foundation for peace."

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat sent a message calling the accord "a brave and courageous initiative that opens the door to peace."

However, he did not explicitly endorse the agreement, which has been opposed by Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and condemned by Palestinian militants.

The agreement envisions a Palestinian state based roughly on the borders before the 1967 Mideast war. Most Israeli settlements in the West Bank and Gaza Strip would be dismantled. It divides sovereignty in Jerusalem, but avoids a large-scale return to Israel by Palestinians who fled or

were driven out in the 1948-49 war that followed Israel's creation.

"(It's) a clenched-teeth compromise with painful concessions on both sides," said Israeli author Amos Oz, who was a part of the talks.

Backers of the accord say it is a complement to the U.S.-backed "road map" peace plan, which does not spell out the details of a final agreement and tries to prove to Palestinian and Israeli leaders that there are people on

both sides willing to sacrifice for peace.

Earlier in the day, 58 former presidents, prime ministers, foreign ministers and other leaders expressed "strong support" for the accord.

Members of Israel's government have called the plan subversive and criticized it for not explicitly ruling out the right of return. "Creating the impression that this is some sort of alternative ... causes some damage to Israel and

is just a repetition of mistakes," Sharon adviser Raanan Gissin said. "There's no giving up of the right of return. There's no mention of the Jewish people having the right to a Jewish state in their ancestral homeland."

The Al Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades, a violent group linked to Arafat's Fatah movement, branded the Palestinian negotiators "collaborators," a term that has sometimes marked Palestinians for death.

Europeans consider costs, benefits of free government health care

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) - Pierre Berthelot enjoys a golden sunset in the south of France, despite the aches and pains of his 83 years.

Happily, paying hefty medical bills is not a big worry. "Just about everything gets reimbursed at 100 percent," the former diplomat chuckled. "It is tough to think of a better system."

Europeans have long been proud of their cradle-to-grave public health systems and critical of the U.S. approach, under which 40 million people lack health insurance.

Earlier this week, Congress approved a sweeping overhaul of Medicare, created in 1965 to provide public health support for the elderly.

The changes introduce a new prescription drug benefit for 40 million older and disabled Americans and create competition between traditional Medicare and private plans beginning in 2010.

Supporters say the reform was long overdue, while detractors worry it could place the elderly in the hands of private companies more concerned with profits than quality medical care.

Europeans also are debating the costs of health care and the role of private insurers as government agencies are strained by the responsibility of caring for a growing elderly population.

"We are slowly getting away from the principles of the European social model that health care was a right and that the community was responsible for it," said Anne-Sophie Parent, the director of the European elderly people's platform AGE.

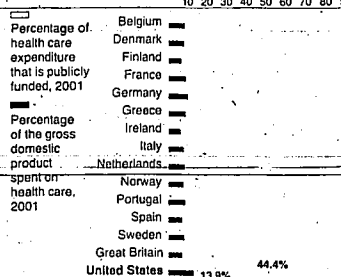
Government drives to cut costs risked "an approach where you end up with different classes of service, where the rich can afford it and the best care and health becomes just like any other service you can buy," she said.

But in most of western Europe, health care is still available free or at low cost. For example, Swedish patients pay small fees for doctor visits, but never more than \$18 a year total. The state also absorbs all medicine costs above \$236 a year. In the French village of Sempresse, 435 miles south of Paris, Berthelot picks his own doctors and hospitals. He pays the

HEALTH CARE

Big differences in funding, spending

Compared to most countries in Western Europe, where health care is heavily subsidized by the government, less than half of health care spending is publicly funded in the United States, despite spending the greatest percentage of its gross domestic product on health care.



SOURCE: Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development AP

bills upfront but is reimbursed for most costs.

Berthelot enshrined "the right to health" in its constitution. Benefits for the elderly range from subsidized cab rides to and from hospitals to covering most chemotherapy costs.

A three-day treatment session for cancer patients costs \$2,000, but the patient pays only \$36 of that.

Despite fiscal restraints and an economic slowdown, the Belgium government plans annual health spending increases of 4.5 percent a year.

Norway's social welfare and health care programs consume 35 percent of its budget.

Finland's government spends about a quarter of its budget on health care, while Sweden spends 20 percent on health care, the sick and the disabled.

To pay for it, Europeans have some of the world's highest taxes. "We are prepared to pay more and have the best services," Parent said. However, rising costs have taken their toll.

In Britain, the National Health Service, set up in 1948 and long regarded as a model for free health care, has suffered from years of underfunding and is plagued by long-waiting lists.

Although most health care for all is free, as are prescription drugs for patients over 60, the long waits and sometimes patchy services in public hospitals have forced some to use the expanding private sector.

"For a lot of older people, that isn't a choice," said Penny Banks, of the King's Fund health care charity in London. She also explains that the definition of "health services" is limited, with seniors often paying for in-home or residential care not directly linked to medical treatment.

Berthelot, who spent those months sheltering within the thick walls of his centuries-old rural residence, said he was confident that support for the health services will remain strong. "Even though it takes a bite out of the government budget, we all see the advantages of the system," he said.

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Twin Falls County Fair announces 4-H results

FILER - The University of Idaho Cooperative Extension Service announced 4-H winners at the Twin Falls County County Fair...
Project:
Shoanampip
Class 1: Ashley Beck, blue...

Class 10: Like Allyn, first place halter...
Class 11: Kelly Bower, blue...
Class 12: Kari Peterson, blue...
Class 13: Ryan Adams, blue...

OPTIMIST FIRE TRUCK



The Twin Falls Optimist Club's fire truck made 'her' debut in the Capital Tree Parade Nov. 15 with members and friends age 3 to 33 plus riding.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Seventh-grade teachers at Robert Stuart Junior High school students who follow the agreements of mutual respect, responsibility, attentive listening and appreciation.

