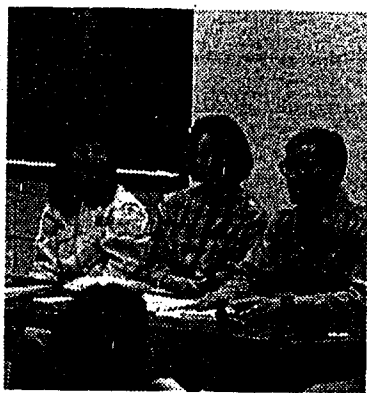


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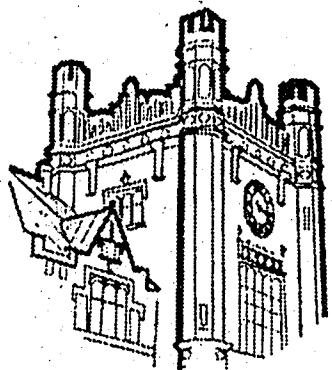
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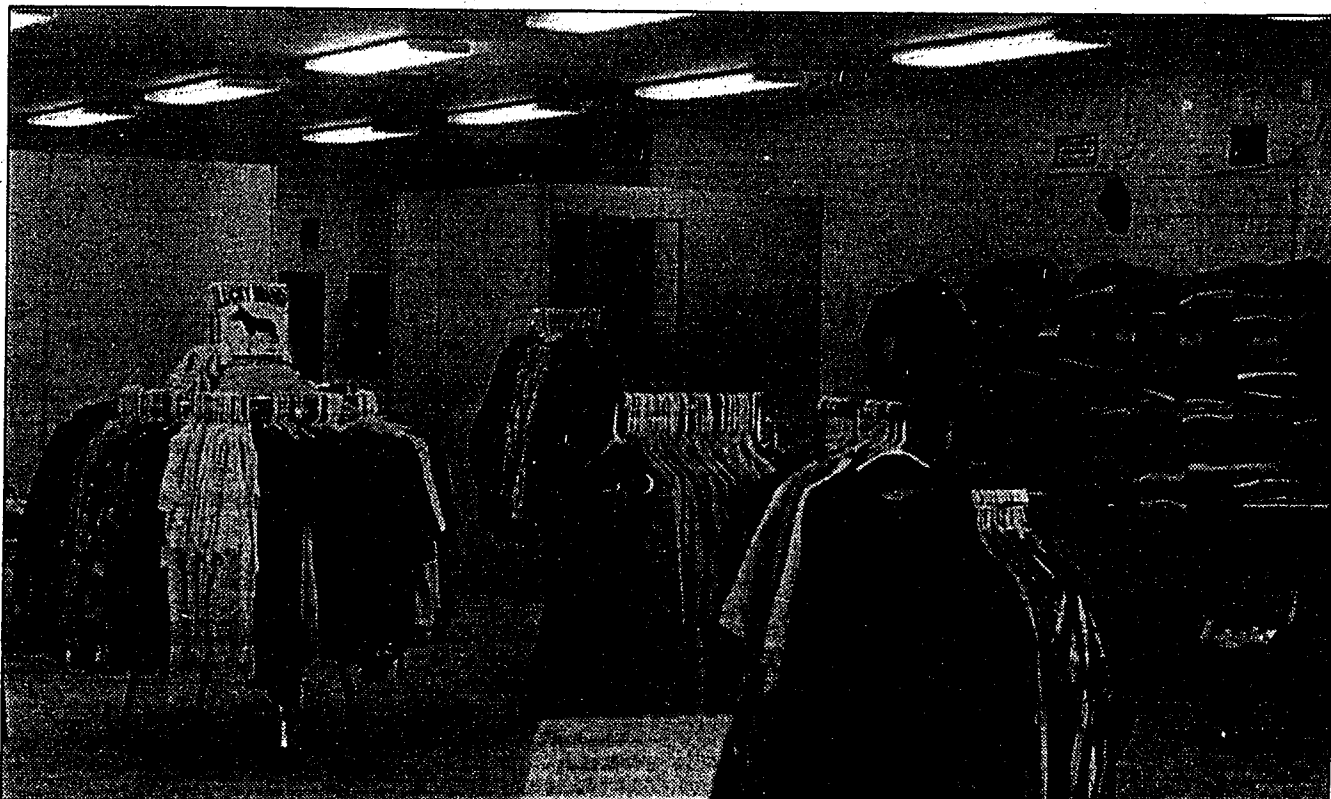
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Outlet clothing store comes to Renaissance Mall



Bush Houston

Down East Outfitters, a clothing outlet that carries name brands like Polo and L.L. Bean, just opened next to TR Video in the Renaissance Mall.

Zachary Smith

Staff

An outlet clothing store is now serving Moscow shoppers who appreciate quality name brand clothes at reduced prices.

Down East Outfitters, which opened on Feb. 5, is located in Moscow's Renaissance Mall on Third Street.

Down East Outfitters Inc., based outside of Salt Lake City, is an outlet chain which carries well-known name brands such as L.L. Bean, Calvin Klein and many others.

The store specializes in overstocked and irregular items as well as out of season lines, said Sarah Berch, manager of the new store. Therefore, Down East can offer their inventory at 30 percent to 70 percent off the retail price.

"We are very excited to be up here amongst the Vandals," said Down East owners Rob Sturgill and Rich Israelson. Sturgill and Israelson are anticipating great potential for an outlet store in Moscow.

Promotional sales in the future will target both the student population of Moscow and the general community. Included is a Mom's Weekend Sale scheduled for after the University of Idaho's spring recess.

Down East is the first store of its kind to come to Moscow and the owners are expecting it to be well-received.

"It is our goal to make Down East Outfitters the number one place to shop in Moscow," said Sturgill and Israelson.

Down East Outfitters Inc. was born in 1991 and has spent the last five years expanding into Idaho, Colorado, Wyoming and Montana. There are now 14 stores in the Northwest.

Personal training gains acceptance

Shawn Vidmar

Staff

The growing national trend of the image of the body is one of fitness and strength. Having a personal fitness trainer is one way to achieve this chiseled outlook. A personal trainer is available both through the University of Idaho and through health clubs.

Molly Stockton, a student at UI said, "I like having a trainer, because she pushes me beyond my own expectations."

Stockton became serious about weight lifting in 1994, and has not faltered since. In the past two years she has employed a trainer twice. "A trainer is great when you are just getting started. Mine showed me how to properly use the equipment and do the repetitions....It is

kind of pricey, but I figure I am worth it," Stockton said.

Weight lifting is not effective alone, one must also commit to a cardiovascular regimen. A good cardiovascular workout is when the heart rate is elevated to achieve the target rate. The standard formula to figure this is listed in the Kibbie Dome by the stationary bicycles and Stairmasters.

"I see people with trainers, but without cardio, they seem to be building muscle on top of fat," Stockton said. She lifts three times a week for one and a half hours each time, and she also does a cardiovascular workout four to six hours a week depending on her schedule.

People work out for many reasons: to stay fit, healthy, to train for an upcoming event or for aesthetic

reasons. Robert Beran, a personal trainer, said the most important thing about training is that the person is doing it for themselves. "Our time is useless if the client's heart is not into it."

A fitness program does take dedication, but the results can be amazing, Beran said.

"I have had clients who improve not only their fitness, but also their whole outlook on life....Lifting is a great way to relieve stress," comments Beran.

This does not mean one should begin lifting without some instruction. "It is easy to overdo it, or to get hurt because of improper motions, and to quit because there are not immediate results," Beran said. It is good to remember that any fitness program takes time, and that the most important thing is to stick with it.

Stockton employs a trainer every six to eight months, for three months in order to "see me through the plateaus, move me into a higher bracket of lifting, and help with spotting....It becomes too hard to coordinate other people's schedules with mine, so I pay someone for their knowledge, education and time....It really helps."

As spring approaches, and consequently shorts and swimsuit season, personal training may be one way to spruce up the work out. Personal training is offered through the Kibbie Dome management, and those interested should contact the office. It is also offered at health clubs in the surrounding areas.

Summer Programs prepares for spring registration

Christopher Clancy

Staff

While many students eagerly await spring break, the University of Idaho Department of Summer Programs is already gearing-up for summer school. Registration is scheduled to begin just after the end of the seasonal recess.

Since last year's sessions the department has made changes to the program that will include a more accessible schedule for students planning to attend classes in summer 1996, Director Sidney Eder said.

In past years some students found the schedule too difficult as class times often overlapped, sometimes only by as much as ten minutes. Students had to "negotiate" with professors in order to enroll in classes with a minimal time overlap, causing many to run from one building to another having missed 10 minutes or more of class every day, Eder said.

Part of the scheduling problem was that students and faculty prefer to schedule classes during "prime" times early in the day forcing summer school program

officials to work within tighter boundaries.

This year all the bugs have been worked out of the system, and in the full-term classes at least, there should be no scheduling conflicts, Eder said.

"With very few exceptions we have eliminated internal conflicts in two or three credit courses," Eder said.

Part of the solution to the problem occurred when the registrar started dictating a scheduling grid for the various departments to serve as a general framework. As long as all of the classes are scheduled in that grid there will be no conflicts, Eder said.

While the problem of internal scheduling conflicts has been addressed, students enrolled concurrently in the summer programs at WSU and UI may still find conflicts.

"That was one thing that we felt we couldn't do anything about... we concluded it was too much. We didn't think we could tackle it this summer," Eder said.

For more information on summer enrollment contact Dr. Eder at 885-6237 or the registrar's office at 885-6731.



• **Weather** •

Highs in the upper 30s and into the 40s. Rain showers and possible snow continued this week.

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Former coach released on probation

GRANGEVILLE, Idaho—After more than four months in prison, former Grangeville varsity boys basketball coach Oscar Salinas was released on 10 years' probation.

Salinas, 31, last year pleaded guilty to felony sexual battery stemming from a relationship with a 17-year-old female student while he was at Grangeville High School.

He appeared Thursday before 2nd District Judge George Reinhardt III, who could have forced him to complete the 12- to 15-year prison term. Reinhardt had retained jurisdiction in the case for 180 days as Salinas was held at the Cottonwood prison.

Salinas said he was sorry for his involvement with that student and others while teaching at Centennial High School in Meridian and Clearwater Valley High School in Kootenai.

But Reinhardt seemed hesitant to grant probation, questioning a letter Salinas wrote last summer to another former student with whom he was sexually involved.

He had been ordered not to have any contact with the victims. Salinas said he wrote the letter after hearing the girl had run away from home and her mother feared she might try to commit suicide.

Psychologist Gregory Wilson said Salinas suffers from a dependency personality disorder and idealizes his relationships with other people, but added he does not think he is a pedophile.

—Associated Press

Initiative to turn up heat for term limits

BOISE—Advocates of strict limits on congressional service have filed an initiative to let Idaho voters know which congressional and

legislative incumbents and candidates support their effort.

Citizens for Federal Term Limits want the election ballots to designate whether the incumbents have done everything possible to win adoption of the constitutional amendment required to impose congressional terms and whether challengers for those offices have pledged their support to the campaign.

And the restrictions imposed by the constitutional amendment the organization is supporting are dramatically more restrictive than those another national organization convinced voters to adopt by initiative in 1994.

That proposal, overwhelmingly adopted but now invalid as far as its restrictions on federal office, essentially limited service in the House to six years within 11 years and in the Senate to 12 years within 23 years.

After all state laws limiting congressional service were voided by the federal courts last year for exceeding constitutional qualifications, the constitutional amendment pushed by term limit advocates slaps a lifetime service restriction of six years in the House and 12 years in the Senate.

Supporters must collect 41,335 signatures of registered voters by July 5 to put their new proposal on the November ballot. But while that would seem an insurmountable task based on Idaho's initiative history, their national organization will likely shell out tens of thousands of dollars to pay people to collect the needed signatures as it did in 1994.

—Associated Press

Man charged with November slaying

SALMON, Idaho—A man now in the Colorado State Mental Institution has been charged with second-degree murder for the November slaying of longtime North Fork resident Nancy Cummings.

Glenn Edward Hertel is accused of killing the 73-year-old manager of the River's Fork Inn, whose body was found on Nov. 21 near the Salmon River Road about a half-mile from North Fork.

Cummings died of strangulation

and a blow to the head.

Neither Slavin nor Lemhi County Sheriff Brett Barsalou would say why Hertel is in the Pueblo, Colo., mental institution.

Hertel, who worked at the North Fork Store and Cafe at the time of Cummings' murder, has been the prime suspect for months, Barsalou said.

He moved from Colorado to North Fork last April and lived up Hull Creek about four miles north of North Fork. The Cummings Lake Lodge, which Cummings owned with her husband Cliff Cummings, also is up Hull Creek.

Hertel left the Salmon area in mid-November, but sheriff's deputies kept close tabs on him during the murder investigation.

Cummings was last seen about 11:30 p.m. Nov. 6 by patrons of the River's Fork Inn.

—Associated Press

Teen loses legs

A 15-year-old Weippe boy remains in critical condition with meningitis after his legs were amputated below the knee.

Andy Moore of Weippe, who was stricken with meningitis last Friday, is a sophomore at Timberline High School and was a lineman on the football team. His legs were amputated on Wednesday.

Meningitis is an inflammation of the meninges, which is the lining around the brain and the spinal cord. Six cases of meningitis have occurred in the north-central Idaho region in the past two months.

The disease can damage the soft tissue in the body and cut off the blood supply, which led to the amputation.

Three Rocky Mountain Middle School students in the Idaho Falls area may have contracted the potentially deadly meningococcal bacteria.

The teen-agers were being treated at Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center with antibiotics as a precaution on Thursday.

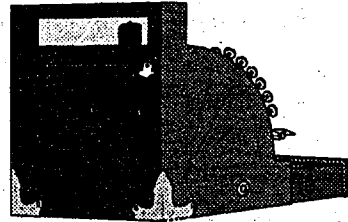
The infection can only be contracted through direct or very close contact and might be transmitted through sneezing and coughing. In this case, all three boys are friends. In Rigby, the students were members of the football team.

—Associated Press



Kmart says raid designed to embarrass

MIAMI—Kmart Corp. filed a lawsuit Friday against the attorneys who got federal marshals to empty the registers at two stores, a move they called "unnecessary legal acrobatics" to force the discount chain to pay a \$2 million judgment.



As local television cameras rolled, about a half-dozen marshals dressed in raid jackets and several police officers went into two Broward County stores in mid-afternoon Feb. 12 and took every dollar. They left the coins.

A federal court clerk in Miami had signed the order giving the attorneys permission to collect the money after Kmart failed to post the required bond in an age-discrimination lawsuit.

Newspapers around the country carried the story of the cash seizure. Jay Leno even joked about it during his nightly monologue.

Kmart is not laughing.

Glen Waldman, one of the attorneys named in the lawsuit filed in Broward County Circuit Court, said he and his colleagues were on firm legal ground.

