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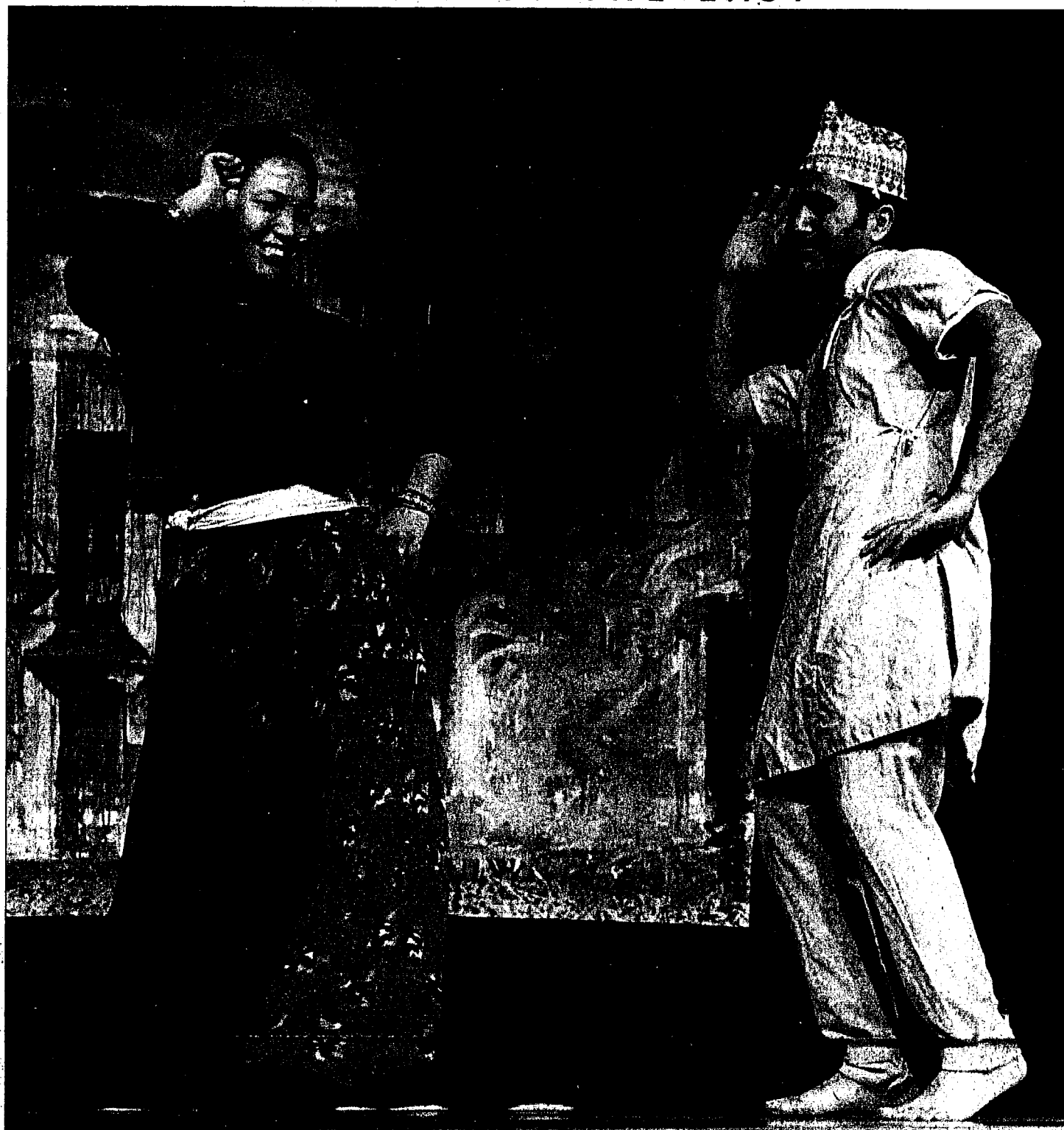
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Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2010



A TASTE OF THE EAST



Nepali students from the University of Idaho and Washington State University perform on stage Saturday afternoon in the Student Union Building ballroom. The event showcased cultural and traditional aspects of Nepal. The annual gala, "Taste of Nepal," is organized by the Nepali Students' Association. See an overview of the event online at uiargonaut.com.

Kate Kucharzyk/Argonaut

Nellis lobbies to Legislature on UI's behalf

Mark Runsvold
Argonaut

As state legislators maneuver to deal with the fallout from declining revenue projections, University of Idaho President Duane Nellis made the case in Boise Monday for sparing UI further harm.

Nellis spoke before the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee, with members from both legislative houses, about the university's role in Idaho's economy and the already-detrimental effects of two years of holdbacks.

"Higher education is even more important to Idaho when the state is facing economic difficulties."

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NELLIS
UI president

His remarks sought to make clear lawmakers couldn't keep coming back to the well of higher education budgets while protecting K-12 and other commitments from the worst of it.

"Higher education is even more important to Idaho when the state is facing economic difficulties," Nellis said.

He and other university officials have been busy figuring out ways to close the budgetary gap since Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter announced further holdbacks in his Jan. 11 State of the State address.

The revenue forecast accepted by the Legislature's revenue assessment committee last week is much gloomier than the forecast sponsored by the governor's office, though, and would necessitate much deeper cuts. Even Otter's figure, 1.8 percent from UI's budget, was more drastic than administrators had hoped. Now, a number close to double that appears likely.

Spurred by a question from Sen. Dean Cameron, Nellis told legislators the university has spent down its reserves so

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Two held in Hwy. 8 case

Sarah Yama
Argonaut

Two juvenile males were taken into custody Friday for shooting a low-caliber rifle at vehicles on U.S. Highway 8 near Deary, about 20 miles east of Moscow.

The Latah County Sheriff's Department received reports of vehicles being hit by gunfire at 12:57 p.m. The sheriff's department, and the Idaho State Police closed the highway for an hour between mile post 29 to 34 while deputies and troopers searched for suspects.

They located the area where the shots were fired, but the suspects were not found within that vicinity. There were no injuries reported, but the damages are still not known.

"We're not sure for sure how many vehicles were hit," said Lt. Brannon Jordan of the Latah County Sheriff's Department. "We are doing follow-up now, but we do have the two juveniles in custody at this time."

The two suspects were

charged with unlawful discharge of a firearm at a vehicle, a felony. Their names are being withheld.

At 4:12 p.m., the University of Idaho was able to use their emergency notification system for the first time, warning more than 14,000 people of the highway closure.

The Emergency Notification System sent out e-mails, text messages and phone calls to students, faculty and staff when Risk Management received a call from the Moscow Police Department. Police asked UI to notify people of the closure east of Helmer, near Deary and Bovill.

"I would say it went well," said Ryan Bertalot, to, risk management security and service officer. "It takes a lot to notify 14,000 people."

UI implemented the system about a year ago. When there is an emergency endangering health and safety, such as Friday's shooting, the system contacts the 14,000-plus

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Construction continues

Stadium Drive, Life Sciences South projects near completion

Ashley Centers
Argonaut

Multiple projects with investments of hundreds of thousands of dollars from the University of Idaho and other parties are continuing into the academic year.

The extension of Stadium Drive and the safety of pedestrians crossing the Moscow-Pullman Highway is a top priority for UI, said Ray Pankopf, director of architecture and engineering services.

"I believe the extension of Stadium Drive will improve vehicle circulation into campus from Highway 8, and with the creation of a signalized intersection, make pedestrian crossing safer," said Carl Root, director of parking and transportation services. "The major safety improvement will be the signalized intersection at Peterson Drive and improved pedestrian crossing of the highway. Pedestrian circulation will be improved."

An intersection complete with traffic light and



Tyler Macy/Argonaut

A crew of construction workers build a system of steel reinforcements in preparation to pour concrete as part of the Stadium Drive Extension project.

designated crossings will connect Stadium Drive and the Moscow-Pullman Highway near Tri-State.

"This project will greatly increase the chances of students crossing the highway safely," Pankopf said. "Creating the four-way stop with Peterson Drive will also help traffic flow and direct it around campus instead of through the middle of residential streets, which is what's happening now."

Construction began in late October but didn't really pick up until November, Pankopf said. The whole project is set to be complete by July.

The project is funded

through the Idaho Transportation Department, the City of Moscow and UI. The majority of funding comes from the state's Division of Public Works permanent building fund.

"Each group has an interest in this project and wants to see it finished and successful," Pankopf said. "IHD has two legs in, and the City of Moscow and UI each have one leg in."

When all is said and done, the total cost of the project will run approximately \$1.5 million.

The extension of Stadium Drive and construction of a traffic light isn't the

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No snow? Blame El Niño for mild winter

Dara Barney
Argonaut

Heavy snowfall interrupted weeks of mild winter Friday — snow that was almost gone Monday morning.

This season has been a mild winter, something absent from the area for at least a few years.

"El Niño is pretty strong this season, making the Northwest part of the United States experience ... warmer and drier conditions," said John Abatzoglou, an assistant geography professor.

Abatzoglou said he is confident it should continue to be a mild winter.

"The snowpack level is definitely low, which isn't good. But, this isn't to say we won't have an unpredicted snowstorm," said Von Walden, also an assistant geography professor.

"We are below normal as far as snowfall is concerned, but it isn't record setting," Abatzoglou said.

With snow conspicuously absent throughout the town, UI employees usually tasked with snow removal are now free to concentrate on other things.

"The obvious outcome of the lack of snow seems to be we should have extra money, but that money goes straight to other areas that need it," said Brian Johnson, assistant vice president of facilities for UI.

Johnson said the

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7 & 9:30pm

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Commons & Union

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SUB Borah Theatre

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Starting in February
7 & 9:30pm

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Sunday: 12pm-12am

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ON ICE

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Nez Perce County Sheriff Sgt. Jay Colvin, right, makes a rolling maneuver around Sgt. Jason Lee as they simulate a ice rescue Thursday at Winchester Lake in Winchester, Idaho. Twenty-three law enforcement, search and rescue and state park officials from the region took part in the 3-day training hosted by Winchester State Park and Winchester Fire Department.

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Across

1 Resting place
5 Legal org.
8 Bud holders
13 At the Races painter
14 Milk giver
15 Sidestep
16 Exactly alike
18 Salami choice
19 After Bronze or space
20 Profess
21 Pub game piece
22 Not as much
24 Come to pass
26 Woolen caps
29 Party thrower
31 Pinch
33 Nutritional figure (Abbr.)
34 Restrain
36 Inactive
37 Guanabara Bay city
38 Sword
39 Bustle
40 Main impact
42 Charge carrier
43 Big bash
45 Seep
46 Griffin, e.g.
47 Duffer's dream
48 Vipers
50 Scurried
52 Prove to be false
54 Hasenpfeffer, e.g.
58 Talk wildly
60 JFK postings
62 Jungle denizen
63 Glean
65 Palpitated
67 Postal scale unit
68 Stately tree
69 Chilean range

Down

1 Marsh plant
2 S shaped moldings
3 Devotee
4 Thin Man pet
5 Highlight
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corrections

In Friday's issue, Al-ton Campbell took the photo in the "Holiday Abroad" story.

