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FAMILY LIFE

Stick a fork in 'em...



Twin Falls High School seniors Sam Spencer, right, hugs her friend Kelly Wriesman while classmates look on before their commencement ceremony Friday night at the College of Southern Idaho.

Twin Falls seniors get their diplomas at commencement ceremony

By Andrea Jackson
Staff writer

About 360 seniors pucked the gymnasium at the College of Southern Idaho Friday night for the final chapter of their high school careers.

With smiles fixed across many of their faces, they hammed it up for their family members toting cameras and camcorders for the 2008 Twin Falls High School Commencement ceremony.

After 16 years on the Twin Falls School Board, departing member Vera Redman told the graduates to give back. "I hope that you will remember to live the life of giving," she said.

Redman asked the seniors to reflect on two sets of advice. "Believe in something or someone bigger than yourself," she said. "Commit to giving back."



James Edrew Tarley makes his way into the CSI gym.

She reminded the cloaked seniors to say thanks to the people in their lives who helped them and believed in them. "There are thousands here tonight," Redman said. "They are here because they believe in you."

Twin Falls High School Principal Ben Allen read off the class' athletic, artistic and academic accomplishments — and applause ensued when he reminded the crowd that the football team broke a

two-year losing streak against Jerome.

Seniors laughed when Allen read what he said was their motto: "Stick a fork in it, we're done."

Superintendent Wiley Dobbs, a graduate of the class of 1976, asked other past graduates of Twin Falls High School to rise, and a handful stood proudly.

Then, the president of the class of 1996, Travis Hamilton, took the stage to

give the commencement address.

"Don't make an excuse that you're from a little town," said Hamilton, a screenwriter and director who wrote and directed the film "Turquoise Rose."

"Remember your roots," he told the seniors. "It's a big accomplishment to be able to graduate ... Not everyone can do it."

Seventeen valedictorians were honored Friday night along with six salutatorians, and 68 seniors were named to the National Honor Society.

In all, about 380 seniors graduated this year with 360 who walked in the ceremony Friday, said Beth Pendergrass, the school district's spokeswoman.

The CSI gymnasium was packed — each senior was given seven tickets for family members.

T.F. businessman named to Ed Board

By Andrea Jackson
Staff writer

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's pick to fill a seat on the Idaho State Board of Education, which was left vacant for three months, said he's excited to contribute.

"I just want to make a difference," said Kenneth Edmunds, 52, Twin Falls. Edmunds has worked in investment and development for more than 12 years and was named Friday by Otter.

His term runs to 2013. Edmunds replaces Laird Stone, a Twin Falls lawyer whose term ended March 1. Edmunds has served on the State Board audit committee since 2006. "Right now, I'm just like you, someone on the outside looking in," he said Friday.

The new member

described his purpose on the board as being Otter's appointee. "My role is I'm representing the governor in education," he said.

"The governor made it very clear his biggest concern was getting the board focused on policy," he said.

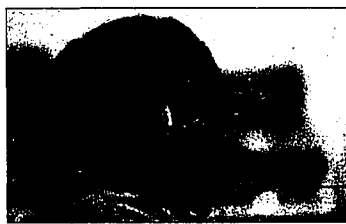
He said he interviewed with Otter during a facility groundbreaking ceremony at the College of Southern Idaho on May 16.

Otter said in a statement Friday there were other strong candidates for the State Board seat, but Edmunds stood out. "Ken Edmunds stood out. "Ken



Edmunds

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Bobbi E. Woolsey, 30, was charged Friday afternoon in Twin Falls County court with accessory to a felony. The county prosecutor alleges that Woolsey knew about a plot to kidnap or kill Dale Miller, 18, whose body was found in a barrel in September in a Twin Falls garage, and lied to police about it in an interview.

New charges emerge in Dale Miller death

Third individual charged for lying to police.

By Cassidy Friedman
Staff writer

In a murder case that's chock full of odd players who bear bizarre connections to each other and Magic Valley law enforcement, add Bobbi E. Woolsey's name to the list.

Woolsey, 30, was charged Friday afternoon in Twin

Falls County court with accessory to a felony on allegations that she knew about a plot to kill Dale Miller, 18, whose body was found in a barrel Sept. 12 in a Twin Falls garage, and lied to police about it in interviews. An affidavit suggests the behavior was "an attempt to fabricate an alibi for her ex-lover."

The document never identifies the ex-lover.

Woolsey is the latest of three defendants charged in the Miller murder, and as with the others, details in the affidavit are sparse and only

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Watch a video of Bobbi Woolsey's hearing

Idaho PUC approves three rate increases for Idaho Power

By Nate Poppino
Staff writer

Idaho Power's residential customers will pay an average of about \$6.80 per month more for electricity starting Sunday, after the Idaho Public Utilities Commission approved a series of rate increases Friday afternoon.

The jump is largely due to the Power Cost Adjustment, which changes each year depending on the utility's costs of providing power. Low snowpacks and high temperatures in 2007 meant the company spent about \$163 million buying power and natural gas that year,

according to the IPUC. After applying \$16 million from sales of sulfur dioxide credits, the company still requested and received a 10.7 percent increase to cover what it spent.

Other increases include a 1.37 percent increase to base rates to cover the recently completed \$634 million Danskin natural gas plant near Mountain Home. 1 percent more to fund energy-efficiency programs and a cut of .8 percent for residential and small-commercial customers due to the Fixed Cost Adjustment.

Ric Gale, Idaho Power vice president for

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Miller

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 call up more questions.
 Employed at a local gas station and living at Valley House, Woolsey was completing probation for a possible conviction when she was arrested on a warrant.

Magistrate Roger Harris set her bond Friday at \$50,000 and named her to the list of suspects in the homicide crime that rattled the town, helping make Twin Falls the murder capital of Idaho in 2007.

Woolsey said she understood her rights and cried at the defendant's table.
 County Prosecutor Grant Loeb declined to identify the "ex-lover" whom Woolsey is charged with protecting.

John McElhinney, who was a confidential informant for a Blaine County narcotics unit, and his friend Cameron Watts have both been charged with first-degree murder. McElhinney's girlfriend, Rachel Madrid, faces no charges in connection to Miller's death after she provided statements to police that helped establish probable cause against the two men.

Friends of Miller say he was experimenting with meth and had recently made some new friends. Neighbors told the *Times-News* in September that Madrid's home, where the body was discovered, was a drug house.

On Sept. 4, Miller made three calls to police, calls that

did not add up to a clear call for help, the prosecutor said. After the discovery of Miller's body, the city dispatcher was placed on administrative leave.

Detectives questioned Woolsey on Sept. 14 after the discovery of Miller's body while she was in the Minicassia jail, according to an affidavit. Detectives re-questioned her April 23 at the Twin Falls Police Department, the

affidavit says.

In the second interview, "Woolsey gave me numerous contradictions from her original interview," wrote veteran Twin Falls Police Detective Chris Fuller. "I believe the contradictions Ms. Woolsey has related in her second interview" — which were not detailed either in the affidavit or in court Friday — "are to establish a false alibi ... for one of the partic-

pants in the homicide."
 County Deputy Public Defender Robin Weeks arguing for a \$5,000 bond, argued that although the murder was serious, the charges against her client border on a misdemeanor.
 "She's only alleged to have said something untrue to

police officers," Weeks said. That's "very similar to a misdemeanor" — providing misinformation to a police officer.
 The crime she was charged with, however, is punishable by up to five years in prison. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for June 6.

Power

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 regulatory affairs, said the decisions were about what the utility expected. The 170-megawatt Danskin plant is a "peaking" resource intended to help the company handle high demand on its grid, Gale said. The plant came in on time and under budget, he said, and the rate increase will pay it off at a rate of about \$9 million a year.

The energy efficiency increase will provide \$7 million more each year to make up for the fact that spending on such projects has outgrown the funding Idaho

can provide. According to an annual report provided by the company, it spent more than \$15 million on such projects and realized energy savings of 91 million kilowatt-hours in 2007.

The commission approved the rider increase because the company saves more in energy costs than it spends on the programs, though it did not approve the funds to be used for small-scale renewable projects, according to a release.

The FCA is a pilot program intended as an incentive for the utility to promote energy efficiency measures, Gale said, providing a fixed fee of about \$400 per customer per

year for costs such as meters and substitutions. The IPUC modified the utility's request to split the net balance of the company's claims between the two customer classes in the pilot, sparing small-commercial customers from a 3 percent monthly surcharge.

The rate increase decided close to their starting date largely due to the PCA, which is submitted in mid-April, said Gene Fadness, IPUC spokesman. The other changes were grouped with the PCA to prevent customer confusion from letting a series of small changes "drip out at one time," he said.

The rate increases come as Idaho Power is gearing up for a series of new requests. Future rate hikes will help pay for a major upgrade to the company's infrastruc-

ture, Idaho Power officials previously said.

They may likely include two Danskin components estimated to cost \$19.5 million: a new Hubbard substation and a 230 kilovolt transmission line between Danskin and the new substation.

Ed

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 has the professional qualifications and the real world perspective to help the Board of Education achieve its goals of greater accountability and fiscal responsibility while formulating sound and forward-looking education policy for Idaho citizens."

In 2004, Edmunds ran for the state Senate in a competitive three-man Republican primary, largely on an education platform. He came in third in a contest that eventually went to Sen. Chuck Colner, R-Twin Falls.
 State Board trustees came under heavy fire recently from the governor and the state Senate Education Committee for accounting miscues that left the agency with a potential deficit of about \$1.4 million, prompting the board to cancel testing and leave vacant positions unfilled. Financial maneuvering has left the board with a deficit of \$316,000, according to the Associated Press.

The State Board had also faced allegations of violating open meetings laws, and the Senate Education Committee drafted a letter to Otter listing recommendations for the State Board, the Associated Press reported in March.

But Otter never got the letter.

"I can confirm the governor has not received that letter," said Jon Hanlan, an Otter spokesman. Hanlan said Otter's office has heard about the contents of the letter from media reports.

Sen. John Goedde, R-Coeur d'Alene, said he couldn't immediately provide a copy of the letter to the *Times-News*, but he said he intends to drop it off personally with Otter.

"Every time I've been in Boise the government's been out of town," said Goedde. "There's nothing in the letter that hasn't been reported in the paper."

Goedde said he wasn't concerned that Otter made an appointment to the State Board before receiving the letter.

The Associated Press detailed some of the letter's recommendations in March, which include giving the governor more power to fire the president of the State Board of trustees. There was also a separate letter, the AP reported, which urged State Board trustees to annually review open meetings laws and spending procedures to ensure they're followed.

The State Board met this week and determined that students weren't prepared to meet the federal standards

mandated by the No Child Left Behind Act because of poor statewide education standards exams that failed to accurately measure student performance.

"I do believe in accountability," said Edmunds. "I believe in testing. I'm not certain the way we're testing shows us anything."

Edmunds received a bachelor's degree, and master's degree in accounting, from Brigham Young University. He previously was a senior executive and consultant with Ameristar Casinos, a certified public accountant and manager for Price Waterhouse, and controlled a local development and construction company.

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Spelling champ gets his 'guerdon'

By Joseph White
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — As it turned out, Sameer Mishra provided more than just comic relief at the 2008 Scripps National Spelling Bee. He ended up winning the title.

The 13-year-old from West Lafayette, Ind., who often had the audience laughing with his one-line commentaries was all business when heaced "guerdon" — a word that appropriately means "something one has earned or gained" — to win the 81st version of the bee Friday night.

"I don't know about comedy lines, but my parents have been telling me since the beginning that I should always stay calm, cool and collected," said Sameer, who likes playing the violin and video games, and hopes one day to be a neurosurgeon.

Sameer, appearing in the final for the fourth year and as top 20 finisher the last two years, clenched both fists and put his hands to his face after spelling the winning word. He won a tense duel over first-time participant Siddhant Chand, 12, of Brentwood Hills, Tenn., who finally stumbled on a "prospopocia," a word describing a type of figure of speech.

Sameer was a crowd favorite throughout the tournament. When he spelled the words in the semifinals was a dessert, he deadpanned: "That sounds good right now." He rolled his eyes and muttered "wonderful" when told that one of his words had two different languages. He once asked "Are you sure there are no alternate pronunciations?" and later uttered "That's a relief" after initially mishearing the word "numnah" (a type of sheepskin pelt).

And what did he have to say while hoisting the heavy trophy? "I'm really, really weak."

Sameer is coached by his sister, Shruti, a high school senior, and three-time spelling bee competitor. The first-place finish won him \$35,000 in cash and more than \$5,000 in other prizes.

Third place went to Tia Thomas, 13, from Coastsgold, Calif., who was eliminated on "officer" (a skilled or artistic worker). She started the word with an "e" instead of an "o" and received a standing ovation and a hug from her mother. Tia was one of the favorites, appearing in her fifth and final year in an eighth-place finish a year ago.

The finals were aired live in prime time on ABC, and it appeared for a while that the broadcast could run late into the night. Twice during the first 25 words were spelled correctly, with the dictionary-familiar competitors breezing through words such as "brankursine," "cryptarithm," and "empyrean" with barely a hitch.

Rose Sloan was so familiar with "alcarranza" (a type of jug) that the 13-year-old from River Forest, Ill., couldn't stop laughing in glee when pronouncer Jacques Bailly uttered it. She was later eliminated on "stilet" (a wig worn by Jewish women).

Austin Pineda, 14, of Perris, Calif., was the only early casualty, putting an extra "l" in "tralatitious" (handed down) as he nervously twiddled his bangs with his index finger.

It was somewhat surprising who didn't make the finals. There were no Canadians — and no Matthew Evans.

Matthew, also a favorite to win in his fifth and final appearance, was stunningly eliminated during the semifinal round Friday when he misspelled "secernment," a word dealing with secretion and one that somehow eluded him as he studied his personal 30,000-word list. He ended it with "ant."

When the 13-year-old from Albuquerque, N.M., heard the bell, he slumped his shoulders, lowered his head and slowly walked offstage, a rapt standing ovation echoing behind him. He stayed in the comfort room for more than a

half-hour, and his eyes were still red when he emerged.

"It's disappointing," said Matthew, choking back tears. "I know a lot of people were rooting for me."

All seven representatives from Canada were vanquished in a span of about 20 minutes in the first semifinal round. No Canadian has ever won the bee, but the country always fields a strong contingent. Nate Garteke of Alberta was last year's runner-up.

"Seven up, seven down," said Sam Penny of Aurora, Ontario, whose daughter, 10-year-old Veronica, was eliminated on the French-rooted word "etragere." "Very disappointing. Especially for Canadians to go down on French words."

Among the spectators was 94-year-old Frank Neulhauser, the winner of the first national bee in 1925. Asked to spell his winning word from 83 years ago, Neulhauser rattled off the letters to "gladiolus" as if he were racing through his ABCs.

"It's an easy word," said Neulhauser, who attracted a long line of teen and preteen autograph-seekers. "Nobody could miss it, but the second (-)place girl did."

Neulhauser's prize was \$500 in \$20 gold pieces. He also was feted with a parade through his hometown of Louisville, Ky.

It was a lot easier back then, Neulhauser told the audience. "There were only eight competitors instead of 288. I'd never make it now."

The 288 spellers that entered this year's bee was a record. Forty-five of them made it past the preliminary and quarterfinal rounds Thursday to compete on Friday.



Sameer Mishra, of West Lafayette, Ind., holds up the trophy after winning the 2008 Scripps National Spelling Bee on Friday in Washington. The 13-year-old boy aced "guerdon" to win the 81st edition of the bee. Sameer will receive \$35,000 in cash plus more than \$5,000 in other prizes.

