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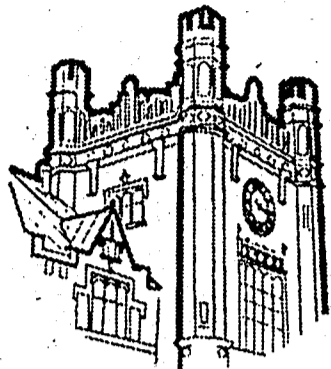
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Hamp puts on another great show

Jazz Festival week ends with strong Saturday night concert

Janet Birdsall and Jeremy Birdsall

Staff

Overcoming a week of bad weather and some misfortunes, the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival rewarded its audience with a great finale Saturday night.

Fog delayed artist's flights, snow closed the highway to Spokane and a car accident in New York prevented Friday's headline artist Tito Puente from appearing. In spite of this, the show went on.

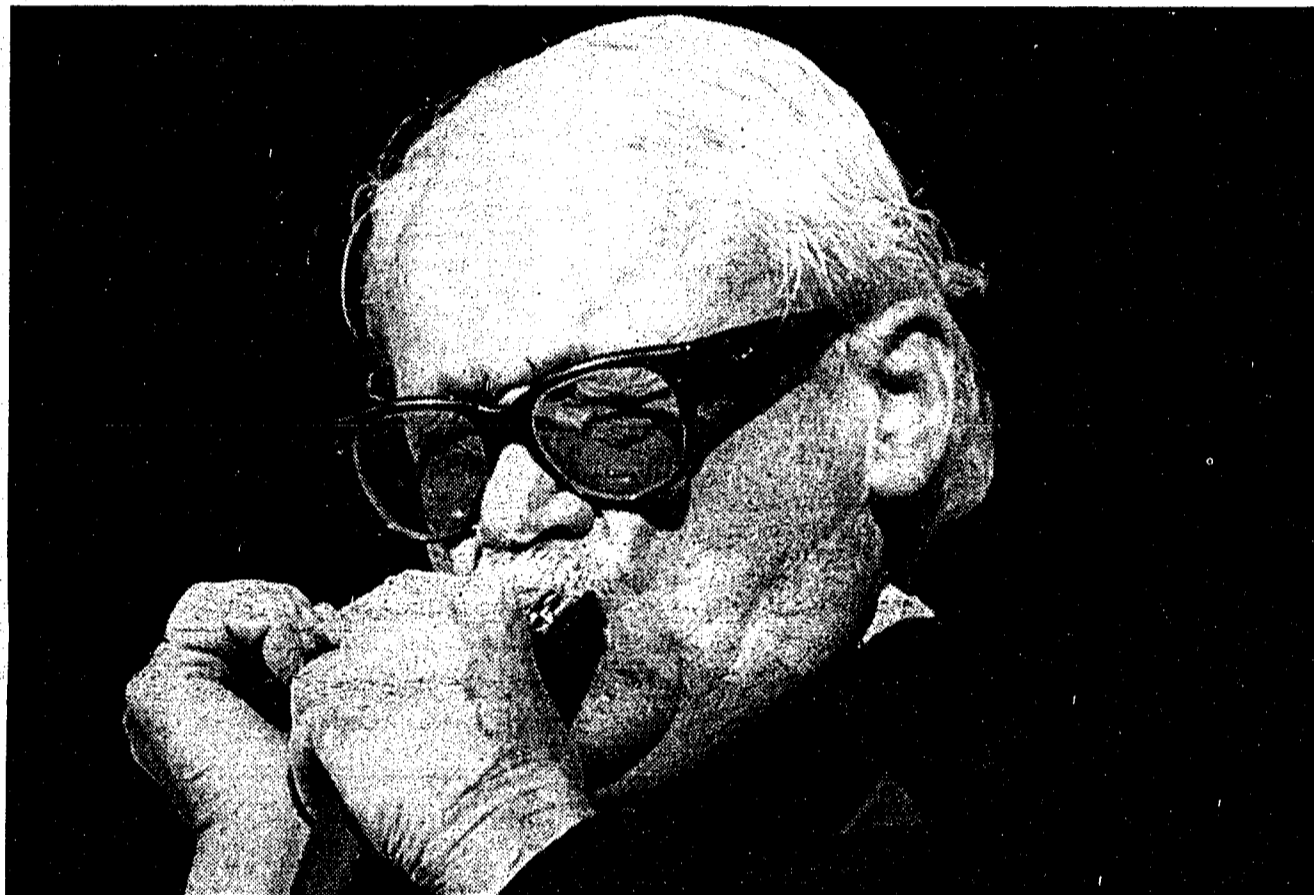
"I'd have to say it was the best-attended and most well-received festival that I've been involved with," said Program Adviser Carolea Webb.

The house band opened the Saturday concert with a rendition of the Flintstone Theme Song.

Hank Jones, Herb Ellis, Elvin Jones and Brian Bromberg have played together as the Festival's house band for several years, and put out a tight sound as a unit.

Brian Bromberg performed an electric bass solo, using mostly slap and two-handed hammer technique, and received a standing ovation. Bromberg is the only instrumentalist who gets the stage to himself for a solo at the Festival.

"Every year I have more fun. I get a chance to be surrounded by people I've idolized my whole life, and I get



Sam Goff

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Toots Thielemans shows his stuff on harmonica during Thursday's Special Guest Concert.

Balanced Budget Amendment seeks to end direct student loans

Christopher Clancy

Staff

As the federal government wrestles in a seemingly endless deadlock over the Balanced Budget Amendment, financial aid departments at universities nationwide are bracing for changes in the Federal Student Aid program.

As part of the Balanced Budget Amendment, both the House and Senate have passed bills, vetoed by President Clinton, to eliminate the

Direct Student Loan Program which allows students to get loans directly from the government.

The amendment, designed to balance the budget and eliminate the federal deficit, could do away with a program that supplies loans for a majority of Idaho students. Without the plan, students will face more complications in receiving and repaying their student loans, said Director of Financial Aid Daniel Davenport.

Under the direct Loan program students are able to borrow money

directly from the federal government. In the old program banks served as middle men, dispersing money and collecting loan origination fees and interest that accounts for 3 to 5 percent of each loan.

At UI, which disperses an average \$20 million in student loans annually, guarantee agencies would collect roughly \$800,000 in loan fees—big money for an industry, currently lobbying congress to try and do away with the direct loan program, said Davenport.

Part of the problem deals with guarantee agencies, the companies that "maintain and collect" those student loans. Under the old system, there could be any number of different loan guarantee agencies, said Davenport, handling each individual student's loans. In order to repay or receive a deferment, some students were obliged to deal with four separate agencies after graduation, since banks are allowed to sell their loans.

In addition, guarantee agencies have more incentive to make people default on their loans when they will receive handsome collection fees provided by the federal government, said Davenport.

In the old program, when a stu-

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Parking sparse in light of festival

Christopher Clancy

Staff

Jazz Fest and all of the commotion associated with it has had at least one unpleasant side effect for students and staff at the University of Idaho—a lack of parking.

The Fest underscored the need for additional parking on campus as many students, desperate for parking spaces often resorted to parking illegally.

"One of the problems has been people parking in lots illegally," said Parking Committee Chair, Lois Pritchett. "Because so many of our parking staff was busy with the Jazz Fest, we weren't able to give tickets as often as we should have."

Late and desperate to get to class students parked illegally at meters and in lots that should be reserved for others, said Pritchett. At \$10 for a meter violation and \$15 for lot violations, the tickets can add up.

Busses, vendors and others in the process of loading and unloading, made it necessary to reserve or close down parking areas that would otherwise have been available to students who drive.

Blue lots were the most impacted by the Festival, while the Student Union parking lot, which is usually open to all color permits, was closed, said Pritchett.

Special events, like the Festival, have always created problems with parking at UI, but in recent years as more and more students have cars, the problem has grown. "Now practically everyone owns a car," said Pritchett.

Many lots situated near fraternities, sororities and apartment complexes stay continually full. Turn-over rates in some lots like the blue lot on Deakin Avenue and University Avenue and blue lot six on College Avenue flow over with cars belonging to students who rarely drive them, Pritchett said.

"I feel that a lot of inner parking areas should be turned in to turn-over lots...students who live in those areas could park in a (protected but) farther away lot," said Pritchett.

While residents of those buildings have permits to park in the lots or in front of their fraternity or sorority, often the result is fewer spaces for commuters driving from off-campus or out of town.

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• **Weather** •

Continued snow showers through the week. Highs in the 20s and lows below zero to about 10.



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Oversight panel would manage grizzlies

BOISE—A majority of the Idaho grizzly management oversight committee backs a proposal to reintroduce bears into the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness under the control of a citizens' panel.

Under the plan, which is backed by three timber industry and two conservation groups, bears would be reintroduced in the wilderness as a nonessential, experimental population.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service grizzly recovery coordinator Chris Servheen said agency officials are leaning toward the proposal.

The citizen committee would decide what happens when there are conflicts between bears and livestock or outdoorsmen, as well as setting the recovery goal for the bears, Servheen said.

The panel also would document conflicts with bears to make recommendations to federal agencies such as the Forest Service.

Seth Diamond of the Intermountain Forest Industry Association said there would be no new restrictions on land management and human activities under the proposal.

Gov. Phil Batt and Attorney General Al Lance have appealed to the state's congressional delegation for help to stop the bear reintroduction. Their presence in north-central Idaho raises the possibility that a variety of land uses will be limited, Lance said.

Lance predicted grizzly reintroduction will exceed wolf recovery in possible conflict. One wolf has been shot in Idaho after two years of Canadian transplants.

Diamond said grizzlies would be released in the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness under the plan. The management area also would include The Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness.

—Associated Press

Crews demolish final building at Bunker Hill

KELLOGG, Idaho—Another piece of northern Idaho mining history is gone.

The 50-foot-high arch of building frame torn down on Thursday was all that remained of the sprawling Bunker Hill lead smelter, except for the smokestacks. Its demolition was a milestone in the cleanup of the country's second-largest Superfund site.

Since the fall of 1994, the Environmental Protection Agency has overseen the steady destruction of more than 100 buildings at the smelter complex.

The two 70-story concrete smokestacks are scheduled to be destroyed May 26 as the centerpiece of a Memorial Day weekend party that coincides with a miners' reunion. Two smaller, older stacks will be taken down a week earlier.

Steel from the demolitions is salvaged and sold, with the proceeds put back into the cleanup project. The rest of the refuse will go into a 30-acre landfill at the site.

About 40 workers are at the Bunker Hill site. Some are stripping asbestos shingles from the zinc smelter to prevent the cancer-causing insulation from flying about when that part of the complex is destroyed.

That intricate maze of steel and machinery will come down by this fall.

Liverman said the entire cleanup will be done within 18 months. Then the land will be turned over to the state.

The Silver Valley Economic Development Corp. hopes to lure new businesses to the site. Two warehouses that might serve a new purpose will be left standing.

Ore concentrate bins at the zinc smelter also will be left intact. The Shoshone County road department plans to store gravel there.

—Associated Press

Rep. Pete Black will not seek re-election

POCATELLO, Idaho—Citing a desire to concentrate on finishing school, Rep. Pete Black, D-Pocatello, said he intends to put his 14-year political career on hold and not seek re-election this fall.

Black, 49, who is House Assistant Minority Leader, is the second representative from District 34 to make such an announcement this week.

Elaine Hofman, D-Pocatello, also said that she would not seek re-election. Black and Hofman were two of 13 Democrats in the 70-member legislative body.

"I have been working on my master's degree in Education Administration, and I have reached the point in my program where I must concentrate on my studies," said Black, who works as a teacher and librarian at Syringa and Chubbuck elementary schools.

"There is continual self-debate about leaving, but it is important for my personal career and perhaps it is time for a different voice to be heard."

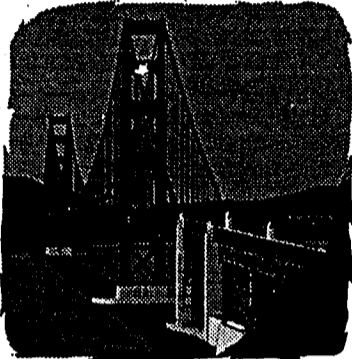
Black added that it would take two years for him to complete school, at which time he may seek elected office again.

—Associated Press



Security guards to patrol Golden Gate to prevent suicides

SAN FRANCISCO—Security guards will begin patrolling the Golden Gate Bridge on April 1 to help prevent people from leaping off the landmark span.



The Golden Gate Bridge District Board of Directors voted Friday to spend \$164,300 a year for a daily patrol.

More than 1,000 people have jumped to their deaths since the structure was opened in 1937.

At least one guard will patrol the pedestrian walkway for eight to 12 hours each day. The board will review the program in six months to determine its effectiveness.

Bridge police Capt. Ron Garcia, who will oversee the new program, warned that it should not be seen as a way to end all suicides on the bridge.

"Not everyone who comes out here to commit suicide shows outward signs of it," Garcia said. "But for those who do, we stand a better chance of picking up someone sooner."

—Associated Press



Iraq honors those who killed Saddam Hussein's sons-in-law

BAGHDAD, Iraq—Two men killed while gunning down Iraq's most famous defectors—Saddam Hussein's sons-in-law—were hailed as martyrs Saturday and honored with a state funeral.

A red, white and black Iraqi flag was draped over the attackers' coffins as they were paraded through the streets of Baghdad in an open hearse.

The defectors were among nine people shot dead when clan members stormed their home Friday, unleashing a gun battle in a middle-class neighborhood in the southern part of Baghdad.

The shootout brought an end to the bizarre saga of the al-Majids, both top-level officials who defected to neighboring Jordan six months ago and vowed to topple the Iraqi leader. They returned to Iraq with their wives Tuesday in the apparent belief they had been forgiven.

The Iraqi media portrayed Friday's attack as a spontaneous uprising by the al-Majid clan, or extended family, against the defectors, for staining the family honor.

But outside Iraq, Saddam's critics blamed the slayings on his government.

The Iraqi media eulogized two slain attackers—cousins of the defectors—as "heroes who met martyrdom while chopping off the heads of failed traitors." They were later buried in Tikrit, Saddam's hometown north of Baghdad.

—Associated Press

Report on executions includes criticism of U.S. death row cases

GENEVA—From death squads executing street children in Brazil to alleged use of condemned prisoners as organ donors in China, a new U.N. report says governments around the world—including the United States—continue to violate the right to life.

A special investigation by the U.N. Commission on Human Rights into executions around the world documents 820 cases in 94 countries in which victims were executed without a trial. The report was published Friday.

