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# City Council hears golf course proposal

By Dick Choquette

Tuesday night's City Council meeting proved to be a lively one: -- Tom Mann of Mann Engineering, Roswell, told that Mrs. A.N. Spencer was willing to make a substantial grant toward helping Carrizozo construct and maintain a golf course. Half of the monies would be used to build, and the other half to set up a trust fund to maintain the facility.

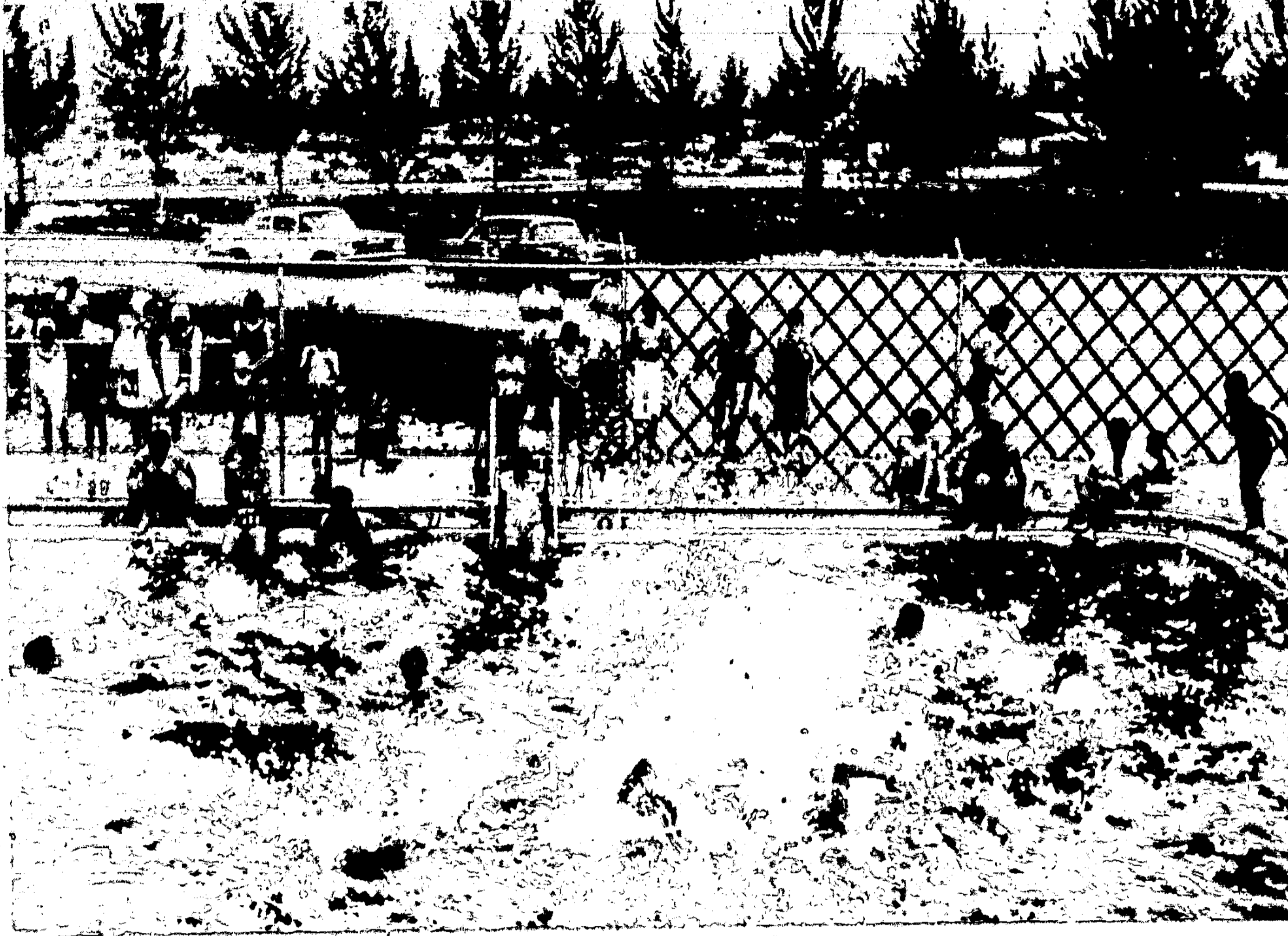
Mann explained that matching federal funds would have to come through the State Planning Office in Santa Fe. It was noted that the present Middle East crisis might mean a dollar for dollar matching grant down to a one-third participation by the government.

Government stipulations held that the land must be deeded to the city and State Planning Office officials told Mann that they would be able to give up to 50 per cent of the appraised valuation of all acreage to help in its construction. Monies would have to be administered by the city.

-- Mann also told that the Federal Aviation Agency has a credit of \$6,000 to Carrizozo toward lighting facilities at the town airport. He noted, though, that the FAA recommended that one resident with a phone live there to watch for vandalism. In this the FAA would not participate.

Mann said the FAA recommendation was to use the \$6,000 for other airport purposes since if surplus were used, as they

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IN THE WET -- This group shows how they feel about the opening of the swimming pool last Sunday. Filters ordered for a Memorial Day opening did not arrive so Buddy Hill, pool manager, and the pool maintenance crew have been changing out pool water so that Carrizozo kids can

have their swim anyway. Hill says that pool hours will probably be from 1 to 8 p.m., but that if the weather turns bad he will close the pool. Helping him this summer will be Jerry Durham, son: life guard, and Donda Jo May. Phone number for the pool office is 648-2222.

## 'World's greatest juggler'

### Norman Crider is a former Zozo student

The "world's greatest juggler" attended Carrizozo High School in 1953 and 1954, and his father was principal of the elementary school here for four years.

Norman Crider, who amassed international fame as a baton-twirler, received the ultimate tribute to his talent in May when he became the first American to win the Restelli Trophy at the International Juggler's Festival in Bergamo, Italy.

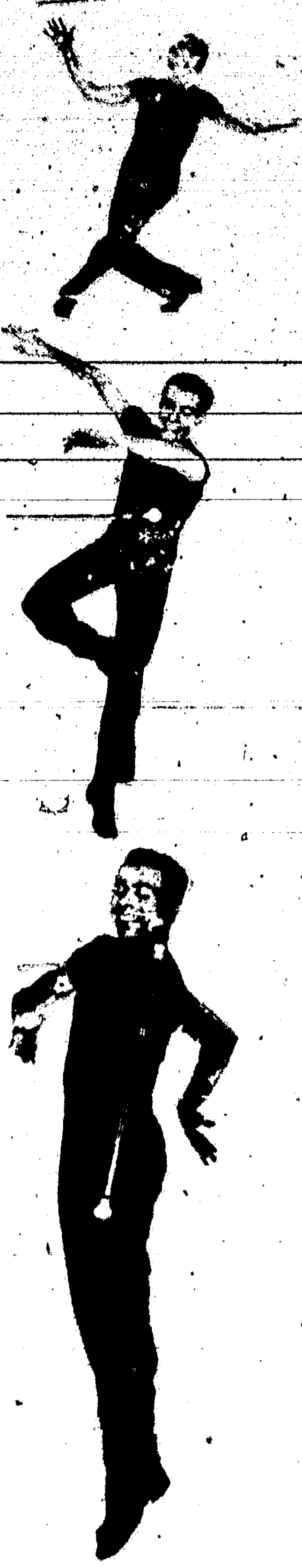
The award climaxed a career which saw him win more than 75 national and international trophies. In his latest triumph he was pitted against the best in the world, and he received acclaim from the judges for his style, excellence and grace.