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3:45 Cowboy Country (Johnny U)
4:45 Eddie Haskell
5:15 Cobalt Blue

Clinton expects superdelegates to decide after Tuesday's voting

By Matt Cozias
Associated Press Writer

HELENA, Mont. — Hillary Rodham Clinton said Friday she expects uncommitted superdelegates to begin making the choice that will decide her marathon Democratic primary race against Barack Obama soon after the Tuesday's primaries.

In a conference call with Montana reporters, Clinton was asked about the effort by top Democratic leaders to push for a quick end to the fight for the presidential nomination after primaries in South Dakota and Montana next week. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., said that



Clinton

"I think that after the final primaries, people are going to start making up their minds. I think that is the natural progression that one would expect."

Clinton said superdelegates — the party and elected officials who can vote for whomever they choose regardless of what happens in

the primaries and caucuses — will have to decide who is the stronger candidate in the fall to run against Republican John McCain.

"I think that people will have to ask themselves those questions, who would be the best president in terms of preparation and readiness and effectiveness, and who would be the stronger candidate. And I imagine that process will begin after the end of the last primaries," Clinton said.

Last week Clinton indicated that she might take the fight to the convention in August if Michigan and Florida want to challenge an unfavorable ruling on their

delegates. The two states were stripped of their delegates for holding early primaries; a special Democratic National Committee panel meets Saturday to decide their fate.

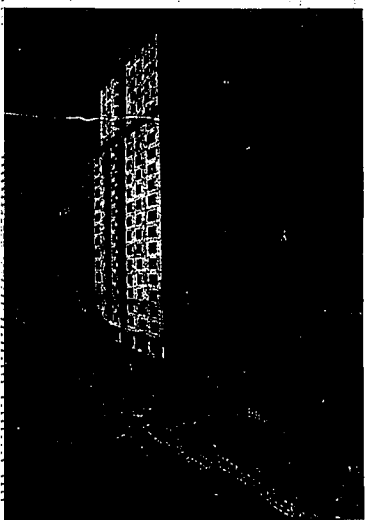
In an interview with The Associated Press, Clinton was asked whether she would support the states if they appeal an unfavorable rules committee decision to the convention floor; the former first lady replied:

"Yes I will. I will, because I feel very strongly about this." "I will consult with Floridians and the voters in Michigan because it's really their voices that are being ignored and their votes that

are being discounted, and I'll support whatever the elected officials and the voters in those two states want to do."

Taking her battle to the convention would fly in the

face of an increasing number of party leaders who say the contest needs to be wrapped up shortly after the last primary on June 3 to prepare adequately for the fall election.



A large crane lies in an intersection on New York City's Upper East Side after it collapsed Friday.

NYC crane collapses into street, kills two

NEW YORK (AP) — Scott Bale was on a breakfast break from his construction job Friday when he heard the collapse. He rushed back, dropped his egg sandwich and surveyed the disaster — the mangled wreckage, the smell of smoke, the walls of sirens, a shoe lodged under the debris.

Two construction workers were killed when a crane snapped and smashed into an apartment building, sending residents fleeing for cover. Their look a roll call of the crew of 40 workers and discovered one was missing, a man who survived with serious injuries.

"Everyone was shok up and crying," the foreman said. "These are some hard-core men, but they were crying."

The scene unfolded on the Upper East Side of Manhattan on Friday in an all-too-familiar tragedy for the city. Two months earlier and 40 blocks away, a crane collapse killed seven people, leading to stepped-up inspections and a shake-up in the city Buildings Department.

City officials said not immediately said that contractors were building a 32-story luxury condo complex.

Mayor Michael Bloomberg called the accident "unacceptable and intolerable" but added: "Having said that, we do not know at the moment what happened or why."

Acting Buildings Commissioner Robert LiMandri said investigators "will be focusing on a particular weld that failed" on the crane and noted that the 24-year-old crane's model, the Kodjak, is out of production and one of only four in the city.

With the city going through a supercharging of building boom, and an estimated 250 cranes in operation as of mid-March, New York has seen a series of deadly construction accidents. Nine

people have died in crane accidents so far this year. None died in crane accidents last year; two were killed in 2006.

"Construction of buildings is out of control in this city," City Councilman Tony Avella said. "How many people have to die before the mayor decides enough is enough?"

City Councilwoman Jessica Lappin, who represented the neighborhood affected by the March collapse, said: "People shouldn't live in fear walking near a construction site — and certainly shouldn't feel fear sitting in their living rooms."

Building Department records said officials halted work at the Upper East Side site after the crane failed a "load test" on April 22. However, the crane passed a second test the next day, and no violation was issued.

Department records also indicate several neighborhood complaints about cranes at the site in recent weeks. At least two callers had expressed concerns about parts of the crane extending past safety barriers. One complained that workers were hoisting heavy metal and debris over the heads of pedestrians.

Inspectors found most of the concerns were unwarranted, and Buildings Department officials had inspected the crane three times in the month, the last time on Thursday. Inspectors responded to a complaint about the crane hoisting loads above workers, but did not see it happening on Thursday, department spokeswoman Kate Lindquist said.

The crane toppled just after 8 a.m., destroying a penthouse apartment across the street and knocking off balconies on the apartment building as it plunged more than 20 stories into a heap of twisted steel. The city said in a statement that the cab where the operator sits had separated from the crane's tower.



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Edmunds a much-needed addition to ed board

CHEERS: To Gov. Butch Otter, for his appointment of Twin Falls developer and investor Ken Edmunds to the State Board of Education.

ing and leave vacant positions unfilled. The financial maneuvering left the board with a much smaller deficit of \$316,000.



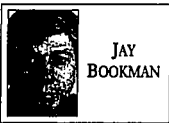
Eleven months ago, in the midst of a record-breaking drought, the Idaho Department of Water Resources came within hours of cutting water to hundreds of pumps.

two years ago began offering farmers about \$130 an acre to stop irrigating and to plant cover crops. But only 19,600 acres on 110 farms are now enrolled. Even farmers who initially opted in are paying thousands of dollars in penalties to bail because they'd rather cash in on surging commodity prices.

CHEERS: To the Twin Falls City Council, for hiring Jerome City Administrator Travis Rothweiler as an assistant city manager.

McClellan book shows the hypnotic power of national self-delusion

"This doesn't sound like Scott — not the Scott I've known for a long time," Karl Rove said last week referring to his former colleague's new book inside the Bush administration. "It sounds like a left-wing blogger..."



"... part of the blame, McClellan says, falls on a national media that served as 'complicit enablers' of the Bush strategy."



"Scott never did that on any of these issues as best I can remember or as best as I know from any of my White House colleagues," former Homeland Security adviser Bruce Townsend said on CNN. "For him to do this now strikes me as self-serving, disingenuous and unprofessional."

a war launched primarily for the ambitious purpose of transforming the Middle East.

live up to its reputation. If it had, the country would have been better served."

angered by press questions about past cocaine use, claimed not to remember whether he had used the drug in the wilder days of his youth, McClellan could not believe it was possible to forget such a thing.

chant for self-deception" that Bush would later use to avoid coming to grips with far greater issues, such as Iraq and Hurricane Katrina, with great consequences.

Furthermore, the fact that Bush was re-elected in 2004 suggests that self-deception can be a national as well as personal phenomenon.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Gay pride parade should be allowed uncensored

I wanted to let you know that your area has a resource for young people and the community that is vitally important. The Southern Idaho Gay Lesbian Bisexual and Transgender Community Center is a place where people can find support and comfort in a conservative state that often seems hostile to them.

parade. Take the time to review every aspect of the float and its mission in the community.

I think you will find that your decision to restrict its involvement and censor its message to be a mistake.

Thank you for your time and consideration. ROBERT RYAN Eagle

Idaho should invest in wind, not nuclear power

It was great to see the Department of Energy detail how wind power could provide 20 percent of the nation's power needs by 2030. At the local energy forum May 15, DOE speaker Kurt Myers noted Idaho's wind power potential could more than double Idaho's present electric consumption, providing millions of dollars of jobs. At 7.5 cents per kilowatt, that's cheaper than nuclear power, without

the pesky meltdown potential and the ongoing waste dilemma.

Nuclear salesman Don Gillispie claims "A Chernobyl-style meltdown is the possible in Western reactors. Even if it were — and it would take a redesign of the plant — the containment vessel would hold all radioactivity." (Times-News, April 30)

I have shown Gillispie and the Republicans, who invited him to Idaho, the 2006 DOE study on containment flaws that could lead to "catastrophic failure." What part of "catastrophic failure" do they not understand?

906/cr6906.pdf pages 147-9 or 166-9/206.)

Gillispie complains, "Ironically, one of the chief local opponents of nuclear power is a podiatrist who has irradiated more people than any American nuclear plant." Gillispie seems to forget forgetting doctors don't X-ray pregnant women, unless it's a life or death decision needed, because of the danger of radiation exposure, especially to the fetus.

Meanwhile, your Republicans invite Kuwait uranium-contaminated sand to dump in Grandview, Idaho. Maybe the Republicans figure since they are leaving plutonium dumped at our DOE site, the

more the merrier. DR. PETER RICKARDS Twin Falls

(Editor's note: Peter Rickards is the Democratic nominee for the Idaho House of Representatives in District 23)

County roads need consistent enforcement

I read in the Times-News, May 24, about the Idaho Transportation Department and the county highway department having a meeting with the dairy industry and some state representatives about what to do about the conditions of the county roads.

In the first place, the county roads are getting worse by the day. As a past truck driver and having some experience with overweight vehicles, I can tell you that 90 percent of the feed, manure and milk trucks on the county roads are overloaded.

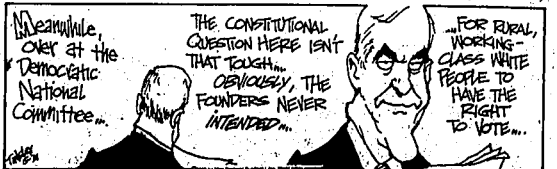
Example, several days ago, I was in the Jerome-Gooding County area when a manure truck came at me, and by the time he passed me, my car was pretty much covered with liquid manure. It seems to me it is running over the top of the bed, it must be overloaded.

As to whom to give the ticket for overweight it, I would suggest the owners of the hauling business as they are the ones that want the most hauled with the least tips (money). In my opinion, the only way this is going to be controlled is by consistent enforcement, which presents another problem. In order to have consistent enforcement, you must have the funds for the enforcement personnel and equipment. But what is cheaper — new roads or more enforcement? GARY KELLEY Wendell

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Mallard Fillmore



States grapple with fuel costs for school buses

By Whitney Woodward
Associated Press Writer

RALEIGH, N.C. — The reality of rising fuel prices cost students in a Tennessee school district their bus ride to school this week on the last day of the year.

That's a minor inconvenience compared with what might happen this fall in Minnesota, where a district west of Minneapolis plans to eliminate classes every Monday to come up with the extra \$65,000 it needs to fill its buses' tanks.

"I know \$65,000 may not sound like a lot, but it's more than one teaching position," said Greg Schmidt, the superintendent in the 700-student MACCRAY district.

And in North Carolina, Nash-Rocky Mount Public Schools teachers have scaled



Robbe Setton, an employee with Nash-Rocky Mount Public Schools Transportation Department, fills a bus with diesel fuel in Bailey, N.C., Thursday.

back the number of field trips this spring to save fuel, transportation director Binford Sloan said.

The skyrocketing costs at the pump are forcing educators nationwide to trim programs, curb spending and cut down on fuel consumption. Schools are employing unusual cost-savings measures to salvage busted budgets, while lawmakers grapple with how to pay for popular classroom initiatives threatened by the need to pour more money into the fuel tank.

Nash-Rocky Mount schools burned through about \$729,000 in fuel in the last fiscal year — nearly twice as much as in the previous year, Sloan said.

The fleet gets about 7 miles to the gallon, which means the district burns through 7,500 gallons every 3½ school days, Sloan said. Recent buys have cost him close to \$29,000.

"We've tried pretty much all that we can to save and improve efficiency," Sloan said.

North Carolina Gov. Mike Easley wants to give teachers a 7 percent raise, but the lawmakers who write the state's budget are also on the hunt for tens of millions to cover school fuel bills. Rising diesel prices prompted Oklahoma's Education Department to ask legislators there to increase the schools operations budget, while Texas lawmakers have said they will re-evaluate their state's school funding system, which has been criticized as ill-equipped to handle sudden spikes in costs such as fuel.

In Tennessee, students who attend Putnam County Schools east of Nashville went without bus service Wednesday, saving the dis-

tract the \$2,300 it costs to operate its fleet each day, said district director Kathleen Airhart. Only a fraction of the student body usually takes the bus on the final day, and Airhart said she received no complaints from parents.

"I think everyone realizes what's happening," Airhart said. "Everyone's pocketbook is being affected by this gas cost."

Schmidt said most of the feedback to the plan to cut back to a four-day school week in his district, which covers the towns of Maynard, Clara City and Raymond, has been positive, although he said he realizes it will inconvenience those parents who will have to find child care on Mondays. The change will mean students will attend 23 fewer days of school a year, and the length of the regular

school day will be extended by a little more than an hour to compensate.

"I think the parents, most of them are supportive because they understand our situation," Schmidt said.

Not every cost-saving measure has been so draconian. Drivers in the Fairport Central School District outside of Rochester, N.Y., have been instructed to not make special trips back to schools if students forget their coats or lunches on their morning rides, said superintendent Jon Hunter.

"We're certainly more cognizant of what it costs to run a 60-passenger bus back to school to accomplish that," Hunter said. Drivers instead are returning to the bus depot and using a smaller vehicle to ferry the item to the student's school.

Honoring a lost soul

Jim Gray is shown during a hike along the Marin County coast of California. The Microsoft researcher has been missing since January 2007.



Silicon Valley community looks for answers in disappearance of computer whiz

By Michelle Quinn
Los Angeles Times

SAN FRANCISCO — The daylong event honoring the computer-science whiz who helped create automated teller machines will be part celebration, part science fair.

But don't call it a memorial or funeral. That would be too final.

The commemoration of Jim Gray's life today is billed as a "tribute," as if the 6-foot-3 Microsoft Corp. researcher might stroll right into the University of California, Berkeley's Wheeler Hall for the kind of academic symposium he loved to attend, where experts come together to solve a problem.

In this case, though, the hundreds of technologists and Silicon Valley executives who are expected will have to confront the one puzzle they couldn't crack: What happened to Jim Gray?

This is known: On Jan. 28, 2007, a clear, calm Sunday, the world-renowned scientist set out one evening, privately gazing Bay toward the Golden Gate Bridge on his 40-foot red sailboat named Tenacious to scatter his mother's ashes. He never returned.

Since February 2007, when friends from across the high-tech field ended one of the most sophisticated amateur searches for a missing person in U.S. history, there has been no public remembrance for Gray. His friends and colleagues have slipped back to their own lives, privately grappling with their loss and their theories about what happened to him.

People go missing every day. How families, friends and co-workers feel their inability to find a loved one and live with the mystery often depends on their culture and how they look at life's challenges, said Pauline Boss, an expert on grief who is speaking at the event and has consulted with the family on how to commemorate Gray.

thinking — he's probably dead but maybe not."

Gray's friends have calculated the odds that he's still alive and know they're slim. When he first was reported missing, some people speculated that he had meant to disappear and was hiding somewhere. But his friends now believe that the boat was struck by debris or another vessel and went down quickly, then was swept out to sea.

But these are captains of industry and technology, people who think there's no problem that can't be solved with money and know-how. Although they don't know how they had failed, some are dealing with their grief by trying to fix its cause. They believe their search for Gray pointed to new ways for technology to help future search-and-rescue efforts.

