

Births

Ivan Garrison Goodlance

Pete J. Goodlance and Effie H. Jim of Warm Springs are pleased to announce the birth of their son Ivan Garrison Goodlance, born February 22, 2006.

Father's parents are Bonnie Thomas and Emerson Squiemphen. The mother's parents are Bruce and Barbara Jim.

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Jennifer June Jim

Jennifer June Jim was born on June 9, 1957 to Inez and Wesley Jim of Schurz, Nev. Her untimely departure to cross over into eternal life came on January 6, 2006. She grew up on the Walker River Indian Reservation. She commenced her basketball career as a child at home with her dad on a dirt-cased court. Extremely competitive at an early age.

Attended the Schurz Elementary School K-8. During this period she loved to ride horses.

After her eighth grade graduation she attended the Mineral County High School in Hawthorne, Nev., and graduated in 1975. She excelled in track by throwing the shot-put, discuss and softball throw. She always came home with a medal. She missed out on high school basketball, which started after 1975.

Starting at age 13 she played basketball with various Indian teams. She was gifted with having this talent. She began playing with the Nixon Bravettes from 1971 through 1975, coached by Earl Dunn. At the first National Indian Athletic Association Games in Los Angeles, the Bravettes placed third in competition with Jennifer named to the All Star Team.

Her basketball talent brought a full scholarship at Bacone Junior College in Muskogee, Okla., the first such scholarship awarded by the school. She was named to the All Conference Team, and received the Outstanding Girls Basketball Player Award in 1977.

She was then given a full scholarship at Central Missouri State University. The college played in Division I college ball. From 1979-80 she was on the starting five. She also played on the softball team.

During the 1980s and '90s, Jennifer worked for Inter-Tribal Sports in Warm Springs, an Indian-owned business creating Native designs to be placed on sports wear. The company also made trophies for all sports.

She later became a security guard at the Hawthorne Ammunition Depot. She has worked all her life and loved meeting and helping people. She spent her final days coaching a co-ed basketball team called the Desert Heat, made up of seventh-grade students. This made her happy, passing on what she had learned.

We have lost someone very special. Love, the family, Inez and Wesley Jim, Nelson D. Jim (brother), and Jacquelyn Jim (sister).

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R.T. Valance Thompson

R.T. Valance Thompson passed away on February 16, 2006 at Mountain View Hospital of natural causes. He was 50.

Mr. Thompson was born January 22, 1956 at Redmond to parents Rosco and Doris (Ike) Thompson.

He was married to Marvena (Meanus) Thompson on March 26, 2000 at Warm Springs. She preceded him in death in May of 2005.

Mr. Thompson was a lifetime resident of Warm Springs. He was self-employed as a tax preparer.

He is survived by his children Reanna Charley, Cody Lessina, Alyssia, Falcon, Marvin, Jeanine and Rosco III Thompson, and Jonathan Ike Smith, all of Warm Springs; Jeanette Dawn and Della Erickson of Alaska; brother Joseph Thompson of Warm Springs; sister Marisa Thompson of Warm Springs; and two grandchildren.

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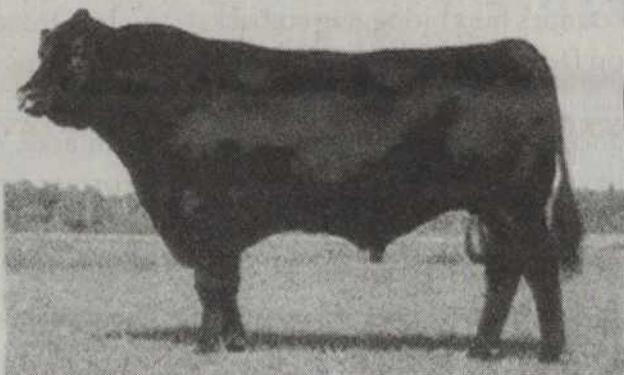
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Fish advocates critical of Washington plan

YAKIMA (AP) — Calling it a breakthrough in the 30-year stalemate over wrangling water needs in Eastern Washington, Gov. Christine Gregoire has signed into law a Columbia River management plan that has been praised by conservation groups and irrigators alike.

Away from the Capitol building in Olympia, however, others contended the bill was a backroom deal that locked out the public and sacrificed the region's largest waterway.

Water users and conservationists have been battling for decades over water rights for the Columbia and its tributaries, with one side seeking more water for communities and commerce while the other fights for sufficient water for threatened fish runs. The dispute becomes particularly heated during drought years.

