


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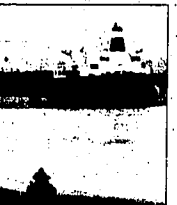
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Pushing for progress



Above, Kim Lickley, a teacher at Jefferson Elementary School in Jerome, reads to her fourth-grade class Friday morning. Jefferson is one of several area schools that have got off of the 'needs improvement' list under the No Child Left Behind law.

Some local schools get off 'needs improvement' list

By Karin Kowalski
Times-News writer

JEROME — Kim Lickley's boisterous pupils sat down to multiplication practice after recess at Jefferson Elementary School Friday morning. Once the timer started, the only sound was the muted tap of pencils on paper. A little more than two minutes later, the fourth-graders were done with two sets of 50 problems in a minute. Then it was on to sitting on the floor to discuss and hear Lickley reading aloud from, "The Great White Man-Eating Shark."

Lickley is on the front line of the school's efforts to improve

pupil test scores and meet the proficiency requirements of the No Child Left Behind law. Jefferson has been on the list of "needs improvement" schools, but after two years of work, it has made adequate progress and gotten off the list.

How did the school do it? "A lot of hard work by teachers," Principal Dale Layne said. He said the staff worked on teaching students in ability groups and focused on the groups that needed help, mainly Hispanic pupils.

Jefferson Elementary isn't the only school rising to the increasing demands for better test scores. At least nine in the Magic



Fourth-grader Jonathan Jones, right, and Adolfo Contreras work on writing a response to a book following their teacher's reading.

Valley accomplished the goal of meeting the requirements in reading and math for two years

and getting off the list, according to SCHOOLS, Page A2

Progress report

Here are south-central Idaho schools that have avoided or are facing possible sanctions in connection with the No Child Left Behind Act:

Removed from "needs improvement" list:

- Cassia County: Mountain View Elementary, Declo Elementary, Oakley Elementary.
- Filer: Hollister Elementary, Filer Elementary, Filer Middle School.
- Gooding: Gooding Elementary.
- Jerome: Jefferson Elementary.

- Twin Falls: Magic Valley High School.

On "alert" status for not making adequate progress in one or more categories:

- Blaine County: Halley Elementary School, Wood River High School.
- Buhl: Buhl Middle School.
- Dietrich: Dietrich School.
- Hagerman: Hagerman School.
- Gooding: Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind.
- Shoshone: Shoshone Junior

- High School, Shoshone High School.
- Wendell: Wendell Middle School.
- Filer: Filer School District.

On "needs improvement" list and facing sanctions for not making progress for a second year in the same subject:

- Blaine County: Wood River Middle School.
- Bliss: Bliss School.
- Cassia County: Burley Junior High School, Bunley High School, district as a whole.
- Glenns Ferry: Glenns Ferry High School and Middle School.
- Gooding: Gooding Middle

- School, district as a whole.
- Jerome: Horizon Elementary, Jerome High School, Jerome Middle School, district as a whole.
- Minidoka County: East Minico Middle School, Minico High School, West Minico Middle School, district as a whole.
- Twin Falls: Robert Stuart Junior High, Twin Falls High School, O'Leary Junior High, district as a whole.
- Hazlet: Valley School.
- Buhl: Buhl School District.
- Hagerman: Hagerman School District.
- Shoshone: Shoshone School District.

New diet guidelines call for more whole grains, exercise

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Not just any bread will do: Americans need more fiber, and whole wheat is better than white bread for getting it, a panel of scientists and doctors said Friday.

The federal advisory panel was offering its final recommendations for making the government's food pyramid a better guide to proper eating. But diet alone is not enough. The guidelines should put a new emphasis on exercise and other physical activity, the committee said. It explained that most people seeking to control their weight need 60 to 90 minutes of moderate to vigorous activity daily.

About two-thirds of the nation's population is overweight or obese, according to the latest government figures.

The recommendations play down the current guideline's highlighted advice to "choose beverages and foods to moderate your intake of sugars." Americans still should control

Food pyramid prospectus

A panel of health experts made its recommendation on what advice should be included in the updated federal food pyramid on Friday, outlining how Americans can stay healthy.

Some key pieces of advice

Consume a variety of foods within and among the basic food groups while staying within energy needs

Control calorie intake to manage body weight

Be physically active every day

Increase daily intake of fruits and vegetables, whole grains, and nonfat or low-fat milk and milk products

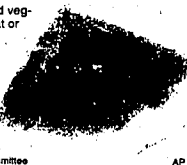
Choose fats wisely for health

Choose foods with little salt

If you drink alcoholic beverages, do so in moderation

Keep food safe to eat

SOURCE: Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee



AP

their intake of sugar-sweetened foods and drinks, particularly people who need to watch their weight, the guidelines say, but they do not include advice among nine major points the

new proposals stress. The panel's report goes to government officials who will prepare a final version for the secretaries of Agriculture and of Health and Human Services.

Militants abandon shrine

The Associated Press

NAJAF, Iraq (AP) — Militants fled out of the Imam Ali Shrine, closed the doors behind them and turned over the keys to Iraq's top Shiite cleric Friday, symbolizing their acceptance of a peace deal to end three weeks of devastating fighting in this holy city.

By Friday afternoon, dozens of Iraqi police and national guardsmen surrounded the shrine compound — many kissing its doors and weeping — as the government began to re-establish control over the Old City of Najaf. Some residents of the devastated neighborhood waved to them and yelled out, "Welcome, Welcome."

U.S. forces still maintained their positions around the holy site, with tanks about 300 yards from the shrine and jet fighters flying overhead, but the fierce clashes of previous days had ended and most of the battered city had fallen calm.

"Today, the Najafs can sleep well," Hamed al-Khalaf, an aide to Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani, told Al-Arabiya television.

Dozens of the militants loyal to Muqtada al-Sadr piled their Kalashnikov rifles in front of the firebrand cleric's office here, but thousands of others were believed to be still armed, and some were seen pushing carts full of machine-guns and rocket launchers through a narrow alley.

The peace plan, presented by al-Sistani on Thursday and accepted by the government and al-Sadr, calls for the cities of Najaf and Karbala to be declared weapons-free, for all foreign forces to withdraw from Najaf and leave police in charge of security and for the government to compensate those harmed by the fighting.

The plan allowed al-Sistani, the most revered Shiite cleric in Iraq, to exercise his consideration for authority and prove that he could succeed where other peace emissaries had failed. It gave the interim government control of the city, disentangled U.S. forces from the persistent violence here and brought al-Sadr and his militants back away from free.

But it also allowed al-Sadr to keep his militia, which fought with U.S. forces here in the spring and could take up arms again.

A U.S. defense official, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said the U.S. military is wary of any agreements in Najaf because al-Sadr's militia has used previous breaks in fighting to regroup and rearm.

But the White House welcomed the agreement, though it cautioned that the administration was not aware of all the details.

Officials find explosives on Russian plane wrecks

The Associated Press

MOSCOW — Russian officials said Friday they detected traces of a high explosive in the wreckage of one of two crashed jetliners, branding it the work of terrorists, while an Islamic group claimed its suicide attackers brought down both planes because of the war in Chechnya.

At least one crash was "the result of a terrorist act," a spokesman for the Federal Security Service, Sergei Ignatenko, told the ITAR-Tass news agency in Washington. "White House spokesman Scott McClellan said evidence was growing that both crashes were acts of terrorism."

Russia's leaders didn't speculate publicly about who might be responsible for the crashes, which killed a total of 90 people. But officials confirmed they were looking into the backgrounds of two female passengers with Chechen names who booked tickets on the doomed flights at the last minute and who were the only victims whose relatives did not

contact authorities. In addition, the explosive hexogen detected on plane parts was the same that Russian officials reported being used in earlier attacks by Chechen separatists.

On an Internet site connected to Islamic extremists, a statement from a militant group said the planes were attacked in retaliation for Russia's war in the predominantly Muslim region of Chechnya and warned it was only the first in a series of planned operations. There was no way to check the claim's authenticity.

The official announcement that terrorists had struck Russia's civil aviation industry — an essential transport sector for this vast nation — prompted only a low-key response. The government avoided drastic measures such as closing airspace or grounding flights, and President Vladimir Putin made no public comment on the evidence of explosives.

Analysts said the government was trying to avoid an

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Bush issues orders for intelligence reform

By Rick Pearson
Chicago Tribune

MIAMI — Buffeted by Democratic criticism that he has not moved quickly enough on the recommendations of the bipartisan Sept. 11 commission, President Bush on Friday issued several executive orders aimed at strengthening intelligence-gathering and concentrating authority under the director of central intelligence.

The White House described the orders as a first step toward a

national intelligence director, which was recommended by the panel created to investigate shortcomings in intelligence surrounding Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on New York and the Pentagon.

White House press secretary Scott McClellan said the Bush administration will work with Congress to formally establish a national intelligence director, which would require legislation. But no agreement has been reached on how much authority over budget or personnel would go with the position — a matter

that has been debated among commission members, lawmakers and the administration.

McClellan has said repeatedly that the White House has an "open mind" on budgetary and personnel authority and said the administration wants to have a position that is as "independent" as possible. The overall budget for intelligence operations is estimated at \$40 billion.

In addition, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld has expressed reluctance to act quickly on the national intelligence director's

post. The Pentagon controls more than \$3 billion of the nation's intelligence budget.

Asked by reporters if the White House would support granting total budgetary control over defense and non-defense budgets to the new position, a senior administration official said only that the president's actions reflect Bush's "commitment that the national intelligence director is going to have all the authority they need to do the job that they need to do."

Administration officials also

said the enhanced powers of the director of central intelligence will give the director the power to make final decisions on where assets should be deployed or relocated.

Intelligence-gathering duties now are largely split between the Central Intelligence Agency and the Pentagon. Bush has ordered that the heads of such agencies as the National Security Agency and the Defense Intelligence Agency report to the director of central intelligence, who would exercise full authority.

Judge rules ban violates Florida law

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — A state judge ruling the 15 Florida counties with touchscreen voting from conducting manual recounts is at odds with state law, which requires hand recounts in some close elections, a judge ruled Friday.

A coalition including a labor union, government watchdogs and other interest groups sued the state, arguing the law requires provisions for hand recounts in every county, no matter what voting technology is used.

Administrative Law Judge Susan Kirkland agreed, writing that state law clearly contemplates "that manual recounts will be done on each certified voting system, including the touchscreen voting systems."

With a primary election Tuesday and more than half the state's voters in counties that use touchscreens, it is not clear what those counties will do.

Secretary of State Glenda Hood, who issued the ruling preventing manual recounts in touchscreen counties in April, was considering appealing Friday's decision, a spokeswoman said. An appeal would keep Hood's rule in place.

Elections supervisors in some of the 15 counties with touchscreens had asked the state what they should do about a law requiring manual recounts when elections are particularly close, because the machines the counties use are not programmed to create a paper record of each vote.

The Division of Elections issued the rule in April saying that because touchscreens do not let people vote for the same candidate twice or unintentionally fail to vote in a particular race, there was no reason for touchscreen counties to conduct hand recounts.

Florida's voting system has been under scrutiny since 2000, when it took five weeks of legal maneuvering and some recounting before George W. Bush was declared president.

Also Friday, a Maryland judge said he would decide next week whether the state must take additional steps to ensure that Maryland's touchscreen voting machines will provide an accurate vote count in November.

Tainted flu vaccine may cause delay, not shortage

The Associated Press

A day after a leading flu vaccine maker warned that it would hold up millions of doses because several batches were contaminated, U.S. health officials said Friday they do not expect a flu shot shortage.

Only about 4 million doses appear to be tainted — not enough to have a big impact on this year's supply although there may be a delay in making some shots available, the officials said.

"This is not a crisis," said Dr. Julie Gerberding, director of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"We'll end up having more vaccine doses than we've ever had before. Ultimately, all people who need flu vaccine should be able to get their shots," she predicted.

On Thursday, Chiron Corp., which supplies half the nation's flu vaccine, said factory tests had revealed that some batches were tainted, and that all 50 million doses that the company was producing would be held up for additional tests to ensure safety.

"We are confident that we've identified the root cause," said John Varricka, Chiron's vice president of commercial operations for North America. He refused to say what the contaminant was.

Wind, hail whip across Iowa

LEON, Iowa (AP) — Storms whipped across Iowa, pulling down a nursing home's wall, dropping softball-size hail and dumping up to six inches of rain that raised fears of flooding. No serious injuries were reported.

The National Weather Service could confirm the tornadoes from the storms late Thursday, but high winds damaged farm buildings, uprooted trees and tore through power lines across the state.

In the southern town of Leon, utility crews and residents spent the morning picking up tree limbs and other debris.

Gerita Scott, 78, said the storm had woken her up, and she watched it unfold from her living room chair.

"I sat there and prayed because I was scared," she said. "It was terrible. Oh, that noise. It was a roar."

Lance Johnson, 33, was out of town when the storm struck.

"We came back to this mess and said, 'Oh man,'" said Johnson, who found a large tree toppled in his backyard.

Police in Hancock County, in northern Iowa, reported homes and cars damaged by hail as big as softballs. Golf ball-sized hail was reported in Crawford County. In the west, said Lucinda Parker, Iowa Emergency Management spokeswoman.

Three to 6 inches of rain fell across southeastern Iowa, primarily in Van Buren and Lee counties, which remained under a flash flood warning Friday.

About 100 miles north, outside Cedar Rapids, a wall collapsed at the Hiawatha Care



Storm clouds form over a farm located southeast of Liddersdale, Iowa, Thursday. Storms pummeled Iowa late Thursday.

Center in Hiawatha, and part of the roof was lost. A resident cut her foot when she stepped on broken glass, said Lanny Harris, the center's dietary supervisor.

Jail releases former CIA contractor

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — A former CIA contractor charged with beating an Afghan detainee who later died was released from custody Friday pending his trial on assault charges.

David A. Passaro, 38, had been jailed since his arrest in June. He was charged June 17 with four counts of assault stemming from the beating of Abdul Wali at a U.S. military base in Afghanistan in June 2003. Wali later died.

Passaro, a former Green Beret, walked out of the federal courthouse after a brief hearing at which U.S. District Court Judge Terrence Boyle reviewed the conditions for release, which include an electronic monitoring device. Federal prosecutors had sought unsuccessfully to delay the release until they had a complete set of papers putting Passaro's home up as security.

Outside the courthouse, Passaro hugged friends and said he was grateful that Boyle released him and looked forward to his trial.

"It feels great," he said of his release.

Prosecutors say Wali died after two days of interrogation and beatings by Passaro, who was working as a contractor for the CIA at the base. Prosecutors said three pararescuers from the 82nd Airborne Division would testify that they witnessed the beating.

If convicted, Passaro could be sentenced to up to 40 years in prison and fined \$1 million.

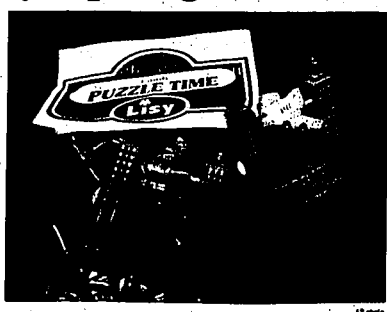
Miami company recalls candy bags containing toy depicting 9-11 attack

MIAMI (AP) — Small toys showing an airplane flying into the World Trade Center were packed inside some of more than 14,000 bags of candy bound largely for small groceries around the country before being recalled.

Lisy Corp., the wholesaler that distributed the candy, said Friday that the toys were purchased in bulk from a Miami-based import company. The toys came in an assortment purchased sight unseen from L&M Import in Miami and included the toys depicting the Sept. 11, 2001, attack on the twin towers, whistles and other small toys, said Luis Padron, Lisy's national sales manager. The invoice said the toy was a plastic swing set.

Padron said Lisy did not notice the small plastic figurines until two people complained, but there is no mistaking what the toys represent: At the bottom of each is the product number 9011.

"When we found out what happened, we recalled them immediately," said Padron, who said the toys made in China do



A wholesaler in Miami, Fla., is recalling 14,000 bags of candy Friday containing this toy, right, that shows a plane flying into the twin towers. Lisy Corp., said Friday the toys were purchased in bulk and the company did not notice what the small figurines depicted until someone complained.

not reflect his company's view. "I was offended by them," he said. The candy bags were distributed by the company's 100 distributors. Most are sold to small Hispanic and Mexican groceries, Padron said. He said 448 of the Twin Tower toys left the warehouse for distribution, but he managed to put a hold on the rest.

Anita Rodriguez, who bought a bag of the candy for her grandson, said she was stunned when she saw the toy.

"It makes me angry," she told television station WTVT-TV. "I was offended because I couldn't believe that someone would give something like that to a kid." Padron said he is saving the toys to return to the distributor.

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*New this year: Presentations on interview preparation by Kat Powell, Career Developer and Resume Building with Karyl Meyers, Center for New Directions, College of Southern Idaho.

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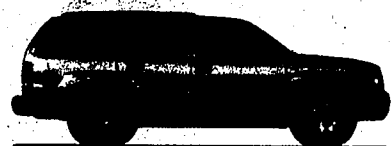
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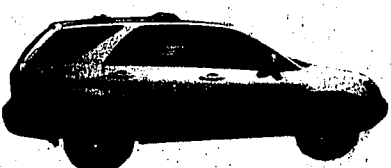
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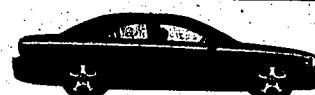
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Criticism of Kerry reeks of hypocrisy

Among the human attributes that excite the most contempt, hypocrisy occupies a special place. Those who say one thing and do another or who criticize others for moral deficiencies that they themselves exhibit are deservedly the objects of public derision.

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So it is with the "chicken-hawks" of the Vietnam War generation currently dividing what passes for leadership in this administration. They include Vice President Dick Cheney, who discovered he had "other priorities" during Vietnam, and Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz, who graduated from Cornell University in 1965 but decided to forgo military service during the war.

Recently have had a renewed opportunity to observe hypocrisy in action in President Bush's reluctance to disavow the contemptible attacks by a group calling itself Swift Boat Veterans for Truth.

This collection of veterans, angry at Kerry's antiwar activism after he returned home from Vietnam, continues to run TV ads attacking Kerry's war record. One of the group's leaders, John O'Neill, has published a book, "Unfit for Command: Swift Boat Veterans Speak Out Against John Kerry."

The New York Times reports that "some people behind the ads had connections to the Bush family, including Texas politicians and to President Bush's chief political aide, Karl Rove."

The Times also says that "the accounts of Swift Boat Veterans for Truth prove to be riddled with inconsistencies. In many cases, material offered as proof by these veterans is undercut by official Navy records and the men's own statements."

Whether this strategy will work is still a question. Redirecting public attention to the Vietnam War may prove unwise, considering the facts of



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Bush's own choice to avoid service in a war he purported to support. According to The Washington Post, "A review of Bush's military records shows that Bush enjoyed preferential treatment as the son of a then-congressman, when he walked into a Texas Guard unit in Houston two weeks before his 1965 graduation from Yale and was moved to the top of a long waiting list."

Safely spared the prospect of combat service, he then virtually disappeared between May 1972 and May 1973. There are few records to indicate his whereabouts during that time.

The Associated Press noted that a full release of Bush's military files when he was running for re-election as Texas governor.

Perhaps it's not important who chose to serve and who did not in that misbegotten war. After all, Bush and prominent members of his administration simply made the same decision to find some way to avoid service that was made by many of the privileged young men of his generation, including Bill Clinton.

What smacks of hypocrisy, however, is to attack the service of Kerry, who lived an equally advantaged life yet made the choice to expose himself to the considerable risks of combat.

That he was intelligent enough to learn something from this experience and came home to oppose the war appears to be the real sin in the minds of many Republican hawks.

They still argue that Vietnam was, in the words of Ronald Reagan, "a noble cause." To change one's mind as the result of experience is, of course, to "flip-flop."

The issue here, in a presidential campaign, is not courage or cowardice. People go to war for many reasons.

For young men of my generation, the issue created a situation in which the largest proportion of those engaged in combat were those who lacked the education or connections to avoid it.

It was a war fought largely by working-class and poor kids. (The majority of our soldiers in Iraq, despite an all-volunteer military, come from similar backgrounds.) Little sacrifice was asked of the society at large, particularly its most fortunate members.

This is what makes Kerry's decision to go to war all the more remarkable, whatever the complicated motives behind it. Whether he deserved his medals, whether he bled enough to justify three Purple Hearts, is irrelevant. That he went, in contrast to our current bellicose commander in chief, is enough. One would think, to earn the respect of those who chose not to. We have all, especially veterans, had enough of this contrived issue.

My Bronx Star column contains some exaggerations written into it by the officer in my unit who submitted it. It was apparently felt that the award reflected well on my regiment and the Army and helped fill a national need for heroism in a decidedly unheroic conflict.

I, too, opposed the war when I got home, based on what I had seen there. I am prouder of that than anything I did with a rifle in my hands. Like Kerry, I believed I had earned the right to speak out. I would prefer not to be criticized by those who didn't go at all.

Gordon Livingston, a West Point graduate who served with the 1st Cavalry in Vietnam, is a psychiatrist who lives in Columbia, Md.

Right absent at GOP dais, but not in agenda

Republicans will again put on a kinder and gentler face when they meet next week in New York. Just as they did in their past two conventions, they've given featured speaking slots to so many prominent party moderates that some conservatives are grumbling.

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Featured speakers include Sen. John McCain of Arizona, who has both campaigned for President Bush and assailed at the rival John Kerry with patriotism, and California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, who has kept greater distance from Bush than any other prominent Republican.

Indeed, just as the Democrats sought last month to soft-pedal their liberal side, the GOP speakers' roster appears designed to play down the more conservative aspects of the party's agenda.

It's nothing new. Republicans have done that in every convention since the sharply conservative tone of their 1992 gathering in Houston was seen as a factor in their loss of the presidency.

In 1996, after the GOP takeover of Congress, the convention bypassed conservative congressional leaders and gave featured slots in San Diego to McCain, Gen. Colin Powell and several prominent women, including Texas Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison.

Four years ago in Philadelphia, with Bush and his allies making a concerted effort to reshape the party's image, Powell and McCain again held featured spots, along with Laura Bush and Condoleezza Rice.

There is a certain irony in spotlighting McCain. Schwarzenegger and former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, a potential 2008 presidential candidate who shares the California governor's moderate stance on social issues but has changed as one of the GOP's most outspoken critics of Kerry.

The president's strategists have based their campaign strategy on spurring a maximum turnout of Republican voters, especially religious conservatives.

That's where Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney are concentrating most of their campaign appearances.

The issues agenda being pursued by Bush and the GOP

congressional leadership has featured such conservative mainstays as making tax cuts permanent despite the budget deficit, passing a constitutional amendment banning gay marriage, tort reform that curbs lawsuits against big companies and speeding the confirmation of conservative judges.

And the role of moderates in party circles has gradually diminished, except in the Senate, where they hold the balance of power.

Still, while the strategy of playing up the moderates and downplaying the conservatives is not new, there is a significant difference between Bush's record to date, but could be even more important in the future since his chances of enactment will likely increase if he wins re-election.

Already, some GOP congressional leaders are talking of adding two more controversial items: a "flat tax" or a national sales tax under which all taxpayers pay the same rate and most conventions would be eliminated, and a Social Security reform measure letting workers put some retirement funds into private accounts.

So far, Bush has been reluctant to talk about such matters. When House Speaker Dennis Hastert of Illinois suggested replacing the current tax system with "either a flat tax, a national sales tax or a value added tax," Bush said, "It's the kind of interesting idea that we ought to explore seriously." But when critics charged that would raise taxes on the middle class, the White House backed off.

And the president has only made vague references to Social Security reform, though he talked about it some in 2000.

Maybe Bush will talk about these subjects next week when he discusses his second-term agenda. But initial indications are that this convention may be long on generalities—the value of tax cuts, education reform and the war on terror—and short on the GOP agenda.

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LETTERS

Rupert events were beneficial for area youth

With reference to the letter to the editor on Friday, Aug. 20, authored by Ralph Maughan, you must be kidding right?

These kids were out there in an organized event, supervised by adult community leaders from Butte and Rupert with the purpose of allowing these young people to engage in these activities under supervision rather than out on the highway or somewhere on their own. A car rally? A supervised paintball event? And this disturbs you? Why?

I applaud the cities of Rupert and Butte and anyone responsible for having the vision and taking the time to provide these young people with these activities.

We see letters from parents complaining that our youth have nothing to do (which is a load of bunk to begin with) and then when someone gets proactive, some malcontent has to whine about it. Mr. Maughan: Were you ever a child or were you born into this world by some miracle as a narrow-minded adult?

KIM LEWIS
Twin Falls

Why apply solutions to dairies without flaws?

Is it any wonder we, the people, lose respect for the politicians? The Times-News, Friday, "Two dairies seek digesters" — C Bar M Dairy, and Stewart Farms, Nampa. These dairies, The Times-News said, have no problems have ever occurred to

date. Either of these two dairies? For this sure is the way our government works.

We are beyond a doubt when it comes to spending tax dollars on pollution, 15 percent obligated to doing it wrong.

Now why would our politicians want to spend tax dollars to improve a monumental problem, odor and waste, by our most important industry in Idaho on two dairies that don't have problems? Just plain politics is what it is. Add stupidity and nuts and you got the bag over the problem.

No way do intelligent people try and cure a problem on a dairy that doesn't have one.

The first answer is there should and will be financial benefits to solving the problem. These two dairies will, if the problem is solved, make more money. For almost a free gift on costs, I contend we stop them right here and now, make them fix Hank what's-his-name in Butte first. He has the criteria already that needs the fixing.

What good is fixing these two dairies that ain't broken. Money. Politics is the answer. Probably the politicians will say the reason they picked these two is both of them have millions in petty cash to fix the rest of the costs. Good reason. But from my seat, I've seen the rich get richer on every deal since 1927.

I say take the money, fix a dairy that's broken, pay all the costs if necessary but spend the bucks on people that can't afford to fix their own problem. Let the two dairies that don't have one benefit from a tax grant by the people, for the people that need help.

Why is this taking place now

anyway when a private company is spending its own money to build one in Minidoka County?

Hell, they are far more apt to fix it right anyway. The damn government has to all broke for the next hundred years with the crackpot deals it pulls.

Doug Jones needs a test also. We got to fix the problem, not just out of if we can.

Pay attention.
BARNEY "B.J." ROWLAND
Hagerman

U.S. war tactics fall against tough enemies

We're facing an enemy like none we've ever known, and we'd better wise up. Sun-Tzu's "The Art of War" (the world's oldest military treatise) taught the first rule: "Know your enemy." Someone who knows the mind of our enemy — Middle East specialist Tom Friedman — says, "The road to peace doesn't go through Baghdad. It goes through Jerusalem."

And Bush's unnecessary, foolish war in Iraq is costing us dearly — military expenditures, \$147 billion (and counting); reconstruction, \$20 billion (\$50 to \$100 billion still needed). Some reconstruction has cost us twice: We paid Bechtel for a job not done, then paid our military to do it. (See "Defense and National Interest" Web site at <http://wwwwd-n.net>.)