Many of these problem solvers have struggled, too, with the idiosyncratic nature of the particular grief that comes with a missing person whose death is unconfirmed. They have had to respect the wishes of the Gray family not to hold funerals or memorials, and, for a time, not to refer to him in the past tense.

"What the community hasn't had, and only partially has now, is permission to mourn," said Pat Holland, a software architect at Microsoft who knew Gray for more than 25 years. "Even though we're all rational, it's not appropriate to say, 'Jim is dead.' But we all understand we won't see Jim again."

Part of the lingo of database programs, which were Gray's specialty, something must have happened that January day that overrode Gray's intent.

He told his family he planned to sail near the Farallon Islands, a wildlife refuge 27 miles off the Northern California shoreline. He called his wife and daughter from the sailboat that day. When he didn't return, his wife alerted the harbor master, who called the U.S. Coast Guard.

Microsoft used their connections in industry and government to reposition satellites to take images of the California coast.

They wrote software programs to analyze data and enlisted an army of 3,000 volunteers through an Amazon program called Mechanical Turk to sift through the pictures for white specks that might be Tenacious. The program was used again last fall — also unsuccessfully — to analyze satellite images from the adventurer Steve Fossett and his plane went missing over Nevada.

Gray's searchers modeled currents and wind patterns to estimate where Tenacious might lie, then sent out planes and boats even after the Coast Guard had ended its search.

Although they were frequently competitors in the high-tech industry, the technologists and scientists pulled together to look for Gray. "It would have been harder for Jim to plan a better set of friends to help him when he went missing," said former Oracle executive Mike Olson, who was the spokesman for the team of amateur searchers.

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"It's not a beauty pageant.

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— Sarah Ahmadinia, Mr. California USA pageant founder

There he is: Mr. California

By David Haklans
Los Angeles Times

LONG BEACH, Calif. — The new Mr. California USA's girlfriend had a suitably fond comment after the gold crown was placed on his head, "really neat." Yahira Rojo, 20, said when Jeremy Buraglia became the first recipient of the title. "It's something new, but he's been there before; we were the prom king and queen" in 2005.

That was back at Anaheim's Magnolia High School before Buraglia, 21, became a captain in the Army, did a 15-month stint in Iraq and returned to study law enforcement at California State University, Dominguez Hills.

Earlier this year he entered what was then the Mr. Seal Beach pageant at the urging of his grandmother.

"People label everything, and you don't have to match the label," Buraglia said of the all-male pageant. "Everybody expects things to be cookie-cutter, and that's not how the world is."

Somewhere along the line, the second annual Mr. Seal Beach contest morphed into the first-ever Mr. California USA pageant, and — voila! — in mid-May the future crime fighter was crowned a king.

"We call it a scholarship pageant, not a beauty pageant," insisted founder Sarah Ahmadinia, who says she changed the event's name to broaden its range.

The idea came to her, she said, while watching her 21-year-old daughter Maryam become the 2007 Miss Seal Beach. "I saw it was a good opportunity for the girls," said

Ahmadinia, 46, who also has a son. "My daughter enjoyed it; I saw how much it did for her and thought, why can't boys do this?"

A little online research, she said, turned up only one other "Mr." pageant not based on bodybuilding or ethnicity; that one is in nearby Downey. So Ahmadinia, who with her husband owns a furniture manufacturing company, put up \$30,000 to get the proverbial red carpet rolling, and aligned the Seal Beach pageant with the Mr. USA franchise.

Last year's pageant drew 35 participants, but they eventually dwindled to 14. This year's field began with 22 entrants, gradually whittled down to a dozen, ages 7 to 22.

The contestants are divided into four categories: Little Mr., ages 5 to 8; Junior Mr., from 9 to 12; Teen Mr. from 13 to 17; and Mr., ages 18 to 25.

Like their female counterparts, they are judged in personal interviews, casual wear, formal wear, and, finally, on their answers to questions asked onstage. One key difference is that males are not judged in bathing suits. "I didn't think it was appropriate," Ahmadinia said. "I told them they could wear swimsuits during the casual-wear judging as long as they weren't Speedos."

Looks also aren't paramount. "It's not a beauty pageant," she repeated. "It's about how they present themselves. I tell the judges to look for someone who is genuine and willing to support the community; we want a good role model."

During their yearlong reign, the pageant kings and their runner-up princes are expected

to participate in charitable events. They also represent the community at social functions. And finally, Ahmadinia said, the winners in each division receive scholarships ranging from \$400 to \$1,000.

The money was a big motivator for Buraglia. When friends expressed surprise at his decision to compete, he'd tell them. "Well, do you want to give me money for school?" He decided against entering the optional talent event for Buraglia. "I was thinking I could take out my M-16 and shoot a target, but I didn't think I could do that in a theater."

Other contestants cited different reasons for entering. "On TV, you see 16 girls doing pageants," said Kenneth Salazar, 13. "I wanted to show people that pageants aren't just for girls."

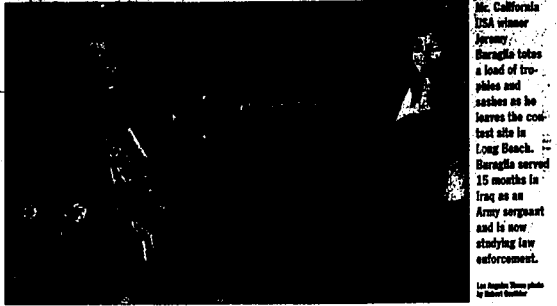
Cyrus Mohseni, 14, said he hoped the event would further his goal of becoming a professional soccer player. "I'll learn to be more responsible, be more of a role model and meet new people," he said.

And what of the inevitable teasing from friends?

"I tell them it's nothing wrong with trying to get further in life," Cyrus said. Besides, said the 6-foot-3 contestant, "they don't tease me as much as they would other kids because I'm bigger than them."

The undisputed overall winner was Buraglia, who walked away surrounded by an entourage of beauty queens and soldiers.

"It's exciting," the new Mr. California USA said of his unprecedented status. "I'm ready. I think I won because I'm outside the box."



Mr. California USA winner Jeremy Buraglia takes a load of trophies and sashes as he leaves the contest site in Long Beach. Buraglia served 15 months in Iraq as an Army sergeant and is now studying law enforcement.

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Rollover sends two to hospital

Staff report
A rollover on Interstate 84 Friday afternoon injured two Colorado residents, Idaho State Police reported.

Minidoka-Jerome county line at about 1 p.m. Theobald, the driver, drifted off the left side of the road for an unknown reason and overcorrected, rolling her 1993 Honda sedan.

Capps was taken by air ambulance to St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center, and later released. It was unclear Friday night if she was transported to another hospital.

Theobald was transported by ground ambulance to St. Luke's Magic Valley, where she was being treated in the emergency room as of Friday evening.

Both Theobald and Capps were wearing their seat belts. Alcohol does not appear to have been a factor, according to ISP.

Mower seeks to reduce sentence by five years

Man was convicted for shooting state trooper

**By Cassidy Friedman
Staff writer**

Adam Mower wants five years of his life back.

For the man who shot and paralyzed an Idaho State Police trooper in December 2006, that would mean reducing his base sentence to 25 years — he'd be about 50 when he gets out of prison.

Mower appeared in court Friday morning beside county public defender Marilyn Paul, who argued Mower deserves a chance at early release. Fifth District Judge G. Richard Bevan, the judge who put Mower away, took the request into consideration.

"Mr. Mower presents himself to the court as deeply and continually remorseful for the grievous harm to Trooper (Chris) Glenn and to Trooper Glenn's family and to the community," Paul told a judge.

Mower, who had grown a goatee, wore glasses and looked pale, has behaved well at the Idaho Department of Correction, Paul said. As Mower divorces his wife, he has shown signs of mental progress while on medication, including medication for his thyroid disease, she said. He attends church services, plays music and seeks treatment wherever it's offered, she said.

A meltdown in his marriage led to Mower taking a strong dose of medication, waking up the next morning in his car, then robbing a Twin Falls gas station at gunpoint and shooting a trooper who pulled him over. A high speed chase down U.S. Highway 93 ended in Jackpot, Nev., when Mower's car crossed spike strips and skidded to a halt.

Paul said those are new indications, not raised at Mower's sentencing in July, that Mower "will dedicate himself to doing anything he can to recompense (the victim) and change his behavior in very fundamental ways."

But county prosecutor Grant Loebbs, who said it's always good to see a prisoner respond well to incarceration, said nothing has changed.

"There's nothing here that's new other than that anyone sent to the penitentiary could say," Loebbs said. "Nothing that we have heard are grounds for the court to modify its sentencing."

He reminded the court that Mower had already told Bevan he was remorseful, depressed at the time of the crime, and would fall back on the support of his family if given a chance to rehabilitate.



Adam Mower, the man who shot Idaho State Police Trooper Chris Glenn in December 2006, was in court Friday seeking a reduced sentence.



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Watch a video of Adam Mower's hearing on reducing his sentence.

He added that Mower's apologies do nothing to lessen the horror of his crimes, especially Glenn getting para-

lyzed from the chest down.

Paul countered that Mower responding well to medications was not shown at the time of Mower's sentencing.

The only non-court personnel attending the hearing was Mower's estranged wife.

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Hitesman gets up to 35-year prison sentence

**By Cassidy Friedman
Staff writer**

A man who broke into a 90-year-old widower's home Jan. 14, robbed him with a sawed-off shotgun, bound him with his own shoelaces and then stole his car will spend 10 to 35 years in prison.

Meet Brady Hitesman, 24. Usually high on meths and cocaine, with severe alcoholism to boot, Hitesman outside of prison has an 82 percent chance of committing a new offense in the next 10 years, a pre-sentence report found. So Hitesman's sentencing hearing Friday afternoon when deputy prosecutor Jill Sweesy heard a counselor hired by the defense suggest

a six-month trial period in prison, after which the judge could place him on probation, Sweesy seemed to nearly lose her lunch.

Pressed by Sweesy, the counselor politely suggested his expertise was in treatment not meeting out appropriate punishment.

Hitesman had pleaded guilty to robbery, aggravated assault and second-degree kidnapping in an event that left the widower feeling vulnerable. Leaving him alone to break free from the shoelaces also threatened his life, Sweesy said.

After more than an hour of struggle, the man broke free by hobbling to the kitchen and cutting the shoelacing with a butcher knife, he testified.

Hitesman delivered a near-perfect contradiction to the resident's version.

By Hitesman's account, his brain was shut down by days of meth use and sleeplessness.

He said robbing the man's home was a drug-induced, spontaneous move that he could scarcely recall outside the police report. In a lucid moment, he recalled telling the old man something like, "I don't know why I'm doing this."

The gray-haired man walked slowly up to the prosecutor's desk at the front of the courtroom. He sat down next to Sweesy and proceeded to thrash that version of events.

He said he had paid Hitesman to shovel snow

from his driveway a couple days before the crime. Hitesman developed a method for unlocking the garage, which he used two days later when he entered the usually locked garage. The old man heard the sound and found Hitesman wearing a ski mask, pointing a shotgun at him — two feet from his face — and appearing very composed.

The robbery was systematic, with Hitesman cutting two phone cords rummaging through drawers then driving to Jerome in the victim's car.

"We said, 'If you behave yourself I won't shoot you,'" the man testified. "He might have been drugged up but it seemed to me that he acted in a normal manner."

Parade, music mark 27th Western Days

**By Kate Poppo
Staff writer**

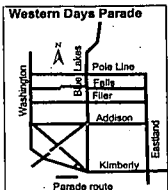
It's largely business as usual this year as the three-day, annual Western Days festival begins its first full day of music and marching today.

Those in town for the 27th year of the festival won't, unfortunately, get to see a BASE jump that had been suggested to coincide with the festival, said Lisa Cuellar, the event's board chairwoman. But there are a few new items, she said, including a giant high school marching band and the return of local dance schools performing between musical acts at the Twin Falls City Park.

The festival began Friday evening with music and a flag ceremony. Events start off early today, with the College of Southern Idaho's Falls to Falls Run scheduled to start at 8:30 a.m. The 5.5-mile run/walk, from the Idaho Power Park at Twin Falls to Dierkes Lake, isn't directly a part of Western Days, Cuellar said. But the Western Days committee agreed to put it on their schedule, she said.

As participants cross the starting line, the last of the more than 100 parade entries will finish registering for the annual Saturday parade. While still a large number of entries, this year's total is down from the usual 120 to 130 in past years, Cuellar said, possibly because of controversy this year and last surrounding a parade float entered by a gay rights group.

"We've had church groups back out because of what's going on," she said. The parade is estimated to attract between 30,000 and 50,000 people today and costs \$27,000 to put on, all funded by donations and vendor fees with no help from the city, Cuellar said she's seeking more help this



Western Days Parade
Saturday events
8:30 A.M. — CSI Falls to Falls Run, visit <http://www.sponsor.com> for more information
10 A.M. — Parade (Starts at Falls Avenue and Frontier Road, travels south down Blue Lakes Boulevard North and then southwest down Shoshone Street, ending at Second Avenue South)
1 P.M. — Performances: Magic Valley Mall Regional High School Marching Band, Mountain Home Air Force Base Color Team Honor Guard, Shelby DeBoard. Dance schools during intermissions
2:45 P.M. — Concerts: Travelers, Mixed Emotion, Doubleback
6:30 TO 9 P.M. — Cobalt Blue concert

year because the event is required for the first time to pay for Twin Falls police security. The event board previously hired private security firms, something Cuellar said would continue this year to protect vendors' stalls overnight. Vendors will have to make their own arrangements next year, she said.

The city requirement, she said, cost about \$2,500 more than the private firms. To donate or for more information, contact Cuellar at 734-6684, Ext. 10. "It's really straining the budget, let me tell you," she said.

Camas Prairie festival Sunday

**By Amy Ballard
Correspondent**

FAIRFIELD — For a few weeks near the beginning of June, blue and purple camas lilies bloom at the Camas Prairie Centennial Marsh and low places on the surrounding prairie. To welcome spring and its beautiful blooms, the Foras Chamber will sponsor Camas Lily Day on Sunday.

A breakfast in the 4-H park will kick off the festivities. Pancakes, bacon or sausage and eggs will be served from 8 to 11 a.m. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under age 10.

The Camas County Public Library will have tacos for sale from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the park near the library. There will be a vintage quilt drawing. All proceeds go to the library's building fund.

A highlight of the afternoon will be music and dancing by members of the Shoshone-Bannock and Camas. For some dances, audience participation is encouraged.

The Sho-Bans will harvest camas bulbs to roast in an oven dug into the volleyball pit in the first time. Attendees will be allowed to sample this starchy root that helps sustain Idaho's native tribes for centuries. At last year's event, some tribal members tasted Camas for the first time. "It's really excited because it's a cultural event," co-organizer Kathy Mennenga said Sunday. "All ages can get involved."

This year for the first time a craft fair coincides with the event. "I'm hoping for a



Members of the Shoshone-Bannock wear elaborate tribal dress at Camas Lily Day in 2007.

good art crowd," Mennenga said. "It's a long way for artists to come, what with the gas prices." Booth space is available for \$20. For more information, call Mennenga at (208) 764-2111.

Leading up to Camas Lily Day, young anglers will earn prizes at a fishing derby today at the Kids' Pond, a mile east of Fairfield north of U.S. Highway 20. The event will also launch the Camas Art Council with a membership drive from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Just a Little Off salon at 415 Soldier Road. There will be a free barbecue, and Camas Vineyards of Camas Ferry will sponsor a wine tasting. The council seeks to foster creativity and appreciation of the arts in the community. Basic membership is \$25 a year. For more information, contact Marilyn Dillard at (208) 764-2720.