Investigator Bacre Waly Ndiaye said he finds "particularly disturbing" reports that the United States is imposing the death penalty on mentally retarded or ill people.

Ndiaye also said he was concerned that "many of the death sentences (in the United States) continue to be handed down after trials which fall short of international guarantees for a fair trial."

He said six people in the United States were reportedly given death sentences despite doubts about their guilt, four were allegedly not given an adequate defense, and three were allegedly sentenced to death after a trial "marked by racial bias."

Ndiaye also requested a visit to India to investigate hundreds of deaths in custody under torture or by indiscriminate shooting by police. Many of the victims are minors.

—Associated Press

Navy jet crashes, one crew member killed, two others injured

SAN DIEGO—The USS Kitty Hawk steamed back to port Sunday under a Pacific Fleet stand-down ordered after one of its radar-jamming jets crashed into the ocean during a training exercise.

Saturday's crash, the eighth involving a Navy aircraft in two months, left a crew member dead, two injured and fourth lost at sea.

The EA-6B "Prowler" was 40 miles from the Kitty Hawk when it plunged into the sea 150 miles from San Diego. The cause of the crash was under investigation.

The Naval Air Station Whidbey Island in Washington state, where the squadron was based, identified the dead crewmember as Lt. Cmdr. James M. Dee, 35, of New York City. Pilot, Lt. Thomas R. Francis, 26, of Fountain Valley, Calif., was missing and presumed dead.

Lt. Charles E. Luttrell, 35, of Oak Harbor, Wash., was in stable condition and Lt. Derrick J. Busse, 29, of Escondido, Calif., was in good condition.

Pacific Fleet Vice Admiral Brent M. Bennett ordered a two-day stand-down for all 1,600 aircraft stationed at 79 squadrons on the West Coast, Hawaii, Guam and Japan. The aircraft were ordered to undergo a 48-hour safety tests.

It was unclear if any of the Prowler crew ejected but those aboard the F-14D from the Carl Vinson did not, Hartung said.

—Associated Press

Announcements

University Roundtable

"Confronting Slave Castles of Africa," will be the topic of the University Roundtable at 12:30 p.m. on Feb. 28 in the Student Union Ballroom.

The discussion will be lead by Ms. Pam Smith, a political communications consultant and former director of the 1988 Jesse Jackson presidential campaign.

Smith recently returned from Africa where she worked as a volunteer teacher and educational consultant. While in Africa Smith also studied U.S. slave trade through oral interviews and archival research. She also visited slave ports in Ghana, Senegal and Benin.

Cooperative Ed holds weekly orientation

Cooperative Education is holding an orientation today, from 12:30 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. For more information call 885-5822.

SNEA to meet

The Student National Education Association meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. March 4 in the Student Union Silver and Gold Room. This is an informational meeting for all students interested in the NEA. There will be a special guest speaker and refreshments will be served. Please contact the College of Ed at 885-

6773 to RSVP or to have any questions answered.

UI Career Services holds workshops

The UI Career Services Center is offering a workshop Feb. 27 at 11:30 a.m. to help prepare students for interviews. Later, at 3:30 p.m. Career Services will hold a workshop to assist students in their off-campus job searches.

All workshops are free but pre-registration is requested. For more information, visit the Career Services Center or call 885-6121.

Spring Career Lecture features Richard N. Bolles

This year's Inaugural Spring Career Lecture will feature author Richard N. Bolles, author of *What Color is Your Parachute?* Bolles will speak Feb. 28 at 7 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom.

1996 Summer Job and Internship Fair

The 1996 Summer Job and Internship Fair will be held Feb. 28 from noon to 4 p.m. in the Ballroom of the Compton Union Building at Washington State

University. All interested students are encouraged to attend. For more information call Diane or Joan in the UI Cooperative Education at 885-5822.

Do you want an internship in Boise?

Cooperative Education is holding a workshop called "Do you want an internship in Boise?" on Feb. 29 from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Brink Hall Faculty Lounge.

Dianna Gibney, job developer and coordinator at UI Cooperative Education in Boise, will discuss internship opportunities available in the Boise area. She will also answer questions to find out students' interests. Following the presentation, students will have the chance to mingle with Gibney and discuss internship possibilities in Boise.

How to resolve everyday conflicts

The UI Enrichment Program is holding a course designed to help resolve everyday conflicts effectively on Tuesdays and Thursdays, starting March 5 through March 14, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Problem solving skills to help keep track with everyday personal goals and plans will be taught.

There is a \$49 fee. For more information contact the UI Enrichment Program at 885-6486.

who the hell are you?

Philosophy professor broadens his horizons

Alissa Arndt
Staff

Dr. Nick Gier, professor of philosophy and coordinator of the fledgling religious studies minor, has returned this semester from a seven-month leave of absence that took him out of the country and supplied him with time to work on personal projects.

Gier has previously taken three sabbaticals in his 24 years at the University of Idaho during which he completed two books and worked on a third.

Gier said he likes to get out of town and country when possible. "The more exotic the place the better, it sort of opens up your mind," he said. He added that traveling allows him to make valuable connections and meet new people.

Funded by the Martin Institute for Peace Studies and Conflict Resolution, Gier's most recent trip

took him to the University of Queensland in Australia for three and a half months. There he worked in the religious studies department with two specialists in Hinduism and Buddhism doing research for his next two books, *Spiritual Titanism of the East* and *The Virtue of Non-Violence - from Gautama to Gandhi*. Gier also presented some guest lectures while there, but his main devotion was to his projects.

At the end of September, Gier traveled to Calcutta, India, to catch the Goddess Festival held yearly in October. Temporary temples are erected all over the city in honor of the goddess Durga. Inside the temples are four or five clay statues surrounding a statue of the goddess. The grand finale of the festival consists of all the statues being taken to the nearest body of water, often the Ganges river, and being immersed to melt away.

After Varanasi, Gier traveled north to New Delhi where he concentrated on *The Virtue of Non-Violence*. He spent a month researching Gandhi's philosophy at the Gandhi Peace Foundation and the University of Delhi. He lectured, wrote two papers and presented his papers while there.

Gier then traveled south to Bangalore where he was a guest at the United Theological College and had access to one of the best libraries in South India.

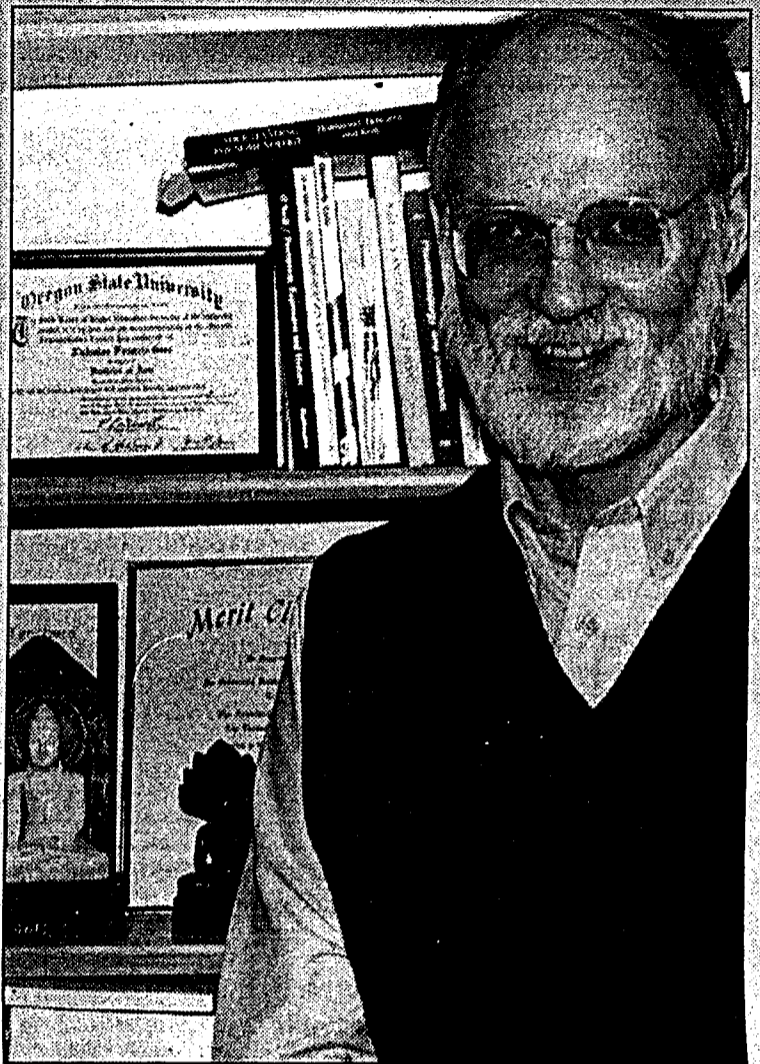
Near the end of his trip Gier did allow himself some time for sight seeing in the south western state of Kerala. He also switched back to his other project on Titanism and completed 85 percent of it enabling him to send it off for review. He then returned home for the spring semester.

Gier teaches the Eastern philosophy series, Existentialism, philosophy of the arts and ethics at UI.

UI faculty are eligible to compete for sabbaticals every seven years by submitting proposals to the sabbatical leave committee. Gier always tries to take advantage of these opportunities for travel and research.

His previous sabbaticals have taken him to Denmark, Thailand, China, India and Japan. His next trip will be in 1999. While on sabbatical faculty either receive half salary for a full year off or full salary for a semester off.

Although Gier's most recent trip was a leave of absence rather than a sabbatical, he still received half salary and continues at half salary through this semester in order to stay on the pay roll for the entire year.



Sam Goff

Dr. Nick Gier just returned from a seven month sabbatical to visit Australia and devote time to personal projects.

Despite the cut in pay Gier said it is worth it for the amount of work he is able to accomplish. Gier said, "If you use your

imagination and are willing to have a few adventures sabbaticals provide a really neat opportunity for faculty."

East meets West in holistic fitness ideas

Shawn Vidmar
Staff

A new way of staying fit has come to the Palouse. In accordance with a national trend, fitness gurus are developing ways to integrate the mind and the body. They are looking at fitness holistically.

For the past few decades, people have mindlessly exercised isolated muscle groups. The aerobics classes, weight training and fitness machines often exercise muscle mass without delving into the intrinsic muscles which help you move synchronously. What began as Non-Impact Aerobics and evolved into Neuro-muscular Integrative Action, NIA for short, is now taught in Moscow.

NIA focuses on ways to "release emotional tension, unlock the body, mind and the spirit...done properly, tensions naturally leave the body to help us become stronger and more flexible," according to the NIA philosophy. It also states that "Fitness is an art. Fitness is a feeling that promotes wellness, healing and health." For those who are tired of merely going to the gym and doing the same rou-

tine, this is a healthy alternative.

NIA is the site where Eastern and Western philosophies merge for a synergistic effect. As stated in the filer, it blends movements, concepts and theories from many cultures including the "concentration of tai-chi, the dynamic poses of yoga, the explosive power of the martial arts and the grace and spontaneity of modern and ethnic dance."

The dances include tae-kwon-do, aikido, jazz, Duncan and modern. Students also learn how to view and move the body as a whole by using Systemic movement, Somatics, Roling, the Alexander technique and Feldenkrais (the conscious feeling of movement). At the base of this is the breathing technique.

The founders believe that anyone at any fitness level can participate in NIA. The founders believe "mind/body fitness should be pleasurable and never feel like punishment." The old adage "No Pain, No Gain" is out no longer the only option. NIA is in primarily with focusing on the pleasures of movement.

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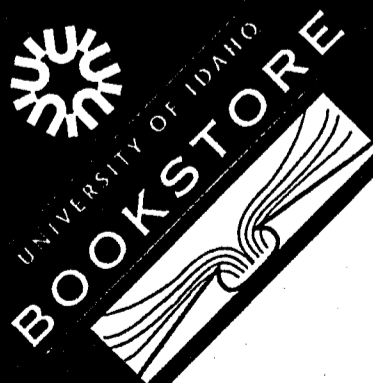
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Student diagnosed with meningitis

Jennifer Eng
Staff

Early Monday morning a student was diagnosed with the serious and sometimes fatal meningitis infection.

Dr. Donald Chin, the director of Student Health Services, said the student was diagnosed with meningococcal meningitis, a treatable form of bacterial meningitis.

"It can be very very serious and can move very quickly," Chin said.

Chin also said this infection of the brain can lead to shock and in some cases the disease can be fatal.

The bacteria causing the young woman's disease is called Neisseria Meningitidis and organism which an estimated 15 percent of the population carries.

Chin said they are not sure why some people get the meningitis disease while others do not. The bacteria is spread by direct contact with an infected person.

Public health officials and Student Health are concerned at this time about this disease spread-

ing because the young woman lives in a sorority.

Meningitis is contagious and can be passed to people living in close quarters with an infected person, like in a sorority, fraternity or other university residence, Chin said.

"When there are close crowded conditions, we get worried," Chin said. Chin emphasized the infection can only be spread through direct contact and not occasional contact (i.e. a classroom setting).

Alice Vollbrecht, an epidemiologist with the North Central District Health Department in Lewiston said, "The disease is transmitted through close personal contact through droplets from the nose and mouth of the infected person. Close contact includes spending four hours or more in a room with an infected person, kissing or sharing food, beverages or cigarettes. Casual contacts are not at risk."

Vollbrecht said, "Meningococcal meningitis is an acute bacterial disease characterized by a sudden onset with fever, intense headache,

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Moscow gets relief for flooded sewer

Zachary Smith
Staff

Moscow residents whose homes were damaged from the sewer backups caused by the recent flooding are to receive federal disaster assistance, U.S. Senator Dirk Kempthorne announced last week.

The region-wide flooding caused the Moscow sewer system's capacity to be overrun. Up to five times the normal volume inundated the system and hundreds of Moscow homes experienced sewer line backups resulting in effluent discharge into the residences.

The sewer system's 60-year-old clay-tile pipes experienced "infiltration" from illegal hookups and tremendous groundwater seepage, said Ellis Parkins, collection supervisor for the Moscow Water Department.

"The lines were surcharged, which means that they were running at more than 100 percent," Parkins said.

The insurance carrier for the city of Moscow determined the damage

claims were not covered by the city's policy. The policy covers damage as a result of a system failure, not as a result of a natural disaster.

Originally, when the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) was petitioned for assistance, they said that the Moscow residents who suffered damages from the sewer backups did not qualify. However, Senator Kempthorne intervened on behalf of the homeowners and explained that the damage was caused by the flood. After Senator Kempthorne's efforts, FEMA changed the eligibility status of the claims, thereby qualifying them for disaster grant assistance.