In "A taste like nothing else," Neelima Shrestha's name and damphu were misspelled.

Find a mistake? Send an e-mail to the section editor. Contact information can be found on page 5.

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Pitman: UI to continue H1N1 absence policies

Amanda Smith
Argonaut

The H1N1 virus hit the University of Idaho hard during the fall semester.

However, administrators say UI may not be out of the woods yet. Citing that, Bruce Pitman, vice provost for academic affairs, recommended the absence practice from the fall — excusing H1N1 absences without a note — be continued.

After ravaging through Washington State University, the swine flu virus started to show up on this side of the border. Before the first diagnosis, however, Pitman attended a crisis management meeting at WSU.

"We did not anticipate how rapidly (the swine flu) would spread. However, dealing with a pandemic issue has caused us to certainly reeval-

ate some of our normal practices related to health and attendance," Pitman said. "We learned that the health messages and self care messages do matter. Once students started exercising that degree of caution, the exposures just really fell off quickly."

Pitman's office encouraged a policy in the fall to excuse students from having to provide doctor's notes for absences. Professors may use their discretion, though. Pitman said the practice was encouraged by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and student health center professionals.

For the policy to be effective, teachers need to be flexible and students need to be encouraged not to come to class when they are sick. Administrators estimate 5 to 10 percent

of the school's population was infected by the swine flu virus. Many of those hit were students in Greek houses.

"Swine flu hit our residence halls differently than it hit our fraternities and sororities," Pitman said. "Residence halls were not hit as hard because everyone there is self-isolated by room. However, in fraternities and sororities the environment was more communal."

H1N1 infections on campus peaked near the end of September, with a continual decrease since then.

Dr. Rayme Dir, director of the Student Health Clinic, said people who did not suffer from swine flu in the fall should still get the H1N1 immunization. The clinic offers immunization for \$16 for any student. The immunization is also available at area pharmacies.

economy at \$1 billion annually. Moscow's Economic Modeling Specialists conducted the study, which considered both direct and indirect effects of UI's educational and research activities.

"We are truly an investment, not a cost," Nellis told The Associated Press following his testimony.

Remarks like these were aimed squarely at achieving the mission Nellis laid out at last Thursday's general faculty meeting: getting supporters of higher education and the university to advo-

cate against severe cuts.

"We do have friends in parts of the Legislature, and I'm hoping they will speak up," Nellis said to the assembled faculty members.

UI College of Agricultural and Life Sciences Dean John Hammel spoke to the committee immediately following Nellis, who in turn followed Lewis-Clark State College President Dene Thomas. The presidents of Boise State University and Idaho State University will follow later in the week.

policeLOG

Wednesday

10:31 a.m. Blake Avenue and Campus Drive: Officer installed a wheel lock.

1:50 p.m. Perimeter Drive: A company had a window shot out for the third time. Caller said they have video footage. Officer responded and took a report.

2:54 p.m. Wallace Residence Center, Ballard Wing: Caller requested an officer regarding a student's roommate stealing their debit card to make purchases. Officer responded and took a report.

7:30 p.m. Wallace Residence Center: Resident assistant reported the smell of marijuana. Officers responded, issued a citation and took a report.

7:38 p.m. Renfrew Hall: Caller reported seeing two men outside the building five minutes prior, and believed they were smoking marijuana from a hand-rolled joint. The men had since left.

11:47 p.m. Wallace Residence Center: Caller reported the smell of marijuana. Officers were unable to locate.

Thursday

12:24 a.m. Deakin Avenue and University Avenue: Two subjects cited for an alcohol offense.

1:31 p.m. Perimeter Drive: Third-party report from Facilities reported three or four skateboarders in the middle

of the road, travelling from the golf course to Niccols building.

7:55 p.m. West Sixth Street: Caller reported two males in a car smoking marijuana. Officers responded and determined the substance to be tobacco.

Friday

11:37 a.m. J.A. Albertson Building: Caller attended a class and had her purse stolen. Caller was waiting in the building. Officer contacted, no report.

12:18 p.m. Bob's Place: Officer requesting case number for theft report.

1:07 p.m. Railroad Street: 911 open line, on callback was busy. Officer responded. Phone was off the hook, and everything determined to be OK.

3:12 p.m. Sigma Nu: Law, fire and EMS responded for an alarm. Dryer fire extinguished, units cleared.

6:26 p.m. Living Learning Community courtyard: Caller reported a male wandering around the courtyard with a bottle of alcohol. Officer responded, unable to locate.

6:31 p.m. Morrill Hall: Caller reported a possible rifle or perhaps fireworks. Officer responded and monitored the area, but was unable to locate any noise.

Saturday

12:09 a.m. Steel House: Officer got into a foot pursuit. No report.

12:36 a.m. Beta Theta Pi: Caller reported loud music. Officers contacted and warned a male.

1:25 p.m. Power Plant: Tan car parked in a no-parking zone on Line Street. Officer responded.

7:15 p.m. Deakin Avenue: Officers responded for a possible domestic dispute. Officer advised verbally. No report.

Sunday

1:11 a.m. Kappa Sigma: Caller reported an attempted burglary about 10 minutes prior, but could not see anything missing. Report taken.

1:35 a.m. Sigma Chi: Caller reported a very loud party but did not know the exact address. Officers responded, contacted and warned a male.

3:08 p.m. College of Mines: Caller reported a vehicle parked in the Dean of Science's parking spot in the parking lot between the Mines building and Morrill Hall.

8:27 p.m. Sweet Avenue: Caller would like a welfare check on a residence, reporting several children hanging out a window. Officers responded and contacted parents, finding no problem and issuing no report.

11:03 p.m. Wallace Residence Center Gooding Wing: Caller reports the smell of marijuana on the sixth floor, but nobody lives on that floor. Officers responded and walked all of the floors. No report.

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far that he worries about its ability to weather a natural disaster. Cameron said he worries about the same issue with the state budget.

"We'll look forward to spending our reserves together," Cameron said.

Nellis came to the Legislature armed with an economic impact study that puts the university's contribution to Idaho's

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temperature is helping with the campus energy bill, however.

"When it is cold, we usually have to use both the wood and natural gas boiler, but recently we have only had to use the wood, which is less expensive," he said.

Farming in the area around Moscow relies on rainwater, not artificial irrigation, so water figures are important for many residents.

"The precipitation levels we need will hopefully come in the spring months, which is later than usual," Walden said.

It will probably be warmer and drier for the next few months, but earlier rains could jumpstart farmers' activities, he said.

"But, with the drier and milder condition predictions, it could make for (a) potentially bad fire season, with moisture levels in the soil being low," Walden said.

It could possibly compare to the fire season of 2007, Abatzoglou said.

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people in its database and notifies them of the potential hazard.

"The system notifies people within a matter of minutes," Bertalotto said.

The system will try to reach the person being notified by using all of the contact information available repeatedly until it is sure the person has been contacted.

"The system kind of works like a nagging mom," Bertalotto said. "It will nag and nag and nag at you through calls, e-mail and texts until you reply or confirm that you have gotten the message."

Before Friday, Bertalotto had been running test notifications every semester to work out errors within the system. There were only minor issues when the system was used.

toration of the masonry on both entrances and a brand-new heating and air conditioning system. The disparate parts of the construction total more than \$2 million.

"Work on the Life Sciences South building has been split between last summer and this upcoming summer," Dillon said, "because of worries that the building couldn't handle the construction work in the middle of the winter."

The money to complete all projects in Life Sciences South is provided by the permanent building fund.

"We can use the system to contact people in different ways: home telephone, business phone, cell phone and e-mail," Bertalotto said. "We only had two snags."

Bertalotto said one of the issues was the automated voice was unable to translate Deary and Boville correctly.

"These names are not as common of a term as, say, New York or Los Angeles," Bertalotto said. "The other snag was trying to get the automated voice to translate the two words correctly for future incidents."

Students can keep their contact information for emergency notifications up to date by signing into their VandalWeb account.

"It is important for students to pay attention and check their information if they have had any changes," Bertalotto said. "It is also important that people call me if they had any problems."

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Cuts have long-term effects

Officials need to weigh the cost of cutting programs

Many students probably know what it's like to be broke all the time. Sure, there's that guy in your hall who drives an Audi and vacations in Lake Havasu City, but the rest of us are pinching pennies and hoping we have enough money to do something interesting once and a while.

The state is in a similar position. Tax revenues are down because of the recession, and there just is not enough money right now to pay for everything. Like students, the state is cutting recreation — the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation is getting hit especially hard. The state is nixing entertainment options — say goodnight to

KUID and public television in most of Idaho unless you happen to live in one of the larger cities. They are also making important decisions regarding how much money is invested in education.

A college student could skip going out with friends on Friday night or miss out on that big concert without much repercussion. These state budgetary changes are a whole different ballgame. Proposed modifications to public services will ripple through the state for decades. These large cuts to Idaho's education system — both primary and secondary — will affect students for years to come. In 20, 30, 40 years when the men

and women who made these decisions are long gone, Idaho citizens will still be feeling the repercussions of the actions they have taken.

The three aforementioned areas aren't the only areas being cut. Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter is also calling for cuts to several commissions, including the Human Rights Commission and the Developmental Disabilities Council.

ABC News recently reported the need for food stamps and other welfare-related aid in the state of Idaho is at an all time high due to the economy and a higher unemployment rate, yet the state is considering cutting millions of dollars that would otherwise go to the

Department of Health and Welfare. Furthermore, federal dollars matched to state appropriated dollars, which would go to the department, will also be lost, further weakening the agency.

These are important issues — politics don't exist in a vacuum, after all. With a state legislature that unfortunately doesn't even want to seem to consider raising taxes, the state is left in this pathetic position. All of us in the University of Idaho community and in the state are acting carelessly and foolishly if we don't pay attention to what is going on, because it will have a profound effect on us all.

— GC

off theCUFF

Quick takes on life from our editors

Patience is a virtue

To the lady who decided to drive in the opposite lane, passing a string of cars in front of her — slow down. Getting to Moscow 30 seconds faster than all of us behind you is not as important as keeping those kids in your back seat alive.

— Jennifer

Au revoir, respect

I was disappointed with the Frech government's decision to ban burqas in public schools in 2004, but now they are trying to push through a ban that will include all public buildings. The reasoning behind the move is that burqas are a symbol of oppression against women. Regardless of what they think the clothing represents, that doesn't mean it should be banned. In any country that calls itself "free," the government should never tell people what they can and cannot wear, especially when it has cultural importance.

— Jake

Non-sparkly vampires

Vampire Weekend, a band famous because hipsters couldn't agree whether they were good or not, topped the album sales chart last week. And that's the world we live in now, I guess: Vampire Weekend outsold Lady Gaga.

— Marcus

Haircut

I drove around for a while last Sunday trying to find a place that was open where I could get a reasonably priced — not \$25 plus — haircut, and nothing was open. Really? It's 2010.