111 nations adopt cluster bomb treaty, U.S. does not

By Shawn Pogorzelski
Associated Press writer

DUBLIN, Ireland — Chief negotiators of a landmark treaty banning cluster bombs pledged Friday that the United States will never again use the weapons, a critical component of American air and artillery power.

The treaty formally adopted Friday by 111 nations, including many of America's major NATO partners, would outlaw all current designs of cluster munitions and require destruction of stockpiles within eight years. It also opens the possibility that European allies could order U.S. bases located in their countries to remove cluster bombs from their stocks.

The United States and other leading cluster bomb makers — Russia, China, Israel, India and Pakistan — boycotted the talks, emphasized they would not sign the treaty and that they shunned it of its value. All defended the overriding military value of cluster bombs, which carpet a battlefield with dozens to hundreds of explosions.

But treaty backers — who long have sought a ban because cluster bombs leave behind "duds" that later maim or kill civilians — insisted they had made it too politically painful for any country to use the weapons again.

The country that thinks of using cluster bombs most often, the United States, said it would like to see the treaty, but it would not sign it.

...said Espen Barth Eide, Deputy Defense Minister of Norway, which began the negotiations last year and will host a treaty-signing ceremony Dec. 3.

"We're certain that nations thinking of using cluster munitions won't want to face the international condemnation that will rain down upon them, because the weapons have been stigmatized now," said Steve Goose, arms control director of New York-based Human Rights Watch, who was involved in the talks.

However, the treaty envisions their future use — and offers legal protection to any signatory nation that finds itself operating alongside U.S. forces deploying cluster bombs, shells and rockets.

The treaty specifies — in what backers immediately dubbed "the American clause" — that members "may engage in military cooperation and operations" with a nation that rejects the treaty and "engages in activities prohibited" by the treaty.

It suggests that a treaty member could call in support from U.S. air power or artillery using cluster munitions, so long as the caller does not "intentionally request the use of cluster munitions."

The treaty also contains promises to mobilize international aid to cluster-bomb-scarred lands such as southern Iraq, where 2006 war between the militant group Hezbollah and Israel left behind an estimated 1 million unexploded "bomblets."

The pact requires treaty members to aid explosives-clearance work and provide medical, training and other support to blast victims, their families and communities.

Washington, State Department spokesman Tom Casey said the treaty would not change U.S. policy and cluster munitions remain "absolutely critical and essential" to U.S. military operations.

He said U.S. officials in the State and Defense departments were studying whether the treaty would eventually obligate American bases in Europe to withdraw cluster munitions.

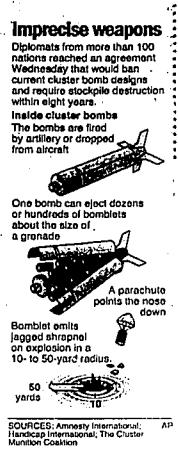
Goose said this decision would be up to individual U.S. allies. The treaty, he noted, requires nations that ratify it to eliminate all cluster weapons within their "jurisdiction or control."

He said most NATO members were likely to conclude that U.S. bases were operating under their jurisdiction and order U.S. cluster munitions to be removed or destroyed, while Germany and Japan were most likely to permit the weapons stocks to remain.

U.S. defense analysts said the treaty drafters do not appreciate the importance that the world's most powerful militaries place on cluster munitions. They doubted that the treaty would force any American retreat on the matter, noting that a majority of U.S. artillery shells use cluster



Cluster bomb survivor Yosen Sam En, a father of six from Cambodia who lost both his hands and is blind from horrific injuries received in a cluster bomb explosion in Cambodia in 2004, holds a balloon Friday outside Croke Park in Dublin, Ireland.



Imprecise weapons
Diplomats from more than 100 nations reached an agreement Wednesday that would ban current cluster bomb designs and require stockpile destruction within eight years.

Inside cluster bombs
The bombs are fired by artillery or dropped from aircraft.

One bomb can eject dozens or hundreds of bomblets about the size of a grenade.

A parachute points the nose down.

Bomblet emits jagged shrapnel on explosion in a 10- to 50-yard radius.

50 yards

SOURCES: Amnesty International, AP; Human Rights Watch, The Cluster Munition Coalition

Think gas prices are high? Try \$11 in Turkey

By Angela Charlton
Associated Press writer

PARIS — Americans are shell-shocked at \$4-a-gallon gas. But consider France. Gas there might be nearly \$10, or Turkey, where it's more than \$11.

Drivers around the world are being pummeled by the effects of record gas prices. And now some are hitting back, staging strikes and protests.

In Turkey, demonstrators in Indonesia to demand that governments do more to ease the pain.

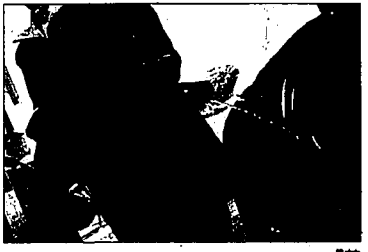
It's a growing problem in a world that's increasingly mobile and more vulnerable than ever to the cost of crude oil, which is racing higher by the day and showing no signs of stopping.

"I don't know why it is, but it hurts," said Marie Pennec, a violinist who was filling up her Volkswagen when the price of \$9.66 a gallon at an Esso station on the bypass that rings Paris.

As she pumped, she looked wistfully at a commuter climbing onto one of the city's cheap rental bicycles, an option not available here, since she travels long distances to perform.

As oil soars, the effect on drivers can vary widely. Taxes and subsidies that differ from nation to nation are the main reasons, along with limits in oil refining capacity and local oil-to-reach places that drive up shipping costs.

In Europe and Japan, for example, high taxes have



A consumer fills up his car at a petrol station in Anglet, southwestern France, Thursday. Consumers, gas retailers and governments are wrestling with a new energy order, where rising oil prices play a larger role than ever in the daily lives of increasingly mobile world citizens.

made drivers accustomed to staggering gas prices. As a result, plenty of European adults never even bother to learn to drive, preferring cheap mass transit to getting behind the wheel.

Those who do drive are still testing new pain thresholds. And it would be worse in Europe if the strong euro weren't cushioning the blow.

On the other hand, in emerging economies such as China and India, government subsidies shield consumers. But that still means governments themselves have to find a way to afford the soaring market prices for oil.

Increasingly, people around the world are reaching the boiling point — and it's not just drivers.

Fishermen in Spain and

Portugal began nationwide strikes Friday, keeping their trawlers and commercial boats docked at ports. In Madrid, demonstrators handed out 20 tons of fish in a bid to win support for the public.

In Spain, European Union's most important producer of fish, the fishing confederation estimates fuel prices have gone up 320 percent in the past five years — so high many fishermen can no longer afford to take their boats out.

French fishermen and farmers, who need fuel for trawlers and tractors, say their livelihoods are threatened by soaring prices and have blocked oil terminals around France and shipping traffic on the English Channel

to demand government help. British and Bulgarian truckers are staging fuel protests, too.

Indonesians are staging their own protests against shrinking gasoline subsidies in a nation where nearly half the population of 235 million lives on less than \$2 a day.

The world is driving more than ever: There are 887 million vehicles in the world, up from 553 million just 15 years ago, according to London consultancy Global Insight. It estimates the figure will be 1 billion four years from now.

In Europe, the high tax burden means crude prices make up a smaller part of the retail cost of gas.

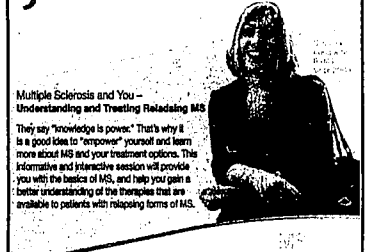
"The pain of a rise in prices is much less in Europe, because we may be paying a lot more here, but the rise in a percentage sense is a lot smaller," said Julius Walker, oil analyst at the Paris-based International Energy Agency.

The United States, with its relatively low taxes, is considered to have retail prices closer to what energy data charts call the "real cost" of gasoline — loosely linked to the price of oil.

So as oil prices have soared, U.S. gas prices have soared along with them.

Prices for regular unleaded gas have risen from \$1.47 a gallon in May 2003 to more than \$3.95 now, a jump of nearly 170 percent. In the same period, the most popular grade of gas in France rose by just over 90 percent — a relatively gentle climb.

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Brazil shows photos of Amazon tribe to alert world to threats facing members

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AP) — Brazil's government agreed to release stunning photos of Amazon Indians firing arrows at an airplane so that the world can better understand the threats facing one of the few tribes still living in near-total isolation from civilization, officials said Friday.

Anthropologists have known about the group for some 20 years but released the images now to call attention to fast-encroaching development near the Indians' home in the dense jungles near Peru. "We put the photos out because if things continue the way they are going, these people are going to disappear," said Jose Carlos

Meirelles, who coordinates government efforts to protect four "uncontacted" tribes for Brazil's National Indian Foundation. Shot in late April and early May, the foundation's photos show about a dozen Indians, mostly naked and painted red, wielding bows and arrows outside six grass-thatched huts.

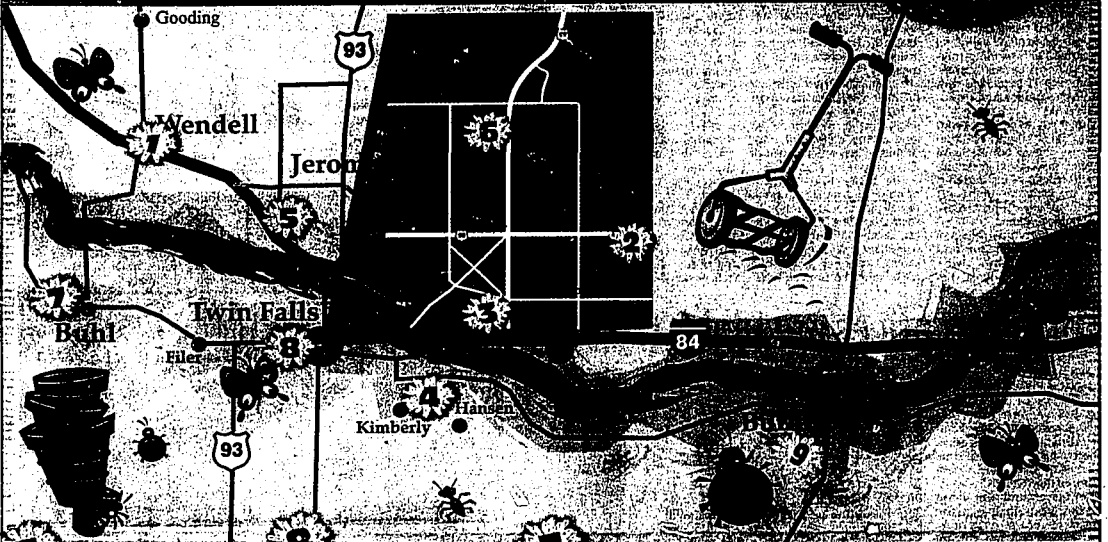
Meirelles told The Associated Press in a phone interview that anthropologists know next to nothing about the group, but suspect it is related to the Tano and Aruak tribes. Brazil's National Indian Foundation believes there may be as many as 68 "uncontacted" groups around Brazil, although

only 24 have been officially confirmed. Anthropologists say almost all of these tribes know about western civilization and have sporadic contact with prospectors, rubber tappers and loggers, but choose to turn their backs on civilization, usually because they have been attacked.

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Rookie Chester navigating turns, life as a MVS driver



Driver Cliff Chester, right, pictured with crew chief Gregg Olson, is taking on his first season at Magic Valley Speedway as a competitor in the feature division. Chester is currently ranked ninth in the Pepsi Premier division with 416 season points.

By Linda Britton
Correspondent

After just six main-event races it looks like Pepsi Premier driver Cliff Chester has been properly introduced to Magic Valley Speedway, its walls included. He can take some comfort in knowing he's in good company. Veterans T.J. Woodhall, Sam Harris, Mike Greco and various others have loaded up wounded race cars for the trip home more than once this season. Chester, who displays the yellow 'rookie' stripes on the back bumper of the No. 22 car, hasn't been spared either, and is realistic when it comes to his expecta-

Magic Valley
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tions for the 2008 season. "This is my first year racing, and as far as seat time goes, on a scale of one to 10, it's about a one right now," the 31-year-old driver said. "The plan this year is to go out there, turn left, and try and learn some things. That's really the only goal we have for this season. Anything else we get will be a bonus." Chester, who manages five family-owned Harley Davidson motorcycle dealerships along with his father and brother, describes his hometown as, "Between here

and Gilbert, Arizona. I'm probably here about 40 percent of the time and in Arizona about 60 percent of the time." While on a business trip to the Twin Falls store just a few years back, Chester was introduced to racing when Woodhall invited him out to the track south of town. "I got in T.J.'s car for some practice and that was it," Chester said. "It just took me a couple of years before I could make the commitment, but I plan on making every race this year." While it has not necessarily been a dream season for Chester so far, it hasn't been exactly a nightmare either.

Last time out he was running in the upper tier of the field until a cylinder went down. At times the victim of collateral damage, Chester feels the frustration but also recognizes he is gaining something each trip around the track, even after a few practice laps before race time. "I'm getting there," he said. "At the beginning of the year I didn't know what was going on. And now for instance, this time I can tell (my crewmembers) and they'll validate it. They'll see the same thing. Now we can communicate a least a little bit about what's going on. That's one thing." Please see MVS, Page C2

TF's Bordewyk, Williams sign with Mt. Hood volleyball team

Staff report

Twin Falls High School volleyball players Kelsey Bordewyk and Liz Williams signed National Letters of Intent Friday to play at Mt. Hood Community College in Gresham, Ore., for the coming 2008 season.

Bordewyk, a 5-foot-9 outside, and Williams, a 5-5 setter, will join a Solists program coming off back-to-back Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges titles and a 34-4 season in 2007. The pair of 2008 Twin Falls graduates will look to fill voids left by the graduation of seven sophomores on last season's Mt. Hood team.

Bordewyk helped the Bruins to a 17-13 season record as a senior and graduated with honors. Williams earned Region Four-Five-Six All-Region Honorable Mention status as a Bruins senior. The Bruins finished one win shy of qualifying for the Class 5A state tournament. Williams broke a pinky finger in a regional tournament win over Madison before Highland eliminated the Bruins in semifinal action.

Bordewyk and Williams will join former teammate Erica Ford in the collegiate ranks, as Ford signed on with Concordia University in Portland, Ore., earlier this month. The three college-bound players played under first-year head coach B.J. Price, as did another college-bound athlete, outside hitter Amber Petersen, who will play softball at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas in the coming years.

It's Lakers vs. Celtics

Boston victory sets up historic rematch

By Larry Lago
Associated Press writer

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Boston got past an old nemesis to set up a matchup with another rival. Paul Pierce scored 27 points, Ray Allen had 17 and Kevin Garnett added 16 to lift the Celtics to an 89-81 victory over the Detroit Pistons on Friday night in Game 6 of the Eastern Conference finals.

Boston, which locked up with Detroit many times in the 1980s, will now rekindle another classic series in the NBA finals against the Los Angeles Lakers.

The Pistons were eliminated on their home court for the first time during a six-year run that included a trip to the conference finals each year and the 2004 title.

Boston entered the series without a road win in the post-season, then beat Detroit on its home court twice to win the opening series.

After playing two Game 7s, the Celtics will get a needed break before hosting Kobe Bryant and the Lakers on Thursday night.

Chauncey Billups scored a playoff-high 29 points and Richard Hamilton had 21, but the rest of their teammates had lackluster efforts — especially Rasheed Wallace.