"The residents had nowhere to turn," Kempthorne said. "This is an appropriate role for the federal government to play to assist communities. I appreciate FEMA's willingness to work with the residents, and I'm pleased with their rapid response to my inquiries."

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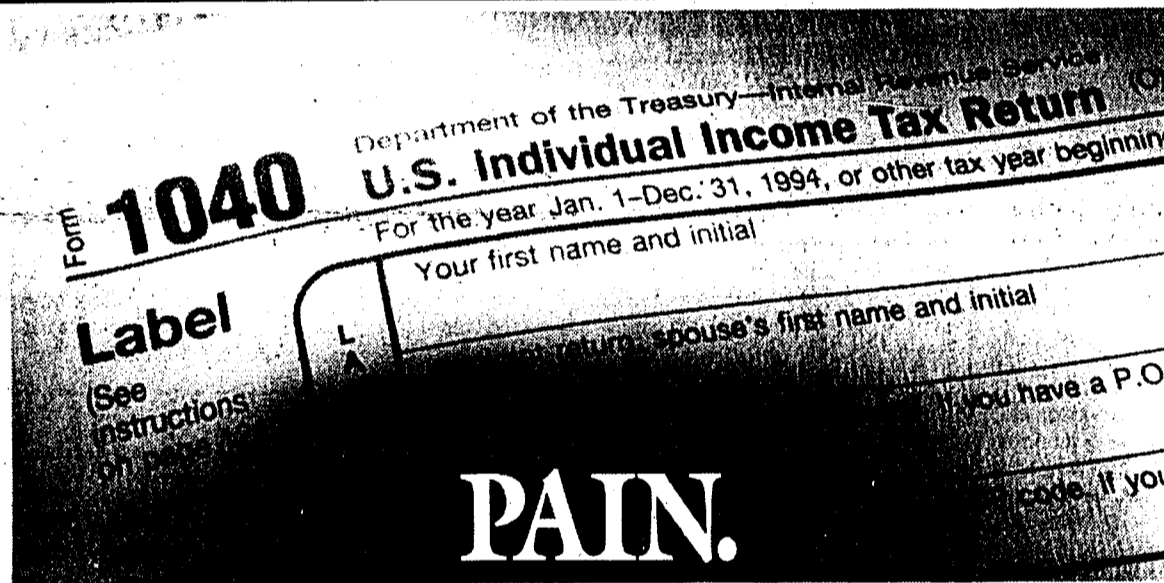
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Joa Harrison

Engineering students fine tune the UI Hybrid Electric Vehicle before mounting on the shell and doors. Eighteen students will be traveling to Phoenix, Ariz., this week to compete in an international electric vehicle race.

**Clinton and Gates:
The two Bills tout the
glories of technology**

Associated Press

SEATTLE—President Clinton, hoping to nail down Washington's electoral votes in November, played to popular themes in his second visit to the state in less than two weeks: jobs, free trade, protection of old-growth timber and the glories of the computer chip.

Clinton drew a hearty welcome Saturday in the state's most dependably Democratic city, sharing the stage at Shoreline Community College with state and local politicians.

Clinton is expected to sweep the state's Democratic caucuses next week and the non-binding primary later in March. He carried the West Coast states in 1992 and says they'll be a crucial battleground again this time.

The president shared the day with a local boy-made-good: billionaire Microsoft Corp. founder Bill Gates.

The two Bills, Gates wryly called himself "Bill, not the politician," headlined both the main campaign-style rally of about 2,000 cheering partisans and a private roundtable discussion aimed at showing that technology and training can compensate for the downsizing and job losses that technology causes.

Clinton called Gates a shining example of a good corporate citizen who is working with government and educators to make sure that the revolutionary changes in the workplace are the "tide that raises all boats," rather than impoverishing or displacing workers.

Clinton called the huge restructuring of the economy "a 100-year change," and quoted Gates as calling the advent of the computer chip the most important event of the past 500 years.

But while the president and Gates both were optimistic about the

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FEMA's original ruling on the eligibility of the claims stemmed from a "misinterpretation of the program," said Ellis Burton, public affairs official for FEMA's federal disaster office in Idaho. Burton insists that there was never a disagreement over the eligibility of the claims. FEMA simply "changed the interpretation" of the claims, said Burton.

"There are two main things a victim needs to concentrate on now," Burton said, "filing an application

with FEMA and filling out the Small Business Association (SBA) loan application that is sent to them."

The loan applications must be filled out by everyone seeking assistance regardless of the desire for a loan. Assistance can also come from grants based on need; however, that assistance has limitations, Burton said. Grant money may only be able to make the home livable again.

Victims should contact FEMA at

1-800-462-9029 to apply for assistance. FEMA inspectors will be on-site within 10 days. While waiting, FEMA encourages victims to take pictures of the damage for documentation.

Homeowners with other questions should direct them to FEMA's help-line at 1-800-525-0321 or to the local Disaster Recovery Center which opened up on Monday. The Disaster Recovery Center is located in the Eastside Marketplace in Moscow.

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Just plain folks get their day at week-long conference

Associated Press

WASHINGTON—The Seventh American Forest Congress belonged to the citizen delegates on this day—the Oregon furniture-maker, the Iowa college student, the New York City mother.

"I'm concerned that we are not managing for old-growth and it's not going to be available for any of the uses we need it for," Eric Carlson, owner of Luckiamute River Woodworking in Philomath, Ore., said Wednesday.

Carlson has been making furniture and cabinets out of native, old-growth trees for about 10 years.

"Large corporations are growing only short rotations of trees," he said—planting trees that grow to marketable size in 40 to 60 years to maximize volume. "That's not valued added. It just creates wood pulp and 2-by-4s. That's not creating jobs anymore."

Carlson is among 1,400 delegates participating in the week-long forest conference, which has been held every 20 years or so since 1882. The delegates include timber-industry officers, environmental activists, professional foresters, loggers and owners of small

parcels of land.

"But most of them are just plain folks who care about forests," said Jared Cohon, an organizer of the conference and dean of the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies.

"They are drawn from every walk of life and every conceivable view of forests and how they should be used, or not used," he said.

Past conferences were keyed to speeches by government and industry officials. "Just plain folks" were not invited.

"As far as we know, no one ever attempted anything like this before," Cohon said.

Participants were divided up Wednesday for a brainstorming session, assigned to 10-member round-table working groups by a computer program intended to maximize diversity.

Their goal: to produce by Saturday a set of principles and goals for future U.S. forest policy.

"It is democracy in progress," said Jane Difley of the Vermont Natural Resources Council in Montpelier, Vt., a former head of

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Feelin' Groovy



John "Bucky" Pizzarelli plays guitar during last Thursday's Special Guest Concert.

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The founders feel that through integrating the mind and body, that the body begins working as a complete entity. Every movement is directly related to every other movement, and for some it has improved coordination and grace.

Britta von Tagen is the local NIA instructor. She received her undergraduate degree at UI, and is currently working on an Education degree. She was introduced to NIA by her mother in Portland, Ore.,

who termed the course as "Earth Woman Dance Class." Many things guided Britta to become an instructor; curiosity, pleasure, earth signs, and being in the right place at the right time.

Britta is a former triathlete. She competed for three years, and although she still loves swimming, biking and running, she cannot imagine being that competitive again.

"I didn't like the way my body

moved...it was powerful, but almost in a counterproductive way." She is currently teaching a group of friends as a test group.

She said, "You know, every time we have class we all become more powerful, as a group and individually."

von Tagen will begin to hold bigger classes at the Moscow Community Enrichment Center starting in March. Watch for the flyers announcing the class times.

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nausea and often vomiting, stiff neck and frequently a rash."

Chin said the most noticeable symptom is the stiff neck. The stiff neck, is not like a regular "pillow stiff neck," said Chin, but it is sore and very stiff.

If a person thinks they may have meningitis, they are strongly advised to seek medical attention immediately. Chin said once an infected person begins to experience the stiff neck their medical condition can rapidly deteriorate.

Chin said people who have symptoms need to seek medical attention because physicians need to begin treating the illness as quickly as possible and to let the health

department know about other cases.

The incubation period of meningitis is three to four days, however in some cases the incubation period may take longer.

The North Central District Health Department and Asotin Health Department have reported six other cases of this type of meningitis in North Idaho since December 1995. As of Monday evening Chin said there were no other reported cases on the UI campus.

Vollbrecht said, "So far we have been unable to link these cases to a common source." Chin said this infection is in no way related to poor hygiene or the recent flood.

To prevent others from develop-

ing this disease, Student Health can give people one dose of an antibiotic which eliminates possible infection. Every woman from the sorority of the infected woman and others in close contact with her have been treated.

If a person suspects they may have meningitis or have questions regarding this infection they can call Student Health Services at 885-6693. Inquiries can also be directed to Vollbrecht or Lisa Eddy at (208) 799-3100.

At this time there was no word about the young woman's condition. She was flown to a hospitable in Spokane for treatment on Monday.



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to play music with them. I hope I keep coming back, but I hope they don't get sick of me," said Brian Bromberg.

Following intermission, the instrumental solo contest winners played with Hampton, and then the Lionel Hampton New York Big Band appeared. This was Hampton's best performance of the festival.

Jazz Choir II from the Lionel Hampton School of Music sang *This Man*, a tribute to Hampton, composed and conducted by Dr. Lynn Skinner, executive director of the festival.

Idaho Gov. Phil Batt made a surprise appearance, playing clarinet with Hampton on vibes. Hampton's humor came out as he joked with Batt, inviting him to get out of politics and join the band.

The night's headlining soloist

was Diane Reeves, whose stunning stage presence was complemented by her full voice and precise pitch. Her blues encore was rewarded by a standing ovation and a bouquet of roses from Hampton.

For the first time all week, a hush fell over the group gathered backstage as Hampton sang Louis Armstrong's *What a Wonderful World*, his perennial ending to his festival.

"Of all the clients I've handled over so many years, Lionel Hampton and this festival are two of the most rewarding. Lionel is a great jazz giant and a beloved man. I feel very gifted to be able to work with him," said Virginia Wicks, national publicist. Wicks has represented such artists as Marilyn Monroe, Grace Kelly, Benny Goodman and Dizzy Gillespie.

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Every year I have more fun. I get a chance to be surrounded by people I've idolized my whole life, and I get to play music with them. I hope I keep coming back.

—Brian Bromberg
bass player

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dent defaulted on a loan, the guarantee agencies would be allowed a 120-day period to collect. If at the end of that time they failed to collect on the defaulted loan, the government would give the agency 27 percent of the original loan amount to try again. The result is a potential profit of 31 percent of the original loan amount for the agency, while the government absorbs the loss, refunding the full amount of the loan when agencies fail to collect. It amounts to "corporate welfare," said Davenport.

Under the Direct Student Loan Program, the university itself determines and updates student eligibility and electronically transfers money directly from the Federal

Reserve to student accounts at UI. The Financial Aid Department collects a \$10 fee at the time that the loan is processed as opposed to the 3 to 5 percent fees collected by banks and guaranty agents and there is only one guarantee agency to deal with so students never have to hunt down their loans, said Davenport.

ASUI passed a resolution supporting the direct loan program while university officials, including president Bell, have asked Idaho congressmen for support of the program.

While it seems to be a party issue between Republicans, who oppose the program, and democrats supporting it, the elimination of the

Direct Student Loan Program is an issue that Idaho representatives and congress members have yet to support, said Davenport.

In an email message, Sen. Larry Craig wrote that the elimination of the program would save money that could be then used to resolve the deficit without affecting student financial aid eligibility or funding. Craig supports the Balanced Budget Amendment and the elimination of the direct loan program, that he says "will get the federal government out of the loan business."

"The information that I have indicates that if the law is left alone it would actually save about \$4.3 billion," said Davenport.

PARKING • FROM PAGE 1

"Those lots do allow overnight parking... it wouldn't be in anyone's best interest to restrict overnight parking in those lots... a lot of the people living in those buildings do own cars and need a place to park them." However, blue lot number 36 on Deakin Avenue is one of the lots where changes are being considered, said Manager of Parking and Information Services, Pamela Alsterlund.

The availability of permits has also played a role, as better permits sell out quickly. Many commuting students find themselves parking as

far away as the Kibbie Dome when red or better permits aren't available.

"One solution might be to add a central parking garage," Pritchett said, while other solutions will take the form of adding a lot to existing property located between Sweet and College Avenue. The new lot, under construction, will be a blue lot and should ease the load on other lots, said Alsterlund, though construction has run in to financial and weather related difficulties. "Basically it's under water right now," Alsterlund said.

Inevitably, the problem will have

to be addressed by the UI administration, Pritchett said. "I'm not sure if the administration has been able to look at the problem. We try to send them recommendations, but any changes have to go through the administration. Any changes are in higher hands than the Parking Committee," Pritchett said.

An open forum will be held March 7 at 10 a.m. in the Student Union. During the four-hour meeting students, faculty and staff will be invited to share concerns and make recommendations to the committee, Alsterlund said.

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future of the nation's "human capital," Clinton noted that some workers' salaries are stagnant even as they are being asked to do more.

"Embrace it, work through it, and don't stop until every single American citizen benefits," the president said.

"Our challenge is not to back up or give up, but to go ahead."

Gates announced a \$10 million donation of software to the state's community college system. He gave the crowd a rambling, owlish presentation about technology, the Internet and education, complete with slides he called "technical ... the kind of stuff I like."

He teased Clinton by flashing a slide showing the White House's computer "home page" and another "really neat" home page about the job market the president might like. "He's already got a job!" shouted a man in the audience. The crowd roared its approval.

Clinton was interrupted at the start of his 20-minute speech by a heckler who wanted him to do more to protect old-growth timber.

"We've listened to you. Now it's our turn," the president shot back.

Under pressure from environmentalists, Clinton called for partial repeal of legislation he signed last summer that insulated from environmental review the logging of dead and dying timber in national forests in Washington and else-

where. Critics say that so-called "salvage logging rider" has led to the cutting down of prized old-growth trees in Washington and elsewhere.

The administration now says it did not anticipate the broad sweep of exemptions under the rider.

"We believe there should be a repeal of cutting in ancient, old-growth forests," White House press secretary Mike McCurry said. He said the administration will ask Congress either for replacement timber allocations for companies with valid contracts to cut in old-growth forests, or buyout authority to stop the cutting.

Paul Cerda, an English teacher at Shoreline CC, said after the speech, "We thought it was great. We were thrilled."