— Greg

Have fun with that

If you are, at this point in the year, tanning by means other than chemicals out of a bottle: Melanoma's a blast. Seriously. There is no shame in being a porcelain beauty in winter.

— Kelsey

This semester

I think I might do OK this semester, as long as I don't get too far behind with homework.

— Jeffrey

What is the news?

A man died aboard a docked cruise ship last week in Grand Cayman. During a TV news report, the anchor seemed more concerned with the fact the man was found aboard a ship filled with gay passengers than that he was actually dead. In case they haven't noticed, it is 2010, and the death and how it happened is a little more important than whether the deceased was straight or gay.

— Erin



I'm sorry, but they're right

The U.S. Supreme Court made some enemies last week when it ruled the government cannot prevent companies and labor unions from voicing their political leanings. The case, *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission*, centered around, "Hillary: The Movie," which the non-profit organization Citizens United produced for television during the 2008 Democratic primaries.

The federal law, which has been on the books in one form or another for decades, prevents corporations and labor unions from using their general funds to advocate for any politician running for public office. The FEC took *Citizens United* to court after it ran several advertisements for an upcoming screening of the film on DirecTV.

The case eventually made it to the Supreme Court. During arguments before the court on Sept. 9, 2009, a lawyer, speaking on behalf of the FEC, revealed that the law gives the government the authority to ban books and pamphlets if the content is advocating for a particular politician.

This sent a red flag to the court. The very idea that the government can ban books and pamphlets is so foreign to Americans — I had to read it twice. This law did more to harm civil liberties than the Patriot Act, and that's saying something. How is stopping a company from voicing its opinion any different than stopping a corporate-owned



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Correspondence with our readers

The Sanctity of Stability

This is in response to the column, "The Sanctity of Life" by Benjamin Ledford from the Friday, Jan. 22 issue of *The Argonaut*. Mr. Ledford talked about overpopulation on planet earth of the human species — it was informative and enlightening, but also incomplete. Though Ledford makes some very valuable points on human population, he does not include any context of ecology within his column.

As an ecologist and a person of God, I have some concepts to critique about his assessment of human population. First of all, it makes no mathematical sense to say "8 or 9 billion people," and

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Honoring a legacy

No one likes attending funerals, whether the funeral is for someone they knew or not. I have attended two funerals in my lifetime, the first for a parent and the second for a grandparent, and I've come to hate everything about them.

On Friday, I attended my third funeral, this time as a Vandaleer. The funeral was for Carol Renfrew, and while I didn't think it would be enjoyable, I thought it would be less of an emotional experience than usual since I didn't know her. I was wrong.

I didn't know much about Renfrew going in — only that she was a big alumni donor and she and her

husband Malcolm had been married for 72 years, which I found stunning. Their name didn't really resonate with me much more than the name on the side of the chemistry building I had a class in once, but as the service progressed, I felt the weight of the loss of this woman grow heavier and heavier.

Carol Campbell was born in 1913 in Rosalia, Wash., and graduated from the University of Idaho in 1935 with a bachelor's degree in economics. To give perspective to this achievement, consider the statistics from 1947 —



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Help is available to all

When I was young, I paid no attention to the counselors who worked at my school. I wasn't sure what their role was, but I was almost certain if you got called to their office you had done something wrong.

When certain students began to be repeatedly sent to the counselor's office, some students saw them as 'bad kids.' The counselor's role was never clearly defined for those students who never had to see them, or who were fortunate enough to never have to see them.

Employing school counselors has never been more important than it is today. With the economy in constant flux people are losing their jobs, houses and in some instances, their families.

The economy isn't the only unknown — stressful events take place every day, whether a death in the family, an abusive parent or a child with undiagnosed learning disabilities. Children are easily affected by even minute changes in their environments. They feel the tightening of the family budget, they are affected by divorce and they have emotions they might not recognize.

On Friday, a 9-year-old boy was found hanged in an apparent suicide in a school bathroom in Texas. Rumors say he was bullied at school, but no one is really clear on the cause. The school provided grief counselors for his fellow students and faculty, but how do you

explain to fourth-graders why he was so sad he took his own life?

While it is very rare for elementary-age children to commit suicide, it does happen, and the likelihood of an incident like this increases with age. This case is a very strong argument for school counselors.

As we get older we may not feel the need for that kind of counseling in our lives. Many adults feel they can handle difficult situations themselves, but sometimes they are wrong.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that among youth aged 21-24, suicide is



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16 percent of college women and 10 percent of college men have been diagnosed with depression at some point in their lives. These statistics don't take attempted suicides or depression into account and emotional problems that go undiagnosed. Studies have shown that academic performance and high-risk alcohol and drug use are contributing factors to depression and in turn, depression has an impact on academic performance, time management and graduation rates.

The University of Idaho has a counseling center. I pass by it everyday on my way to classes. Sometimes I pause

outside the door, wondering if I should take a look around. While I sometimes feel I could use a neutral, third-party to listen to how stressed I am, how tired I've become, or how my relationship drives me crazy at times, I have never gotten through the door.

Logic tells us that our problems are insignificant compared to those who have broken homes, are coping with physical disabilities, have suffered through a trauma or have other more serious emotional issues. Some people tell themselves that by making an appointment for what they think are inconsequential issues, they are taking one away from someone who really needs it. This could not be more wrong.

The small, everyday things can easily overwhelm, adults and children alike. These feelings build over time and UI students are lucky enough to have somewhere to go to work through them.

Don't allow juvenile stigmas about counseling prevent you from getting the help you need, whether you feel you are at a breaking point or just need someone to listen. Counseling isn't just for those with medically diagnosed mental health problems. It is OK to get help and UI's faculty, students and staff need to make sure to foster an environment that projects that message.

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Counseling isn't just for those with medically diagnosed mental health problems.

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Livability is more than just taxes

My father, Jim, was hit by a car late last week while walking in Jerome. Mercifully, he had only minor injuries.

Jerome has no Greenbelt, no Paradise Path and no sidewalks for much more than a mile in any straight direction.

Disregarding for a moment the disparate authority held by the federal government, states, counties and cities, sidewalks are a good symbol of what Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter proposes to do this year.

Op-ed pages across Idaho discuss a common theme this week: public universities, public television and parks are being ransacked or abandoned. Part-time legislators in Boise get full-time health benefits, a luxury afforded to few other part-time workers in the state. That's the case, even as our wealthy governor decries the health care bill being debated in Congress as not only unconstitutional, but a bad idea.

Otter and the Idaho GOP hope to attract business to Idaho, and with it increased tax revenue. But they want something for nothing.

What kind of company and what kind of people would move to Idaho for the sake of a slightly smaller income tax if the roads are full of potholes? Why move if public transportation is inferior, if it's even available? Why move if education from pre-K to graduate lacks funding stability?

"Field of Dreams," Idaho-style: if you dismantle it, they will come.

As the Lewiston Tribune pointed out Sunday, Otter hasn't suggested we close the state liquor division, although Nevada and California do OK with private liquor sales.

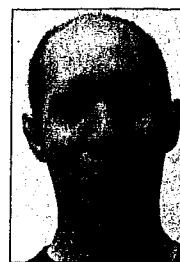
He also hasn't suggested the state could make more money with expanded access to liquor licenses, after his bill died in the House last year. Increases to transportation user fees sank, too, and will not be revisited this term.

I do not doubt Otter is a good man who feels he truly has no other option than to cut, cut and cut. Such are the decisions one must make when ideology declares no new taxes, forever and ever, amen.

I suppose that's the part that rankles me. It would be one thing if our state's Republicans would develop and release a 10-year plan for the state, which would maybe look like a half-dozen National Guardsmen and a few guys in Boise to collect whatever meager taxes remain.

No, that's too pessimistic. After all, our legislators have to figure out a way to keep their health care benefits.

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newspaper like The New York Times from endorsing a candidate for office?

The purpose of the law was noble — nobody wants companies to be able to buy votes — but the government cannot just ban political speech. We have a bill of rights to protect us from that. "Congress shall make no law" means Congress shall make no law.

Even with this law enforced, companies have bought politicians by handing out discounts for home remodeling and VIP mortgage rates, to name a few. Meanwhile, the Wall Street

Journal recently pointed out that Virginia, Utah and Oregon — three states that do not have these restrictions on state races — still manage to operate democracies.

That isn't to say that money can't help sway the electorate, but the best way to make sure your vote is not for sale is to simply not sell it. Don't buy into political advertising, whether it's directly from a candidate, a political organization or a corporate publication.

And those who do buy into whatever they are told deserve to waste their votes.

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there is not any obvious evidence that the human population is going to lower in number before stabilizing. I do not see it on the United Nations Web site, and I have not read about this supposed decline in magazines such as Scientific American and The Nature Conservancy. I do, however, agree that the human population is projected to stabilize at approximately 9 billion people around 2050. The human population on Earth has been growing in a logistic manner since around 1800. This means that the population growth has been similar to the logistic curve formula. Specifically, this

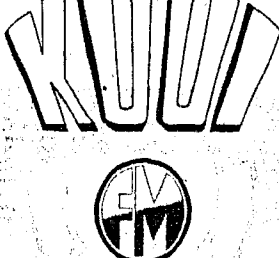
means that the human population grew, then grew faster, then reached a point of diminishing return, and is now leveling off at an asymptote, which can be thought of like a ceiling amount. This logistic curve has everything to do with what ecologists refer to as "density-dependent functions." Basically, in layman's terms, this means that planet Earth is becoming very crowded and we are approaching a stable level of population on a saturated planet.

I have no problem with Mr. Ledford saying that human beings have special sanctity of life, but we also have limits to our numbers on a finite planet.

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undergraduate men outnumbered women 2.3 to 1, and the vast majority of those women in college at the time were getting teach-

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ing degrees, not economics degrees.

In 1938, Carol married Malcolm Renfrew, and from then on the two of them were integral pieces of UI. They were huge supporters of the arts, humanities and other various departments at the university, and it was said they never missed a football game or concert — especially since Carol was a Vandaleer during her time at UI. They were tireless community volunteers, members of the First Presbyterian Church and beloved friends to many in Moscow and as far away as China.

I sat in one of the chairs on stage and wondered if I had ever met her, and why I didn't know who she was. If she really had been at every

one of my concerts, did she ever say "good job" afterward like people often do as we walk out? Could I have had a full-blown conversation with her and not even known it? Why didn't I know how much she valued the arts so I could thank her for helping to keep alive one of the things I am most passionate about?

Those thoughts were short-lived, because from where I was sitting, I had a perfect view of her husband. He kept staring at the pictures of her and the one of them together sitting on the table with flowers between the pews. I finally had to force myself to look elsewhere, because the expression on his face was so helpless and lost.

By the time we sang our song and the funeral was coming to a close, I felt like I did know Carol. Through her friends and the many lives she obviously touched, I could tell what kind of heart she had and that she lived her life to the fullest. More than anything, attending her funeral made me want to live my life more like she did hers.

And to both Carol and Malcolm, thank you for providing me with the same kinds of opportunities you had when you attended this university. I will treasure it and try to give back in any way I can long after I graduate, the same way you both did.