In August, a federal jury in Miami awarded three former Kmart pharmacists \$2.17 million in back pay and damages. The jury found that Kmart engaged in age discrimination when it began a program to bring in a younger management team to fill the positions of pharmacists, store managers and others.

—Associated Press

Children were targets of most sex offenders

WASHINGTON—Two-thirds of sex offenders in state prisons attacked children, and a third of these victims were offspring or stepchildren of their attackers, the Justice Department reported Sunday.

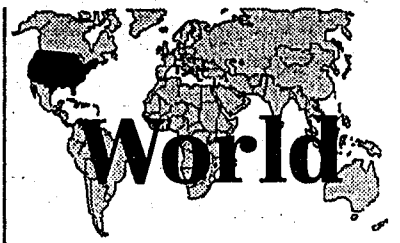
In a report based on the largest survey ever of state prison inmates, the department said children under age 18 bear the brunt of sex offenses and that child molesting remains a crime most often perpetrated by relatives and acquaintances rather than strangers.

The department's Bureau of Justice Statistics estimated that state prisons held 43,552 inmates in 1991 who raped or sexually assaulted children under 18. That represents 65.5 percent of the estimated 66,482 state inmates convicted of raping or sexually assaulting victims of all ages.

The Justice Department study found that more than half the child victims of rape or sexual assault were age 12 or younger. Among all child victims of violence, three-fourths were female.

A third of child molesters had attacked their own child or stepchild. Another half of the molesters were a friend, acquaintance or more-distant relative of their victim. Only one in seven molested a child who was a stranger.

—Associated Press



French returning Greenpeace ships; Navy repaints flagship

PAPEETE, Tahiti—Five Greenpeace ships seized during last fall's protests against French nuclear tests in the South Pacific are being returned, one with a fresh coat of paint courtesy of the French navy.

But the Paris branch of the environmental group wasn't impressed. It demanded Saturday that the French government restore the vessels to a "perfect state of seaworthiness."

The navy seized the vessels and briefly detained crew members in September and October for entering an exclusion zone around the French Polynesian atolls of Mururoa and Fangataufa. France set off six underground nuclear blasts at the test sites from Sept. 5 to Jan. 27.

The two ships and three yachts spearheaded a "peace flotilla" to protest the blasts. They include the Greenpeace flagship Rainbow Warrior II, which French navy commandos boarded.

Public prosecutor Jean-Pierre Dreno said Friday the group was free to recover the vessels, but he said that didn't preclude the government taking legal action later.

Since their seizure, the vessels have been held by the French navy, which repainted the Rainbow Warrior II.

Penelope Komites, director of Greenpeace-France, said Saturday that's the least they could do. She said the ship's navigation equipment was destroyed during the raid and its hull was damaged.

France, which claims the tests have caused no environmental damage, says the latest series was necessary to ensure the viability of its nuclear arsenal and develop simulation technology. Paris has pledged to sign a nuclear test-ban treaty this spring.

—Associated Press

Gorbachev urges democratic alliance, says he'll run again

MOSCOW, Russia—Coy for months about his political plans, Mikhail Gorbachev kept Russians waiting again today, insisting he wants to run for president but shying away from a formal announcement.

The former Soviet leader indicated that for now he prefers to concentrate on rallying potential backers and putting together an alternative platform to those of President Boris Yeltsin and the Communists.

Gorbachev insisted he can win over Russian voters but his chances look slim. Although widely respected in the West, Gorbachev is hugely unpopular at home where many Russians hold the collapse of the Soviet Union against him.

Opinion polls consistently give him a popularity rating of about 1 percent, far lower than the Yeltsin, who himself faces a tough challenge from Communists in the June election.

—Associated Press

Announcements

College Republicans hold meeting

The College Republicans are holding a meeting today at 7:30 p.m. in the Chief's Room of the Student Union. The club will hold a Presidential Preference Poll, and select their scholarship nominee. For more information contact Scott Mahurin at 885-8666.

Fiesta Salvadorena

The UI Language and Culture Association is hosting an authentic El Salvadoran cuisine, March 9 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at St. Augustine's Center.

Tickets can be purchased in room 324 of the Administration Building for \$3.

UI Motorcycle Club holds meeting

The UI Motorcycle club is holding a meeting March 6 at 5:30 p.m. in the Family Housing community Center, 502 Taylor

Ave. Anyone curious about becoming a member should attend. Members are eligible for a scholarship.

For more information contact Ray at 885-1982 or mase9363@uidaho.edu.

Career Services holds workshops

The UI Career Services Center is offering a pair of workshops tomorrow, starting at 11:30 a.m. with a session titled "Introduction to UI Career Services" then at 3:30 p.m., they will offer a workshop titled, "Marketing yourself with a resume and cover letter."

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

Auditions for the Blue Key Talent show

Auditions for the Blue Key Talent show will be held March 8 at 6 p.m. in the Borah Theater. If you have any special talent you

would like perform please contact Jodi Kern at 883-4926 or kern9373@uidaho.edu. The Blue Key Talent show will be held during Mom's Weekend, March 30.

Student National Education Association

The Student National Education Association is holding an officer election meeting on March 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Silver and Gold Room of the Student Union.

UI Water Polo Club holds practice

The UI Water Polo club is holding practice on Wednesdays from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on Saturdays and Sundays from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. The club welcomes new members who are willing to give the sport a try. The UI Water Polo Club does compete with other Northwestern collegiate water polo clubs.

For more information contact Cathy at 882-6312.

Silly rabbit, Trix are for kids



Members of the Six Million Dollar Band take a break from performing at the Moscow Social Club during Mardi Gras. Jared Smith

AIDS group searches for fundraising fellow

Jennifer Eng
Staff

The search is on for a new fellow for the Pedro Zamora AIDS Public Policy Fellowship Program. Zamora was a young gay man with AIDS who died in November 1994. Most people recognize him from the television show *The Real World* on MTV.

After his death, Zamora's parents established the Pedro Zamora Memorial Fund at AIDS Action to ensure the continuation of Pedro's work with adolescent HIV/AIDS issues. Now the organization is looking for fellows to continue the work.

Mili Zamora, Pedro's sister, said, "Pedro decided to extend his hand to others and he never tired of working or struggling, to educate youth so they would not have to suffer or have to go through what he was going through."

The Fellowship program works directly with AIDS Action, a lobbying group working only with HIV/AIDS related issues. This group works to ensure the federal government hears the voices and heeds the lessons of people living with and at risk for HIV/AIDS. For more than 10 years this group has shaped HIV/AIDS policy through public and media advocacy, policy research, education through outreach and providing information about the disease.

Fellows work for 10 to 26 weeks working with AIDS Action staff, member organizations and the indi-

viduals they serve. The fellowship provides a stipend and transportation expenses to enable Zamora Fellows to work at AIDS Action on a full time basis.

This fellowship allows young people to learn about and participate in the development of federal HIV/AIDS policy. On the other hand the fellowship program also provides AIDS Action with an opportunity of working directly with young people to create public policy on prevention and care programs for youth.

"In his abbreviated lifetime, Pedro did more for adolescent HIV issues than anyone or any organization I know," Jay Coburn, legislative representative at AIDS Action, said.

"I am sure that it would have been Pedro's wish that young people around the country took advantage of the AIDS Fellowship Program that bears his name, and help make a difference in the uphill battle against this insidious virus."

To apply for this fellowship, you must be between the ages of 18-28 and able to commit to at least 10 weeks.

The administrator for the fellowship said it will provide Zamora Fellows with skills in public and media advocacy, public policy and grassroots organizing, and will help prepare them to become AIDS advocates in their local communities.

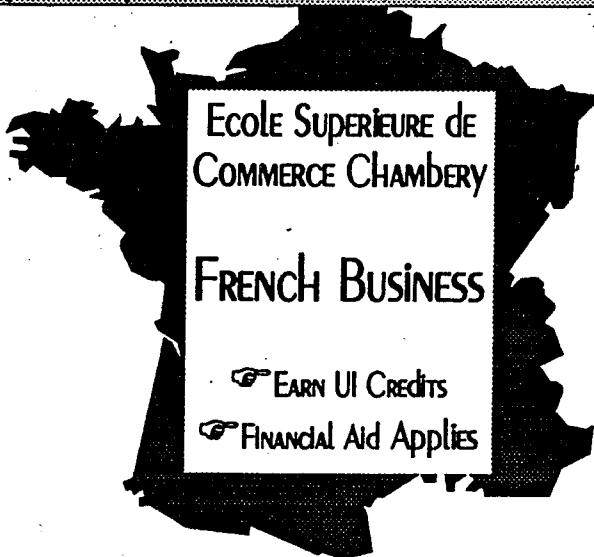
Zamora said to members of Congress in 1993, "If you want to reach me as a young gay man, especially a young gay man of color, then you need to give me information in a language vocabulary I can understand and relate to. I will be much more likely to hear the message if it comes from someone to whom I can relate."

Fellowships are available for the spring, summer and fall and the start and end dates are flexible. For more information contact the Pedro Zamora AIDS Public Policy Fellowship Program, AIDS Action, 1875 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20009; or you can call at (202) 986-1300. Applications for the summer fellowship are due by April 15, fall applications are due by June 15.

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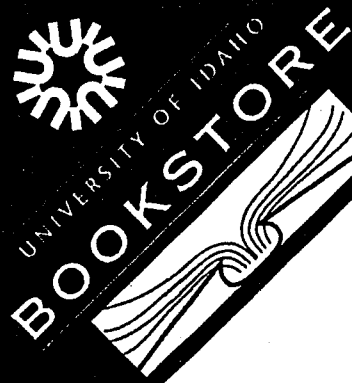
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Arthritis not just a disease of elderly

Jennifer Eng
Staff

It might not be just growing pains, it could be juvenile arthritis. If a child avoids using a particular limb, shows signs of stiffness or complains about aching joints parents may have something more to worry about.

The Arthritis Foundation kicked off Juvenile Arthritis Awareness Week on Saturday.

The JA Awareness week is officially March 4-10 and during this week the Arthritis Foundation is launching a nationwide educational campaign called "Kids Get Arthritis, Too."

The foundation said as many as 3,000 children in Utah and Idaho and 285,000 children nationwide may have some form of arthritis. Arthritis is a painful, sometimes debilitating condition. With early

diagnosis and proper support, children and their families can learn to cope with juvenile arthritis.

The Utah/Idaho chapter and Primary Children's Medical Center in Utah kicked off the week by sponsoring a free Juvenile Arthritis Family Education Day on March 2 which included educational sessions for children and teens with arthritis and their parents and siblings.

The Arthritis Foundation said there is good news in terms of juvenile arthritis. Even though there is no cure, with early diagnosis and proper treatment the medical profession can significantly prevent disability in later years.

Treatments include medication to control inflammation, rest, exercise and proper nutrition.

For more information on juvenile arthritis please call the Arthritis Foundation at 1-800-444-4993.

UI fine tuning jazz festival to cut costs

Associated Press

MOSCOW—University of Idaho officials are restringing operations of the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival to save money, even out the workload and possibly scale back the week-long event.

"We ought to be able to run it a little tighter, a little meaner and a little leaner. That's part of why we are doing this," Provost George Simmons said.

He said it is pushing the boundaries for overall length and could run better in a shorter format.

These considerations come on the heels of last month's festival and a report revealing the school, which has made money in the past, spent about \$108,500 from its auxiliary services fund in the two years since its major corporate sponsor, Chevron, pulled out.

The fund comes from dorm fees, bookstore sales and events,

Festival director Lynn Skinner,

who was making \$58,400 in fiscal year 1993, got a \$10,000 raise over two years. His salary in fiscal year 1995 was \$68,000, the Lewiston Morning Tribune reported.

Los Angeles publicist Virginia Wicks has been paid \$20,000 each year for three, but festival organizers maintain it is worth it.

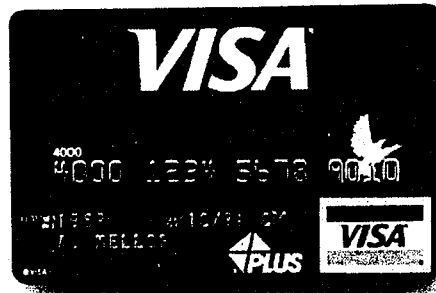
She helped land segments on CBS *Sunday Morning*, ABC World News and Black Entertainment Television. She also attracted numerous national articles.

When Chevron was still on board in fiscal year 1993, the school came out ahead financially by \$21,900. But the next two years, Idaho spent \$38,540 and \$70,000, respectively.

"I want to see it so it doesn't show that. That's my goal and I'm going to reach it yet," Skinner said Friday.

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Sam Goff

Working at Down East Outfitters, Kristen Berg looks up for a quick second. See story on page 1.

State officials to visit potato sludge dump site

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PAUL, Idaho—State environmental and Minidoka County officials will visit the site of potato sludge dumping that has raised the anger of local residents this week.

Complaints about stench and potential environmental damage from three potato sludge pits located about seven miles north of Paul have not generated much action, nearby residents Jodie Wann and Rex and Alice Osterhout say.

Minidoka County Commissioner John "Bert" Stevenson, said the Division of Environmental Quality is in charge of monitoring Magic Valley Foods Inc.'s three ponds.

"DEQ says there are no violations, and the only thing we can do is address the issue in our comprehensive plan, which we intend to do."

The county is developing a new 20-year comprehensive plan, he said.

"At times (the odor) can be pretty bad, especially for people who live close to it," he said. "We haven't turned a deaf ear to the situation, we just can't find anything illegal."

The Osterhouts have photographs of dead animals dumped at the site, and they are concerned the wastewater is permeating the soil and contaminating their drinking water.

Responding to a mosquito complaint last July, Jewel Naffziger, environmental health specialist for the South Central District Health Department, went to the site but could not find any mosquitoes. She said the only living creatures she could find were rat-tail maggots in the sludge.

"Something in that water is poison because no living thing will go near it. We used to see foxes and coyotes playing there and wild flowers growing. But not anymore," Alice Osterhout said.

But residents should not be concerned about the lack of wildlife, said Mike McMasters, a supervisor with the Division of Environmental Quality.

"If the pH is elevated a little bit it wouldn't be uncommon for nothing to be living in the water," he said.

"It also could be nutrient deficient, so no, it's not alarming and it's not a concern."

McMasters said the state has no laws for managing sludge disposal. He said there is not much the division can do about what the company does on its private property.

In 1994, the company said it would move the ponds elsewhere, but it has not.

Vice President Bill Schow said the company has not violated any state laws. He said there are no dangerous chemicals in the waste and that if the groundwater in the area is contaminated, it came from fertilizer or residents' septic systems.

Magic Valley Foods waste management plan states that the company produces about 8 million gallons of sludge per year.