Andrea Rye, chair of the intra-American studies and social science division at Shoreline, said, "I thought it was phenomenal to have the president of the United States put his stamp of approval on education. It almost makes up for our skimpy little salaries."

Clinton's visit came 10 days after he toured the flood-ravaged southwest Washington community of Woodland.

The visit also came little more than a week before the state's Democratic caucuses. The state also has a non-binding "beauty contest" primary on March 26.

Now here's some REAL babes



Lauri Davidson, Andrea Seim and Lindsay Bower take time out from watching "Babe Watch" for a picture. Sam Goff

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the Society of American Foresters.

"It's an eye-opener for everybody," said Michael Arndt of Tacoma, Wash., a member of the Pulp & Paperworkers Resource Council. "It's not so much what you hear. It's just the idea of sitting down at the table together and discussing our thoughts."

Loran Ramsey, a forestry student at Iowa State University, participated in a local preliminary round table but didn't anticipate the myriad forest issues being raised here.

"I was overwhelmed. Everyone has got their own personal problem from their particular region," she said.

Lisa Beaudoin, a forest conservationist from New York City with her 7-week-old son asleep on her shoulder, was at a table with delegates from New Hampshire, Nebraska, Connecticut, Mississippi and Washington state.

"We have plenty of areas to cut already. We have few protected forests," she said.

A few tables away, Dave Halley, who works at a Potlatch Corp. mill in Lewiston, Idaho, was arguing

another point of view.

"My whole life has been timber. My dad went to work for the company I work for on the day I was born," Halley said. "The human face of this is very easy for the other side to overlook."

Forest Service Chief Jack Ward Thomas participated in one of the round tables.

"The thing I'm impressed with is everybody is engaged in the conversation. They're not just sitting there with their arms crossed, jaw jutted, yelling 'No way,'" Thomas said.

"The one thing that everybody in there agrees on is that they are in love with forests and they want to pass them on to their children," he said in an interview during a break.

"There's a lot more common ground than people thought," said David Johnson, stewardship forester for Minnesota's Department of Natural Resources in Detroit Lakes, Minn.

"I'm the field forester—the guy that puts on the snowshoes and tromps around the woods.... It's one big ecosystem. We can't man-

age one part without considering other parts."

Regardless of whether common goals can be agreed upon, participants said the gathering was proving productive.

"Part of it is just sitting down and showing that I don't have horns," said Jerry Greenberg, a spokesman for The Wilderness Society.

John Heissenbuttel, vice president for the American Forest & Paper Association, said he was "delighted to be here, and 24 hours ago I couldn't have told you if I'd be delighted to be here."

"All the stakeholders were very anxious and very apprehensive about the Forest Congress process. The feeling I get from the (conference) floor is the anxiety level is decreasing," he said.

Chuck Wells, a member of the forest-conservation group Friends of the Winema in Chiloquin, Ore., was at a table with a regional Forest Service official, a professor from the University of Alabama, a high school girl from Idaho, and four commercial industrial foresters.

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We need representation in the presidential search

The search is on to find a new University of Idaho president, and the interviews with the five finalists begins this week—today in fact.

The university and Moscow community will have the chance to meet with the prospective candidates starting this afternoon.

Larry Branan, UI professor of Food Science and Toxicology, will be the first finalist to hold a public forum. He will speak today from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. The remaining four finalists will hold public forums spread out over the next two weeks—which will be listed at the end of this column.

The point of all this? I want to express how important I think it is for the members of the university community to attend these public forums. It is important for us to ask questions of these five finalists and to find out if they are the man for

the job. (I can say that, because—unfortunate as it may be—there aren't any female finalists.)

What do I think we should look for in a university president? Well, I think it's important that the president gets along well with the students, faculty and staff at UI. I'll use former UI President Elisabeth Zinser—who is now chancellor at the University of Kentucky—as an example. If memory serves right, a big problem that most faculty, staff and students had with Zinser was a communication problem. People didn't think she was personable enough.

I also feel the university president should work for the best interests of the university. Zinser tried her damndest to keep the engineering program down at Boise State University under UI control, but once she left politics and money took over and the program slipped out of UI's hands. Zinser

was a tough lady when it came to fighting for the university, but she just wasn't the personable type.

After we meet with these finalists, who want to represent our university, we should flood the state Board of Education with letters. We need to let them know who we want to represent us. Don't sit around thinking, "What difference is it going to make whether or not I attend these forums, and then write letters to the state Board of Education? They probably won't listen to us anyway." Thinking like that will get us nowhere.

We need to make our voices heard.

We lost our engineering program at BSU to politics and money. Maybe we could have made some kind of difference in the engineering debate, but we didn't have the notice or time to respond to this subject. Let's not throw away our

chance to make a difference in who will be our university president.

The following four finalists will be on campus from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on these days and places: Hobson Wildenthal, University of Texas provost, will be here on March 5 in the Student Union Ballroom; Robert Hoover, University of Nevada vice president for academic affairs and professor of political science, will be here on March 8 in the Vandal Lounge; J. Kirk Sullivan, Boise Cascade vice president for governmental and environmental affairs, will be here on March 11 in the Student Union Ballroom; and Nicholas L. Henry, president of Georgia Southern University—Statesboro, will be here on March 12 also in the Student Union Ballroom.

We need to take a stand.
—Shelby Dopp

Cubans way out of line

Portification



Corinne Flowers

Two American planes were shot down off the coast of Cuba on Saturday. The planes were small Cessnas piloted by members of Brothers to the Rescue, a refugee rescue group based in Florida.

Cuban officials claim the two unarmed civilian planes were shot down because they were violating Cuban airspace.

Jose Basulto, founder and spokesman of the rescue group, was in a third plane and watched as his friends were shot down over international waters.

International waters. As in those not owned nor policed by Cuba.

The United Nations Council is deciding if it should reprimand Cuba for unlawful use of force. If approved, sanctions against Cuba would include restriction of flights, cessation of money transfers and economic embargo.

Warren Christopher, the U.S. Secretary of State, claims that this is a blatant violation of international law.

Over 100 people protested Cuba's actions outside the Cuban embassy in New York.

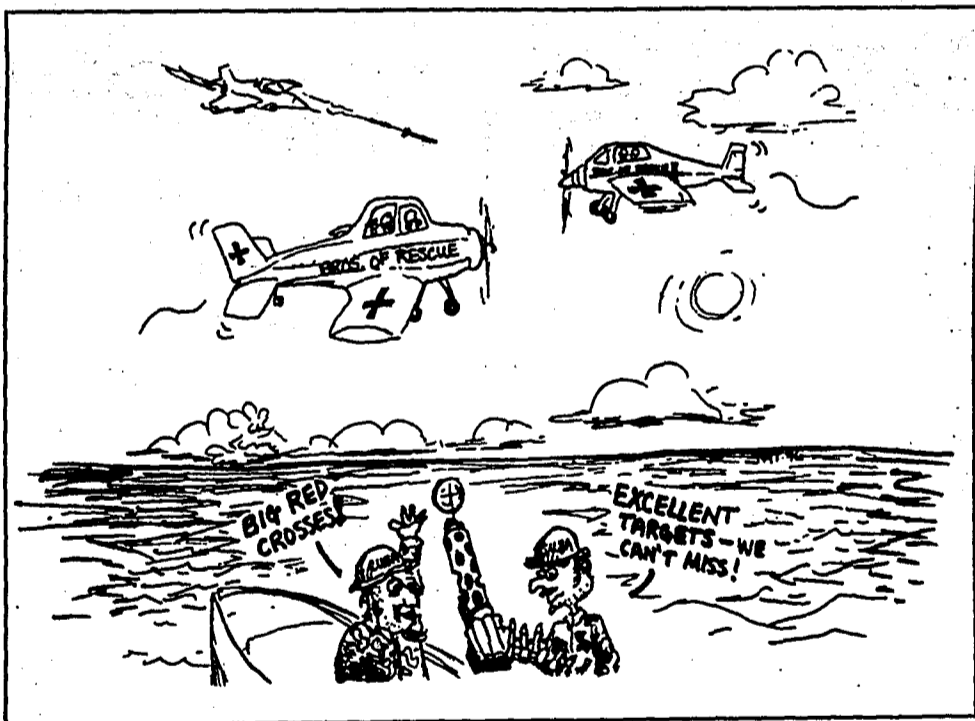
These actions simply cannot be tolerated. Cuba has long been a small but painful thorn in the side of the United States.

I am not much of a patriot, but killing innocent civilians for no other reason than to set an example (read flex our military might) goes beyond the boundaries of territories and countries.

Cuba had absolutely no right to attack those planes, and video tape of the wreckage floating in international waters proves it.

The planes were not in any way a threat to Cuban safety or security. What they were a threat to is the system of government that continues to subjugate and enslave its people.

Even if the planes had flown right into Havana and loaded up with people the Cuban government would have been wrong in



attacking them. It is obvious to everyone but Cuba that its people don't want to stay there.

It's also obvious to everyone but Cuba that these are humanitarian efforts done by non-violent people.

And apparently it's obvious to only me what needs to be done about it.

Fidel Castro has been in power for long enough. Too long, in fact. It's time to get it together and shake things up.

The United States is not the police of the world, and more often than not military action leads to undesirable consequences, i.e. war.

But how long are we going to let some ego-driven over-inflated self-absorbed little man have his way with the innocent citizens of his country?

Sanctions against Cuba might be a painful little slap on the wrist, but the ones who will really suffer are the people with family in the United States or those who depend on trade with the United States for their livelihoods, people who have already suffered under the repressive government of Castro.

So rather than involve American troops in an overseas skirmish, which would only

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No timber will be salvaged

Heresy



Dennis Sasse

The timber salvage bill is not what the name implies. No standing timber will be salvaged, clear cuts will blight the landscape in a never ending checkerboard of green and brown.

The rider has been called "Logging Without Laws;" this is not an inaccurate description. The only things salvaged by this bill are a few jobs that would be lost in time anyway. The bill is stalled in court for now, but for how long?

This law is a thin veneer for increased timber harvest, regardless of the cost. This law takes away a fundamental right of the U.S. citizenry—the right to dispute government decisions—to take the government to court.

The rider, attached to legislation intended to aid the victims of the Oklahoma City bombing, was enacted with the attached legislation. You can thank Sen. Slade Gorton of Washington for this little beauty. Gorton was the main author of this rider.

So much for the Republican dream of the line item veto, huh? President Clinton shares in the blame for the passage of this obviously flawed and unconstitutional piece of legislation, he is the one who signed it into law on July 27, 1995.

You kind of have to wonder if this bill's

supporters aren't going to re-introduce this bill over and over again until the language will satisfy the courts and other regulation is stifled.

What constitutes salvage timber cuts? Just about anything. The language of the bill is vague at best. Trees that are susceptible to insect or fire damage, as well as "associated trees or trees lacking the characteristics of a healthy and viable ecosystem" are considered salvage. Nobody can even agree on the characteristics of a healthy ecosystem, much less decipher the language of the rider itself.

Recent injunctions aside, this bill offers much to fear.

Economics need not be a deciding factor when making a cut, just read the text, "Salvage timber sales undertaken pursuant to this section shall not be precluded because the cost of such activities are likely to exceed the revenues derived from such activities." Read government welfare for timber harvesters. Read your tax dollars being well spent on a losing proposition. You can't stop it.

The Agriculture Department or Bureau of Land Management cannot be sued to stop a cut if it has been declared a salvage cut.

The Endangered Species Act has no meaning if a cut is declared a salvage cut. The National Environmental Policy Act, also known as NEPA and other applicable federal laws and regulations just don't matter.

Specific exceptions mentioned in the text of the bill include exceptions from complying with:

- The Competition in Contracting Act
- The Federal Procurement Policy Act
- Notice and Publications requirements of acts such as the Small Business Act

Close to home The White Pine Timber Sale

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Letters to the Editor

Lannigan a little bitter

I am a senior here at UI who lives in the residence halls, and I feel that Argonaut Copy Editor Lisa Lannigan's article in the Feb. 21 issue was unnecessarily harsh. One of her main gripes was that the power plant was blowing smoke into her room a problem that University Residences had no control over and nothing to do with. To put this argument in the context of slamming the residence halls was unfair. Perhaps the residence halls are not for everyone, but I personally have enjoyed being able to choose to participate in all kinds of programs and activities and to live amongst people my age. It's also nice to let someone else cook for me and do my dishes, not to mention clean the bathroom. The residence halls have a lot to offer even if your not a freshman living alone for the first time. Ms. Lannigan seemed a little bitter to me.

—Brenda Oamek

Read CDA between the lines

I believe the indecency provision in the Communications Decency Act is currently under a temporary restraining order; see <http://www.uidaho.edu/~fn/devnull/> and search for CDR (near the end of the list).

The definition of "indecency" is a major problem. If I were to find Mr. Davidson's opinion columns offensive, would I be able to turn him in for offending me? If I were to find anyone's opinions offensive, should I even have to prove how offensive they are? (See <http://www.uidaho.edu/~fn/tmp/mark-cda> for some

dated e-mail on the subject). He doesn't need to shove his opinions down my throat either; just making them available on-line is enough.

Why is it not indecent to have adverts for 900 phone sex numbers or strip clubs listed in newspapers? Quite a few entries in personal columns are, well, imaginative; why can't they be on-line and not be indecent as well?

Mr. Davidson glosses over the act's effect on communicative transactions on the Internet, or perhaps he is just unaware of what's out there; it is just "a toy" for him it seems. The World Wide Web, though an application of Internet resources, is not the Internet itself. There are many other venues of communication; for example, mailing lists. I don't believe Mr. Davidson is aware that quite a few mailing lists are NOT allowing new subscribers unless they can be proven non-minors. In fact, minors have had their subscriptions canceled only because they are minors. These aren't mailing lists where the discussion involves distribution or availability of pornographic/sexually-explicit material; no, far from it. The list-owners are afraid that they'll get into trouble if anyone posts a message to the list with a sentence or even a word that is "indecent." The minds of minors are being "protected" here.

The solutions Mr. Davidson mentions will probably work for WWW (perhaps too well: <http://www.uidaho.edu/~fn/devnull/data/devnull.742>), but not for other forms of communication. Contrary to what has been stated, there are no easy/simple solutions, and no law by any human authority will change that any time soon, if ever.

—Farid Nawaz

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in the Palouse Ranger District's original Environmental Assessment was appealed successfully by conservationists last year. The Forest Service announced its intent to complete a complete Environmental Impact Statement. The cut is located along a Wild and Scenic River and a highway. Old growth cedar and white pine make up the bulk of this cut. Under the rider the cut will be reissued according to the Forest Service. No appeals will be allowed because under the rider this cut is now exempt.