Wallace scored just four points on 2-of-12 shooting and had three turnovers in what might've been his last game as a Piston and could've been Flip Saunders last as Detroit's coach.

The Pistons were eliminated at home for the first time since Pierce helped Boston do it in the second round of the 2002 playoffs. Detroit had won its previous five games this postseason when coming off a loss.

Detroit lost Game 6 of the conference finals for the third straight year and with only one title and two NBA finals appearances during its impressive six-year run, the franchise will draw more comparisons to baseball's Atlanta Braves.

The Celtics, meanwhile, validated their bold move of adding Garnett and Allen to Pierce to form a Big Three.



Boston Celtics forward Paul Pierce (34) celebrates the Celtics' 89-81 win over the Detroit Pistons in Game 6 of the NBA Eastern Conference finals in Auburn Hills, Mich., Friday. The win sent the Celtics to the NBA finals.

Fair trade? Minor league pitcher exchanged for 10 bats

By Chris Talbott
Associated Press writer

ALEXANDRIA, La. — An umpire teasingly calls him "Bat Man." His teammates consider it an embarrassment and a "slap in the face." His former ballclub sees it as a bit of harmless fun.

Sure, it sounds like the punchline of a cruel joke, or maybe an episode from baseball's more colorful past.

But minor league pitcher John Odom sees the trade that sent him from the Calgary Vipers to the Laredo Broncos for 10 baseball bats as a shot at redemption.

And that opportunity for the 26-year-old right-hander begins Saturday, when he's scheduled to pitch against the Edinburg Coyotes of the independent United League.

"I'm still in shock from this phenomenon, I guess," Odom said as his teammates warmed up Wednesday for their game against the Alexandria Aces at Briarcrest Field in Alexandria, La., Wednesday.

"I don't know how to describe it. It's mind-boggling."

The deal that sent Odom to Laredo in exchange for the load of high-quality lumber is part of a baseball journey for a man not yet willing to give up the idea that he can pitch at a high level.

The trade has made Odom the butt of jokes, yet he's not angry.

"What's up, Bat Man?" umpire Dewey Carson said as he walked past Odom, who



Laredo Broncos Pitcher John Odom, 26, who was traded by the Calgary Vipers for ten maple baseball bats, warms up before a game against the Alexandria Aces at Briarcrest Field in Alexandria, La., Wednesday.

was sitting for an interview. The pitcher just smiled and said, "If he wasn't my umpire ..."

"In all honesty, he has been the bigger man in the situation, the bigger man," said Odom's roommate, Nathan Crawford.

"What's happened to him — I'm going to go ahead and say it — it's pretty low. It's kind of like a slap in the face. And it could taint your career if people don't know who you are."

Maybe expectations about Odom are low, but three Broncos players who were in the

San Francisco Giants' minor league system say they've seen him throw in the 93 mph range.

"I don't know why he got traded for bats," Broncos pitcher Benny Cepeda said. "That ain't right. He's a good guy. He has really good stuff."

Odom grew up in Atlanta playing baseball, but gave it up from age 17 to 21.

"I was a lost youth," he said. "I was a very troubled kid. I was just lost all I can say."

He moved to Tallahassee, Fla., got in touch with the coach at a community college and threw in the high 80s and low 90s in a tryout observed by a major league scout.

"They were like, 'Oooh, wow, who the heck is this kid?'" Odom said.

San Francisco drafted the 6-foot-2 Odom in 2003, but he was beset by injuries — a chipped bone in his foot, elbow surgery in 2005. He pitched a full season in low Class A ball in 2006 before dislocating his left shoulder and missing 2007.

He was 9-8 in parts of three seasons with the Giants' Class A team, striking out 113 and walking only 36 in 140 innings with an ERA of 4.05.

Odom knows he's five years past the age most prospects are reaching their prime. But with all the setbacks, Odom can't shake the feeling he hasn't made his best effort yet.

The Giants invited him to spring training this year, but his first batting practice pitch nearly hit the batter and the second ended up beyond the outfield wall.

He was released and then signed with Calgary of the Golden Baseball League but couldn't get into Canada because of a minor but unspecified charge on his juvenile record. So he asked Calgary to trade him, and a few days later the deal was struck, sending Odom to the Broncos for 10 Prairie Sticks maple bats, worth about \$650.

It's not the first time a player has been traded for something strange. Calgary, in fact, once tried to acquire a pitcher for 1,500 blue seats when its stadium was being renovated.

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SCOREBOARD

AUTO RACING

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AUTO RACING
ESPN2 - NASCAR, Nationwide Series, pole qualifying for Helix Good 200

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Letter describes fatal shooting of Denver Broncos' Darrent Williams

DENVER — A letter purportedly written by a "person of interest" in the fatal shooting of Denver Broncos' Darrent Williams says he fired shots into Williams' limousine when he was killed on New Year's Day 2007.

Newspaper said she didn't return a call from the newspaper after she was faced a copy of the letter. District Attorney Mitch Morrissey declined to comment.

The News said it obtained the letter from a Denver man who claimed he intercepted it while serving time when Clark was being held. The newspaper said the man, who has since been released, also turned the letter over to law enforcement.

He said he was not identifying the man because he could be in danger for providing the letter.

COLLEGE HOOPS COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Tulsa treated for skin cancer
STORRS, Conn. — Connecticut basketball coach Jim Calhoun is being treated for a second bout of skin cancer but expects to be on the bench this fall for his 22nd season with the Huskies.

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Canyonside, Irwin announce merger

Two firms account for 25 percent of home sales in region

By Joshua Palmer
Staff writer

Two of the largest real estate firms in south-central Idaho have agreed to a merger, according to an announcement Friday.

Robert Veeh, broker and owner of Irwin Realty, and Bonny Ross, broker and owner of Canyonside Realty, said they will combine both businesses to form Canyonside Irwin Realty, or CIR.

The merger will be completed on Sunday.

"This is something Bonny and I have discussed for about eight years," said Veeh.

"We wanted to do this because we felt it will give us the ability to create strong communication between our agents."

CIR will combine the employees from both firms to form a sales staff of more than 100 agents as well as 13 members of a support staff.

Veeh and Ross said the combined sales of both firms accounts for more than 25 percent of real estate sales in south-central Idaho.

Under terms of the agreement, Veeh will act as the CIRs broker and Ross will be the associate broker.

Both will have an equal share in the locally owned business.

Veeh said the merger also includes the creation of an internal intranet that will

give the combined company the ability to communicate electronically between its offices.

Canyonside Irwin Realty will maintain seven offices in the region, including Twin Falls, Jerome, Buhl, Hagerman, Gooding and Burley.

"We see it as building a tremendous communication device that will help our agents communicate anywhere in the field," Veeh said.

Ross said the merger will also expand the coverage area of both firms in communities surrounding Twin Falls and Jerome.

"The way that the Magic Valley is laid out with the towns so close together, we think that combining our offices will help us network better."

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Mini-Cassia on the rise

County predicts development to follow industrial growth

By Sven Berg
Staff writer

The last two years have brought economic development to Mini-Cassia beyond anything the area has seen for decades. Gossner Foods, Pacific Ethanol, Dot Foods, Brewster Dairy, High Desert Milk, Packaging Specialties and Hy-Line are just a few of the companies that have opened new facilities in Mini-Cassia since 2006.

And if local officials are to be believed, the real economic boom has yet to take effect.

"We've got some good-sized commercial ventures going in right now," Burley Economic Development Coordinator Doug Manning said. "We're about ready for the second wave of industrial development."

Manning said standard economic theory holds that a first wave of industrial development like the one Mini-Cassia has just experienced is typically followed by a wave of commercial investment — businesses that directly support newly-arrived industry or feed off the income it injects into an area. The commercial wave is in turn followed by a wave of residential development — housing for new industry and commercial employees.

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Wheat worries

High prices expected because of rising fuel costs

By Roxana Hegeman
Associated Press writer

Custom cutters and farmers alike are bracing for what will likely be the most expensive winter wheat harvest ever amid record high fuel prices.

Steve Shepherd, president of U.S. Custom Harvesters, an industry trade group, said custom cutters don't even know how much to charge farmers this year amid rising costs. He suspects there will be hard feelings.

"Our costs are so high and farmers are going to be against it. Everything went up," said Shepherd, of Onida, S.D., who has been harvesting crops in Arizona and California for three weeks. In that time, gas prices have risen 65 cents a gallon, he said.

And it's not just fuel that is going up — equipment and other costs are increasing as well.

"It is going to be the most costly harvest," said Kevin Dhuyvetter, a Kansas State University agricultural economist who produces the U.S. Custom Harvester's annual Custom Harvester Analysis and Management Program report.

Farmers can expect to pay between 57 and \$10 per acre more to cut their wheat this year compared with a year ago, said Robert Belt, a custom cutter from Kingman.

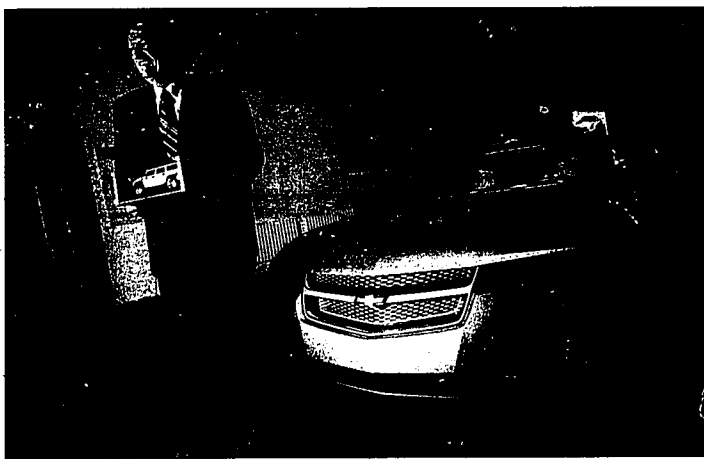
The cost of custom cutting is figured based on negotiating prices for cutting and hauling the crop per acre, and considers the yields in the calculations. And then there is the fuel surcharge. All told, it may cost farmers around \$35 per acre to cut a typical 40-bushel-per-acre field, Belt said.

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Coming Tuesday in Agribusiness

The one man who the U.S. depends on to protect the nation's wheat crops will have a more difficult time doing his job.

GAS PRICES PUSH GM TO RESTRUCTURE



General Motors Corp. CEO Rick Wagoner shows off the new Chevrolet Volt in Beijing. GM's top managers are working on additional restructuring measures to deal with a declining U.S. auto market and an accelerated shift from trucks to more fuel efficient vehicles, a person familiar with the plan told The Associated Press late Wednesday.

GM may reassign workers from trucks to cars

By Tom Krisher and Dee-Ann Durbin
Associated Press writers

DETROIT — General Motors Corp. will furlough entire shifts of workers at some truck factories and may move them to nearby car plants as it restructures to adjust to a rapidly changing U.S. market brought on by \$4 per gallon gasoline.

GM Chairman and Chief Executive Rick Wagoner and top managers are finalizing additional restructuring moves and likely will announce details at the automaker's annual meeting on Tuesday in Wilmington, Del., two people familiar with the plan told The Associated Press. The people requested anonymity because the plan is not finished.

One said production cuts were part of the plan. Neither would give details.

Key to the plan are the 19,000 hourly workers who signed up to leave the company by July 1 through buyout and early retirement offers. GM on Thursday announced the number of takers in the latest round of offers, which amounts to a quarter of the company's U.S. hourly work force.

The world's largest automaker expects to replace some of the workers at a new entry level wage of about \$14 per hour, about half

the rate of current production workers. The new wage rate for up to 16,000 non-assembly workers is part of the national contract negotiated with the United Auto Workers last year.

"This attrition program gives us an opportunity to restructure our U.S. work force through the entry-level wage and benefit structure for new hourly employees," GM North America President Troy Clarke said in a statement Thursday.

Already GM has announced that it will accelerate indefinite layoffs of one shift each at the Pontiac and Flint pickup truck assembly plants. The layoffs were to begin July 14 due to slow sales of the plants' products, the Chevrolet Silverado and GMC Sierra pickups.

Workers laid off at those plants could be moved to a car assembly factory in nearby Orion Township, where GM is negotiating with the UAW to add a third shift, said Mike Dunn, bargaining chairman of UAW Local 5969 at the Orion plant.

The Orion plant near Pontiac makes the Chevrolet Malibu and Pontiac G6 midsize cars, both of which are selling well as consumers shift from trucks and sport utility vehicles to smaller cars and crossovers. Malibu sales were up 37 percent in the first

Auto market shifts

Compact cars have an increasing share of the current U.S. auto market compared to 2003.

U.S. auto market share

2003 2008

GROWING SHARE

Compact cars 14.8%

20.0%

Compact SUVs/Crossovers

6.3

6.0

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SHRINKING SHARE

Large trucks 14.1

12.2

Mid-size SUVs 11.6

11.2

Minivans 6.5

4.0

Large SUVs 5.2

4.1

Mid-size cars 17.0

16.3

SOURCE: Edmunds.com

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CSI to offer medical coding class

The College of Southern Idaho will offer an Introduction to Medical Coding for Physicians class this summer. The short-term, one-credit class will be held from 6 to 8:20 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning June 3 and will run for three weeks.

Physician Coders record services performed by physicians, including exams, surgeries, admissions, and all other services. Local jobs are available for certified coders and those who complete the course can choose to certify through two national organizations in order to be considered for coding jobs throughout the nation.

For more information, contact Shawn Hafer at 208-738-3755 or at shawnhafer@codinghelp.com.

— Staff reports

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Con Agra	23.58	▲ .39	Deil Inc.	23.06	▲ 1.25	Idacorp	30.66	▼ .13
Lithia Mo.	6.82	▼ .38	Micron	8.07	▼ .02	Supervalu	35.07	▲ .33

COMMODITIES

For more see page C6

Live cattle	96.52	▲ .57	July Oil	127.35	▲ .73
June gold	887.30	▲ 10.10	June Silver	16.82	▲ .35

Monday in business

No reports are scheduled for release on Monday.

MUTUAL FUNDS

Table of mutual fund performance including columns for Name, Last, Chg, and various fund categories like Domestic, International, and Bond.

COMMODITIES REPORT

Table of commodity prices for various futures contracts including oil, grain, and metals.

CLOSING FUTURES

Table of closing futures prices for various commodities such as oil, natural gas, and grain.

CHEESE

Checklist of cheese prices in the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

POTATOES

Chicago (AP) - USA - Major potato futures for shipping.

LIVESTOCK

POULTRY (AP) - Major farm livestock market in New York.

BEANS

Major beans prices for various types of beans.

METALS/MONEY

Major metals and money market prices.

GRAINS

Major grain prices for wheat, corn, and soybeans.

POULTRY

Major poultry prices for various types of poultry.

WHEAT

Major wheat prices for various grades of wheat.

MARKET SUMMARY

Summary table of market indices including NYSE, AMEX, NASDAQ, and various index values.

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Table of local stock market activity including company names, prices, and changes.

HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Explanatory text for the market report, detailing how to interpret the data and symbols used.

Wheat

Continued from page C5. He said he spends between \$3,000 and \$4,000 a day in fuel to run his five combines, which does include the gas he puts into the grain elevators that haul the crops to elevators.

Cassia

Continued from page C5. Manning said the residential wave has already started to hit. Over the past few months, he said, Burley has been averaging about 28 homes in a month phase of construction.

GM

Continued from page C5. GM has related about 175 workers from other factories to the Orion facility in the past few weeks, Dunn said.