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It's showdown time in House over workers' compensation

Associated Press

BOISE—It's showdown time in the Idaho House on the bill to lift agriculture's exemption from the state's workers' compensation law.

Early in the week, Republican Rep. Bruce Newcomb of Burley will lead a last-ditch effort to sidetrack legislation to end agriculture's 79-year exemption from the law requiring almost all other employers to provide insurance coverage for their workers.

If it becomes law, sponsors estimate up to 35,000 farm workers would be covered.

The Senate passed the bill 30-5 last month and the House Human Resources Committee voted 11-1 on Thursday to send the measure to the full House.

Rep. Maynard Miller, R-Moscow, called that action a milestone.

"We're at a key point in Idaho history," he told committee members.

But the measure still has to win on the House floor. Last session, the House voted 47-23 against a different proposal to repeal the agriculture exemption.

Newcomb, House majority floor leader and a farmer-rancher, will try to put the bill up for amendment to add what's being called the "either-or" provision.

It would say that a farmer can meet requirements of the law either by signing up for state workers' compensation coverage or

by providing private insurance with equal or better protection.

If Newcomb wins the showdown and the bill is amended, it would have to go back to the Senate for approval of the changes. Gov. Phil Batt already has announced those changes are not acceptable to him.

Batt has been putting all his influence into getting the bill passed. Late Friday, his aides said they had firm commitments from 43 House members for the bill. It was less clear whether the same number would hold firm against the attempt to amend.

Depending on how many vote, 43 yes votes would be up to seven votes more than needed to pass the bill.

Newcomb's alternative calls for farmers to have liability insurance, life insurance of at least \$50,000 and at least limited health insurance for their workers. He contends that for a ranch employee making \$20,000 per year, workers' compensation coverage would cost \$2,116 per year.

For \$1,138, Newcomb said he could offer his workers private disability insurance, \$50,000 term life insurance, medical coverage and employer's liability insurance, offering the worker up to \$5,000 for on-the-job injury.

At that price, the worker would have a \$1,000 deductible on the medical insurance policy and would have to pay 20 percent of

all costs over that to a maximum of \$3,500 per year.

Although all the attention will be on the main bill, some lawmakers expect a big battle over accompanying legislation designed to lower the cost of insurance by limiting third-party liability claims.

As written, it would cover all employers, not just farmers and ranchers. But the Human Resources Committee rejected efforts to amend that bill to make it only apply to farmers and ranchers.

Thanks to a huge push in both chambers last week, the 1996 session moves into what legislative leaders hope will be the last two weeks with more bills passed than any recent session to the same date.

By Friday, 786 bills and resolutions had been introduced, 157 more than last year at the same date.

The House and Senate had passed 287 bills. Last year by the same date the count was 183.

The Senate this week will begin work on the House-approved 4-cent-per-gallon increase in the fuel tax and increases in registration fees for light trucks and cars. Together, the tax increases are expected to generate \$34 million per year for highway and bridge construction.

The legislation also makes an emergency appropriation of \$6 million from the expected

new revenue to match federal grants for repairs to flood-damaged roads and other facilities in northern Idaho.

On Monday, the House Transportation Committee will make another effort to update the state's weight-distance tax on heavy trucks. Chairman JoAn Wood said the measure could add \$1.6 million per year to state highway revenue.

The House Agriculture Committee will take another shot on Monday at legislation designed to prevent another Ligertown fiasco. After some African lions escaped, 19 big cats were shot to death at the Lava Hot Springs facility last September.

The new legislation would regulate the sale, transportation, transfer and keeping of exotic animals. An earlier version was withdrawn from the House last week when drafting flaws were discovered by Rep. Ralph Gines, R-Boise.

The Senate also is expected to take action on House-approved legislation diverting about \$5 million from the state general fund to help pay for operation of the community colleges at Coeur d'Alene and Twin Falls, starting next year.

That would ease the special property taxes paid in Jerome, Twin Falls and Kootenai counties and head off a taxpayer revolt in Jerome County over property taxes.

Exiles critical of Clinton welcome U.N. representative as heroine

Associated Press

MIAMI—The thundering applause and chants of "Libertad" started as soon as Madeline Albright stepped onto the soggy football field and didn't stop until the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations stepped off it.

The reception from the 60,000 Cuban Americans gathered at the Orange Bowl on Saturday was significant because exiles have been some of the loudest critics of President Clinton's-foreign policy.

It was ironic because in years past they have come to the Orange Bowl to vent that criticism.

But as exiles eulogized four men killed by Cuba last weekend over the Straits of Florida, they welcomed Clinton's U.N. representative as a returning heroine. They shouted her name over and over, gave her standing ovations and interrupted her speech at least a half-dozen times with cheers and shouts of "Bloqueo," or blockade.

"We will tighten sanctions

against the government of Cuba, but without harming the people we want to protect," Albright told them. "We will employ every diplomatic strategy we can devise to bring about a transition to democracy."

Jorge Mas Canosa, head of the Cuban American National Foundation and a frequent Clinton critic, said the administration's response and Albright's presence at the memorial marked "a new reconciliation...a turning point between

the exile community and the Clinton administration."

Exile leaders met with Albright earlier in the day "to thank her and express their satisfaction with the policy of the Clinton administration," Mas said in an interview at the memorial.

Responding to the shutdown two weeks before Florida's important GOP primary, President Clinton on Monday tightened economic, travel and diplomatic sanctions against Cuba and agreed to support once-controversial legislation that would discourage foreign investment on the island. Congress was expected to pass the Helms-Burton bill this week.

While many exiles are waiting for Clinton's words to be matched with action—including an international blockade of the island—they said they were pleased with the administration's response so far.

Albright stunned the Cuban American and diplomatic world last week when she angrily responded to transcripts of the Cuban MiG pilots responsible for downing the two unarmed Brothers to the Rescue planes. The pilots made crude references to "taking out the cojones," or testicles, of their victims.

"Frankly this is not cojones, this

is cowardice," Albright said Tuesday.

"That was great—'cojones,'" said Walter Villadamigo, 42, a former State Department interpreter who attended the Orange Bowl memorial.

Villadamigo, a Cuban-American Republican who voted for George Bush in 1992, said he was inclined to vote for Clinton in November because of tightened sanctions and Albright's efforts to garner a strong U.N. response.

"He is doing what the Cuban people believe is the right thing towards freedom, peace and justice," said Villadamigo.

Such praise for Clinton has not always been so forthcoming from the largely Republican Cuban-American community in Florida.

On Dec. 10, 1994, exiles gathered at the Orange Bowl to condemn Cuban President Fidel Castro during a summit of leaders from the Western Hemisphere. But they also faulted Clinton for sending more than 30,000 Cuban rafters to the U.S. Navy base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

On May 5, 1995, exiles gathered at the stadium to protest the administration's decision to repatriate all Cuban rafters found at sea.

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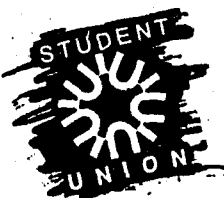
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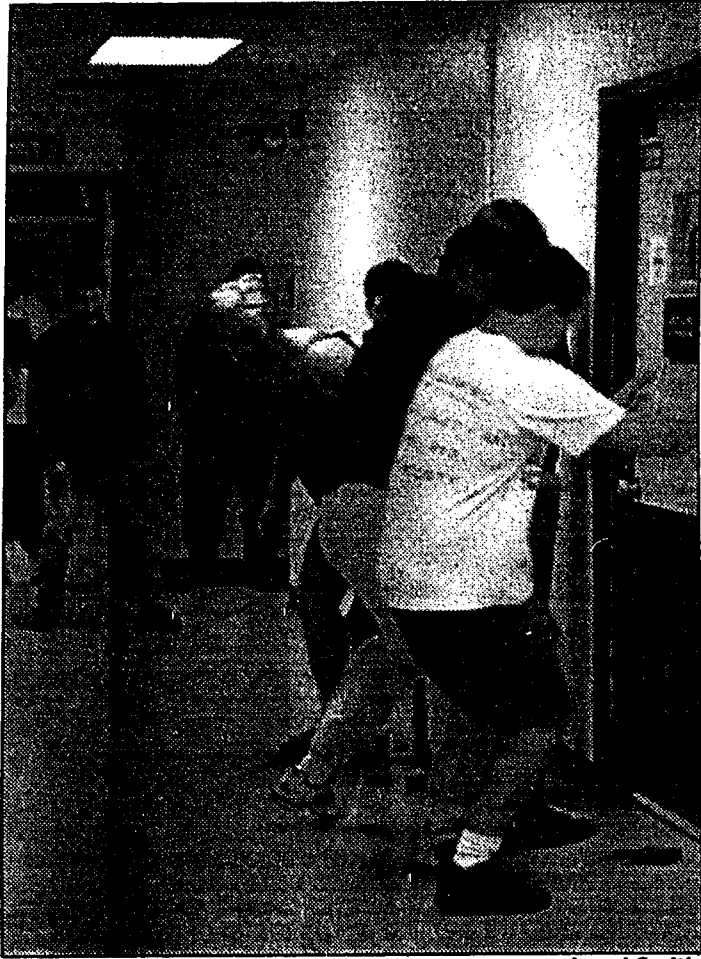
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Labor aims to recover clout in '96

Associated Press
 WASHINGTON—After watching its political influence wane for decades, the AFL-CIO is investing millions in organizing and political campaigns in 1996 to prove that union money and manpower still matter.

Traditional labor issues are moving to the core of electoral politics, and the labor movement is already savoring its first victory of the year.

Hundreds of union members coordinated by the federation supported Ron Wyden's bid in Oregon's special Senate race. Wyden credited his win to their phone calls, mailings and other efforts to contact 100,000 voters.

"Organized labor put Ron Wyden over the top," said Vice President Al Gore, noting that the AFL-CIO's new leaders "put a lot of people on the ground in key roles, organizing voters and getting the message out."

Wyden, who last month won the seat vacated by Republican Bob Packwood by just 18,220 votes, said that "what labor did, with the grassroots effort and by being there early, was absolutely critical."

The nadir of labor's influence came in 1993, when President Clinton signed the North American Free Trade Agreement over threats of revenge at the polls. At labor's winter meeting in Bal Harbour, Fla., last week, the message was that labor aimed to regain its clout.

To back up the message, the

AFL-CIO executive council approved aggressive recruitment and political campaigns proposed by the federation's newly elected president, John Sweeney.

"We're going to mount a political action effort of unprecedented scale, with every union doing its share by contributing ideas, money, staff, media and materials," Sweeney said.

The federation plans to spend \$35 million to register workers to vote and educate them about candidates' records. Add to that the contributions individual unions make to candidates and campaign committees, and political organizers being dispatched to create a base of 100 activists in every congressional district.

Steve Rosenthal, the federation's political director, said organizers would work through every union and local labor council to build a corps of union members who will lobby co-workers and neighbors.

"There will be a pledge that we will be asking members to sign where they will agree to work 30 hours during the course of this election to move issues important to working families forward," Rosenthal said. "We used this in Oregon. We signed up about 300 rank-and-file members...to be active in the campaign—and beyond the campaign."

If successful, such a national grassroots organization would represent a large block of voters. The Christian Coalition, which claims about a million members, is a major influence on Republican politics largely through its dedicated grassroots activists. The AFL-CIO counts 13 million members.

Yet those union members are but a fraction of the total work force. Until labor bulks up its ranks, its social and political sway will be in question. Sweeney pledged to spend \$20 million on recruitment.

"We cannot bargain decent contracts for our members, nor can we obtain public policies that protect working families, unless we can build a substantially larger labor movement," Sweeney said.

Union presidents were pleased that attacks on corporate greed and laments for dwindling wages—two familiar labor themes—are resonating in the presidential campaign.

But unless the federation's outreach efforts are effective, conservative Pat Buchanan could stake claim to those issues. While labor leaders roundly criticized Buchanan, some privately acknowledged that his brand of economic populism appealed to their members.

Many blue-collar workers who voted for Ronald Reagan voted Republican again when the GOP swept Congress in 1994. Since then, unions have found a host of worker protections under congressional attack and most labor leaders have put aside grudges against Democrats over NAFTA.

Doug Dority, president of the United Food and Commercial Workers, said labor's lackluster political effort was partly to blame for the 1994 results. But he acknowledged that the diversity of opinion among labor's ranks makes it difficult to deliver the labor vote.

"Our members are like all of America," Dority said. "They make up their own minds. They're very independent."

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Events director Daniel Schoenberg said expecting to recover financially from Chevron's loss in a couple years is not realistic.

University lobbyist Marty Peterson has been asked to help identify corporate sponsors in the Boise area.

School officials emphasize the educational payoff for such an investment. Bringing 14,000 stu-

dents from 233 schools on campus is one of the best recruiting tools, they say.

In 1993, the university made \$1.99 per student in attendance. In 1994, the per-student cost to Idaho was \$3.21. In 1995, it ran \$5.38.

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Sexual bias alive and well in late 20th century

The turn of the century is rapidly approaching, women have gained a lot of ground. Suffrage, bra-burning, the Citadel and the ill-fated Susan B. Anthony dollar are all examples of progress and recognition well deserved.

Stereotypical conceptions of masculine and feminine roles are changing. Men can cry at work with impunity, women can't. When men stay home to raise children they are sensitive to women's needs. Women who stay home are viewed as gold digging freeloaders.

Gender bias is a colloquial term often misapplied to discussions of sexual bias. Gender refers to the classification of words, be they masculine, feminine or neuter, not sex.

In today's world sexual discrimination problems are still with us. Although the causes of sexual bias are not overt as in days gone by, there is tacit societal approval of sexual roles.

I have read that women feel they reach a glass ceiling while climbing the corporate ladder. Women advance on up this ladder until their looks start to waver they say. Men appear more distinguished and sexy

while women just look old. Cries of foul and age discrimination are wailed.