It's a jackpot for "crony capitalism" and private contractors who've positioned themselves carefully over many years. As Bush-1's Secretary of Defense, Dick Cheney worked tirelessly to promote the privatization of military support systems. Then,

as citizen Cheney, Dick went to work for defense contractor Halliburton. Flash forward to Bush-43 and the Bush Doctrine of Pre-emptive War, where military solutions are a first resort, and there's a list of countries to invade. Long before 9/11, Bush told Tony Blair he intended to invade Iraq. But after 9/11, he "had to do Afghanistan first," before Iraq, Iran, Syria, North Korea. "Just ask the neo-conservatives and private contractors whether picking U.S. taxpayers' pockets for endless military adventures isn't a gold mine."

When we're spending borrowed money, our debts seem less real. So consider the human cost: 138,000 troops in Iraq; two fatalities a day on average. We need more soldiers. But before the war, Gen. Shinseki was rebuked for estimating we'd need several hundred thousand in post-war Iraq. He was right and the ideologies were wrong. The cost, in blood and money, has just begun. And we are less safe: the Bush Doctrine functions as a recruiting poster for terrorists around the world.

The war-mongering neo-cons have sold all of us, including our likable buffoon of a president, down the river. As part of the military-industrial complex, they're getting rich, but the rest of us are going bankrupt. Japan and other countries own most of our skyrocketing debt, our economy is in big trouble — and as for the human cost, if this bunch gets re-elected you can bet they'll be drafting our young men before their next four years is over.

MARCUS W. NELSON
Rupert

Crows and magpies need to be taken out

Can't the city, county or state do something about the numbers of crows and magpies? They are thick south of town.

I live on the west and it's awful. A bounty or something — 5 cents per bird?

Also, the noxious weeds need to be eliminated.

They are everywhere. City Parks and Recreation?

MARTHA L. ANDERSON
Twin Falls

Get ready for Bush's next global mission

Well, I see our savior is let-

ting us know that he is much smarter than the 9/11 commission. Of course, we must give a little time to make up his mind. After all, a president that freezes in a crisis as he did in the 9/11 attack needs time to respond. Sure hope he comes up with a better plan than he and his administration did on invading Iraq.

I have been telling everybody for the past year this president and his administration plan on invading Iraq. With the way they keep on shuffling our troops around, I'm willing to bet on it.

Who next, Mr. President? North Korea or China?

BUCK WALKER
Twin Falls

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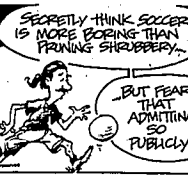
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SECRETLY THINK SOCCER IS MORE EXCITING THAN FRONING SHOOBERRY...



MIGHT MAKE THEM SEEM MORE AMERICAN!



U.N. voices concern over strike

Palestinians in Israeli jails refuse to eat, seek agreement

JERUSALEM (AP) — The United Nations urged Israel on Friday to find a solution to a 13-day-old hunger strike by Palestinian prisoners, reminding Israel of its obligations under international law and human rights conventions.

The death of a striking prisoner could lead to unrest in prisons nationwide.

The 2,600 striking inmates are demanding, among other things, to be transferred to facilities or along frontiers with the West Bank and Gaza Strip to enable visits from family members who are currently barred from entering Israel.

U.N. Middle East envoy Terje Rood-Larsen issued the statement Friday calling on Israel to "comply with its international obligations and to make every effort to find, with the prisoners, an appropriate resolution to the hunger strike."

Meanwhile, 350 prisoners who joined the strike 10 days ago called off their protest Friday, Israeli Prisons Authority spokesman Ofer Lelander said. The prisoners were accompanied by doctors when they resumed eating, he added.

There was no immediate confirmation from the prisoners themselves that they had ended their strike.

The Red Cross said Friday it had visited prisoners during the hunger strike and was planning "to strengthen its team of medical doctors" to better monitor the strikers' health.

"During the visits, the doctors will stress the possible health consequences of the strike and urge the authorities not to sub-



A relative of Palestinian Jadou Al-Kurd, 70, cries in the family house during his funeral at Rafah refugee camp, southern Gaza Strip, on Friday. Jadou was wounded Thursday during an explosion that damaged a house next to his that belongs to a well-known Islamic Jihad militant, Mohammed Khalil, who was also injured, Palestinians said. The Israeli military had no comment.

ject detainees to force-feeding or any other form of duress," the Red Cross said in a statement released in Geneva.

Larsen reminded Israel of its obligations under a U.N. convention and "relevant international human rights instruments which provide for the protection of detainees and prisoners."

Speaking at U.N. headquarters in New York, associate spokesman Stephane Dujarric quoted Secretary-General Kofi Annan as saying he "hopes that the matter will be resolved soon in a manner consistent with international humanitarian law."

Human rights organizations say only about half of the 4,000

Palestinian "security prisoners" in Israeli jails have been convicted. The rest are either awaiting trial on charges of hostility toward Israel or are held under special regulations allowing detainment without trial.

Rights workers say prison staff are withholding necessary medical care from the striking prisoners and using improper psychological pressure to try and break the protest.

"We totally deny these allegations," Lelander said. "The Red Cross makes almost daily visits to everywhere where prisoners are fasting and the medical treatment we give to all prisoners is among the most advanced in the world."

In the Gaza Strip on Friday, a Palestinian rocket plowed into a Jewish settlement, damaging a house but causing no casualties, a settler spokesman said. Palestinians said Israeli forces maintained a closure of main Gaza roads imposed on Thursday after militants fired rockets at an Israeli town.

The Israelis have been unable to stop rocket fire into Israel despite frequent army operations in northern Gaza, the launching zone.

Critics of Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's plan to pull Israeli soldiers and settlers out of Gaza next year warn that after the exit, the rocket attacks will intensify.

War demonstration collapses into fight

The Washington Post

ATHENS — Thousands of anti-war demonstrators clashed with Greek riot police in Athens' main tourist district Friday after a rally to protest U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell's upcoming visit to the Olympics degenerated into a rock-throwing melee.

Greek security forces pepper sprayed the crowd and launched at least one tear gas canister after confronting the protesters next to the Greek Parliament in Syntagma Square. The police acted after some demonstrators hurled bottles and rocks and were blocked from reaching the U.S. Embassy, they intended demonstration about a half mile away.

In the ensuing ruckus, marchers set fire to trash cans and smashed some storefront windows before dispersing about an hour later. In spite of the violence, no serious injuries were reported.

The contingent of about 500 police refrained from making mass arrests and spent most of the evening trying to direct the protesters away from nearby crowds of Olympic tourists, many of whom watched the action from a safe distance. Some journalists were not so lucky; at least three cameramen and reporters were physically assaulted by demonstrators.

Political protests are a common occurrence in Greece, and

it is not unusual for them to turn violent. There is a long history of anti-American and anti-capitalist sentiment among demonstrators here, although the Greek government and Olympics organizers had kept the Games free of such distractions until Friday night.

The march was prompted by news that Powell will visit Athens on Sunday to attend the Olympics' Opening Ceremonies and meet with Greek Prime Minister Costas Karamanlis. An estimated 5,000 people joined in the demonstration, including labor unions, anarchists, Marxists and others opposed to U.S. foreign policy in Iraq, Afghanistan and Israel.

"Colin Powell — Out! Out!" the protesters shouted in English as they carried hundreds of placards indicating their dissatisfaction with a variety of things from the U.S. invasion of Iraq to the Olympics. "War Games, Olympic Games, Game Over," read one sign.

Marica Styliou, a teacher at a local technical college, called Powell "a murderer" and said the vast majority of Greeks are vehemently against the U.S. presence in Iraq. In an interview beforehand, she predicted the demonstration would turn ugly and the police would respond with gas, adding that such outcomes are routine in Athens.

"That's what they're going to do," she said. "We push, and they tear gas."

Greek composer says Jews are root of evil

JERUSALEM (AP) — Greek composer Mikis Theodorakis, who outraged Jews in November by calling them "the root of evil," is at it again, this time saying Jews control the world's banks and the mass media.

Theodorakis, best known for the score of the 1964 film "Zorba the Greek," called himself a "good friend of the Jewish people" in an interview published Friday by the Israeli newspaper Haaretz.

Theodorakis said he granted the interview to try to soothe the feelings he hurt in November. "And I was very much hurt by the Jewish reaction to what I said. It was not a civilized reaction," he told the paper. He said he had received hundreds of "poisonous e-mails from Jews all over the world. I couldn't understand this hatred toward me."

But Theodorakis went on to reiterate his earlier comments and used common anti-Semitic invectives.

He said he doesn't hate Jews, but rather Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's policies regarding the Palestinians, which he described as Nazi-like. Sharon — and other Jews in influential positions — persuaded U.S. President George W. Bush to go to war against Iraq, he added.

Theodorakis' comments in November led Israel to complain to the Greek government, which distanced itself from the composer's remarks.

In March, the Los Angeles-based Simon Wiesenthal Center,

a Jewish advocacy group, urged Jews not to visit Greece, saying "There is no country in Europe that matches the intensity of anti-Semitism in Greece."

Theodorakis, who wrote the Palestinian national anthem — also said there is no anti-Semitism in Europe, despite a recent wave of anti-Jewish attacks.

He called Jewish claims of anti-Semitism a "masochistic reaction" by a people "who like to be the victim."

Theodorakis claimed Jews control banks, the mass media and the United States.

"They hold world finance in their hands, so it's only natural that they would see themselves as very strong," Theodorakis said.

"In America the Jewish community is very strong. It controls much of the economy; certainly the mass media," he said.

Theodorakis said Jewish control of orchestras has prevented him from holding concerts.

"The Jewish people now appear to control the big banks. And often the governments. So whatever bad or evil comes from the governments, the natural for ordinary people to associate that with the Jewish people," he said.

Pakistan parliament elects new minister

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Pakistan's parliament elected former finance minister Shaukhat Aziz, a close ally of President Gen. Pervez Musharraf, as prime minister on Friday after the opposition boycotted the vote, saying it was undemocratic.

Aziz, 55, is a smooth-talking banker who worked 30 years as a Citibank executive before becoming finance minister. He was in the bloodiest coup in 1999. Savvy, articulate and media-savvy, Aziz is credited with reforming an economy that was crippled by international sanctions imposed after Pakistan tested nuclear weapons in 1998.

The change in prime minister is not expected to affect key policies such as Pakistan's support of the U.S.-led war on terrorism or the peace process with rival India, which are firmly in Musharraf's hands.

Still, opposition groups have criticized the political maneuvering to get Aziz elected as an affront to democracy and proof that Musharraf is the dominant force in politics despite the re-institution of parliament after elections in 2002.

Bodies discovered in Najaf court run by al-Sadr's office

NAJAF, Iraq (AP) — In an open air room at an abandoned religious court run by rebel Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr's followers, 10 bloated, darkened bodies lay covered in bloodied blankets.

Iraqi police discovered the corpses Friday, saying they were victims of the court's summary brand of justice. Al-Sadr's followers said they were victims of the intense gun battles fought in Najaf's Old City.

An Associated Press reporter saw 10 bodies, including one of an elderly woman. It was not immediately clear how they died, but several had large gaping wounds that appeared to have been caused by shrapnel.

Some were blackened. Half the skull of one of the dead men was missing and another man appeared to have suffered massive wounds to his stomach.

None of the bodies was dismembered, except one, which had been beheaded.

Pools of dried blood were visible on the floor near the bodies. On the walls were framed photos of al-Sadr and his father, a senior cleric who

was killed by suspected agents of Saddam Hussein in 1999.

The stench of the corpses led police, who were deployed Friday in Najaf's Old City, to the bodies, said Brig. Gen. Amer al-Daami, Najaf's deputy police chief.

"We found bodies, burnt and rotten," he said.

Al-Daami said some of the bodies were those of police officers, and others belonged to civilians. Before the fighting began Aug. 5, authorities accused the militants of taking police hostage in the city and of killing and mutilating some of them.

Al-Sadr's office in Najaf had set up the court, which ordered arrests and meted out punishments outside of religious and legal authorities. Local Iraqi officials have in the past demanded it be shut down and all its prisoners freed.

Police said the bodies belonged to the victims of the court. But a court official, who identified himself only as Hashim, said the corpses belonged to militants killed during three weeks of fierce fighting between al-Sadr's mil-

itiamen and U.S.-Iraqi forces.

During the fighting, the militants had set up their own informal health clinics and morgues. The U.S. military has said it killed hundreds of militants in the fighting, though the militants say their casualty figure was far lower.

The two-story courthouse is made up of 15 rooms filled with desks, computers and books. The bodies were located in an open air area within the courthouse compound.

The courthouse is located about 150 yards from the Imam Ali Shrine. The area around the shrine compound had been heavily bombed by U.S. forces over the last several weeks.

It was not known if U.S. forces had visited the court, and the military had no immediate comment.

The courts have arrested and interrogated hundreds of people on charges including selling alcohol and peddling music deemed immoral. Punishments included flogging.

Al-Sadr's followers have been accused of using the court to settle scores with opponents or to threaten people.

Teacher sentenced for slapping

MANNHEIM, Germany (AP) — An unemployed teacher who slapped German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder at a campaign rally last spring was convicted Friday and sentenced to four months of probation.

Jens Ammoser, 52, was convicted of bodily harm and defamation. He testified that he lunged at Schroeder at the May 18 event out of anger at cuts in social programs.

"Expressing political dissatisfaction through physical violence simply cannot be accepted," Judge Wolfgang Winkler said.

The government refused to comment on the verdict. Ammoser handed out lists of jokes about the chancellor outside the courtroom before the two-hour trial.

Inside, he put a toy red devil in front of him as a good luck charm.

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SPORTS

Wendell begins title defense with victory

The Times-News

WENDELL — Wendell tailback Zac Davis ran for 119 yards and three touchdowns to lead the defending state 2A football champions to a 29-12 win over New Plymouth Friday night.

Trojans quarterback Matt Myers threw for 56 yards on 4-of-10 passing, including a touchdown to Tony Montana. Myers also ran for 32 yards on eight carries.

Right end T.J. King hauled in three catches for 32 yards. Linebackers Will Howerton and Montana led the Trojans in tackles while Davis, Michael Chandler and Jonathan Stone each hauled in interceptions against New Plymouth quarterback Micah Edmundson. Two of the three picks led to scores.

Edmundson's a heckuva quarterback," said Trojans coach Steve Goodbody. "New Plymouth was tough. We might see them again in the playoffs. If we make it. They have a really good passing game but our kids were able to stand up to it and get pressure on their quarterback."

Wendell 29, New Plymouth 12

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New Plymouth 0-0
Second quarter
Wendell 14-0
New Plymouth 0-0
Third quarter
Wendell 21-0
New Plymouth 0-0
Fourth quarter
Wendell 29-12
New Plymouth 12-0

Oakley 44, Rockland 12

ROCKLAND — There will be no witness season this fall for the Oakley Hornets. The Hornets are 1-0 after losing Rockland 44-12, led by 248 total yards by senior tailback Evan McBride. Brady Lierman scored twice on five-yard runs of five yards while McBride rumbled in for a yard of 80 and 15 yards. McBride also hauled in a 30-yard pass from Elliott Thomas.

Funk, Johnson lead at Buick Championship

CHRONWELL, Conn. (AP) — Fred Funk and tour rookie Zack Johnson had near perfect outings Friday to take a one-stroke lead in the Buick Championship after two rounds.

Johnson shot a 5-under 65 and Funk had a 6 to move to 8-under 132 for the tournament, one better than Hank Kuehne (65). First-round leader Corey Pavin and Jose Coorees are two strokes back. A group of six golfers are three strokes behind the leaders.

Johnson, the Nationwide Tour player of the year in 2003, won the BellSouth Classic in March for his first PGA Tour title. The rookie hit at 14 fairways and had seven one-putts in the round. After two days, he's been the most accurate in the tournament, hitting 27 of 28 fairways.

Funk, the most accurate driver on tour, missed only the last green. It cost him sole possession.

CSI

Continued from B1

CSI hit an impressive 448 against the Rebels, led by Tatyana Menshikova's 12 kills in just 14 attempts (.857 hitting percentage).

"We were connecting well," CSI head coach Ben Stroud said. "We were running midline. We were running anywhere we wanted. If it was a set it was a kill. And Tatyana was unbelievable."

Eliane Santos finished the match with eight kills. Gandaulf dished out 17 assists and Edna Serralla 10.

Dixie grabbed a 4-3 lead early in Game 1 and later trailed just 11-10. But a Santos kill, which she followed with several effective freitas, helped the Eagles battle off seven straight points to grab an 18-10 edge.

"We served tough," Stroud said.

If it serving was a strength for CSI, it was just the opposite for the Rebels, according to head coach Jeff Parker.

"We didn't serve the ball

Local sports

Blake Bedke returned an interception 70 yards for another score.

"Our defense played real well," said coach Nick Green.

Oakley hosts Dietrich (0-0) next Friday.

Oakley 44, Rockland 12

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Raft River 58, Sho-Ban 12

MALTA — Raft River scored on 34 of its 10 total offensive plays to rout Sho-Ban 58-12 in a game that ended two minutes into the third quarter. They Tute of Raft River led the scoring with punt returns in the first quarter for 85 and 75 yards. Raft River had 30 points on the board in the first quarter before Sho-Ban scored. Sho-Ban suited up only seven players.

The Trojans led 44-12 at the half. Paden Baker and C.J. Tuckett both scored twice while Brad Barrett hauled in a 30-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Landon Hansen, who also ran in a score.

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McGill shoots 64

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KUTZTOWN, Pa. — Jill McGill shot an 8-under-par 64 to take a three-stroke lead after two rounds of the Wachovia LPGA Classic.

The veteran looking for her first victory, birdied six of seven holes from the eighth through 14th for a tournament 36-hole record of 14-under 130, four strokes better than the previous mark set by Moira Dunn in 2001.

Soo-Yun Kang (66) and Suzann Pettersen (63) were three strokes back at 11-under 133. Shi Hyun Ahn (67) and Grace Park (66) are another stroke back at 10 under, while

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GOODING — Gooding quarterback Cody Rogers completed 12 of his 22 passes for 164 yards and a touchdown to lead the host Senators to a 30-0 victory over Valley.

Gooding running back Brad Allison scored on a 30-yard run in the second quarter, followed by a Kenny McCas conversion run, to put the Senators up 8-0. Rogers later scored in the quarter on an 8-yard scamper, and Heleman Bingham added a conversion run to give Gooding a comfortable 16-0 lead at halftime.

Bingham tackled on a 5-yard run in the third and Jeremy Boock hauled in a 20-yard pass from Rogers in the fourth for touchdowns. Gooding also recorded a safety in the third quarter.

Allison finished with 52 yards on eight carries. Bingham ended the night with 14 tackles at middle linebacker.

Valley failed to complete a pass in the game.

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Buder's goal came five minutes into the game while Gough scored with 10 minutes remaining before halftime.

"(We) just capitalized on some long, outside-the-box shooting," Bliss coach Daniel Knapp said.

Both goals were fairly long shots.

Bliss plays at Buhl Monday.

The Community School 1, Buhl 0

BUHL — Cutthroats captain Bobby Flanagan broke a scoreless tie to lift The Community School over host Buhl Friday afternoon in the season opener for both teams.

The Cutthroats (1-0) play at Bliss Wednesday.

Volleyball

Carey 3, The Community School 0

CAREY — Carey blasted a young Community School squad 25-2, 25-15, 25-14 Friday night to open the season with a Maple Valley Northside Conference win.

Panthers setter Brooke McAfee dished out 22 assists and served 16 straight points in Game 1.

"She served real well," said Carey coach Kathy Whitworth. "Ketchum has a real young team."

Amy Olsen pounded down 10 blocks and made four blocks. Jessica Royal added five aces.

The Carey junior varsity defeated their The Community School counterparts 25-25, 25-21, 15-12.

The Carey varsity (1-0, 1-0) hosts Hansen and Mackay Tuesday. The Cutthroats (0-1, 0-1) travel to Richfield that night. No Community School stats were available.

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Argentina drops United States 89-81

U.S. will play in bronze medal game

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Bronze is the best the American men can do in basketball, and the reason is simple: A hastily assembled assortment of NBA stars couldn't beat a better team — Argentina.

Manu Ginobili scored 29 points to lead his nation to another victory over the country that used to dominate the sport, an 89-81 win in the Olympic semifinals Friday night.

For the first time since 1988, the gold medal will not go to the Americans.

And for the first time since pro players were added for the original Dream Team in 1992, the United States will not be the Olympic champion.

"We fought as hard as we could. We couldn't get it done for whatever reason. They were a better team than us," Allen Iverson said.

Argentina, with almost the same roster that made history in 2002 by becoming the first team to defeat a U.S. squad of NBA players, will compete for the gold medal against the winner of Friday's late game between Lithuania and Italy.

The U.S. team will play the loser for third place.

The Argentines were better passers, shooters and defenders than the Americans. They confronted them with a mixture of on-man and zone defenses, and confounded them with an assortment of back picks and deft passes that turned the start of the second half into a layup drill.

Argentina's players celebrated

Marion Jones gets shut out of medals after bad baton pass

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — A botched relay handoff doomed Marion Jones' chances of winning even a single medal at the Athens Olympics, a disastrous ending to her summer of triumph and disappointment.

Hoping to win a pair of golds Friday, Marion Jones was shut out instead. An hour after she finished fifth in the long jump, she was unable to make the handoff in the 400-meter relay when Lauryn Williams left too early.

Williams was left grasping at the baton, Jones noted desperately for her teammate.

The U.S. relay team, which had taken gold for granted and was aiming for a world record, could only watch as Jamaica won the gold in 41.73 seconds. Russia won the silver medal in 42.27. France got the bronze at 42.54.

Jones, running second, was close to the lead as she approached Williams. But Jones reached once, shouted "Wait! Wait!" as she reached a second time, then finally was able to give the baton to Williams on the third attempt — nearly running into her younger teammate.

By then Williams was already out of the 20-meter handoff zone, which means automatic disqualification.

As the race proceeded without them, Jones put her arm around Williams, the 100-meter silver medalist, and the two walked slowly to the end of the race. Jones clutched Williams' hand tightly as the two left the track after the race, and tears trickled down Jones' face when she was asked later about her Olympic experience.

"It was a rough one," she said, breaking into more tears. "I just couldn't get the baton to Lauryn, and it didn't happen today."

The United States had won gold in every Olympic women's 400-meter race since 1984 — except for the 2000 Sydney Games, when handoff problems involving Jones and others resulted in a fourth-place finish.

Jones still won five medals in Sydney, including three gold, to become an international superstar. But she gave birth to a son 14 months ago, interrupting her

ed wildly when the game ended, and the crowd yelled "Ole!"

U.S. coach Larry Brown waved and gave a handshake and hug to his Argentine counterpart, Ruben Magnano, who played for Argentina against the first Dream Team in Barcelona.

"Our game today was extremely tough, but in the few hours that passed between yesterday's game and today's, we realized that nothing was impossible," Magnano said. "We had to go out there and attack them on an equal footing, go for them. That's what we did, and that's why we won."

The Americans gave Argentina a lead, but the fact remained that a big part of the U.S. team's loss was its fundamental weaknesses: a lack of familiarity with each other, poor defense and abysmal outside shooting.

It showed that the quarterfinal victory over Spain was an aberration, not an awakening. "I don't know if we'd have beaten them if Timmy had played," Brown said. "Though I'd have liked to have had that chance." Brown said, "Basketball has been getting better around the world because of the Dream Team. Though I'd have liked to have had that chance."

Argentina shot 54 percent overall and 11-for-22 from the point guard, while the Americans finished just 32-for-77 (42 percent) and 3-for-11 from 3s. After scoring 31 points against Spain, Stephen Marbury scored 10 minutes, and Duncan had just 10 while being limited to 19.5 minutes.

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She has repeatedly denied using performance-enhancing substances, but ex-husband C.J. Hunter reportedly has told federal prosecutors she used banned drugs before, during and after the Sydney Games.

Jones had a chance for redemption on Friday as she tried to do a few hours what few elite athletes can achieve in a lifetime — win two Olympic medals, one on the track and one on the field.

But she got progressively worse with each long jump while Tatyana Lebedeva led an unprecedented Russian sweep of the medals. Lebedeva, who won a bronze in the triple jump four days earlier, leaped 2.25 to take the long jump gold. Irina Smiragina was second at 23.17 and Tatyana Kotova won the bronze.

As Lebedeva and her compatriots took a victory lap, Jones walked around the track in the opposite direction — toward the practice track, where her relay teammates awaited.

In the 110-meter hurdles, Liu Xiang of China tied the world record and smashed the Olympic record by .04 seconds while winning in 12.91. American Terrence Trammell won silver for the second straight Olympics, finishing way behind Liu in 13.18, and defending champion Anier Garcia of Cuba took bronze in 13.20. Garcia turned as he crossed the finish line, doing a somersault on the track.

"This is a miracle," Liu said. "I'm too tired to even cry. I never knew I'd be here, and now, not just for myself and China, but for Asia and the yellow-skinned people. To come out and be perfect, I'm shocked."

Other winners were Robert Korzeniowski of Poland, who took his third consecutive gold medal in the 50-kilometer walk; Osleidys Menendez of Cuba in the javelin; and Xing Huina of China in the women's 10,000.

U.S. women held off Russia in fourth

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Sheryl Swoopes made three big plays in the final minutes to help the United States squeeze out a semifinal victory over Russia. The Americans, who won gold at the past two Olympics, will face Australia in the final on Saturday.

With her arm clinging to a 60-58 lead, Swoopes buried a jumper from the left wing with 3:54 remaining, just beating the shot clock. She deflected a Russian shot at the other end, then scored again, hitting a 16-footer from the left baseline to make it 64-58 with 3:15 left.

When Lisa Leslie fed Tina Thompson for a layup, it was 66-58 with 2:50 to go, enough of a cushion for the United States to hold on for its 24th straight victory in the Olympics.

Lauren Jackson, the WNBA's MVP with the Seattle Storm last season, had 26 points and 13 rebounds to lead Australia past Brazil. That set up a rematch of the gold medal game in Sydney four years ago, when the United States beat the Aussies 76-64.

Canoe-Kayak

SCHINIAS, Greece — Germany's Birgit Fischer won her eighth gold medal, becoming the first woman to win Olympic medals 24 years in a row. Fischer, 42, was part of the four-person kayak that rallied to win the 500-meter final, edging Hungary by two-tenths of a second. Ukraine took bronze.

Fischer won her first gold at 18 in Moscow, becoming the youngest woman ever to win an Olympic kayaking event. She now has 11 total medals, but will be a strong contender for another on Saturday when she races in the pairs kayak final.

Spain's David Cal surged ahead of Germany's Andreas Dittmer, the defending gold medalist, and Greece's Christos Papanikolaou, finding world champion, to win the 1,000-meter single canoe event. Attila Vajda of Hungary ended up in third.

In the single kayak 1,000-meter race, two-time world champion Erik Veras Larsen of Norway won the gold, Ben Fouhy of New Zealand took the silver and Adam van Koeverden of Canada held on for bronze.