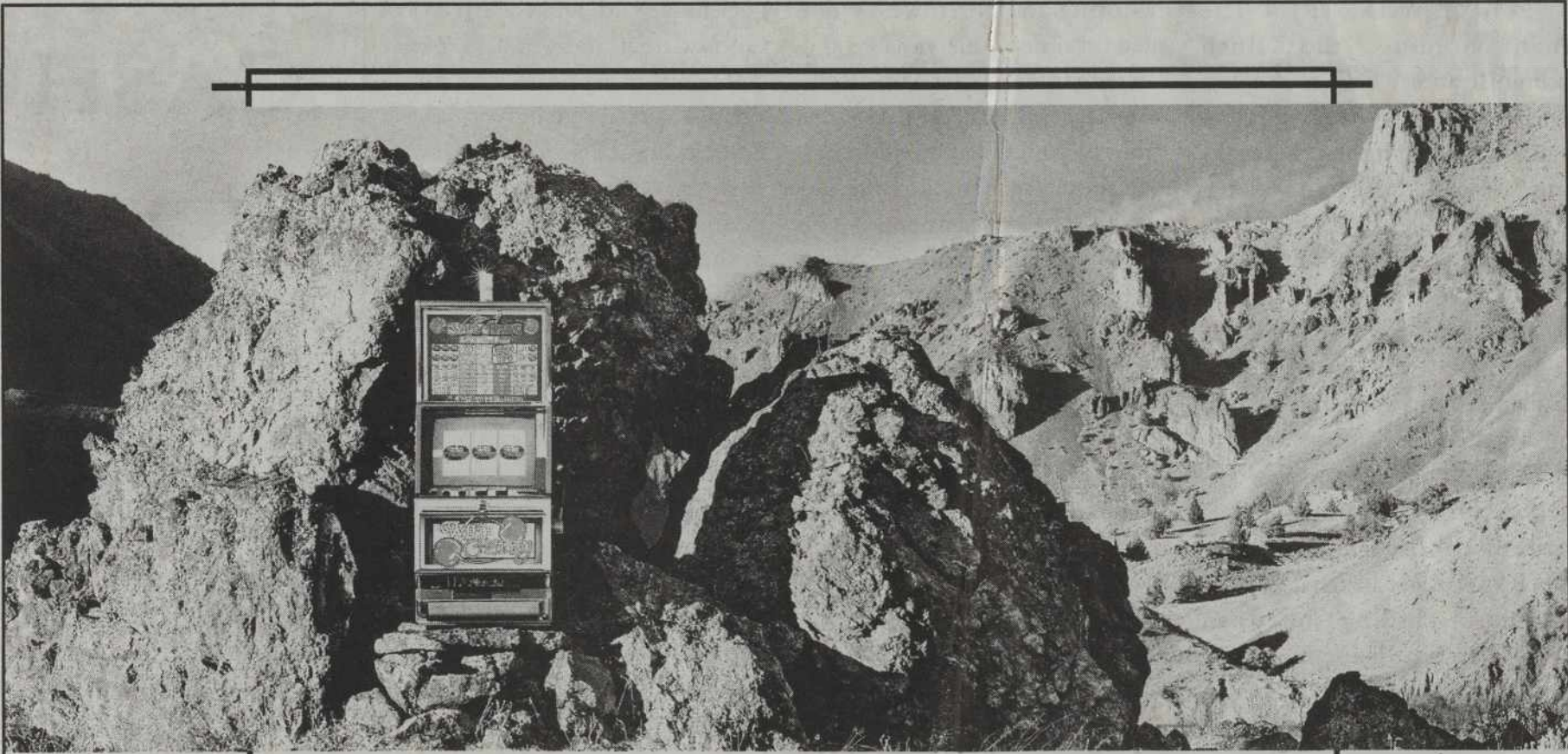
The new bill seeks to make more water available in the future by increasing storage in new reservoirs. The bill also allows the state to sign regional agreements with communities or other groups seeking new water rights in the near-term in exchange for mitigation efforts.

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CRITFC hydro program

The bill resulted from weeks of closed-door negotiations involving lawmakers from both parties and interest groups representing the environmental community, irrigators and farmers. But some groups with a deep interest in the river complained that they were left out.

"We were absolutely amazed, and somewhat appalled," said Bob Heinith, hydro program coordinator for the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission, which calls for salmon recovery efforts on behalf of the Warm Springs, Yakama, Umatilla and Nez Perce tribes. Heinith said tribes were particularly concerned that the state adopted a plan without considering the impact to the entire basin.



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