He first started twirling the baton when eleven, and determined to make it his career. During his two years in Carrizozo, he always carried a baton with him where-ever he went and town folk grew accustomed to watching him practice as he walked around the streets.

Norman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R.A. Crider of Socorro. The elder Crider is now retired and Mrs. Crider is employed by the Farmers Home Administration.

Norman is scheduled for performances in Italy, Denmark, and Norway during the summer and then will leave for a four-month tour of Japan.

He has earned a reputation as a collector of, and authority on, rare old books, art prints, ceramics and statues. After retiring from show business in 1958 he plans to open a shop on his own in New York City.



## Library open

Carrizozo school librarian, Mrs. Bruce Millburn, announces that the library will be open this summer for students and townspeople. Hours will be from 9:30 a.m. until noon, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

# Real outlaws out-talk, out-fox 'Desperado Kid'

by TED MORSE

"You sure were right in last week's paper when you said there were billions of dollars worth of gold in Lincoln County," self-styled 'New Mexico's Number One Prospector,' C.H. "Desperado Kid" Philpot, told us Saturday over a friendly glass of suds in one of Capitan's watering places.

"And what's more," he emphasized, with an all-encompassing wave of a horny hand, "there's more different types of metals, and plenty of 'em, right here than any other place in the world."

Here was a guy we were a little suspicious of, for after thirty or more years in the newspaper business we were accustomed to a lot of leg-pulling, especially after the imbibement of a couple glasses of liquid barley. This guy, with the facile tongue of a cattle-peddling auctioneer, and a smooth pink complexion, with twinkling dark blue eyes, belied his own designation of prospector, and certainly of the common concept of a grizzled bearded old miner who roamed the hills on the back of a decrepit burro.

But his bone-crushing handshake painfully revealed that he was no man who punched a typewriter for a living. It was corned, calloused, and black-ridden with obvious manual labor.

We got to talking gold, and he excused himself to go outside to bring in some samples of ore from his pick-up. We seized the opportunity to query the proprietor and a few of the other limbers in the place and they assured us he was the real McCoy.

He returned with a big fistful of rocks, and proceeded to give us an education in geology. "I can identify 86 different metals," he boasted. "I'm the nearest guy in the country, I'm working 178 claims right now, and I believe that any kind of metal in the world can be found in Lincoln County. What's more, you can bring me any ore and I can tell



IT WAS THIS BIG -- C. H. "Desperado Kid" Philpot shows the size of the ten pound gold nugget he found. It took three big rocks to demonstrate its size.

where it came from, no matter what state or nation. And any one of them can be duplicated right here."

Two years ago, the "Desperado Kid" (he got that name from his early stint of acting at the Billy the Kid performance at Lincoln, where he has played the part of an outlaw) found a ten-pound solid gold nugget. The attendant publicity brought two men to his door who claimed they were from the FBI. They told him that federal law prohibited anyone possessing more than twenty ounces of gold and that they would have to impound the nugget and take it to the Mint at Denver. They said he would receive a government check for 20 percent of its value, and that it would be tax-free. The nugget had a total approximate value of \$4,900. He

never received a check, or saw the so-called FBI men again, he said sadly.

"But," he claimed, "I know where there's a nugget twice as big, and I guess I've got to use a little dynamite to get it out. This time, ain't nobody gonna take it away from me." He also said that on one of his claims was a solid sheet of gold so big that it would take two men to lift it.

The "Desperado Kid" (he's died fourteen times during his acting career) said he was the only man in the world to bring out a live bear from the mountains. He carried a 43 pound grizzly in his arms, brought it into a bar, and fed it peanuts while he had a couple of glasses of beer, he said. "I'm strong as an ox -- a small

ox," he grinned.

He got his start in hunting for gold and other minerals while still a youngster, he said, during the depression days when the hills were swarming with gold-panners who eked a living panning the yellow stuff from the arroyos. "I brought 'em water, and sold it for \$1 a barrel. Me and my mules made \$4 a day -- more than the miners made," he chortled.

As he continued to regale us with his experiences and his assessment of Lincoln County's potential in providing the world with its precious metals, he made frequent trips to his pick-up parked outside to bring in different specimens of ore, explaining the content of each as he planted it on the polished bar. He pointed out gold, silver, lead, mercury, molybdenum, uranium, copper, zinc, platinum, beryllium, tungsten, titanium, asbestos, barium, and many others. He said that he had what he believed to be one of the few titanium mines in this country. "That's the stuff they use in the nose of rockets," he explained, "it's 18 times harder to burn up than any other metal in existence. I figure I've got 20 million ton of it on top of the mountains."

He also says he's got tin, manganese, tantalum, cobalt and nickel in abundance.

One day a man drove up to his house, he said, and wanted to buy a lot of ore. Asked how much for a pick-up load, Herman (that

is his second name, and the one by which he is known, except for the "Desperado Kid" appellation) told him he'd take \$100. The man loaded up and took off.

Philpot later learned, he said, that the man made \$100,000 on the deal. He took the load to Arizona where he "salted" a mine which he sold to some Eastern "green-horns" for the fabulous figure. (For the information of those un-initiated in skull-duggery in the mining world -- "salting" is the act of planting good ore in a barren area to simulate the appearance of plenty of value.)

With all his loquacity, and despite our natural skepticism, the "Desperado Kid" made a believer out of us. He left us with a cardboard box full of sample ores which should have a total value of approximately \$50 to \$60 (our own estimate). Now if we could only find a suitable location for a mine to "salt," and a couple of gullible Easterners, there's a chance to clear up \$50,000 or so. Sure'd beat newspapering all to hell, wouldn't it?

But that same newspapering profession makes honest men out of us all, so we are putting the samples on display in the front office of the Lincoln County News, and invite both amateur and professional geologists to inspect them and make up their own minds whether "that's gold in them thar hills" around Lincoln County.

## Zozo team to show finery

The Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department's baseball team will exhibit their new uniforms in their home town next Sunday for the first time as they tackle the Socorro Braves on the local field at 2 p.m.

The smoke-eaters lost to Socorro's Pete's Bar nine last Sunday by the score of 12-4, although the game was much closer than the score would indicate. Difficulty in finding the "handle" on the ball, resulted in several costly errors by the locals, and there were a few remarks about "home-town un-

piring" on close decisions.

Pitcher John Beltran went all the way for Carrizozo, and Nat Palomarez clouted a two run homer, to star for the firemen.

Roster of the Zozo team includes: Amalco Beltran, catcher; Ziggy Lessas, Nick Vega and John Beltran, pitchers; Freddy Vega, first base; Jerry Beltran, second base; Polo Guillotrez, short stop; Nat Palomarez, third base; Marcus Martinez, right field; George Martinez, center field; David Locke, left field; David Palomarez and Larry Niederstadt, utility.

## Around Town

By Minnie Lee Nall

Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Sherrill spent last week end in Albuquerque.

Mrs. Pearl Prullitt of Alamogordo, formerly of Capitan is presently in the Presbyterian Hospital in Albuquerque after suffering a broken hip last week while visiting relatives there. Anyone wishing to send her a card may do so. Her room is 402.

Linda Rowin flew to San Francisco Wednesday. She left El Paso at 3:45 and reached her destination at 7:10. Linda and Gail Peebles will drive back. Gail's husband will leave June 7 for Vietnam. This is his third trip to that part of the world. He will sail on the Aircraft Carrier Oriskany.

Mr. and Mrs. George Maki were in Alamogordo Sunday.

Mr. Ramon Nunez had surgery in Las Cruces last week but is doing fine now.

Pvt. George Nunez is here on leave from Ft. Polk, La. He is due to report to Oakland, Calif. and leave for Vietnam by June 17.