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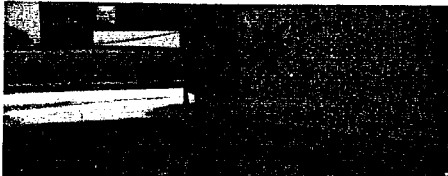
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Jammin' with the Grammys

This year's jazz fest hosts Grammy nominated artists

Lauren Paterson
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Every night will be different this year when the University of Idaho's Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival sets the stage for new artists from the other side of the country — three of whom are Grammy-nominees.

Executive director of the festival, Cami McClure, said no one should miss the opportunity to attend.

"The festival is fortunate enough to be hosting these artists and it's a fabulous opportunity to see not one winner, but three nomi-

nees," McClure said. "I think these artists will go on to do wonderful things..."

This year's theme will create a unique experience every night, starting with Wednesday night's "Jazz is... Discovery," featuring a range of new artists, including New York award-winning pianist Gerald Clayton. It will take place in the Student Union Building ballroom, where attendees will be an arm's length from these up-and-coming artists.

Artist coordinator Skyler Patterson said the numerous clinics and workshops available are a great aspect of the festival, such as the

Wednesday and Saturday clinic geared toward music business.

"We're actually bringing in Gerald Clayton's manager, and will be explaining things such as the difference between a manager and an agent," Patterson said.

As the largest international jazz festival in the world, this year's celebration will be bringing in 50 adjudicators from all corners of the industry.

"About 7,300 students from surrounding schools ranging from middle school to college attend, including both vocal and instrumental artists," Patterson said.

Thursday's "Jazz is... Friends

and Family Night" showcases the Clayton Brothers Quintet, along with the Pizzarelli family in the Kibbie Dome.

The Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival Gospel Choir will perform with Dee Daniels on Friday for "Jazz is... Blues and Sacred Roots" night, celebrating the origin of gospel, African American spirituals and the blues, and will also take place in the Kibbie Dome.

"Jazz is... A Party!" is the theme for the final night of the festival, with vocalist Dee Daniels and the Lionel Hampton New York Big Band.

McClure said they have about

650 volunteers at this point, but can always use more. "They really are the foundation of the festival," McClure said.

She said there are a variety of positions available from driving the artists to setting up microphones.

Those interested in volunteering for the jazz festival can visit the Web site at <http://www.uidaho.edu/jazzfest/getinvolved>. Ticket prices range from \$25-\$39 per night, and are available at the Kibbie Dome ticket center, by calling (208) 885-7212 or toll free at 1-888-UIDAHO and available at <http://www.UIdickets.com>.

Jazz brings revenue to local businesses, surrounding areas

Erin Harty
Argonaut

The Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival, now in its 43rd year, brings an influx of people that comes close to doubling Moscow's population of 24,700. In the current economy, the extra traffic helps fill hotels and restaurants and draws people to local businesses.

Steven Hacker, executive director of the Moscow Chamber of Commerce, said the extra business from festival attendees and participants helps offset slower months when students aren't on campus.

"This is really one of the largest tourist events that goes on in Moscow," Hacker said. "It fills the hotels in Pullman, it fills the hotels here in Moscow of course, and a lot of the guests that come in are actually staying in the Lewis and Clark Valley."

Those attending the festival and the accompanying events spend money not just on lodging, but also at restaurants and other businesses around town.

"The impact is when you start measuring those multiplier effects of all those folks that are here spending money, it has a real significant economic impact on the entire region," Hacker said.

Allison Cerrillo, a manager at the Moscow Bagel & Deli, said they have to double their bagel and food orders during the festival.

"We'll get lines running out the door," Cerrillo said. "It's incredible, really. At one time there could be 50-100 high school kids in here."

The opening reception for the jazz festival, which will be held at the Prichard Art Gallery again this year, brings people to the downtown area. Roger Rowley, the gallery director, said last year's event brought more than 300 people who came to listen to live mu-



File Photo by Kate Kucharzyk/Argonaut
Saxophonist Kenny Barron, improvising during the 2008 concert in the Kibbie Dome. Barron has worked with a wide range of artists, from Ron Carter and James Moody to Regina Carter.

sic and mingle with artists whose work was being shown in the gallery.

Hacker said he thinks the country's economic problems may encourage more attendees from the surrounding regions who don't have to travel as far.

"There is less disposable income for every family across America," Hacker said. "We are all looking for things we can do for our entertainment dollar, more for our learning, that are closer to home."

Hacker said this year he hopes to see new visitors to the festival from areas like Port-

land, Seattle and Spokane. He said these attendees may offset a lower attendance from people who can't afford to travel the distance in other areas of the country.

Hacker said regardless of how much money the jazz festival brings to Moscow and the University of Idaho, an event's success can't be measured in dollars.

"You have to be realistic about any type of event you have done," Hacker said. "If you take dollars of an event this year and measure it against 2005 or 1987 or 1998, you may be sorely disappointed."



File Photo by Kate Kucharzyk/Argonaut
Jazz vocalist Dee Daniels performs at the 2008 Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival.

Top five days of the week to drink — and where

I don't know if people have noticed yet, but Moscow is almost entirely populated by students and faculty from the university. The only other people are business owners and/or descendants of original settlers. As such, our humble town does much to make the average student feel comfortable, which, of course, means "to get drinks."

If you're not shopping for home at one of our two liquor stores or getting beer and wine from the grocery store, then you're drinking out. But why go to the trouble of arbitrarily picking a watering hole when I can help you make the best drinking decision possible? Here are my top five days and places to drink in Moscow.

5. Saturday — The Alehouse

I drink beer for the taste. I know some people drink it for other reasons, like wanting a belly-shaped shelf they can take with them everywhere they go.

But, after the requisite period of thinking beer is gross (I didn't drink until I was 21), now I love good beer, which is why I love the Alehouse. Besides Vandal Gold, which I assume they make to please the Bud drinkers of the world, each beer is so flavorful I could drink a pint each. (Probably not, actually.) And on Saturday pints are only \$2.50. — get the weekend going.

4. Friday — Mikey's Gyros

While, as I just said, I prefer good beer, and I can appreciate the cheapness of cheap beer. And even though I put Pabst Blue Ribbon at the bottom of the flavor ladder, right below Henry Weibhard's, at least it's on the ladder, as opposed to the other American lagers which are scattered all over the floor around the ladder. So if you want a brew, but you don't want to pay much for it at all, then head over to Mikey's for \$1 PBRs.

3. Wednesday — La Casa Lopez

La Casa Lopez has the best Mexican food ever. To quote Ron Burgundy, "if you disagree with me, I will fight you." And what is amazing Mexican food without amazing margaritas? They are spectacular at Casa, and if you go on Wednesdays they are two for one. I'll confess, if I'm not in the right mood I can't handle two in a row by myself, but I'm happy until the moment I'm not.

2. Monday — The Garden

I don't know who decided to stigmatize most mixed drinks as "girly drinks" — probably the beer industry, but if "girly" means "good tasting," then I guess I like girly drinks. On Blue Monday, you can pick any drink off of a huge menu of mixed drinks for a measly \$2.50. And of course, you can enjoy it in The Garden's newly smoke-free environment.

1. Tuesday — The Alehouse (again)

In case you didn't know yet, on Tuesdays starting at 5 p.m.



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Nicole Rounds, a server at The Alehouse, pours a pint of Coeur d'Alene Brewing Company amber ale Monday. The Alehouse has drink specials like Student Saturday and Tap-a-Keg Tuesday.

they make two of the microbrews at the Alehouse \$1.50 apiece, with pitchers for \$5. This lasts until the kegs they're tapping have blown. Such is the beauty of Tap-a-Keg Tuesday. This is even more enjoyable during the summer, when the deck

is open and you don't have to wait to get a seat, this is still the best way to spend a few bucks on beer in town. I literally didn't miss a single one of these for about 12 months in a row. Oh, look, it's Tuesday. See you there tonight.



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Leto let down

It was time for a comeback. It was time for Jared Leto, former hunky teen featured on "My So Called Life," to shed his ego and show the world that he and his band mates had not fallen into a rut — and that they were posers all along.

Fans of 30 Seconds to Mars are likely to know of the band's highly publicized falling out with their record label for non-payment of royalties and consequent re-signing to them along with their music after their 2005 multi-platinum sophomore release *A Beautiful Lie*.

This incident wreaked turmoil for the band, ending in 30STM bowing to their record label with a slap-dash resolution. It seems that all the bad publicity from the aforementioned turmoil foreshadows *This Is War*. It is an album that should essentially kick some tail immediately out of the gate and slam their label as well as complain about all that is wrong with the world. However, the Leto brothers and guitarist Tomo Miličević dumb it down to follow the status quo.

The introduction crescendos during "Escape" is a dawdling set up for

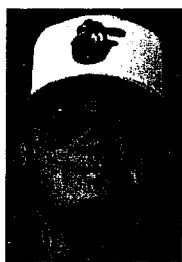
lead singer Jared Leto's breathy, ordinary vocals to be overtaken by a choir of their fans bellowing the album title in a condensed, over-produced delivery, essentially taking away any sort of urgency put forth in the slow-building intro. Of course the seed of their massive angst has been planted, but it quickly starts to sound completely played out and unnatural.

The squelching electro-pop feel of the first "real" song, "Night of the Hunter," has more of the choir-like vocals which show up throughout the album like mass-produced carbon copies of each other. Lyrics such as "Honest to God I will break your heart / Tear you to pieces and rip you apart" immediately start to show cracks of brilliance that should have been tapped further on this album. A quite noticeable element of this album from the get-go is that Leto has the ability to write some rather intriguing lyrics but does not seem to unload himself

completely with this album.

Elsewhere, the luster of their leadoff single "Kings and Queens" cannot disguise that it is a song about the inevitable end of humanity and sounds anything but apocalyptic. Further into the album, in the song, "Vox Populi," the fans show up again singing some sort of Latin phrase about many voices. The echoing boom of voices are full of angst reverberating so immensely there is no room for any substance, just a stomp-stomp-clap sound reminiscent of Queen's, "We Will Rock You."

People who want more of the same music will definitely enjoy this album, but Leto and the boys had a lot more potential. Despite the negative news between them and their record label, the band seems to have wasted all their time fighting Virgin/EMI instead of writing good music. In addition, this album will probably crop up in random blockbuster movies where everything turns out all right in the end. As a whole, *This Is War* sounds like its creators made an attempt to create a sense of drama and altogether failed miserably.