According to The Ecology

Center and Alliance for the Wild Rockies no less than 13 sales previously stalled or stopped will proceed in the Kootenai and Clearwater National Forests.

My belief is that on environmental issues the "Republican Revolution" is dangerously out of touch with the wants and needs of the populous.

The only thing around the Northwest, and Washington D.C. needing salvaging is common sense: Only about 5 percent of the historical old growth forests stand today.

They are worth saving.

CUBA •FROM PAGE 9

cause more loss of life, we need to send some sharp-shooting assassins to Cuba with a list of names of government officials who need bullets in their heads.

Oh don't look so shocked, we've done it before and we can certainly do it again. It's a lot less messy than a "police action," quicker too.

The way I figure, a couple of tidy assassinations will make up for that whole missile crisis, Fidel, and this

particularly nasty incident.

There was no reason and no justification for these actions.

Furthermore, if the United States continues to ignore the murders of its own people these vicious attacks will continue.

It's time to let Cuba and Castro know that they cannot do as they please, that human life is more valuable than any example they feel needs to be set.

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Life after Mike: 'Looking for an 800-pound gorilla'

OLYMPIA—Unpredictable to the end, Gov. Mike Lowry's surprise decision to take an early exit from politics is causing a major upheaval in Washington's political landscape.

Who wins? Who loses? What does Life After Mike look like?

Most political analysts and consultants see the Republicans as the biggest losers, since they had been licking their chops in anticipation of taking on the politically wounded liberal Democrat in November.

Had Lowry been the Democratic nominee—a pretty safe bet if he'd run—the R's figured the minute they'd decided on a nominee, they could reserve the moving van and arrange to get the carpets cleaned in the governor's mansion.

Democrats, meanwhile, have stopped crying in their beer and now are grinning ear-to-ear. After being braced to concede the governor's office, they can realistically consider another four-year lease on the post they've owned for 12 years.

"His departure increases our ability to keep the office tenfold," says state Democratic Chairman Paul Berendt, barely containing his relief and glee.

The race is suddenly ultra-com-

Associated Press David Ammons

petitive on both sides—and probably a tossup now, rather than a sure bet for the Republicans, who believe they'll win majorities in both houses of the Legislature this fall.

"It's a great theater, isn't it?" asks GOP consultant Brett Bader.

"Lowry has put the pundits through a roller coaster," adds Democratic campaign expert Blair Butterworth.

The Republicans already have seven candidates, including the House majority leader and the King County prosecutor. The GOP field spans the spectrum from the moderate-politics of Tacoma lawyer Jim Waldo and Prosecutor Norm Maleng to the very conservative House Majority Leader Dale Foreman and abortion foe Ellen Craswell.

The Democrats have just two candidates so far, but there is speculation that one or more high-profile politicians may jump into the fray

now that they wouldn't have to challenge a sitting Democratic governor.

"This is a race looking for an 800-pound gorilla," Butterworth says.

That could be Seattle Mayor Norm Rice, King County Executive Gary Locke, Insurance Commissioner Deborah Senn and any number of other rising Democratic stars with proven vote-getting and fund-raising track records.

The party has two candidates who braved Lowry's wrath by jumping into the race several months ago: state Senate budget Chairwoman Nita Rinehart of Seattle and former 4th District Congressman Jay Inslee, now an attorney with offices in Tacoma and Seattle and a home on Bainbridge Island.

Both are well known in King County Democratic circles, which include the Seattle liberals who often control who gets the nomination. They would compete for the same supporters, including women's groups, environmentalists, education groups and civil-rights activists.

But Rinehart is more liberal and with Lowry out, she should make major inroads.

Inslee has positioned himself as more moderate than Rinehart and would campaign as not Seattle, not liberal and not tied to Lowry. A former legislator, he is portraying himself as a fresh face, someone from outside the Seattle-Olympia beltway. He describes himself as a hawk on the budget deficit, in contrast with Rinehart's previous state budget and tax votes.

The Republican field remains scrambled, says state GOP Chairman Ken Eikenberry. The top tier would seem to be Maleng, Foreman, state Sen. Pam Roach of Auburn and Waldo, although no one has anything approaching a lock on the nomination.

Butterworth believes the entry of "a mainstream moderate Democrat" would take away votes from Waldo and Maleng in the state's crossover primary, leaving the GOP with a hard-right nominee who could be vulnerable in November.

His forecast: the Democrats would win the governor's mansion again.

"This has not been a great week for the Republicans, nationally or locally," Butterworth says.

"They have lost their simplistic target here (with Lowry's withdrawal) and nationally, they are

feeling what it was like for the Democrats to have George McGovern as their presidential nominee," with the sudden rise of Pat Buchanan to frontrunner status.

Bader, the GOP guru working for Foreman, says the Republicans still have an excellent shot. He says their secret weapon is Lowry) still.

"Never in the history of the state have the Democrats held on to the governor's mansion for four consecutive terms," he says.

"And now, whether Mike Lowry is physically in the race, he will still be in the race" as an issue, Bader says. "The Democratic nominee will have to defend his record and the Republican will legitimately make Lowry's policies an issue."

His forecast: Republicans capitalize on Lowry's unpopularity and win the governor's mansion.

Tie-breaker goes to you, the voter, after all the punditry fades away.

Butterworth says voters and the press should "take a deep breath" and use the steady procession of one-term governors (only Booth Gardner served two terms since Dan Evans left office 20 years ago after three) to realize what a meat-grinder they have made of public service.

Does democracy in America really work at all?

PIERRE, S.D.—Some who drop in at the Capitol to watch the Legislature in action must shake their heads in disbelief that the law-making process works at all.

Little wonder. When 105 senators and representatives get together, things can resemble a three-ring circus.

Committees often spend hours on seemingly meaningless bills and then turn around and pass or kill major bills in a matter of minutes. Killed bills have a nasty habit of coming back to life over and over.

Paid lobbyists are more common in the Statehouse than John and Jane Q. Citizen.

Republicans and Democrats sometimes fight like children.

But in the end, the job always gets done.

Associated Press Tim Salwei

Rep. Dale Kringen, R-Madison, who is calling it quits after four years in the House, says the law-making process is every bit as bad as some may imagine.

"It's a silly system," he says.

Too few people are involved with the state's budget planning, too many bills are introduced each year and too many bills are tampered with on the floors of the House and Senate, Kringen says. Major changes in bills should be made only in committees, he says.

And the political parties are too

political, the GOP lawmakers says. "When we get down to the major issues, there's always party bickering and partisan politics," Kringen says. "It's disappointing."

But Rep. Lola Schreiber, R-Gettysburg, feels political parties are not the monsters Kringen makes them out to be. Politics is part of the lawmaking process, although sometimes things get out of hand, she admits.

"There's some of that, but a lot less than the public thinks," says Schreiber, a five-term legislator who also will retire this year.

Before people make hasty judgments about the Legislature, they should walk a mile in lawmakers' shoes, she suggests.

"Ideally, everyone should serve one year in the legislature," Schreiber says.

One lawmaker who served three Senate terms in the '60s and then won election to the House two years ago says the citizen Legislature works as it's supposed to. Democracy may not be perfect but works, says Neal Strand, R-Rapid City, who plans to retire again from the Legislature.

People have direct access to legislators and the lawmaking process, he says.

"I really haven't given a thought to changing the system," Strand says.

Strand thinks the computer age and development of the Internet will allow the public to become more involved in the Legislature in future years, making the process even more democratic.

"The public will do their testifying through telecommunications at home on the local level," he says.

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Outdoors Briefs

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS SEMINAR TODAY

The Geographic Information Systems Seminar Series will begin today with a presentation by Hal N. Anderson, chief of the Technical Services Bureau, Idaho Department of Water Resources, Boise. His talk is entitled "Three S's of GIS for Resources Planning." On March 5, Karen Dvornich, gap analysis project assistant with the University of Washington School of Fisheries, will present "If Good Data are Immortal, Then is So Much of it Useless?" These and future seminars are at 1:30 p.m. in 209 McClure Hall. They are presented by the Colleges of Forestry, Wildlife, and Range Sciences, Art and Architecture, and Mines and Earth Resources.

PLANT, SOIL AND ENTOMOLOGICAL SEMINAR THIS WEEK

The Department of Plant, Soil and Entomological Sciences Seminar Series continues Feb. 29 when Dr. Dave Hash, owner of Hash Tree Co., Princeton, presents "Conifer Nursery Management in a Farming Community." The presentation is from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in McClure Hall Room 209.

SPRING BREAK VACATION BUS INFORMATION

The UI Spring Break Vacation bus to southern Idaho still has seats available. The bus provides college students one-way and round-trip travel from Moscow to a number of southern Idaho locations. Departures are March 15 with returns March 24. For more information, call Kristen Marble at Student Advisory Services, 885-6765.

ASK THE IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

Question: I recently witnessed an auto accident in which a deer was killed. What are the laws to keeping "road kill" and what should I do if this happens to me?

Answer: We are fortunate to live in a beautiful state where wildlife is abundant. Occasionally, accidents happen and some animals are killed or injured by motorists. It is important to understand how laws relate to this issue.

Idaho does not allow the remains of any game animals or protected species killed or injured to be salvaged for any purpose. If you should happen upon an roadside remains, you should notify the nearest regional Fish and Game office. If the animal is injured, a rehabilitator can be dispatched. Carcasses of road-killed wildlife will be properly disposed of, if usable, donated to a local charity.

OUTDOOR TIP 'O THE WEEK

If you're going out to hike or explore the Palouse, make sure you bring a companion or two. Being able to maintain contact with one another during an outing is important, especially when children are along. Each member should be equipped with a police-type whistle for this purpose and be instructed to follow a previously set-up signal code. Traditionally, three short blasts—just like three gunshots or three smudge fires—mean "Help!" or "I'm lost." You can work out other signals for "Chow's on!" "Time to get out of the water!" or "Nothing computes!" etc. Whistle power carries farther and is less tiring than lung power.

Outdoor rental office has much to offer

Tricia Francis
Staff

The Outdoor Program Rental Office is a little-known room in the basement of the Student Union. Steve Mims is the manager and his job is "to provide resources and information for enjoying the wilderness." Their mission is to make sure that high quality gear is available to anyone who wants to explore the outdoors.

At the rental office you can get anything you need for the outdoors. Skiing, white water sports, camping, mountaineering, even avalanche transceivers are available. Most of the focus is on non-consumptive recreation, adventure sports gear. "While most people at the university are trying to get students on campus, we're trying to get people off," Mims said.

The Rental Center is self supporting, and receives no subsidies. "Only the people who use the gear pay for it," Mims said. Even without subsidies, the office has been able to acquire top quality and cutting edge sporting equipment. They have two cataracts, which are the leading edge in high performance white water craft.

More and more sports that were once considered extreme are becoming mainstream. There was a perceived risk, but with new technology and safer gear, the interest is growing. Telemark skiing trips through the Outdoor Program have seen an increased interest, as well as rock climbing, cross country skiing and white water sports.

While many people may be interested in taking up a new activity, cost of gear is often prohibitive and a major investment to try a new sport. Mims sees the increased interest in the outdoors as the result of busier lives. "People have less leisure time; students work and go to school and people value their leisure time more," he said.

Here in Idaho we are fortunate to have extensive wilderness to explore. "We have world class



Joa Harrison

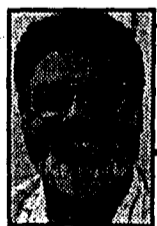
Steve Mims is surrounded by a plethora of outdoor equipment.

climbing and white water in our wilderness. Idaho is nice in terms of recreation," Mims said. The Outdoor Program offers trips and classes to people who are interested in learning a new sport, or for those who want new adventures. "The best wilderness resource in this state is solitude, we're lucky to have a state that is not paved over," he said.

Students, as well as members of the community are invited to check out the gear available. Mims has worked hard to make the rental office service-oriented. In addition to offering gear for rental, they can also help out with some repairs on personal gear. "We have two sewing machines, and we also do ski tuning. All the repairs we do are at cost," Mims said.

Mims has been the manager of the rental office for five years. He graduated from the UI, and studied land use and management and wildland recreation. He also enjoys taking trips with the program, canyoneering and white water. He is experienced with just about everything available for rental, and his know-how is useful to those new to outdoor sports.

Tread lightly: some outdoor tips



Jerri Lake

Playing in the outdoors is fun and exciting year around. During the winter we cross country ski or snowmobile on trails through the mountains. When spring arrives, we head out with the motorcycles, or three or four-wheelers to see what is on the other side of the mountain.

We continue to play through the warm days of summer into the fall hunting seasons. During the year we have seen many beautiful areas of lush green forests. We photographed the alpine meadows with their colorful wild flowers, and streams that flow clear while cascading down through giant ferns.

While we were in the back country having fun, did we turn around to see the trail we left behind? Was it one of beauty as we found it, or did we leave ruts or crushed plants with our power machines?

Every year the Forest Service spends millions of dollars repairing trails, wildlife habitat and stream

beds. These and many other areas are damaged because of people in pursuit of having fun.

The excitement of going full speed down trails or up steep hillsides with our all-terrain vehicles damages the ground we ride on, especially if it is soft or wet.

To enjoy your trips into the back country, get a travel map from the Forest Service showing the open and closed areas. Avoid running over young trees, shrubs and grasses. This can damage or kill them.

Stay off soft, wet roads and trails easily torn up by vehicles. Travel around meadows, steep hillsides or stream banks, and lake shores easily scarred by your ATV. Resist the urge to start a new road or trail or cut across a switchock.

Obey gate closures and regulatory signs. Vandalism costs lots of tax dollars to repair. Stay out of wilderness areas. They are closed to all vehicle traffic. Get permission to travel across private land and respect the land owners and their property.

Snowmobiles do not harm the ground like wheeled ATVs, but they can still cause problems to growing things like trees and shrubs.

Stay away from wild animals that are rearing young or suffering from

food shortage in winter. You might think it is fun to chase them, however, the stress can sap scarce energy reserves they need to survive.

Don't run up or down stream beds. This damages fish habitat and breeding areas with silt and redistribution of gravel needed for spawning.

Areas that are open most of the time are main roads and inactive logging roads.

However, they can be closed when too wet or soft. Some old logging roads can be a challenge during most of the year. They also go through some great looking country.