Mrs. George Maki was in Tucumcari for her granddaughter Linda Galtner's graduation last week.

Dan Nunez graduated from Las Cruces this year and got his B.S. Degree in Agriculture business.

Mrs. Pearl Soderbeck of Lincoln Worthy Hotel was in the news office Monday morning.

Mrs. George Maki had a party in her Alamogordo home Saturday evening honoring the Rebekah officers. There were 20 present.

Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Nunez of Picacho were in town Wednesday.

Mrs. Powder Knoblock and two daughters left Thursday for Tatum to join Mr. Knoblock who is stationed there.

Mabel Restifrow and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Weidinger went to Albuquerque, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Chisholm and Mrs. Elmer Esker returned from St. Louis, last Thursday where they had been visiting Jovita Torres, Agnes Saucedo

## Weather

By L. Z. Manier

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May 31	74	42	15	.01
June 1	78	46	20	
June 2	84	52	25	
June 3	82	56	8	.35
June 4	79	55	11	.48
June 5	83	52	15	.07
June 6	89	57	25	T

There was .71 of rain the first five months of the year of 1967. Snow in April was .04. Snow in May was .01.

## Corona

By Zelpha Kuykendall

There will be skating every Friday night at the old gym from 7:30 to 9:30 thru the summer. Skates will be 25¢ per pair. Skating will be sponsored by the band parents.

Jacquie Sue Davidson has moved to Roswell where she will attend the Southwestern Business College.

Mr. and Mrs. V.A. Peterson of Colgado Springs, were here last week visiting Mrs. Peterson's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Davidson Jr. Kay Maak returned home with her parents to spend the summer.

Mrs. T.W. James took her son

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## What is it ?



CAN YOU NAME IT? -- This object was found on what is now the John Lee ranch in Bligham and is part of the collection of Mrs. Hattie Lucy of Capitan.

# Especially for the Ladies

Edited by Eleanor Payton

## McBrayers honored during golden anniversary party


Mr. and Mrs. Andrew McBrayer were entertained Sunday at a reception in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary. It was held at the L.O.O.F. Lodge hall and given by their children, Mrs. McBrayer of Roswell, Mrs. Edna Jones and Mrs. Opal Hill of Carrizozo.

A table covered in white lace over gold held the three-tiered cake and white and yellow chrysanthemums decorated the hall. Jerry Luck sang two selections, "Walk Hand in Hand" and "Bless This House," accompanied on the piano by his wife, Drusilla.

## Wins Scholarship



**SCHOLARSHIP WINNER** — Miss Rose Lett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Lett, Jr., of Carrizozo, N.M., receives a \$500 scholarship to Hotel Dieu School of Nursing from Sister Aloysius, director of the school. The scholarship, which will finance one semester of study in the professional nursing school for Miss Lett, who is completing her freshman year, was made available by the Minnie Stevens Piper Foundation of San Antonio, Texas.

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## Republican Women to meet

The Republican women will have their regular meeting June 13 at 11:30. They will meet in the William Shrecengost home. There will be a covered dish luncheon of meat, bread and luncheon. Meat, bread and beverage will be furnished. All members are urged to bring their teenage sons and daughters and friends.

The guest speakers will be Mrs. Steve Ingwall and Mrs. Jim Bruhn both of Roswell, and they will speak to the teenage Republicans.

## Mmes. Lemon, Huffman entertain bridge club

Mrs. R. E. Lemon and Mrs. L. M. Huffman entertained the bridge club with two tables of bridge Friday afternoon at the Cottage Cafe.

Those present were: Mmes. Wayne Withers, A. N. Spencer, Ellen Cady, C. D. May, Roy Shafer, R. E. Lemon, L. M. Huffman and Minnie Nellie.

Mrs. Roy Shafer won high score and Mrs. R. E. Lemon second high. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Roy Shafer with Mable Rentfrow as joint hostess.

## SOCIAL SECURITY

Here in Lincoln County 163 wives are receiving \$5,952.00 per month, says Clyde A. Gray social security Field Representative for this area, stated today.

A wife who has not worked in employment covered by Social Security long enough to qualify for benefits on her own earnings can qualify for benefits on her husband's account.

For further information about wife's benefits contact a social security representative July 7 in the county commissioner's room, Lincoln County court house in Carrizozo, from 9 until noon.

## DEATHS

Mr. L. Jason Daughtery a resident of Tularosa died May 28 in the St. Marys Hospital in Roswell.

Services were held last Wednesday at 10 a.m. and burial was in the Monte Vista Cemetery in Alamogordo.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Miriam Daughtery of Tularosa and his brother S.H. Daughtery of Carlsbad; two sisters, Mrs. Izella Quick of La Luz and Mrs. Ethel Bass of Alamogordo.

At some parties, once the fee is broken, the furniture and the dishes are the next to go.

## Engagement announced



Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Stearns of Carrizozo, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Linda Margaret, to Leon Gibson of Portales. Her fiancé graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from E.N.M.U. in June and Linda is presently a student there. A late August wedding is planned.

## Rainbow girls go to Carlsbad

There will be 18 girls leaving here early Thursday morning for Carlsbad for a Rainbow Grand Assembly meeting. They will return Sunday morning.

## Alumni set for Saturday

Annual alumni dance will be held Saturday night June 24. Music furnished by Seldon Burk's Western Band of Alamogordo. Dance begins at 9:00 p.m.

Annual all day picnic in Nogal Canyon Sunday June 25. All alumni and friends are urged to attend. Invitations will be available at the door or contact Alumni Association. 24/2C

The lost six-year boy ran down the supermarket aisles frantically calling, "Martha, Martha!" His mother finally approached him chiding: "You should call me 'Mother' not 'Martha,' I'm 'Mother' to you, you know." "I know," he replied, "but this store is full of mothers,"

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## SAN PAT John Gomez honored following graduation

A party was held at Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gomez in honor of John Gomez who graduated from the university at Las Cruces Friday. John and his wife, Olivia of Cuesta, New Mexico and son John were there to receive all the many relatives and friends. John's brother LeRoy Gomez also attending New Mexico State was present.

Mr. and Mrs. Luvin Chavez and children came up from El Paso to say good bye to all their relatives and friends in the valley as they will go to Riverside, California, where Mr. Chavez will be employed on a government job.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Nunez and children were in the valley visiting relatives. Larry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roman Nunez, his wife, Ramona is the daughter of Mr. Y.W. Chavez.

Mrs. Lucia Romero is in the Ruidoso hospital. She is the mother of Mrs. Lola Chavez.

Mr. and Mrs. Vic Crawford visited the H. Gomez's Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sanchez are the proud parents of a baby boy born at the Ruidoso hospital this week.

Howard Hobbs, Carrizozo; Pete Gnatkowski and Robert Hindi, Corona; Robert Chlpmann and Gilbert Montes, Hondo; and Mark Sloan Jr., Alan Baker and Tom Valliant, Ruidoso.



Julia Sherrill attended the graduation exercise at the New Mexico State University, May 27 of her grandson, Jack Myers.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Barnes and Mr. Howard Barnes visited Leland and Riley Barnes on Memorial Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Barnes and Mrs. Glenn Dorsett returned from a two weeks vacation Monday. While on this trip they visited with J.W. Barnes.