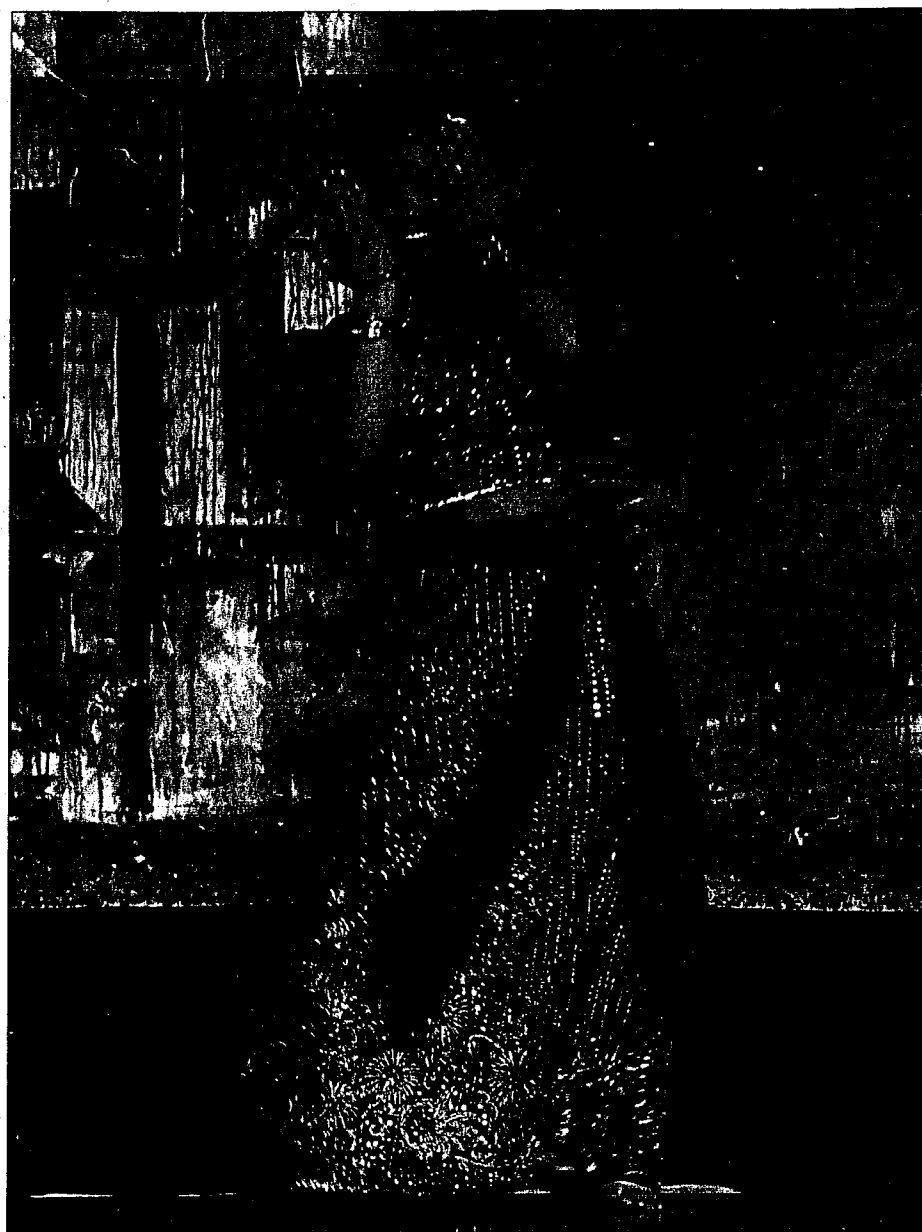
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A Nepali student performs on stage Saturday afternoon in the Student Union Building ballroom. The event is designed to teach students more about the various Nepalese cultures and diversity through food, dance and presentations. The annual gala, "Taste of Nepal," is organized by the Nepali Students' Association.

One voice tells seven people's stories

Elizabeth Rudd
Argonaut

"The New Faces of America" performance uses the voice of one woman to tell the stories of seven people with diverse backgrounds. The performance is meant to educate students about modern civil rights issues.

"The New Faces of America," which will be presented at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Union Building ballroom, is one of Will & Company's One-Person Shows, using both a live performance and a video presentation. It is the second in a series, fol-

lowing "Faces of America." "New Faces" will feature the stories of a female biracial college student, a gay southern minister, a young female veteran from the Iraq war, a Native American teenager, an Appalachian college student and a deaf black person.

Leathia Botello, coordinator of multicultural student programs, said she and other members of the University of Idaho's Office of Multicultural Affairs chose to bring the performance to campus after doing their homework and reading about it. Botello said they decided the show would be a good addition to

other events being organized around Martin Luther King, Jr. Day involving civil rights.

"It's very inclusive, it's not just diversity and inclusive for one group, it's across the board," Botello said.

Botello said the show was an important element because King's fight was about more than just the rights for one group — it is about the rights for everyone, and it is a reminder that everyone needs to work together toward human rights. She said the last time OMA worked with Will & Company, it was an amazing performance and

they received a lot of positive feedback from students and faculty.

The Will & Company speaker will participate in a discussion, following the performance, with students and faculty. Botello said participants could assist her in getting ideas for future programs by filling out an evaluation form after attending the event.

Although "New Faces" is sponsored by OMA, the umbrella student group Unity also is helping with the performance. Unity is made up of 17 multicultural campus groups, including

the Gay Straight Alliance, National Society of Black Engineers and multicultural Greek groups. Danie Merriman, Unity co-chair, said the groups within Unity work to help back one another, but also are involved in events hosted by OMA.

Merriman said "New Faces" is not specific to one of the subgroups of Unity, but affects all of them and they have acted as a support group. Information can be found on the Facebook event page for "New Faces of America" or at the Will & Company Web site, <http://www.willandcompany.com/newfaces/index.shtml>.

"(A) big part is promotion and recruitment to make sure people actually show up," Merriman said.

Merriman said she hopes "New Faces" will help people gain an understanding of the hardships minorities face, and even though some people are different, they still have a story. Merriman said she wanted people to remember King and take away a realization that civil rights also includes many modern issues.

"This is just another subset (for diversity)," Merriman said.

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Bacon shots?

Bacon is special in the world of meats — it's the only meat we intentionally overcook, often burning it to the point of shrinkage and carbonization.

For many years, home cooks kept cans of bacon grease over their stoves to use as an all-purpose fat. After saturated fats became unpopular, margarine and other vegetable oils took its place, but bacon is enjoying a revival.

Heirloom bacons, made from heritage breeds of pigs, are often superior to the average supermarket bacon. Some can be found at the Moscow Food Co-op, but true quality can be found through mail-order, and a wide range of Internet suppliers that sell rare and delicious bacon.

If you desire high-quality bacon but like to get your shopping done all in one place, Winco Foods and other area supermarkets carry Fletcher's bacon. The maple flavored variety tastes great with a waffle breakfast, hickory is excellent for wrapping around other protein, and peppered can make a great pasta carbonara.

Pasta carbonara is not a traditional Italian dish. It was created to use the food supplies given to the Italians during World War II — bacon, eggs and cheese. It was originally made with ordinary bacon, but is now often made with pancetta

for a more authentic flavor.

Pancetta and prosciutto are bacon variants from Italy. Pancetta is used like bacon, and often crumbled into bits for garnish on foods. Prosciutto is usually eaten raw, and often wrapped around sweet fruit like melon or dates. Prosciutto-wrapped melon is a classic appetizer, and is easily prepared.

Bacon-infused products abound. Bacon vodka is available at Moscow liquor stores, and is said to be excellent in a Bloody Mary or

other savory cocktail. In fact, that is the only time one should ever drink bacon flavored alcohol. If, for some reason, one should desire some bacon flavor aside from a tomato-based drink, <http://bakonvodka.com/> recipes lists recipes using the unique spirit. Most of them look pretty gross, but the prosciutto-wrapped melon shot could be promising, as well as the Bacon oyster shooter. Then again, shooting anything isn't so hard.

For chocoholics wanting an even more unique treat, bacon chocolate is also available. <http://vosgeschocolate.com> sells both milk and dark chocolate bars with pieces of applewood smoked bacon inside and Alder wood smoked salt. The Web site also offers bacon caramel toffee and bacon chocolate-chip pancake mix.



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Not enough

Loss on the road ends two-game winning run

Ilya Pinchuk
Argonaut

The ever-elusive conference road sweep slipped through Idaho's fingers as the Vandals stumbled mid-game against a determined San Jose State squad, losing 58-53.

The loss comes three days after Idaho (4-14, 2-3 WAC) stunned New Mexico State by beating it on last-second heroics. The Vandals were enjoying their first two-game winning streak of the conference season, which started with a thrilling overtime victory against rival Boise State.

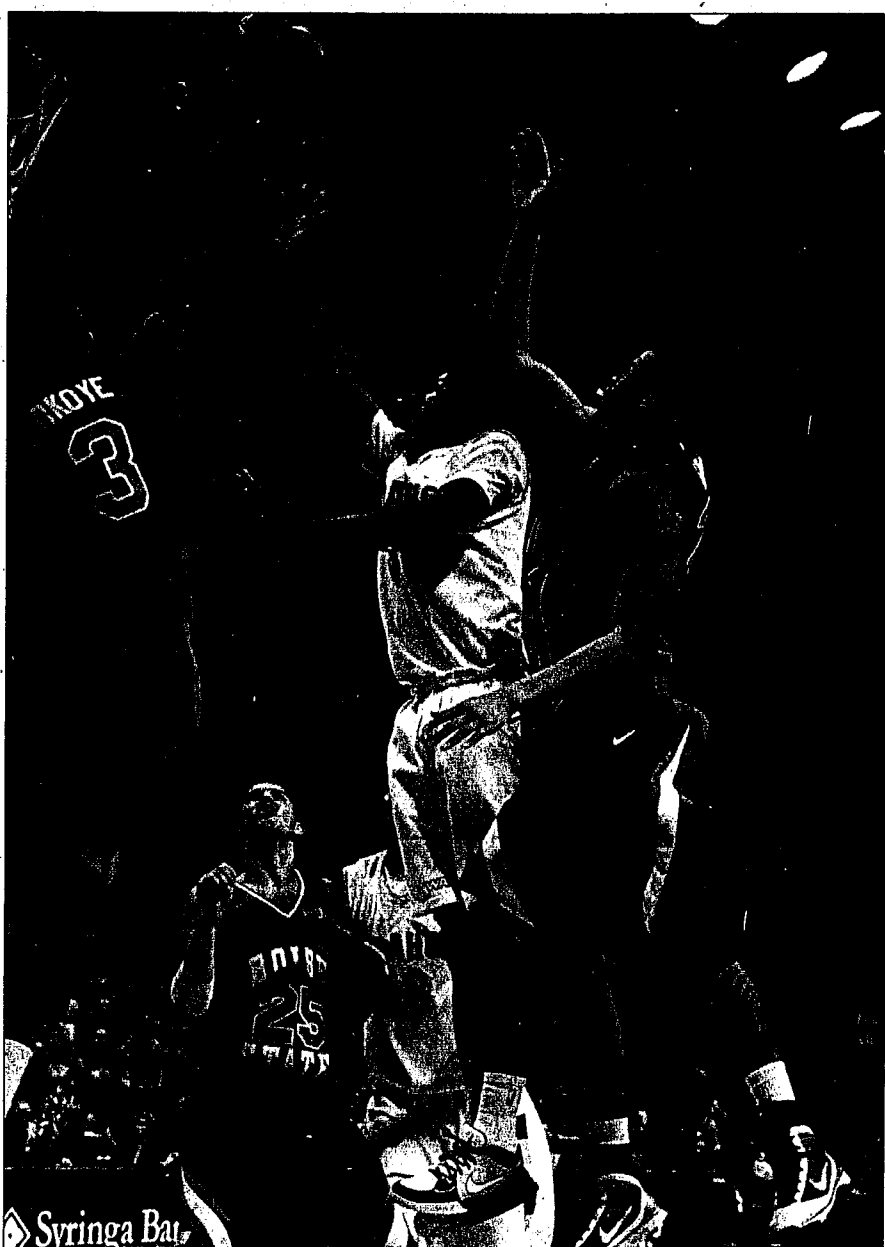
"We just squandered our chances," coach Jon Newlee said.