Some trails open to foot, horse or cross country ski travel are also open to dirt bikes. These trails are not open to larger ATVs. A sign should be posted at the trail head to let you know.

In some areas, gentle, open countryside is open. An occasional 4-wheel drive or ATV will not do much harm if the ground is dry. When these areas get too much use, they may be closed to prevent creating unwanted roads or trails. Some National Forests do not allow this type of travel any time.

Some areas are closed during parts of the year to protect wildlife. These areas are usually where ani-

mals like elk rear their young. Other areas may be their wintering habitat, especially when food is scarce late in the season.

Disturbance during this time can drive animals from important habitat, reducing their survival rate. These areas are opened when the animals move to their summer feeding range.

Some roads and trails are closed during the spring thaw or fall snow storms when they get wet or soft. I see lots of 4-wheelers and 4 X 4 trucks covered with mud from testing their vehicle in the mud. Although it is fun, the resulting damage cost tax dollars to repair. These roads are usually opened when the surfaces dry out.

To prevent accidents, some narrow mountain roads are closed when logging or mining traffic is heavy.

This time of year, snowmobilers have to be on the look out for cross country skiers and people on snow shoes. They can't get out of your way fast enough when you are running full tilt down the trail.

How we treat the land we like to enjoy will make a difference if we have it open and available for future use. This use, like the vehicle you use, is in your hands so TREAD LIGHTLY.

Tuesday, February 27, 1996

Long Valley elk moved

Idaho Department of Fish and Game personnel began trapping and moving elk north of Cascade recently to reduce damage in Long Valley.

Fish and Game wildlife biologist Jeff Rohlman said decreasing the number of elk wintering in Long Valley and reducing seasonal damage, including crop and fence destruction, are the goals for trapping and moving elk north of Cascade. In many cases, the department must pick up the tab for elk feeding and damage.

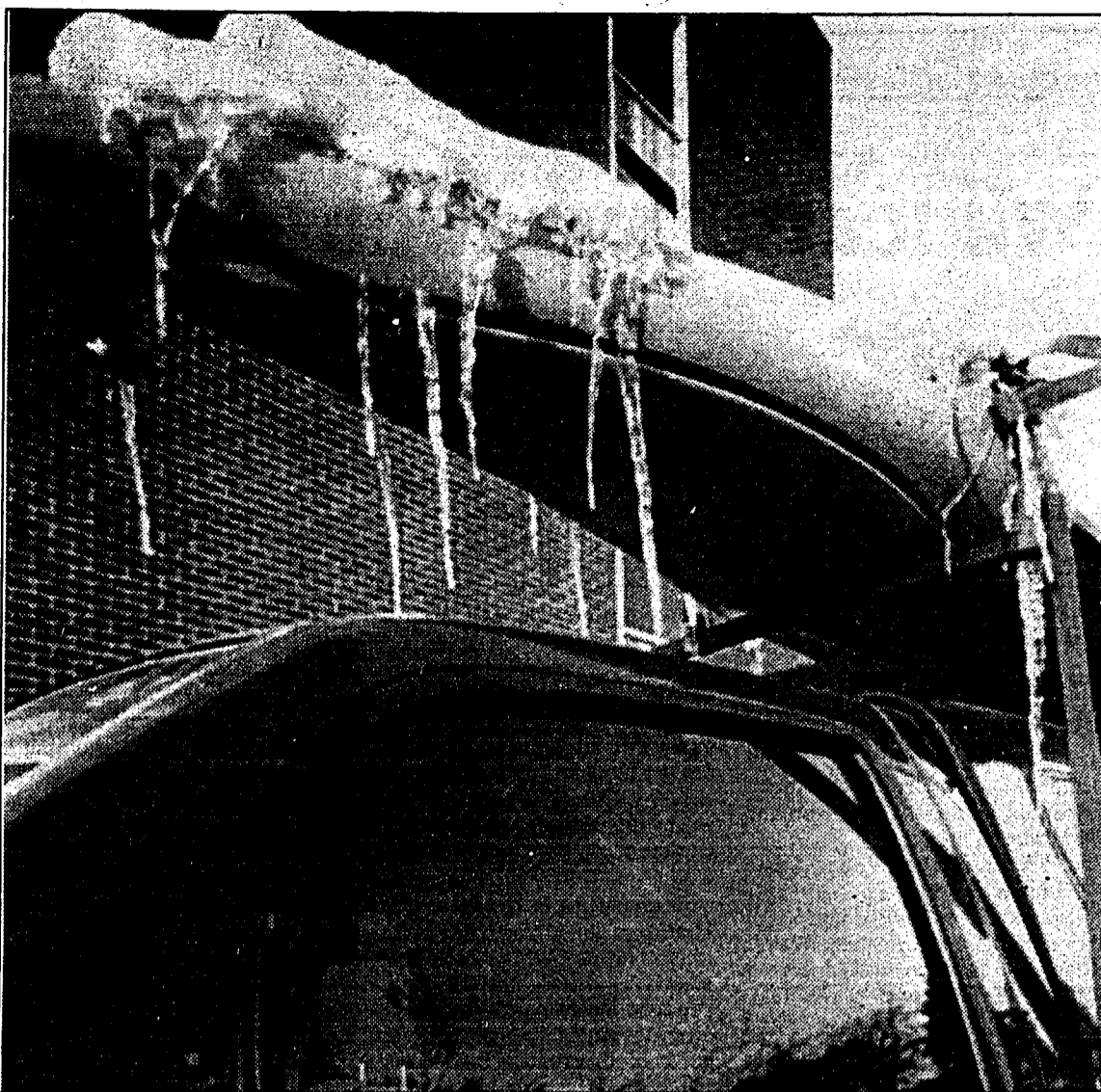
"We hope to trap 15 to 30 elk, relocating the animals to an area about 25 miles east of McCall," Rohlman said. "Relocating the elk will introduce them to more traditional winter range and possibly mean a reduction in private property damage in the Long Valley area and reduced IDFG expenditures." Up to 10 elk are now in the area where trapping is planned.

Jim Olson, Emmett, chairman of the Southwest Region Big Game Winter Feeding Advisory Committee, noted that the circumstances leading up to elk being trapped and transplanted to other areas often "don't happen overnight."

The advisory committee on winter feeding was appointed under a law passed by the state Legislature after controversies erupted in Garden Valley and other areas during the winter of 1992-93. Citizens serving on the committee study winter feeding situations and advise Fish and Game. The committee also serves as a liaison between the department and private citizens on winter feeding matters.

"Such trapping is typical of what can happen when private citizens undertake winter feeding and eventually want out of it for various reasons. I suspect most people who undertake winter feeding of big game give little thought to the potential ramifications of their perceived act of kindness," Olson said. "Our advisory committee is committed to reducing the need for winter feeding throughout the region as well as making feeding more effective when it becomes necessary."

"I urge anyone who thinks there is a need for feeding in your area to contact the department before you throw out that first bale of hay. If you would like to discuss a situation with the feeding advisory committee, the department can give you the name and number of the committee member nearest you," Olson added.



The recent weather has wreaked havoc with outdoor enthusiasts.

Joa Harrison

Incredible Idaho features wildlife, diseases in March

Incredible Idaho airs Saturday, March 2 at 6:30 PM on KTVB/Boise & KTFT 38/Twin Falls. Check local listings for dates and times in your area.

This month *Incredible Idaho* takes a look at wildlife and disease. Yellowstone National Park is one of the few areas in the United States where a disease called brucellosis still affects big game animals. Both elk and bison carry the disease and the agricultural community fears that it could be passed on to domestic livestock. There has never been a study conclusively determining whether this is the possible. *Incredible Idaho* joins a team of researchers who are capturing bison in order to take blood and tissue tests. The big beasts are then fitted with radio collars in order to track the spread of disease.

Next, *Incredible Idaho* follows the continuing saga of our Hells Canyon bighorn sheep. An outbreak of the disease pasteurilla

struck the herd in early December, killing infected animals within hours. Seventy-two diseased sheep were captured and moved to the Wildlife Health Laboratory in Caldwell to study the disease and, more importantly, keep it from spreading in the wild. Now, these sheep, too, are succumbing to the disease.

Perhaps researchers will get some answers to fighting this scourge with some new DNA testing equipment recently installed in the lab. We'll take a look at how Wildlife Veterinarian Dave Hunter goes about his research.

Finally, *Incredible Idaho* takes a tour of the Fish Health Laboratory. Fish, too, are constantly fighting disease, both in our hatcheries and in the wild. Idaho boasts one of the most advanced facilities in the country. We'll get a look at some of the cutting-edge technology used to keep our fish populations healthy.

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Wildcats find shooting touch, down Vandals



Weber State

Dan Eckles
Sports Editor

Getting outshot from the field, three-point land and the charity stripe is not a good recipe for success. If they didn't know it already the Idaho Vandals learned that lesson the hard way Saturday.

Whatever the Weber State Wildcats cooked up for their pregame meal transpired into a red-hot shooting performance. Weber State knocked down 51 percent (28-55) of its shots from the field, 55 percent (6-11) of its attempts from behind the three-point arc and also buried 70 percent (24-36) of its free-throw opportunities. Idaho

on the other hand was 30-72 (42 percent) from the field, a porous 4-17 (24 percent) on trey attempts and 11-16 (69 percent) from the free-throw line.

Despite Idaho's shooting woes the Vandals were in contention in crunchtime. Eddie Turner's 15-foot jumper capped an 8-0 UI run and knotted the score at 59-59 with 6:46 remaining in the contest, but Weber State responded with six unanswered points of its own.

Idaho forward Jason Jackman contributed four straight points to push the Vandals within four at 67-63 with just over four minutes left, but the UI crew could get no closer.

The loss followed a season-long conference road trend for Idaho, which lost 79-69 in a lackluster performance at Northern Arizona Thursday. On Idaho's first league road trek in early January the Vandals were pummeled in Pocatello but bounced back with a better effort the next night before falling in overtime at Boise State. Three weeks ago in Montana the Vandals were trounced in

Missoula, but again played better the next evening at Montana State before falling by eight.

"This is the third or fourth road trip we've played bad the first night and come back and played hard in the second game, but not good enough to win," Idaho coach Joe Cravens said. "I'm tired of saying that if we'd had that effort the night before we would have split."

Idaho, which has lost seven of its last eight games, shut down Weber State guard Ryan Cuff. The 6-foot 5-inch junior transfer from Arizona State lit the Vandals up in Moscow for 24 points on 8-14 shooting in late January, but mustered only a 1-5 shooting effort Saturday, finishing with five points.

The Vandal killer Saturday night was Weber State sharpshooter Jim DeGraffenried. The senior forward buried 11-17 shots, including all three of his trey attempts, pumping in 28 points for the Wildcats.

The Idaho loss leaves Northern Arizona a slim shot at reaching the Big Sky Tournament March 7-9. If the Vandals are swept at home this weekend by Montana and Montana

State and the Lumberjacks beat the Wildcats, NAU could skip over the Vandals and into postseason play with the win of a coin toss. The top six teams advance to the BSC tourney.

IDAHO (75)

Baumann 7-15 0-1 18, Jackman 6-12 3-3 15, Turner 4-8 2-2 10, Harrison 4-8 1-1 9, Gardner 3-6 1-1 7, Rose 3-9 0-0 6, Jones 2-2 0-0 4, Dirden 1-10 2-4 4, Thomas 0-1 2-4 2, Sturing 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 30-72 11-16 75.

WEBER STATE (86)