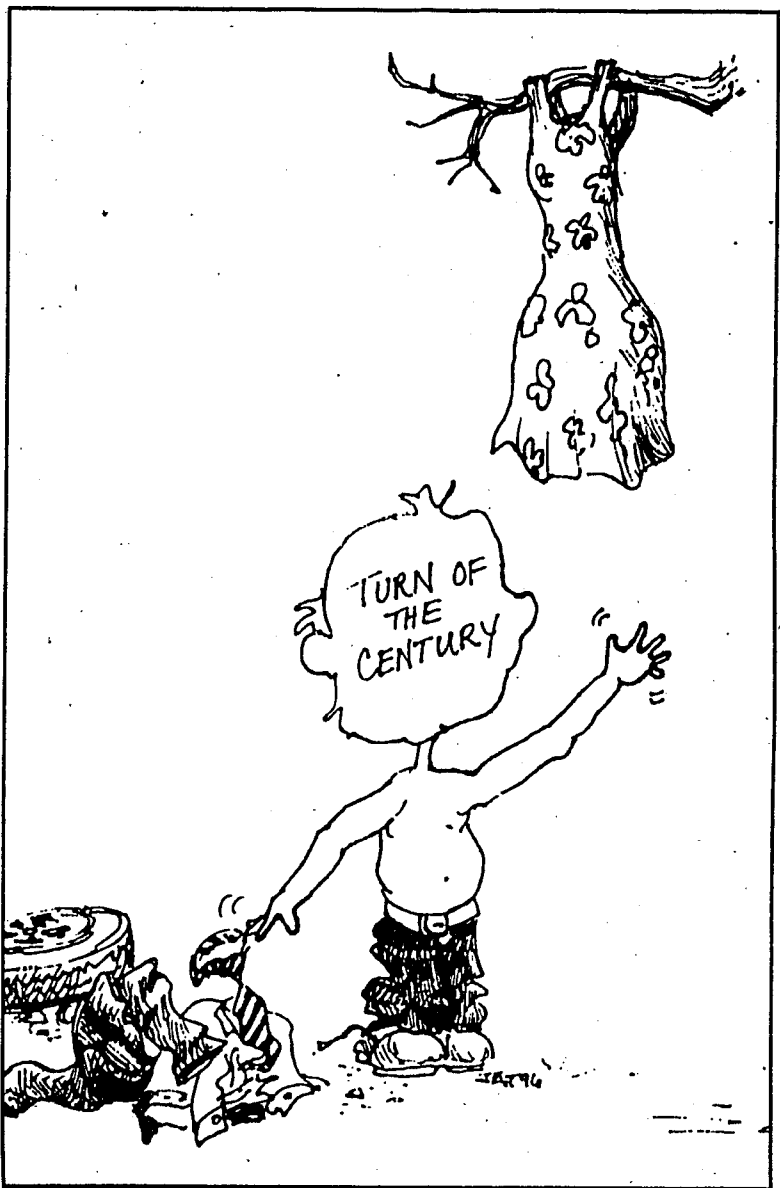
Not that women are necessarily wrong, or even whiny. Sexual problems, as I see them, can be examined best in the microcosm of rock music. The question representative of all sexual problems is; Why do the women of rock burn out when men continue on? If we can untie this gordian knot, sexual issues as we know them will disappear.

Mick Jagger versus Anne Wilson; Steve Tyler versus Grace Slick. Rock history is full of older successful men and burned out middle age women.

Perhaps the middle age women of rock grow matronly because of some sort of maternal instinct. Maybe the rock 'n roll lifestyle just wears them out. It could just be that their voices don't hold up.

But now a conclusion: After exhaustive contemplation I have come to the conclusion that men and women are essentially different and that I have wasted my time trying to find a suitable solution to societies problems. And we will still have sexual bias in the new millennia.

—Dennis Sasse



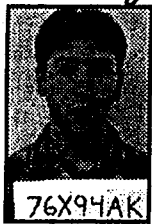
Do you think the Argonaut is creating public opinion?

It's that special time of year again. The first sign of spring vegetation is blooming under a radiant sun, the basketball team can't buy a win and the annual pro-life abortion insert has shown up in the Argonaut again.

Concerned with the motive of this newspaper's decision to run the insert, a faculty member Saturday asked me just who was "calling the shots down there." I knew this person was sincere. The way they lashed out in their Mardi Gras clown suit at the bartender, screeching desperately for another Derailer, was an act only a straightforward inquisitive professor could execute and look good doing so.

"Why are you guys coming on so heavy with that abortion issue again?" the clown asked with alco-

Ranting



Mike McNulty

hol breath. "Do you have a bunch of fascists running the show up there or something?—The Argonaut is telling us how to live."

The clown rambled on, almost incoherently, for 45 minutes about how American newspapers are full of crap and lies; and how they can

print whatever stories they want despite what the public wants to read.

I knew the only way I could get away was to promise the clown I would look into the matter with the watchful eye of an unscathed young journalist. However, I boldly denied accusations that the Argonaut was trying to convert a vulnerable public into an autocratic "Big Brother" society where crazed newsmen run the nation with reckless oppression.

I was lucky enough to sit in on an editorial meeting yesterday at the Argonaut office and research the clown's allegations. The yellow carpet and wallpaper were particularly brilliant as the bright sun shone through the windows. I sat quietly and wrote down everything

the editors said.

As a working journalist, a mirror of society and a public servant in search of the truth, it is my duty to the clown, as well as the faculty, staff and students of this university to reveal what transpired Monday afternoon:

Mussolini: I think the pro-life circular went over well. Pretty soon our neo-fascist ways will coerce everyone to think the way we do.

Hitler: I agree. We are the elite media. We create public opinion with this newspaper. Our readers are the real knuckledraggers of the earth. Those mental-midgets wouldn't even have an opinion on anything if it weren't for us.

William R. Hearst: We could take over the world by controlling what people read. Manifest Destiny man,

total global expansion. We'll publish anything. Lies, your truth, my truth, whatever it takes as long as we make money and tell people how they should live.

Wilhelm Reich: But don't you think the public is generally rational and can form their own opinions without relying on what newspapers feed them?

The Group: HELL NO. (hearty laughs all around.)

I know this is probably quite unnerving for most of you but I feel a tacit agreement exists between me and you that I report an accurate account of what happened. This agreement is important because we, as a public, generally act on and become involved in what we read and hear.

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There is an especially perturbing dumbing down of national intellect currently taking place in every town and city, along every stretch of highway and road in our fine country.

No, it's not the use of 20 state funded workers to fill in a single pothole, nor is it those silly signs that say bump when it's actually a dip, or vice versa.

This phenomenon has a far more serious and far reaching effect than even those corny "Welcome to (your name here) the (noun) Capital of the World."

This peculiarity which is degrading our country is the improper spelling of things for effect.

It started with doughnuts. Someone had to go and spell it donuts. Seems innocent enough, and it's not that far from truth.

But those well-meaning doughnut franchise owners didn't know they would be opening a Pandora's box of misspelling. They didn't know

Pontification



Corinne Flowers

that soon businesses everywhere would take it upon themselves to butcher the alphabet for the sake of cuteness.

While donuts may be pretty close to the truth, there are some things out there that are an awfully long stretch...say things like "Kathy's Kute Kountry Kottage." The use of K's where C's would be perfectly fine is irritating at best. At worst it bothers me to the point where I

have to lash out and get verbally abusive towards whoever is in the car with me. These innocents could be protected from my psychotic ranting if only people could spell.

Is this a ploy to attract more business? The business of the illiterate perhaps?

"Hi" and "Lo" on the stove knobs don't bother me. "Xtra Lo Fat" on a bag of chips does. "Thru, nite, tho" and even "phuct" don't bother me. "Toys R Us" does. I won't even talk about how annoying I find the lyrics of "the artist formerly known as a bad speller." I would die 2 teach him how 2 spell 4 u.

If the incorrect spelling is subversive or convenient, it's not so bad, but if it's done for commercial appeal, it's simply sick and wrong.

Ever wonder why students can't spell? Or many adults for that matter? Language arts aren't emphasized to the degree that math or science is. We figure if our kids can

read and write, that's enough. But it's not. They need to learn to read and write properly. Misspelled words on your application or resume don't just look bad, they make your potential employer wonder-how you got that bachelor's degree.

But it's not necessarily the fault of the educational system, they do what they can with what they have. The fault is with society, just take a look around: "Klean Karpet Kompany, Kwickstop, Kute Kuntry Kritters" (The omission of the o in country really ticks me off). Not only is it a bastardization of the English language, I have reason to believe it is secret code for white supremacy groups. (You know, the K's...oh, never mind...it's not funny). But it's still annoying as hell.

Do you really want your children attending "Kreative Kiddie Kollege—We Believe in Kwalitty"

in those formative just-learning-to-read years? I thought not.

As if the K's weren't bad enough, there's a whole world of X's, R's Q's and Z's: advertisements on billboards extol the virtues of "Xtra Beefy Meaty Cheezy Things; WACQ, The Radio Station that Reelly Roqs; Try our X-traordinary X-ercisor today; Tools R Us; Toys R Us; Trucks R Us, etc.

It's not simply the effect these things have on our intellect. Above all else, weird spellings just look dumb. I often stop and wonder about the intelligence of the people who decide on these names. It certainly makes me think twice about frequenting those particular establishments. It also makes me think several times about multiple cans of spray paint. Hey, those state sponsored guys aren't getting a heck of lot done in the area of roadway betterment—someone's got to take the initiative.

Letters to the Editor

Dissection not necessary in today's computer world

I will always remember the small, dead, squint-eyed, black and pink, piglet I purchased in a see-through plastic pouch for \$9 from a shelf at the back of the campus bookstore. I remember tying the four tiny cloven hooves to the edge of the dissection tray with rubber bands, and the animal laying there prostrate, splay-legged, tongue protruding. I remember the first incision down the chest and belly, the soft skin splitting open.

My pig was just one of some six million vertebrate animals killed that year in the U.S. for dissections. This year will be no different. Dissecting trays will be pulled out of the cupboards and slithery, lifeless bodies will be plunked down onto them. Sometime this spring or fall, the smell of formaldehyde will permeate the biology halls as the annual ritual of dissection is once again carried out.

In many physiology labs, too, the life will flicker and die out from sentient creatures while students look on with mixed emotions. Pithing probes and circular saws will invade the bodies of frogs and turtles so that their still moving body parts can be watched and manipulated. Once again, animals will be made lifeless, both literally and symbolically. Their bodies will be used and then discarded.

I also remember asking myself if all this is okay. Should an animal die so that I can see exactly how a pancreas connects to a small intestine? Will this exercise foster respect for the environment in my generation of policy-makers? Is it possible to affirm life while extinguishing it? I eventually answered "no."

If you are to take a course in which animals will be harmed, you, too, should not be led to believe that you need do so to become a good scientist. As a student and as a human being, you are entitled to an education consistent with your sincere beliefs, and there are many ways to learn animal structure and function that don't involve the termination of an animal's life. Today, there is an abundance of computer programs, CD-ROMs,

videodisks, models, self-study modules, charts and manuals to help you learn without harming any animals. The Humane Society of the United States can provide you with a list of a dozen published reports showing that students learn anatomy, and other biology lessons, equally or better using alternatives than they do by dissecting animals or harming them in other ways.

It is only by speaking out that you will make a difference. As your college experience unfolds, invest in it with your conscience as well as your mind. If you believe it's time for a change in how animals fit into college education, do your part to bring about change. As Margaret Mead once said, "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

—Jonathan Balcombe,
associate director for education,
The Humane Society of the United States

Learn to value the unborn as much as animals

Recently a major newspaper ran a story of a brutal killing in south Florida.

The story reported that an enraged man was slamming a victim's body against a concrete sidewalk. Although a nearby police officer rushed to the scene, the resulting wounds left the victim dead. The killer was sentenced to five years in prison for this act.

This may sound like thousands of other murder accounts, but what makes this story essentially revealing is that the victim was not a human being. It was a dog.

We certainly do not condone cruelty to animals. In at least one state a waiting period of a day is required before a dog can be put to sleep.

Then, consider the thousands of potential U.S. citizens who are residing in the womb awaiting their first sunrise. But, this is not to be. An instrument of evil invades their territory and murders them.

It is strange that a society, which cares so

much for the life of a dog, has a government that gives protective status to the brutal murder of human babies. To require a period of waiting before an abortion is considered unconstitutional.

This points out the current confused state of our society.

—Berenice Bue Juve

Column paints Central America with a broad brush

Corinne Flowers' outrageous column in Tuesday's Argonaut concerning the downing of two planes by Cuba clamors for a response. Corinne calls for some "...sharp-shooting assassins to Cuba with a list of names of government officials who need bullets in their heads...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...." She also asks "...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...?"

Corinne's column is so symbolic of U.S. policy toward Cuba in the last 40 years and indeed historically toward all of "Latin" America. As long as those Latins down there behave and do as we like, they'll be left alone; but the moment that one of those little governments with one of those "little" men at the top establishes any kind of independent policy from "Big Brother" in the North, they will have to bear the consequences of the power of "The Big Stick."

I wish Corinne had been listening to the Jim Lehrer News Hour on Monday evening. Jim Lehrer was interviewing two people, one of whom was Congressman J. Serrano from the Bronx, New York. His views were a refreshing relief from the Corinne-like rhetoric that was coming out of this incident. He suggested that instead of retaliation the U.S. might try talking to Cuba (Imagine doing that! What a novel idea that would be in U.S./Cuba relations!). He also asked himself, "How would I

feel if planes from an unfriendly country were flying over my country and dropping leaflets urging me to topple my president and bring down my government." That is a question that Corinne should be asking herself also.

Here is a word of advice to Corinne from a veteran observer of U.S.-Cuba relations: Do yourself a service and take some Latin American history and politics courses before you leave this university, then you might be able to write from a more informed mind. And before you spout off with some solutions to "the Latin problem" wait awhile because the facts of incidents such as this come out in bits and pieces. For example, Congressman Serrano mentioned that Cuba had already been protesting to the U.S. about these flights which take advantage of humanitarian goals to bring political disruption into the country.

The loss of life in this incident is abhorrent but the U.S. must bear some responsibility. It has not done what it can to discourage these so-called "Cuban Patriots" who continually provoke Cuba into confrontations with the U.S.

—Mary Voxman

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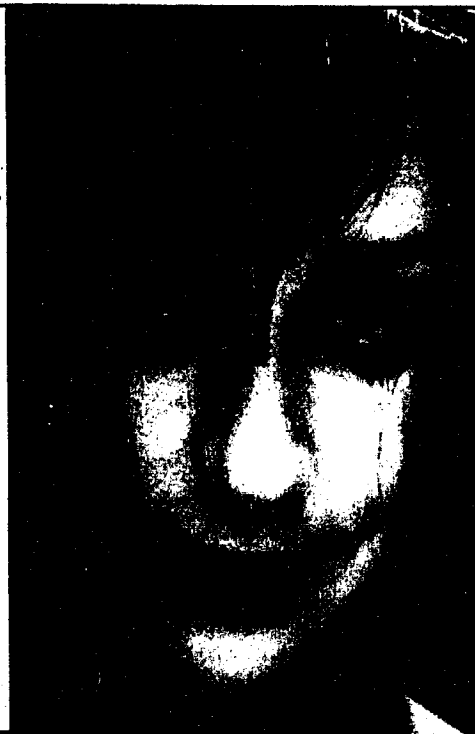
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Outdoors Briefs

VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED FOR MOSCOW MOUNTAIN NATURE COSERVANCY

A clean up of Idler's Rest park on Moscow Mountain is scheduled for this Saturday, March 9. Many campus and community groups have volunteered already, but the more the merrier. For more information, call 883-4759 or e-mail at the following address: webb@novell.edu.