The Vandals, who had been on fire, shooting an average of 50 percent from the floor in their two games coming into San Jose, hit a wall in the second half after shooting 47 percent in the first.

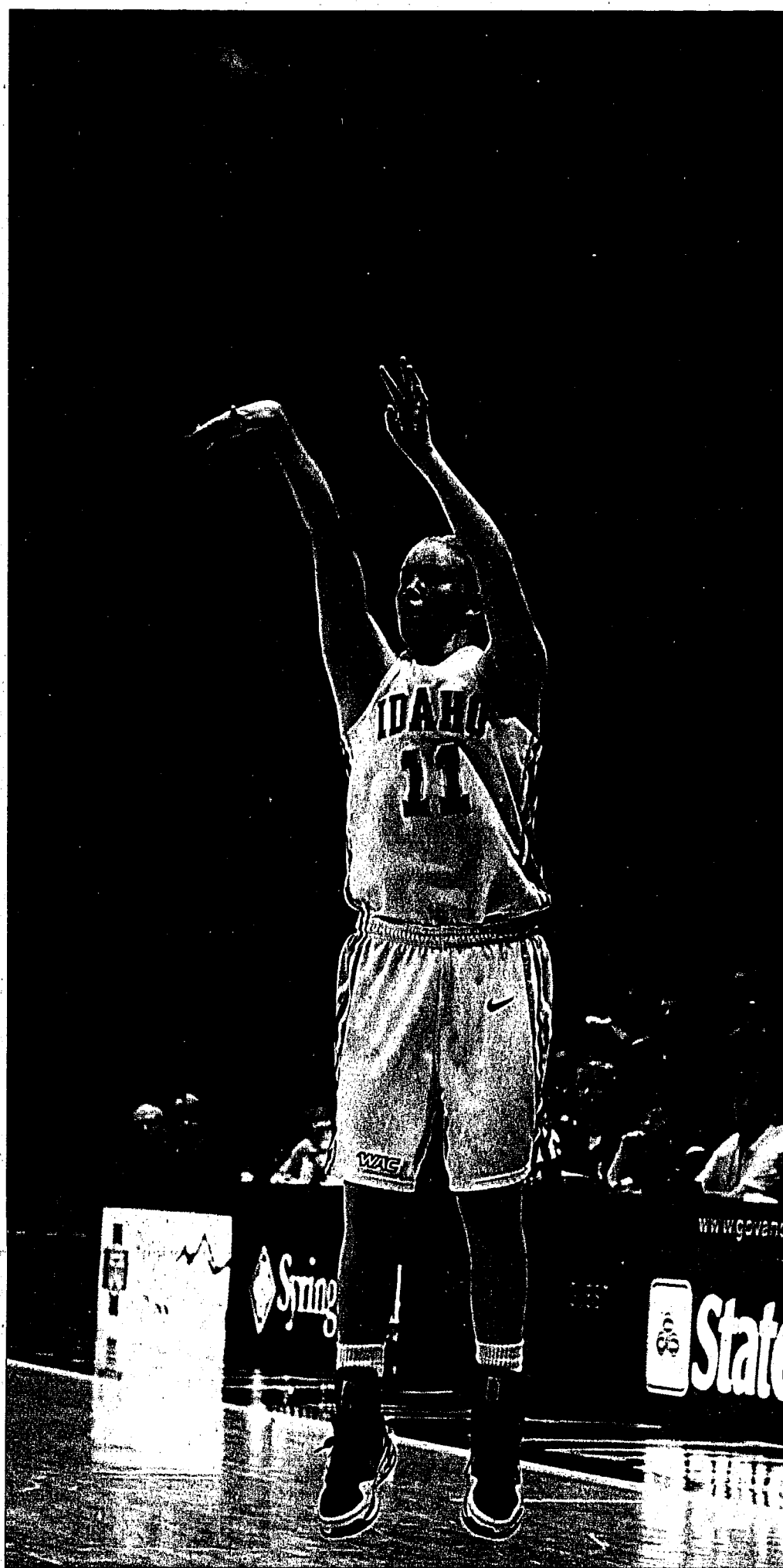
Both teams traded shots through the first, ending the half with a slim 29-25 lead for the San Jose Spartans, who entered the game looking for its first conference win.

For the third straight game, the Vandals were led by guard Rachelé Kloke, who started off the game with a quick layup and a free throw finishing with 19 points on the night.

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Vandal guard Kashif Watson drives in for a layup amid Boise State defenders during the basketball game Monday in Cowan Spectrum.



University of Idaho guard Bianca Cheever takes a 3-pointer during the Jan. 16 basketball game against Boise State. The Vandals traveled to San Jose State Saturday, where they lost, 58-53.

Runners stepping up

Team posts new records, prepared for next event in February

Lisa Short
Argonaut

The Idaho track and field team finished its first team event looking forward to the rest of the season. Although missing a few key athletes, a nearly full team pushed through the Cougar Indoor with a lot of enthusiasm over the weekend in Pullman.

"The exciting thing about this year is that we are pretty strong everywhere," coach Yogi Teevens said. "This is the most well-rounded team we've had since the 2003 champion team."

Lucas Pope broke Idaho's pole vault record, set last weekend, with a vault of 5.27 meters. This vault not only broke the university's record, but also the meet record, the facility record and was a provisional qualifying jump.

Vaulter KC Dahlgren won the women's vaulting with a height of 3.90 meters for her second consecutive victory at WSU.

Also in the field, senior Mykael Bothum had a shot put of 16.08 meters, making her not only the event champion, but also the 10th best in the NCAA. She leads the WAC by a seven-foot margin. Junior Eugenio Mannucci won the men's shotput with a throw of 16.63 meters.

Senior Ben Wood and Beau Whitney battled for first and

second respectively in the men's weight throw. Wood's throw of 18.21 meters barely beat out Whitney's personal best throw of 18.20 meters.

"The upperclassmen were great leaders and the freshman really stepped up," Teevens said.

Junior Andrew Blaser took second in the men's heptathlon, finishing just shy of 5,000 points. Jonathan Marler earned a personal best of 1.99 meters in the high jump, and sophomore Lauren Schaffer opened her season with a second place in the women's 800-meter.

Junior Paul Dittmer ran his first 60-meter hurdle event of the season and won with a time of 8.06 seconds, followed closely by junior Maurice Shaw with a time of 8.31 seconds and third place.

"Paul had a good opener for the season," coach Wayne Phipps said. "Josh Dalton (and) Kelly Jacka also ran well. We had a lot of solid performances."

Dalton ran a solid 800-meter race, then came back to run a strong leg in the men's 4x400 relay. Jacka ran the 60, the 200 and the 4x400 for the women's and made major contributions to the women's team.

"Kelly is one of a number of freshmen that will be major contributors to the team this year," Phipps said.

Jacka said the meet was exciting because it's a lot different being in a collegiate meet and being on a college team.

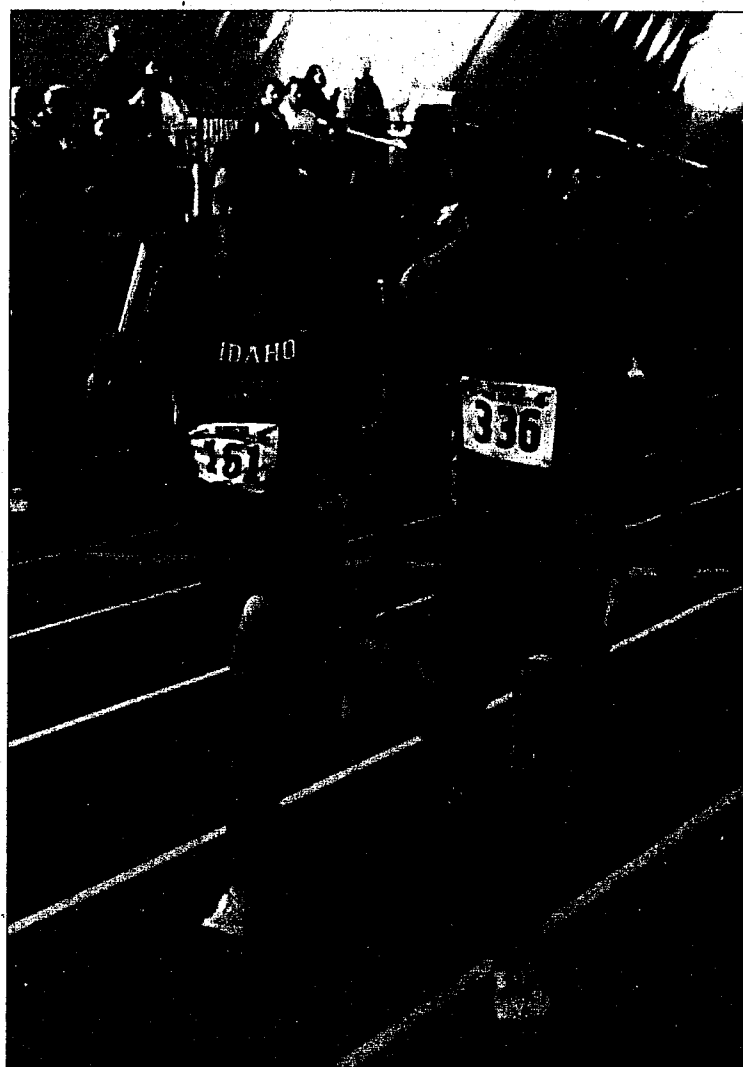
"When I was running the 4x400 I could hear everybody yelling the whole way around the track," Jacka said, "and it's really exciting and fun with all that support."

Having the team come together and support each other is something Teevens said she is really pleased about. Because track is more individual than other sports, it is sometimes hard to get the team feel, but Teevens said the team's bonding efforts are impressive and she knows that it will help in the future.

Right now the team is still training hard, working on coming together and competing.

"We just need to be competing," Phipps said. "There's always ups and downs but we can learn a lot from these early meets."

The team was able to pull off some major victories even without a few key runners. The men finished 5-1, beating out rival Utah State, Eastern Washington, Montana, Whitworth and Community Colleges of Spokane, but lost to Washington State. The women went 3-2-1 beating EWU, Whitworth, CCS, tying with Montana and losing to WSU and Utah State.