The American Legion's "mock government" session, Boys' State, ending today in Roswell, drew the following juniors. They were chosen for the week-long session by their schools:

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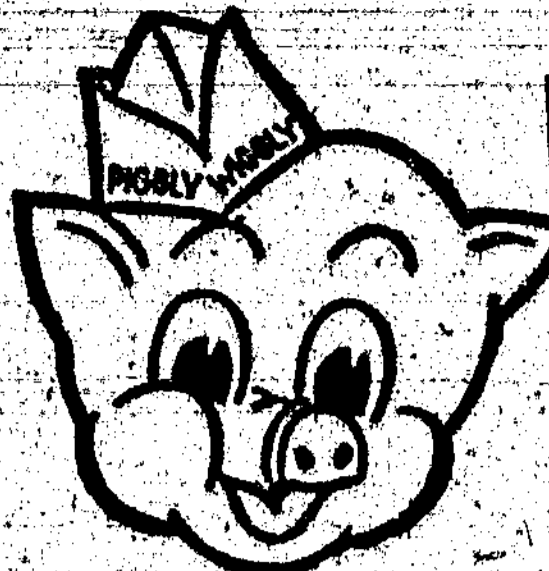
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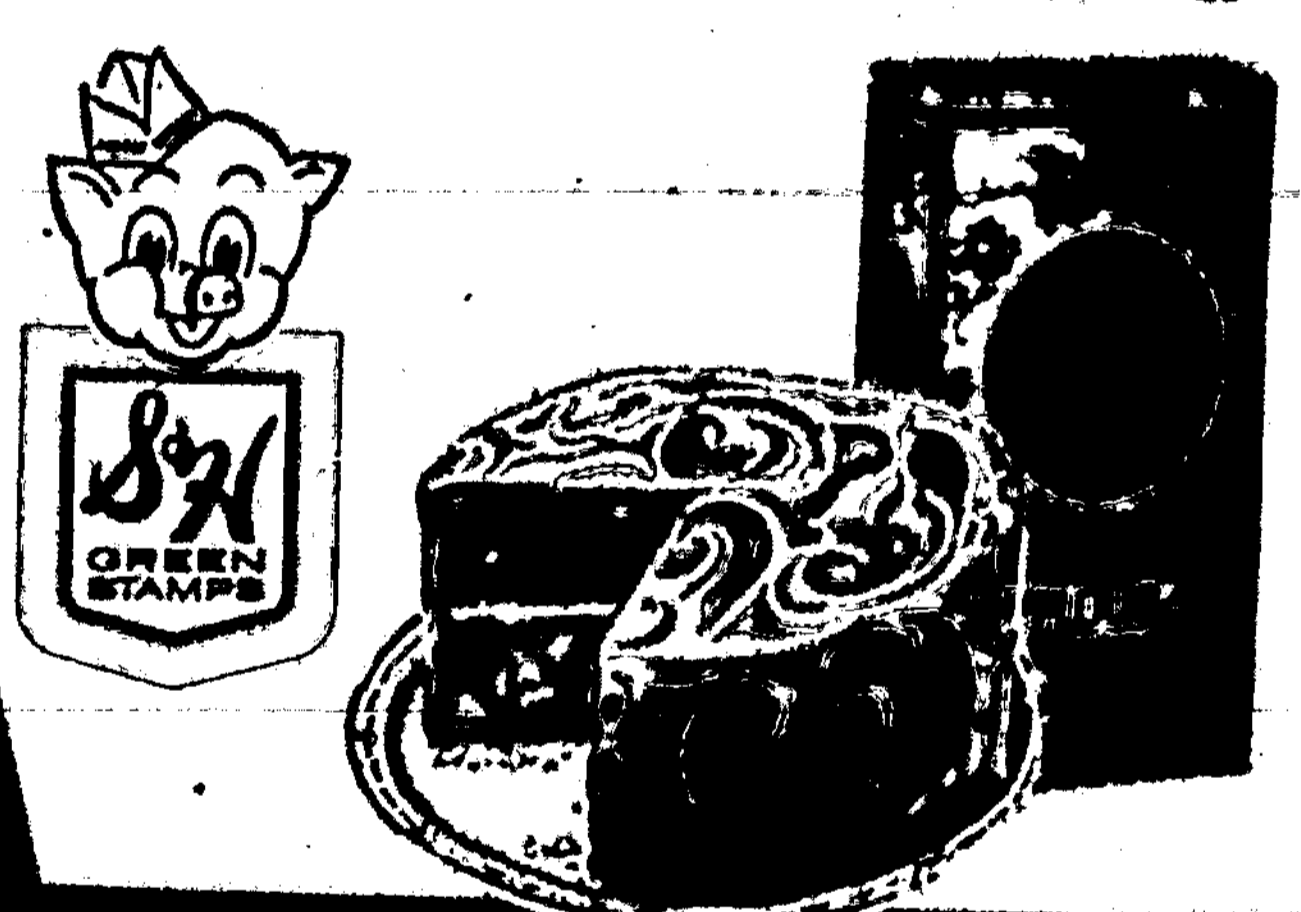
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# City Council...

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 probably must stay within the \$6,000 budget, the resulting lighting arrangement would not be FAA approved.  
 It was noted that the State would be able to help in underwriting the erection of hangers and tie-downs.  
 Councilman Buster Smoot suggested that the council check into the feasibility of having a building moved to the airport.  
 -- Fire Chief Willos Hill requested \$150 to take three men to a three-day fire school in Socorro later this month and this was approved by the council.  
 Chief Hill then requested funds to build another room on the present fire house large enough to accommodate an emergency vehicle and hose drying racks. He also included in his \$8,000 figure enough to put a new roof over the present one which he said leaks.  
 It was suggested by Chief Hill that the city pay rent to the fire department rather than paying volunteer firemen for answering calls. Sparks flew when Mayor Vega commented that the fire department is fine just as it is. "As long as I'm chief, I'll fight to maintain a fire department," Chief Hill snapped.  
 Councilmen Vernon Petty and Smoot noted that they would support feasible programs for the department.  
 The Mayor nor council members would introduce a motion to

poll the city council as to their individual attitude toward increasing fire department funds.  
 Action was deferred on this request.  
 Figures cited indicated a layout that would probably cost between \$200,000 and \$225,000 and would include landscaping, greens, a pro shop and water. It would be designated a municipal golf course and would be open to the public and would be allowed to charge green fees.  
 "This golf course, if built, would be one of the best in this part of the country," Mann said.  
 When Mayor Leandro Vega, Sr. asked if other towns of comparable size to Carrizozo had a similar setup Mann said, "No. Other towns do not have enough available funds to maintain their courses. This program is designed so that the golf course can be an asset, not a drain, to Carrizozo."

## ALTO BRIEFS

By Alison

Rain at last -- This time it was really rain we had and not a light shower. Still waiting for more but we are thankful for what we've had this past weekend.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Roy Prescott and son, Raymond of Hope, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Preccott of Clovis, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bush.  
 Mrs. Sam Allen went to El Paso Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. John Ogden. There she explained for Los Gatos, Calif., where she will visit her son and family, Dr. and Mrs. Tommy Allen.  
 At the Angus Cemetery Association regular meeting decoration day it was decided at the business meeting following the picnic lunch that next year the time of this annual meeting will be changed. It will be set for the last Sunday in May to enable more people to attend. Unless the holiday falls on a Sunday the attendance is poor thus the change in the meeting time.  
 Elmer Reinhardt was over to see us on Saturday. At present he is doing some work for Western Union in Alamogordo.  
 Mrs. Myrtle Williams of Hondo, Texas came home with her sister, Mrs. Van Horrod who had been on a trip down there. On Thursday the Horrods took their guest to Alamogordo for the day.  
 Miss Jim McEuen, J.B. Hightower and "Bud" Davis were in Alamogordo for the day last Thursday.  
 Friday Stirling Spencer stopped to see us on his way to Ruidoso from Carrizozo.  
 Harold Clary returned from Long Beach the past week.  
 Tuesday, Mrs. Lydia Peebles was here from Alamogordo. She attended the meeting at Angus and stopped back by to see the Charlie Peebles and Lindamods before returning home.  
 The Jerry Rice family are here from El Paso this week.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wilson took their daughter Kathy to El Paso Sunday for surgery the following day. They left the other children in Alamogordo with Gene's parents picking them up on the way

# Waiting



WAITING--Faulty pool filters kept the swimming pool from being opened as planned on Memorial Day.