STORK REPORT

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center
Kaitlyn Sage Willins, daughter of Heather Osterhout of Burley, was born Sunday, Nov. 16, 2003...
Stephanie Jean and Anthony Ryan McCarty of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2003...

COMMUNITY EVENTS

American Legion Auxiliary holds craft show
HAGERMAN - The American Legion Auxiliary-Lisa Oswald Post 31 will sponsor its annual craft show and sale from 5-8 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday...

Funeral homes hold holiday memorial service
TWIN FALLS - An annual holiday memorial service will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls...

Hansen lights Christmas tree on Saturday
HANSEN - The lighting of the Hansen Community Christmas Tree will be held at 5 p.m. Saturday in Dixon Park in Hansen...

Gooding church sponsors Christmas Home Tour
GOODING - The Gooding Christmas Home Tour will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, sponsored by St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church in Gooding...

Wendell Optimist Club meets Tuesdays
WENDELL - The Wendell Optimist Club meets at 7 p.m. every Tuesday at Wendell City Hall...

Historical society plans election
JEROME - Jerome Historical Society President Francis Egbert announced that the election of officers will be held at the Dec. 9 meeting...

Kimberly High holds Down Home Country Christmas
KIMBERLY - Kimberly High School will hold its Down Home Country Christmas from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday in the Kimberly High School commons, 141 Center St. W.

Painter offers class at Eighth Street Center
BUHL - Fred Choate will offer a landscape painting class from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Eighth Street Center, 200-N. Eighth Ave. in Buhl.

Top, Magic Valley Christian School invited veterans to visit for a Veterans Day ceremony. The students sang songs, read essays they had written and prayed for the veterans...

Principal releases Castleford first quarter honor roll

CASTLEFORD - Principal Andy Wiseman has released the first quarter honor roll for Castleford Middle and High School students...

Freshmen High Honor Roll
Megan Durham, Jessica Eloner, Anna Lopez, Anthony Machado and David Wiseman.

Wildlife in Idaho" was the topic of the Nov. 13 meeting of the Jerome Historical Society held at the City Library. Program Chairman Lulu Mae Coates introduced the speaker, Carl Nellis, who retired from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY

Total recall for the absent-minded

'Memory glasses' flash reminders to the forgetful

The Associated Press

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — When Richard W. DeVaul sits down to his computer, he sometimes forgets to slip his mind at cocktail parties and, to his embarrassment, he mixes up the faces of people he knows well.

"A string-on-the-finger might have been a solution in the past, but the Massachusetts Institute of Technology graduate student is testing a more modern lifeline for people who fumble for names, leave the stove on, or forget to call Mom on her birthday.

DeVaul's "memory-glasses" are a tiny computer display clipped onto eyeglass frames and wired to a lightweight computer that can flash reminders to the wearer, without, he hopes, distraction or interference with day-to-day activities.



Richard W. DeVaul, a Massachusetts Institute of Technology graduate student, displays his 'memory glasses' which include a tiny computer display mounted on eyeglass frames and wired to a lightweight computer that can flash reminders to the wearer.

"The things that I want help with are, in a sense, basic things. If I've been sitting in front of my computer for six hours, and haven't gotten up to eat, a little thing would remind me, 'Rich, go take a break.'"

Chandra Narayanaswami, manager of the wearable computing group at IBM Corp.'s Thomas J. Watson Research Center and the organizer of a recent conference where DeVaul presented his work, considers the memory glasses intriguing, if unproven.

"It's not some invasive mechanism like an alarm going off," he said. "It looks like a promising idea. Of course, more testing would have to be done."

The glasses are part of a computer system developed by researchers in MIT's "Borglab" who are tackling "wearable computing": devices worn in clothes and engineered to solve day-to-day

problems.

The computer project — nicknamed MIThril, a reference to the light armor Frodo Baggins wears in "Lord of the Rings" — is actually three separate computers wired together inside a vest that resembles fake fleece clothing available in stores.

A smaller version of MIThril is powered by an off-the-shelf, handheld computer made by Sharp, but that version can't support the head display-for-now. Both versions run on Linux, the open-source operating system.

The tiny head-mounted display, which juts out from the side of the eyeglass frames, is wired into a video board that DeVaul built.

DeVaul, 32, hopes to program the wearable computer to cue the user with subliminal messages or images that would flash on the screen. The prompts would be too quick for the wearer to notice, but

the brain would still recognize them and respond.

The systems would be "context aware," using a global positioning system and sensors to know where users are, and cueing them only when information is needed.

The computer could be programmed, for example, to remind the wearer of topics to discuss when he bumps into someone with whom he has unfinished business. Or to remind a doctor of medical procedures at the operating table. Or flash a list of desired movies upon entering a video store.

Subliminal messages would be safer than an overt message because pop-up messages could distract someone in the middle of, say, crossing the street or driving a car, DeVaul said.

DeVaul conducted a study with 28 people in which he says subliminal cueing substantially increased their ability to recall names associ-

ated with faces. His peer-reviewed findings were presented last month at the International Symposium on Wearable Computers in White Plains, N.Y., which Narayanaswami helped organize.

The memory glasses are largely hypothetical at this point. The technology depends on MIThril's becoming practical to wear outside the lab, creating software that would cue the user at the right time with the right information, and establishing that, in fact, subliminal cueing actually works.

Harvard's psychology department and author of "The Seven Sins of Memory," said he's intrigued by the idea of the memory glasses. But he said he knows of no scientific evidence showing that subliminal cueing works.

"I'd have to be convinced on the subliminal aspect of it," he said.