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China	27	17	13	57
Australia	11	17	16	44
Germany	12	14	18	44
Japan	15	10	15	40
France	10	7	11	28
Italy	9	7	10	26
South Korea	8	10	8	26
Spain	7	11	21	29
Netherlands	4	9	8	21
Ukraine	8	4	7	19
Romania	8	5	5	18
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Hungary	8	7	16	31
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Greece	6	4	14	24
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Slovakia	2	2	2	6
Thailand	2	0	4	6
Austria	1	4	1	6
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Denmark	1	0	5	6
Norway	4	0	1	5
New Zealand	3	2	1	6
Taiwan	2	1	5	8
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The Swedish kayak pair of Markus Oscarsson and Henrik Nilsson won their 1,000-meter event, improving on their silver in Sydney. Italy was second and Norway third, giving Larsen his second medal of the day.

The Germans took their second gold when the canoe pair of Christian Gille and Tomasz Wyszewski won their 1,000-meter final. Russia held off Hungary for second.

In the men's K-4 1,000, the Hungarians crossed the line first, ahead of Germany in second and Slovakia in third.

Cycling

ATHENS, Greece — Norway's Gunn-Rita Dahle dominated the women's mountain bike field for her 15th consecutive win in internationally sanctioned races.

Since May 2003, Dahle — whose time was 1 hour, 56 minutes, 51 seconds — has won 28 of 32 races she's entered.

Men's Water Polo

ATHENS, Greece — Tamas Kasas scored three goals and Hungary moved within one victory of an eighth Olympic water polo gold medal after beating archrival Russia in the semifinals. The top-ranked Hungarians led 4-2 before Russia rallied to 5-4 at halftime.

Serbia-Montenegro, bronze medalist at the 2000 Sydney Games, led all the way against Greece to set up a showdown with Hungary in the championship match.

Aleksandar Sapic scored Serbia-Montenegro's last goal, increasing his haul to 16 for the tournament.

Tony Azevedo scored three goals and the United States advanced to a playoff for seventh place. The Americans led 3-0 in the first half and 5-2 in the third period. Pietro Figlioli scored three.

The U.S. team will face Italy, which defeated Croatia thanks

to three goals from center Fabio Benicivenga.

Diving

ATHENS, Greece — Caesar Garcia and Kyle Prandi failed to advance out of the 10-meter platform preliminaries, meaning that American divers would have their first Olympic shutout in 92 years.

Garcia, of Baton Rouge, La., finished 23rd with 388.77 points. Prandi, of Strongsville, Ohio, dropped from second place to 21st after the second round and wound up 29th out of 33 divers with 346.53 points. Only the top 16 divers moved on.

Mathew Helm of Australia was the top qualifier with 513.06 points. Alexandre Despatie of Canada, silver medalist in 3-meter springboard, was second with 500.55.

Super Saturday will end with 34 gold medalists

ATHENS, Greece — It's Super Saturday in Greece, an Olympic extravaganza with 34 gold medals awarded across 14 frantic hours.

Nike of 'em will hang around the necks of the U.S. men's basketball team.

Allen Iverson and his millionaire friends will instead play for the bronze Saturday, half of an American basketball doubleheader that will see the U.S. women go for their third straight gold medal. It's the first time since 1988 — and the first time with NBA players — that the American men won't take the gold.

The busiest action is at the Olympic Stadium, where eight track and field medals are up for grabs.

The U.S. team looks for gold in one of its traditionally strongest races, the men's 400-meter relay, while two of the world's great runners — Hicham El Gueorgui of Morocco and Kenenisa Bekele of Ethiopia — go head to head in the 5,000 meters.

The track and field dominates NBC's prime-time coverage on the final Saturday in Athens, with the eight gold medal events airing. The 8 p.m.-midnight EDT block also will feature gold medal events in wrestling, canoeing and men's platform diving.

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FIG president Bruno Grandi suggested in a letter to Hamm that giving the gold to South Korea's Yang Yung-sung "would be recognized as the ultimate demonstration of fair play." Judges scored Yang's parallel bars routine incorrectly on Aug. 18, failing to give him enough points for the level of difficulty.

Grandi tried to send the letter Thursday night to Hamm through the USOC, but the committee's leaders declined to pass it along.

In a letter back to Grandi, USOC secretary general Jim Scherr called the request "a blatant and inappropriate attempt on the part of (FIG) to once again

shift responsibility for its own mistakes and instead pressure Mr. Hamm into resolving what has become an embarrassing situation for your federation."

"The USOC finds this request to be improper, outrageous and so far beyond the bounds of what is acceptable that it refuses

to transmit the letter to Mr. Hamm," the letter said.

Hamm returned to the United States earlier this week. He declined comment Friday through his agent, but he has said in the past that he has no intention of giving up his medal unless ordered to do so by FIG.

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Twin Falls

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(\$50 Gift Card to Walmart of Jerome)

2nd Place Winner
Jaquelyn Corr
(\$40 Gift Card to Target of Twin Falls)

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YOUR WEEKEND



Rock on

• What: Steve Miller will perform in and emcee a 25th anniversary concert for the Snake River Alliance. Other acts include Bruce Willis and the Accelerators, the Wood River High School Jazz Band, vocalist Jennifer Walker, pianist Susan Dunning, Slow Children Play and Latino X, guitarist Art Wallace, singer Everett Ford, Frank Olivieri, the Community School Marimba Band and Ketchum World Beat Street Band.

• Where: Wood River High School football field, Halley.

• When: Sunday, 3:30-8:30 p.m. Miller will take the stage about 4:30 p.m.

• How much: Tickets, which are \$40, are available at Chapter One bookstore in Ketchum, Adkins Markets in Ketchum and Halley and Sunburst Gallery in Ketchum, by phoning (866) 891-0178, or online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>. Kids under 6 get in free.



Skates of gold

• What: 2002 Olympic gold medalist pairs skaters Jamie Sale and David Pelletier will headline the Sun Valley Ice Show.

• Where: On the rink behind the Sun Valley Lodge.

• When: Tonight, about 10 p.m.

• How much: Tickets, which are \$27, \$36, \$45 and \$50 for bleacher seats, \$50 for Sun Room seats and \$80 and \$84 for dinner-and-show tickets, can be reserved by phoning (208) 622-2135.



A question of justice

• What: The Random Acts of Theater Players will present Reginald Rhee's "Twelve Angry Men."

• Where: Lamphouse Theater, 223 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

• When: Tonight, 8 p.m.

• How much: Tickets, which are \$10, are available at the door.

Venus trumps Mars

• What: The Sun Valley Shakespeare Festival will present "As You Like It."

• Where: Forest Service Park, Ketchum.

• When: Tonight and Sunday, 6 p.m. (The production continues Wednesday, Thursday and Sept. 3-5.)

• How much: Tickets, which are \$15 for adults and present students 16 and younger, are available by phoning 726-4TKS.

'THIS IS THEIR CLUB'



Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley volunteer Josh Vaughter, center, jokes with Sara Burke, right, 9, while Asia Dastrup, 7, watches during a card game of slapsack Friday at the club in Twin Falls. The organization is celebrating 10 years in Twin Falls.

Boys and Girls Club popularity soars in first decade in M.V.

By Michelle Dunlop
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — What's better than an afternoon filled with scavenger hunts, table tennis matches and a friendly game of basketball? Try not having to worry about what your children are doing between 3 and 7 p.m. every day.

"There's a lot of parents that have a need to know their kids are safe after school," said Don Hall, director of the Boys and Girls Club of the Magic Valley. "For the kids, they want to come here. They enjoy the activities we have here. This is their club."

On Friday, club members, sponsors and well-wishers gathered to celebrate the Boys and Girls Club's 10th anniversary in the Magic Valley. The organization hosted a barbecue at its location on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

The Boys and Girls Club got its start in Twin Falls with 25 children a decade ago. The club now boasts a membership of more than 1,000, Hall said.

The success of the organization seems so much more unlikely when one considers that the Boys and Girls Club brings in only 18 percent of its \$400,000 annual budget — for both the Twin Falls and Buhl clubs — from participant fees. The club charges only \$20 per year for a child to participate in its after-school program, Hall said. The remaining 82 percent of the budget comes from fund-raising grants, renting out the facility and community support — that explains why Hall has become such a visual

member of the community. "It's a mission for me," he said. "Some of these kids would be home alone or have nowhere else to go if they couldn't come here."

Hall's passion for the Boys and Girls Club has won over residents in the area. In the early years, Gary Baum wasn't quite sure what to make of the Boys and Girls Club.

So Baum and his wife took their son, Kyle, elsewhere for child care. "Before Don Hall took over the Boys and Girls Club was fairly new," Baum said.

However, the more he heard about the organization from other parents, the more interested they became in it. Because Baum works nearby at the College of Southern Idaho, the switch made sense. Two years ago, Kyle, now 10, attended the Boys and Girls Club's summer program. The family has been hooked ever since.

"It's a great organization," Baum said. "What was really important to us is that they had good quality people. We didn't have to worry about leaving our son there."

Taking the worry out of child care seems to be a specialty of the Boys and Girls Club. It's certainly a goal of the organization.

When parents bring their children to the Boys and Girls

Club, Hall said, they don't have to fear for their children's safety or well being. Stress-free child care leads to more productive parents in the work force and increased employer satisfaction. This sends a positive message to businesses looking to locate in the Magic Valley, Hall said.

"On the economic side, that's a real bonus," he said.

Cynthia Simiano, 34, isn't as concerned about bringing business to the area as she is interested in what is best for her two children. For the last three years, Simiano has taken her son and daughter to Boys and Girls Club.

"It's a very safe place, and they enjoy it a lot," Simiano said. "I feel very comfortable with everybody over there."

Besides providing a secure setting for her children, the Boys and Girls Club also offers exceptional programs, Simiano said.

"They're not just sitting and watching TV, which is very important to me," she said.

At the Boys and Girls Club, children can take art and computer classes and participate in leadership development through the organization's junior staff program.

Simiano especially appreciates the Power Hour program. Power Hour is designed to help

They're not just sitting and watching TV, which is very important to me.

— Cynthia Simiano, mother who supports the Boys and Girls Club

Grand jury indicts man over ATV incident

By Rebecca Meany
Times-News writer

BOISE — A federal grand jury has indicted a man in connection with an alleged assault on a Bureau of Land Management ranger.

The indictment alleges that Tom Lynn Callen, 19, of Hollister "did forcibly assault, resist, oppose, impede and interfere" with BLM ranger Zachary Oper July 3 at the Big Sand Bay recreation area at Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir.

At the time of the alleged incident, Callen was also committing another, un-

charged offense of operating a motor vehicle in an unauthorized area, the indictment says.

When Oper approached Callen, the defendant tried to flee, striking the officer with his all-terrain vehicle, according to a news release issued by the U.S. Department of Justice.

Callen was arraigned in federal court on Monday on one count of assault, a felony. He entered a plea of innocent and was released until his own recognition, according to U.S. Magistrate Court documents.

Oper's injuries were minor, said Joan McNell, spokeswoman for the U.S. attorney's

office in Boise, and included abrasions and contusions. He is back at work, she added.

Callen's attorney, Tom Monaghan of Federal Defenders of Eastern Washington and Idaho, could not be reached for comment.

At the time of the incident, Callen was on probation for battery and for failing to report a non-injury accident, according to the Twin Falls County probation office.

According to *The Times-News* archives, Callen's criminal history includes: pleading guilty to battery in February; pleading guilty in December 2003 to fail-

ure to give immediate notice of an accident, a charge amended from failure to stop, render aid or leave the scene of an accident; and pleading guilty in August 2003 to battery.

For the federal charge of assault, a jury trial was scheduled for Oct. 5, with two days set aside.

"The offense is punishable by up to 20 years' imprisonment, plus three years' supervised release and a \$250,000 fine."

Times-News writer Rebecca Meany can be reached at 735-3259 or by e-mail at rmeany@magicvalley.com.

Work disrupts traffic between Jerome, Wendell

The Times-News

Jerome — A pavement rehabilitation project on Interstate 84 from south Wendell to the Jerome interchange started Thursday, the Idaho Transportation Department said in a press release.

As part of the project, the I-84 business loop through Bliss will be resurfaced. Lanes are reduced while crews remove the top 2 inches of roadway and re-

place it with a new layer of asphalt. One lane in each direction will remain open. Work is expected to be complete by Wednesday.

Beginning Sunday, I-84 traffic between south Wendell and Jerome will shift to the westbound lanes, with one lane open in each direction. I-84 from Bliss and continuing east for 11 miles will return to normal traffic patterns, with occasional reductions to one

lane in each direction. Work on this section is expected to be complete by mid-September.

On Monday, the eastbound on-ramp at the south Wendell interchange will close. On-ramp traffic will be detoured to the west Wendell interchange. The detour will use the frontage road between the two interchanges and will be in place through Sept. 30. Signs will direct motorists.

Vehicles are limited to a max-

imum width of 14 feet through the construction zones.

This is the second stage of a \$17.8 million rehabilitation project on I-84 to create a safer, smoother road surface. These sections of Interstate are deteriorated and rutted, the press release said.

The entire project is scheduled to be complete by mid-November. Western Construction of Boise is the project contractor.

T.F. judge dismisses heroin case

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Following a request by prosecutors, a judge dismissed the case against a man charged with trafficking in heroin.

Michael Hendricks, 50, of Buhl was charged Aug. 20 after a traffic stop led to the discovery of what was later found to be 37 grams of heroin.

A lab test later showed that the substance was not heroin, nor any illegal drug, according to Grant Loeb, Twin Falls County prosecutor.

Judge sends sex abuse case to District Court

TWIN FALLS — The case of a man charged with sexually abusing a minor will advance to a minimum of two years and as many as eight years in prison for lewd and lascivious conduct with a child under the age of 16.

Randall Owen Swink III, 19, of Twin Falls faces two counts of lewd conduct with a minor under the age of 16 in connection with the sexual abuse of a 14-year-old girl.

His arraignment in District Court was scheduled for Sept. 7.

Woman gets prison for sex with boy

BURLEY — Doretta Lopez, 40, was sentenced Thursday to a minimum of two years and as many as eight years in prison for lewd and lascivious conduct with a child under the age of 16.

Lopez pleaded innocent Feb. 12 to four counts of having sexual contact with three boys in November and December 2003.

The boys were pre-teen and teens at the time of the contact. In a deal with prosecutors, Lopez agreed to plead guilty to one count in exchange for dismissing the other three.

She was credited with nine days served in jail.

Man pleads innocent to assault on mother

BURLEY — Joshua Brown, 20, pleaded innocent Thursday to aggravated assault with the use of a deadly weapon.

Brown was arrested July 31 after an attack on his mother, Cindy Brown, 42, during a family yard sale in Burley, according to police reports.

After reportedly punching and kicking his mother, Brown went to his trailer and came back with a knife, the report said. He was held for his wrists and threatened to cut her with.

Brown then released his mother and told her he would get a gun and kill her when she didn't expect it, the report said.

Brown admitted to police that he had the knives and had threatened to cut his mother's wrists, the report said.

The maximum penalty for the charges is a \$5,000 fine and 15 years in prison.

A Sept. 9 status conference is scheduled for the case.

— compiled from staff reports

WANTED in the Magic Valley

Name: Robert Neil Harrah.

Age: 27.

Description: 5'10", 200 pounds, brown hair, green eyes.

Wanted for: Operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol (more than two within five years).

The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department asks anyone with information about Harrah's whereabouts to call 736-4100 or Crime Stoppers 732-5387, where you can remain anonymous and might be eligible for a cash reward.

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Plans revived to create marine reserves off California coast

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — State wildlife officials announced plans Friday to revive a stalled program that would create a string of marine reserves along California's 1,100-mile coast and could serve as a model for protecting ocean habitat.

The state's decision to restart planning for a network of restricted fishing zones, mandated by the state Marine Life Protection Act of 1989, comes eight months after the initiative was shelved due to the state's budget woes.

To fund the program's first-year activities, state agencies have secured \$2 million from private donors, led by the Resources Legacy Fund Foundation in Sacramento, in addition to \$500,000 of state funding.

"We're leveraging public money with private money," said state Resources Secretary Mike Chrisman, reached by phone Friday from a Fish and Game Commission meeting in Morro Bay.

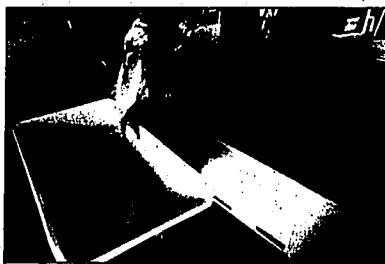
"This governor is committed to protecting and restoring these oceans, particularly in California."

Marine reserves represent a new approach to marine conservation.

Rather than protecting individual fish species, reserves seek to protect entire marine ecosystems.

The 2003 Pew Oceans Commission report and this year's U.S. Ocean Policy Commission report both endorsed such reserves as the best way to restore fish species depleted by overfishing, pollution and other human activities.

While environmentalists are enthusiastic about marine reserves, many commercial and recreational fishermen oppose them, arguing that their effectiveness hasn't been



Garofalo Fish Company owner Joe Garofalo packs fresh salmon in Ice, June 22, 2001, in Sausalito, Calif. State wildlife authorities have unveiled plans to create a network of marine reserves along the 1,100-mile California coast where fishing will be prohibited.

scientifically proved and enforcement would be problematic.

"We don't know that they're going to work. I think there needs to be more studies done," said Bob Strickland, president of the United Anglers of California. "I don't like the idea that they're getting money from outside sources who have an agenda."

California already has a number of protected marine areas created over the years, but many of the zones have conflicting boundaries and restrictions.

The new initiative is an effort to develop a more systematic, statewide approach to protecting coastal habitat, Chrisman said.

State officials on Friday announced the creation of a blue ribbon task force, chaired by former Assemblyman Phil Isenberg, that will oversee planning and solicit views from fishermen, environmentalists, recreation groups and other stakeholders.

The task force, along with a scientific advisory board, will draw up a new set of reserves. A draft plan for marine reserves along the Central Coast from San Francisco to Morro Bay is due in 2006, and a statewide plan is expected by 2011, officials said.

The marine reserves would only cover state waters, which extend three miles from the coast.

While the extent of the reserves hasn't been determined, some experts estimate that 10 percent to 20 percent of the coast could be off-limits to fishing.

While fishing will be prohibited in some reserves, others may be open for scientific collection or recreational fishing, according to DFG Deputy Director Mike Wintermute.

"The idea is to create protection for ecosystems that will benefit all the species that live within those ecosystems," Wintermute said. "This is the direction that the world is moving in."

truck, Jose Aguilera, was charged with vehicular manslaughter for failing to pull off the highway. Police said he also failed a sobriety test.

And Omer Reyes-Gonzalez died five days later when his car ran off the interstate. His blood-alcohol content was 0.28.

L. Gary John of the Canyon County Sheriff's Department said department has been working with MADD and others to curb the drunken driving problem.

"We are looking at some programs right now — I can't say too much about that since nothing has been formed up — that would make those who seem to be habitual offenders, who are persistent in DUIs, to have more control over them, to keep them more responsible while they are out so they don't get drunk again and end up injuring or killing someone," he said.

SERVICES

Douglas D. Kramer of Boise, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Alden-Vaggoner Funeral Chapel in Boise.

Elva June McCann of Jerome, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Heyburn Cemetery, Highway 30, Heyburn (Furness Mortuary and Crematory).

David Philip Argyle of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 1 p.m. today in the Twin Falls Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N. (Parke's Funeral Home).

Alvin 'Pete' Enoch of Mountain Home, memorial service at 10 a.m. today at the Nazarene Church in Mountain Home (Acacia Funeral Home).

Owen Lee Walters of Tucson, formerly of Rupert, memorial service at 3 p.m. today at the Rupert Trinity Lutheran Church, 909 Eighth St. (Hansen Mortuary and Crematory).

Phyllis Amanda Miller of Rupert, memorial service at 1:30 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

William L. Strain of Twin Falls, visitation from 9-9:45 a.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home with a graveside service to follow at

10 a.m. at Sunset Memorial Park.

Alice Kay Thompson, memorial service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Demaray's.

DEATH NOTICES

Dean Barney SHOSHONE — Dean Barney, 93, of north Shoshone, died Wednesday, Aug. 25, 2004, at the Cottonwood Ranch. Arrangements will be made by Demaray's Funeral Chapel.

Craig D. Bridwell JEROME — Craig D. Bridwell, 36, of Jerome, died Aug. 26, 2004, in Clearlake, Calif. Arrangements will be made by Furness Mortuary and Crematory. Memorial donations may be made in Bridwell's name to any D.L. Evans branch.

Marian Lynn Esterbrook GOODING — Marian Lynn Esterbrook, 56, died Wednesday, Aug. 25, 2004, at the Lakeview Hospital in Bountiful, Utah.

A funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30, 2004, at Demaray's Gooding Chapel with Pastor Brian Nickerson officiating. Burial will be at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding.

Gooding Chapel in Gooding.

Gerald Porter Collins, wake at 1 p.m. Sept. 4 at 2046 Hillcrest Drive, Twin Falls (Cremation Society of Idaho).

Family and friends may call from 5-7 p.m. Sunday at Demaray's Gooding Chapel. A complete obituary will appear in Sunday's edition.

Edward Williams 'Ed' Thompson KIMBERLY — Edward Williams "Ed" Thompson, 67, of Kimberly, died Aug. 24, 2004.

Arrangements will be made by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home. A complete obituary will appear in a later edition.

Earl B. Dodge TWIN FALLS — Earl B. Dodge, 80, of Twin Falls, died Aug. 26, 2004, at his home. A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31, 2004, at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, with Pastor Dale Metzger officiating. Interment will be held following the service in the Shoshone Cemetery in Shoshone, Idaho. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30, 2004, at the funeral home.

California passes Arizona as worst in nation for West Nile

LOS ANGELES (AP) — California surpassed Arizona on Friday as the state with the most human cases of West Nile virus.

Tests have confirmed the virus in 343 people in California, an increase of nearly 38 percent from a week earlier, the state Department of Health Services reported.

The mosquito-borne illness so far this year has killed 10 people in California, more than any other state in the nation.

Arizona has reported four deaths, second in the nation.

The actual number of people infected in California is likely much higher than reported, said Vicki Kramer of the state Department of Health Services.

About 15 to 20 percent of those infected show flu-like symptoms that often aren't diagnosed as West Nile virus or reported to authorities, she said.

"There are certainly many more cases of the milder form of the disease than are occurring in California than are being reported to state and local officials," said Kramer, chief of the department's vector-borne disease section.

Many of those infected with

the milder form, known as West Nile fever, may get better without seeking medical treatment. Symptoms include high temperature, headache, fatigue, aches and sometimes rash.

It lasts from a few days to several weeks, even for healthy people, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Most people infected in California are in the southern part of the state, — with the majority in San Bernardino, Los Angeles and Riverside counties.

But there have been a handful in the northern and central regions.

San Diego, the most southern county in the state, reported its first case on Friday.

But there was a chance the unidentified patient — a man in his 50s who remained hospitalized — was bitten by an infected mosquito in Long Beach, about 100 miles to the north, where he also has a home.

"We knew at some point we would get a case because all of the surrounding counties have already had not only those people who've been infected but have had deaths," said Dr.

Wilma Wooten, San Diego County's deputy public health officer.

Human cases are increasing rapidly in California, which reported a total of 249 on Aug. 20. Arizona, the only state where authorities had declared an epidemic because of the virus, reported 309 cases as of Friday.

That state is due to update its numbers on Monday, but the outbreak appears to be slowing there, officials said.

Arizona has a population of 5.5 million; compared to more than 35 million in California.

About 80 percent of those bitten by an infected mosquito develop the more severe neuroinvasive form of the virus, which attacks the nervous system.

West Nile experts said that roughly one in 100 people bitten by an infected mosquito develops the more severe neuroinvasive form of the virus, which attacks the nervous system. It can result in such serious ailments as encephalitis, inflammation of the brain and meningitis, an inflammation of the membrane around the brain and the spinal cord.

All the deaths in California this year have been as a result of this form of the virus.

Leaks force company to plug hiring plans

OROFINO (AP) — A company that once planned to hire up to 150 employees claims leaks in its city-owned building have forced it to lay off most of its employees.

Company representatives refused on Friday to discuss the employment situation of its 10 workers.

Seismic Tech makes hand-assembled, individually tested earthquake-activated shut-off valves for home and commercial gas pipes.

It's housed in the 30,000-square-foot Orofino Business Center, built in late 2003 and financed with state, federal and local money.

Tom Gray with Seismic Tech said the leaks started shortly after the company moved into the center last fall.

"We were told it was just condensation and not to worry about it," he said.

The leaks were found in 24 air

conditioning vents and cooling units after 15,000 square feet of insulation was removed from the units last week. Gray said there were 60 puddles around the building, the largest of them 12 feet wide and a quarter of an inch deep.

The state, despite its \$445,000 investment, did not conduct inspections, Gray said.

Orofino City Administrator Rick Laam said the defects should have been found earlier, but the city monitored construction.

The city investigated leaks after they were reported. Laam said, and waived rent and utilities beginning in January and paid the lease at a temporary building for the company to make up for the problems.

But Gray said the flooring at the temporary site was too soft to test the company's 5,000 earthquake valves.

He said that left the company

unable to provide a completion date for orders, upsetting customers and hurting sales.

"When you lose more than 700,000 orders because someone gave you a building that was unusable, that's bad," Gray said. "It has a great impact on your market and a great impact on what you're going to do."

But Orofino officials disagree.

"We have gone above and beyond the normal means to try to accommodate Seismic Tech," Laam said. "I believe there are other issues out there that the city has no control over about why they are currently not hiring."

The 150 projected jobs were important to the area, which saw unemployment jump to 23.5 percent after Rodach Corp. closed its Jaype plywood plant in 2000.

The closure put more than 200 people out of work in a county of less than 8,000.

Scientists say salmon hatchery policy has flaws

GRANTS PASS, Ore. (AP) — The proposed new federal policy for salmon hatcheries is based on a flawed reading of the Endangered Species Act, hindering efforts to restore wild salmon runs with hatchery fish, scientists say.

The overarching problem is that the ESA is being administered as a fisheries management policy, not as a statute to protect endangered species, a group of scientists said in a letter to NOAA Fisheries.

The scientists were formally commenting on a new federal policy for salmon hatcheries which was prompted by a 2001 federal court ruling giving hatchery fish the same protection as wild fish.

The public comment period on the draft policy has been extended to Oct. 22 to include a second public hearing.

The 11 scientists, most of them retired, are from universities, businesses, and state, federal and tribal fisheries agencies. They have worked together in the past and gather periodically to discuss fisheries issues.

The group includes James Lannan, a retired Oregon State University geneticist who was an expert witness in the federal lawsuit that prompted the new hatchery policy.

It also includes Andre J. Talbot, who works for the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission, which has called for using hatchery fish to rebuild protected wild runs.

"I think our only concern is to bring some sort of intellectual honesty into the process," said Lannan.

"If you go with just natural production you won't have any fisheries. If you go just with hatcheries you give up in terms of the ecological advantages of maintaining natural production at significant levels. But if you can put the two together in an intelligent way you can have the best of both worlds," Lannan said.

The letter said the hatchery policy was pointed in the right direction, but ran into problems because the basic unit for dividing the six species of salmon and steelhead into 51 smaller groups for endangered species listings does not conform with the basic unit defined in the Endangered Species Act.