ASWSU "BROWN BAG ADVENTURE" PROGRAM SCHEDULED

On Wednesday, March 6, the ASWSU Outdoor Recreation Center will introduce another in its "Brown Bag Adventure Series" by presenting "Bitterroot Cuthroat: The Flora and Fauna of the Clearwater River System." Steve Pettit of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game will be the featured speaker. The program will be shown at 12:10 p.m. in the Cascade Room 123 of the Compton Union Building at Washington State University.

PLANT, SOIL AND ENTOMOLOGICAL SEMINAR THIS WEEK

The Department of Plant, Soil and Entomological Sciences Seminar Series continues March 7 when Roxanne Schreiber, assistant director of Student Support Services, presents "Student Support Services: Supporting Students' Success." The presentation is from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in McClure Hall Room 209.

SPRING BREAK VACATION BUS WITH SEATS TO FILL

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 am considering applying for moose, sheep or goat controlled hunts this year. Can I still apply for any other big game hunts?

Answer: If you apply for any of the trophy species (moose, sheep or goat) you can not apply for any deer, elk or antelope limited permit controlled hunts in the same year. Only general season, depredation, black bear or unlimited permit hunts are allowed.

Idaho rules also state that hunters can apply for trophy hunts each year until successful in the draw. Once drawn, a hunter can not reapply for two years. However, Idaho is a "once in a lifetime" state and once a hunter has harvested the species, they can never reapply.

For more information on applying for Idaho's trophy species, consult the 1995-96 moose, sheep and goat rules booklet or contact the nearest Idaho Fish and Game office.

OUTDOOR TIP OF THE WEEK

Getting lost in the wilds of the Palouse is no laughing matter. If you get lost, sit and rest for a few minutes; people can often find their way again after allowing themselves a time to rest and calm down. If you still can't figure out your location, climb a tree and look for landmarks. Generally, the shortest way out is toward any road, smoke, building or other sign of civilization you spot. Waterways also lead toward settlements. Follow them downstream. Don't worry, something will compute.

Outdoor activities affect environment

Popular sports for the outdoors can often do more harm than good

Tricia Francis

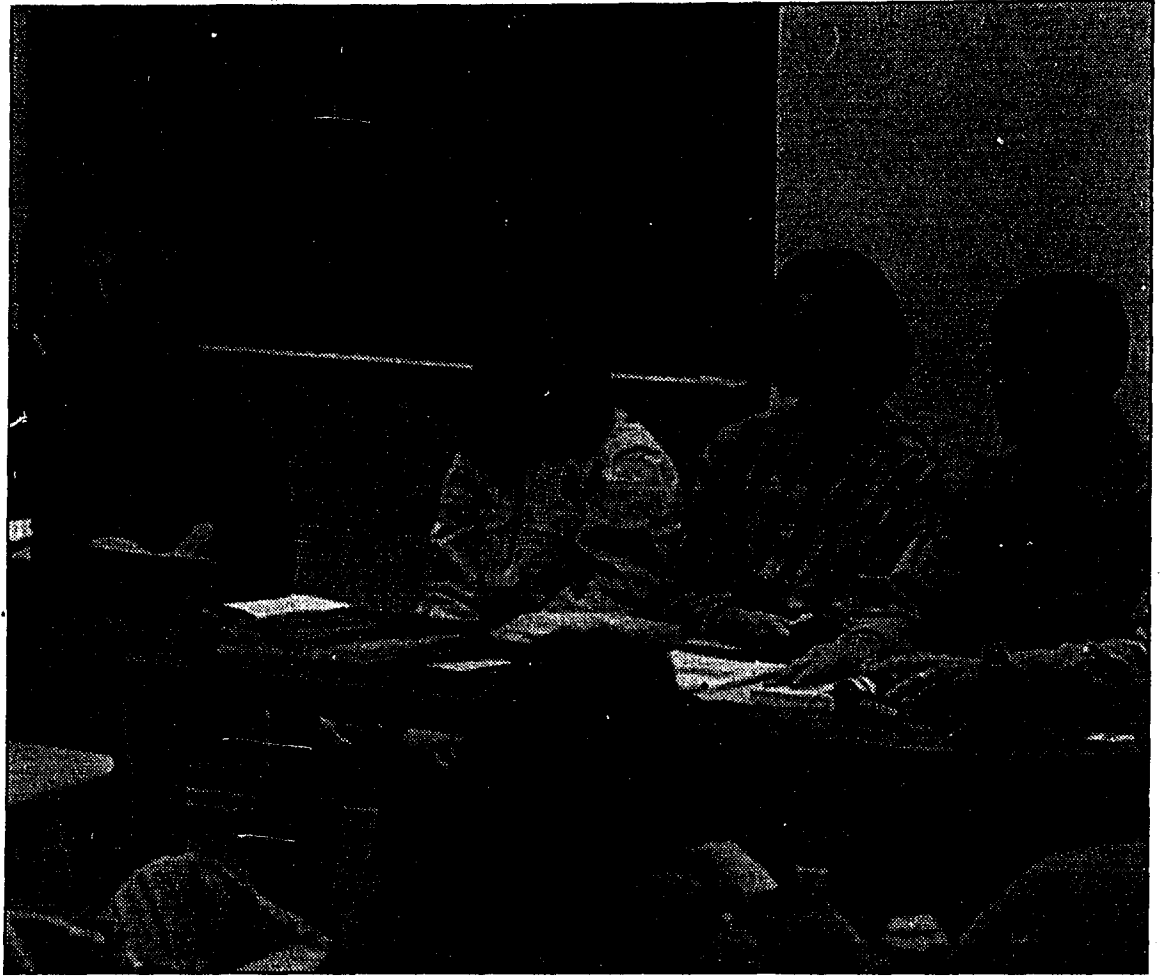
Staff

For the past few years winter sports have seen a dramatic increase in popularity. Most of us have seen signs of human usage in the forests during the spring and summer, but most people think winter use is fairly benign and harmless. Unfortunately this is not the case, and winter sports can be hard on the environment. A panel was gathered to speak to students on some of the impacts and what can be done to enjoy the outdoors without leaving a trace.

Sara Walker, a wilderness ranger in the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness area, has seen the impacts of winter camping. Winter camp fires take large pieces of wood and sometimes campers hack down nearby vegetation. Walker sees "slow and steady problems developing with the degradation of vegetation and natural features" as the result of winter activities.

The Forest Service doesn't have a winter recreation program in this area. However there is information available on better camping practices and no trace camping. "It is up to us to talk to our friends when we're out there about better camping practices," Walker said.

Francis Cassirer's area of expertise is the impact of winter sports on wildlife. As a wildlife biologist, she has studied the responses of elk in Yellowstone National Park to disturbances by cross-country skiing. During the winter, elk in Yellowstone experience a period of environmental stress. They lose weight in winter and rely on fat reserves for energy. This is also the time of year when females are pregnant. "When the animals have



Bush Huston

Mike Beiser, Francis Cassirer, Sara Walker, and Ed Crumpe all took part in last week's discussion of outdoor sports on the environment.

to move around it affects their energy budget and increases loss of body fat," Cassirer said.

The research showed that even at 400 feet the animals were disturbed by humans and then disturbed others creating a ripple effect. Constant disturbances can put pregnancies at risk and increase mortality among wildlife. "The bottom line is that we need to take wildlife into account when planning winter recreation and try to accommodate it," Cassirer said.

As coordinator of the UI Outdoor Program, Mike Beiser leads winter sports trips and knows the impacts humans can have. He also has seen first-hand the steady increase in participation in winter recreation. "We are at the leading edge of a tidal wave of increase in back country use," Beiser said.

Snowmobiles do a great deal of damage. Beiser said he has seen snowmobilers chasing wildlife in the Tetons. Packed trails made by snowmobiles can change migration patterns in wildlife. Yellowstone Bison are only allowed within park limits. With packed trails, the Bison are able to wander beyond their normal winter range, and out of the park, where they are promptly shot. This winter several hundred have already died in this manner.

Ice climbing is another sport enjoying a surge in popularity. Ice climbers use electrical conduit for their descent.

Beiser has seen piles a few feet high of conduit left after the spring thaws. Beiser believes education is paramount to preserving the wilderness while still enjoying the

outdoors in winter. "Unless you eliminate humans from the equation winter recreation is not benign," Beiser said.

Ed Crumpe, professor of Resource Recreation and Tourism, is an avid fan of winter. He too has seen changes over the years in the woods related to human use of wilderness areas. Not only is environmental damage a concern, but safety is also an issue.

"Winter is the great equalizer. You have to deal with the hand Mother Nature gives you. Winter recreation is one of the last great wilderness experiences," Crumpe said.

More information on safe, no trace outdoor recreation is available in the Outdoor Program office in the basement of the SUB. The office phone number is 885-6170.

Off-season good for equipment maintenance

Jerri Lake

Staff

The off season for hunting and fishing does not offer much to do for those sports. But, this time of year is a great time to get out all of your equipment and do preventive maintenance.

If you do not have a climate controlled gun case, your weapons can draw moisture and dust. Guns stored inside field gun cases, especially the cloth lined ones can draw moisture. A mid-year cleaning will help stop or prevent any rust from damaging your weapon.

For those of you that just put away your weapon the last time you used it, now is the time to clean all the burnt gun powder from the magazine or barrel. Any powder residue or dust acts as a receiver for moisture, increasing the chance of rust.

Be sure to disassemble the weapon to the point you can flush out all dust and debris with a cleaning solvent. In areas you do not want to disassemble, you can use WD-40 with the tube attachment to get into small areas. After flushing, wipe dry or blow out with air, then apply a good coat of

oil before reassembling. Check any places on the wood stock that might have damage through the finish and repair before placing back into storage. The wood needs to be sealed to keep out moisture.

Fishing reels need to be flushed with fresh water, then disassembled to remove any moisture, sand or other debris that might have got into the inside. Wipe dry and regrease or oil all gear areas and any other moving parts.

Now is also a good time to remove and replace last season's fishing line with new. While the line is off, clean the spool to remove any possible corrosion or agents that can damage the new line.

Fishing poles need to be washed down to remove any mud, corrosion or debris. The tip and guides need to be checked for grooves or any worn spots that can damage the line. The tip and guides also need to be checked to make sure they are tight and secure. If not, remove, replace or resecure like it was originally.

The reel seat needs to be cleaned and oiled so any threaded parts will work properly while securing the reel to the pole.

Now for the nightmare—the tackle box. I usually take everything out and clean the box. Next I sort out all the crud, line clippings, broken hooks, and other junk I don't want back in the box.

Rinse the lures, plugs and jigs in clean fresh water and allow to dry. This will remove any scum or fish slime so the finish will stay in good condition. It will also make any feathers last longer.

Sharpen all the hooks and replace any broken or bent ones. Check your inventory for what you need for next season. Now is the time to stock up if you see any sales.

Check your waders for cracks, tears or weak areas. If possible, repair and hang them so air can circulate in and around them. This will make the rubber last longer.

Unroll, unfold, or unstuff how you last put away your tent. Clean off any dirt, bugs or debris it might have. Check it for moisture, snags, tears or other damage. Check the zippers to make sure they are not damaged or worn out.

If the tent is made out of canvas look for mildew. If it has mildew and the canvas is still in good condition, make a solution of one part

bleach and three parts water and apply in those areas. This should kill the mildew and lighten the area. Let it completely dry before putting it away.

Camp stoves need to be cleaned to remove any food or grease. The burners should be cleaned to make sure all openings are clear for proper flame distribution. Any hinges and latches should be given a light coat of oil to help prevent rust.

Lanterns and camp stoves should be checked to make sure all gas valves and fittings are working properly.

Clean the lantern's glass globe. Any cracked or broken globes should be replaced. Also, make sure you have plenty of mantles for the next time you need it.

Sleeping bags should be aired out. This is also a good time to have it cleaned to remove any body oils or other camping scuzz it might have. Check the zipper to make sure it works properly.

Continue through all of your equipment until you know all of it is clean and in good repair.

If you maintain your equipment well, it will serve you for many years.

No fatalities reported for 1995 hunting season

For only the second year on record, Idaho escaped human fatalities from the discharge of firearms or bows in its most recent hunting season. The last year without a shooting-related hunting fatality was 1993, Idaho Hunter Education Program Coordinator Dan Papp said.

The only victim of a fatal firearms accident in the 1995 hunting season was a horse mistaken for a cow elk and shot from under its rider, a rancher rounding up cattle in a southwest Idaho forest. The shooter is still in court over the incident and is expected to lose his hunting privileges, among other penalties.

Papp recently completed an official report on hunting accidents in Idaho for 1995. At least 49 U.S. states and some Canadian provinces contribute to a North American report on hunting safety, published by the Hunter Education Association.

The national report indicates hunting is far down on the list of dangerous outdoor activities, in terms of accidents per number of participants. The accident rate continues to decline generally throughout this country and Canada.

Mandatory hunter education is credited as a large contributor to better safety. In the first three years records were kept in Idaho. Beginning in 1953, there were 12, 11 and 15 fatalities while hunters then numbered 182,885 to 188,717. In 1993, there were no fatalities; in 1994 there were three and in 1995 there were no human fatalities. In those same years, the number of hunters ranged from 242,670 to 256,203.

Idaho's accident experience reflects similar trends in other western states. The only category of accidents showing an increase overall was in muzzleloader hunting; safety education for muzzleloaders is being considered by the Hunter Education Association.

The wide open country of the West appears to be the safest region of the country, according to 1993 Association figures. In all western states including Alaska and Hawaii, there were only 53 accidents that year, two of which were fatal. The Midwest had 373 accidents with 28 fatalities.

Four of the 10 non-fatal 1995 Idaho accidents involved self-inflicted wounds; the other six were two-party accidents. Three human

Federal funding for wildlife programs to go to Idaho

Idaho is due more than \$7 million in federal funds for fish and wildlife restoration and for hunter education.

These federal funds make up an important portion of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game's budget. The federal funds are entirely derived from outdoor recreation enthusiasts in the form of excise taxes on hunting, fishing and shooting equipment. The funds are returned to the states on the basis of land and water area as well as number of licenses sold. No funds from general taxes go to the Idaho Department of Fish and Game. The

largest source of operating funds for the department is fishing and hunting licenses.

Idaho's share of \$197 million in federal sport fish restoration funds for fiscal 1996 is \$3,446,744. This money can be spent for acquisition and improvement of sport fish habitat, stocking fish, research on fishery problems, surveys and inventories of fish populations, boat ramps, and other recreational facilities. Up to 10 percent may be used for aquatic resource education.

Fish restoration funds are derived from a 10 percent excise tax on fishing equipment and three percent on electric trolling motors and sonar fish finders as well as a tax on motorboat fuels and import duties on fishing tackle and pleasure boats.

The Idaho share of \$202.4 million in wildlife restoration funds is \$3,321,279. Hunter education in Idaho will receive \$422,987. The money can be spent for acquisition and improvement of wildlife habitat, introduction of wildlife into suitable habitats, research on wildlife problems, surveys and inventories of wildlife populations, wildlife-related recreational facilities, hunter education programs, and construction and operation of public shooting ranges.

