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"CHAINED HEAT" (R)
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"BREATHLESS" (R)
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"BLUE THUNDER" (R)
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"DR. DETROIT" (R)
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"FLASHDANCE" (R)
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Sherrif officials predict more avalanche trouble

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RENO, Nev. — Sheriff's officers searched Tuesday for more victims of a giant mudslide that rolled down a steep mountain and narrowly missed two parks filled with Memorial Day picnickers and crushed houses closing two highways.

One man, a pastor working on a friend's house, was confirmed dead. Washoe County Sheriff Vince Swinney said six people were hurt and other victims might be trapped beneath the deep layer of rocks, mud and debris that was up to 15 feet deep.

Residents of at least three plush houses fled to safety and watched the torrent demolish their homes and sweep vehicles and horses away. Some were able to return home Tuesday.

"There are some areas where the mud is 15 to 18 feet deep and if people got caught in there early, they could be buried and never recovered," Swinney said.

Authorities were checking license plates of the mired vehicles to see if they belonged to missing campers, hikers or fishermen. One official had reported three people were killed, but Swinney said he could not confirm the number of dead.

"We won't know until we can check all reports of possible missing persons and thoroughly search the mud," he said.

Thousands of people, out for a day in the country in the 90 degree sunshine, were told to leave parks shortly after the disaster below 9,694 foot Slide Mountain, about 20 miles south of Reno.

"It looked like a huge wave of chocolate pudding," said Rick Talovic, 24, who watched the spectacle with his fiancée from the shoulder of U.S. 395.

"The flow was coming down from the top of the canyon and was pouring out like a waterfall," he said. "When it hit the valley where all the cars were, it flipped over a yellow school bus. There were several dozen cows freaking out and running back and forth."

The avalanche, touched off by a heat wave that melted the snowpack on Slide Mountain, first rumbled through Upper Price Lake, at the 8,000-foot level. It accumulated enough force from the tons of water in that lake to power through Lower Price Lake a half-mile below, punching out its earthen dam.

The avalanche slammed into about 20 expensive homes, demolishing three and severely damaging the others.

Cars, trees, propane gas tanks and other debris tumbled into the slide as it began to fan out on a half-mile-wide front, swirling into the blue Lake Wasse in the valley at the foot of the mountain.

Swinney said the avalanche rolled down the steep incline of the mountain about 3 miles, a vertical drop of about 4,500 feet.

Joseph Valenzuela, 36, of Gardnerville, Nev., was killed in the slide. He'd been helping a friend remodel his house and his crushed body was found under a truck.

The injured people, suffering from shock, crushed ribs and leg injuries, were taken to nearby hospitals.

Swinney said the heat wave also could affect many other areas in the Sierra Nevada. Already a mudslide precipitated by melting snow has closed a section of U.S. 50 about 20 miles from the Slide Mountain avalanche, and three days ago a huge mudslide caved in several homes about 20 miles away on the California side of Lake Tahoe.

"Because of the supersaturated earth, the steep terrain and the snow melt, it could hit anywhere in the Sierras," Swinney said.

Helicopters searched the devastated area until dark Monday, and volunteers with picks and shovels poked through the rubble looking for signs of life.

The search effort was expected to continue for at least three more days and included a check of license plates of cars found buried in the mud if the owners were safe.

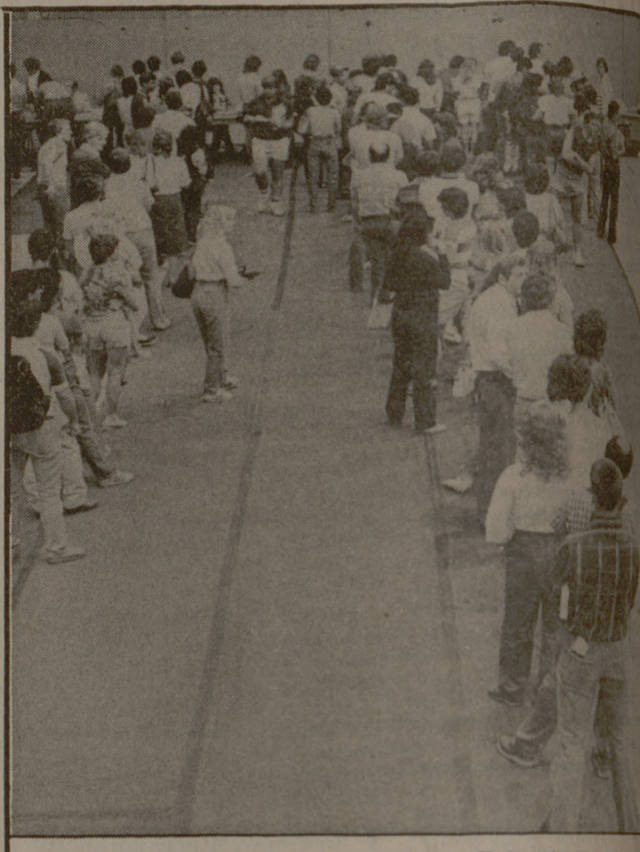
Virginia growers named in harvest-related suit

United Press International
Cigarette smokers could be puffing away on tobacco harvested by foreign workers at the expense of unemployed Americans who needed a job.

Attorneys for Texas Rural Legal Aid in Laredo and Hereford have accused the Virginia Agricultural Growers Association, VAGA, of offering paid transportation to foreign workers but failing to give American workers the same opportunity.

A Washington D.C. attorney representing VAGA denies the charge, and the incident is under investigation by the U.S. Labor Department in Philadelphia.

The issue involves the time-consuming, labor-intensive work of harvesting tobacco and the desire of growers, according to TRLA, to hire the most docile and manageable workforce to do it.



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Judge says FBI liable in beating

United Press International
KALAMAZOO, Mich. — A federal judge ruled Tuesday that a Freedom Rider beaten by a mob of white segregationists at an Alabama bus station more than 20 years ago may sue the FBI for damages.

The ruling was a victory for Walter Bergman, 84, of Grand Rapids, who filed a \$1 million lawsuit claiming the government was at least partly responsible for the attack at the Anniston, Ala., bus station on May 14, 1961.

The suit determines the government was liable for damages. The actual amount Bergman might receive, however, would have to be determined in a separate action.

In an 83-page ruling, U.S. District Judge Richard A. Enslin said there was sufficient evidence to indicate the FBI was aware of planned violence against Freedom Riders but took no action to prevent it.

Bergman maintained the FBI knew there was a conspiracy between the Ku Klux Klan and police departments in Anniston and Birmingham, Ala., to mount violent attacks against the Freedom Riders.

At his trial, Bergman claimed he suffered crippling injuries as an indirect result of the attack, leaving him wheelchair-bound for life. Other Freedom Riders, both black and white, also were beaten.

Bergman, a former professor at Wayne State University in Detroit, is white.

Enslin said in his ruling there was "reasonable cause" to believe the government should have sent federal intervention to the conspiracy against the Freedom Riders would proceed and the Riders would be threatened, beaten and injured."

The FBI, he said, "had specific information from a number of sources concerning the nature of the conspiracy."

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