Browser hijacker proves difficult thing to banish

By James Coates
Chicago Tribune

Computer Q&A

Q. After recently cleaning out a few virus-infected files, I did a significant update of Windows XP, including some 30 updates and patches. Since then, whenever I log on to my computer, the system automatically opens Internet Explorer. Worse still, I have my home page set to Yahoo.com, but if the computer sits unused for more than 10 hours or so, the home page changes to something called LuckySearch. No matter how often I change the address in the Internet Options screen, this will happen after a period of time. Can you help?

—Ron Casper

A. You have encountered a browser hijacker, which is just about the worst type among the pantheon of bugs, which include spyware, worms, viruses, keyloggers, adware, and so on. There may be dozens of browser hijackers with different procedures, but all share the common trait of changing the home page on a victim's browser to something annoying or unwanted and then resisting all efforts to reset the home page.

Hijackers work by secreting a small program for resetting the browser home page somewhere on the hard drive that gets run every time the computer is rebooted to redo the mischief. There are two components — the nasty hidden browser hijack program and a tiny registry file that orders the hijack software to run each time the computer is started.

Sometimes spyware prevention software such as Ad-aware (www.lavasoftusa.com) and SpySucker (www.spy-sucker.com) can find the gremlins, but not always.

So first of all, drop by those two Web pages and try the no-cost steps in the hope that they will help.

Q. Whenever I try to print e-mail, I get disconnected from AOL. I have uninstalled and reinstalled AOL 9.0. I tried to use AOL help, but I got disconnected

then also.

—David Dachner

A. Consider yourself a victim of America Online's annoying effort to commercialize not only its own ad-filled browsing software but to insert ads into the commands of the computer itself.

When any one of the millions of subscribers with recent versions of the AOL software selects the Print command, the software pops up with an offer to have the material printed by an outside company rather than just sending the job to the customer's own printer. Users must direct the software to use the local computer before the job begins.

This complicates what should be a routine action on a user's computer by initiating an extra communication with the Internet server computers and is causing a lockup in your particular case, Mr. D.

A possible fix would be to shut down your printer and then answer the question about whether to have the printing done by an outside company or done on your own machine. Then, after you get the AOL error message, turn the printer back on.

If this sounds as ridiculous to you as it does to me, let me suggest a workaround. When you want to print a note, try selecting the text you want and then pasting it into a word processor or the WordPad program built into Windows. Since the print command in these other programs is straightforward instead of an advertising opportunity, you will get your print job out and avoid those lockups.

This can be a lot quicker than it sounds. Start by opening the WordPad program every time you run AOL. When you want to print an e-mail, just open the note and tap Control + A to select its contents.

Then go to the WordPad and type Control + V to paste it. Then the Control + P command will order your printout without making those calls to the Internet connections that create the lockups.

'Wardrivers' pick up stray WiFi signals

By Tony Bridges
Knight Ridder News Service

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — The SUV rolled to a stop at the intersection, then turned and slowly headed east.

At one hand, the driver tapped keys on the laptop mounted next to him. The sound it made was rhythmic, pulsing, like a laser gun in slow motion.

"This sends out a ping to their network, like 'submarine, and says, 'Hey, anybody out there?'" he said. "We'll see if anyone answers."

The first computer responded almost immediately.

"BEEP!"

The more quickly followed.

The driver slowed and made a left onto a residential street, a good hunting ground for home computers.

Six more beeps. The signals were coming from the houses. He pointed to a green dot on the screen.

"That means it's wide open," he said. "You'd be surprised at what you can do when they're open."

The man is what hackers call "wardrivers" — a tech junkie who trolls the streets picking up stray signals from wireless computer systems, nicknamed "WiFi."

Last week — on the condition of anonymity — he agreed to show how it works.

There are hundreds, maybe thousands, of wireless-computer users in Tallahassee. The technology lets them remotely connect to the Internet with only a laptop. No cords, no plugging in — just convenience and mobility.

Risk, too, if they aren't careful. Anytime one person sends information through the air, someone else can hijack it — and maybe ride those wireless waves straight into an unguarded computer.

Then? Possible access to Internet accounts, business files, personal information, even money.

It can be prevented with the right security. But more often than not — better than half the time by most estimates — wireless users don't bother.

Wardrivers divide themselves into two groups: white hats and black hats, good guys and bad.

The difference lies in intention. Technically, wardriving — simply detecting open networks — is not illegal. Not until you actually use the signal to get into someone else's computer.

White hats say they only look for the networks. The black hats are the "crackers," the ones who actually break in to computers.

"It doesn't take a ton of work to be sophisticated enough to be able to exploit these vulnerabilities," said Alec Yasinac, an assistant professor at Florida State University and co-founder of the school's Security and Assurance in Information Technology lab.

Earlier this month, the FBI arrested two men in Southfield, Mich., a suburb of Detroit, for cracking the network of a home-improvement store chain. They'd gotten in through the wireless network of the Michigan store — and followed an electronic trail all the way to the company's headquarters in North Carolina.

There, they were able to snoop customer credit-card numbers, according to the FBI.

"That's one of the dangers of networks with flimsy security. But it's not just money — any information sent over an unencrypted network is vulnerable: medical records, legal documents,

government files, everything. And what about home users? The chances are fairly low that a cracker with the skills to do serious harm would attack a home network, according to Yasinac and other security experts.

However, there are some real dangers, mostly from "script kiddies" who download cracking programs from the Net.

They aren't sophisticated hackers, knowing just enough to use malicious software, but not enough to understand how it really works.


"So they're going to go after the low-hanging fruit," said Louis Brooks, a Florida State University grad student who works with Yasinac in the security lab.

The "kiddies" can inject viruses into your network, snatch passwords and credit-card numbers, or what's considered most likely, steal your Internet service.