# CORONA

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 Alvin to Magdalena, where he will be working with the Fish and Wild Life this summer.  
 Mrs. Fern Shaw of Kingfisher, Oklahoma, her son Roger Shaw of Oklahoma City and her daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. James Horn and two children of Pompanon Beach, Florida, visited Mr. and Mrs. Shannon Shaw and two children in Kingman, Arizona last week.  
 Mrs. Shaw was a former teacher in the Corona School. Roger Shaw does research work while Shannon is a heavy equipment operator for Daval Copper Mills.  
 Rogers' oldest son, Albert is with the 5th Marine Regiment in Da Nang, Vietnam at present.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Owen and Roger Emmery were in El Paso, and also Roswell on business and dental appointments.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Tracey have opened the Rainbow Cafe at the south end of town. We wish them the best of luck.  
 Mrs. Clint Sultemeier spent the past week in Raton visiting

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 some Wednesday. At this time Kathy is recuperating nicely although she will be on crutches for a while.  
 Shari Buch has returned from E.N.M.U. to be with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Donald Buch for the summer.  
 Donna Peebles came up from Carrizozo to go with Mrs. Charlie Peebles to Roswell on Thursday. There they attended the graduation of Lester Smith, Mrs. Peebles' nephew, from the Roswell high school.  
 The Hugh Pucket family was here from Roswell the past weekend.  
 Monday Mrs. Oscar Samolcen stopped by to see us on her way home to Ruidoso from Carrizozo.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Will Mayer (see Hazel Luck) were here Tuesday on their way to the meeting at the Angus Cemetery. They returned home to Clovis the same day.  
 Mrs. A.E. Hunt was over from

# Mrs. Hillemeier dies in Corona

Sarah Elizabeth Roberts Hillemeier, who passed away in Corona on May 30, was the daughter of John and Lucy Jane Roberts, was born at Houston, Missouri, May 27, 1888. At ten, she moved with her parents to Havana, Ill. where she lived until 1937.  
 In 1907, who was married to Henry William Hillemeier, who preceded her in death in 1957, and to this union one child was born.  
 In 1937 with her husband she moved to Corona, and since that time has been an active part of the Roberts Mercantile company and the Corona community.  
 She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, the extension club and was charter member of the Corona Presbyterian Church. She has enjoyed sharing the experiences of the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Presbyterian Youth, her family and friends, and always was most generous of her gracious hospitality.  
 She is survived by her daughter, Robin Pfeiffer of Corona; one grand daughter, Sally Kimball of Albuquerque; three great grandchildren, Sara, Sharon and Scott Kimball of Albuquerque; a foster daughter, Edna Goodrich of Albuquerque; one brother, Benjamin H. Roberts of Corona; two sisters, Dell Mae Roberts of Corona and Martha Bandle of Lewistown, Ill.  
 Interment was in Corona cemetery.

# HOSPITAL

ADMITTED AND DISCHARGED:  
 Mr. Al Seay, Mrs. Pal Murphy, Mr. Walt Wilson and Robert Simpson (surgery).  
 Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Edington, Corona, a son on May 28th.  
 Ruidoso on Monday.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lambach of Carlsbad were here for the week end with the Gene Wilson family.  
 The Russell Guillette family of El Paso came up for the past week end.

# Around town

and Ernest Torres left Sunday for Springfield, Oregon to attend the wedding of Esther Torres, June 10th.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Forsythe left Sunday for Colorado Springs to visit Mr. Forsythe's Mother, Mrs. Ernest Roberts of Tucumcari is keeping the Motel Petty during their absence this week. Mr. Roberts will be here Wednesday and stay with Mrs. Roberts until Friday.  
 At last the rain found us. It thundered and the lightning flashed Saturday night. When I got up Sunday morning the driveway in my back yard was standing in water. If I had owned some ducks the picture would have been complete. It seems like a different world since we have been having some showers.  
 Mrs. C.A. Snow was in Las Cruces Friday.  
 Mrs. Allen Johnson is in the Sun Tower Hospital in El Paso, room 301. She will probably be there for two or three more weeks.  
 Mrs. Bess Dingwall is with her nephew Buster Anderson and family in Las Cruces and is feeling much better and is up and around in the house. Her address is 3135 Corbett Ave., Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Margaret Taylor is helping at the Cottage Cafe now.  
 There are 75 enrolled in the Vacation Bible School at the Baptist Church. The school will close Friday at 7:00 p.m.  
 There will be a Workers Conference of the Baptist Church in Ruidoso Thuesday. There will be a business meeting at the church here Wednesday evening at 7:00.  
 Rev. and Mrs. Dan Hackett, the new minister of the Methodist Church, visited in the News office Monday and had their name added to the subscription list.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Roy Shafer were in Roswell Tuesday and returned Wednesday.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Wally Ferguson had a birthday picnic party for their son, Matthews third birthday, Saturday at the Valley of Fires Park.  
 Others present for this pleasant evening were: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Callacher Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shafer and Billy Bob, Debbie Callacher, Louise Ferguson and Mary Johnson.  
 Ethel Treat of Hope, sister of Patsy Barnett and Mrs. Roy Richard visited here Sunday.  
 Mrs. Ira Johnson of Alamogordo was here over Memorial Day.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Weldinger of Menlo Park, Calif. will leave Thursday for Los Angeles where they will visit a few days with their daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Weldinger have been visiting Mrs. Weldinger's sister Mable Rentrow for several days.  
 Erma Strohmeier and Linda Rowin were in Waynoka, Oklahoma last weekend.  
 Ola Jones, who was County Superintendent of Schools in Lincoln County several years ago, is in a hospital in Roswell.  
 Paul Jones, son of Ola Jones, is home from the hospital and convalescing from a recent heart attack.  
 Robert Chaves has finished his training at Ft. Leonard, Missouri with the engineers and is home for 15 days and then will go to Vietnam. Robert is the grand son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Warner.  
 Mrs. R.C. Withers and her brother, J.E. George went to Andrews, Texas last Thursday to visit another brother. They were all going to Sweetwater, to attend an old timers reunion.  
 C.D. May and Marlon Pherigo have been having good luck fishing in the Bonita Lake. The fish

were delicious.  
 Tawn Snow, grand daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Snow, went to Las Cruces last week to visit Brazel Hartley and family. The Hartley's are entertaining a new son. Mr. Hartley is a brother of Myrtle and a nephew of Clara and Lorene.  
 Mr. and Mrs. R.J. Bombach of Las Cruces and Peggy Bombach of Aztec visited the C.A. Snow's Sunday and attended the Betty Ann Bond and Mack Bell wedding Saturday.  
 Peggy Bombach is the assistant Home Demonstration Agent in Aztec.  
 Kenneth Crenshaw is home on leave and will go to Vietnam sometime in July.  
 Bobby Dan Crenshaw and family are also here. He will leave for Philadelphia Eagles Training camp in July.  
 Mrs. Euel Luce, Susan, Bryan and Sally spent last week in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Clegg. They returned to Portales Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Buzard, who also spent the week end with his parents.  
 June Straley went to Boys Camp at Belen Monday and her nephew Michael Colwell came home with her and spent the night, Tuesday a group of boys from Belen Boys Camp came by for Michael and they went to Alamogordo to visit the blind school and White Sands.