BUILDING PERMITS - CASSIA COUNTY

High County, Burley; addition; \$78,023. KC Ramsey, 1076 E. 900 S., Albion; addition; \$21,240. Bradley Sanders, 558 Spring Creek Road, Burley; addition; \$37,620.

Wheat

With the harvest at least three weeks away in Kansas, some farmers here are also concerned about whether there will be enough custom cutters to harvest the wheat crop in a timely fashion.

Cassia

"We haven't got anything final," he said. "We're always looking to bring work in. We're hoping before the year's out that we can accomplish this goal."

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This agreement will secure the future of the Lordston, Co. for many years to come and help in securing the future for our families and the Mahoning Valley, Local 112's Web site said.

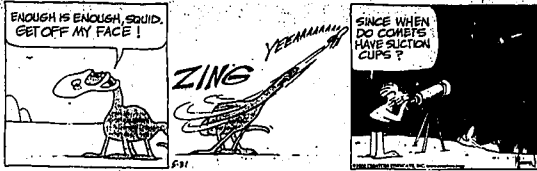
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Rupert Economic Development Director Sheri Miles said the key to making it all work is teamwork. She said communities in Mini-Cassia need to realize that good news for one is good news for the rest.

It's not just Rupert. It's not just Burley. It's not just Heyburn. It's everybody working together; that's the key," Miles said.

low unemployment numbers can be deceiving because they do not reflect the number of workers who work two or three part-time jobs but are qualified to take on higher-paying full-time jobs. Then there are the commuters — as many as 1,000 — who travel every day to cities like Jerome or Twin Falls, but might prefer a job closer to home if it pays enough.

B.C.



By Johnny Hart

Baby Blues



By Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott

Beetle Bailey



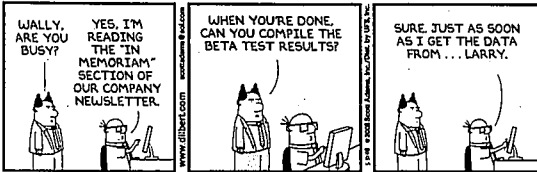
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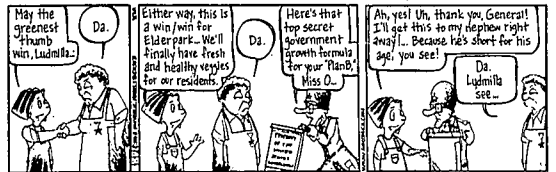
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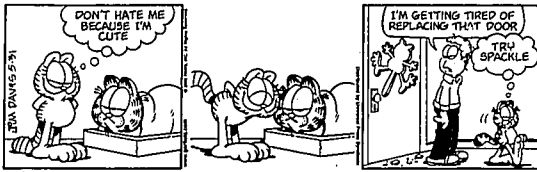
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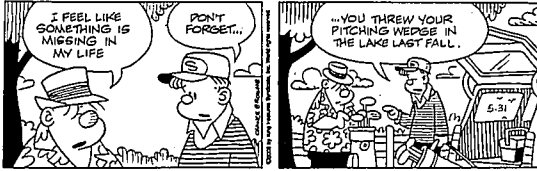
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By Chance Browne

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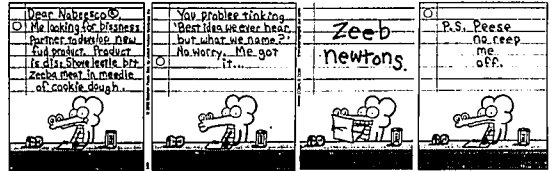
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Pearls Before Swine



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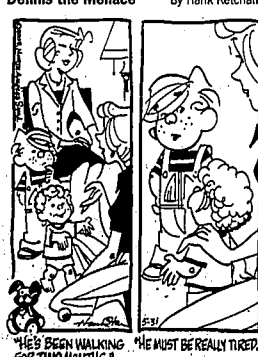
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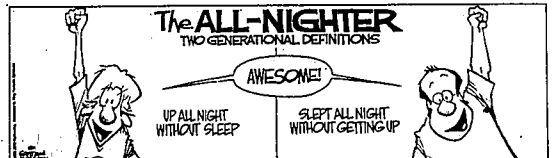
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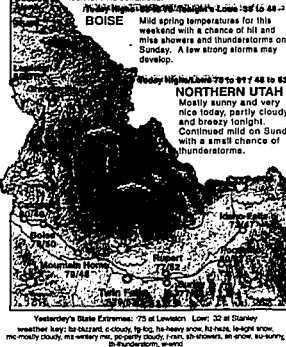
Today: Warm with increasing afternoon clouds. A late thunderstorm is possible. Highs near 80.
Tonight: Mostly cloudy skies and widely scattered showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 50s.
Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy skies and spotty showers and thunderstorms. Highs upper 70s, lows lower 50s.

HOUSTON FIVE DAY FOUR CASE

Today: Partly to mostly cloudy skies and comfortable temperatures. Highs in the upper 70s.
Tonight: Mostly cloudy and muggy dry. Lows near 50.
Tomorrow: Slightly cooler and moister cloudy. A handful of showers and thunderstorms are possible. Highs mid 70s.

HOUSTON FIVE DAY FOUR CASE

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Scattered showers and thunderstorms will be possible throughout the region today and Sunday.
BOISE High 79, Low 53.
NORTHERN UTAH Mostly sunny and very nice today, partly cloudy and breezy tonight.



WINDY FALLS FIVE DAY FOUR CASE

Weather forecast for Windy Falls from Today to Wednesday, including icons for sun, clouds, and rain.

ALBUQUERQUE WINDY FALLS

Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, and Moon Phases for Albuquerque.

MOON PHASES

Diagram showing moon phases from June 3 to June 29, including New Moon, First Quarter, Full Moon, and Last Quarter.

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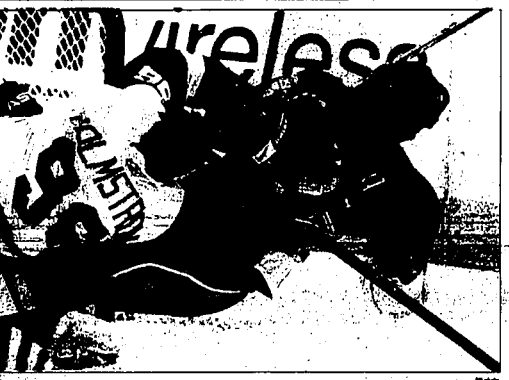
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REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY
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U.V. INDEX, NATIONAL MAP, and TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP showing weather patterns across the United States.



Detroit Red Wings player Tomas Holmstrom, left, takes out the Pittsburgh Penguins' Gary Roberts, right, during the first period of Game 3 of the NHL Stanley Cup Finals, Wednesday, in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Roberts seeks another Cup

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Gary Roberts pitched a soft landing back in Toronto or with rival Ottawa at last year's trade deadline.
Both teams were his approved list of destinations when the Florida Panthers shopped the veteran winger around the NHL before last year's trade deadline, and it took some prodding one general manager Jacques Marin completed a deal with the Penguins before Roberts agreed to take his act to Pittsburgh.

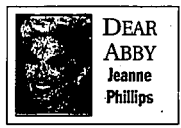
Bourdon bought bike only a few days before dying in recent crash
PITTSBURGH (AP) — Vancouver Canucks rookie defenseman Luc Bourdon bought a motorcycle only several days before dying when the bike veered into the path of a truck on a winding, two-lane road, close friend Kris Letang of the Pittsburgh Penguins said Friday.

Stanley Cup
Red Wings at Penguins
6 p.m., NBC
'I haven't played tons of hockey this year, so now that I'm feeling like I've got my health back, I'm just trying to bring some energy and create some scoring chances for my linemates,' Roberts said Friday.

signs point to him being in the lineup.
Roberts has had an impact since getting in on the action starting in Game 2. He keyed around the ice like a steamroller during a third-period shift on Wednesday, leading to Adam Hall's goal that proved to be the Game 3 winner.

Europeans practice courtesy while using their cell phones

DEAR ABBY: On a recent trip to Europe I learned first-hand the meaning of the term "ugly American," which stems partly from the loud, obnoxious voices we sometimes use in public.



DEAR ABBY: I am a student intern in a small laboratory. I like my job and get along with everyone who works here.

vately so you won't embarrass her.
DEAR ABBY: I have been dating an amazing girl, "Nina," for two months, and have fallen madly in love with her.

Competition keen to host events

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Omaha leaders so far are looking like the College World Series that they were willing to commit \$140 million to build a new stadium that would let the city hold onto an event that lasts less than two weeks a year.

"The College World Series is fast to franchise to Omaha," Omaha Sports Commission executive director Dan Morrissey said.

\$4 billion in 2003 to \$6 billion in 2007, according to the national association.
"We don't see any real end to it," Schumacher said.

Competition keen to host events

The NCAA agreed to an unprecedented 25-year deal that keeps the CWS in Omaha, the event's host since 1950, through at least 2035.
It's money well spent, say people who make their living booking amateur sporting events.

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Mormons in Magic Valley

Church members gained acceptance through the years

By Ariel Hansen
Staff writer

On Aug. 24, Mormons in Magic Valley will celebrate a milestone.

That's the dedication date for the church's temple on Eastland Drive in Twin Falls, and it marks the growth of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the region.

The temple, perched near the edge of the Snake River Canyon, rises in graceful white steps to a 159-foot spire topped by a statue of the Angel Moroni, the celestial figure that members believe visited church founder Joseph Smith, beginning in 1820.

Half a century after those beginnings, the Mormons had made their way to southern Idaho, by way of Salt Lake City. One of those who accompanied Smith's successor, Brigham Young, into Utah was Joseph Egbert, whose great-great-grandson Frances lives today in Twin Falls. The first Mormon settlers in south-central Idaho came to Oakley, then described as the Goose Creek area, in the late 1870s.

The early years

"They came up to find good farming land," said Frances Egbert, 88, an armchair historian. "That's the reason they came to Twin Falls and Kimberly, there was nice deep farmland and they could get water for a reasonable price."

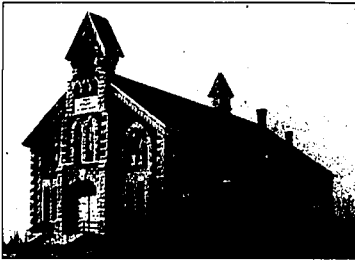
Egbert collects newspaper articles and other ephemera related to south-central Idaho history in fat binders: one for each of the major cities in the area and others on more general history. Some of the paperwork is undated — and much is unnumbered — including an article by former Times-News writer Bonnie Baird Jones that describes the early history of the church.

By 1880, the church had organized a branch — the smallest organized unit of the Mormon church; larger units include wards and stakes — in Oakley, the article reports. Fourteen members were present at the organizing meeting, and their 14 families grew to 65 within a year.

"These early settlers in Goose Creek Valley established the first irrigation systems in Magic Valley," Baird Jones wrote. "However, they soon learned that water was not so abundant, and the system today is about the size of that established by Mormon pioneers in 1881."

By the end of that decade, Cassia County had been established, the first LDS stake was created, and the non-Mormon people of south-central Idaho feared the influence of the LDS church on secular life.

In the U.S., the Republican Party was formed to combat slavery and polygamy, said College of Southern Idaho history professor Jim Gentry. At the time, polygamy was still allowed by the Mormon church — it was ended in 1890, the year Idaho became



This undated photo of the Cassia Stake Tabernacle in Oakley hangs on the wall of Frances Egbert's Twin Falls home. He attended the church and its nearby Sunday school building when he was young. The Oakley area was the first to be settled by Mormons in south-central Idaho, but it wasn't long before they were lured to Twin Falls by the same promise of farmland and irrigation water that proved attractive to so many Magic Valley settlers. The building was erected in 1902 for \$12,000, and the 700-seat structure was destroyed by fire in 1955.

a state — 80 Mormons tended to be Democrats.

In 1885, the Republican-dominated Idaho Legislature passed the Test Oath Act, which effectively required anyone registering to vote to attest that they did not belong to an organization that allowed polygamy.

"There was a lot of fear about the political power of the LDS and that was part of the reason for the Test Oath Act," Gentry said. "Part of the reason for the legislation to give the LDS the vote was that the LDS had been historically Democrats. ... If you were LDS you weren't very likely to be excited about becoming a Republican. That's interesting given that today, stereotypically, LDS people are Republican, so it just shows you how times change."

The sentiment against Mormons extended even further, Gentry said. Mormons were among the first to irrigate in south-central Idaho, and that associated irrigation with the LDS church in many settlers' minds.

"Because of the political hostility there was also fear of the LDS developing irrigated agriculture in this area," he said. "There's some evidence that perhaps irrigated agriculture came later than it might have if there hadn't been the issue of who was going to profit from the irrigation."

Some of the prejudice was subtle: Gentry said the development of Twin Falls may have been launched in part to attract non-LDS people to the area. He noted that Hercules Sibley and L.B. Ferrine, two of Twin Falls' founding fathers, were not Mormon.

Some of the prejudice was overt. A 1969 Times-News article paraphrases an early member of the Twin Falls stake. "One member says during a parade in those days someone carried a sign saying 'We want no Mormons or Chinese in our town.'"

Gentry said Mormons were blamed for everything from the lack of growth of Idaho Territory — there was a belief that Mormons were trying to restrict non-Mormon population within 500 miles of Salt Lake City — to the disap-

pearance of a 3-year-old boy. There were also hard feelings because Mormons were commonly sheepherders, while non-Mormons were cattle ranchers, and there were disputes over grazing land.

These differences led to one of the most infamous murder trials in Idaho history, the 1897 case of Jackson Lee "Diamondfield Jack" Davis, who was tried and convicted of murdering two Mormon sheepherders at the behest of a cattlemen. Two other ranchers eventually confessed to the crime and Davis was released in 1902.

"This antagonism toward the Latter-day Saints' religion was caused not only by the practice of polygamy by some members, but also by the fear of the theocratic intermixture of religion and politics, the tendency of Mormons to band together against outsiders, and the resentment by others of the almost terrifying attitude of certainty which the Mormons maintained in relation to the religious doctrine," Gentry wrote in his 2003 history of Twin Falls, "In the Middle and on the Edge."

Coming together

By the turn of the century, the tide of public sentiment had also turned. The Test Oath Act was repealed in 1893, three years after the church officially abandoned polygamy and three years before Idaho gave women the right to vote.

According to the 1969 article, between 1887, when the Cassia Stake was created, and 1919, when the Twin Falls Stake was formed, branches or wards of the LDS church were organized in Albion, Alma, Elba, Basin, Goose Creek, Madison, Raft River, Murtaugh, Kimberly, Rupert and Buhl. The Twin Falls ward first met in 1910 in a former Methodist Church, at what was then Third Street and Third Avenue East, then in 1916 in a former Baptist church at Fifth Avenue East and Third Street East. The first stake tabernacle, completed in 1930, was on Fourth Avenue East across from the city park. The 50th anniversary of the stake was



Editor's note:

Prior to the dedication of the Twin Falls LDS temple, the Times-News will publish a series of articles about the church, the temple and its influence. Watch for these stories under the "Temple Track" logo. We recognize the dedication as an important event in Twin Falls history, and will be covering it extensively, but without neglecting the other churches in Magic Valley. If you have news of a church event this summer, please contact Religion editor Ariel Hansen at ariel.hansen@lee.net or 208-735-3376.



Frances Egbert, 88, poses in front of the new Mormon Temple which is in its final stages of construction. Egbert is a descendant of the first Mormons who trekked to Utah, a native of the Magic Valley and a Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints historian.