There's room for only so many users on any home's Internet connection. If an intruder is online, or secretly changes your settings, you could be blocked out.

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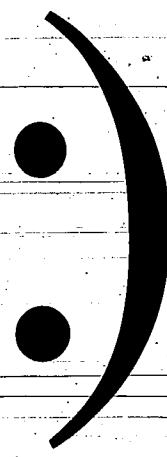
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For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

I AM GOING TO MAKE A CUP OF TEA WITHOUT ANY HELP FROM ANYONE.

I HAVE A CUP (KETTLE).

WHAT IF YOU FELL? YOU WOULD HAVE A LITTLE BIT OF TEA. I'LL MAKE IT FOR YOU.

COULD YOU BE DOING ON THAT STEP? STAY!

IF YOU'RE SO TIRED, WHY DON'T YOU GO LIE DOWN ON THE SOFA?

THAT'S WHAT I'M RESTING UP TO DO.

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Dilbert By Scott Adams

WHAT?!! ACCORDING TO THE PAPER, WE'RE MERGING WITH AN EVIL COMPANY THAT PLANS TO DOWN-SIZE US.

DID THEY RUN MY QUOTE ABOUT HOW VALUABLE YOU ARE?

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WHAT ARE YOU DOING, DEAR?

OH, JUST RESTING. HAD A TOUGH DAY TODAY.

IF YOU'RE SO TIRED, WHY DON'T YOU GO LIE DOWN ON THE SOFA?

THAT'S WHAT I'M RESTING UP TO DO.

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B.C. By Johnny Hart

I WISHED UPON A LITTLE STAR.

IN HOPES I COULD, ONE DAY, SHOOT PAR.

NOT ONLY DID I REACH MY GOAL,

I SHOT IT BY THE SEVENTH HOLE.

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YOU KNOW I ALWAYS SAY, DON'T YOU?

NO, WHAT?

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ME NEITHER.

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I THINK GRANDFAS ARE JUST OVERGROWN KIDS, JOEY!

"When you're playin' phone tag, how do you know who's it?"

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BUT DO YOU THINK YOUR BOSS WOULD SPONSOR OUR BAND?

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I SAID THAT YOU WERE CONCERNED WHILE YOUR DAD AND I WERE LISTENING TO "STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN."

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SOUL HE.

GO ON. PLAY IT AGAIN.

HAIRIE WATER. I HAD TO GO BUY MY STRINGS.

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ME TOO!

WHAT'S WRONG?

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I CAN'T QUITE MAKE IT OUT...

MAY I HELP YOU?

NOPE. JUST SHARPENING MY PHONE.

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THE FREE-RANGE CHICKEN!... THE LAST I SAW IT, IT WAS IN AISLES 3, 7 AND 12.

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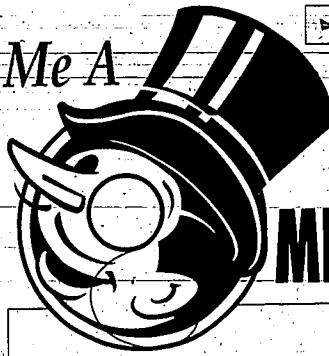
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If that's the best we can do, it's a sad product.

Oakland Raiders coach Bill Callahan after the 22-0 loss to the Broncos

TRIVIA

QUESTION: Since 1997, who is the only golfer beside Tiger Woods to be named PGA Tour player of the year?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school girls basketball
Burley at Twin Falls, 6 p.m.
Minico at Jerome, 6 p.m.
Murtaugh at Hansen, 6 p.m.
Oakley at Hagerman, 6 p.m.
Raft River at Castledale, 6 p.m.
Rimrock at Glens Ferry, 6 p.m.
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Lighthouse Christian at Richfield, 6 p.m.
Valley at Filer, 6 p.m.
Wendell at Shoshone, 6 p.m.
Bliss at T.E. Christian, 6 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Jr. Eagles basketball camp set for Dec. 6

TWIN FALLS - Boys and girls in grades K-6 can take part in the College of Southern Idaho Junior Eagles Basketball Club Camp from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6. Registration begins at 8 a.m. at the Twin Falls High School gymnasium.
By registering, the child becomes a member of the basketball club and receives one general admission ticket to all CSI home games; an official Junior Eagles T-shirt; an official CSI basketball; autographs from CSI players and coaches; a 2003-04 team poster and becomes eligible for a drawing to select a junior manager.
A junior manager gets to sit on the bench during a selected game.
The cost is \$50 per person and \$40 for each additional family member.
For more information and where to pickup an application, call 732-6475 or 732-6486.

Annual Christmas brunch deadline is Wednesday

JEROME - The Jerome Ladies Golf Association will hold its annual Christmas Brunch at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Jerome Country Club.
The deadline to RSVP is Wednesday. Call Terri Lloyd at 324-3191.
The cost is \$10. Guests are welcome. Association members should bring canned goods for the Jerome Ministerial Association and a teddy bear for St. Benedict's Medical Center.

Pleasant Valley GC offers winter rates

KIMBERLY - The winter rates for the Pleasant Valley Golf Course in Kimberly were announced as \$8 for nine holes and a cart and \$12 for 18 holes with a cart.
The greens fees for Tuesday and Thursday are still half price.
Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Mark O'Meara, in 1998, when he won the Masters and the British Open.



New York wide receiver Kevin Swayne celebrates in the end zone after scoring a touchdown in the third quarter Monday at Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J.

