

# The Rockies \$30 million more needed for education, Romer says

**Associated Press**  
DENVER — Gov. Roy Romer says higher education is crucial to Colorado's economic future and he plans to ask for a \$30 million increase in state spending.

Romer said the money should go for "stereotypes of excellence" to aid economic development programs and lure business to the state. He made his remarks Thursday to a legislative symposium sponsored by the Colorado Commission on Higher Education.

# Trial under way in 1984 slaying of Denver radio host Alan Berg

**Associated Press**  
DENVER — Controversial Denver talk show host Alan Berg "fell as if a curse had been pulled out from under him" after being shot 12 times, federal prosecutor Barry R. Winkler said Friday as the trial for four people accused in Berg's 1984 slaying opened here.

Romero said the U.S. District Court jury that witnesses would testify the submachine gun used to kill Berg jammed on the 12th round. Alan Berg was killed "because of what he was and what he said," Winkler said, adding that Berg's killers "acted in a silent, deadly way."

# Wire check

**Thornton**  
Jurors harassed after Guenther trial

A social studies teacher who served as foreman of the jury that acquitted "make my day" killer David Guenther of second-degree murder and assault says the jurors are being harassed.

# Washington, D.C.

**Armstrong pleased with Ginsburg**  
Sen. Bill Armstrong, R-Colo., says he is pleased with the nomination of Douglas Ginsburg to the U.S. Supreme Court and accused Massachusetts Democratic Sen. Edward Kennedy of "spinning for a fight" over the confirmation.

# Golden

**Judge finds woman guilty of perjury**  
A Jefferson County District Court judge has found the ex-wife of a former Denver police detective guilty of lying twice to clear her husband of child abuse charges in the death of her 7-year-old son.

# Denver

**Police arrest suspect in 4 assaults**  
An undercover policeman who walked the city's streets helped to capture a man suspected in at least four recent assaults on women in northwest Denver, authorities say.

John Gonzalez, 27, 22 of Lakewood, was taken to the Denver City Jail after his arrest Wednesday night, police said. Bond has been set at \$100,000.

The faces five counts: each of third-degree sexual assault and third-degree assault, and one count of second-degree assault to a police officer.

The latter charge is the result of an attack on Officer Catherine Davis. Authorities contend that Gonzalez grabbed Davis' throat and threw her on the ground while she was working undercover.

Davis, 28, was treated at Denver General Hospital for cuts and bruises.

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