Temple tickets

The Twin Falls temple open house will run July 11 through Aug. 16, and tickets for the free tours will be available beginning 4:00 a.m. June 9. Reserve online at lds.org/reservations or call 866-537-8457.

The nearest temples are in Boise, Idaho Falls and Logan, Utah, and the Twin Falls temple will serve Mormons between these cities.

On the Web:

For a variety of takes on Mormon history, visit these sites:

- lds.org/churchhistory
- historyofmormonism.com
- letrason.org/LDS1.htm
- ldshistory.net
- en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_the_Latter_Day_Saint_movement

celebrated in 1969 in stake headquarters on Maurice Street.

The total Idaho population in 1920 was about 432,000; the LDS church nationwide reported 103,388 members that year; and in 1919 when the Twin Falls stake was formed it reported about 1,300 members.

The first half of the 20th century marked a shift

toward acceptance of Mormons and their incorporation into the public and business life of Magic Valley. This shift, said several church members, came as non-Mormons got to know the members of the LDS church and the Mormon population shifted west from Oakley.

"When we first moved to Twin Falls, which was 50 years ago, everybody you'd meet would say, 'I'm from Oakley,'" said Ruth Day of Twin Falls, a member of the LDS church. She said she had seen how small Oakley had become, and were surprised so many people claimed Oakley as their former hometown.

"Everyone just began to feel like these are good people we're living with around here, on both sides," she said.

Egbert agreed. "People began to know us better," he said. "A lot of animosity is there because of ignorance. We may believe a little different, but we're just like everybody else."

A schoolteacher before retiring, Egbert recalls experiencing only a few instances of anti-Mormon sentiment. In the 1940s, Castleford was known as a town with a small LDS population, and he remembers hearing surprise that the town would hire him

as a teacher. Mormons have since become prominent members of the community, serving as public officials, business leaders and volunteer organizers. Today it is impossible to separate the growth and vibrancy of Twin Falls from the rise in the number of its Mormons.

"I think the very fact an LDS temple is being dedicated in July 2008, and there's never been one before, indicates the quantity of LDS population in this area has significantly increased," Gentry said.

Terry McCurdy, spokesman for the church in this area, estimated the LDS population in Magic Valley as the end of 2007 at about 42,000, out of a total population of about 150,000.

The dedication of the temple will bring Mormons and non-Mormons alike to Twin Falls this summer, a boon for businesses and an opportunity for those who know little about their LDS neighbors to learn more. It's a chance to find common ground on the grounds of one of Twin Falls' most beautiful new buildings.

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Bush meets with LDS officials

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — President Bush's trip to Utah ended Thursday with a meeting at the global headquarters of the Mormon church where he talked about his beliefs and a variety of other issues, the White House said.

"Thomas S. Monson, president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and his counselors do not raise any specific concerns with Bush."

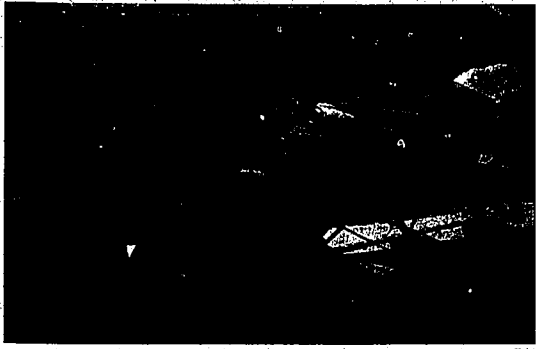
"They talked a little bit about how their church is growing around the world ... but they didn't talk about anything specifically religious," press secretary Dana Perino said aboard Air Force One.

"They did say that they do pray for the president, they support the presidency and (are) a very patriotic people," Perino told reporters.

"The president was in Utah for nearly 19 hours, mostly to raise money Wednesday for the Republican Party and presidential candidate John McCain."

"He spent the night in Park City, then flew to Salt Lake City to see Monson, who became church president earlier this year."

"I guess it lasted almost an hour," Perino said, according



Mormon church Second Counselor Dieter F. Uchtdorf, Relief Society General President Julie Beck, and church President Thomas S. Monson pose outside Air Force One after taking a tour of the aircraft on Wednesday in Salt Lake City. President Bush is visiting Utah for two fundraisers on behalf of Republican presidential candidate Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz.

to a transcript.

Monson knows Bush's parents "very well so they talked a little bit about that," she said.

Bush also talked about foreign policy, the economy and energy, Perino said.

The church said it was Bush's fourth visit to head-

quarters and his first meeting with Monson and counselors Henry B. Eyring and Dieter F. Uchtdorf. Together they form the church's First Presidency.

Air Force One departed Salt Lake City at 9:40 a.m. to take Bush to Kansas for more

political fundraising. His Utah events, which included a fundraiser at the vacation home of Mitt Romney, were closed to reporters.

"If the location is a private residence, then the practice is that they're closed," Perino said.

Vatican says female priests will be excommunicated

By Victor L. Simpson
Associated Press writer

VATICAN CITY — The Vatican insisted Friday that it is properly following Christian tradition by excluding females from the priesthood as it issued a new warning that women taking part in ordinations will be excommunicated.

The move dashed the hopes both of women seeking to be priests and of Catholics who see that as an option for a church struggling to recruit men.

A top Vatican official said the church acted after what it described as "so-called ordinations" held in various parts of the world.

Monsignor Angelo Amato of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith said the Vatican wanted to provide bishops with a clear response on the issue.

The church has always banned the ordination of women by stating that the priesthood is reserved for males and the requirement is explicit in its reference to women.

"The church does not feel authorized to change the will of its founder Jesus Christ," Amato said in an interview broadcast on Vatican Radio that was released to reporters.

The reference is to Christ's having chosen only men as his Apostles.

Asked whether the Roman Catholic Church was going against the tide in respect to other Christian confessions, Amato said the church was in "good company" with Orthodox and ancient eastern churches and that it was the Protestants who are breaking with tradition.

In March, the archbishop of St. Louis excommunicated three women — two Americans and a South African — for participating

in a woman's ordination. They were part of the Roman Catholic Womenpriests movement, which began in 2002.

The decree was published Thursday by Vatican newspaper L'Osservatore Romano, which in a headline called the ordination of women a "crime."

The congregation said it acted to "preserve the nature and validity of the sacrament" of ordination.

The decree — signed by the congregation's head, American Cardinal William Levada — said anyone trying to ordain a "woman who attempts to receive the ordination would incur automatic excommunication."

Pope Benedict XVI led the doctrinal office before becoming pontiff in 2005. Like his predecessor, Pope John Paul II, he has consistently rebuffed calls to change traditional church teachings on divorce, abortion, euthanasia, gay marriage and the requirement that priests be male and celibate.

"We didn't expect anything different now. But in 20 to 30 years they will be expressing their regrets when they will need more priests," said Florio Bellarino, an Italian spokesman for the international reform group We Are Church.

The Vatican released figures this week showing that the number of priests increased slightly worldwide between 2000 and 2006, with the growth in Africa and Asia. It said the number remained stable in the Americas, dropping nearly 6 percent in Europe.

Catholics who are excommunicated cannot receive the sacraments. Amato said the penalty can be lifted if those so punished are sincerely repentant.

Gay Mormon group to meet with church officials

By Jennifer Dobner
Associated Press writer

SALT LAKE CITY — After decades of silence, Mormon church officials have agreed to meet with a gay Mormon support group that has sought to forge understanding between the faith's leaders and its gay members.

In a letter, leaders of Affirmation were invited to meet with Fred M. Riley, commissioner of Family Services for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and Harold C. Brown, the agency's past commissioner.

"We're pleased the church is opening up the possibility for dialogue," said Dave Melson, Affirmation's assistant executive director. "Affirmation has met 5 or 6 times over the past 31 years to meet with church leaders. This is their second response."

Affirmation has repeatedly invited church leaders to meet or attend the group's annual conference, but the only response was a letter last year declining the conference invitation, Melson said.

In February, just three days after 80-year-old Thomas S. Monson was named president of the 13 million-member church, Affirmation petitioned the new leader to meet and begin an unprecedented conversation about gays in the church.

Riley's letter, a copy of which was obtained by The Associated Press, said Melson and Brown were asked by Monson to meet with Affirmation on his behalf.

"We believe that is always important to have the opportunity to be given better understanding of your points of view so that the church can appropriately understand your organization and how best to be helpful," Riley wrote.

The meeting is scheduled for August, Riley confirmed Monday in an e-mail to The Associated Press.

Among the specifics Affirmation wants to address: the historical treatment of gays by the church, including recommendations for aversion therapies to "cure" homosexuality; recommendations for more effective counseling methods; ways to avoid family break-ups; and a change in the honor code at church-owned Brigham Young University that can result in expulsion for sexual



Dr. Rob Killian poses in his office in Seattle on April 6. Mormon church officials recently agreed to meet with a gay Mormon support group.

ly active gay students. The same standard applies to straight students.

"None of this requires a change in doctrine," said Melson. "They're good for both gays and the church."

Melson, who spoke with Riley on April 4, said he asked if the meeting would result in any change or was simply an effort to placate Affirmation.

"They said that there won't be immediate changes, but they are definitely interested in helping ... that they are sincere," he said. "We would like to start a dialogue, even if it isn't immediately fruitful."

For Affirmation, which has about 2,000 gay, lesbian and transgender members worldwide, an official meeting with anyone from the church organization is unprecedented.

Founded in secret by gay students at BYU in 1977, Affirmation has traditionally been ignored by church leaders, Melson said.

Latter-day Saints are taught that gay sex is a sin. Gays can continue to hold church callings if they remain celibate. Those who act on what the church calls "same-gender attraction" have sometimes been excommunicated.

In the 1990s, the church openly fought same-sex marriage legislation nationwide. In 2006, joined other religious denominations in asking Congress for a marriage amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

LDS Family Services, with offices across the country, is the only church-endorsed source of counsel for gay members and their families. All therapists are licensed and trained to use treatments that best fit the individual, Riley said.

But gay Mormons say the agency's track record of assistance is marked by a lack of understanding and a prescription for clinical treatments that were sometimes horrific and painful.

"My personal story — I got recommended for electroshock therapy. They told me to hate and be angry at my parents for making me gay," said Rob Killian, a Seattle physician who has frequently spoken publicly about his experiences. "They've destroyed families."

"It's not clear what treatment methods LDS Family Services therapists currently recommend, but in a 2007 interview, posted on the church Web site, Apostle Dallin Oaks acknowledged that some abusive practices, including over-medication and aversion therapies, had been used in the past and phased out by professionals over time. Oaks said the church has no position on the types of treatment used by doctors and accepts no responsibility for out-of-date treatments.

"Even though they are addressed at helping people we would have liked to see helped," Oaks said in the interview. "We can't endorse every kind of technique."

Killian called a meeting between Affirmation and the church a "small improvement" and said he thinks the church may be acting for public relations reasons. He fears it will perpetuate a false belief that the church will change.

"There is no way under the current system or the current administration that our story would be, even listened to or heard," he said.

Valerie Lantieri, executive director of the Utah Pride

Compromise complete with SLC community center

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah (AP) — A compromise between Salt Lake City and the Mormon church over the Main Street Plaza has finally been fulfilled.

The \$6 million Sorenson Unity Center opened Thursday on the west side of

Salt Lake City. It offers health and fitness opportunities, a dental clinic for the poor and space for counseling services.

In 2002, the city received the land from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in exchange for giving up a public-access easement

on Main Street Plaza.

The agreement allows the church to control speech on the plaza, between North Temple and South Temple. The American Civil Liberties Union, worried about the erosion of rights, sued over the deal but lost.

Center in Salt Lake City, is more hopeful.

"Any time that two groups come together there's a possibility, and I hope the possibility can lead to more understanding, more acceptance and less isolation," said Lantieri.

Many gay, lesbian and transgender church members seek support from the center after failing to find the help they need at LDS Family Services, she said.

"Part of the reason Affirmation does their work is to build bridges," Lantieri said. "This is definitely the building of a bridge ... sometimes that process is long and arduous."

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Shiites protest defense plan

By Sudarshan Raghavan
The Washington Post

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Thousands of followers of Shiite Muslim cleric Muqtada al-Sadr protested Friday in Shiite enclaves across Iraq against plans for a long-term security pact that would allow for an extended U.S. military presence in the country. "No, no to America! No, no to the occupation!" demonstrators chanted as they waved Iraqi flags and banners after Friday afternoon prayers in Sadr's Baghdad stronghold of Sadr City. "Yes, yes Muqtada! Long live al-Sadr!"

Some of the protesters carried pictures of Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki dressed as former U.S. President Saddam Hussein. In one corner, a group burned an effigy of Maliki, then danced and stomped on it, as Iraqi government soldiers kept their distance.

The protests were the first since Iraqi troops entered Sadr City this month to assert control over one of Iraq's unsecured zones. But Friday's actions highlighted Sadr's power and popularity among poor Shiites, even as the Shiite-led Iraqi government, backed by U.S. and British forces, has waged a concerted campaign in recent months to weaken his movement and undermine his leadership credentials.

Friday's protests also underscored Sadr's long-term strategy to fulfill his ambitions of leading Iraq Wednesday after his Maliki Army militia engaged last month in fierce battles with U.S. and Iraqi forces, resulting in hundreds of civilian deaths. Sadr negotiated a pact that allowed Iraqi troops into Sadr City but barred American soldiers.

It was viewed as a victory for Maliki's government and for U.S. efforts to stabilize Iraq.

By the arrangement has also allowed Sadr to boost his image and popularity, while preserving the strength of his militia ahead of all-important provincial elections scheduled for October.

Four die after plane overshoots runway

By Freddy Cuevas
Associated Press Writer

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras — A Miami-bound jetliner overshoot a runway, raced onto a busy street and slammed into an embankment in the Honduran capital Friday, killing the pilot, two passengers and a motorist on the ground.

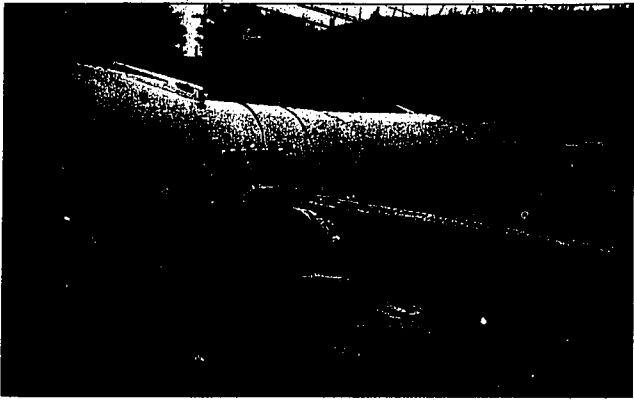
Eighty-one people were injured, including the former head of Honduras' armed forces, Gen. Daniel Lopez Carballo.

The Grupo Taca Airbus 320 was trying to land with 124 people on board when it overshoot the runway. Its nose smashed into an embankment and its fuselage buckled and broke in places, trapping the pilot and co-pilot inside.

Rescuers had to pry open part of the wreckage to get them out, but the pilot didn't survive, said Cesar Villalta, director of Honduras' military.

Passenger Harry Brautigam, a Nicaraguan who headed a regional development bank, died of heart failure shortly after the crash. The body of a man trapped under the plane's wreckage was believed to be a taxi driver.

Janneth Shantall, the wife of Brazilian Ambassador Brian Michael Fraser Neule, was also killed in the crash, an employee of the Brazilian embassy told local media.



Firefighters spray foam on a commercial airliner that crashed in Tegucigalpa, Friday. The Miami-based jetliner overshoot a runway and slammed to a stop on a busy street in the Honduran capital.