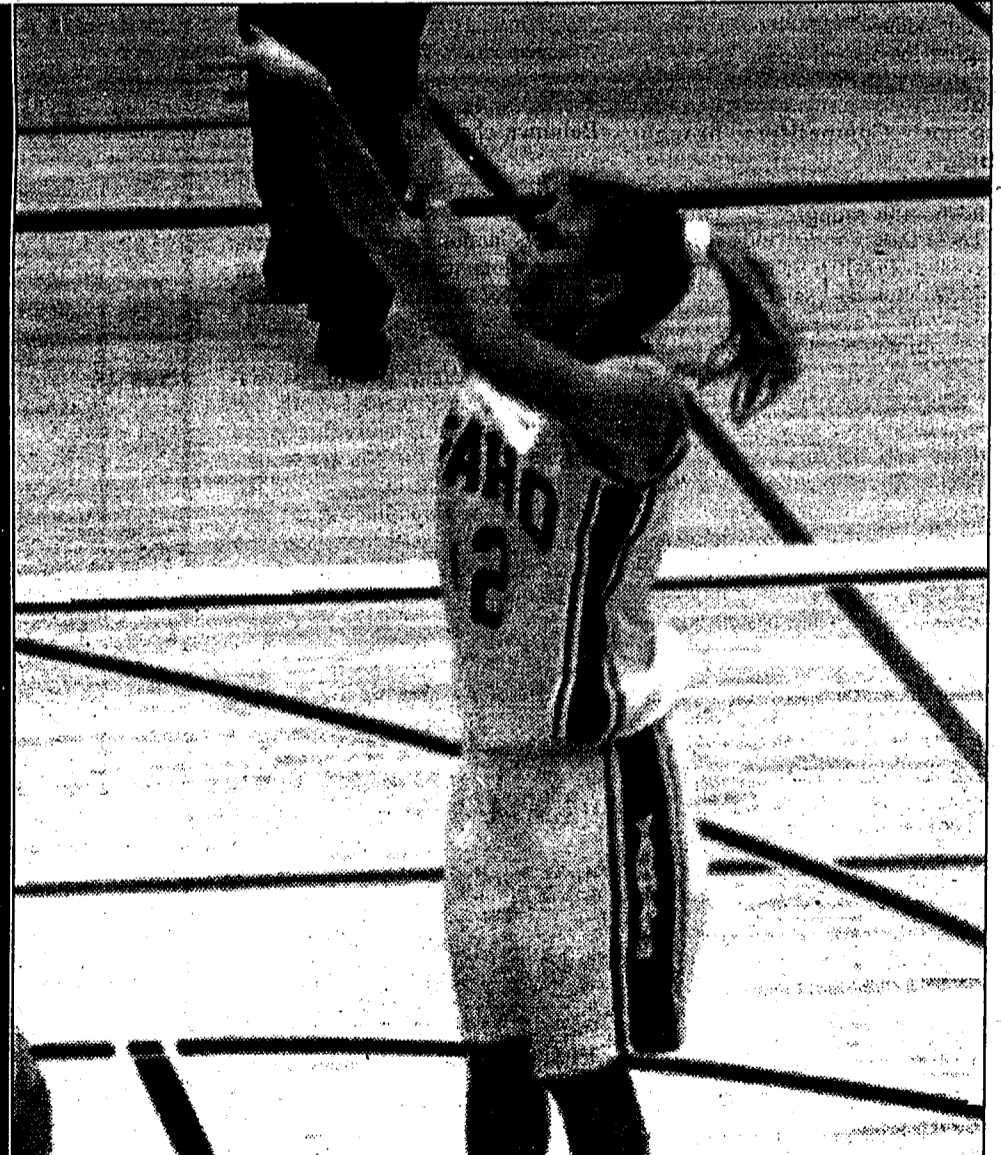
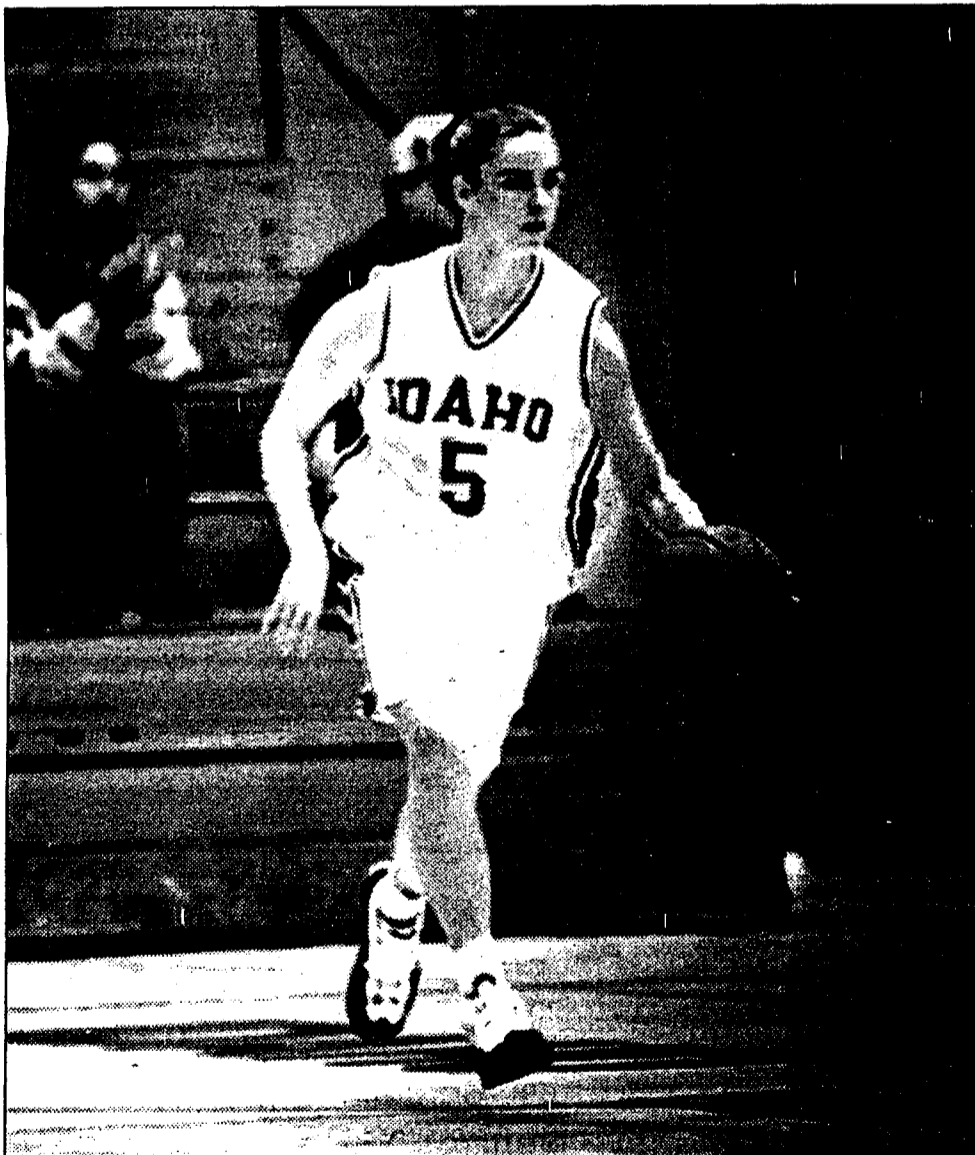
DeGraffenried 11-17 3-5 28, Smith 8-11 5-5 21, Tebbs 5-10 8-12 19, Fisher 3-8 0-0 7, Cuff 1-5 2-3 5, Baskerville 0-3 3-5 3, Emery 0-0 2-2 2, Haws 0-1 1-2 1, Hicks 0-0 0-2 0, Ketcham, Nielsen. Totals 28-55 24-36 86.

Halftime score WSU 40, UI 34. 3-point goals UI 4-17 (Baumann 4-10, Rose 0-1, Sturing 0-1, Dirden 0-5), WSU 6-11 (DeGraffenried 3-3, Tebbs 1-2, Fisher 1-3, Cuff 1-3). Rebounds UI 39 (Harrison 10), WSU 43 (Tebbs 11). Assists UI 13 (Rose 4), WSU (Cuff 5). Total fouls UI 29, WSU 19. Fouled out UI Rose, Harrison. Attendance 9,546.

Big Sky Basketball Standings

	W	L	Team Pct.	Overall	
				W	L
Montana	9	3	.750	19	6
Montana State	9	3	.750	17	8
Weber State	9	4	.692	18	9
Boise State	9	4	.692	13	12
Idaho State	7	6	.538	11	13
Idaho	4	8	.333	10	14
Northern Arizona	3	10	.231	6	18
Eastern Washington	0	12	.000	3	21

Injury bug bites Idaho women in loss



Idaho shooting-guard Kelli Johnson (left) had to pick up the slack Saturday against Weber State as versatile point-guard Ari Skorplik (right) battled pneumonia.

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Mark Vanderwall
Staff

If games were won on heart alone, Idaho might be sitting in first place.

The Vandals were playing their last home game of the season Saturday, along with the last home game for four seniors. Jill Morris, Jan Ackerman, Heather Beard and Mindy Rice played their last respects to Memorial Gym, but the game itself may have left a bad taste in their mouths.

Idaho battled through adversity, foul trouble and a 14-point second half Wildcat lead, before finally falling prey to Weber State 69-

66 in Big Sky Conference play.

Mindy Rice sat out the final home game of her career with an ailing foot, but her teammates played their hearts out in her absence. Along with Rice, Ari Skorplik sat out all but four minutes with pneumonia, thus leaving only three of the original starters in place. But wait, there's more. Melisa McDaniel wasn't able to start the game either, after sustaining a bad concussion in Thursday night's game, leaving only Kelli Johnson and Natalie Hawks intact for the starting line-up.

"When you are playing with so many injuries, That's a lot of adversity to overcome, but we played very hard tonight," said

Idaho coach Julie Holt.

With Idaho trailing 38-29 at intermission, chances for a win seemed slim. The chances got slimmer with the Wildcats scoring the first five points of the second half before Michelle Greenwood and Natalie Hawks got hot for the Vandals. Hawks scored eight straight points for the Vandals to cut the Weber State lead to 49-42 with 11:51 left in the game. Idaho then stepped up the defensive pressure to force a 30 second shot clock violation by the Wildcats on the ensuing possession. McDaniel's jumper and Jennifer Stone's three-point play cut the Weber lead to just two at 49-47. After Shelley Berg's

basket, Hawks hit a jumper to cut the lead back to two, followed by six straight points by Greenwood and a free throw by Hawks to put Idaho ahead by five at 56-51 with 7:00 remaining.

The game then see-sawed back and forth until Teresa Martin hit a three pointer to put Weber up by two with 2:14 left. Greenwood again answered with a jumper to notch the score at 64-64. Jodi Wimmer scored on a three-point play with 1:25 remaining, before Kelli Johnson hit two free throws to cut the Wildcat lead to one. Martin hit her free throws as well to push the lead back to three

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Belgrave leaves island for Idaho



Althea Belgrave works with a trainer before practice last week. **Sam Goff**

Opportunity to run brings Barbados native to Palouse

Mike Stetson
Staff

Athletics, the opportunity for someone to spend four years of college competing in a sport and letting your performance pay for your education. A great way to get ahead in life, relying on your talents to provide for you and not your ability to raise money for tuition.

For Althea Belgrave, 22, competing on the track for the University of Idaho provides more than just an education, running provides an escape. Competition brought Belgrave a rare opportunity to leave the small island of Barbados and pursue a degree in America. "There are so many kids trying to get scholarships to get off the island," Belgrave said.

Belgrave, now in her fourth season with the Vandal women's track and field team, came to Idaho after a very different past than most Idaho students. At about age 11, she took an exam that places students in secondary schools on Barbados. The exam placed her in Lodge School, where she began running track, more as a requirement than for fun.

"Track was something you had to

do," Belgrave said.

Belgrave competed for her house. From each house, the school selects the top three athletes and they compete for the school. Despite the fact not everyone runs for their school, everyone runs for their house Belgrave said, who recalls the honor of being able to say "I scored points for my house."

Another facet of life in Barbados that differed for Belgrave was her time in the cadet corps, rising from private up to officer during her schooling. Track, school and the corps all combined to make up parts of Belgrave's life before coming to Idaho.

That road to Idaho still remains a small mystery to Belgrave, who received letters from other schools along with Idaho's Scott Lorek, Women's Track and Field Coach. Belgrave chose Idaho after speaking to Lorek on the phone, but she still has no idea how the Vandals learned about her running. Given a full scholarship, Belgrave assumes UI men's coach Mike Keller must have noticed her on one of his trips to the island for recruiting.

When she arrived, Belgrave began running the shorter distances, 200 meters, but since that time has competed in all the distances from the 200m up to the mile, including the 4x400 meter relay and she also runs cross country.

The variety might have caused problems except for the fact that in school on Barbados, Belgrave says

she had "to do all the events, the coaches realized I got better with distance."

Belgrave's talent for improving with distance led her to the 800m, where she now excels, winning the Cheney Early Bird Meet in January and the McDonald's Open last week. Belgrave also excels at the mile, having won once at that distance this year. After clocking a 2:14 800m last week, Belgrave set her sights on breaking the school record for the distance.

On Saturday, in Pocatello, Belgrave's goal became a reality when she clocked a 2:13.06 800m. Despite a new school record, Belgrave stays very focused. She does not admit to any long term goals past the Big Sky Indoor Championships, March 1-2 in Bozeman. Looking to improve in the mile may be the only long term goal she has, having run the event only three times.

"I'm constantly learning and I'm trying to stay focused," she said.

Away from the track, Belgrave becomes the typical student, studying and trying to balance all the parts of her life. She admits with the travel involved in track, classes can be difficult. However, Belgrave adds the Idaho coaches make up for the travel by pushing academics hard.

"University of Idaho's standards are so high, you really have to be up on the ball to compete," Belgrave said.

Looking over her career, Belgrave comments about running, saying that for her "it's something you have to enjoy."

Looking at the path that brought her to Idaho, that seems true and the burden placed on her to perform as an athlete to get her education has only continued that legacy. For Belgrave, gaining the opportunity for and maintaining her education, athletics truly proved something that must be enjoyed.

Sonics' playoff jinx may lie in middle



Damon Barkdull

Just when you thought it was safe to talk up the Pacific Northwest's finest basketball team, an eerie kind of strong wind or hurricane rolls through downtown Seattle.

This freak weather episode whippers the words "NBA Playoffs" and sends chills down the necks of millions of Cappacino drinkers in the Apple State of Washington. Two years ago, this sudden gust of wind originated in Denver. Last season, the wind drifted up from Los Angeles.

If you haven't put 2 and 2 together, yes, I'm talking about the Seattle Sonics.

With the National Basketball Association's second best record you may think that this could be the Sonic's year.

Why not? All-stars Shawn Kemp and Gary Payton are playing better than ever. Last summer's trade for then Charlotte Hornet Hersey Hawkins is looked upon by many NBA observers to be the crucial key for Seattle to step forward in the playoffs. And lastly, Detlef Schrempf is back in the Sonic lineup after missing several weeks due to injury.

Surely the Sonics have not forgotten that in two straight years they've bowed out twice in the first round not to mention the Denver Nuggets and Los Angeles Lakers weren't exactly world contenders.

So let's examine this for a second. How must the Sonics go deep into the playoffs?

Well, lets just say the answer can't be found to the right or left of things. Actually, the answer can be found in the center, exactly where the Sonics are lacking.

Although much can be said about veteran Sam Perkins who currently occupies the big man spot, one couldn't help but notice the lack of shot blocking and inside force in the last two playoff series outings. And although back-up center and third-year player Ervin Johnson is particularly known for his defensive skill, his lack of offensive firepower keeps the Sonics second guessing them-

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selfes when he's on the court.

Seattleites and Sonics fans alike want the full package baby. Sure, Perkins is a great three-point shooter but at only 6-foot 9-inches tall, he lacks the swatting ability of a Hakeem Olajuwon. On the other hand, they've got a guy who can swat shots in Johnson, but with him on the floor they lose the great touch of Perkins.

Sonics coach George Karl might argue my point about the need for a great center to go deep into the

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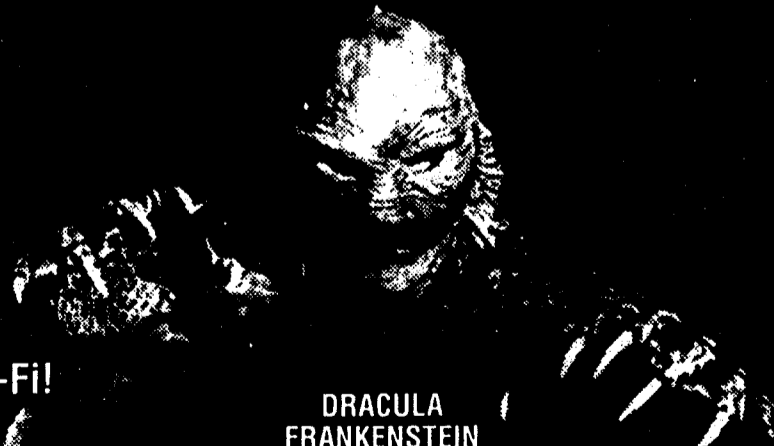
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Tracksters compete for Last Chance in Cheney

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The University of Idaho's track and field team sent out the reserves Saturday in Cheney as the Vandals tried one last time to qualify athletes for the Big Sky Championships, in Eastern Washington's Last Chance Meet.