Wildlife restoration funds come from an 11 percent tax on sporting arms and ammunition, a 10 percent tax on handguns, and an 11 percent tax on archery equipment. Half of the tax on handguns and archery equipment may go to hunter education.

"Many Americans don't realize what an enormous contribution hunters, anglers, and recreational shooters make to the conservation of our natural resources," Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt said. "In fact, these individuals are among the nation's foremost conservationists, contributing their time, money, and other resources to ensuring the future of wildlife and its habitat. Under the Federal Aid programs alone, a total of more than \$5 billion in excise taxes has been generated to support state conservation programs."

The federal programs based on excise taxes began in the 1930's and have been expanded since then.

"These programs touch every man, woman and child in the United States, making it possible for state wildlife agencies to undertake conservation efforts in communities across America," Acting Fish and Wildlife Service Director John Rogers said.

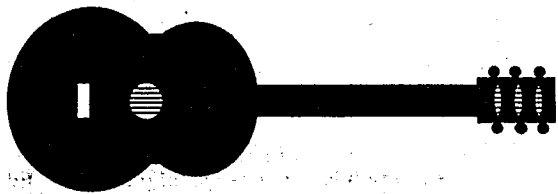
fatalities occurred while hunting but did not involve firearms or bows. Two victims were waterfowl hunters who drowned while boating or wading and one big game hunter who fell from a high cliff.

Hunter education in Idaho continues to grow. In 1995, more than 7,800 students were certified through required courses in 375 classes. That is about 4 percent more students than the five-year average.

Those planning to apply for controlled hunts this year should sign up for a class as soon as possible. The application period for controlled hunts will be in May this year rather than June.

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Idaho pulls together to make tourney

Mike Stetson
Staff

Survival. For the Idaho Vandals, Saturday night became an issue of survival as Idaho used an attacking defense to devour the Montana Grizzlies and secure a birth in the Big Sky Conference Tournament.

Idaho, playing its final Big Sky game in the Kibbie dome, kept the game close until halfway through the second half when the Vandals turned the Grizzlies into a pack of cubs, routing Montana 84-75 in both teams season finale.

"Every dog has its day, today was our day," Idaho forward Harry Harrison said after playing his final game in the Kibbie Dome.

The Vandals entered the game with a three-game losing streak and needing either a win against Montana or a lose by Northern Arizona to gain a spot in the Big Sky Tournament. Montana entered the game having won its last five and looking to win a share of the Big Sky Season Championship and the opportunity to host the conference tournament.

Early on it looked like a possible repeat of the Feb. 2 game in Missoula as the Grizzlies pulled out to a 15-8 lead after the first six minutes. But Idaho fought back with a solid team effort to close the half tied at 32-32.

Harrison led the way for the Vandals with nine points, but Idaho thrived off a balanced attack as all 10 Vandal players scored in the first 20 minutes. Montana stars Shane Belnap and Shawn Samuelson led the Griz in the first with nine and eight points respectively to counter Idaho's attack.

In the second half, Idaho and Montana traded baskets and the lead five times in the first 10 minutes as both teams struggled to take control of the game.

Then, during a Montana time-out at the 10:14 mark, the announcement came from Flagstaff that Weber State beat NAU, 101-64, securing a tournament berth for Idaho. At that point the Vandals ignited. Over the next six minutes the Vandal went on a 20-6 run, crushing Montana by hitting six of seven from the floor while the Griz's managed to sink two of eight shots. With 4:15 left to play Idaho held a commanding 14 point lead, 68-54.

Over the last four minutes, Montana fought back to within eight points of the Vandals but Idaho put the game

on ice hitting 12 of 15 free throws down the stretch.

Vandal Coach Joe Cravens said, "I'm happy for the kids," after the win. "We're happy to be in the tournament, happy to be playing anybody."

The Vandal victory set the stage for a rematch with the Griz on Thursday in Bozeman. The Idaho win combined with Montana State's 92-64 win at Eastern Washington gave the Bobcats the Big Sky Season Title and dropped Montana to third place behind MSU and Weber State.

"I'll buy a Montana State sweatshirt to wear," Cravens joked looking for support from the Bobcat fans after the Vandals gave the title to MSU.

Four Vandals scored double digits while Idaho shot 48 percent from the floor, but the key to Vandal victory came with Idaho's hustling defense. Idaho's defense force the Grizzlies second worst shooting game of the season at 38.7 percent, only two tenths of a percent better than during a lose to Boise State in January.



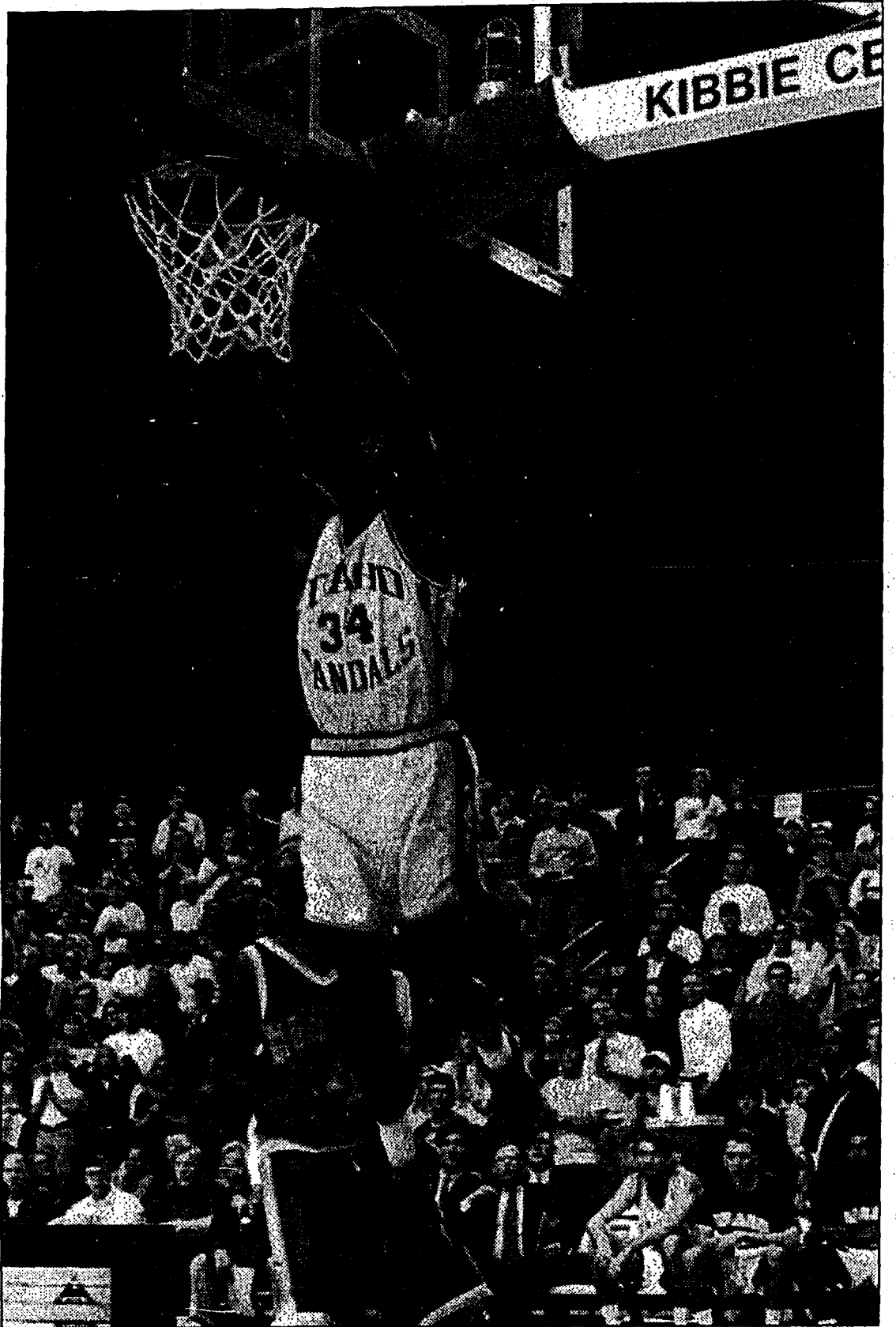
Reggie Rose

"We played a little more zone tonight, changed our defense enough to keep them out of a rhythm," Cravens said.

Montana failed to find a rhythm as they were forced to rely on Belnap, who scored 21, for offense. Montana's leading scorer, Samuelson, managed only one point in the second half.

The only tarnish on the Vandals night came with 5:21 remaining in the game when junior point guard Reggie Rose went down after a collision on baseline drive. Rose fractured and dislocated his right elbow, sidelining him for the Big Sky Tournament starting Thursday and the remainder of Idaho's season.

"It's a pretty tough break," Cravens said.



Nic Tucker

• SEE WIN PAGE 17 James Jones slams home two as Idaho knocked off Montana. The two will meet again Thursday

Vandal men capture third at indoor finale

Mark Vanderwall
Staff

The Idaho Men's Track team hopes that history will repeat itself, as for the second year they finished third in the Big Sky Indoor Championships.

Last season the Vandal men placed third as well in the Indoors, but went on to win the Outdoor Championships.

Idaho Track Coach Mike Keller said, "We have said all year long that we would do much better outdoors than we would indoors, so we can be happy finishing third."

The men were paced once again by sprinters Felix Kamangirira and Tawanda Chiwira along with the jumping of Thad Hathaway, Chris Kawramba and Leonard Brittner.

Kamangirira and Chiwira set the school and Big Sky Conference Championship record in the 400 meters with a time of 46.72, but Chiwira's time came during the preliminaries. Kamangirira set the same time in the finals, with Chiwira falling in the same race, thus causing him to finish out of the point race.

"If Tawanda hadn't fallen, and Jason St. Hill wasn't tripped we could have finished second, but I'm happy with third," said Keller.

St. Hill finished sixth in the 200 meters after the altercation, with the runner that interfered being disqualified, but the disqualification didn't help Idaho in the points race any.

On the women's side, Idaho's Jill Wimer did the majority of the damage with her third place showing in the shot put. The seventh place showing for the women was below expectations, but the outdoor season should help them as well.

Chiwira and Kamangirira have both qualified for the NCAA's with the verdict still out on the Vandal 4X400 relay team, (Currently 12th in the nation), and the 7 foot 2 1/2 inch jump from Thad Hathaway in the high jump which currently places him 15th.

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TEAM SCORES- N. Arizona 132. 2. Boise St. 102.3 Idaho 96.4 Weber St. 56.5 Idaho St. 49.6 Montana St. 29.7 Montana 21.8 Eastern Washington 11.

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Triple Jump- 1. Chris Kawramba, Idaho 51 feet, 10 1/2 inches. 2. Max Mitchell, Weber St., 49-11. 3. Leonard Brittner, Idaho, 48-10/4. 4. Tommy Sarenbrant, N. Arizona, 47-4/2. 5. Lewis Lofton, Weber St., 47-1/2. 6. Junior Baker, Weber St., 46-2. 7. Tyler

Bucklin, Montana, 43-93/4. 8. Andre Ervin, E. Washington, 41-7.

55-meter high hurdles 1, Eric Hisaw, Idaho, 7.59 seconds. 2, Ryan Renz, Boise St., 7.60. 3, Troy McDonough, Montana, 7.65. 4, Rudolph Drummond, N. Arizona, 7.71. 5, Jake Shulz, Weber St., 7.73. 6, Michael Dwyer, E. Washington, 7.74.

800-meter run1, Jama Bile, N. Arizona, 1 minute, 50.74 seconds. 2, Lee Lorenz, Weber St., 1:50.76. 3, Jason Baerlocher, E. Washington, 1:52.24. 4, Corey Sell, Montana St., 1:52.45. 5, John Ruprecht, Idaho St., 1:52.49. 6, Shawn Foughy, Montana St., 1:52.78.

55-meter dash1, Todd Hering, Montana, 6.36 seconds. 2, Raymond Nelson, N. Arizona, 6.37. 3, Walter Reed, Boise St., 6.44. 4, Dave Kolle, Montana, 6.49. 5, Jay Carter, N. Arizona, 6.49. 6, Jason St. Hill, Idaho, 6.50.

Mile run1, Jama Bile, N. Arizona, 4 minutes, 9.45 seconds. 2, Elvis Terry, Idaho St., 4:10.25. 3, Jim Cera, N. Arizona, 4:10.54. 4, Man Harmer, Weber St., 4:13.81. 5, Mike Galeana, Montana St., 4:16.26. 6, Nathan Kennedy, Weber St., 4:17.41.
400 meter dash1, Felix Kamangirira, Idaho,

46.72 seconds- 2, Mike Brown, Boise St., 47.93. 3, Dana Scouten, Idaho St., 48.34. 4, Randy Wheeler, Weber St., 48-58. 5, Chadband Idaho, 49.13. 6, Scott Thredgold, Weber St. 49.56.

200 meter dash 1, Tawanda Chiwira, Idaho, 21.15 seconds. 2, Felix Kamangirira Idaho, 21.43. 3, Earl Corney, Idaho St., 21.48. 4, Walter Reed, Boise St., 21.60. 5, Brandon Stock, Weber St., 22.07. 6, Jason St. Hill, Idaho, 22.94

Shot put1, Kristian Pettersson, N. Arizona, 58 feet, inch. 2, Jarred Rome Boise St., 52-3/4. 3, Johnny Theiken, N. Arizona, 52-2.4. Mason Hess, N. Arizona, 51-6 1/2. 5, Kevin Whitson, E. Washington, 50-1 1/2. 6, Nick Petrucci, N. Arizona, 50-6 3/4.

3,000-meter run 1, John Howell, N. Arizona, 8 minutes 22.08 seconds. 2, Bob Evans, Weber St., 8:22.95. 3, Cormac Smith, Boise St., 8:25.90. 4, Tim Martin, N. Arizona, 8:26.80. 5, Jon Biles, Montana St., 8:30.26. 6, Elvis Terry, Idaho St., 8:33.65.
4 x 400 meter relay1, Idaho, 3 minutes, 9.61 seconds. 2, Idaho St., 3:12.69. 3, Weber St., 3:13.70. 4, Boise St. 3:16.29.5, Montana St., 3:16.72.6, Montana, 3:18.95.

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Women's season comes to an end as Lady Vandals lose to Montana and Montana State

Mark Vanderwall

All things must come to an end, and for the Idaho Vandals it meant the end of a great season, despite what their overall record may show.

This past weekend marked the end of the season for the Idaho women's basketball team, as well as the end of a career for four Idaho seniors: Jill Morris, Heather Beard, an Ackerman and Mindy Rice finished their perspective careers in the Vandal gold and black, with two road losses in Montana.