"Until these issues are addressed, proceeding with a new hatchery policy encumbered with previous administrative errors only magnifies the problems complicating its management," the scientists wrote.

The new hatchery policy opened the way for supplementing the declining wild salmon runs with hatchery fish.

The practice is advocated by Indian tribes that depend on salmon for food, jobs and cultural use, and other groups, which object to restrictions on land use intended to

protect fish habitat.

It is opposed by environmentalists and wild salmon advocates who argue hatcheries produce fish less able to survive in the wild.

NOAA Fisheries spokesman Brian Gorman said the scientists were raising a "non-issue" about a policy that "was very carefully thought out and thoroughly vetted in a peer-reviewed scientific process."

Gorman noted the policy was published in the Federal Register as public comment and "has never been questioned by any court I know of."

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Official: Immigrant deaths drop in Arizona

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Exposure deaths in what has been a particularly deadly section of Arizona's deserts have dropped 24 percent because of a massive crackdown this summer on illegal immigration, the head of the U.S. Border Patrol said Friday.

Border Patrol Chief David Aguilar, in Tucson for a ceremony, said he's pleased with results from the government's effort to make it harder for illegal immigrants to cross into Arizona — the busiest illegal entry point along the U.S.-Mexico border — and to prevent the deaths that have become commonplace in its deserts.

Exposure-related deaths have dipped 24 percent to 33 so far during this fiscal year, which began Oct. 1, in an area west of Tucson that has claimed many lives in recent years.

There were 43 exposure-related deaths in the same area during the same period last year, said Rob Griffin, a spokesman for the patrol's Tucson sector, which covers all of Arizona except an area around Yuma.

Overall, agents have recorded 101 immigrant deaths in the sector so far, down from 124 during the same period last year, Griffin said.

Border Patrol officials have said they believe fewer people are dying because the increased enforcement is discouraging migrants from attempting to cross through the sector.

They say having more agents patrolling, including those trained in emergency medicine, also has helped them find more people in distress.

But the Rev. Robin Hoover, founder of Humane Borders, a group that sets out water in the desert for border crossers, noted the overall death toll is still



Riders David Derrick, left, and Bobbi Koelln, with the Border Patrol Horse Unit, patrol the area of Jolico Canyon near Arivaca Lake in Arivaca, Ariz., on March 10. Deaths in western portions of Arizona's deserts dropped 24 percent because of a massive crackdown this summer on illegal immigration, the head of the U.S. Border Patrol said Friday.

most of the same.

"Migrants are still dying at the same rate," Hoover said.

"And our primary issue is mi-

grant safety."

Hoover said there have been fewer days with temperatures above 100 degrees. "We're al-

ways a little bit suspicious of Border Patrol stats, because they can frequently be explained by other means."

Arizona's other sector, which covers the Yuma area, has reported a sharp increase in deaths this year.

There have been 21 so far up from 12 last year, Yuma sector spokesman Joe Brigrum said.

Deaths have dipped in some other sectors along the border. As far as the overall crackdown, Aguilar said he's pleased with the use of unmanned aerial drones as part of a pilot program to monitor illegal activity along the Arizona-Mexico border, as well as a program to fly illegal immigrants caught in Arizona back to the Mexican interior.

The latter plan was designed to curb repeated crossing attempts by the same people by separating them from paid smugglers along the border.

Both programs and the crackdown officially will end when the fiscal year ends Sept. 30, but Aguilar said the best features of the crackdown will continue.

Aguilar said the unmanned aircraft will be evaluated after Sept. 30, with recommendations on whether to continue its use.

The aircraft also will be tested this fall along the Canadian border.

"At this point in time I think the responsible thing to do is to continue with the pilot program," Aguilar said. "It is but one component of the approach that we need to take to this."

"It is not going to replace our manned helicopters. It is not going to replace the agent on the ground. It is going to augment those capabilities. So it's critically important that we continue this test," he said.

She did not have specific figures.

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Nordstrom decides to stay in Salt Lake

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Nordstrom will stay after all.

Officials with the department store chain said Friday they have decided to keep their store in the Main Street mall it has inhabited since 1980.

Earlier the fashion retailer had threatened to leave downtown Salt Lake City after its lease expires in 2005.

Nordstrom had wanted to move four blocks west to the more vibrant Gateway mall, where attractions like movie theaters, restaurants and seemingly "hip" retailers have filled its cobblestone street with shoppers and left downtown storefronts empty.

"That move was cut short when the city council voted last year against changing the zoning law to allow larger department stores to move there, and Nordstrom said it would leave downtown altogether rather than stay at the Crossroads."

But Nordstrom officials reversed course Friday and said they will keep the Salt Lake City store at the Crossroads Plaza

after a deal was struck with the mall's owner, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and its mall development firm.

Last year, the church announced plans to renovate its two downtown malls — the ZCJW Center and Crossroads — into a new retail, business and residential development. The church has teamed up with mall developer the Taubman Center for the project, which has said Nordstrom's presence was vital to the project.

"We are delighted to have reached an agreement with Nordstrom," said Bruce Heckman, Taubman's vice president of development in a statement released by Nordstrom. "They are a critical first piece to a complex puzzle on these two blocks."

Officials from the church and the Taubman Centers said they would not comment on specific conditions of the agreement, but a Nordstrom spokeswoman said the deal resulted from assurances that problems Nordstrom saw with the project would be overcome.

WEDDING

NIELSEN-BUCKLEY*

BURLEY — Amber Nielsen and Preston Kirk Buckley were married Aug. 27 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

The bride is the daughter of Alan and Darla Nielsen of Burley. The bridegroom is the son of Kirk and Brenda Buckley of Accquia.

The bride is a 2001 graduate of Declo High School. She received an associate's degree from Brigham Young University-Idaho.

The bridegroom is a 1999 graduate of Minico High School. He served an LDS mission to Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Preston and Amber Buckley ple will be held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, at the Springdale LDS Church, 519 E. 200 S., Burley.

ENGAGEMENTS

GARRETT-STORY

BURLEY — Lynn and Julie Petersen and Alan Garrett announce the engagement of their daughter, Lacey Anna Garrett, to Ron William Story, son of Larry and Karen Story.

A wedding reception to honor the couple will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, at the Petersen residence, 330 W. 300 S., Burley.



Lacey Garrett and Ron Story

SIMCOE-CLARK

DEULO — Mike and Pam Simcoe of Declo announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Simcoe, to David Clark, son of Alan and Janet Clark of Albion.

Simcoe is a graduate of the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed as a registered nurse at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

Clark is a graduate of Washington State University. He is employed as a welder/fabricator at Clark Equine Clinic in Albion.

The wedding is planned for 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, at the Clark residence in Albion.



David Clark and Sarah Simcoe

A reception to honor the couple will be held immediately following the ceremony at the same location.

Eight Idaho chambers will collaborate

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Economic officials from across northern Idaho met this week to hammer out a collaborative approach on issues important to the area — an effort designed to help the groups get more leverage as the state Legislature.

Coeur d'Alene Chamber of Commerce president Tommie Coe said the event was designed to "develop a common agenda and use as a stepping stone to work on issues in the future."

The representatives prioritized issues for the group's specific areas, including water

use, higher education funding, treated wastewater/reclaimed water, transportation systems, sales tax reporting, health care, agriculture, local option sales taxes, contractors registration and schools.

"We had about eight different chambers here from throughout northern Idaho and this process got a good start on a common agenda for the next session," Coe said. "It's important the northern Idaho business community speaks with a united and common voice, and this should enable us to do that."

Man faces arson charges in mower fire

RADFORD, Calif. (AP) — A man was charged with felony arson for allegedly disregarding the risk of wildfire while using a riding lawn mower to cut dry grass on a hot day. Spent on the mower burned 11,000 acres and destroyed 86 homes.

William Matthew Rupp, 44, is scheduled to be arraigned Monday on two felony arson charges. He is a resident of 56 years in prison if convicted, District Attorney Jerry Benito also said he would consider seeking restitution.

The fire broke out Aug. 11 and quickly spread through the

pine and oak-covered hills south of Shasta Lake, about 140 miles northwest of Sacramento. Officials had estimated firefighting costs would top \$1.1 million.

Benito said Rupp knew it was risky to mow dry grass on a day when temperatures topped 100 degrees.

"He was aware of the danger, but he consciously disregarded that risk," Benito said. "This was a devastating fire to a lot of people that did not need to occur. If not for his reckless behavior, we would not be talking about this."

Carbon monoxide leak hospitalizes Job Corps students

ANACONDA, Mont. (AP) — A cracked exhaust pipe on a heater caused a carbon monoxide leak that sickened 30 male students, at least 20 of them severely, in a dormitory at the Anacondra Job Corps Center on Friday, authorities said.

Authorities were called to the center at about 7:30 a.m. after a nurse reported finding several dozen students in the dormitory.

"She didn't know what was going on, but she knew something was wrong," he said.

"When we got there, there were some students that were unconscious, there were some that were in convulsions and seizures. There were others

who were conscious, but just weren't with it, as you know what I mean."

"Twenty students were being flown to hospitals in Billings, Mont., Spokane, Wash., and other hospitals with hyperbaric chambers for treatment, Converse said.

The others were being treated at an Anacondra hospital.

Their ages and conditions were not immediately available. The center serves men and women ages 16 to 24, according to the center's Web site.

The leak appeared to have originated in an exhaust pipe attached to the dorm's furnace, police Detective Steve Barclay said.

Converse said the PVC pipe had cracked and allowed exhaust to vent inside the building. How long the colorless, odorless gas had been leaking was not immediately clear.

Montana has been experiencing unseasonably cold weather this month, and temperatures in the Anacondra area dropped into the low 40s Thursday night, forcing many residents to kick their furnaces back on.

"Crews from NorthWestern Energy were called in, and immediately detected high levels of carbon monoxide, company spokeswoman Claudia Rapchok said.

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Police arrest female bank robbery suspect in Wyoming

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A woman accused of robbing banks in five Western states has been arrested a second time after she was spotted driving with a male companion on a freeway in Wyoming, the FBI said Friday.

Erika Lynne Heald, 28, was taken into custody without incident on Thursday after two sheriff's deputies in Uinta County, Wyo., saw her attempt to hide her face while they

passed her vehicle on Interstate 80, according to FBI spokeswoman Beth Anne Steele in Portland.

The senior deputy and a deputy in training slowed their vehicle to about 45 mph after passing a minivan driven by Heald but she also slowed.

The deputies pulled over to check the minivan's license plate and determined it had been stolen before pursuing Heald, Steele said.

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and Girls Clubs' popularity in the area.

In other Boys and Girls Clubs across the nation, the administrators work on how to recruit more children, Hall said.

"At our club, we've never had that problem," he said.

Three weeks before the summer programs or after-school programs begin, the club accepts registration.

Members have first priority, the public second. The after-school program registration never made it to the second step this year, Hall said.

"We filled up before we could

even open it up to the general public," he explained.

However, the public was encouraged to sign up on the waiting list.

Hall monitors daily attendance and will contact those on the waiting list as slots open.

"The thing I think is most important is the kids come here and they just feel comfortable with staff," Hall said. "The staff cares about the kids."

Baum sees the staff as a key to the organization's success and a major reason that he continues to take Kyle to the Boys and Girls Club.

"Kyle loves the staff, he loves the people there," Baum said.

"The staff doesn't rotate all the time. A lot of the core staff are still the same people."

That wasn't necessarily the case at Kyle's former daycare. Having a consistent staff is important, Baum said, especially because children form bonds with staff members.

"We all have to deal with change — it's part of life," he said. "When you're an 8-, 9- or 10-year old kid, it's tougher. Apparently, the people that work there love it because they stay."

And, parents like Baum hope the Boys and Girls Club will stick around for another decade.

What do the next 10 years

IDAHO/WEST



Brent Danner carries a box of belongings salvaged from the remains of his home near Reno, Nev., Thursday. Danner's home was one of several destroyed by the Andrew Fire that swept through the area Wednesday. The fire destroyed as many as six homes along with several outbuildings while burning more than 3,000 acres.

Crews leave as fire south of Reno nears containment

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Fire crews were headed home or being reassigned on Friday as a wildland blaze south of Reno neared containment just two days after it seemed unstoppable.

The blaze, which burned 2,692 acres and six homes on Wednesday, was 85 percent contained.

At its height, it was attacked by 555 firefighters and an aerial assault from 14 tankers and seven helicopters.

The tankers and helicopters were gone on Thursday and the forces were down to 350 by Friday.

Washoe County officials have declared a state of emergency for the area, making the county eligible for federal and state funding to help people who

suffered losses as a result of the fire.

Reno Fire Marshal Larry Farr said the fire was sparked by a man who was target shooting when a bullet ricocheted off a rock. He said the man was in an area where it was legal to shoot. While criminal charges were unlikely, the man could face civil lawsuits for damages from people whose homes were lost or damaged.

In addition to the six homes that burned, Farr said at least seven outbuildings and 22 vehicles were destroyed.

Local, state and federal officials said they would consider tightening restrictions on target shooting in light of the prolonged drought, which has turned vegetation brown in this desert state.

As crews continued to mop up the Andrew fire on Friday, last month's Waterfall fire in Carson City was declared a federal disaster area, freeing \$10.9 million in government money to supplement state and local funds in repairing or replacing facilities that were lost or damaged there.

It also makes money available through the Federal Emergency Management Agency for hazard mitigation in the burn area west of Carson City including seeding, construction of sediment basins and barriers and installation of a system to warn officials of any high water runoff.

That fire blackened 8,700 acres and burned 15 homes. It's expected to cost \$5.4 million to rehabilitate the huge area.

Federal judge rules Friant Dam near Fresno violates California law

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A federal judge ruled Friday that the U.S. government violated California law when it built the Friant Dam near Fresno six decades ago, a decision that could settle a 16-year-old water dispute and restore water flows to the state's second longest river.

The U.S. District Court judge in Sacramento decided in favor of environmentalists who sued the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and the Friant Water Users Authority in 1988 over the Friant Dam on the San Joaquin River. In the lawsuit, the Natural Resources Defense Council and other environmental groups charged that the defendants violated state law by failing to release enough water to sustain the surrounding environment and wildlife.

Agreeing with the environmentalists Friday, Judge Lawrence K. Karlton wrote, "There can be no genuine dispute the primary purpose of the San Joaquin River is now entirely dry, except during extremely wet periods, and that the historic fish populations have been destroyed."

The San Joaquin River supports thousands of spawning Chinook salmon and other fish before the Bureau of Reclamation built the Friant Dam, about 20 miles north of Fresno, in the 1940s. The water now collects in Millerton Lake

and provides irrigation to about 15,000 farmers and one million acres of farmland east of the river. But the dam diverts so much water that long stretches of the river run completely dry most of the year.

Environmentalists argued that the river could be restored without hurting the region's farm economy, while opponents claimed restoring the river for salmon "will take water away from farmers and residents."

In 1998, the water authority and environmental groups agreed to negotiate a plan to release 227 million of the San Joaquin River, but talks broke down last year, sending the dispute back to court.

NRDC officials said they were "thrilled" with Judge Karlton's decision, which could send water through the Friant Dam for the first time in more than 50 years. Restoring the river will provide cleaner drinking water, more reliable irrigation water and salmon habitat, they said.

"The federal court has finally acknowledged that this dam is subject to the same rules as all other dams," said Steve Nelson, an NRDC senior policy analyst. "We can look forward to bringing a dead river back to life. An enormous number of people will benefit from a more vibrant river."

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, which owns and operates

the dam, wouldn't comment until its attorneys had a chance to review the judge's decision, said spokesman Jeff McCracken.

The Friant Water Users Authority, which provides Friant water to Fresno, Kern, Madera, Merced and Tulare counties, was "very disappointed" in the ruling, said general manager Ron Jacobsma, adding that its attorneys were considering various legal options. He warned that water releases could hurt San Joaquin Valley farmers.

"Any loss of water to our service area would have a devastating effect," Jacobsma said. "This could have significant impact on the agricultural economy in the region and have economic consequences in the state."

But California fishermen were excited about the prospect of restoring the San Joaquin River's salmon fisheries.

"This has been a long time coming, but after 60 years, Judge Karlton has righted this wrong," said Zoke Grader, executive director of the Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations. "We have now started down the road to restore one of the West Coast's premier salmon runs, and along with it, fishing jobs in California's coastal communities."

Retiring state senator resigns early

BOISE (AP) — Republican state Sen. Sheila Sorenson has submitted her resignation to the Senate GOP leader, calling for the party's nomination for her seat in the November election to be appointed to fill the vacancy.

"It would give him a slight edge as an incumbent," Sorenson wrote in the letter to Senate President Pro Tem Robert Geddes of Soda Springs.

Sorenson, who served 12 years in the Senate after six in the House, announced her decision to step aside last fall after her husband, plastic surgeon and former state legislator Dean Sorenson, joined a medical practice in Maui. She has been traveling between Idaho and Hawaii since then.

Conservative Republican

Dave Baumann faces Democrat Kate Kelly for Sorenson's seat in the fall. It is one of the races Democratic leaders believe have a strong chance of winning.

State Democratic Party Director Maria Weeg called it inconsistent for Sorenson to want to turn her seat over to Baumann after blasting his political views as unrepresentative of voters in the southeast Boise district that includes Boise State University.

"I thought Sheila Sorenson was, Weeg said. 'The senator we knew was a moderate who stood up in that district against the Senate leadership on key issues. That kind of independent thinking marked her service.' Sorenson, whose letter was re-

ceived by state officials on Friday, said her resignation would be effective upon the appointment of a successor.

The Republican legislative district committee will now meet to select up to three nominees to replace Sorenson for the remainder of the term which ends in November. Kempthorne will have 15 days after submission of that slate to appoint the new senator.

For the past six years, Sorenson has been the chairwoman of the Senate State Affairs Committee, which is made up of the leaders from both parties and handles many of the most controversial issues brought to the Senate from abortion and gay marriage to liquor sales and open records.

Group Health nurses end five-day strike

SEATTLE (AP) — Group Health Cooperative nurses and other workers ended their five-day strike on Friday, with union leaders calling it a success and Group Health officials calling it a disappointment.

"We got tremendous support from consumers, the community at large, and some very influential people," said Diane Sosne, a registered nurse and president of Service Employees International Union Local 1199. Few disruptions in patient services were reported among the 18 Western Washington Group Health clinics and offices affected by the strike. Group Health and the union remain far apart on the main sticking point in negotiations — the cost of health benefits.

"What we have proposed is a fair and small contribution to the cost of their medical benefits," said Scott Armstrong, Group Health chief operating officer. "We're disappointed we still have not seen any indication on the part of the leadership of SEIU that they're interested in returning to the bargaining table and discussing the real issues."

No new bargaining sessions have been scheduled. A federal mediator is overseeing the ne-

gotiations.

Workers covered by the contract now get health benefits with no premiums or deductibles and \$5 co-payments for office visits and prescriptions.

The company has proposed increasing co-payments to \$15, instituting deductibles and charging premiums on a sliding scale: 1 percent of base pay for an individual worker; 2 percent for a worker and a spouse; double for parents or children; and 3 percent for a worker, spouse/partner and children. For someone who makes \$30,000 a year, the full family coverage would cost \$75 in monthly premiums.

Group Health also wants to levy a \$100 monthly charge on workers who get coverage for spouses, if those spouses are eligible for health benefits somewhere else and decline to use them.

Sosne said some members would not be able to afford those health benefits. The union represents a wide range of workers, from nurses making \$70,000 a year to custodians making \$24,000.

The union announced its next steps on Friday. SEIU Local 1199 has raised \$250,000 to

mount an aggressive campaign to "tell our story to the public" this fall if negotiations remain stalled. Sosne said. And if that doesn't work, she said Local 1199 would call on the 50,000 SEIU members statewide to mobilize and rally in support of the Group Health workers.

"We certainly hope Group Health will use this weekend to really do some soul-searching and reevaluate their position," Sosne said. "It's not going to get the results that they want."

Meanwhile, Group Health officials said they believe SEIU leadership has lost touch with reality. "There is no organization in this state more committed to promoting affordable health care for people in this state than Group Health," Armstrong said. "We do not believe patients should be subsidizing the cost of virtually free medical benefits for one group of employees."

Group Health, a nonprofit based in Seattle, is one of the nation's oldest health maintenance organizations. Together with Group Health Options Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary, the co-op handles health care for more than 540,000 people in Washington state and northern Idaho.

Lawsuit claims

FLDS conspired in excommunication

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Six former members of a breakaway polygamous sect banished or excommunicated from the church filed a conspiracy lawsuit Friday against the church's prophet and one of his assistants, claiming a pattern of unlawful activity and conspiracy to get rid of surplus boys and men.

The plaintiffs, all so-called "lost boys" and former members of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, based in Hildale, Utah and Colorado City, Ariz., included in the court complaint portions of federal racketeering statutes sometimes used in organized crime prosecutions.

The plaintiffs claim that FLDS church president and prophet Warren Jeffs and Sam Barlow, a former Colorado City police chief and close associate of Jeffs, have engaged in assault, terroristic threats, unlawful dealing of property, theft by extortion, child kidnapping, official misconduct and theft of services.

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Fire kills students in frat house

OXFORD, Miss. (AP) — A fire swept through a fraternity house at the University of Mississippi early Friday, killing three students during the first week of classes, school officials said.

Twenty other students and a house mother escaped the two-story, brick- and wood-frame Alpha Tau Omega house, school spokesman Mitchell Diggs said. There were no reports of injuries. The cause was not immediately known.

Firefighters needed about two hours to bring the blaze under control, chapter adviser Al Bell said. Hours later, smoke billowed out of where the roof had been, and much of the upper floor was in ruins.

A fraternity member who was not at the house when the fire occurred said fellow members told him they woke up coughing and found smoke "everywhere."

"They said they just ran out as fast as they could, to get out of that building as fast as possible," said Sean Weidlein, of Middleburg, Va.

Fred Cummings, 19, a member of the Ole Miss cross country team who was out running at 6 a.m., said the smoke was so thick "it would choke you up" a mile away.

"When we saw it, the flames were about two stories above the building," he said.

University spokesman Jeff Alford identified two victims as William Townsend, 19, of Clarkdale, and Jordan Williams, 20, of Atlanta, both sophomores majoring in accounting.

Alford said the body of the third victim had not been identified.

He said the last missing student was Howard Stone, 19, of Martinsville, Va., a sophomore political science major.

Among the survivors, "things are pretty rough right now," Weidlein said.

Alford said authorities believed the fire started in the fraternity house's living area.

Teen pleads no contest to bus slaying

WAGONER, Okla. (AP) — A 16-year-old boy accused of fatally stabbing a classmate aboard a school bus pleaded no contest to first-degree murder Friday and was transferred to juvenile custody.

Daniel Harley Dillingham will remain in the county jail, segregated from other inmates, until a bed opens at the state's only maximum-security juvenile facility. He said nothing during his court appearance, and his attorney, Dennis Shook, entered the plea for him.

Under state law, juvenile offenders can't be held past their 19th birthday unless they fail to comply with juvenile treatment. In that case, they can be transferred to an adult prison for no more than 10 years.

Dillingham, who was 15 at the time, stabbed Carl Andrew Robinson in the back and chest aboard a Porter High School bus Dec. 8.

Robinson, 16, died on the bus while Dillingham fled out a back emergency exit. He told investigators he was tired of Robinson's bullying.

"He needs to be buried in prison," said Daymond Hardin, the victim's stepfather. "If we wasn't a kid, he should've gotten the death penalty. They're going to let him out in three years."

Accident kills man during road work

DETROIT (AP) — A construction platform fell Friday as four workers were painting a highway overpass, killing one worker and critically injuring the other three, police said.

The men, who worked for a company contracted by the Michigan Department of Transportation, were working on the overpass of Interstate 75 in southwest Detroit.

They were attempting to lower a 20-by-30-foot platform when a cable holding it up snapped shortly after 11 a.m., police said.

For some reason, the platform gave way. All four men fell and hit their heads," police Sgt. John Claybourne said.

Authorities stop man who tried to auction his vote on eBay

ELYRIA, Ohio (AP) — James Pengov thought selling his vote would help get him out of debt, instead it landed him in trouble with the law.

It took authorities 12 hours to hear about and stop Pengov's eBay offer of a "Presidential Vote for Sale," with a starting bid of \$50.

The 36-year-old said he was hoping to land enough money from selling his vote to pay medical bills.

"Up for auction is MY

VOTE!" said Pengov's Aug. 19 posting on the online marketplace.

"Simply tell me who to vote for, after paying the auction, and it will be so. If you care, buy my vote and you will have twice the power in the upcoming election!!!!"

Pengov said he didn't know that selling a vote was illegal.

The fraud unit of the California secretary of state's office, which has been alerted to votes for sale on eBay in previous

elections, came across the posting and notified Ohio authorities.

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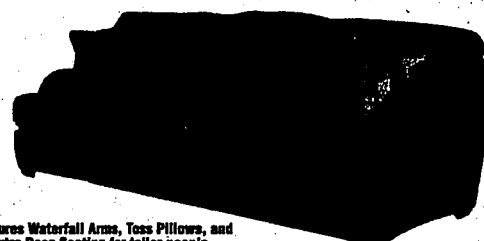


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
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Red Cross begins massive aid operation in Darfur

AL-FASHER, Sudan (AP) — Trucks loaded with food and other relief supplies began a two-week trek to Sudan's vast Darfur region Friday, opening a mammoth Red Cross effort to help hundreds of thousands of people made homeless by ethnic fighting.

U.N. officials consider the plight of the arid region's 1.4 million displaced people as the world's worst humanitarian crisis, and the international Red Cross is mounting its biggest relief operation. An agency spokeswoman Julia Bassam said in Khartoum, the Sudanese capital.

She said the eight-truck convoy would leave Red Cross warehouses in Khartoum every two days. A giant cargo plane is making six trips from Switzerland, ferrying nearly 800 tons of trucks and other equipment needed for the relief operation.

Food and medicine are desperately needed in 147 refugee camps scattered across a region the size of France. An estimated 43,000 people are sheltering at Abu Shouk, a camp near the North Darfur capital, Al-Fasher, where the Rev. Jesse Jackson visited Friday.

Crouching over an elderly woman too frail and weak to move, the American civil rights campaigner said the world isn't doing enough for Darfur. "For too long this crisis has been ignored," Jackson said.

Relief efforts are expanding with the approach of the Monday deadline set by the U.N. Security Council for Sudan's government to disarm militias from Arabic tribes of nomadic herders accused of killing more than 30,000 African farmers and looting and burning their villages. The violence erupted when two African movements rebelled against the Khartoum regime, accusing it of siding with the Arab tribes over scarce water and arable land.

Sudan's Arab-dominated government has pledged to work with the international community to restore calm in Darfur while denying charges from aid groups and others that it has supported the Arab militias, known as the Janjaweed.

But attacks are still being reported, and Human Rights Watch, a U.S.-based advocacy group, issued a statement Friday accusing the Sudanese government of letting the militias maintain at least 16 bases in the region — including five apparently shared with the military.