Ex-BSU standout fits in now

CHICAGO - Brock Forsey had just rushed for 134 yards, and for the edification of all the newcomers in his locker-room stall, he was listing the barriers he had broken through to become an NFL running back.
"There are always going to be people who are doubting you," he said. "They might say, 'Look, he's 205 pounds. He's not the biggest guy or the fastest guy.'"
Surely, Forsey was being coy. He's the whitest guy, and if you think that shouldn't matter, you're right. But take a look around the NFL, and you might notice that Forsey sticks out among tailbacks like a white thumb. There is Tampa Bay's Mike



Brock Forsey

Jets knock off Titans

N.Y. keeps slim playoff hopes alive

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) - The Tennessee Titans had the perfect chance to sit atop their division alone for the first time all season.
Chad Pennington and the New York Jets took it away from them. Pennington threw two second-half touchdown passes and the Jets beat Steve McNair and the Titans 24-17 Monday night.
The Jets (5-7) kept their slim playoff hopes alive and handed the Titans (9-3) their first loss in

seven games.
"It was a playoff game for us," Jets coach Herman Edwards said. "If we can play like this against a good football team, it brings a lot of life back. I felt this week we were going to win this game. I felt this team was going to be ready to play."
McNair started the game despite a strained right calf, hoping to give the Titans sole possession of the AFC South after Indianapolis' loss Sunday to the New England Patriots. They now have to wait another week for that to happen, with a home showdown against the Colts this weekend.

McNair finished 21-of-35 for 272 yards with two touchdown passes and two interceptions. He threw an 8-yard scoring pass to Derrick Mason with 1:52 remaining to get the Titans within a touchdown, but Chris Baker recovered the onside kick for the Jets to close out the win.
Mason finished with 11 receptions for 133 yards and one touchdown.
Pennington, meanwhile, finished 18-of-23 for 231 yards and also had two interceptions.
Pennington engineered two straight scoring drives in the second half to take control of the game.
The first featured a little trickery. A reverse to Santana Moss

gained 6 yards, and a flea flicker that Pennington threw to Curtis Conway got them 27 yards to the Titans 27.
On the next play, Pennington threw a 27-yard touchdown pass to Kevin Swayne for a 17-10 lead.
"I knew I had a good opportunity because I was facing bump coverage," Swayne said. "It was just a matter of just doing my job."
After forcing the Titans to punt, Pennington put the Jets up by two touchdowns. Pennington threw an 8-yard pass to Conway to cap the drive.
McNair tried to rally the Titans but Sam Games broke up a pass in the end zone intended for Erron Kinney on fourth-and-goal with 5:21 remaining.

High expectations: Bruins hope for playoffs

Minico has chance to improve on last year's 7-15 record

BY JOE PAISLEY Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS - The football team made the state playoffs, so why not the boys basketball team?
Such are the high expectations for the Twin Falls High boys basketball program under second-year coach Matt Harr. The Bruins are already 1-0 after an early season win against Boise High.
Harr is lucky. He's already seen how his troops play in game conditions. The other area large school coaches are still waiting.
Minico looks to be an improved team in 5A ball while in 4A, could pay dividends in the win-loss column. Jerome will rely on its lone senior, returner to build toward the end of the season.



Harr said, "We are very athletic and have good shooters. Sometimes we forget the fundamentals and rely on athleticism. That might get us in trouble." The coaches are still working on substitution patterns. "It might take a few games," Harr said.

Boys Basketball Season Previews

Today: Class 5A and 4A
Wednesday: Class 3A and 2A
Thursday: Class 1A
INSIDE: Find team capsules on Page D2
very smooth with his shot. That's why he's playing varsity."
Guards Todd Cook and Cory Albertson are solid, quick defenders while twin Mike and Mitch Smith, both 6-2 juniors, are capable scorers. Senior 6-2 guard Graham Stanley is a pure shooter.
The Bruins will look to improve on last year's 15-8 mark by avoiding close losses. Six times, the Bruins fell by two points or less.
"I don't think that will happen this year," Harr said. "We'll win those close games."
That will make a big difference when it comes to district seeding. Twin falls ended up fourth, losing on the road.
"We got to host some district games," he said.
Things begin in Minico, which finished 7-15 last season, with fourth-year varsity performer Travis Noble at guard. The 6-0 senior returns to the Spartans' lineup after averaging 19 points per game, five assists and three steals.
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Jayhawks leap from sixth to No. 1 in Associated Press hoops poll

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Bill Self didn't have to wait to be No. 1 at Kansas.
The Jayhawks, taking advantage of losses by the top four teams last week, jumped from sixth to No. 1 in the Associated Press men's college basketball

poll Monday.
Their move to the top was the biggest in almost 40 years and matched the second biggest in the history of the poll, which started in the 1948-49 season.
"I don't believe we're deserving of it, but I don't know if anyone is right now," the first-year coach

said before Monday morning's shootaround. "There are probably 10 to 12 teams out there who could be No. 1 the way things played out last week."
Kansas (2-0) beat then-No. 3 Michigan State 81-74 in their only game last week, and combined with losses by Connecticut, Duke

and Arizona (Nos. 1, 2 and 4 last week) and an unimpressive win by then-No. 5 Missouri, it meant another trip to No. 1.
Florida beat Arizona to move up from eighth to No. 2, defeated Georgia Tech, defeated Connecticut, and Purdue beat Duke, moving them into the rank-

ings for the first time this season. Georgia Tech was 13th, and the Boller-makers were 20th.
Kansas was runner-up No. 1 for four weeks in the 2001-02 season, its first stint at the top since getting there for five straight seasons from 1992-93 through 1996-97.