The Vandals needed to win both conference games to make the Big Sky Tournament, but poor shooting and injuries once again plagued Idaho.

The Vandals started the weekend in good fashion with a 26-24 lead at the half in Bozeman, but cold second half shooting and turnovers cost the Vandals a win.

In Montana it was much of the same, as the Vandals were out-matched from the start, as they fell behind early and never caught up.

Montana finishes the season at 22-4 overall, and 13-1 in the BSC. They will host the conference tournament.

Mindy Rice once again saw limited action, as she finished her career with a sore foot playing only

15 minutes. The Vandals were led by Kelli Johnson's 19 points and Ari Skorpiak's 15 respectively, as both return next season for the Vandals.

Against Montana State, The Vandals were led by Michelle Greenwood's 15 and Natalie Hawks 13 points, again both players will be back next season.

The Vandals finished the season 7-19 overall, and 4-10 in the BSC, but they showed signs of a much better team than in past years.

MONTANA (82)

Greta Koss 6-13 1-3 13, Malia Kipp 3-5 -01- 7, Angella Beiber 6-9 3-3 15, Carla Beattie 2-5 3-7 10, Sherri Brooks 4-16 1-1 4~ 13, Krista Redpath 3-5 0-0 6, Catie McElmurry 3-6 2-2 8, Jill Rasmussen 1-5 1-3 3, April Sather 14 0 0 1-2 3, Dawn Sackman 2-5 0-2 4. Totals 31- 73 15-24 82.

IDAHO (58)

Natalie Hawks 2-9 0-1 04 4, Jan Ackerman 2-6 0-0 4, Jennifer Stone 2-2 2-2 6, Ari Skorpiak 4-12 6-7 1 5, Melisa McDaniel 1-6 0- 0 2, Jill Orner 0 0 0-0 -0 0, Kelli Johnson 5-14 5-11 4-4 19, Jill Morris 0-0 0-0 0, Mindy Rice 1-3 1-2 3, Michelle Greenwood 2-6 1-3 5, Heather Beard 0-0 0-0 0, Sarah Blakley 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 19-59 14-18 58.

3-point goals Montana 5-11 (Beattie 1-3, Brooks 1-1, McElmurry 2-2, Rasmussen 1-3, Sackman 0-2), Idaho

6-21 (Hawks 0-1, Ackerman 0-2, Skorpiak 1-6, McDaniel 0-1, Johnson 5-11). Fouled outnone. Rebounds Montana 54 (Koss 15), Idaho 38 (Greenwood.6). Assists Montana 23 (Brooks 6), Idaho 7 (Ackerman 2). Total Fouls Montana 15, Idaho 23. Halftime score Idaho 19, Montana 46. Technicals none. Attendance 5142.

Idaho (7-18)

Ortner 0-2 0-0 0, Johnson 1-8 0-0 3, Hawks 6-9 1-2 13, Morris 1-3 0-0 2, Skorpiak 1-9 0-0 2, McDaniel 2-6 0-0 5, Rice 3-10 0-0 6, Greenwood 6-12 3-4 15, Ackerman 0-10-0 0, Stone 2-5 2-2 6. Totals 22-65 6-8 52.

Montana State (13-13) Spring 0-2 2-2 2, Zikmund 0-6 0-0 0, Svendsen 2-6 2-4 7, Brown 5-13 3-4 16, S. Smith 1-6 0-2 2, Hommes 5-9 1-2 11, N. Smith 2-4 2-3 6, Ballek 1-4 3-4 5, Beil 10-16 0-0 20. Totals 26-66 13-21 69.

Halftime Idaho 26, Montana St. 24. 3-point

3-point goals Idaho 2-12 (Ortner 0-1, Johnson 1-5, Skorpiak 0-3, McDaniel 1-1, Greenwood 0-1 Ackerman 0-1), Montana St. 4-11 (Spring 0-1. Zikmund --3, Svendsen 1-2, Brown 3-5). Fouled out None. Rebounds Idaho 33 (Hawks 6, Rice 6, Greenwood 6), Montana St. 55 (Hommes 13). Assists Idaho 9 (Johnson 3), Montana St. 17 (Svendsen 6). Total fouls Idaho 21, Montana St. 14. Attendance 1,163.

March Madness is here, so buckle up it's going to be a bumpy ride



Byron Jarnagin

In the end, who is it going to be University of Massachusetts, Georgetown, Kentucky, University of North Carolina or somebody else to take the title as the National NCAA Basketball Champion?

"March madness" is the simple phrase that describes college basketball teams race around the country to become NCAA National Champion upon eligibility for the round of 64 in a couple weeks. The big question for fans is will their team succeed or fail while trying to achieve this goal after witnessing the rollercoaster performances characteristic of teams all around the league? Villanova fans might want to pray hard after their sixth ranked team lost terribly to the number eight seed Georgetown Bulldogs 106-68. Still there is always the chance that the inevitable bad luck bug might bite knocking off a top seed at the hands of an underdog.

I'm speaking of the chance popular "no-name" teams like Wake Forrest have had during tournament play, and how teams like these seriously impact the final result. Pick a sport, an underdog may not win altogether, but does end up knocking out favored teams or at least teams that had a better chance of winning than another. When it comes down to the 64 teams at the beginning of the National NCAA Basketball Tournament should teams not seeded as one of the top 25 not even be counted as factors? A bookie might say yes, but statistics say no. Whether your dealing with regular season play or national title tournaments, it has happened before when an unseeded team shines for just one game upsetting the hopes and dreams of a favored other in the first or second rounds.

From the action seen in collegiate basketball this season it seems like anything is possible. The rights of number one has bounced back and fourth between

Kentucky and UMass. Kentucky's one season loss was to UMass giving UMass number one standing. A team like George Washington dealing UMass their first loss for the season and first seed back to Kentucky make it hard to predict who will prevail victor in the end. George Washington took care of the Minutemen, but the tables were turned this weekend when the unranked men from St. Josephs plowed over 24th seed GW in a close 86-82 game. Heck, Michigan still thinks being crowned in the end is within their grasp and they lost to Illinois 73-62 Saturday.

Duke's struggling loss to North Carolina 84-78 after UNC had previously lost to Wake Forest was more of a redemption of UNC, but showed they could get the job done in the end. However, when fighting for the championship teams only get one chance and there's history looking to the chalk board and thinking about next season. Results of teams like George Washington beating the odds and turning around and getting stomped by an unseeded St. Josephs is what still keeps the competitive dream alive establishing positive motivation across the board.

Still, thinking realistically, picking Stanford or Harvard to win the national title is almost ludicrous. Besides the fact that teams like these don't represent a real threat, there is the simple truth that some teams from the Big 10, Pac 10 and Ivy league Conferences barely ever get a chance to even be in the first 64 let alone the second group of 32 after the "first cuts."

One large factor which usually comes into play during this tournament is that any one team realizes the chance to prove to themselves and the country they can compete with the best. Team camaraderie and hyped motivation often pushes a team to play harder than they ever have before. It is a kamikaze suicide mission when the lesser of two teams is merely trying to bump someone out of contention knowing they have nothing to lose, and are grateful to be where they are. So, in one respect an underdog

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Gardner proves to be emotional leader

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Idaho junior Nate Gardner's ESPN highlight film goes like this: Gardner scores 30 points in route to the Vandals Big Sky Conference championship win over arch rival Boise State in Bozeman, Mt. It could happen, just watch.

Well, more than likely, it won't happen. For Gardner though, beating BSU in the conference championship would be a dream come true.

"Of course, you don't like Boise State, just cause it's Boise State," Gardner said. "I'd hope we could meet them. We wouldn't meet em' until the finals of it based on the seeding and how we go through (the BSC tournament). I'd love to play those guys again because there's nothing better than beating Boise State."

Idaho is seeded sixth and BSU is seeded fourth in the conference tourney, so, most likely they won't meet in the BSC finals. Although a trip to the finals is not likely for Idaho, Gardner feels that the Vandals will be ready to play on Thursday against the University of Montana. Gardner is hoping a first round win would erase a disappointed season for the Vandals.

"Our record is disappointing. We know we have a better team than what our record shows. It has been kind of a struggle at times. Now we have a chance to make some noise at the tournament and that's what we're going to try and do," Gardner said.

In Gardner's third season, the 6-foot 8-inch center has taken to heart some of the criticism that's been directed toward the Vandals and coach Joe Cravens.

"I do kind of think some of that criticism is directly related to me because this is my third year and I've been in the program longer than anyone else," Gardner said. "We really haven't had any real leadership. It kind of bothers me that I didn't step it up in that way but we just have to keep working hard."

Although a record of 5-9 in BSC play may get most players frustrated and out of their game, Gardner prides himself in coming into

every game with a leader's time of emotion.

"I've kind of thought that's how I've been ever since my freshmen year," Gardner said. "We had Orlando (Lightfoot) and Deon (Watson) that year who were really, you know, more vocal, more up front leaders, but I thought and continue to think that I provide more emotional, get people going type leadership."

Gardner credits his father, a former basketball player for the University of Utah, for having the biggest influence on his work ethic on the court.

"He's had the biggest influence on my career by far," Gardner said. "He's always been around coaching me since I was little. In junior high he was my coach and my freshmen year of high school he was my coach. Even still now, he's able to make it up to most of my games. Even in the stands, he's yelling at me, telling me things I need to work on."

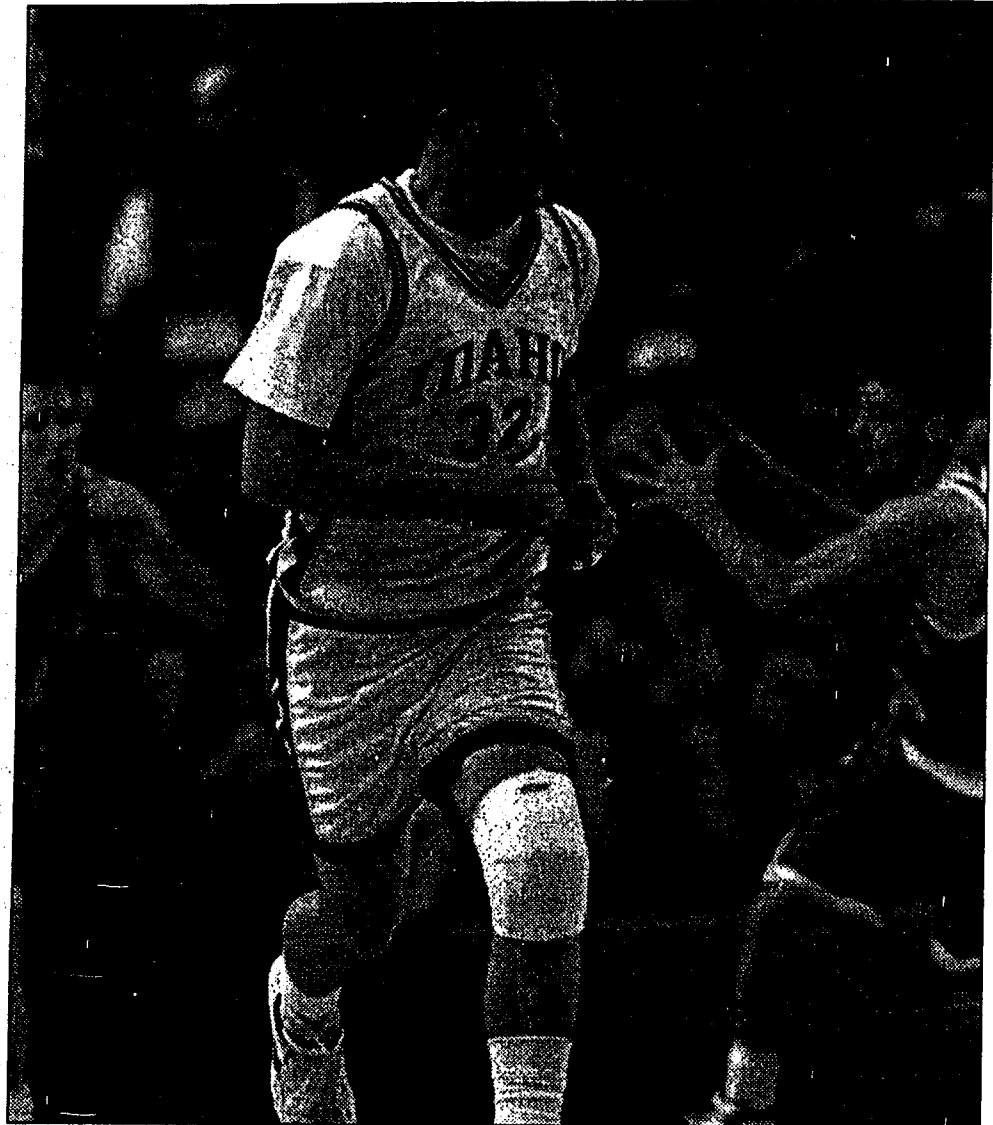
If superstition or luck has any role in Gardner's play against his Big Sky counterparts, Idaho may in fact make it to the finals. His lucky charm doesn't consist of carrying a rabbit's foot or wearing a good luck jock strap - it's his bald head that brings him luck.

"My favorite music group is Pantera and their singer, he shaves his head. So me and a couple of my buddies back home decided to shave our heads. It's kind of a goofy thing," Gardner said. "My mom likes to say I'm Sampson in reverse. When I have hair, I'm maybe not as intense and fired up as when I shave my head. It's kind of a psychological thing - a superstition."

When Gardner isn't busy proving bald is beautiful, the Salt Lake City native likes hanging out and watching hockey. After Gardner graduates with a sociology degree, he wants to teach back home in Salt Lake and somehow be involved in the community.

As for Gardner's immediate plans, the junior averaging 6.7 ppg and 5.4 rebounds looks forward to being a part of a new generation of Vandal athletes as Idaho moves to the Big West next season.

"It's going to be a lot of fun," Gardner said. "I think it's a league that has a different style



Nic Tucker

Nate Gardner has made an impact on campus since his arrival three seasons ago.

of play than the Big Sky. The Big Sky is really rugged and rough and big bodies. The Big West is more open and run and gun and a lot more shooting. That's going to be a lot of fun playing against some of those teams."

TRACK •FROM PAGE 14

WOMEN

Team scores 1, N. Arizona 127.5, 2, Weber St. 101.5, 3, Boise St. 96.4, Montana St. 52.5, Idaho St. 34.6, E. Washington 23.7, Idaho 17.8, Montana 14.

Individual results

Triple jump 1, Abigail Ferguson, Boise St., 42 feet, 21/4 inches, (meet record, old record 42-0, Jackie Ross, Idaho 1990.) 2, Taneka Sauls, E. Washington, 38-8/4. 3, Kim Gress, N. Arizona, 39-11/2. 4, Belinda Taylor, Idaho St., 37-1/4. 5, Anna Stefanick, Idaho St., 37-81/2. 6, Tiffany Jimison, Montana St., 37-53/4.