Throughout the time Khartoum was supposedly retreating to the Janjaweed, these camps have been operating in plain sight," said Peter Takirambudde.



American civil rights activist Rev. Jesse Jackson carries a Sudanese displaced child during his visit Friday to Abu Shouk camp, in North Darfur, Sudan, where more than 40,000 displaced people receive food and shelter from international aid agencies.

executive director of the groups Africa Division.

Jean-Marie Fakhouri, head of Sudan operations for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, said Darfur's people are "barely managing" and warned of the danger that unrest poses for the relief effort.

"The situation has improved in terms of assistance to the camps, but it is extremely fragile," he said.

Bassam said the Red Cross had seen improved cooperation from Sudan's leaders, and U.N. officials have made similar reports. Previously, aid groups complained that the government prevented them from getting aid to Darfur.

Still, Bassam said, if hurdles had been cleared earlier, the aid convoys might have been able to get out before the rainy season. Rains that began in July have filled valleys with water and turned desert tracks into muddy traps, particularly in inaccessible areas in the region.

Jackson, who arrived in Al-Fasher on an aircraft lent by Libyan leader Moammar Gad-

hafi, spent about an hour at Abu Shouk camp, followed around by women in bright robes and children in filthy smocks, including one child on a donkey.

Ducking under a makeshift clothes line, Jackson peered inside a straw-thatched shelter where an old woman lay sleeping on the desert floor.

He stroked her withered arms and held her hand, waving flies from her face, and joined hands with the Sudanese government camp manager as he prayed over her. She coughed, but did not wake up.

"Here in Darfur the world has been silent for a long time while there have been reports of killings and displacement and rapes, and so understandably we are concerned," said Jackson, who plans to meet with Sudanese President Omar el-Bashir in Khartoum on Saturday.

He noted that according to the United Nations and the European Union, 1,000 people are dying every day in Darfur, a statement met with laughter by a Sudanese delegation that accompanied him.

Italy reacts with horror at hostage killing, vows to keep troops in Iraq

ROME (AP) — Recalling the horror the nation felt when its first hostage was killed in Iraq, word that a second Italian hostage was slain brought condemnation from the pope on Friday and fueled debate over Italy's role in the war-torn country.

At the Olympics in Athens, Greece, Italian soccer players wore black armbands during their bronze medal match against Iraq in honor of Enzo Baldoni, a 56-year-old freelance journalist. The Italian polo team wore armbands in its 11-7 win and volleyball players wore a

piece of black tape over their hearts during their match with Russia.

"It is in memory of Baldoni. It was also a statement against the war, of which we don't approve at all," said water polo player Fabio Benicewicz, dedicating the win over Croatia to the fallen journalist.

Late Thursday, the Qatar-based Arabic TV network Al-Jazeera reported it had received a video that appeared to show the killing of Baldoni, two days after an Islamic militant group demanded that Italy's troops leave Iraq. The Italian

ambassador to Qatar saw a still image showing the killing.

"Enzo is no longer here, and nobody can give him back to us, but he is also here among us, thanks to all that he has left us in these years," Baldoni's wife, Glusya Bonsignore, said in a statement given to Italian TV. "Enzo lived life with a smile, we'll keep doing so for him."

Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi reaffirmed his commitment to keeping Italian troops in Iraq, vowing "to combat terrorism wherever and in whatever form it manifests itself."

Explosion kills two in Dagestan

MOSCOW (AP) — An explosion went off Friday night near a police building in the restive Dagestan region adjacent to Chechnya, and initial reports indicated two people were killed, the Interfax news agency said.

The blast occurred outside the main police station in Khasavyurt, a town that has been tense amid a conflict between its mayor and the top official in Dagestan, Interfax reported, citing Interior Ministry officials in the southern Russian region.

According to preliminary information, a woman and child were killed in the blast in the town near the border with Chechnya, Interfax said.

The IFAR-Russ news agency said part of a nearby cultural center was destroyed, and that a woman's body was apparently found.

Dagestan has been plagued by shootings, bombings and other violence, some spilling over from neighboring Chechnya and some committed by local criminal gangs or connected to power struggles in the mostly Muslim region.

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Hijackers force plane to land in Khartoum

KHARTOUM, Sudan (AP) — Armed with knives, Eritrean deportees hijacked a plane that left Libya carrying about 80 fellow Eritreans and forced it to land Friday in the Sudanese capital before surrendering to security forces, officials said.

Libyan officials said the plane departed the southeastern city of al-Kafra late Thursday carrying about 80 Eritrean and 145 Nigerian deportees, who were destined to return to their home country after entering Libya illegally.

Libyan Foreign Minister Abdel-Rahman Shalgam said the plane, a Libyan-owned C-130, first stopped in the Nigerian city of Lagos to return the Nigerians before leaving for Eritrea with the remaining deportees. After take off from Lagos, four Eritreans armed with knives forced the pilot to fly to Khartoum.

The hijackers told the crew they didn't want to return to Eritrea for "political reasons," Shalgam told The Associated Press in the Libyan capital, Tripoli.

Thousands of Africans illegally enter Libya seeking employment, fleeing conflict in their own countries or determined to find passage out of north Africa to Europe.

Sudan's Foreign Ministry said the plane's Libyan pilot called Sudanese civil aviation authorities saying his aircraft had been hijacked and he needed to make an emergency landing in Khartoum.

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The Greeks still want their Elgin marbles back after many years

By Matthew Schofield
Knight Rider News Service

ATHENS — Angelos Papanikolaou points to the east pediment of the Parthenon ruins, one of the man-made wonders of the world, and by far the most enduring symbol of his country.

"There is much that is missing from here that is very beautiful," the historical preservationist explains. "It is the politicians who have to bring back what is missing. I merely work here. But there is much missing, and it is very beautiful."

As these Olympics close, many Greek officials admit they were deeply hurt by the absence of certain faces they'd expected to see for the games. But this has nothing to do with the game of the sparse crowds the world saw on television.

Instead, they're referring to a series of statues, one of the most famous collections, now known as the Elgin Marbles. Those statues now reside in the British Museum in London. It has been 200 years since the 49 pieces were ripped away from the marble structure, sitting atop the sacred rock, or Acropolis, in the center of Athens. And in that time the fight has remained very simple: Greece wants the marble statues back. The British Museum doesn't want to return them.

"The British argument stands on nothing," Greek archaeologist Vassio Filatikis says angrily. "They say they are right to keep our most important cultural symbols. There is nothing more important to Greeks than getting them back."

She points out that the museum collection also includes a one-of-a-kind panel for a nearby monument, the lack of which totally changes the experience for visitors, and they have not even attempted to recover it.

"Do we have Stonehenge?" she said. "Of course not. Antiquities may stay in their homes. I do not understand their thinking."

The British Museum's position rests on an 1816 ruling in the House of Commons that the pieces were legally acquired.

A museum spokesman vaguely explains the situation before quickly hanging up. "Yes, they're here, and no, the board doesn't intend to give them back."

At the museum takes credit for saving the statues by preserving them while much of the Parthenon has fallen into ruins in the past 200 years. In addition, the museum position rests on that "The British Museum aims to make the sculptures from the Parthenon accessible to and understood by the widest audience." They note that the marbles belong not only to Greece, but also to the world as priceless pieces of art.

Greek Minister of Communications Theodore

“They are among the world’s most important pieces of art. Such things are not easily let go.”

— Eleni Korka, Greek official

Roussopoulos said many of his countrymen find that argument not only untrue, but insulting.

"If you look around our city, I think you'll see we have managed to preserve a few things," he said. "And I cannot imagine a more appropriate setting for display than here, in the place of their birth."

There is little debate left on how the statues came to leave the Parthenon, built 2,500 years ago as a tribute to the goddess Athena. And the story sounds like one of the great Greek tragedies. Lord Elgin, an aristocrat and former British officer, arrived in Constantinople (now Istanbul) in 1799 as a British ambassador to the Ottoman Empire, which had occupied Athens for several hundred years at the time.

While making plans for building a new home, Lord Elgin (referred to in Greek reports simply as "the English") was advised by his decorator that, since he was in a unique position to get favors from the Ottoman Empire (relations with Britain were excellent after being allies in a recent war) he should see if he'd be allowed to make plaster casts of the marble statues adorning the Parthenon.

The request was granted, in itself a surprise, as access to the sacred place was jealously guarded.

A high-ranking official, the incoming Grand Vizier, gave him a letter of introduction allowing him to make the casts, erect scaffolding around the Parthenon and excavate around the foundation looking for lost statues (a few of which he might actually keep).

Once at work, he realized that with a few well-placed bribes, he could take home the actual statues.

His workers used hammers, chisels and saws to rip away half the famous frieze — a relief statue panel depicting a traditional parade in honor of Athena that wrapped around the outside of an interior column row, pieces of more than half the statues in the pediment, and a quarter of the metopes, or small statues around the exterior.

In doing so, they smashed a few cornices, backed a column in half and shattered at least one of the statues.

When finally boxed and shipped (the first ship sank,

causing a two-year delay as Greek divers recovered the marbles from the sea floor) to England, Lord Elgin needed money and couldn't build quite the home he'd hoped for.

After a debate in Parliament about whether they'd been legally obtained, they were bought and placed in the museum for public display, into perpetuity.

In the years since, scholars studying the permission he received have noted that it specifically forbade him from taking anything off the structure.

And, in recent years, many British people in one poll, 92 percent and groups have sprung up questioning whether it might not be better to return what once looks to have been stolen.

As Robert W. Blackie, 60, of Cornwall, England, noted while walking around the monument in amazement Friday: "Look, they're marvelous, but it's pretty clear we didn't have the right to take them in the first place. What we're doing, still holding on after 200 years, I'll never understand."

Eleni Korka, who is in charge of the Greek department fighting for what they call "the re-unification of the marbles," says she thinks she knows why they're holding on.

"They are among the world's most important pieces of art, so they're not easily let go," she said, adding that recently leaked museum documents indicate they are now employing "stalling tactics, hoping to hold on as long as they can."

She added that the British Museum is not alone in possessing antiquities that might, morally, be better returned to their source.

Many of the world's great museums have similar questions hanging over parts of their collections.

There are more of the original Babylon structures in Berlin than Iraq, for instance.

Korka's department prepared slick brochures, showing the marbles reunited.

Elgin removed heads, torsos, whatever he wanted, for his collection, leaving the bits he didn't want behind.

The brochure puts the bodies back together photographically. It asks if the world would stand by white works by Da Vinci and Rembrandt suffered "violent dismemberment."

And, it states, "A monument with such universal brilliance as the Parthenon can only exist or be registered in the world's collective memory as a whole."

Still, Korka has decided that re-stating moral and legal arguments will do little good. Instead, patience and cooperation are needed.

Athens is now building a new museum, intended to display much from archeological sites in need of preservation.



This courtroom sketch shows Ibrahim Ahmed Mahmoud al Qosi of Sudan appearing before a military commission Friday in Guantanamo, Cuba.

Commission postpones hearing of alleged al-Qaida paymaster

GUANTANAMO BAY NAVAL BASE, Cuba (AP) — A U.S. military commission postponed the arraignment Friday of a Sudanese man accused of being an al-Qaida paymaster, and the government's chief prosecutor said charges would be brought soon against nine other suspects, including well-known names associated with the Sept. 11 terror attacks.

The hearing was the fourth before the historic commissions — the first such proceedings since World War II. They are coming under heavy criticism over concerns about the panel's impartiality, translation problems and vague guidelines.

The first four prisoners were charged with offenses ranging from conspiracy to aiding the enemy, but upcoming cases will likely include murder. The new cases will go before the commission as soon as the charges are approved.

There will be nine more charges you'll see soon, one as soon as next week, and the American people will recognize the names of some of these people," said Army Col. Robert L. Swann, the government's chief prosecutor in the military commissions.

All of the 585 prisoners held at Guantanamo Bay are accused of links to Afghanistan's ousted Taliban regime or the al-Qaida terror network, which is blamed for coordinating the Sept. 11 terror attacks.

The defense attorney for Ibrahim Ahmed Mahmoud al

Qosi complained Friday that prosecutors have been given more resources than the defense. In the four hearings this week the prosecution often had two and sometimes three attorneys. Al Qosi's attorneys have been working his case alone. Her request for an assistant defense counsel was refused by the government.

To have a full and fair process, you have to be given resources," said Air Force Lt. Col. Sharon Shaffer, al Qosi's defense lawyer, who has traveled to Sudan to gather information.

Al Qosi, 44, is accused of being an accountant and paymaster for al-Qaida and a longtime associate of Osama bin Laden, the terror network's chief. He is charged with conspiracy to commit war crimes.

Presiding officer Army Col. Peter E. Brownback postponed al Qosi's preliminary hearing until Oct. 4. A tentative trial date was set for Dec. 7. Al Qosi did not enter a plea.

U.S. charges allege al Qosi traveled with bin Laden, served as a driver and quartermaster, and worked as an accountant and treasurer for a business intended to provide income and cover for al-Qaida terror operations, including the procurement of explosives and chemicals.

He also allegedly signed checks on behalf of bin Laden.

On Thursday, Ali Hamza Ahmad Sulayman al Bahli, 36, of Yemen, rejected his appointed advocates and argued to

represent himself. He also admitted to being a member of al-Qaida.

Although the remark was ordered disregarded, it could be used against him in a trial. Al Bahli's request to represent himself is to be considered by John D. Altenburg Jr., a retired Army general in charge of the proceedings.

Inaccurate translations muddled al Bahli's preliminary hearing — the first step in military commissions, or trials. Several of al Bahli's words were rendered incorrectly, said Arabic-speaking journalists in attendance and a translator for another charged Guantanamo prisoner.

In Friday's proceedings, Brownback told the translators to translate only what was said, not to explain any questions. Shaffer also complained that al Qosi has said translators have used the wrong words to describe what he has said.

Shaffer's requests to talk to the linguists who provided the information have been refused.

Other problems cropping up at Wednesday's hearing for David Hicks — a prisoner at Guantanamo Bay who allegedly fought with the Taliban in Afghanistan. Hicks pleaded innocent.

Attorneys for Hicks, a 29-year-old Australian cowboy who studied Islam in Pakistan before going to Afghanistan, challenged the impartiality of the panel, including Brownback. A trial was set for Jan. 10.

Several countries call for free presidential elections in Lebanon

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — The United States, Germany and France called Friday for presidential elections in Lebanon to be free, based on the constitution and staged without foreign intervention, a reference to neighboring Syria, the main power broker in this Arab country.

Greece calls come amid an attempt by Lebanon's President Emile Lahoud to seek another six-year term after his remaining three months in office end on Nov. 1.

Lahoud enjoys strong support from neighboring Syria and needs Damascus' approval and an amendment to Lebanon's constitution if he is to receive a new mandate, something strongly opposed by political rival Rafik Hariri, Lebanon's billionaire prime minister.

German Foreign Minister Joschka Fischer, who arrived Friday in Beirut on the first leg of a regional tour, said at a joint news conference with Hariri that it was "crucial that Lebanon be preserved as an independent and sovereign nation and state, and that all the decisions are based on the constitution and on the free will of your people."

In Washington, White House press secretary Scott McClellan urged Syria to respect the principles of "nonintervention" in Lebanese affairs and noted recent comments from Lebanese



German Foreign Minister Joschka Fischer, left, speaks to media as Lebanese Prime Minister Rafik Hariri listens in Beirut, Lebanon, on Friday.

religious, political and civic leaders "calling for respect of the Lebanese constitution."

McClellan said Lebanon's interests are best served if the Lebanese people (one left to decide the fate of their nation and its leadership, without pressure or interference from any outside party."

The United States has imposed sanctions on Syria for its alleged support of Palestinian militants and the deployment of 20,000 security personnel in Lebanon.

The French Foreign Ministry also urged Lebanon to show "strict respect" for its constitu-

tion and suggested that no outside country should interfere with Lebanon's electoral process.

"These elections must take place in full respect of the sovereignty and independence of Lebanon," Foreign Ministry spokesman Horve Ladous said Thursday.

Lebanon's parliament has not set a date for the vote, which must be held between Sept. 24, when the legislature sits for its regular session, and the end of Lahoud's term on Nov. 24.

Lahoud and Hariri have been locked in a power struggle over how to run the country.

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NATION

Tropical depression threatens Southeast

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — A tropical depression formed southeast of the Carolinas on Friday, prompting tropical storm watches south of the Georgia-Florida state line.

The depression was 140 miles southeast of Charleston, S.C., with a maximum sustained winds of 30 mph. It was nearly stationary, but forecasters expected the storm to drift slowly westward Friday night.

It was predicted to come ashore near Charleston late Saturday and move to the northeast across the Carolinas.

The depression could strengthen into a weak tropical storm before making landfall, according to experts at the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

The biggest threat was flooding. Three to 5 inches of rain were forecast along coastal areas from Georgia to North Carolina.

Meanwhile, Hurricane Frances grew into a Category 3 storm Friday in the Atlantic, but it was not expected to threaten land in the near future.

Frances had maximum sustained winds near 115 mph, according to the hurricane center.

At 5 p.m. EDT, the hurricane was centered about 800 miles east of the Leeward Islands in the southeastern Caribbean and was moving west-northwest near 10 mph, forecasters said.

A storm becomes a hurricane when wind speed reaches 74 mph. Category 1 hurricanes have maximum sustained wind speeds up to 95 mph; Category 2 storms have wind of 96 to 110 mph.

Judge denies citizenship for alleged Nazi guard

CHICAGO (AP) — A federal judge Friday revoked the U.S. citizenship of a Romanian-born former member of the Nazi SS accused of serving as a concentration camp guard.

The government accused Joseph Wittje, 84, of Bensenville of hiding his membership in an SS Death's Head battalion that guarded Sachsenhausen, a camp near Berlin where thousands were executed or died from starvation, disease and medical experiments.

The government contended that because the Nazi Waffen SS was a movement hostile to the United States, Wittje was not lawfully admitted to this country when he was granted citizenship in August 1959.

Judge Suzanne Conlon canceled Wittje's certificate of naturalization and ordered him to turn it over to the attorney general. The government filed its complaint seeking to revoke his citizenship last September.

Wittje refused to comment, referring questions to his attorney, Joseph T. McGinness of Cleveland. Calls to McGinness' number were not answered.

In previous hearings, McGinness said his client was stationed near Sachsenhausen and did belong to an SS Death's Head battalion, but was never a guard. He has said Wittje was a bricklayer who spent much of his time working on construction of air raid shelters and in a military sports program.

The government said Wittje served in the Romanian Army from February 1942 until July 1943, and was a member of the Waffen SS from July 1943 until the spring of 1945. It said the Waffen SS was a Nazi party organization that included combat and guard units in concentration camps.

In his 1950 immigration papers, Wittje failed to disclose his membership in the Waffen SS, which in 1946 was classified by an international military tribunal as a criminal organization, the Justice Department complaint said.

"Like other former Nazis in the U.S., he came to these shores during the Cold War and left out that part of his life," said Rabbi Abraham Cooper, an associate dean of the Simon Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles. "They volunteered to be a part of the Nazi killing machine."

Officials find alleged Bosnian war criminal in Massachusetts

BOSTON (AP) — A construction worker living near Boston was in federal custody Friday, accused in the mass slaughter of Muslims as a member of a Bosnian Serb military unit in the former Yugoslavia.

Marko Boskic, a 40-year-old Bosnian national, was identified by federal prosecutors as an executioner in the unit that killed some 1,200 Muslim men and boys at a farm outside Srebrenica in 1995.

Boskic is charged with lying

on applications for refugee and permanent resident alien status in the United States by not revealing his complete military history. He faces deportation back to Bosnia-Herzegovina, where he could be tried as a war criminal.

Boskic was arrested late Wednesday at his condominium in suburban Peabody, where prosecutors said he had been living the past four years. During a court appearance Thursday, Boskic said through an inter-

preter that he worked on and off for a construction company.

Peabody police said Boskic had been arrested at least five times, usually following domestic disputes.

A neighbor, Arthur Liaperdos, said he awoke to the sounds of a fight several months ago and heard a woman's screams. The woman came out into the hallway, Liaperdos said, and Boskic pulled her back inside. The police came shortly thereafter.

"He had no respect for any-

body, the neighbors — fighting in the middle of the night like that," Liaperdos said.

But people who worked with Boskic said they were surprised to hear the allegations about his past.

"He never lost his temper; he's a great guy," said Vincenzo Penia, general manager of a masonry contractor where Boskic worked. "It's weird. I can't imagine they have the right guy."

Boskic's name came up during the war crimes trial of

former Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic in the Hague. Another member of the same unit testified last year that he and Boskic participated in the massacre, lining up 10 men at a time and mowing them down.

Tribunal prosecutors helped U.S. investigators identify Boskic by providing a videotape in which he was seen with Gen. Radislav Krstic, the only man to be convicted of genocide by the tribunal. Krstic was sentenced to 35 years in prison.

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Albertsons teams up with ag dept.

TWIN FALLS — Boise-based Albertsons is partnering with the Idaho State Department of Agriculture to promote "Idaho Preferred" products.

The "Idaho Preferred" program is designed to identify and promote the quality, diversity and availability of Idaho's food and agriculture products, the agriculture department said in a statement.

This weekend, Albertsons stores across Idaho will feature Idaho-grown fresh fruits and vegetables, as well as Idaho foods and beverages including wines, pickles, jams and jellies, eggs and sauces, the statement said.

This campaign is good for consumers because it brings fresh fruits and vegetables, direct from Idaho farms and orchards to local Albertsons stores, and it helps shoppers identify many other Idaho products throughout the store," said the agriculture department director, Pat Takasugi.

"The Idaho Preferred" program also helps the overall economy by supporting Idaho's farmers, processors, retailers and rural communities.

Idaho company buys Westinghouse services

BOISE — Washington Group International Inc. has acquired the remaining outstanding interest in the former Westinghouse government services business.

The federal Energy Department must still approve the Boise-based company's acquisition of the remaining 40 percent of the one-time Westinghouse subsidiary from BNFL Inc. The department is the business's major client.

With the former Westinghouse government services business, Washington Group and BNFL manage federal facilities and programs and provide engineering, construction, management, and risk-analysis services for a number of governments.

Under the terms of the agreement, Washington Group will control the Westinghouse Government Services Co. and the Westinghouse Government Environmental Services Co. Washington Group will pay BNFL 40 percent of the profits from all other contracts Washington Group holds through December 2012.

BNFL will not share in any potential losses of those businesses, but will maintain its portion of the liabilities the businesses incurred prior to the date of this week's buyout.

Rain dampens hopes for bumper wheat crop

LEWISTON — Although the grain harvest in north-central Idaho and parts of eastern Washington is well under way, farmers are watching unusual August rains take a toll on their crop.

The late August rain on the Camas Prairie and the Palouse is causing sprout damage that destroys the quality of the kernels, possibly the worst damage since 1989.

A crop that is 10 percent sprouted would bring about 40 cents a bushel less than good quality grain.

Industry experts say most elevators are taking special steps to keep damaged grain separated from the rest of the harvest to limit quality complaints from grain consumers.

The Lewiston region has gotten about 1.3 inches of rain in August, nearly an inch more than in a typical August.

The price of soft white wheat at Portland on Friday was \$3.89 a bushel.

A year ago it was over \$4.

The spring wheat and barely harvests in northern Idaho were about 60 percent complete this week. Normally only about 40 percent of the grain has been harvested at this point, but a significant amount of the crop is still in the field.

— compiled from staff and wire reports



A tugboat maneuvers a tanker down the Columbia River near Ilwaco, Wash., on Jan. 10, 2002. A shift in West Coast shipping may be coming after some container carriers serving the Port of Portland decided to stop calling on the nation's largest inland river port.

Western shippers will pay for container alternatives

The Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — West Coast shipping costs could increase and U.S. agricultural exports are likely to suffer unless the Port of Portland finds a way to replace two departing steamship lines that carry container cargo, officials said Thursday.

Portland is dwarfed by California ports. But any decrease in container traffic through the Pacific Northwest, and its rail connections to the Midwest and South, could increase costs for all Pacific freight and cargo, according to industry and state officials at a shipping summit conference.

The ports of Los Angeles, Long Beach and Oakland in California, along with Tacoma in Washington state, are already congested and struggling to keep up with container traffic, officials said.

Congestion is so bad in Los Angeles the port has a \$40 surcharge per container that is rounded if the shipper loads or unloads after peak hours, according to industry experts at the conference.

"This is a big national problem," said Peter Friedmann, spokesman for the Agriculture Ocean Transportation Coalition. The conference was organized by the coalition after Hyundai Merchant Marine and the "K" Line announced they would halt service to the Port of Portland by the end of the year, leaving only Hanjin Shipping to handle ongoing container traffic along the Columbia River to Portland.

The big 20- to 40-foot containers can be packed with just about anything from electronics to clothing to perishable fruit. Farmers as far inland as the Midwest use containers to pack agricultural products such as fruits, peas and lentils, or specialty crops, such as hazelnuts from Oregon, the world's second-largest producer.

But shipping companies such as Hyundai and "K" Line are moving to bigger vessels that need deeper water than the Columbia River, which already adds costs for the 104-mile transit along the river in California and Washington state.

President Bush announced

Aug. 13 on a campaign swing through Oregon that he would urge Congress to approve a \$150 million dredging project that will deepen the Columbia River channel by 3 feet to an average of 43 feet all the way from Portland to the Pacific.

Bush had originally rejected funding in his initial federal budget proposal in February, and his decision to support the project was welcomed by regional business and political leaders.

But many of those same leaders agreed Thursday the project will begin too late to prevent Hyundai and "K" Line from changing course, forcing farmers, manufacturers and wood products companies to consider alternatives that appear costly.

"This is not free," said Terri Barde, a Columbia River Customs Broker & Freight Forwarder Association board member. "Somebody is going to have to pay for this."

The three main alternatives are loading containers on ocean-going barges in Portland for shipment to the container yards in Tacoma, or shipping them by rail or truck to Tacoma.

Each alternative has drawbacks, and the cost increases with all three, with barging the least expensive and trucks the most costly.

Truckers would have to add extra-heavy duty trailers to their fleets in order to carry the extra weight on already crowded highways and freeways, increasing wear and tear on roads and adding to air pollution, said Heather Stewart of China Pacific Co., a freight forwarder.

Gary Cardwell of Northwest Container Services, a short-haul railroad, told the conference his company can handle the overflow container traffic that would be routed from Portland to Tacoma. But in terms of lower costs, "the winner is the river."

Barging would be cheaper, but Richard Lauer of Sause Bros., which has operated ocean barges since the 1930s, told the conference there are a number of problems — including the time spent on the 443-mile trip over water between Portland and Tacoma, compared to about 140 miles by rail or truck.

"It's not cheap, and it's not going to be competitive," Lauer said of ocean barging.

Economy grows at 2.8 percent rate in spring

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The U.S. economy, struggling under the weight of a blighted trade deficit, grew at a relatively modest 2.8 percent annual rate in the second quarter, a slower pace of expansion than previously thought.

The new reading on gross domestic product (GDP) issued by the Commerce Department Friday furnished fresh evidence that the business recovery hit a snag in the spring and early summer. The growth rate was weaker than the 3 percent figure first estimated a month ago and showed that the economy, which had been moving along at a decent clip, lost considerable momentum in the

April-to-June quarter.