N.Y. Yankees talk with Gary Sheffield

BY RONALD BLUM Associated Press writer
-NEW YORK - The New York Yankees have talked with free agent Gary Sheffield several times in the past week, but they haven't agreed to a contract and negotiations could push past next weekend.
"Conversations are progressing with more than one team," Rufus Williams, the outfielder's agent, said Sunday night. "There are still other teams that are interested."
Sheffield met informally with Yankees' officials at last Monday's game between the Tampa-Bay Buccaneers and the New York Giants.
New York offered a three-year contract but might wait to close any deal until after the Dec. 7 deadline for teams to offer salary.
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SPORTS

BOYS-BASKETBALL CAPSULES

Utah Jazz trim Nets, 91-84

Class 5A
Minico Spartans

Coach: Mike Graefe, fifth year
Assistant coach: Lynn Nielsen
2002-03 record: 7-15
Key returners: Travis Noble 6-0, sr. G; Matt Schenk 6-4 jr. F; Charlton Coats 6-0 sr. C-F; Kody Bingham 6-5 Jr. P
Others to watch: Stafford Gillette 6-0 sr. L; Luke McCall 6-2 sr. G; Eric Lloyd 6-3 sr.; Michael Konrad 6-0 jr.; Michael Rawson 5-11 jr.; Jacob Maughan 6-3 sr.
Outlook: The Spartans have the go-to player back in senior Travis Noble who averaged 19 points, 5 assists and 3 steals per game last season. Junior 6-4 forward Matt Schenk will look to improve on a 7-point, 6-rebound average as a sophomore. Schenk and junior 6-5 post Kody Bingham will lead Minico inside. Expect the Spartans to improve on their 7-15 record from last year.

Coach says: "Limiting second-shot opportunities will be key to our success."

Twin Falls Bulls

Coach: Matt Hart, second year
Assistant coaches: Stacey Behrens, Mark Schaal, Shaun Walker, Cole Easter
2002-03 record: 15-8, fourth in district

Others to watch: Tyler Clark 6-3 sr.; Steve Elsensohn 5-11 jr.; Anthony Curriel 6-1 jr.; Kevin

district
Key returners: Luc Martin 6-4 sr. P; Graham Stanley 6-2 sr. G; Cory Albertson 5-10 sr. PG; David DeLeon 6-0 sr. P
Others to watch: Mike Smith 6-2 jr.; Mitch Smith 6-2 jr.; Todd Cook 5-8 jr.; Tanner Hazzbaker 6-0 jr.; Brett Vriesman 6-5 soph.
Outlook: The Bruins are already 10 after an early start to the season. Martin is the team's go-to player while Stanley and Cook both came up big in that win. The team has a lot of good shooters and with the development of 6-5 sophomore Brett Vriesman some good size inside. Turnovers and defense will be deciding factors as usual.
Coach says: "There will be times when we have five good shooters on the floor. Shooting and quickness will be strengths."

Class 4A
Burley Bobcats

Coach: Jack Bagley, second year
Assistant coaches: Brad Nelson, Eric Page, Gary Elsensohn
2002-03 record: 10-13
Key returners: Scott Randleklev 6-5 sr.; Graydon Funk 6-3 sr.; Wes Hadden 5-10 sr.; Brandt Hines 6-5 sr.; Cade Jones 5-10 sr.
Others to watch: Tyler Clark 6-3 sr.; Steve Elsensohn 5-11 jr.; Anthony Curriel 6-1 jr.; Kevin

of play has sometimes left the Spartans vulnerable on the boards, something Graefe hopes is not the case this season.
"We're really concentrating on not giving up second shots," he said. "We've applied pressure in past and this year, we might be a little more vanilla. I guess you could say it's just a different scheme and something I've thought of doing for a while but never had the guts to try it."

Class 4A

"Expect big-things-out-of-Burley judging from the size listed on the roster. Although the team is inexperienced, the Bobcats should be able to bang the boards with 6-5 senior Scott Randleklev leading a front line with 6-5 Brandt Hines and 6-3 Graydon Funk, all seniors.
"They're a little bit raw as far as abilities go," said second-year coach Jack Bagley. "Randleklev played a lot as a sophomore and junior so we look to him to be our leader."
Guard Wes Hadden had a good year in football and could be poised to breakout on the hardwood.
Junior Steve Elsensohn takes over the point guard duties.

McCoey 6-5 jr.; Brian Fletcher 5-8 jr.; Andrew Edwards 6-1 jr.

Outlook: Randleklev will lead a tall but mostly inexperienced group of Bobcats. Still, with six seniors and five juniors these Bobcats should improve on last year's 10-13 record.
Coach says: "We should be very competitive although there are many tremendous teams on our schedule."

Jerome Tigers

Coach: Houston-Finn, fourth year
Assistant coaches: Will Harrison, Mari Espinoza, Travis Hlat
2002-03 record: 4-18
Key returners: Jared Miller 6-6 sr. P; Brett Boesiger 6-2 soph.;
Others to watch: Drew Vance 6-2 jr.; Conrad Lee 5-7 jr.; Curtis Bell 5-10 jr.; Chance Craig 5-9 jr.; Seth Wood 6-2 jr.; Jared Harrison 6-3 jr.; Troy Tolman 6-0 soph.;
Outlook: With one senior back, things could be rough early for the Tigers, who will try to build needed court experience by the end of the season. Miller is the go-to guy while Boesiger had a good freshman year on the varsity.
Coach says: "We will steadily improve throughout the season. We will have to really improve on the defensive end of the floor"

Pistons 79, Knicks 78 0T

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SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Andrei Kirilenko and DeShawn Stevenson scored 18 points apiece, and the Utah Jazz won their fourth straight game by holding off the New Jersey Nets 91-84 Monday night.

Utah let a 19-point second-half lead dwindle to three with less than a minute to play before sealing it with four straight free throws to improve to 9-1 at home. It was the Jazz's fifth win in six games.

Greg Ostertag had 10 points and 10-rebounds, and Matt Harpring added 16 points and nine rebounds before fouling out in the fourth quarter for the Jazz. Kirilenko also had three blocks and 10 rebounds for Utah, which outrebounded the Nets 51-25.