Competing against EWU, North Idaho, Community Colleges of Spokane, Gonzaga, Whitman and a few Washington State Athletes, the Vandals used the meet to grab some extra track time prior to next weekend's conference championships in Bozeman, but only Eric Hisaw improved his time for the Vandals.

"We didn't do much this weekend," Coach Mike Keller said, "It was a wasted weekend."

The Vandals placed first in the high jump, the 55-meter dash, the 800-meters and the 4x400-meter relay. Felix Kamangirira led the way for Idaho running to a first place finish in the 55 in 6:52 seconds. Curtis Kunkel picked up a first in the 800m for Idaho, running the distance in 1-minute, 56.45 seconds. Geoff Judd jumped into first in the high jump, clearing 6-feet 6 3/4 inches followed closely by WSU's Peter Buckley and Idaho's Thad Hathaway, who also cleared 6-6 3/4. The final first place for the Vandals came from the swift legs of Idaho's 4x400 relay team, which sprinted to a five-second victory at three-min-

utes, 30.5 seconds.

Other top Vandal finishers included Kyle Daley, third in the 35-pound weight toss at 54-9 1/2; Eric Johnson, fifth in the shot put at 46-1 1/2; Eric Hisaw, second in the 55-meter hurdles in 7.74 seconds and Paul Thompson, fourth in the 400m in 51.35 seconds.

Despite placing high in their individual events, the Vandal men did not manage to qualify any more athletes for the championships.

For the women, Jill Wimer provided the highlights for the Vandals, improving in the 20 pound weight throw, 45-7 1/4, and the shot put, 46 1/2. Other Vandal firsts included Shelley Rewerts, who bounded to first in the triple jump, leaping 33-11 1/4 and Jackie Blackett sprinted to first in the 55m hurdles in 8.46 seconds. Aside from Wimer, Rewerts and Blackett's efforts, the Vandal women failed to qualify anyone else for the championships in Bozeman.

Also placing for Idaho were Tara Gehrke, who ran 8.82 seconds in the 55m hurdles for third place and Kerri Fife, who ran 7.62 seconds in the 55m dash for fifth place. Fife also placed second in the 400m with a time of 1:01.24 seconds.

Away from Cheney, Idaho runner Althea Belgrave put on a show in Pocatello, breaking the school record for the 800m, running the event in 2 minutes, 13.06 seconds. Belgrave was one of four Vandal women who traveled south to Idaho State to compete, instead of running the short circuit in Cheney.

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playoffs. He might use the three-time world champion Chicago Bulls as an example, because of course, they lacked a great center. But it also doesn't take Bill Cartwright long to figure out that when you have players like Michael (last name not needed) and Scottie Pippen, a world championship is easily attainable.

Look at some of the best teams in the playoffs last year, all of whom had great centers: Houston Rockets (Olajuwon), Orlando Magic (Shaquille O'Neal), San Antonio Spurs (David Robinson) and Indiana Pacers (Rick "Dutchboy in the paint" Smits).

With a record of 42-12 and

almost a lock as the top seed in the West, the Sonics are looking better than ever, even if they don't have a great center. Then of course, at this same time last year and the year before, I and many others were saying the exact thing.

So, before you start calling your local Mafia friends or Las Vegas bookies, trying to get an early point spread of the Sonics-Bulls matchup in the finals, look at recent history. Off the top of my head I can think of a couple of professional sports franchises that thought they too would change a losing trend when the big money was on the line - the Buffalo Bills and Denver Broncos. Ever heard of 'em.

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with only 16 seconds remaining. Idaho set up a screen for Johnson, but it was sealed, so the second option was to dump the ball to Hawks and try and get contact on the block and make the basket, but Hawks' shot was long to set the final at 69-66.

"I think we deserved to win the game tonight. To play as poorly as we did Thursday night and to come out and fight like this was great," said Holt.

Weber State was led in scoring by Berg's 19, followed by Mika Brown's 14 and Rachelle Gardner's 12 respectively. The Wildcats outrebounded the Vandals 54 to 40 in large part due to Berg's 13 and Wimmer's 10 boards. The Wildcats hit 34 percent from the field and 75 percent from the line.

The Vandals were led by Hawks' career-high 21 points, followed closely by Greenwood's 20 which ties her career high. Jill Morris and Jill Ortnier were solid, filling in as

starters, grabbing seven rebounds apiece, with Ortnier dishing out five assists as well. The Vandals shot just 32 percent from the field, but a scorching 84 percent from the charity stripe.

WEBER STATE (69)

Brown 4-10 6-6 14, Sorenson 2-6 3-6 7, Berg 7-10 5-7 19, Martin 1-7 2-2 5, Gardner 3-14 4-4 12, Allen 0-2 1-2 1, Hansen 0-3 0-0 0, Robinson 0-0 0-0 0, Friend 1-4 0-0 2, Wimmer 3-6 3-5 9. Totals 21-62 24-32 69.

IDAHO (66)

Hawks 9-18 3-5 21, Morris 1-4 1-3 3, Stone 2-6 3-3 7, Ortnier 0-4 0-0 0, Johnson 1-9 2-2 5, Skorpiak 0-0 2-2 2, McDaniel 3-7 2-2 8, Greenwood 6-20 8-8 20, Beard 0-0 0-0 0, Ackerman 0-0 0-0 0, Blakley 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-68 21-25 66.

Halftime score WSU 38 UI 29. 3-point goals WSU 3-17 (Sorenson 0-1, Martin 1-5, Gardner 2-8, Allen 0-1, Hansen 0-2), UI 1-7 (Ortnier 0-2, Johnson 1-5). Total Fouls WSU 20, UI 26. Fouled Out WSU Brown. Rebounds WSU 54 (Berg 13), UI 40 (Morris, Ortnier 7). Assists WSU 11 (Martin, Gardner 3), UI 13 (Ortnier 5). Attendance 658.

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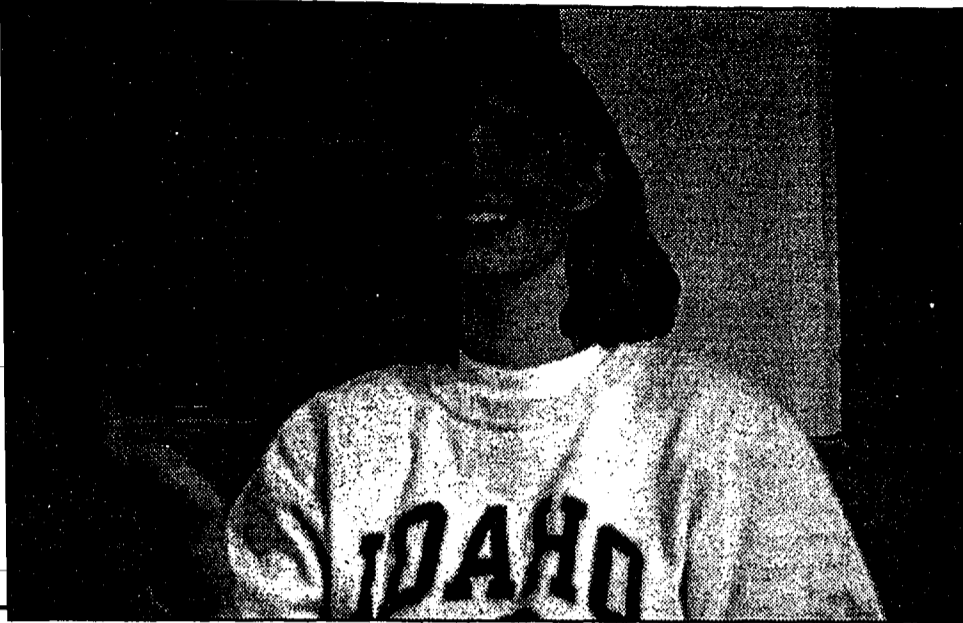
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Stone living a dream here at Idaho



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Idaho freshman forward Jennifer Stone shows off one of her many skills on Monday's off day.

Byron Jarnagin

Staff

Many young people idolize successful college and professional athletes for their abilities and life achievements. They dream about how wonderful it would be to be in their idol's situation. For some these dreams do become realities.

Jennifer Stone, a freshman and member of the UI women's basketball team, has wanted the opportunity to compete at a college basket-

ball level and now that she is living her dream, her goals can be summed up in a few words, success through determination and hard work.

"I just wanted to play and give it all I've got," Stone said. "I've also been playing more than I thought I would at first, which is a big incentive to stay on top of my game, and I just want to improve my game all around as far as my strength and speed."

Even though Stone had her work

ethic priorities high, as a freshman she had to make a few adjustments to the competition like playing against individuals who are taller than she is. This was not the case in high school in Craigmont, Idaho, where Stone most likely would have been in the back row of the chapel choir. Change in competition often calls for a change in attitude. Stone said her high school basketball experiences were competitively serious, but college ball is a different game because she

spends a lot more time working on skills and the overall tone is more serious and intense.

"Since I have been here I have been playing against people who are taller and stronger than I am, as opposed to back home where I was the tallest one in my league," Stone said. "Adjusting to the quick shots of the guards at the college level was probably the biggest change that I had to deal with."

Right now Stone sees her immediate goal as one which helps build more confidence in the women's team by capturing more wins. Simply being part of the Vandal basketball team is a great feeling for Stone, who as a youngster can remember watching teams during warm-ups before a game, wanting to be one of those people on the court.

"It's funny, it was our first game and we are out warming up, the music was going and in high school I can remember totally looking up to the college players and now that I am a college player it feels like everyone around you is so much more grown up than you," Stone said. "I don't really feel like I am in the spotlight. I simply just love to play and love that I have come this far."

From the freshman point of view, Stone believes the team has improved a lot, having listened to her teammates talk about the years before and she feels there is only room for improvement. Her situation as a scholarship student with

three more years of eligibility leaves nothing but time for the success Stone is after.

"We've got some really good recruits coming in, so I believe that we have the potential to be right up there in the top three," Stone said. "If we keep working hard we will improve as a team fighting for a top position."

Stone's choice of Idaho as a place to continue her education and basketball was no fluke and one could say her choice was somewhat of a family tradition. Her parents and her sister have attended Idaho. She had opportunities at Idaho State University and other NAIA schools, but the atmosphere of the school in general and the fact she simply wanted to be in Moscow made up her mind.

"I really like coach Holt's style and techniques and the way the rest of the coaching staff is really enthusiastic. They get the team totally energized," Stone said. "When I first came here everyone on the team and the coaches were really friendly and other places that I went people were not as friendly and willing to work with you."

Despite the women's loss this weekend to Weber State, Stone contributed nine rebounds and a combined 11 points from the free throw line and buckets from the field. So far this season, Stone has averaged over three rebounds per game with a season total of 31, and averaged more than four points per game.

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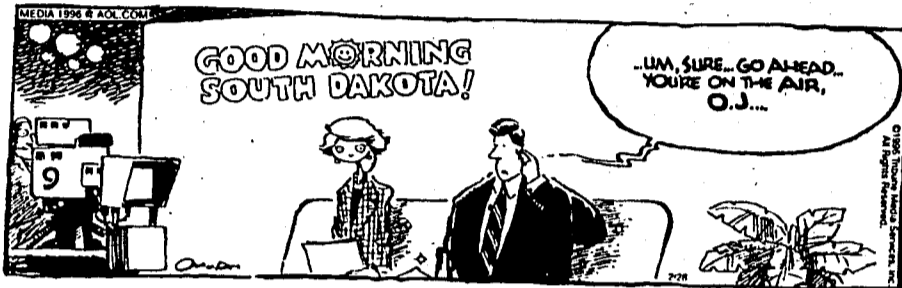
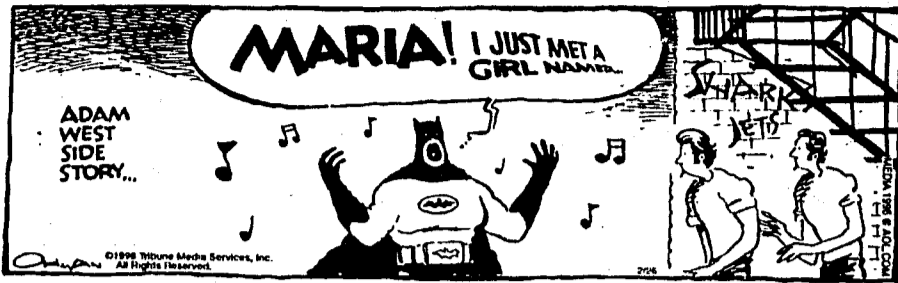
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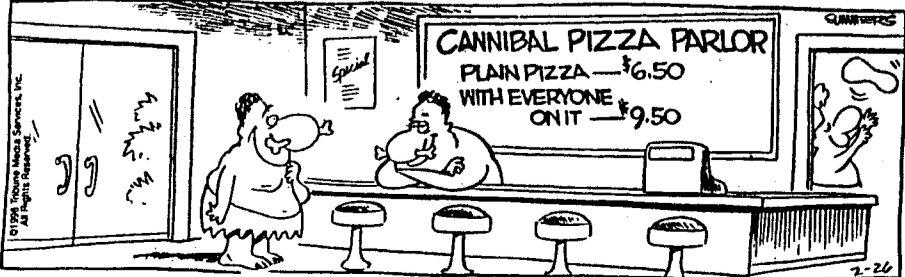
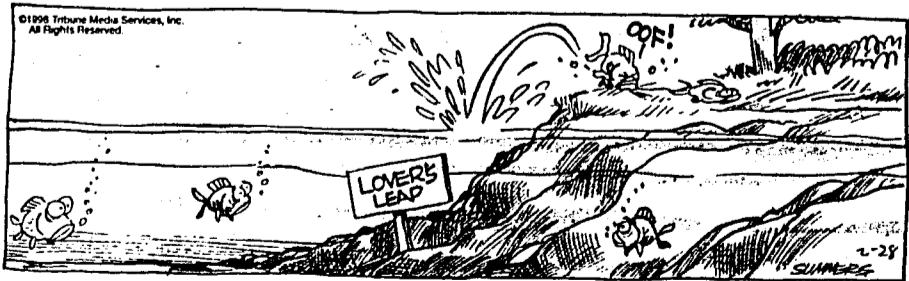
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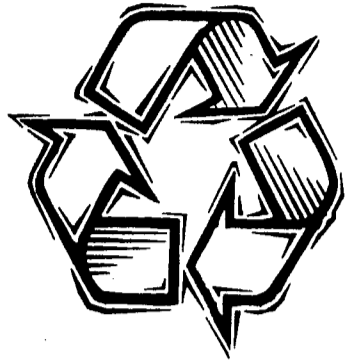
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