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# Capitan

MARGARET RENCH - Reporter

PLEASE HELP SMOKEY

## Rain is enjoyed, appreciated

By Margaret Rensch

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cheney are busy today setting out more plants at the city hall and the Smokey Bear Museum.

We enjoyed and appreciated 7/10 of an inch of rain Friday night and Saturday. From reports it rained good north on the ranches. Some places spotty. How we do appreciate that good moisture. It rained Sunday morning or near noon on the flats between here and Carrizozo and it did leave water standing. It gave Carrizozo a good rain Friday night. I was there until near 2:30 a.m. at the hospital so did enjoy it with them.

There was a good crowd at the rifle range Saturday and Sunday and some nice trophies were won. I am sorry that I was unable to be present to be able to give you a better report.

Mr. Jack Lockhart of Artesia was a business visitor in Capitan and vicinity last Saturday.

Mrs. Fred Pfingsten was suddenly called away to Denver to the bedside of her brother-in-law who had surgery and passed away. She is at this time still with her sister but will return very soon. I do give you both my sincere sympathy.

Mrs. Jack Mayfield accompanied her daughter Myrum to Gage, Oklahoma, recently. After their arrival she became ill and was hospitalized there for three days. Jack left here to be with her and did bring her home. Her sister, Mrs. Bill Vossen of Wichita, Kansas, spent a few days here with them and left last Saturday. Myrum left Sunday for Ft. Bayard. But her mother was okay.

Dr. Service of Samoa has been here for a while. He has been repairing his property here this last week. He reports that Dr. Turner is happy and in good health and does enjoy his work. We do like to know that for he does deserve the best in everything.

Eddie and Charlie Provine of Las Cruces and their sister, June Coleman of Las Vegas, came through Capitan and picked up their mother, Corrinne Provine and returned to Las Cruces last Tuesday to attend Charles' wedding. Saturday, Ray and his family joined them for the happy occasion. The wedding was held

at the Presbyterian Church and the reception was held at the Pakms. It was just the families.

Roy Jones of Lordsburg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Jones has been a guest of his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. D.O. Jones for a week. He returned home Saturday with his father when he came by.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dean, Sr. and Jane went to Lovington Saturday night. Gerald returned Sunday with Virgil Wallace who had been visiting there also. Mary and Jane was joined by Nita Campbell who had been visiting her grandmother Campbell in Hobbs and they returned last Thursday.

Mrs. Champ Ferguson and Mrs. Ross Flatley made a business trip to Alamogordo last week.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. S.M. Cozzens last weekend were their children Jane and Kenny of Pasadena, California, Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Cozzens and family of Portales, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cozzens of Albuquerque. Each pair spent a shift during the night with their grandmother Wildenson who is in the Carrizozo hospital.

Those who gathered at Angus for decoration day to take care of graves of their loved ones were Mrs. Champ Ferguson, Mrs. Clara Snow, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Pfingsten, Dick Bingham of Albuquerque, and many others of whom I do not have the names. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Myer of Clovis, the former Hazel Luck and her husband, Mrs. Lyda Peebles of Alamogordo.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Cummins and Bronnie went to Alamogordo last Wednesday and moved her mother Mrs. Adda Sellers from the hospital ward to a home at 907 Cedar Street. She wanted to move and seems happy at this time. She is in a wheel chair.

The state men and equipment kept the main street on the west of the Hitchin Post which indeed was a good deed. It looks much better. Much more pleasant to travel.

Mrs. Milles Williams, Lynne and Don Crawford, Clara Snow and Lorene Ferguson went to Las Cruces last Friday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Brazel Hartley, Jay and the now three weeks old Mathew Bryan.

Mrs. Nina Stratton and two children are here at this time visiting her brothers, Doug and Billie Cornelius and their families.

Mayor J.C. Germany attended a Wild Life meeting in Reserve last Friday afternoon on Sunday.

The Lundford Gas Plumbing Company have completed two more homes to the natural gas conversion. They still have plenty more to do. That is wonderful, for our citizens to get natural gas. I truly do enjoy mine so much. Come join us.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Smith this last weekend were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Kerr and two children of Clovis. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lee Smith and two children of Silver City and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wrye and Stephanie of Gallup.

Mayor and Mrs. J.C. Germany and Jenny Lynne, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Creel and Lori, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Steinke and Becky and Mrs. Ernestine Germany enjoyed a birthday party at the Gene Parker home honoring Gene's birthday last Sunday. I wish you many more such happy birthdays, Gene.

Guests of the Garvin family this last week were his mother Louise Jobe of Claunch and his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Skagg and three sons Bob, Jim and Mack of Yuma, Arizona.

Lela Faye Sparks and Ross Burns were united in marriage Saturday May 26 at 7:30 p.m. at a church in Roswell with family and friends attending. The reception has held at the home of Jackie Purcella. They will make their home in Clovis where he is employed. I do wish you many years of happiness and prosperity together.

Mr. McCollum left for Viet Nam May 28. His wife and children will make their home here in Capitan during his absence. At this time they are with her parents Mr. and Mrs. James Howard until a house is vacant.

Mrs. Aldaz and two year old Sheril Ann and Marilyn Kay of Tularosa spent five days here with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Padilla.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hayes of Carrizozo visited the Milt Jones last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jones and Bob of Las Cruces were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jones last weekend.

Guests of Mayme/Grelson for several months is Mrs. Etta Carroll of Simi Valley San Susana, California. She is the mother of Mrs. Elsie Carl of Alamogordo. She lived in Capitan in the early 30's. Her husband Thomas Wallace passed away here, so she will be remembered by many.

Mr. and Mrs. Rand Perkins and Tom of Corona were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Milt Jones last Sunday.

Leo Powell moved from Capitan to Bonita last Monday to make his home. He will help Louise Rummel at her place of business and will enjoy being close to fishing.

## Couple converts hobby into business

"The Corker" stands out on the top of a large black mailbox. Below, in smaller letters is "Pat and Alkie Hicks." This Capitan couple has done what many dream of doing but really few venture to -- they've turned a hobby into a business.

Behind the mailbox is their just completed antique bottle shop, located on 4th street. It will open for business June 9, tomorrow.

Gray clouds were promising rain when Pat, with a friendly greeting, escorted me into the shop.

Bottles of every imaginable hue and shape were neatly arrayed on shelves around the L-shaped room. On one side, behind a large glass case that ran almost the width of the room, was a new fireplace made of cut rock.

"My husband, Alkie, is a rock mason and he's presently working on the new recreation center in Carrizozo. He built this," she said pointing to the fireplace.

"Antique bottle collecting has become the third most popular hobby in the country," she said. "Early settlers in their wake a trail of discarded bottles, mostly they contained patent medicines that were supposed to cure every ailment known to man. She told that most of her bottles were unearthed in Lincoln County.

Names like "Chamberlain Pain Balm," "Dr. Klimer's Swamp Root," "Woods Sarsaparilla," "Dr. Caldwell's Syrup of Pepsin," "Dr. Hostetter's Bitters," and many many more promised relief.

After 1903, the cures all were referred to as "remedies," she told.

A khaki clad man showing many years of labor and many years left entered. "This is my husband, Alkie."

When asked about the different coloration in glass he explained that trace minerals were put into glass to color it. "They weren't too exact in their measurements in the early days so one bunch of glass from a factory sometimes had an entirely different hue from another."