Vandal sprinter Spencer Meinburg is edged out of second place by a Spokane Community College runner in the final leg of the 4x400 meter relay Saturday afternoon in Pullman at the Cougar Indoor Open. The Vandals left Pullman with six event titles while the men went 5-1 and the women went 3-2-1 in the scoring portion of the meet.

FOUL PLAY



Nick Groff/Argonaut
Vandal center Marvin Jefferson drives the lane and is fouled by Utah State Aggie Tai Wesley Saturday evening in Cowan Spectrum. The Vandals lost the game 60-48 dropping to 8-9, 1-5 in the WAC.

Bouncing back in the WAC

Newlee: Team is better than record indicates

Ilya Pinchuk
Argonaut

The Idaho women's basketball team will look to get back its winning ways as they play host to the Utah State Aggies Wednesday.

Idaho is coming off a loss to San Jose State, in a game where Idaho coach Jon Newlee said his team was simply out-worked and couldn't respond to the physical style of play.

That loss ended a two-game winning streak for the Vandals, who had a chance to get a conference road sweep after they stunned New Mexico State in the final moments to win last Wednesday.

"We need to get tougher mentally and finish out the game," Newlee said. "We are a lot better than our record indicate(s)."

Newlee's statement isn't without merit, as Idaho has been playing some of its best basketball of the season the past few games. Idaho has shown consistency in scoring, averaging 50 percent from the floor in their two wins against

Boise State and New Mexico State and showing a defensive resilience.

The consistency in scoring was there for the first half of the game against San Jose State, and Newlee said he will continue to rely on guard Rachele Kloke, who has led the Vandals in scoring for their last three games with an average of 13 points per game.

Utah State is coming in with a four-game losing streak with losses to New Mexico State, Hawaii, Fresno State and Nevada.

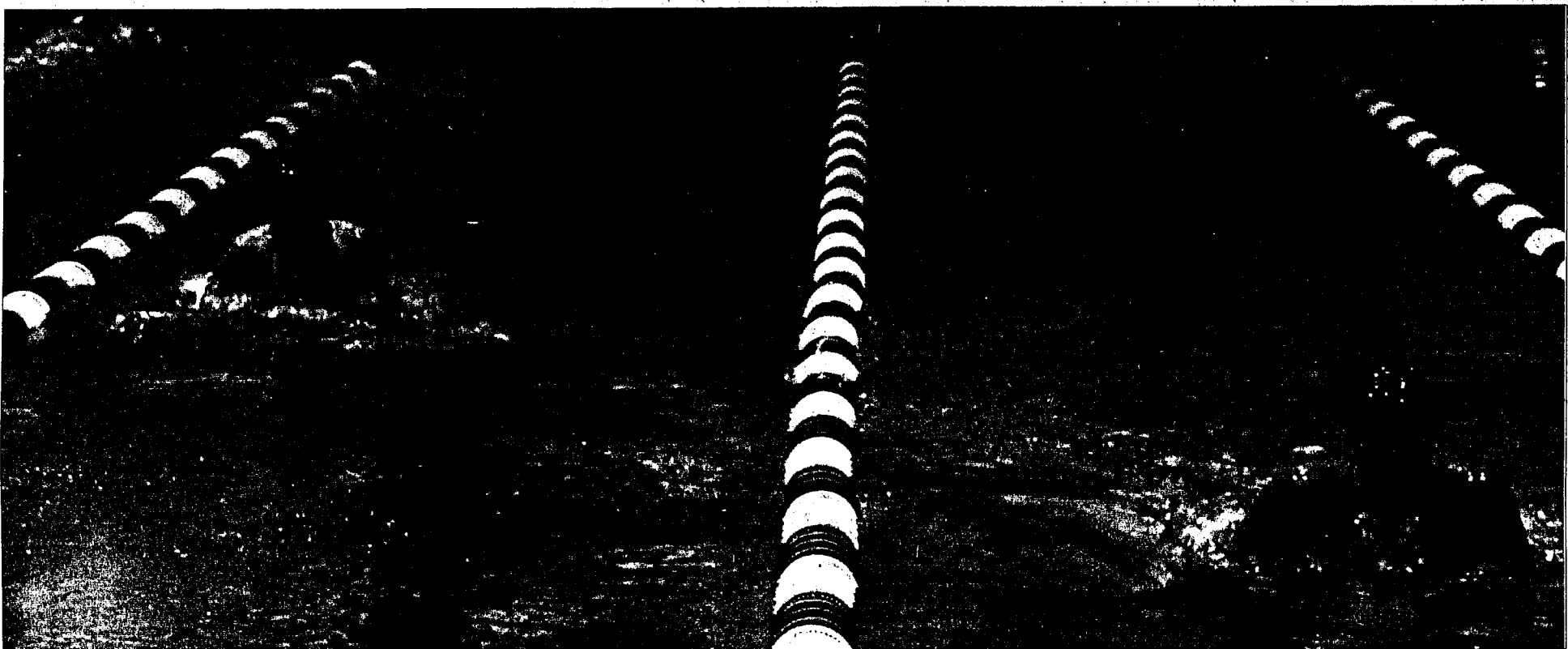
The Aggies have struggled to score at times, with only one of their players, Amber White, averaging more than 10 points per game.

Yinka Olorunnife, who had career games in back-to-back contests against Boise State and New Mexico State, got into foul trouble early and was a non-factor against San Jose State. Look for Olorunnife to lead the Vandals in rebounds and be a top-point contributor.

Tip-off is scheduled for 7 p.m. Wednesday in Cowan Spectrum.



Ilya Pinchuk/Argonaut
University of Idaho guard Shaena-Lyn Kuehu passes the ball during the Jan. 16 basketball game against Boise State University. The Vandals will take on Utah State 7 p.m. Wednesday in Cowan Spectrum.



Kate Kucharzyk/Argonaut
The University of Idaho swim team practices in the UI Swim Center Wednesday. The Vandals fell to Boise State, 217-83 during the swim meet Saturday in Boise.

Battle with the Broncos

Swim team puts up fight against school rivals

Lisa Short
Argonaut

The Idaho Vandal swim team faced new challenges at its rival match in Boise. After successful meets so far in the spring season, the team fell 217-83 to the Boise State Broncos in the dual meet on Saturday.

Idaho coach Tom Jager said the Broncos are swimming well this year and he said they swam well on Saturday. Although the Vandals improved over break, they couldn't hold up to the intensity of the well-rounded rivals.

Idaho showed some moments of strength through the

intimidating meet, and diver Amanda Morrow put up a solid performance in both the 1-meter and 3-meter diving events, taking first and second, respectively.

Morrow is one of the athletes Jager said improved greatly over break. Morrow took the only victory Idaho had over the Broncos.

"Morrow was a star of the meet," Jager said.

Other swimmers that showed their strength at the meet and keep improving are Nicole Schuh and Treasa Ring. Schuh finished second in the 100-meter breaststroke and fifth in the 100-meter freestyle. Ring, a freshman, has continued great performances in the butterfly and finished second in the 100-meter butterfly and the 50-meter freestyle.

Jager said he knew it was going to be a tough meet but it still took the team a while to adjust. The second half of the meet allowed the team to make some changes and come back with a little more momentum.

"They didn't give up," Jager said. "We have a way to go but we'll keep plugging away at it and maybe we can get back at them one of these days."

The reality of the situation, Jager said, is BSU out-swam the team. But despite the loss, the team will keep swimming hard to improve and make the necessary adjustments.

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Vandal football coach Robb Akey waves to a crowd of supporters Saturday afternoon on Main Street in downtown Moscow. The city honored Akey and the Idaho football team with a parade for their winning season and victory in the 2009 Roady's Humanitarian Bowl. Nick Groff/Argonaut

RIVALRY ON THE HARDWOOD



Vandal guard Mac Hopson attempts to drive past a Boise State Bronco defender Monday evening in Cowan Spectrum. Nick Groff/Argonaut

Super Bowl bound

Barry Wilner
Associated Press

A 40-yard field goal in overtime by a little-known kicker could become as famous as jambalaya in these parts.

The New Orleans Saints, a team with no home and an uncertain future five years ago, are heading for their first Super Bowl. By battering Brett Favre and beating the Minnesota Vikings 31-28 Sunday, they set off celebrations on Bourbon Street that locals never could have imagined in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

"This is for everybody in this city," said coach Sean Payton, the architect of the Saints' turnaround. "This stadium used to have holes in it and used to be wet. It's not wet anymore. This is for the city of New Orleans."

And it came courtesy of Garrett Hartley and the Aints — who surely ain't the Aints anymore.

"In reality, we had to lean on each other in order to survive and in order to get where we are now," quarterback Drew Brees said. "The city is on its way to recovery, and in a lot of ways has come back better than ever. We've used the strength and resiliency of our fans to go out and play every Sunday and play with the confidence that we can do it, that we can achieve everything we've set out to achieve."

Favre threw away Minnesota's best chance to win, tossing an interception deep in New Orleans territory in the closing seconds of regulation. The Saints then won the coin toss and ended it on Hartley's kick 4:45 into OT.

"Just helping my team get to Miami," he said. "Just doing my part."

The Saints' team of nomads after Katrina ravaged its city and the Superdome, overcame a slew of mistakes in the biggest game the Big Easy has ever seen.

Forget the paper bag masks and that long history of losing that started in 1967. Moments after Hartley's kick, they were toasting their hometown winners in the French Quarter and making plans for South Florida.

The Saints (15-3) will

meet Peyton Manning and the Indianapolis Colts (16-2) in the Super Bowl in two weeks in Miami. The Colts opened as 4-point favorites.

"Brett prepared us, but now we've got another challenge in Peyton," safety Darren Sharper said.

And in the Superdome, once a squalid refuge after Katrina, they boogied in the aisles as confetti covered the field.

"It's a moment I've been waiting for for a long time and obviously we're not done yet," said Brees, Payton's hand-picked QB for the Saints' renaissance.

It's the first time the top seeds in each conference made the big game since the 1993 season.

There were nine fumbles and two interceptions, and the biggest mistake belonged to Favre. Flushed from the pocket in the final minute, he seemed to have room to run to set up a field goal. But hampered by a left ankle injury in the third quarter, he threw cross-field and was intercepted by Tracy Porter at the 22-yard line.

That finished off Minnesota's chance for its first Super Bowl trip in 33 years — and opportunity to win it for the first time after four defeats. The Vikings have lost five straight NFC title games.

"I've felt better," said Favre, who looked every bit his 40 years. "It was a physical game. A lot of hits. You win that and you sure feel a lot better."

New Orleans won the coin toss, Brees guided it to the Minnesota 22 after converting a fourth-and-1 on Pierre Thomas' leap over the line, and Hartley — suspended at the start of the season for using a banned stimulant — split the uprights.

"It was as loud as I have ever heard it in the dome," Brees added. "It feels so good to know we have given our fans an NFC championship. We have another championship to go after in two weeks."

It was anything but easy for the Saints, in only their second conference championship game; they lost at Chicago three years ago.

The Saints can only hope they have the same happy ending as New York did back then.