New Jersey overcame a poor start with a strong fourth quarter, but still lost its third straight game.
Richard Jefferson led the Nets with 22 points. Jason Kidd added 15 points and Kenyon Martin 10 for New Jersey.

NEW YORK - Antonio McDyess scored just two points in his first game as a member of the Knicks, nearly a year and a half after they

acquired him.
McDyess returned to the court almost 14 months after he fractured his kneecap in a preseason game. The former All-Star and Olympian, acquired in a blockbuster deal that cost the Knicks two starters and a lottery pick, missed five shot attempts and a free throw before scoring his first point.

Chauncey Billups scored seven of his 24 points in overtime for the Pistons, who walked off with the win after Mehmet Okur blocked Michael Doleac's jumper just before the final buzzer.

Grizzlies 96, Celtics 89

BOSTON - Pau Gasol scored 19 points and Lorenzen Wright added 14 points and 12 rebounds to lead Memphis to its first victory against Boston in more than three years.

Memphis snapped a five-game losing streak against the Celtics and avoided being swept by Boston for the third consecutive season. The last time that the Grizzlies beat the Celtics was a 98-87 win on Nov. 26, 2000.

Paul Pierce finished with 26 points to lead Boston.

Bulls 97, Bucks 87

CHICAGO - Playing just a few hours after the trade that brought them from Toronto was finalized, Jerome Williams and Antonio Davis gave the Bulls the energy and enthusiasm they've lacked, and the team's new coach Scott Skiles a winner over Milwaukee in his Chicago debut.

Williams finished with 13 points, a team-high 10 rebounds and four steals as Chicago snapped a seven-game losing streak. Davis had 11 points, five rebounds and three blocked shots.

Pacers 89, Suns 82

PHOENIX - Jermaine O'Neal had 32 points, 14 rebounds, and eight blocked shots and Indiana pulled away from Phoenix in the fourth quarter.

O'Neal made five of six shots for 13 points, grabbed six rebounds and blocked three shots in the fourth quarter. Reggie Miller added a pair of 3-pointers in the final quarter and finished with 15 points. Al Harrington added 18 points, four in a 9-0 run that put Indiana up for good.

Preview

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in being named to The Times-News' All-Area First Team a year ago.
"He's a scorer and he can really get his own shot," said Minico head coach Mike Graefe. "He'll be playing the point for us this year and can get his teammates involved. Last year, we really didn't have a lot of effective scorers so we had to rely on him to shoot the ball."
This season Graefe can look to 6-5 junior Kody Bingham and 6-4 Matt Schenk inside to help alleviate some of Noble's scoring duties. "I think we have effective scorers at all five positions," Graefe said. "Inside, Kody Bingham should be able to score some for us. Shank's more of a banger and a garbage man."
Noble will be joined in the backcourt by fellow 6-0 seniors Charlie Coats and Stafford Gillette.
"Both guys are very good from the outside," Graefe said. "Gillette is more of a stand-up shooter. Charlie can create his own shot a little bit better."
Graefe's teams have always been known for playing an up-tempo style, especially on the defensive end. However, the style

Forsey

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the position, then you have to be willing to allow for the possibility that other races have limitations peculiar to their physical makeup. It's dangerous territory, the same sort of territory that black quarterbacks had to face when people said they weren't smart enough to run a team.
Forsey was a walk-on at Boise State and ended up with 32 touch-downs as a senior, second most in NCAA history behind Barry Sanders.

Although many white high school running backs find themselves in the defensive backfield when they get to college, Forsey said he never had a coach ask him to switch positions. Maybe that's because he can play a little bit. Maybe others can too.

Sheffield

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arbitration to their former players who became free agents, a baseball official with knowledge of the Yankees' deliberations said on condition of anonymity.
If the Atlanta Braves don't offer arbitration to Sheffield, the team that signs him after Dec. 7 would not lose any amateur draft-picks as compensation.
Williams said it's possible Sheffield could sign before then but nothing had been determined.
"A deal is done once it's inked, and we're not at that point," Williams said.
Sheffield, 35, could join an outfield that includes Bernie Williams and Hideki Matsui, Sheffield, whose uncle is Yankees' minor league pitching coach Dwight Gooden, hit .330 last season with 39 homers and 132 RBIs.

Forsey

"It doesn't have anything to do with color," Bears quarterback Kordell Stewart said. "The man has ability."
"If you're a baller, you're a baller," as cornerback R.W. McQuarters correctly put it.
Give the Bears credit for having enough faith in Forsey to take him in the sixth round of this year's draft. Even if the Bears are deluding themselves into thinking they have a chance for the playoffs at 5-7, they had enough confidence in Forsey to put him on the field in what they considered a big game.
Forsey was good enough against an Arizona defense that was ranked 12th against the run coming into Sunday's game. He was sturdy enough to carry the ball 27 times and tough enough to score once. And white enough that every-

one noticed.
"We could not stop Forsey," Cardinals coach Dave McGinnis said. "The kid made us miss."
McGinnis sounded surprised. Forsey wouldn't be surprised that McGinnis was surprised.
"I try to use it as a motivation, prove people wrong," he said. "That's what I did in college, and now I'm trying to make a statement here."
A little more than a month ago, my civil twin wrote that Forsey might "belly" the Bears somewhere down the line, "though the suspicion here is that the somewhere eventually will be Saskatchewan."
-Maybe that "somewhere" is the NFL.

Forsey

Rick Morrissey is a writer for the Chicago Tribune.

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Senators cool off red-hot Flyers, 4-1

OTTAWA (AP) - The NHL-leading Philadelphia Flyers came out short against the Ottawa Senators...

in the second period, the Flyers have scored the first goal in a game since Nov. 3...

nearby eight years. The turnout of 9,576 was the Penguins' worst since 7,170 braved a snowstorm Dec. 19, 1995...