"Until 1917 manganese was used in glass to make it clear. The supply came from Germany and when the war started it was cut off," he added. "So we can date glass made before 1917 by its sun coloring to shades of blue," he said.

Alkie showed a bottle that had a handmade thread for a pewter cap. Another was teardrop shaped so that it had to lay on its side to keep the cork moistened preventing the cap from blowing out and losing its patent contents.

"This round one is a Chinese na-ka-pay whiskey jug. Those smaller whiskeys they put



"THE CORKER" AND PAT HICKS

opium," he told.

Along with their bottles, the Hicks have collected other antiques. In one corner stood an old fashioned pot bellied stove and a few feet away, mounted on a counter, was an eye level glass door oven, showing the progress made in cooking facilities during the last century or so.

"This iridescent coloring comes after a bottle has been buried for a long time," Pat said. "Most of our bottles were dug up and sometimes it takes a lot of digging to find just one good bottle," she added.

"Different minerals in glass will determine what it will sun color to," Alkie said. He pointed out an iridescent ginger ale bottle that was distributed as a 50th anniversary item for a bottling company. It had sun colored to a carnival hue.

It had been raining a few

minutes, a slow steady cooing rain. Gone was the blowing dust of the last few days, replaced with the smell of clean greenery.

We chatted a few more minutes and they showed a sterling silver glass representation of Carrizo Nation that probably contained what threw her into a caloon busting rage, an old newspaper dating from 1800 -- there is still question of the authenticity of this particular issue, but it is one of two possible real ones in the country -- bits of a small china doll that must have delighted a young girl many years ago, a royal ruby red beer bottle that contained gold for coloring and the manufacturer was told to discontinue making them because of the expense.

"You'll just have to walk out and leave, or we'll keep dragging things out for you to look at," Pat said. "You're welcome back any time," added Alkie.

They both invited all to come in and browse and chat. The pair, members of the Antique Bottle Collectors Association of America, really do enjoy showing people around. It's well worth the visit.

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Lincoln County News - Pictures you can frame

Mrs. Mirillez at Brighton, Colorado.

The Dunlap family has been very busy as usual. Mrs. Dunlap and Wayne went to Roswell on Saturday to meet Lois who then spent the weekend at home. Incidentally Lois is feeling much better but does still have to wear the neck brace for some time. She will attend summer school at Portales and Wayne will study at N.M.S.U. in Las Cruces.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hobbs and niece who work for Mr. Anderson at Tinnie visited the Dumlaps last Saturday. Mrs. Hobbs and her niece went to Abernathy, Texas, Sunday morning and Lois Dunlap went as far as Portales with them.

Mr. Robert Allen left Sunday after spending a week in Lincoln from his home in Lubbock. He certainly enjoys this part of the country and hopes to bring his family and come back for another visit around July 4th.

Family and friends got together last Sunday at the Kenneth Russells to celebrate Kenneth's birthday.

Mrs. Alta Campsten attending Garden Club at Mrs. Frank Peters' home in Tinnie Tuesday. Ervin Aldaz is now employed by Bert Pfingsten at the present time. Joe Pfingsten and Tony Leyba are helping Edgar Phillips with the cattle branding. These rains are making people smile and get going. The cows should soon have some green grass to eat - hopefully.

Gerald Dean Jr. has completed the Glidden Company's professional sales training course says Roger W. Davenport, director of training.

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# Commentary

**CHILD DEFINED**  
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## Cash in, now!

The colorful advertisement on the back page of a magazine supplement to an ABLUQUERQUE JOURNAL displayed a large red, white and blue book with a large gold Federal Seal on the cover. Bannering across the top of the page was: "Cash in" on All the Payments, Services and Benefits the Government Owe You!"

Other blurbs in the ad included "... get YOUR Share Right NOW!" and "Government Ready to Help Make Your Most Ambition Dreams Come True!" Admittedly most of the puffery was to sell the book ("slashed to \$7.95 in easy payments), but the thought of the government standing ready to underwrite almost any kind of a project with aid of some sort is frightening.

What does the government owe us? Should our Federal Government try to make our "most ambitious dreams come true?" If we start taking the handout what will happen to our will to succeed? our drive? the spirit that drove our forefathers to drive the English away and themselves to conquer the boundaries of our land? Us to hold and improve their settlements? the push that made us the greatest productive force in the history of mankind?

Have we finally reached that stage where we retire to our rocking chairs whenever we please, secure in the knowledge that our Federal Government will contrive to support us in a manner to which we hope to become accustomed?

Who will pay? A lot of questions need answering, soon, before we are smothered in a government blanket of benevolence where even the incentive to energize the wheels of automation is lost.

D.C.

## Guest comment

**OPPORTUNITY, WASH, SPOKANE VALLEY HERALD:**  
"The medicine men of the U.S. treasury have discovered that it is... lack of 'International Liquidity' which is causing the trouble, and not our own theory that there simply isn't enough gold in the world to keep our spenders happy, so we are now going to spend something else--international paper gold."

## in Payton's Place

By Ted Morse

Seems our gold story of last week created considerable comment -- and revealed that the Lynches have plenty of friends who are pleased that their long years of toll are about to pay off. Emphasis should be made that although "there's plenty of gold in them thar hills" it's going to take a lot of blood, sweat, and tears to get it out.

Reminds us of the old gag about the height of frustration-- "sitting on a gold mine with only a tooth-pick for a shovel."

And lost any be minded that a fortune awaits almost anyone with a pick and shovel -- we might call attention to the vast amount of toll and money that's been vainly expended in the county in the past. A lot of folks have lost a lot of money and time in fruitless effort.

Also a warning about investment in mines and mining stock without rigid investigation. Adequate capital, know-how, hard labor and above all, heavy, expensive modern equipment are going to be needed to profitably wrest that precious yellow chuff from the earth.

Seems such a silly doggone thing, anyway, doesn't it -- that the most valuable of metals, money-wise, is the most useless -- we dig up the gold -- and then bury it again in Ft. Knox. But on its possession rests the fate of nations, and the entire economy of a country.

Also appears a nation which can spend billions for defence, and additional billions trying to get to the moon, might allocate a few bucks in Lincoln County subsidizing some of these hard-working prospectors who have located the ore that could bail us out of a few economic jams. Some of that dough we sent Nasser and other jerks around the world, would buy a whale of a lot of badly needed equipment, and give us a few more bricks to bury in Ft. Knox.

And good, solid mining projects in the area would provide a tremendous boost to our local economy -- the stuff is there -- it is up to us to figure out some way to take advantage of it.

Tom Mann of Mann Engineering in Roswell came up with a couple of good ones at the City Council meeting Tuesday night -- "Area" those beautiful kittens," she exclaimed. "Oh, yes," the lady replied, "and you know they're all Democrats, too." Lady Bird went in all excited and told Lyndon about the birth of more loyal Democrats. "That's fine," the President said, "did you get her name, I'll arrange to meet her, and we'll get a picture of me with our new rogrets." The lady arrived with her kittens a few days later, and Lyndon beamed, as the photographer was about to snap the picture. The lady interrupted, "But, Mr. President, I've got to tell you something." "Yes, what?" asked the chief executive. "Well," the lady emphatically said, "I've got to tell you, the kittens are now Republicans." "Now come," the President said

And then the one about the lady wheeling a baby carriage around the White House -- Lady Bird came out and peered into the carriage -- "Area! those beautiful kittens," she exclaimed. "Oh, yes," the lady replied, "and you know they're all Democrats, too." Lady Bird went in all excited and told Lyndon about the birth of more loyal Democrats. "That's fine," the President said, "did you get her name, I'll arrange to meet her, and we'll get a picture of me with our new rogrets." The lady arrived with her kittens a few days later, and Lyndon beamed, as the photographer was about to snap the picture. The lady interrupted, "But, Mr. President, I've got to tell you something." "Yes, what?" asked the chief executive. "Well," the lady emphatically said, "I've got to tell you, the kittens are now Republicans." "Now come," the President said



## Inside The Capitol

By FRED BUCKLES

**SANTA FE**—Severe territorial problems of Otero County Electric of Cloudercroft and Community Public Service Co. in parts of Lincoln, Otero and Chaves Counties will be discussed in Santa Fe if a contemplated meeting is held.