The economy had grown at a brisk 4.5 percent pace in the first three months of 2004. Gross domestic product measures the value of all goods and services produced within the United States and is considered the broadest barometer of the economy's fitness.

The revised GDP figure for the second quarter, however, is slightly better than the 2.7 percent growth rate that some economists had forecast. "Economic growth was below par — temporarily we think — but the expansion is still continuing," said Lynn Reese, chief economist at Bank of America Capital Management.

On Wall Street, stocks rose. The Dow Jones industrials

gained 20 points and the Nasdaq was up 10 points in morning trading.

The latest snapshot of the economic activity comes as President Bush gets geared up for the Republican convention, and the presidential election is just over two months away.

The economy's health and the availability of jobs have been key sparring issues between Bush and his Democratic opponent, John Kerry.

Bush says that making his tax cuts permanent will strengthen the economy and spur more job growth. Kerry, pointing to the sluggish labor market and the loss of 1.1 million jobs since Bush took office, says the president's tax cuts have mainly helped the wealthy and

squeezed the middle class.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan has described the economy as hitting a "soft patch" in June. Even so, the Fed policy-makers on Aug. 10 raised short-term interest rates for the second time this year in a bid to keep future inflation under control. The Fed's most recent rate move pushed a key interest rate to 1.50 percent. Fed policy-makers at the time expressed confidence that economic activity would gain momentum in the months ahead.

Some private economists estimate that economic growth in the current July-to-September quarter could come in at around a 3.5 percent to 3.8 percent annual rate.

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Greenspan warns of pension plan problems

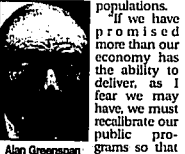
The Associated Press

JACKSON, Wyo. — Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan said Friday that the country will face "abrupt and painful" choices if Congress does not move quickly to trim the Social Security and Medicare benefits that have been promised to the baby boom generation.

Returning to a politically explosive issue that he has addressed a number of times this year, Greenspan said that it was wrong for the government to hold out the promise of more retirement benefits than it is capable of providing.

He said this issue was particularly critical given the impending retirement of 77 million baby boomers born in the two decades after World War II.

"As a nation, we owe it to our retirees to promise only the benefits that can be delivered," Greenspan said in opening remarks to a two-day conference sponsored by the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City on the challenges posed by aging



populations. "If I have promised more than our economy has the ability to deliver, as I fear we may have, we must negotiate our public programs so that they are sustainable pending retirement age adjustments to adjust to other channels."

Greenspan said, "I've delayed the adjustments could be abrupt and painful."

Greenspan, as he has done previously, suggested that one possible fix would be again raising the retirement age to receive full Social Security benefits, which currently is being gradually increased from 65 to 67.

Greenspan said he believes retirement age should be continually adjusted as life expectancies increase. The looming crisis in Social Security and Medicare has received little attention in the presidential race, although the

programs will likely present the next president with painful choices.

Neither President Bush nor Democratic challenger Sen. John Kerry has offered a detailed prescription for bringing sufficient money into the program.

Bush favors giving younger workers the option of putting part of their payroll tax into personal retirement accounts, in return for smaller Social Security benefits, or staying with the Social Security system.

Kerry opposes that plan for partial privatization. He says the way to strengthen Social Security is to "grow the economy, create jobs and increase revenues into the program."

Greenspan, who is 78 and was recently confirmed for a fifth term as Fed chairman, has been a proponent of raising the retirement age ever since he was chairman of a commission that recommended a number of changes to rescue Social Security from impending insolvency.

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Proposed free-trade accord divides Latinos

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — An emotional battle is brewing in the U.S. Latino community over whether a proposed free trade agreement with five Central American nations and the Dominican Republic will bring greater prosperity or despair to the immigrants who have settled in the United States and the relatives they've left behind.

The Central American Free Trade Agreement would drastically lower tariffs on U.S. farm products, consumer goods and services sold in that region and make it easier for those countries to export their products, including sugar and apparel, to the United States.

The accord, commonly called CAFTA, still must be ratified by the U.S. Congress and the governments of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and the

Dominican Republic.

Many prominent Latino organizations, including the League of United Latin American Citizens; the Salvadoran American National Network, and the Central American Resource Center, oppose CAFTA. They have argued that it would hasten the outsourcing of U.S. jobs and encourage the exploitation of poor Central American workers and the environment.

The tensions over CAFTA are reminiscent of the impassioned debate that divided the Mexican American community a decade ago when the Clinton administration pushed through the controversial North American Free Trade Agreement with Mexico and Canada.

Those divisions were on full display recently when CAFTA supporters held a conference for Latino business leaders in

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Farm Credit buyout raises questions

By Cathy Roemer
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — For some, the proposed buyout of the private owned Farm Credit Services of America by Dutch banking giant Rabobank means the sky is falling. For others, it's business as usual — or almost anyway.

The buyout doesn't directly affect Magic Valley — Farm Credit Services of America is not affiliated with Spokane, Wash.-based Northwest Farm Credit Services, which has offices in Burley and Twin Falls. But a foreign bank buying a solid, American-as-apple, lending institution steeped in agriculture has the entire world of agri-finance sitting up and taking notice.

"It's the first time a Farm Credit co-operative has been purchased by anyone other than another Farm Credit," said Mike Salisbury, CEO of Salisbury Management Services, Inc. in Twin Falls. "Nobody in their biggest fantasy thought it was for sale. It's like City Hall being for sale."

Indeed, the Farm Credit System dates back to 1916, before the Depression, when farmers were getting land through the Homestead Act. It was established by Congress to provide American agriculture with a dependable source of credit. Within a few years, the Farm Credit System are regional co-operatives no longer owned by the government but by shareholders.

Because FCS's funding source is a government-sponsored enterprise, it is able to offer loans at much lower interest rates than most other lending institutions.

Farm Credit Services of America services farmers in Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming. With assets of about \$7.8 billion, the firm finances about 58,000 customers, about 7 percent of the total Farm Credit System volume. Rabobank conducts business in 35 countries with total assets of \$500 billion.

Is the veritable ag-lending sky falling?

Randy Stevenson, owner of Double S Livestock in Wheatland, said not entirely — but livestock and agriculture producers need to take note.

Three days prior to Rabobank's announcement to buy FCSA, Rabobank filed a supporting brief for Tyson Fresh Meats in the historic Pickett v. Tyson cattle price-fixing trial. Stevenson said, The Pickett v. Tyson case pitted cattle producers against big meat packers alleging price manipulation and unfair supplies on the part of packers.

In the brief, Rabobank argues that the case is a business justification under the Packers and Stockyards Act for Tyson to pull back in the cash cattle market while drawing on contracts to supply cattle to drive cash prices down," Stevenson said. "In my opinion, Rabobank's credibility as an agricultural lender has taken a dive."

Neil Hart, professor of economics at Iowa State University, agreed that Rabobank's action was a good indication of where their allegiance is.

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MONEY

Stocks rise on better-than-expected GDP figure

NEW YORK (AP) — Investors sent stocks modestly higher Friday, embracing a higher-than-expected domestic product reading that was nonetheless better than expected, hoping that falling oil prices would help spur the economy. The major indexes all finished the week higher.

The 2.8 percent GDP growth in the second quarter, a revision from the 3 percent preliminary figure reported in July, is a far cry from the 4.5 percent growth in the first quarter. However, the figure was slightly better than the 2.7 percent expansion economists had forecast. That gave

investors hope that this week's drop in oil prices could spark longer economic growth for the remainder of the year.

Still, with the Republican National Convention next week and traditionally slow trading in August, volume on the major markets remained extremely low — it was the lightest trading day of the year on the New York Stock Exchange — and any boost in stocks would be seen as tentative at best, analysts said.

"This is really anemic," said Chris Johnson, director of quantitative analysis at Schaeff-

fer's Investment Research in Cincinnati. "That's letting a bit of volatility come into the market, but so far this week, it's been on the upswing. So while everyone comes back in September, at least we'll be working in a slightly higher market."

The Dow Jones industrial average went up 21.60, or 0.2 percent, at 10,193.01.

Broader stock indicators were modestly higher. The Standard & Poor's 500 index was up 2.68, or 0.2 percent, at 1,017.77, and the Nasdaq composite index gained 9.17, or 0.5 percent, to 1,662.09.

Economy

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Many believe the Fed will raise rates again at its Sept. 21 meeting.

Greenspan, in a speech Friday, didn't address the future course of interest rates. But he warned that the country will face "abrupt and painful" choices if Congress doesn't move quickly to trim the Social Security and Medicare benefits that have been promised to the baby boom generation.

Kerry's campaign said in a statement that the new GDP figures provide evidence that "George Bush is misleading Americans when he says that the economy has turned a corner." Treasury Secretary John Snow said: "Our economy is once again on solid footing." But he added, "There is still more work to do."

Scouring energy prices, meanwhile, have taken a toll on economic activity — aggravating the U.S. trade deficit as the nation's foreign oil bill swelled again — and putting a damper on consumers' willingness to spend. Oil prices, which recently have climbed to all-time highs on U.S. markets, have been

moderating in recent days. The country's swollen trade deficit in the second quarter shaved .37 percentage points off GDP compared with a 0.76 percentage point reduction in the prior quarter. The second-quarter trade situation was worse than first thought — the biggest factor in the downward revision to second quarter GDP.

Consumers, whose spending accounts for roughly two-thirds of all economic activity, had a tight grip on their pocketbooks and on their wallets in the second quarter, but the second quarter's overall slowdown. Consumer spending increased at an annual rate of 1.6 percent, the slowest pace since the second quarter of 2001, and down from a brisk 4.1 percent growth rate in the first quarter of this year.

The new estimate of consumer spending for the second quarter, however, marked a slight improvement from the 1 percent growth rate first estimated. Spending on big-ticket items, such as cars and appliances, was flat in the second quarter, compared with a decline previously reported.

Business spending on equipment and software, meanwhile, grew at a sizable 13.6 percent annual rate in the second quarter, but 1.7 percent less than previously estimated and up 1.7 percent from the first quarter.

One measure of after-tax profit contained in the GDP report showed that profit shrank by 1.2 percent in the second quarter from the previous quarter. But profits are up by 17.9 percent from a year ago.

An inflation figure favored by Greenspan, who excludes energy and food prices, showed that inflation remained tame in the second quarter. The measure showed that prices rose at an annual rate of 1.7 percent in the second quarter, down from a 2.1 percent increase in the first quarter.

As long as inflation doesn't become a problem, Greenspan has said the Fed can move interest rates up gradually.

The 2.8 percent growth rate for the overall economy in the second quarter was the smallest gain since the first quarter of 2003, when the economy expanded at a 1.9 percent pace.

Latinos

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Los Angeles featuring El Salvador's president, Tony Saca, and the ambassadors of El Salvador and Nicaragua.

While Saca accused CAFITA's critics of turning a job-creating enterprise into "political pinball," Rep. Xavier Becerra, D-Calif., told the crowd that he "believed in a CAFITA but not this CAFITA" because the legal protections for workers were not as strong as those for products and intellectual property.

"I learned from NAFTA that good intentions are no substitute for enforceability of rules," said Becerra, a lawyer who supported NAFTA's passage in 1994.

Latino business leaders such as Mauricio Fox, senior vice president at Los Angeles-based Amstar, defended the trade pact.

They said it would help the struggling economies of Central America compete against fierce competition from China and reduce shipping costs and other barriers that have prevented Latino entrepreneurs from exploiting opportunities back home.

By lowering the duty rates on both sides, it will give us more confidence in investing in those regions," said Fox, whose company operates several large department stores in Southern California. Fox's goods are shipped to Mexico through the U.S. franchise for the popular Guatemalan restaurant Pollo Campero.

The split in the Latino community over the trade pact complicates the prospects for CAFITA, which has

been signed by President Bush but is opposed by Democratic challenger Sen. John F. Kerry and labor groups. Kerry has said he would not approve CAFITA unless it was revised to include stronger protections for workers and the environment.

Similar concerns have emerged about the proposed Free Trade Area of the Americas, or FTAA, which would create a free-trade area from Alaska to the tip of South America.

Supporters and opponents of the proposed trade pact are courting the Latino community, whose exploding numbers have made it a potential swing vote in the upcoming presidential election.

The National Council of La Raza, a leading Latino organization, supports the FTAA but has not taken a position on CAFITA.

The Congressional Hispanic Caucus hasn't taken an official position on CAFITA because its 20 Democratic members have been unable to reach a consensus. Reps. Hilda L. Solis, D-Calif., and Raul M. Grijalva, D-Ariz., have joined Becerra in opposing the agreement, and no caucus member has publicly supported the measure, according to Maria Melier, executive director of the caucus.

Given the political sensitivities, no one expects CAFITA to be brought to Congress before the November election. Supporters are desperate to have the measure passed before year-end.

That's when the United States and other nations have agreed to phase out a complex system

of quotas that have restricted trade in textiles and apparel.

Without the benefits of CAFITA, Central American leaders have argued that they would lose millions of textile and apparel jobs because they wouldn't be able to compete with China's low-cost factories. Textile and apparel jobs are a leading hard-core industry in the region.

Under the rules of the World Trade Organization, which oversees global trade, any preferential trade deals that exist before Jan. 1 will be allowed to continue.

CAFITA would allow Central American countries to export apparel to the U.S. duty-free, as long as it was produced from fabrics or fibers made in the region of the United States. Existing Central American countries, many of whom are first-generation immigrants with limited English-language proficiency and political skills, mobilized around a trade pact won't be easy according to political analysts and community leaders.

Immigrants from these countries maintain strong ties to their families, as evidenced by the billions of dollars they send home every year.

But many of them fled to America because of political oppression, corruption and economic chaos and are skeptical of the governments they left behind. Said Lou Disipio, a political science professor at the University of California, Irvine. That makes them wary of political causes being promoted by the governments of their native lands.

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Classic Peanuts

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For Better or For Worse

By Lynn Johnston



Dilbert

By Scott Adams



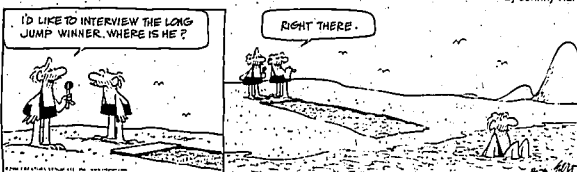
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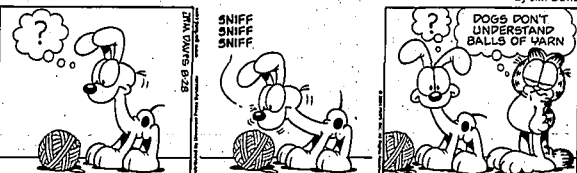
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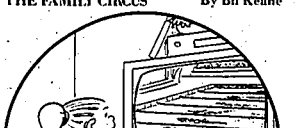
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THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bill Keane



Hi and Lois

By Chance Browne



The Wizard of Id

By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



Rose Is Rose

By Pat Brady



Hagar the Horrible

By Chris Browne



Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Frank and Ernest

By Bob Thaves



The Born Loser

By Art Sansom & Chip



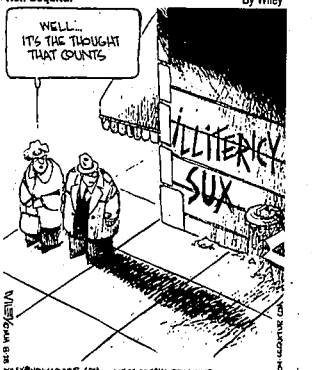
Strange Brew

By John Deering



Non Sequitur

By Wiley



It's time to talk

Let's sink our teeth into two perplexing and some-
what controversial issues.
Although they're directed to
those who are Christians, the
underlying tenets or principles
have roots in other faiths.



TOM
SCHAEFER

ISSUE NO. 1: In a sermon
preached at Duke University
Chapel, and noted in The Christian
Century magazine, the Rev.
Fleming Rutledge said she visits
a lot of Protestant churches and
is disturbed by what she hears
— and doesn't hear.

Since the start of the Iraq war,
she's heard prayers for U.S. ser-
vicemen and servicewomen at
various churches, but few for
Iraqi civilians or insurgents.

"Was it not Jesus who said,
'Love your enemies, do good to
those who hate you, bless those
who curse you, pray for those
who abuse you...' Be merciful,
even as your Father is merciful?"

Here are the questions, to
wrestle with:

* Regardless of your political
beliefs, how do you, if you're a
Christian, respond to this com-
mand of Jesus? How does it
apply to the war in Iraq? Do you
pray for Iraqis, both civilians
and insurgents?

* Are there other enemies —
personal or political — for whom
you fail to pray? Why don't you?

* If you do pray for your ene-
mies, what precisely are you
asking God to do?

ISSUE NO. 2: The Rev. Richard
Prendergast of St. Mary of Celle
Church in Berwyn, Ill., wonders
why churches can't be more
sensitive to the needs of the
poor.

Writing in the U.S. Catholic
magazine, Prendergast says a
gay couple who are Catholics
were eager to have their adop-
ted child baptized. But they were
fearful that the church would
reject their request.

After much discussion with the
couple, Prendergast baptized the
child, and the couple began to at-
tend Mass. Then, the Catholic
Church released a document
criticizing adoptions by gay and
lesbian couples because such
adoptions would mean "doing vi-
olence to these children" by
establishing a relationship that
wouldn't be "conducive to their
full human development."

That ended the couple's rela-
tionship with the church. "I feel
they could possibly participate
in a church that called their love
for Chloe 'violence' and that
claimed they were immoral for
raising her," Prendergast asked.

Writing an open letter to bish-
ops in the United States,
Prendergast and other sym-
pathetic priests said they weren't
challenging the Catholic Church's
teachings on homosexuality but
thought that "condemnations
levelled at sincere Catholics at-
tempting to make sense out of
their journey are inappropriate
and pastorally destructive."

One of the five bishops to re-
spond to the letter, Cardinal
Francis George, archbishop of
Chicago, agreed that the church's
teaching on homosexuality isn't read-
ily understood in a society that deals
in psychological and political
terms. A tension exists, he said,
between welcoming people and
calling them to change, "the root
meaning of conversion."

Prendergast agrees but then
turns the focus back on those of
us who are heterosexual by re-
minding us that we, too, are
called to conversion. "Building
with those who are different
from us 'with the presumption
on each side of the goodwill of
the other' is a first step toward
greater understanding," he said.

Now it's time to talk: Is your
faith community, including
those who condemn homosexu-
ality, welcoming in any way to
those who are gay? Is conver-
sion, or change, needed on your
part? Why or why not?

Begin a discussion with those
whose beliefs are similar to
yours or, better yet, different
from yours.

Issues aren't resolved by
ignoring them. We grow in
knowledge and understanding
by listening — and talking —
with others.

Tom Schaefer writes about reli-
gion and ethics for the Wichita
(Kan.) Eagle.

Faith works



Violet Christopherson, who ministers to seniors at the First Assembly of God, leads a service at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls recently.

Twin Falls woman follows God to the end of the earth

By Denise Turner
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Violet Christopherson
is the best friend everyone craves — sin-
cere, stable, solid as the Idaho soil that
tempered, and toughened, her.

After Violet dedicated herself to God,
her life was thrust into a whole new di-
mension — and her days were filled with
more adventure than a hard-working
small-town girl could ever have imagined.

"I argued, a lot," said the no-nonsense
Violet, recalling a day 30 years ago when
she felt God was asking her to help peo-
ple in remote settlements of Alaska.

She was 50 years old, widowed, with a
nice home in Twin Falls. She taught Sun-
day school, attended a ladies' group,
loved her church. She was ready for the
next, calm and safe, stage of life.

But life has never been like that for Violet.
"God prepares you for what he asks
you to do," she has decided. "I can see
that now, even in the way I grew up."

Schooled in Tuttle and Bliss, she went
to work for a family in Gooding when she
was only 16. One day, an Assembly of
God pastor came to call.

"I went to church with the family," said
Violet, who made the decision to be-
come a Christian a few months later. "It
took a while," she remembers. "I was
pretty wild."

When she turned 17, she married a
man with two children, one only eight
years younger than her.

"You had to pray through that," she
said, with a chuckle.

Violet's husband worked away from
home a lot. She signed up for some cor-
respondence courses and was ordained

to the ministry.
Flash-forward to 1974. Sunday morn-
ing, Twin Falls First Assembly of God
Church.

A couple encouraged Violet to go to
Alaska, where they were doing some
ministering. Immediately, she sensed
that God had something in mind.

The way it turned out, after she had
protested the veiled plan for as long as
she could, Violet sold her house, bought
a trailer and headed north. "God doesn't
take no very easily," she says simply.

She first parked her trailer in Delta
Junction, 100 miles southeast of Fair-
banks. The thermometer registered 100
degrees when she arrived in August. By
winter, it was 65 below zero.

"I was keeping the trailer at 68 degrees,
but there was still ice on every screw,"
she said. "Every Saturday, I would pull

**Faith
and
Works**

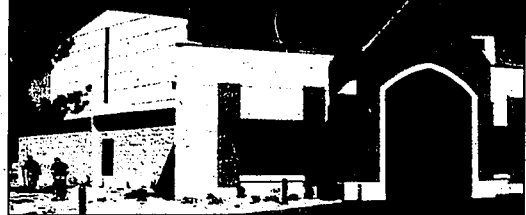
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the davenport and bed away from the
wall and use a hair blow dryer to keep
away the mold."

Those were also the days when Violet
Please see FAITH, Page E3

A PLACE TO WORSHIP

St. Jerome's will dedicate new church Sunday



The new St. Jerome's Catholic Church will be dedicated on Sunday.

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — Catholics in
Jerome will dedicate their new
church on Sunday.

A ceremony at St. Jerome's
Catholic Church will start at the
entrance to the current church
building, explained Father
Ronald Wehrle, the church's pas-
tor. The congregation will gather
and walk to the new church door.

There, Bishop Michael Driscoll, of
the Boise Diocese, will receive
keys and blueprints.

The congregation will then
enter the new building and partici-
pate in a consecration
ceremony that is designed to
transform the physical parts of
the building — the bricks and
mortar — into sacred ground.
Once the worship space is
made sacred, said St. Jerome's
pastoral associate Theresa May,

people can receive inspiration
and solace and go forth restored
and change the world.

The ceremony is similar to a
baptism. May said, except this is
a building.

The last time St. Jerome's dedi-
cated a church was Oct. 7, 1951.
Sunday's dedication ceremony
ends three years of fundraising
and two years of construction.
The building cost clocked in
at \$4 million. Funds were pro-

St. Jerome's Catholic Church Dedication

When: 11 a.m. Sunday, followed
by a picnic in Jerome City Park,
across from the church
Where: Corner of Second Avenue
East and Buchanan Street North
in Jerome.

Street information: Second
Street East will be closed from
Adams Street to Buchanan
Street from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Sunday.
The community is invited.

vided primarily by congregation
members.
The church owns the entire

block where St. Jerome's is lo-
cated, and the new church, Page E3

Non-religious Americans become key for Dems' coalition

By Richard N. Ostling
The Associated Press

After years of talk about the
centrality of conservative
Protestants and Catholics in the
Republican Party coalition, an
opposite factor is gaining wider
notice: the Democrats' reliance
upon non-religious voters.

"Seculars have become an in-
creasing portion of the
Democratic electoral coalition
and especially of the party's ac-
tivist base," says Geoffrey Layman,
author of "The Great Divide: Reli-
gious and Cultural Conflict in
American Party Politics."

A religiously-linked values clash
is redefining U.S. politics, accord-
ing to Louis Bolce and Gerald De
Malo of City University of New
York. And if Republicans are la-
beled the party, of religious

traditionalists, "the Democrats
with equal validity can be called
the secularist party."

A University of Akron poll of
4,000 adults this spring showed
that those with no religious af-
filiation are 17 percent of
self-identified Democrats, rivaling
the party's traditional blocs
of white Catholics (18 percent)
and black Protestants (16 per-
cent). The secularists favored
John Kerry over George W. Bush.

A Pew Research Center poll of
1,512 adults, reported Tuesday,
showed more Americans see
the Republican Party as "gen-
erally friendly to religion" (62
percent) than the Democratic
Party (40 percent).

Political scientists say polls
that correlate religious behavior
or belief with party alignment in-
dicate the "God gap" is more

significant than most factors, in-
cluding the much-touted gender
gap. Similarly, scholars' surveys
of delegates to the parties' 2000
conventions found contrasts on
weekly worship attendance (59
percent for Republican dele-
gates, 35 percent for Democrats),
expressing "a great deal" of re-
liance upon religion (41 percent
for Republicans, 23 percent for
Democrats) and conservative
beliefs about the Bible (54 per-
cent for Republicans, 26 percent
for Democrats).

Some surveys have shown
hostility toward evangelical and
fundamentalist Protestants
among a segment of Democrats.

Since America's secular ranks
are growing, the trend might
seem to help the Democrats. In
National Opinion Research Cen-
ter surveys during 2002, 13.8

percent answered "none" when
asked their current religion,
compared with 6.3 percent in
1991. But overt appeals to se-
cularists could backfire, Layman
says, because blacks are more
devout than other Americans
and the Democrats also need
some support from churchgoing
Catholics and white Protestants.
Last year Amy Sullivan, a for-
mer aide to Sen. Tom Daschle,
complained that Democratic
leaders worried so much about
"their core base of secularists
and religious minorities" that
they shunned religious appeals.

Sullivan thinks in 2004 the De-
mocrats are finding "ways to
acknowledge the importance of
religion."

One sign of the new emphasis
came the Friday before the party's
Boston convention when chair-

man Terry McAuliffe named
Brenda Bartella Peterson, a Chris-
tian Church (Disciples of Christ)
minister, as the Democratic Na-
tional Committee's first religious
outreach staffer within memory.
But Peterson resigned less than
two weeks later, after the conser-
vative Catholic League pointed
out that Peterson had joined a
legal brief asking the Supreme
Court to remove "under God"
from the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bolce and De Malo rated U.S.
senators' records the past
decade from 0 to 10 in voting on
matters like abortion, homo-
sexuality and aid for religious
schools. Republicans had an av-
erage of 0.95 and Democrats 6.9
on their secularism scale, John
Kerry scored a perfect 10, as did
John Edwards once he joined
the Senate.

RELIGION

LEAVING A LEGACY

Ethical will can put values into words

By Caryle Murphy
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — For years, Monroe Singer's "New Year Greetings To My Family" has graced the suburban home of Sally Singer Horwath. It was written in the chill of a 1945 Chicago winter as war ravaged the world.

To daughter Sally, then 4, Singer wrote: "Happiness should come easy for you because you give so much joy to all of us. My wish for you in this New Year is my wish for all your life — Happiness. Health and a gracious spirit that you may continue to give to all those around you the joy you have given to me."

Horwath's father died in 1966 at 64. Today, she treasures what he wrote to his wife and three children because "it's contact with my father, with his humanity. It expresses his values."

What Horwath has always called "Dad's letter" is an example of what is now commonly called an ethical will, a document that bequeaths to loved ones a spiritual, rather than material, legacy. Increasingly popular in recent years, ethical will usually describes the moral or religious values people have strived to live by, the important life lessons they've learned and the kind of life they wish for their children. These wills can include stories about events and people that shaped the author's life, as well as regrets and acts for which the writer seeks forgiveness.