That employee, Dennis Hernandez, said the ambassador was also aboard the plane and was injured. Hernandez said he didn't know the ambassador's condition.

More than 2,000 gallons (7,500 liters) of fuel spilled out of the jet, and authorities tried to clear away hundreds of onlookers while they hosed down cars trapped under the plane's left engine.

"The airplane's fuel could cause an explosion, and that would be an even bigger

tragedy," Security Ministry spokesman Ivan Mejia said.

Many passengers walked away from the accident.

Roberto Sosa, 34, told The Associated Press: "We landed ... and suddenly I heard a really strong, loud impact." Mirtilla Lopez, 71, said she was talking to another passenger when the plane "left the runway, hit electric cables from a nearby street and then got stuck in the side of a small ravine."

The plane left San Salvador at 8:30 a.m. local time carrying passengers mostly from

Honduras, El Salvador and Costa Rica.

It was scheduled to stop briefly in Tegucigalpa and in San Pedro Sula before heading to Miami.

It was unclear what caused the crash, but weather may have been a factor. The runway was wet with rain from Tropical Storm Alma.

There have been calls for years to replace aging Toncontin International Airport, whose short runway, primitive navigation equipment and neighboring hills make it one of the world's

more dangerous international airports.

The airport was built on the southern edge of hilly Tegucigalpa in 1948 with a runway less than 5,300 feet (1,600 meters) long — shorter than that of a small field such as Municipal Airport in Goldsboro, N.C.

The altitude of some 3,300 feet (1,000 meters) forces pilots to use more runway on landings and takeoffs that they would at sea level. And because of the hills, pilots have to make an unusually steep approach.

UN: Myanmar forcing cyclone survivors out of refugee camps

YANGON, Myanmar (AP) — Myanmar's military government is forcing cyclone victims out of refugee camps and "dumping" them near their devastated villages with virtually no aid supplies, U.N. and church officials said Friday.

Eight camps set up by the junta for homeless victims in the Irrawaddy delta town of Bogalay were "totally empty" as the clear-out continued, said Teh Tai Ring of UNICEF, speaking at a meeting of U.N. and private aid agency workers discussing water and sanitation issues.

"The government is moving people unannounced," he said, adding that authorities were "dumping people in the approximate location of the villages, basically with nothing."

After his remarks were reported, UNICEF issued a statement saying they referred to "unconfirmed

reports by relief workers on the relocation of displaced people" affected by the May 2-3 storm.

However, Teh said the information came from a relief worker who had just returned from the affected area and that "tears were shed" when he recounted his findings to UNICEF officials earlier in the day.

At a church in Yangon, meanwhile, more than 400 cyclone victims from the delta township of LaButta were evicted Friday following orders from authorities a day earlier.

"It was a scene of sadness, despair and pain," said a church official at the Yangon Karen Baptist Home Missions, speaking on condition of anonymity for fear of official reprisal.

"Those villagers lost their homes, their family members and the whole village was washed away. They have no

'home to go back to.'"

All the refugees except for a few pregnant women, two young children and those with severe illnesses left the church in 11 trucks Friday morning, the official said.

Authorities told church workers the victims would first be taken to a government camp in Myawng Mya — a mostly undamaged town in the Irrawaddy delta. It was not immediately clear when they would be resettled in their villages.

Aid groups said Myanmar's military government was still hindering foreign assistance for victims of the cyclone, despite a promise to U.N. Secretary Ban Ki-moon to ease travel restrictions.

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Homeless Japanese woman arrested after living undetected in man's closet for a year

TOKYO (AP) — A homeless woman who sneaked into a man's house and lived undetected in his closet for a year was arrested in Japan after he became suspicious when food mysteriously began disappearing.

Police found the 58-year-old woman Thursday hiding in the top compartment of the man's closet and arrested her for trespassing, police spokesman Hiaki Itakura from southern Kasuya town said Friday.

The resident of the home installed security cameras that transmitted images to his mobile phone after becoming puzzled by food disappearing from his kitchen over the past several months.

One of the cameras captured someone moving inside his home Thursday after he had left, and he called police believing it was a burglar. However, when they arrived they found the door locked and all windows closed.

"We searched the house ... checking everywhere someone could possibly hide," Itakura said. "When we slid open the shelf closet, there she was, nervously curled up on her side."

The woman told police she had no place to live and first sneaked into the man's house

about a year ago when he left it unlocked.

The closet is part of a Japanese-style room, one of several rooms in his one-story house where the man lived alone — or so he had thought.

Police were investigating how she managed to go in and out of the house unnoticed, as well as details of her life inside the closet, and if she had taken anything else besides food.

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NORTHEAST WILL BE FIRST TO SEE SIGNS OF A HOUSING UPTURN

Courtesy of NABHC content

Although the national housing outlook has continued to deteriorate this spring, which is normally the peak home buying season, housing is expected to start climbing into positive territory before the end of the year in some parts of the country, according to NAHB's state and top 100 metro housing starts forecast for 2008-2009.

Continuing turmoil in the credit markets and a weakening economy guarantee that "housing markets will face another challenging year in 2008 before any meaningful recovery takes hold in 2009," the NAHB forecast says.

The credit market crisis alone, which started with last summer's subprime mortgage meltdown and has since resulted in a broad-based mortgage credit crunch for prospective home buyers, has depressed housing sector activity by an additional 30%, NAHB economists calculate. As a result, housing permits nationwide have plunged to only 37% of their levels at the height of the boom in 2005. "Anticipation of further declines in house prices in many markets will keep demand soft and additions to supply minimal in the near term," the forecast says. "Foreclosures threaten to drive additional houses back into markets already bloated inventories of unsold homes."

"But the level of distress in local and regional housing markets is far from uniform. While the annual figures will be negative for most markets, our forecast for recovery in a number of areas by the fourth quarter of 2008."

The Northeast will be the first to emerge from the current housing correction, with several states turning the corner in the third quarter and most by the fourth, according to the forecast.

"While some of these markets experienced rapid price appreciation over the decade, the largest markets — New York, Boston and Philadelphia — avoided the extent of over-buiding that accompanied the price run-ups in other markets," the study says. "The absence of large unsold inventories will help to mitigate the downward pressure on prices that will drag recovery in the first quarter of 2009.

In Idaho "..." production spiked during the boom but price appreciation remained modest, and subprime mortgages and foreclosures have remained low."

out the recovery process in markets that have similarly elevated housing prices but also have large inventories."

A growth patch for single-family housing starts in the Northeast during this year's fourth quarter encompasses all of the New England states and extends into New York, New Jersey and Maryland in the Mid-Atlantic region. "Moving away from the eastern seaboard, markets in the western and northern parts of these states experienced more moderate house price appreciation and so are less vulnerable to price corrections and inventory problems," the report says.

Next in line for a regional housing

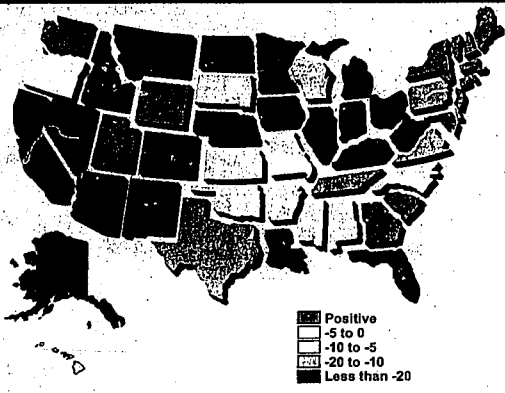
recovery is the South, with the notable exception of Florida.

"Housing markets in Texas, Atlanta and parts of the Carolinas performed well during the housing boom," the forecast says, "resisting the excesses that have come back to haunt other markets." These markets weathered the onset of the cyclical correction in the industry in 2006 better than most, but they did feel the negative repercussions of 2007 and will experience a mild 2% decline in single-family construction in this year's final quarter before returning to robust growth in the first quarter of 2009.

Most housing markets in Florida will continue to struggle through the middle of next year, NAHB predicts. "These markets have been the most volatile through the boom and bust of this housing cycle and will be the slowest to recover from the heights of speculative excess," and they have also been hard hit by escalating foreclosure rates.

Pensacola, where prices and production stayed closer to historical norms during the boom years, and Jacksonville, where production surged but price appreciation was more restrained, will experience weakness this year but are expected to display more strength in 2009 compared to other Florida markets. Although the Midwest on the whole is expected to move into a recovery mode next year, prospects are a bit divided between the region's eastern industrial states, which are projected to experience further declines in the second half of 2008 as the result of ongoing economic weakness, and the western farm states, which will show signs of improvement earlier stemming

Single Family Housing Starts Growth, 2008 Q4 (%)



Positive
-5 to 0
-10 to -5
-20 to -10
Less than -20

from flourishing agricultural commodities.

The West will be the slowest to recover, according to the NAHB forecast.

"This should not be surprising since this region is dominated by Las Vegas, Phoenix and markets in California," the forecast says. "These markets join the Florida markets as among the most troubled in the nation. Overproduction, double-digit house price appreciation, heavy reliance on subprime mortgages and rapidly

rising foreclosure rates were staples of these markets through this housing cycle and most of these markets are expected to decline through the end of 2009."

Levels of excess in western markets where prices have been on the decline are an almost certain indicator of further price erosion, the study says.

Notable exceptions to the relatively gloomy outlook for the region include:
• New Mexico, where production

and price growth have been moderate and subprime mortgages and foreclosures have remained below the national average

• Colorado, where production and prices remained restrained; subprime borrowing has been high but foreclosures have so far been low.

• Idaho, where production spiked during the boom but price appreciation remained modest, and subprime mortgages and foreclosures have remained low.

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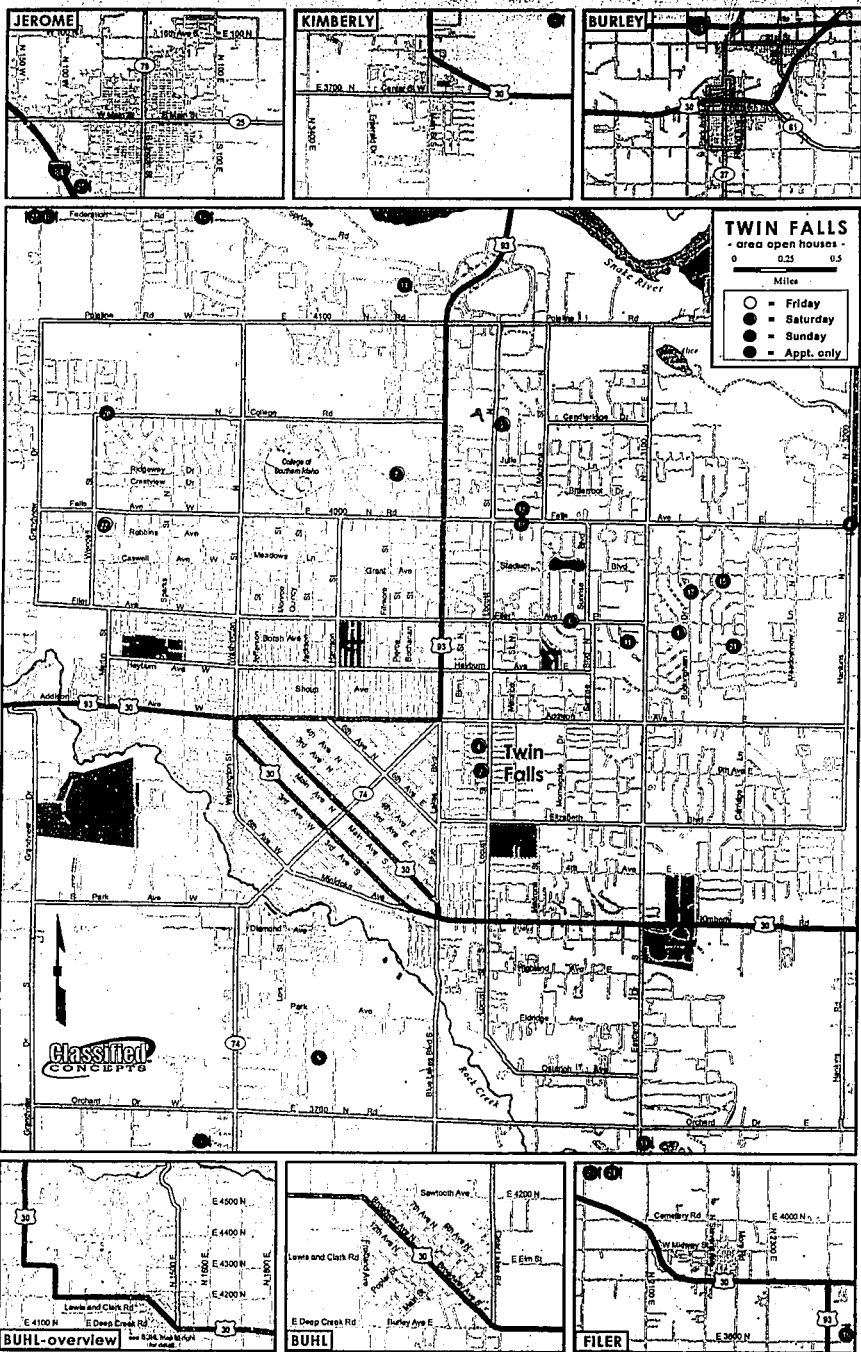
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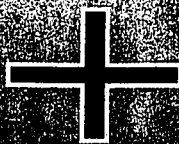
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Saturday, May 31, 2008

THE ACES ON BRIDGE Bobby Wolff

"For the merchant, even honesty is a financial speculation."
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Today's deal determined the qualifiers for a recent Canadian National Teams Championship.

First, the bridge story. East's second-round double shows an opening bid with short hearts. Over four hearts, should West pass, double, or bid four spades? Eric Kokish bid four spades, doubled by North, who cleared the trumps. Kokish won the third, played dummy's club ace and king, and ruffed the club. He then led the diamond jack, ducked by South, and a diamond to the king and ace. South now had to give dummy a diamond entry, allowing declarer to ruff out the clubs, or play a heart, letting declarer score the heart king for his 10th trick. A heart opening lead forces declarer to use one of dummy's trumps prematurely. Now if declarer plays three clubs, then two diamonds, South wins and clears trumps, this time to better effect.

At another table (shown in today's diagram) Kokish's wife, Beverly Kraft, passed four hearts and intelligently led the club nine. East must now take both club winners before declarer can use dummy's second high spade. But East switched to the diamond king at trick two. Curtains for the defense!

The real action on this deal came when the Fourcaudot team was fined a victory point for an incorrect explanation of a conventional bid. That team then was all set to take the last qualifying spot for the knockout, say stages of the event when they themselves pointed out that the scoring penalty had not been included in the totals. So they lost their qualifying place, but gained respect from all the other contestants.

NORTH 06-31-A
♠ A K 5
♥ Q J 9 5
♦ 6 5
♣ Q 10 8 4

EAST J 10 8 2
K 7 4 3
J 8
A K 6 5 3

SOUTH
♠ 9
♥ A 10 8 6 2
♦ A 9 7 4 2
♣ J 2

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: North

The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ Pass 2♥ Pass
4♥ All pass

Opening lead: Club nine

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds: 06-31-B
♠ 9
♥ A 10 8 6 2
♦ A 9 7 4 2
♣ J 2

South West North East
1♥ 2♣ 1♦ Pass
? 2♣ 4♥ Pass

ANSWER: Partner was under some pressure over two spades; he may not deliver as much as you would expect. Nonetheless, you are well worth a cue-bid 2♥ four spades. With any luck, partner may now be able to take control.

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolf," contact kay19072@aol.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bobbywolff@midspring.com.
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