Weight throw 1, Anna Soderberg, N. Arizona, 62 feet, 6 inches, (meet record, first year of event.) 2, Sandy Sparrow, Idaho St., 56-33/4. 3, Tara Moeller, Montana St., 53-93/4. 4, Victoria Garcia, Montana St., 50-11/2. 5, Misty Blakesley, Montana St., 48-2/2.6, Maria Manley, E. Washington, 46-61/4.

800-meter run 1, Jen Johnston, Weber St., 2 minutes, 11.37 seconds. 2, Kristi Kippen, Weber St., 2:14.52. 3, Sherianne Watts, Idaho St., 2:15.33. 4, Nicole Osborne, Montana St., 2:15.33. 5, Janee Holdaway, Weber St., 2:15.64. 6, Jean Fitzgerald, Idaho, 2:16.55.

55-meter dash 1, Christina

White, E. Washington, 6.95 seconds, (ties meet record set by Tracy Bradshaw, N. Arizona, 1993.) 2, Humrei Salahuddin, Weber St., 7.03. 3, Misha Looney, Boise St., 7.06. 4, Fredi Salahuddin, Weber St., 7.06. 5, Nakia Walker, E. Washington, 7.11. 6, Sommer Washington, N. Arizona, 7.22.

55-meter intermediate hurdles 1,

Nsa Henshaw, Weber St., 7.90 seconds, (meet record, old record 7.97, Henshaw, 1996, and Kris Schmidt, Montana, 1988.) 2, Summer Welch, N. Arizona, 8.11. 3, Paula Berry-Gunlikson, Montana St., 8.26. 4, Nikki Traina, Montana, 8.30. 5, Stefani Fandl, Idaho St., 8.38. 6, Amber Lott, Weber St., 8.47.

Mile run 1, Naimh Beirne, Boise

St., 4 minutes, 52.14 n~ K:liti~ n~Wson~ N. Arizona. 4:54.31. 3. Gretchen Carr, Idaho St. 4. Rachel Rieke, N. Arizona, 5. Holly Stanish, Montana St., Steanie Hansen, Weber St.

400-meter dash- 1. Christine otte, Montana St. 53.81 2. Melanie O'Daniel N. Arizona, Samantha George N. Arizona, 4. Marti

Arguelles, Boise St. 5. Nikki Viersen Idaho 56.83.

200-meter dash- 1. Misha Looney Boise St. 24.25 2. Melanie O'Daniel N. Arizona 3. Humrei Salahuddin, Weber St. 4. Fredi Salahuddin, Weber St. 5. Sarah Anderson Idaho St. 6. Christine Otte, Montana St.

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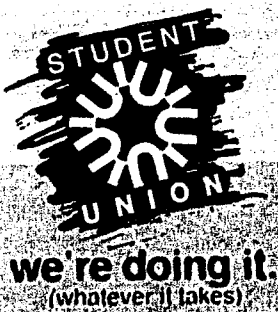
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The game provided a sweet farewell for Harrison and his senior team mates, Shawn Dirden and James Jones. Harrison ended his Dome Days with 19 points, 18 rebounds and a standing ovation as he and Dirden exited the game for the final time at home with 8.8 seconds left.

"It felt great, to go out and give it all ya got," Harrison said smiling.

The Vandals finish the regular season 11-15, 5-9 in the Big Sky. Montana drops to 20-7 overall, 10-4 in conference play. The Vandals leave for Montana State Tuesday for the Big Sky Conference Tournament. Montana State is ranked first and will receive a first round bye along with second ranked Weber State. Montana, Boise State, Idaho State and Idaho, round out the field. The Championship game will be played Saturday and the winner will receive an automatic bid to the NCAA National Championship Tournament.

Montana (75)

Samuelson 3-8 1-2 9, Covill 2-3 0-0 4, Belnap 3-8 13-16 21, Bowie 3-8 1-2 9, Dade 3-4 2-4 8, Dick 0-1 0-1 0, Seidensticker 0-1 0-0 0, Smith 6-11 0-2 12, Spoja 1-8 1-2 3, Walker 3-10 2-2 9, Team 24-62 20-31 75.

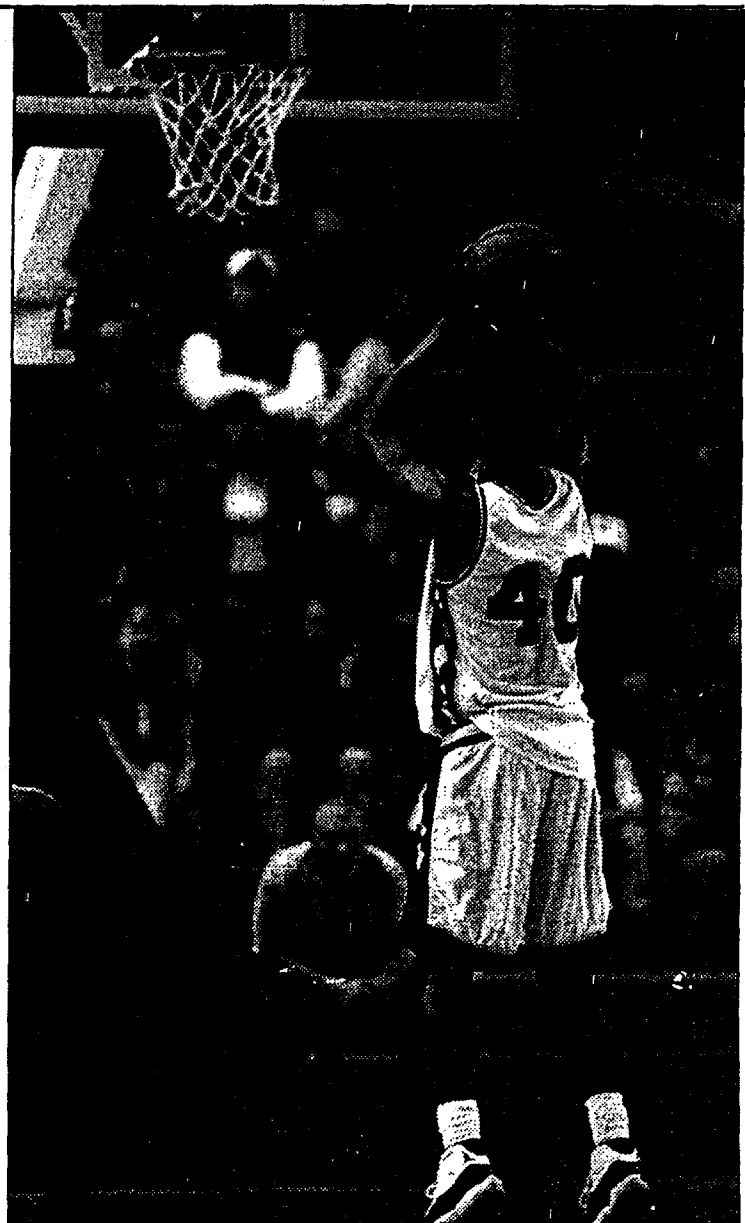
Idaho (84)

Harrison 6-13 7-9 19, Jones 1-3 0-0 2, Gardner 2-4 1-3 5, Dirden 2-3 0-0 4, Rose 5-11 4-7 15, Baumann 1-4 4-7 6, Jackman 6-10 2-3 14, Thomas 2-3 1-2 5, Turner 2-5 10-10 14, Sturing 0-0 0-0 0, Team 27-56 29-41 84.

Half-time — UM 32, UI 32.

3 pt goals — UM Belnap 2-6, Bowie 2-5, Samuelson 2-5, Walker 1-5, Spoja 0-6, UI Baumann 0-2, Dirden 0-1, Rose 1-3. Fouled out — Covill (UM), Dade (UM), Walker (UM), Baumann (UI). Rebounds — UM 36 (Spoja 8), UI 42 (Harrison 18). Assists — UM 11 (Belnap 6), UI 8 (Baumann 3). Total Fouls — UM 31, UI 24.

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Nic Tucker
Harry Harrison lines up for one of his game high 19 points.

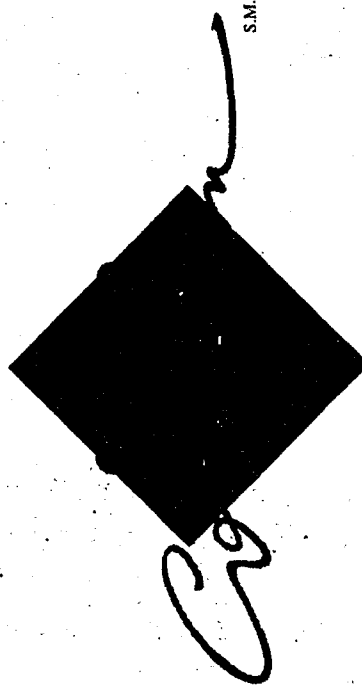
MADNESS •FROM PAGE 15

poses a threat to a seeded and most likely to win team, but on the other hand true physical domination and raw skill can eat that underdog alive. So there is a sort of balanced medium that keeps teams in check fight for the crown.

While Michigan fans, coaches, and players continue

to rewind and fast forward game tapes of their loss to UNC in the championship swearing they still had one more time out, teams who make it to the first round and beyond need to concentrate on not making simple mistakes allowing a game within their grasp to slip through the fingers.

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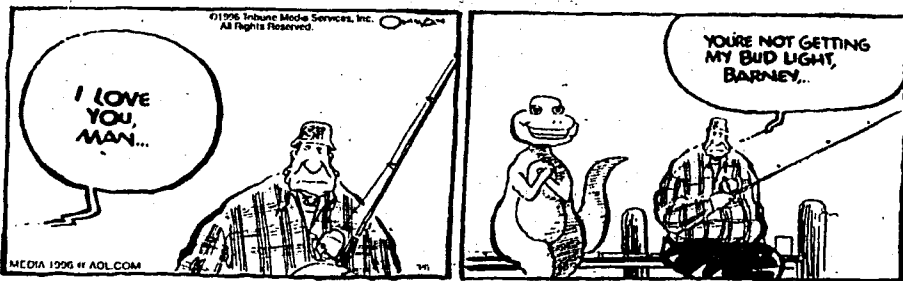
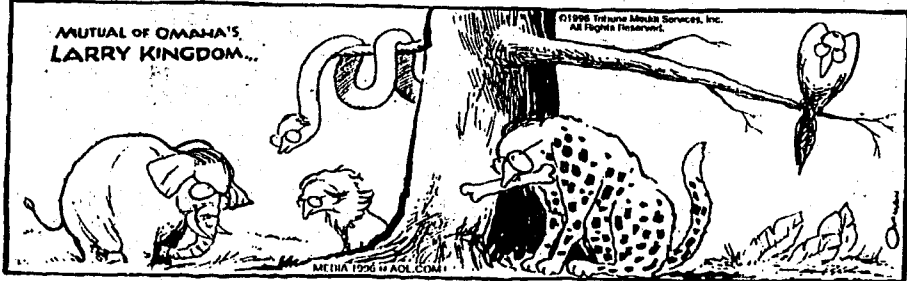
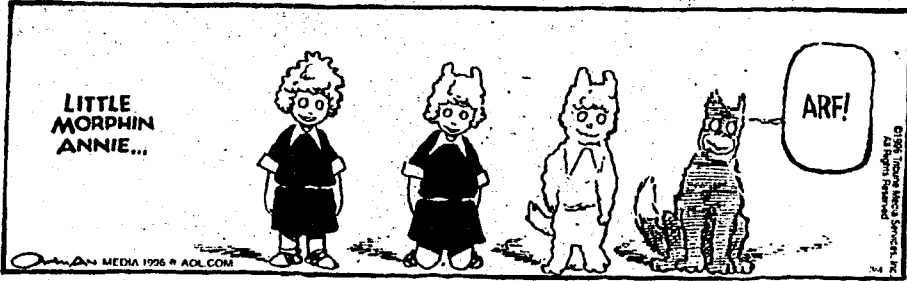
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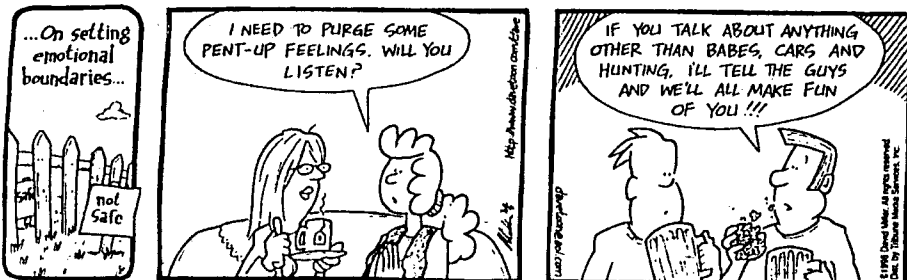
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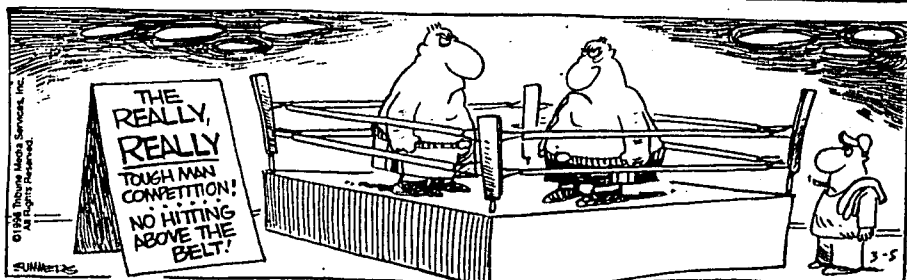
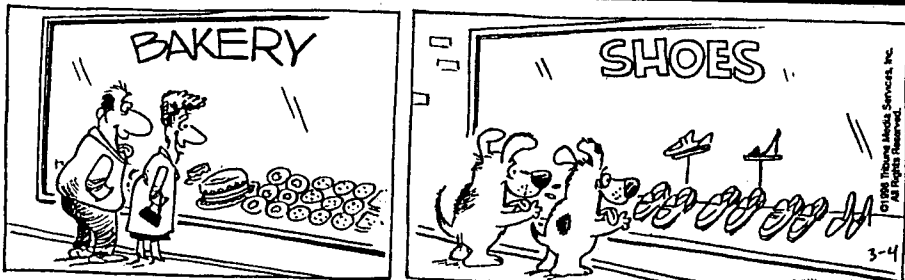
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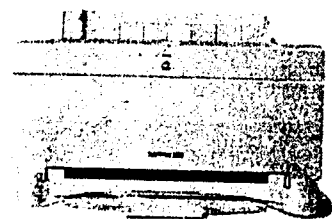
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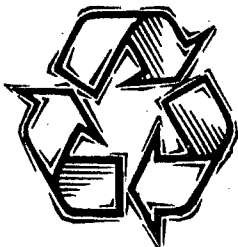
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