Ethical wills carry no legal status. Their value is more in the wisdom they pass to the living. And for their authors, they are a tangible way of being remembered.

"We all want to be remembered, to leave something

behind," said Barry Baines, author of "Ethical Wills: Putting Your Values on Paper."

Ethical wills are not just for the dying. "Dear Mom... What's unique in writing this to you is that many of the messages I've learned from you are ones I need to leave for you. So this is part reflection and part ethical will — what's kept me going and what will keep you going. I hope, if I'm no longer around, this is how Carol and I, together, who holds workshops in writing ethical wills, opened her ethical will written to her 89-year-old mother."

Maureen Evans, 46, of suburban Chevy Chase, Md., also gives ethical will workshops based on Rachel Freed's book "Women's Lives, Women's Legacies." Women need extra encouragement because they often "discount how valuable their experiences have been," Evans said. "That's where I see the value of the ethical will. It allows women to pass on the wisdom they've learned to others."

Baines, noting that he has seen some with a lot of blaming and scolding, warns against using ethical wills to manipulate, control or heap revenge.

Another pitfall is self-deception, according to David Tackett, founder of the Jefferson Circle in Fairfax, Va., which counsels families and organizations in resolving deep conflicts. "As with most useful life phenomena, these can be tools of spin" and "used to paint a more attractive picture (of the author) than is warranted," said Tackett, who suggests that authors consult with a trusted person who can hold a mirror up as the story is being evoked and ask questions.



Sally Singer Horwath, of Reston, Va., shows mementoes of her father, including a letter he wrote in 1945. What Horwath has always called 'Dad's letter' is an example of what is now commonly called an ethical will, a document that bequeaths to loved ones a spiritual, rather than material, legacy.

Utah has own brand of conservative Christian

By Travis Reed
The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — In Utah politics, there is a different kind of religious right.

Like their counterparts in other states, the ideology of Utah's overwhelmingly conservative population can be traced directly to the door of its church. But because this is Utah, and behind that door is the Mormon church, religious conservatives here aren't like those in "Bible belt" states.

Here, despite agreeing with virtually everything the national movement stands for — a strong faith in God and a belief by many that faith should influence social policy — most people here don't consider themselves a part of the "religious right," an Associated Press survey has revealed.

Evangelical Christians and Mormons can agree on a broad spectrum of policy positions, like abortion and gay marriage,

but the common ground crumbles when it comes to that most central of beliefs: God.

"I am very, very conservative and very religious, but I don't consider myself part of their movement," said Candace Daly, one of Utah's 36 Republican National Convention delegates who will be in New York City Monday.

In some ways, Daly and other Utah Republicans represent a political oddity: The same religious machinery that has produced one of the nation's most nonsecular and conservative delegations also alienates it from like-minded Republicans.

A nearly two-thirds majority of Utah Republican convention delegates say they don't claim membership in the religious right movement. Many added that they agreed with its policy positions, but felt excluded. The AP interviewed 26 of Utah's 36 Republican delegates, with all but one being a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Utah's highest-profile politician, Sen. Orrin Hatch, said of the religious right: "They don't consider me part of it. I'm certainly in agreement with most of what they feel. They don't think Mormons are Christians, some of them."

Mormon pioneers were chased out of at least two states in the 1800s by angry Christian mobs who considered the faith blasphemous. The two still collide over the evangelical belief in the "Holy Trinity" or the idea that the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit are all one being. Mormons believe the three figures are distinct.

Evangelical Christians also disagree with the LDS use of scripture supplemental to the Bible, including the Book of Mormon, and the theory that Jesus Christ has already been resurrected and appeared in North America.

Ronald Hebranson, chair of the University of Utah's political science department, said the

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state's strong Republican majority and near singular belief in the Mormon church mean that Utah politicians haven't had to affiliate themselves with movements like the religious right to win votes.

An estimated 90 percent of Utah state legislators are Mormon.

United Methodist will hold potluck

WENDELL — Wendell United Methodist Church will host a potluck supper, followed by a "Diabetic Education Power Point" program presented by Gene Phelps of Gooding County Memorial Hospital.

The event begins at 6 p.m. Sunday. Everyone familiar with diabetes is encouraged to attend.

Old Time Fiddlers will perform at T.F. church

TWIN FALLS — The Old Time Fiddlers will perform for 6 p.m. worship Sunday at Agape Foursquare Church, 181 Morrison St.

Church members Max and Beth Harkness will play with the group.

Calvary Chapel will hold movie fall nights

TWIN FALLS — Calvary

Local church news

Chapel will hold Christian movie nights this fall.

The first movie, "The Passion of the Christ," is set for 7 p.m. Friday at the church, 4002 N. 3300 East. Question/answer time with pastors will follow. This movie is not recommended for children; child care for infants through age 12 will be available.

Admission is free. For more information, call 733-3133.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send to: *Ellen Thompson, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Trena Tegan, The Times-News Bureau, 230 E. Main St., Burley, ID 83315. Deadline: noon Thursday for publication on Saturday.*

MISSIONARIES

Several Magic Valley-area residents have been called to serve or returned from serving missions for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Called to serve:

Elder Brandon Jacobson will serve in the Illinois Chicago North Mission. Jacobson is the son of Flint and Lisa Jacobson of Buhl, a 2004 graduate of Buhl High School and a recipient of scouting's Duty to God Award.

Elder Matthew Jacobson will serve in the Pennsylvania Harrisburg Mission. Jacobson is the son of Flint and Lisa Jacobson of Buhl, a 2004 graduate of Buhl High School and a recipient of scouting's Duty to God Award.

Elder Kris A. Hunter will serve in the Alaska Anchorage Mission. Hunter is the son of Les and Karyn Hunter of Twin Falls, a 2003 graduate of Twin Falls High School and in the Twin Falls 11th Ward.

Elder Lydon J. Crane will serve in the California Ventura Spanish speaking Mission. Crane is in the Kimberly 1st Ward, a 2003 graduate of Kimberly High School and the son of Dan and Shana Crane of Kimberly.

Elder Chase Morgan will serve in the Mexico Merido Mission. Morgan graduated in 2003 from Minico High School and attended Brigham Young University. He is an Eagle Scout and in the Emerson 2nd Ward. His parents are Arlen and Lois Morgan of Paul.

Elder Ryan Kyle Bailey will serve in the Russia Vladivostok Mission. Bailey is the son of Lauri and David Bailey, both of Burley, a 2003 graduate of Burley High School and an Eagle Scout. He is in the Unity 1st and Burley 11th wards.

Elder Hetty Christenson who is in the Burley 5th Ward, will serve in the Germany Gernsbach Mission.

Elder Spencer Haldorf served in the Rhode Island Woonsocket Mission. Haldorf is a 2002 graduate of Burley High School, an Eagle Scout and the son of Blaine and Lori Haldorf of Burley.

Elder Andrew David Coats served in the Uruguay Montevideo West Mission. Coats is the son of David and Helen Coats and in the Burley 1st Ward. He will attend Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.

Elder Joshua D. Burgess served in the Ohio Cleveland Mission. Burgess is the son of Kirk and Janiece Burgess of Burley. He is in the Star 1st Ward. He will attend College of Southern Idaho.

RELIGION LETTER — CD offers loud vocals

Reader finds issue with church sacraments

Jesus Christ denounced the legalism promoted by the Pharisees of the Jewish faith. What would he think of the vaunted legalistic viewpoint regarding the ingredients of the communion wafer? Wouldn't the spiritual attitude of the worshipper be more important? Jesus said, "Do this in remembrance of me." Jesus clearly taught that we should worship him in "spirit and truth." Jesus also spoke of "grace," as did the Apostle Paul, in establishing "grace" as the major component of salvation. "By grace are ye saved, by faith, and not of works." Some denominations, like the Roman Catholic Church and

those practices "sacraments," defined as "means of grace." If "grace" is the unmerited, free gift of God by which we are saved, then aren't "sacraments" actually oxymorons? If one disagrees with me, your disagreement is with God's word, not mine. Follow the admonitions of God's word, not man's lawed interpretations which have become traditional practices.

DON PUDEUR
Twin Falls

The Times-News welcomes letters on religious topics of 200 words or less. Include signature, address and phone number. Letters considered libelous, obscene or bad taste will be rejected and The Times-News reserves the right to edit all letters.

By Susan Hogan/Albach
The Dallas Morning News

"Peace Like a River," Mormon Tabernacle Choir (Mormon Tabernacle, 68 min.)

Although it started two centuries ago, the Mormon Tabernacle Choir never seems to grow old. The 360 volunteers who make up the choir sound like well-honed pros on this latest offering of 17 spiritual tunes.

The choir is big and loud, but the vocal control is astounding. Even on familiar tunes the interpretations are mesmerizing and fresh. The choir sings the classic hymn, "All Things Bright and Beautiful," to a lively, contemporary setting. Likewise, "This is My

Father's World" is turned into an upbeat melody with men and women rotating parts. One of the best tunes, however, is "Wayfarin' Stranger." It's stark and haunting with minimal instrumentation.

This is music that transcends Christian denominations. You'll find black spirituals ("Swing Low, Sweet Chariot") and the prayer of St. Francis ("Lord, Make Me an Instrument of Thy Peace"). The choir shows great range and versatility. The contemporary numbers refrain from sounding overly pop so the choir sounds traditional and reverent. It's an amazing choral collection and one that listeners will want to return to again and again.

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Youths find God amid ollies and kickflips at extreme church

By Candy J. Cooper
The Record (Bergen County, N.J.)

HACKENSACK, N.J. — Churchgoers ordinarily find merriment under the vaulted ceilings of their churches, where sunlight casts a glow through stained glass. Or not.

Try Grace Slick shrieking across a parking lot, where ramps are arched on the blistering pavement. Try 100 guys in baggy pants performing endless daredevil tricks with

names like acid drop and kickflip and ollie.

This, also, is church — extreme church, perhaps. It is called the Solid Foundation Skate Park, a blend of God, half-pipes and wedge ramps that has been attracting skaters to its Midland Park, N.J., locale every Saturday afternoon for the past three years.

If there is doubt about its godliness, visitors need only listen in on the 3 p.m. "God Spot" — 10 minutes of evangelical Christian-

ity delivered in a casual, teenage lingo: "So, yeah, there's this old story," said Joshua Escobar, a youth ministries pastor from Englewood, N.J. "There are these 10 guys, they all have a skin disease called leprosy. Now I don't know if you guys know about Jesus Christ, but he's a cool guy and he knows everybody."

The young men and a few women, mostly young teenagers, sit empty on their skateboards.

"I don't know if you know about healing," continued Es-

cobar, "but I saw a guy in Panama, in the jungle, who had cut his arm with a machete and we prayed for him and it was the coolest thing in the world and the coolest thing cooler than 'Fear Factor,' because it began to heal up right before our eyes."

This skateboard ministry is part of a fast-growing movement. Others have popped up in Denver, Peoria, Ill.; Redwood City, Calif.; Davenport, Iowa; and Portland, Ore. The ministries are

but one more sign of born-again pop culture finding its way into everything from stand-up comedy to prime-time television, rock music, movies and book series. There are even Christian skateboard manufacturers.

"The secular skateboard culture is filled with elements of sexuality, violence, and basically a general rebellion against any type of established authority," said Jonathan Tenkley, a Christian skateboard merchant based in Littleton, Colo. "We wanted to

create something with a more positive, uplifting message that's not overly Christian."

"And so these guys," Escobar continued, returning to the lepers, "as they were walking around, they all instantaneously got healed. But Jesus was only one guy who turned around and came back and said 'Thank you' to Christ. And that blew me away. The point is, are you willing to go up to a God you can't see and say thank you?"

Faith and the vote

By Bill Tammeus
and Helen T. Gray
The Kansas City Star

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — A leading Southern Baptist brought a concise message to his evangelical audience last week: Get out and vote — and vote your values. Richard Land, president of the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, urged those at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary to "do values-based, conviction-based voting."

"I believe we should not be endorsing candidates," said Land. "We should be looking for candidates who endorse our values."

As Election Day 2004 nears, as both presidential campaigns stress the importance of "values," people of various faiths appear to be mobilizing. Across the country, churches and synagogues and temples are urging their congregations to vote.

But no religious group is as actively and as openly proselytizing for the democratic process as evangelical Christians.

"Folks are a little more mobilized and energized about encouraging church members to get out and vote this year," said R. Philip Roberts, Midwest president. "As Baptists, we have a real vested interest in religious liberty. We are concerned that we protect the right to vote and the right of Christian leaders to speak up on issues... Moral issues seem to be pressing on Christians these days — from the Defense of Marriage Act as well as the threat to remove 'under God' from the Pledge of Allegiance, the issue of partial birth abortion."

Richard Bort Sr. is president of

chic and political duties.

Many evangelical and conservative pastors echo Bort's sentiments, including the Rev. Jerry Johnson of First Family Church in Cleveland Park, Kan., who is bringing in the Rev. Jerry Falwell in September to help rally conservatives. Falwell will talk at area churches on the lessons he learned as a catalyst in the election of President Ronald Reagan.

Johnson's church also is planning candidate forums and mailings on candidates' voting records and contact information. Also, the congregation is doing voter registration.

Robert H. Menelly, retired pastor of Village Presbyterian Church in Prairie Village, Kan., said it's clear that "there's a new climate going on" politically among evangelical Christians.

"They're mobilized," said Menelly, who is active in the Mainstream Coalition, which seeks to support moderate.

"Moderate people just don't get very mobilized. That's the trouble with moderate people. They're moderate."

Mainline Protestants, he said, "believe very firmly in the separation of church and state. The more evangelical among us do not perceive the separation of church and state in the same manner. Some even say it's a myth and that it's not to be taken so literally as the mainline folks do. Sometimes it would seem that what more fundamentalist Christians would really have to mind though they're mobilized. This word — 'a theocracy'."

President Bush's campaign is trying to rally evangelical churches, as it did in the 2000 race, when he received the votes of about 55 percent of them, experts estimate. Among the more conservative Christian Web sites: www.ivoteweb.com. The Web site offers a "Voter Resource Guide" produced by Focus on the Family and the Family Research Council. www.christianvotes.com — similar to the first site. www.millionvotes.com — It's trying to register 1 million Christian voters in time for the November election.

Baptists hope meeting will spur unity

Leaders look to get solid plan in tackling social problems

By Lucas L. Johnson II
The Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The week of Labor Day, black Baptists will assemble as they do each year — simultaneously in separate cities, the result of a history of splintering during the past century.

But now there are tentative signs of cooperation. Leaders of the country's four major black Baptist denominations hope a joint meeting Jan. 24-27 in Nashville will forge a unified voice to address social and po-

litical issues affecting all blacks. As many as 10,000 delegates will gather from National Baptist Convention USA, Inc., National Baptist Convention of America, Inc., National Missionary Baptist Convention of America and Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc. The meeting will be the first of its kind since the groups began splintering in 1915 over policy and operational disagreements.

The first division was between the National Baptist Convention, USA, and the National

Baptist Convention of America, over ownership of the convention's publishing house. Then in 1961, the Progressive National Baptist Convention broke away from the National Baptist USA group when the Rev. J.H. Jackson altered rules so he could continue as president. A related issue was Jackson's sharp criticism of civil rights protests led by the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. Another split came in 1988, when the National Missionary group broke from the National Baptist Convention of America over governance and the struc-

ture of the National Baptist Publishing Board.

The National Baptist USA group faced other problems. It was shaken in 1995 when its president, the Rev. Henry J. Lyons, was convicted of grand theft and racketeering and served nearly five years in prison. An investigation revealed that Lyons used his position as convention president to steal an estimated \$4 million to buy luxury homes and jewelry and support his mistress. Still, the 5 million-member denomination remains intact.

Zimbabwe bill would clamp down on rights

Religion in brief

would be shut down and officials who continue operations would face up to six months in jail. Churches and aid groups say the ban on foreign funding is likely to deprive assistance to millions of impoverished Zimbabweans.

The bill is expected to be approved by the ruling-party-dominated Parliament after it reconvenes Oct. 5.

Mission will fight federal ruling to remove Bible

HOUSTON — Officials of a mission that erected a monument honoring a philanthropist want a federal judge to allow appeals of his ruling to remove a Bible from the display before enforcing the order.

Attorneys for the Star of Hope planned to ask U.S. District Judge Sim Lake to allow the mission's Bible to remain on display outside the Harris County Civil Courts Building.

Lake earlier ordered the country to remove the Bible, which is in a glass display case atop a monument the mission erected near the courthouse door in 1986.

A lawyer had sued the country, arguing that a Bible display on county property violates the Constitution, and Lake agreed. The Alliance Defense Fund, a Scottsdale, Ariz.-based group that provides legal services to those fighting curbs on religious expression, planned to represent the mission.

— compiled from wire reports

Faith

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was "so broke that everything I had went for propane." She was paying her own way and, when the Christmas lights went up, she didn't even have anything to give her kids.

"The people from Twin Falls sent me items to make fruitcakes and peanut butter," she recalled, with a smile. "Those were my gifts to everyone that year."

For a small Assembly congregation at Delta Junction, Violet was everything from his captain to preacher. She taught the children about Jesus, and nurtured friendships with the adults. "In Alaska, the church is the family," she said.

During her 26 years in the area, she also worked at a church in Haines, north of Juneau, and at Gustavus, near

Glacier National Monument. When college kids arrived to work as summer chaplains, she helped them. And she worked in the music programs at nearby schools.

Nothing flashy, just Violet working hard, helping people, being there.

By the year 2000, Violet was missing the milestones of life with her children — so she headed home. Her stepson had died, but her stepdaughter lives in Boise and her daughter lives in Washington. She has nine grandchildren. 26 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Violet is 81 now, will be 82 this year. But you'd never know it. Trim and fit, the woman positively exudes energy, even youthfulness. Knowing Violet, you can almost believe that age is just a state of mind.

Today, in the neatly furnished wood frame Twin Falls home that she shares with a super-friendly schnauzer named Gus, she often entertains friends from Alaska. But they have to find her first.

Violet is still serving God with a drive that would put a teenager to shame.

She's a chaplain at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, and pastor to senior adults at Twin Falls First Assembly. She visits shut-ins, cooks for the sick and leads services at three nursing homes. In her "spare time" she took the training to compile income tax reports for AARP.

As in her fashion, she sums up her life in a single sentence: "What we think is the end of the world can become our greatest opportunity."

One fall in Alaska, on a hunting trip, Violet bagged a deer —

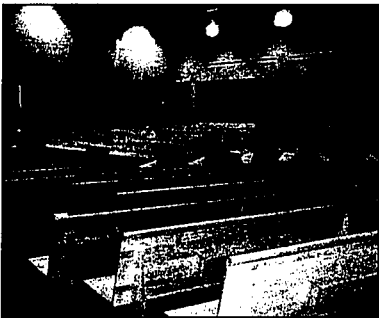
but there was no place to hang it except for a mostly unused out-house at the church.

"I'll never forget that Sunday at church," she began. "A guy brought his two grandsons. When I saw one of those kids pick up his grasshopper, I knew where they were going — and so did the two guys who went hunting with me."

Violet loves to tell that story, about how the incident wrecked the worship service that day. But the real story, even here, is Violet herself.

Violet, who headed out to nowhere with no money, Violet, who trusts God to take care of it all. Violet, who went hunting with her buddies in Alaska — and shot a deer, for goodness sake.

Who wouldn't want a friend like that?



Duke Thomas Photo

Seating in the new church is arranged in a semicircle so no seat is more than 65 feet from the speaker. And members of the congregation can see other's faces, not just the backs of heads.

Jerome

Continued from E1

12,000 square feet of worship space, is 41 feet tall and has seating for 1,150 — up from the seating capacity of 350 in the old sanctuary. Around 1,000 people attend services in the parish.

The building project is divided into phases. This completed worship space is phase I. In the future, a new parish hall will add with classroom space and an office area will be completed. The old sanctuary will be converted into office space, and the front portion will be saved as a small chapel for eucalyptus and prayer. The stained-glass windows in the old sanctuary will be moved into the new worship space.

CSHQ, a Boise architectural firm, worked with a church building committee on the design and assisted the congregation and Starr Corporation with the construction of the building.

Wekerle said the landscaping was designed to help quiet the mind as the person comes to the church door. Just inside the door, the entryway is large so people can visit and prepare themselves mentally for worship.

Inside the sanctuary door is the baptismal font, which is filled

with "holy" or "living" water. The water flows through the fountain, through an immersion-type baptismal tank and back through the fountain. People symbolically pass through the living water into faith, symbolized by the place of worship, Wekerle said.

Inside the new worship space, the pews are arranged in a semicircle, with no seat more than 65 feet from the speaker. May said research has shown that, beyond 65 feet, people can no longer maintain eye contact and a feeling of intimacy. The circular seating also allows members of the congregation to see each other's faces, rather than just the backs of people's heads.

Stations of the cross, symbolizing Jesus Christ's journey from his trial, death sentence, crucifixion and resurrection, line the walls.

Every space in the new church is handicap-accessible. Behind the altar and behind the congregation are windows containing the signatures of all who helped with the building of the new church.

The Buhl Knights of Columbus will cook the meat for Sunday's picnic, and the women of St. Jerome's will provide salads and side dishes.

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"Flights of the imagination," a statue by Utah artist and former Idaho resident, Gary Price, was donated to the College of Southern Idaho Foundation by the Seagraves Family Foundation and Leforgee, Braga & Donnelley. Attending the unveiling held during the dedication of the new wing of the Herriott Center are, from left, Penelope Parker, who is a member of both foundations; Cindy Crow, Jack Seagraves and Judy Seagraves with the Seagraves Foundation, Larry Braga of Leforgee, Braga & Donnelley; and artist Price.

BARBECUE TIME



Valley Vista Care Services in Rupert held its annual barbecue for residents and their families. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Rupert 1st Ward Scout troop presented the flag ceremony and entertainment was provided by the Old Time Fiddlers.

SENIOR/JUNIOR VOLUNTEERS



Aubrie Brown, left, and Ginny Riffle, Junior and Senior Auxiliary volunteers, work together at the front information desk to assist people entering Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. You can find them working from 4-7 p.m. Wednesdays. If you would like to volunteer at the hospital, either as a senior or junior volunteer, call Loraine Devey, director of Volunteer Services at 737-2006.

Clothes, bikes — The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center is resettling families from European countries and needs summer clothing for men, women and children, and bicycles. Drop items by the center at 1525 Addison Ave. E. from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call Aleksandra at 736-2166.

Relieve caregivers — Idaho Home Health and Hospice needs volunteers to visit patients, relieve caregivers, help run errands and "be there" for families. Office help is also needed. Call Susan at 734-4061 or visit the office at 628 Eastland Drive.

Generator — Little Wood Head Start is in need of a small gas-powered generator for a low-income family in a remote area, and clean, usable children's clothing, sizes 3T to 7. Call Shelle or Jay at 886-7784 or 280-3796.

SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

Senior volunteers — The America Reads program is in need of volunteers, age 55 and over, to work with children in kindergarten through third grade. Call Shirley Basham at 736-2122, ext. 325.

Drivers — The Office on Aging needs volunteer drivers, age 55 and older, to drive clients to doctors and grocery shopping. Volunteers are reimbursed mileage and covered by excess insurance. Call Edith at 736-2122, ext. 320, or Kitty at 878-2025.

Shed — A disabled woman needs a lockable shed for her lawnmower, a three-wheeled bike and someone to mow her lawn. Call 734-5955.

Music — Hospice Visions needs donations to its music library for its patients and families: inspirational, nature or soothing sounds or instrumental on compact discs or cassette tapes, and CD and cassette players. Call Flo Slatter at 735-0121.

Tax help — The AARP Tax Aide Program needs volunteers to prepare tax returns for low- and moderate-income residents of south-central Idaho and Jackpot, Nev., especially in the Camas, Cassia, Lincoln and Minidoka counties. Free training is provided on Saturdays from Sept. 11 through Nov. 20 at the College of Southern Idaho. No prior tax experience is needed, but computer experience is helpful. People of all ages, backgrounds and skill levels are welcomed. AARP membership is not required. Those taking the course are asked to commit at least 40 hours of volunteer service over the 10-week tax season. Call Bob Wunderle at 837-8178, or e-mail taxhelpids@earthlink.net, or Fred Ripley at 543-6544 or e-mail feripley@aol.com.

Adult tutors — The College of Southern Idaho Adult Basic Ed-

This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley with volunteer help.

If you need a volunteer: Call the Relief Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) at 736-2122, Ext. 320. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho. **Please submit your request** before 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday for Saturday publication. Call weekly to retain request.

ucation program seeks volunteer tutors for adult students in reading, English, math and English as a second language. The ESL classes meet from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Volunteers are also needed for adult basic education students studying in a lab from 9 a.m. to noon and 1-3 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Call Scott at 732-6536.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Insurance Professionals conduct supply drive

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Insurance Professionals is conducting its third annual school supply drive through Sept. 3. Donated supplies will be delivered to local elementary schools and distributed to children in need. Supplies may be purchased and donated at Twin Falls K-Mart, Rice Ald, Everybody's Business and King's. For more information, call Jessie Nunes at 736-2569 or 737-6423.

Bliss Flower, Garden Club meets next week

BLISS — The Bliss Flower and Garden Club will meet at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Ruby Jenkins home. The co-hostess will be Elsie Jacob. The annual auction fundraiser will be held and the Gooding County Fair will be discussed. For more information, call 352-4260.

Dinner bridge, pinocle group hosts parties

The dinner bridge and pinocle groups will begin in October. The first dinner bridge party will be held Oct. 6 and the first dinner pinocle party will be held Oct. 13. Both dinners will begin at 6 p.m. at the Turf Club, 734 Falls Ave. E. Registration fees are due Wednesday. New members are welcome. For more information, call Doris at 733-7905.

Shoshone man celebrates 90th birthday

SHOSHONE — Harry J. Eden of Shoshone will celebrate his 90th birthday from 2-5 p.m. today at the Shoshone Rehabilitation and Living Center, 511 E. Fourth. Refreshments will be served. The family requests no gifts. Eden's son, Bill (Faith) Eden, and daughter, Harriet (Vern) Davidson, are hosting

the event.

West End Theater discusses tour

BUHL — The West End Theater Company will meet to discuss a New York City tour of the company's spring break, March 21-25, 2005. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Buhl Middle School, 217 Seventh Ave. N. David Blaszkiewicz, drama teacher at Buhl High School and artistic director for the West End Theater Company, will lead a tour of Broadway and the arts. For more information, call Blaszkiewicz at 490-1992.

Filer Middle School hosts open house

FILER — Filer Middle School will host an open house from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday at the school, 299 Highway 30. The open house is an opportunity for parents to meet their children's teachers.

For more information, call the school at 326-5906.

BJ Duplicate Bridge Club announces results

RUPERT — The BJ Duplicate Bridge Club has announced the results of the open pairs play for Aug. 24.