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SCORES AND STATS

FOOTBALL WHAT'S ON T.V.

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Area ski report

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WSU COUGARS ACCEPT HOLIDAY BOWL INVITATION

SAN DIEGO - No 15 Washington State has accepted an invitation to the Pacific Life Holiday Bowl on Dec. 30 in San Diego...

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ROGGE SAYS BASEBALL'S OLYMPIC FUTURE UNCERTAIN

LONDON - Baseball's future as an Olympic sport is uncertain. IOC president Jacques Rogge said the U.S. team's failure to qualify for the Athens Olympics...

TWIN FALLS CHRISTIAN GIRLS TAKE LEAD IN BOWLING

JACKPOT, Nev. - Twin Falls Christian held a 25-18 lead going into the fourth quarter, but Jackpot (Nev.) erupted for 22 points in the final frame to beat the Warriors 40-31 Monday night...

GENE FENDERSON POURED IN 22 POINTS FOR TFC (1-7)

"It's the first game I've ever won," said Hoffman, whose team was playing in its first contest of the season. "We probably missed 10 to 15 layups in the first three quarters and got them to go for us in the final quarter."

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"In 2000, he took the hardest step of all: He opened a factory in Shenzhen, China..."

"My father was dead set against it," Krauss said of the move overseas. "I had the same"

Wal-Mart CEO says he's proud to be at the top

BENTONVILLE, Ark. - H. Lee Scott Jr., 54, joined Wal-Mart in 1979, overseeing the company's trucking fleet. He gained a reputation as a master of logistics, moved into sales and merchandise, and became CEO in 2000.

Question: What obligations does Wal-Mart have as the biggest company in the world, and are you meeting them?

Answer: We have an obligation to give back to the community, and I think we are. We do have a sense that we have to make corporate donations to rebuilding monuments or supporting operas or the arts or any of those things. We think our obligation is to give back in that individual community. That's where that money came from, that's where it ought to go back to.

Q-Founder Sam Walton said that Wal-

Mart wouldn't go where it wasn't wanted. Is that still true?

A: I think that is true. How do you define "Where it's not wanted?" It's not that we would like to not see lower prices? I don't think we're going to let them define whether or not we come. Is it going to be those people who do not want to compete with Wal-Mart? I don't think we're going to let them define it.

Q: What services or products can Wal-

Mart Well, I think financial services is one we would like to be in. We're already offering money orders. We've dramatically lowered the costs of wiring money. There's probably a place for us in mortgages. I think the dot-com is going to be a very powerful tool.

Q: How big can Wal-Mart be?

A: We are 8 percent of the nonautomotive, nonrestaurant sales in the U.S. I'm not

sure why it couldn't be 24 percent. We've really done a great job for our customers, lowering prices, lowering the cost of living, raising the standard of living. It's really unhealthy for us to be 32 percent? Could we be four times bigger right here? I don't know why not.

Q: What is your response to critics who say Wal-Mart is replacing high-paying supermarket jobs with inferior ones?

A: I think it's interesting that people think that we can legislate what the world is going to look like. That they can set up a process of protections that doesn't reward efficiency.

We went through the lowest period of unemployment we've had in years, and yet we staffed our stores. We hired people. We trained people. So, if our jobs were so poor, when you had 2 percent unemployment, 3 percent unemployment, how did we get a million people?

Q: Do you think your wages and benefits

will be better? A: No. But I think one of the goals would be to pay people as much as you can pay them. I think that's obviously anybody's goal, so that you can have a balance between what the prices should be (and) what the pay should be.

I think health care is a huge issue for all of us and whether it's buried in the costs of the product or whether it's in your pay check, I think there's something that we as a country are having to address as we discuss this going up.

Q-Are you proud of the wages-and-benefits you provide?

A: Yes, I'm proud. I think it's very competitive, but I'm particularly proud of the careers we provide. I see associates who like us and appreciate what the company has done for them and who know that the company appreciates what they have done.

- Los Angeles Times

Comparison shopping

These groceries were bought on Sept. 4 at a Wal-Mart Supercenter and at Idaho Vons and Albertsons stores in Las Vegas.

Table with 4 columns: Item, Wal-Mart, Albertsons, Vons. Items include 1 gallon of milk, 2-lb. bag of carrots, Head of romaine lettuce, Box of Cheerios, Large loaf of Wonder bread, 13-ounce Folgers coffee, 2-liter bottle of Coke Classic, Hebrew Natl. hot dogs, Herbal Essence shampoo.

respect for American workers, but I'm going to do what I have to do to survive. Survival in an age when consumers are hyper-vigilant about prices-means shaving expenses again and again. "Nobody wants to be on the shelf with the same item for \$1 more," Krauss said.

Twice a year, his sales repre-

sentatives travel to Wal-Mart headquarters to pitch their products. There, competitors sit side by side, waiting to be ushered into one of 60 glass-sided cubicles - a space some call Vendors' Alley.

Then the haggling begins. "You give them your price," Krauss said. "If they don't like it, they give you theirs."

whittled down like you never thought possible," Krauss said. After moving much of his manufacturing abroad, Krauss doesn't see any way to push costs lower. "If you're doing things legally,

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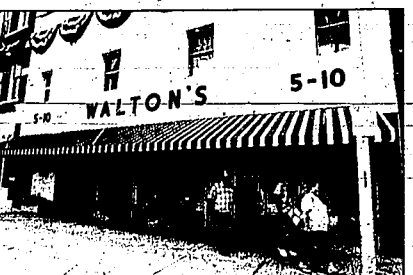
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