ENOUGH

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The Vandals slumped at the start of the second half, giving the Spartans a chance to build a 10-point lead. Idaho's efficient offense sputtered, shooting 32 percent from the floor.

San Jose State thoroughly outmuscled the Vandals throughout the game, and the Vandals' inability to cope with the physicality caused them to miss chances by the boards late in the game.

"San Jose State made it a football game," Newlee said. "We have to toughen up and battle harder than we did."

Despite the adversity, Idaho battled back late in the second half, capped by Klope's jump shot with 2:38 left to take the lead.

Idaho looked to be hitting their stride as they ran the

clock down on the Spartans' next possession, but San Jose's Samantha Marez fired off a buzzer-beater 3-pointer with 1:57 left, which was the final straw for the Vandals.

Idaho came close, but could not regain the lead.

"We just folded with their play style," Newlee said. "We didn't handle it very well offensively."

Yinka Olorunnife, who was instrumental in Idaho's wins over Boise State and New Mexico State, got into early foul trouble and was not a factor for much of the game. Charlotte Otero took over rebound duty for the Vandals, leading with nine rebounds.

The Vandals' defense shut down San Jose State's top scorers, but opened the door for other players, and the Spartans showed their depth by tallying up 37 bench points, which was a stark contrast to Idaho's eight points off the bench.

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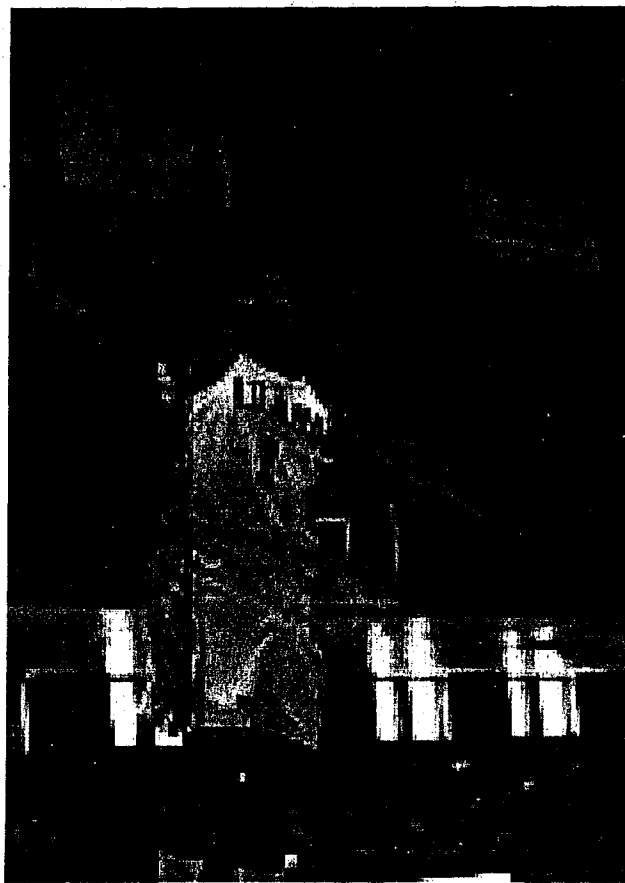
The City of Moscow and the University of Idaho football team wrapped up Vandal Football Day as proclaimed by Gov. Butch Otter and Vandal Football Week as proclaimed by Moscow mayor Nancy Chaney with a downtown parade on January 23rd. The football team, led by Moscow Police Department patrolmen as well as the Idaho marching band and cheer squad, followed the traditional homecoming route through downtown and across campus to the Kibbie Dome. Fans then had an opportunity to meet coaches and players with an autograph session. At halftime of the men's basketball game against Utah State, the trophy was presented to



coach Robb Akey and the team.

San Jose State Wears Down Vandals

The University of Idaho women's basketball team couldn't rebound from mid-game doldrums and, despite a late rally, lost 58-53 to San Jose State University in a Western Athletic Conference game Saturday night at The Event Center. The Vandals (4-14 overall, 2-3 WAC) led in the early going but trailed 29-25 at the half. San Jose State opened leads of as many as 10 points before the Vandals battled back to take a 50-49 lead on Rachele Kloke's jumper with 2:28 to play. The Spartans (5-13, 1-4 WAC) went back up on when Samantha Marez' rocketed in a 3-pointer as the shot clock expired for a 52-50 SJSU lead with 1:57 to go. It was a lead that would hold - although it was challenged repeatedly in the final 117 seconds. "Once we got our late lead, we just squandered our chances," said coach Jon Newlee, as he expressed dismay at numerous missed opportunities down the stretch and the Vandals' inability to cope with the physicality of the game. "San Jose State wants to make it a football game. If that's the way the game is going to be played, we have to toughen up and get tougher and battle harder than we did. We kind of folded with their style. We knew it going in. We didn't handle it very well offensively." The Vandals, who went through some early-season struggles, were coming off back-to-back wins and were looking for a road sweep. "Mentally, we just need to get tougher and finish out," Newlee said. "We told them you can't look at records. We're a lot better than our record indicates and San Jose is a lot better than their record indicates." Rachele Kloke turned



in a consistent effort with 19 points (7-of-15 from the field) and Shaena Kuehu contributed another 11. Scrappy guard Charlotte Otero led Idaho's rebounding effort with six (and contributed nine points) as the Vandals controlled the boards 35-29. Yinka Olorunife, who struggled with foul trouble, had five rebounds and two points.

Track and Field Goes Big at Cougar Indoor

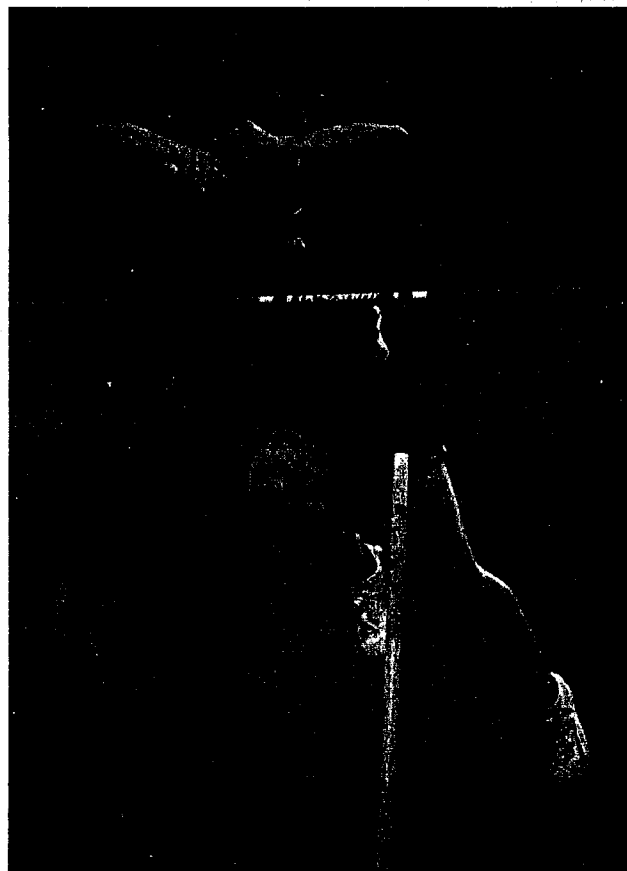
After he and two teammates broke the Idaho men's pole vault record last weekend in the team's opener, Idaho senior Lucas Pope boldly proclaimed it "just the beginning for this season."

Less than a week later, Pope made that a reality as he became the first Vandal to clear 17 feet indoors in the pole vault and led a strong Idaho surge at the Cougar Indoor Invitational on Friday and Saturday at Washington State. Six Vandals walked away as event champions for the weekend, but none had a better time than Pope, who won the men's pole vault with a meet-record, school-record and NCAA provisional-qualifying height of 5.27m (17-3.5). Pope struggled in his first two attempts at the minimum provisional height of 17-0.75, but nailed on his last try, and then stormed right back and hit 17-3.5 on his very first attempt to put him in a tie for 14th nationally in the event.

"For Lucas Pope, we've been waiting to hit that 17-foot mark in competition for a year and a half," Idaho vaults coach Jason Graham said. "He's done it in practice, but he's never been able to break it out in competition, and that's what was so exciting." Pope said that the mental barrier was almost as difficult as the physical one in breaking through with the big jump. He and Graham agreed that breaking through the 17-foot barrier could also act as a catalyst for even bigger jumps in the near future.

"I was trying to get it through my head that it's possible to get over 17 feet," Pope said. "It's been a long time coming for me. I think I still have a little left in me for this season. I'd like to get up in the mid-17 range - 17-6 is a good, round number." Senior thrower Mykael Bothum also had a strong competition, as she blew away the field in the women's shot put with a season-best toss of 16.08m (52-9.25). That throw is the best in the Western Athletic Conference by a seven-foot margin and puts her at 10th in the NCAA in the event. Junior thrower Eugenio Mannucci left out the dramatics of last week's competition and powered his way to a first-place

finish in the men's shot put with a toss of 16.63m (54-6.75), while seniors Ben Wood and Beau Whitney went neck-and-neck in the men's weight throw. Wood launched the 35-pound implement 18.21m (59-9) to barely edge Whitney, who hit a personal-best 18.20m (59-8.5). On the track, junior Paul Dittmer ran his first hurdle race of the year and came out with a win after running an 8.06 in the final of the 60-meter event. He also had the top time of 8.04 in the preliminary round. Fellow junior Maurice Shaw, fresh off his breakout season as a receiver for the football team, opened his year with an 8.31 in the event and a third-place finish. Senior K.C. Dahlgren was Idaho's sixth event winner, as she cleared 3.90m (12-9.5) in the women's pole vault to win the event for a second-straight weekend at WSU. The Vandals got other solid performances over the weekend by junior Andrew Blaser, who took second in the men's heptathlon with a score of 4,964, senior Jonathan Marler, who cleared a personal-best 1.99m (6-6.25) in the high jump, freshman Kelly Jacka, who won her heat and finished second overall in the 200m with a time of 25.42, and sophomore Lauren Schaffer, who took second in the women's 800m with a time of 2:16.22 in her season-opening race. In the team scoring portion of the meet, Idaho's men went 5-1, while the women went 3-2-1. The men's team beat Utah State, Eastern Washington, Montana, Whitworth, and Community Colleges of Spokane and lost to Washington State, while the women's team beat EWU, Whitworth and CCS, tied Montana, and lost to USU and WSU. "The neat thing of the scoring meets is that they inherently increase the level of competition for everyone," Idaho co-head coach Wayne Phipps said. "That's one thing that I thought we did really well, whether we were competing for first or second, or third or fourth. "We had some new people who competed at a very high level this weekend and got them some great experience. We gave them a chance to compete against a Pac-10 school, a conference rival and some good area schools, and I think that's going to benefit them in a big way." For a handful of competitors, next weekend's action will be at Seattle at the UW Invitational on Friday and Saturday. The rest of the team will train through the weekend and prepare for Idaho's 35th annual Vandal Indoor on Feb. 5 and the Runner's Soul Open on Feb. 6.



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