North/south winners: first, Trudi Carver and Nancy Gibson; second, Ella Annett and Lola Moorman; third, Jackie Brown and Lois Stephenson; and fourth, Dot Creason and Norma Goodman. East/west winners were: first, Marlene Temple and Shirley Harris; second, Chuck Hunter and Shirley Hunter; third, Faun McIntire and Warren McEntire; and fourth, Mildred Wolf and William Novas.

The club plays bridge every Tuesday beginning at 1 p.m. at the Rupert Elks. Refreshments are served. The club extends an open invitation to all area duplicate players. For more information, call 878-3997.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Forum accepts West Minico student

Emily Caywood, a student at West Minico Middle School in Rupert, has been accepted into the People to People World Leadership Forum. Caywood will join a group of students in Washington, D.C., next March to earn high school credit while studying leadership and exploring the monuments and institutions.

College of Technology releases honor list

The Idaho State University College of Technology in Pocatello has released its honor list for the spring semester. Students and their majors include: Burley: Justin Baker, computer software; Heather Howard, cosmetology; and Sterling Broadhead, electronics wireless telecommunications. Dietrich: Jeremy Churchill, electromechanical. Gooding: Mitchell Fleming, automotive technology. Hansen: Christy Hall, physical therapist assistant. Heyburn: Lisa Goddard, office technology. Kimberly: Sarah Plew, cosmetology. Murtaugh: Lisa Dille, cosmetology. Rupert: Travis Hanks, civil engineering and Hayley McBride, cosmetology. Twin Falls: Reyna Hernandez and Stephanie Myers, both in cosmetology. Wendell: Ricky Prett, instrumentation.

University of Idaho awards local students

The University of Idaho College of Education in Moscow awarded the following seniors for outstanding achievement in scholarship, leadership and service: Division of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance recognition went to: Christina Pendl of Sun Valley, community health; and Melanie Baldwin of Twin Falls, Recreation.

ation Division of Teacher Education.

Local student spends semester in Australia

Angela Patrick of Twin Falls will spend this fall semester at the University of Newcastle in New South Wales, Australia, as part of the AustralLearn program.

She is a senior at Linfield College in McMinnville, Ore., where she is majoring in business and minor in music.

Patrick will take courses in business, visit the Great Barrier Reef, New Zealand and Fiji and volunteer in Port Stephens with Conservation Volunteers Australia.

AustralLearn is a nonprofit organization based in Denver, Colo.

Twin Falls resident graduates from Cal State

Shelby Charles Sommer of Twin Falls graduated from Cal State Northridge in North Hollywood, Calif. Sommer, the son of Pastor Jim and Doris Sommer, received a Bachelor of Science in psychology. He will be doing a one-year internship at the North Hollywood Assembly of God Church.

Albertson College honors students at assembly

More than 100 students of Albertson College of Idaho in Caldwell were honored with academic and community awards during the 2004 Awards Assembly. Among those honored were: Gooding — Samantha Storey, Who's Who, Outstanding Anthropology/Sociology Student Award and Scarab Award. Hagerman — Ryan Urle, Who's Who and Scarab Award. Heyburn — Nick Fulcher, Ambassador of the Year Award. Jerome — Jennifer King, Idaho CPA Society Outstanding Accounting Graduate Award. Ketchum — Alexander McLaughlin, Scarab Award. Murtaugh — Ashley Ward, Who's Who.

Paul — Lynn Maxfield, Trail Yearbook Photography Award. **Who's Who**, Bravo Outstanding Opera/Musical Performance and Jim Gabbard Memorial Scholarship.

Rupert — Colleen Fox, Who's Who. **Twin Falls** — Michelle Hazen, Outstanding Junior in Psychology; Adam Paxton, Who's Who and Scarab Award; Derek Pollard, Scarab Award; Vanessa Thompson, Students in Free Enterprise; Community Service Award; and Zachary Thompson, Scarab Award.

Elko, **New** — Amanda Basanez, Female Senior Athlete of the Year Award.

ISU dean's list names local students

Idaho State University in Pocatello has released its dean's list for the College of Pharmacy. Andrew Morgan of Hazelton and Chad Watts of Murtaugh were on the spring semester list.

UI's J-Campers receive crash course in news

Thirteen high school students were recognized July 17 for completing the Scripps Howard Multicultural Journalism Workshop at the University of Idaho. The students from Idaho, Alaska and Washington spent the week working with media professionals and UI journalism students and faculty. They wrote news stories for the student radio station and the newspaper, the Argonaut, and produced a 15-minute television news magazine.

Evelyn Irtani, Los Angeles Times reporter and former Pullman resident, gave the keynote address July 11. She was part of a team of four reporters who won the 2002 Pulitzer Prize for national series of stories about the economic impacts of Wal-Mart. This is the fourth such workshop funded by a \$10,000 grant from the Scripps Howard Foundation. It is intended to bring more journalists to bring more populations into U.S. newsrooms.

Most of the following participants also have worked on their high school newspapers, Web sites or yearbooks and included: Kevin Otzenberger from Jerome High School.

UI students who assisted included Nate Poppino, Twin Falls.

EWU announces spring quarter 2004 dean's list

Eastern Washington University in Cheney, Wash., announced its spring quarter 2004 dean's list.

A student must carry at least 12 credits and achieve a grade point average of 3.5 (4.0 scale) or above.

Area students include: Molly Meyers of Halley, Stacy Warburton of Rupert and Cathryn Walker of Twin Falls.

Residents graduate from University of Phoenix

Several local residents have graduated from the University of Phoenix Online.

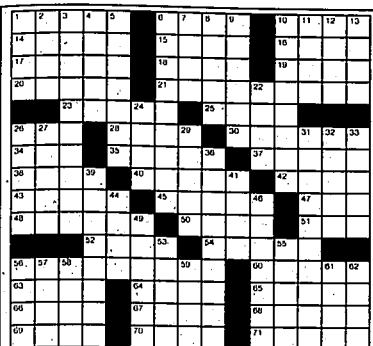
The graduates and their degrees are: **Twin Falls**: Cynthia L. Seaman, Master of Business Administration; Troy L. Adams, Master of Business Administration; eBusiness; and K. Denise Rayburn, Bachelor of Science in nursing. **Burley**: Shawn Bowen, Master of Business Administration.

We want your news

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Gemini: Visualize the future

IF AUGUST 28 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you may feel it is possible to settle down, and that you have sown all your wild oats, but you could be singing a different song by the beginning of the year. You may elect to lead a nontraditional lifestyle, but this, too, might not be permanent. What you consider most important may change dramatically this year, so remain footloose and fancy-free. Enjoy exciting people and places, but don't try to fence others in. Life becomes more settled next summer.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Make the most of the last days of summer by gathering your favorite family members at an impromptu party or outing. Honesty prevails in relationships, so seek promises or make plans now.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Long-term strategies discussed with a partner should have every opportunity to blossom. Make apologies or ask for forgiveness if needed. Shop for items of good taste.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Discussions between you and a significant other can bring material success and emotional understanding. Visualize the future, and have faith that others will follow through by handling their fair share.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Fight your dark mood that tries to set in. Let trust override suspicion where others are concerned. Fun in the sun invigorates your heart, and a spirit of forgiveness will solve any problems.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The urge to wander to greener pastures has evaporated, and relationships can return to stability. Surround yourself with family and friends, or find entertainments that quench your taste for the elegant.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Get out and about, rather than pick-

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Jeraldine Saunders

ing up the phone or wallowing in e-mail. You will do better explaining yourself face to face. Money spent on things of beauty will soothe your soul.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your graciousness flows in like a willing audience, so gather friends and loved ones to celebrate the last days of summer. Push aside items of distinction and taste.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You may concentrate on finances or yourself to the exclusion of other more important matters. Don't hide away with a calculator when affectionate others long for your company. Pamper your partner today.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Head off to the local barbecue or carnival, or find an excuse to visit relatives. It is too nice a cosmic day to waste at home alone. You will attract affection and kindness wherever you go.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Responsibilities may take precedence over social activities, but maybe you can have your cake and eat it, too. Venture out when tasks are complete. Buy a present for a loved one today, or try a fine restaurant.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Apologies may be in the air. This is a fine day for manners and sincerity. Friends and acquaintances may join you for a fun-filled afternoon.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You may struggle to get to the bottom of a problem with your significant other, but once you discover the truth it will be easy to forgive small transgressions. Sports and outdoor activities help blow off steam.

Angelica turns 13 today

Today
"All Grown Up" — Angelica's thirteenth birthday party is jeopardized by her arch-enemy, (TV) NICKELODEON 6 p.m.

TV best bets — Overextended, declining profits and rising floodwaters threaten a hard-working farm family. (TVPG) AMERICAN MOVIE CLASSICS 6 p.m.

Sunday
"2004 Video Music Awards" — The ceremony takes place at the American Airlines Arena in Miami; performers include Usher, Jai and Jessica Simpson. MUSIC TELEVISION 6 p.m.

"The Casino" — High roller Geoff Mills prepares to get married; Matt Dusk inches closer to

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Woman fears husband will harm baby

DEAR ABBY: I am 19 and pregnant with my first child. The father, whom I married, turned out to be far different from the person I thought he was when I met him. I left him when I was around four months along because he was starving me and wouldn't let me leave the house.

Since then, he has been arrested for possession of child pornography, and I have discovered that he is a satanist. I am terrified of him. I know I'm lucky to be alive and not to have lost the baby, but I almost did.

I am filing for divorce, but I have no idea how to keep this monster away from my baby. He has threatened to kill me and take the baby if I don't go home to live. He follows me around and sits outside my home late at night. I have applied for a lawyer, but I have no job and no money.

Are there any organizations that can help someone in my position? How do I get my husband to quit threatening me and leave me alone?



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

DEAR SCARED: The first thing you should do is file a police report stating, for the record, that you are being stalked and threatened. Since your husband has already been arrested for child pornography, it could be only a matter of time until he is convicted and sent away. In the meantime, call the Domestic Violence Hotline: (800) 799-7233. If necessary, the people there can help you find shelter to keep you and your baby safe.

DEAR ABBY: An outside vendor came to the place where I

worked and made lewd comments to me.

When I learned that he would be the person training me on the new software I'd be using for the promotion I had just received — my second promotion in two years — I reported the incident to my immediate supervisor.

Within four working days, I was demoted, publicly humiliated, and felt forced to turn in my resignation.

I had signed a sexual harassment agreement with my bosses that I would report any incident to them. Should I have kept my mouth shut? Do I have any recourse?

— HUMILIATED IN BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

DEAR HUMILIATED: The vendor's actions were out of line, and you were right to report him. If I were you, I'd discuss what happened with an attorney who specializes in labor law — preferably a female.

DEAR ABBY: I am 13 and live

in a small town. I need to know something: Is boredom normal? I got up one morning and realized how bored I am.

I don't mean bored with nothing to do. I am bored with myself and my daily routine.

I'm not especially sad, just bored with life itself — the people I see every day, the town I live in, the way I look, my boyfriend, my room, going to school — "same old, same old." I want this feeling to go away. What can I do?

— RESTLESS TEEN IN MARYLAND

DEAR RESTLESS: Talk to your parents about involving yourself in a new activity, preferably one where you will meet new people. Visit the library and ask the librarian to suggest some books to expand your range of interests.

Everyone feels the way you do at one time or another. The solution is to dwell less on yourself and more on the needs of other people.

Networks scramble their fall premiere dates

By David Blanculli
New York Daily News

This fall, good luck finding when, and where, your old favorites return with fresh episodes.

Better luck learning and remembering when the most intriguing new fall series surface. Some of them don't appear until 2005; others seem to be here already.

In the good old pre-cable days of the 1960s and '70s, there were three networks to deal with: ABC, CBS and NBC. All of them rolled out their new fall shows the same week or so, timed to give Detroit the maximum audience for the unveiling of its newest line of automobiles.

Randy Newman once said that as a kid he would wait ca-

gerly for the annual TV Guide fall preview issue, then memorize the new schedules, carefully deciding which shows he would watch each night.

Today, there's no reason for anyone to bother. Shows don't last more than a few weeks. Neither do schedules — and lately, not do seasons.

Traditionally, the new TV season begins the day after the Emmy Awards. This year, that's Sept. 19, and CBS is sticking with tradition and presenting its new and returning shows that week. But NBC chose Aug. 30 for the start of its new season, and Fox, and the WB started earlier. Meanwhile, ABC launches some new and returning shows during traditional premiere week, but other series don't premiere until midseason.

What's the first new show of

the 2004-05 season? No one knows. NBC's "Father of the Pride" carried a date of Aug. 31. WB's "Studio 7" or "Blue Collar TV" premiered in July but is on most fall schedules. The Fox drama "North Shore" premiered in June.

Cable TV has spawned, and added to, this confusion. HBO does so well tag-teaming shows in the same time slots — when Sopranos leaves, "Six Feet Under" or "Deadwood" takes its place — that broadcast networks are beginning to follow suit. At ABC, "Desperate Housewives," one of the few new fall shows worth sampling, starts Oct. 3 — and not until it is through with its fall run, at midseason, does "Alls" return with new episodes.

And over on USA Network, "Monk" just presented its third-

season finale, only 10 weeks and nine episodes after presenting what it called its third-season premiere.

Sci-Fi Channel shows the similarly short-stuffed, but thinking seems to be, if Mother Nature can have four seasons a year, why can't we?

In theory, the 52-week season sounds great. In practice, it gives us little to get excited about, and no obvious time in which to get focused and excited. Without a uniform beginning to the fall season, there's no starting gun, no thrill of competition, no sense of anything other than a sprawling, confusing mess.

Sadly, that also describes most of the new shows this year. If you can't find them, for the most part you aren't missing much.

Boring-Bland wedding gets national attention

INDEPENDENCE, MO. (AP) — Single life was Boring, and married life will be Bland for this new bride.

Katie Boring wed Nathan Bland June 12.

And the Boring-Bland affair was anything but, said the groom.

"It was great," said groom Nathan Bland. "We had family and a bunch of college and high school friends there, and our reception was at a winery. We all had a great time."

After the announcement of their engagement was published last winter, the impending "Boring-Bland" merger was mentioned on NBC's "The Tonight Show" with Jay Leno. In a segment where the comedian calls attention to unusual name combinations.

"It caught us by surprise," Nathan said. "We each got, like, 10 phone calls from friends that night."

Bland, out of town on business, was flipping channels in his hotel room when he saw it. "I was like, 'Oh my gosh, that's our picture! That's us!'" he said.

Some friends had joked about sending the engagement notice to Leno, but nobody took credit once it actually made the show.

The bride figures that over the years she's probably had a worse time over her name than her

husband has.

"I don't think little kids use the word 'bland' that much," she says. "But 'boring' — I've been made fun of forever."

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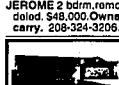
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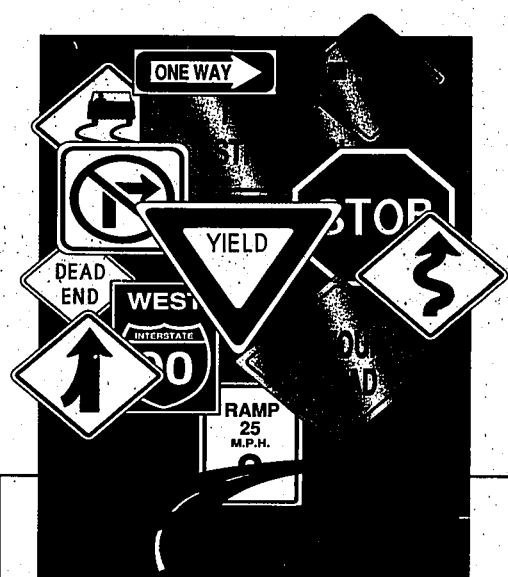
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Modular Home on Foundation
 2.25 acres with RV garage & port for RV. Large 3-bd 2-bath modular home. Nicely landscaped. A real gem for the price.
\$108,000 MLS#111253 - Jerome
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Private Park Setting
 Bring horses, calves and family to see 5.73 acres with water shares. 1,900 sq. ft. \$168,000 MLS#110249 - Jerome
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Great Location!
 2600 sq. ft. commercial building on So. Lincoln w/large asphalt parking lot. Formerly used as a restaurant, could be retail, etc. \$125,000 MLS#110034 - Jerome
 Chris 404-6322 / Danny 539-0795

Affordable Country Comfort!
 A clean 3-bedroom home on 2.6 acres. Nice yard with beautiful trees & located in the Jerome area.
\$64,900 MLS#111321 - Jerome
 Bonnie D 731-7204

Rural Home!
 This 2-bedroom home is on one acre and approx. 1200 sq. ft. Very Affordable.
\$56,400 MLS#111181 - Gooding
 Suzie Richardson 420-3765

Manufactured Home on One Acre
 1 acre and a 3-bd 2-bath manufactured home. In Dietrich. Quiet spot with possible owner carry terms.
\$89,900 MLS#111565 - Dietrich
 Dan 539-2019 / Barry 32-01864

Room For Your Animals
 3-bd 2-bath on 2.79 acres with TPCC water. Located in the city limits. Has barn, tank room, storage shed, and great irrigated pasture.
\$158,000 MLS#111568 - Twin Falls
 Barry 320-1864 / Dan 539-2019

3 Bedroom on Acreage
 Very nice 3-bd on acreage with shop & house set-up. Home built in 1996, over 1,500 sq. ft. on one acre. More acreage is available. \$105,000 MLS#110034 - Jerome
 BJ Ross 539-0795 / Dave 539-1616

Water Shares!
 70 Acres. This property has home site with trees, septic, power and well. Also includes gated pipe. MLS#111321 - Buhl
 Amy 420-5848 / Linda 539-3458

Beautiful Water Front Property
 80 acres of Snake River View. Two homes surrounded by 12 acres of orchards.
\$1,200,000 MLS#109826 - Buhl
 Kathleen Hale 280-0214

Lovely Two-Story Home
 Two-story home with large garage in great neighborhood.
\$85,000 MLS#111638 - Twin Falls
 Wanda Foster 735-0598

Great South Lincoln Location
 Large apartment with 2 office units, one facing South Lincoln. Nice corner lot.
\$145,000 MLS#110037 - Jerome
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BUILD YOUR DREAM HOME!
 Great building lot w/utility services in Park Place Subdivision. The weather is wonderful in Hagerman and so are the lots.
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New Home Just Finished!
 4 bedroom, 2 baths, Jacuzzi tub with marble surround & huge yard with auto sprinklers. 3-car garage. All for only \$169,900.
MLS#111657 - Jerome
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Five Bedrooms!
 This home has new vinyl siding, new roof, new vinyl trim on main floor, family room, wood stove & built in cooler.
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Location, Location, Location!
 Super 3 bed, 2bath home in Jerome.
\$125,000 MLS#111831 - Jerome
 Dan 539-2609 / Nathan 320-0846

Lovely 3-Bedroom Home
 3-bed home with a large yard, in a great neighborhood. Priced to sell at \$87,000.
MLS#111848 - Shoshone
 Dan 539-2609 / Beth 731-6022

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Best Deal in Town!
 Don't miss this one! It won't last long with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, built in 1995.
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 Dan Wise 539-2609

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 Great and neat 3-bed manufactured home with privacy fence. Own your land. Great investment.
\$42,500 MLS#112120 - Twin Falls
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MALTA, Idaho Boarder Farm, 945 +/- acres of higher elevation pasture ranch. \$1,340,000

TWIN FALLS Farm for sale, 72 acres, nice home, shop & machine shed. 734-8418

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BUHL \$56,000 One Homestead Only! Great location north of Buhl at \$10,000 an acre. Buyer will be able to choose exact location.
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KIMBERLY - View property, 1 acre, rural Pleasant Valley Subdivision. \$24,900.

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PINE LOG Cabin, 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, 1,437 square feet, .55 acre, \$189,900. 208-731-2711 or 208-734-0390.

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Carousel Rocking Horse
Revolving the classic carousel horse of yesteryear, this do-it-yourself rocking horse project features elegant lines as well as a safe, sturdy design. The finished product is a beautiful, functional piece of furniture that will make a great addition to your home.

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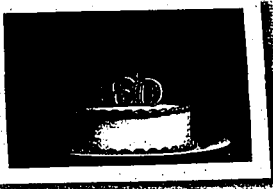
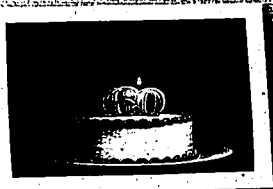
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TWIN FALLS

Spacious building with 3 offices, 2 bath, reception area, kitchen, approx. 1000 sq. ft., \$1,000 per month, triple net lease. BRAWLEY REALTY 734-5558.

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619 LEGAL

and study these notices. We advise those citizens who seek further information to exercise their right to access public records, and public meetings. IMPORTANT Please address all legal advertising to: LEGAL ADVERTISING Times-News P.O. Box 548 Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548

3 days prior to publication, noon on Wednesday and Saturday, or on Thursday for Monday, noon on Friday for Tuesday and Wednesday, noon on Monday for Thursday and noon on Tuesday for Friday and Saturday. Holiday deadlines may vary. If you have any questions or need legal call, at 735-3324.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public Notice is hereby given by the Board of Commissioners of the Dietrich Fire District, The County of Blaine, Idaho, that a public hearing will be held for the fiscal year 2004-2005 will be held September 8, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. at the Dietrich Fire Station, Dietrich, Idaho.

BUDGET 2004-2004

Estimated Income	15,063
County taxes	15,063
Estimated Expenditures	2,600
Building	700
Education Expense	3,000
Equipment Repairs	2,000
Insurance	700
Misc	613
New Equipment	4,000
Office Expense	250
Public Fire Fighters	1,200
TOTAL	15,063

Dietrich Fire District Secretary, Pam Cassan

PUBLISH: August 28 and September 3, 2004

0101 LOST AND FOUND

FOUND Black Lab
/Rott. cross, approx. 6 months old, 1 mile west of Filer. Call 208-734-1828.

FOUND cat, male
black and white, slightly deformed right ear, near Burley High School. 208-678-4121.

FOUND Collie(Lassie type)
male, around end of July. Blue Lakes S. 733-4805.

FOUND In Crestview Drive area
Kitten, male, black, approximately 6 months old. Call 208-735-1098.

FOUND poodle, white
male Near Declo. No collar. Call to identify 208-854-2594.

FOUND, Terrier/mix?
female on Pierce Street, black collar. Call 208-420-2459.

FOUND: A sum of money
was found in the street in Kimberly on August 17th. The rightful owner can claim it at the Kimberly Police Department, 132 Main St North, Kimberly, ID 83341. 208-423-4151.

LOST Alredado, 2yr.
male, neutered. Lost in Lincoln county area. Collar with no tags. Call 208-544-2924.

LOST Alredado, 2yr.
male, neutered. Lost in Lincoln county area. Collar with no tags. Call 208-539-2927.

LOST Cat, black & white
long hair, at 1619 Hansen Ave., Burley. Lost 8/15. Reward. 208-678-4121.

LOST German Short-hair Pointer
for return. Mostly white with liver spots. Kids miss her. Call 208-735-8963.

LOST Schnauzer
4yr. old male, in Oakley area. Answers to "Buxley". Man's best friend! 208-862-3111 or 341-3214.

LOST Yellow Lab cross
female, may be wearing blue collar. Lost approx. 2 weeks. Call 280-3574.

104 PERSONALS

As of July 22, 2004 I am no longer responsible for bills or debt other than my own.
Carol G. Nutting/McIvor

106 SPECIAL NOTICES

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
208-733-8300 & 721-0585

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Now you can Log on to www.magicvalley.com and place your classified line ad! Click on the Classified section.

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108 PROFESSIONAL

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Competitive rates on Chapter 7 bankruptcies. Jeff Slicker at 208-734-9452.

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COMMUNICATION CONNECTIONS

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Accepting new clients. References available. Call 208-735-5305.

Sprinkler Systems

Call Mike Lawrence at Summer Rain Sprinklers for installing or winterizing your system. 735-5414.

STEEL FABRICATION and equipment repair

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113 CHILD CARE SERVICES

"My Little Daycare" has opening in Jerome. ICCP accepted. state licensed, meal provided. 324-0424.

CASY'S KIDS daycare has openings. 24 hrs/ICCP. Multi child discount. 736-2422.

CHILDCARE needed for 3 kids in our home, hours vary. Must have good references, over 21w/m transportation. 208-735-2889.

DAYCARE opening. Infants & 3 near Sawtooth school, ICCP certified, contact Angie 733-5207.

IN HOME DAY CARE loving stay home mom has 3 opening. Call Terrie 208-731-9569.

PARENTS Give your child a fun learning experience at Pre-School while you are at work!

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ACCOUNTING Seeking SENIOR ACCOUNTANT. 2-5 years experience required. Tax, financial systems exp. QuikBooks experience required. Excellent benefits & career opportunities. Send resume & salary history to: Accounting Firm PO Box 4482 Pocatello, ID 83205.

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CONSTRUCTION Operators, forklift certified for concrete work. Davis-Bacon Wage. Drug test. Fax work experience to 208-362-2220 CPC is EOE.

CONSTRUCTION Workers needed immediately all skill levels. Exp. in concrete construction preferred. Call 208-650-1128.

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Bobby Wolff

"But soon a wonder came to light,
That showed the rogues they lied.
The man recovered of the bile,
The dog it was that died."

— Oliver Goldsmith

When you bid a hand delicately, sometimes you have to make up for it by playing the cards in a sophisticated fashion. In today's exhibit, South's jump to three no-trump was decidedly uncouth. It resulted in his reaching a delicate no-trump slam — played the wrong way up, to boot. However, declarer made up for it with a fine display of card reading.

When West led the heart four, South called for the small card from dummy to preserve the heart queen as a threat for later. Declarer took East's heart 10 and the ace and saw that he needed to play the diamond suit for four tricks.

It looks natural to assume that the partner of the pre-emptor will have the missing honor in a side-suit, but before deciding how to commit himself, South ran four rounds of clubs. He then crossed to his spade king to take the last club. West threw two spades and a heart; East, three hearts.

When declarer cashed dummy's spade ace, East discarded the heart jack, making it highly likely that the original distribution of that hand was precisely 1-6-4-2.

Since East had reduced himself down to his four diamonds together with the heart king, South continued with a diamond to his 10, followed by the diamond ace and finally a heart. East could take the heart king, but then had to lead into dummy's diamond king-jack to concede 12 tricks.

NORTH
♠ A 7 5
♥ Q 3
♦ K J 6 2
♣ A K Q J

EAST
♠ Q 10 8 4 3
♥ 8 7 4
♦ K J 10 9 5 2
♣ A 8 7

SOUTH
♠ K 8 2
♥ A 6
♦ A 10 4
♣ A 8 6 5

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: North

The bidding:
South West North East
3 NT Pass 6 NT All pass

Opening lead: Heart four

BID WITH THE ACES

South leads:
♠ J
♥ K J 10 9 5 2
♦ Q 8 7
♣ A 3

South West North East
Pass Pass

ANSWER: Open three hearts.

Yes, technically your hand might look like a weak two-bid, but you know that your extra shape and good heart intermediates entitle you to pre-empt to the maximum in third seat. You might be more cautious at unfavorable vulnerability, but otherwise, aim to make your opponents' life as hard as you can.

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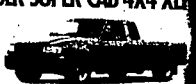
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