The Public Service Commission will hold a hearing July 12 in Santa Fe to issue a certificate of convenience and necessity to the co-operative and to certify its plant, lines and system. The routine procedure complies with a new law adopted to remedy objections raised by the State Supreme Court to a 1961 statute. Similar hearings are being conducted for the 21 electric co-operatives serving customers in New Mexico.

Manager Jay D. Lasater of the Otero County Co-Op hopes an "across the table" meeting on boundary line problems can be held in Santa Fe with Community Public Service representatives some time after the PSC hearing. He said other meetings have been held earlier in Santa Fe and PSC representatives attended.

Numerous problems on service areas exist between the co-operative and the public utility. Otero County Co-Op has 4,300 meters and 3,500 members. The area served by the co-op or Community Public Service includes Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs, Hollywood, Alto, Alamogordo, Tularosa, Sierra Blanca and Carrizozo.

Mora-San Miguel Electric Co-Operative seeks to buy the Pecos Power and Light Co. system in parts of Santa Fe and San Miguel Counties for \$330,000. The PSC will hold a hearing June 23 on the application.

Manager John DeFoor of the Mora-San Miguel Co-Op said acquisition would add 800 customers to the co-op's system. DeFoor said the entire Pecos Power and Light Co. system would be rebuilt.

DeFoor said Phillip Sanchez of Mora, a former director of the co-op, is circulating petitions alleging rates would be increased in the Mora area and co-offices would be moved from Mora to Las Vegas if the application is approved. DeFoor denied both contentions.

Scholle Electric Co., an affiliate of Socorro Electric Co-Operative, appealed a Public Service Commission ruling to Socorro District Court. The PSC authorized Public Service Company of New Mexico to serve a proposed Kaiser Gypsum Co. plant at Scholle in Socorro County. Scholle Electric Co. had sought to serve the plant. District Judge Garnett Burke of Socorro was disqualified and the parties agreed on District Judge Frank Zina of Gallup to hear the case. The PSC issued its ruling after a lively hearing.

The Revenue Bureau distributed \$5,672 to Ruidoso and \$967 to Ruidoso Downs in municipal sales tax collections in the latest monthly division. Amounts were net after a 3 per cent administrative charge was deducted. Captain received \$433 and Corona's share was \$481.

Clovis High School seniors won some \$44,700 in scholarships. Among 380 seniors, 107 or 28 per cent received scholarships. Graduates will attend universities and colleges from Yale at New Haven, Conn., to California.

Sen. Audrey Dunn, Alamogordo Democrat, said closing of national forests because of fire hazards hurt the economy of the Lincoln-Otero Counties area. Sen. Dunn emphasized forests have been re-opened with fires limited to campsites. He noted

the beautiful Lincoln National Forest is easily reached by highways which provide ready access.

Gov. Dave Cargo gave a well-received talk to the annual meeting of the New Mexico Rural Electrification Association last week in Ruidoso Downs. Later the governor said he hopes a new director of the State Department of Development and a new tourist director are chosen soon. The field of applicants has been narrowed sharply.

Preparation of the state's advertising campaign to attract tourists has lagged severely. An advertising contract had not been awarded. The DOD, long a controversial state agency, badly needs to be stabilized and removed from politics to perform its function of promoting New Mexico's vital tourist industry and fostering industrial development.

Sen. Joe Skeg of Pecos, Lincoln County, is on the powerful, 13-member Legislative Council and the Advisory Committee of the Capitol Buildings Improvement Commission. Skeg, a senator since 1961, is the respected minority leader.

The Legislative Council recently toured the new capitol building and observed defects. The council asked Atty. Gen. Boston Witt for an opinion on its authority to accept the building from the architect, Willard Kruger of Santa Fe.

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In Bolton, Connecticut, a city truck driver drove his own truck into his own house and demanded the city pay damages!

Honorable corporations and honest men now need lawyers constantly at their elbows for protection from the "professional swag."

Now Hampshire's Supreme Court ruled that Mr. Lucien Ramsey may sue the restaurant because, Mr. Ramsey, pounding the table with a bottle, broke the glass and cut his hand!

I'm contemplating building a studio and home in Arizona. I've been warned to "be sure to have a lawyer" to make the bullder live up to his agreement. And "be sure to have a lawyer" so a workman can't stub his toe and sue.

Though in either case, the lawyer may advise that it'll be cheaper to pay than to fight. Mill Richman of United Press International says more and more professional athletes are reachable only through lawyers. Sport has thus become a "dreary business." Cassius Clay surrounds himself with a battery of lawyers. Even Joe Namath and Donny Anderson and Steve Spurrier seem to have a lean on lawyers. Sandy Koufax and Don Drysdale turned a lawyer loose on Walter O'Malley.

Statistically, personal injury suits in California suggest that there are more people there than anywhere seeking something for nothing. Yet Chicago's legal logjam of such suits is such that a case introduced in Cook County

Circuit Court today cannot come to trial for 69 1/2 months!

What this does of course is to drive everybody into a shell, bristling with defensiveness against amateur and professional swags.

And it drives insurance rates higher for us all. Because we have departed so far from the "do unto others" concept, and have tried to substitute millions of legal statutes for that one rule of love, we have almost hopelessly snafued human relationships.

Certainly a government of laws is preferable to an arbitrary government of potentially tyrannical men, but those who use such laws for selfish reasons subvert our system and retard progress.

A friend with an invention which might benefit the auto industry is told that car makers are afraid to open his envelope; bitter experience has taught them he might sue.

Lawsuits, once sordid affairs resorted to reluctantly by honest people with just grievances, are now often little more than legal blackmail, a threat which says, "you'll pay because it would cost you more to fight."

What to do about it? Too many politician - judges have adopted the attitude that the "big corporation can afford it" or "the big insurance company can afford it" and so consistently find in favor of the plaintiff "voter."

You and I can't do much, but we can do this: Scan the pages of this paper and others every day, repeating nationwide some of the more absurd court contests.

Maybe if we start laughing at the chronic swags the courts will start frowning on them.

Impatiently, "Well," retorted the lady, "when your wife saw them they were just born -- but now -- they've got their eyes open."

Postlude: the writer just received a raise from the Publisher -- who's a staunch supporter of the G.O.P.

Meeting the self-styled "toughest, meanest guy" in the Southwest last week brought to mind the old story about the cattle brand inspector who ran into three tough old boys out on the range he suspected of being rustlers -- they were enjoying some fat juicy steaks, and the remains of a plump steer hung from a nearby tree -- Timidly the inspector inquired, "Where's the hide?" -- "Aw," the toughest of the gang shot back as he expectorated a chunk of gristle from his bearded face, "We et that first."

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# Jupiter Pluvius smiles upon Lincoln County

Old Jupiter Pluvius sat perched high on a fluffy cloud halfway between the moon and earth last week, in a benevolent and pensive mood. He gazed fondly at his beautiful wife, Junie, who was placidly knitting a tiny garment. "What, another one," he queried, "hope it's a boy this time. We've got the place cluttered up with girls. Score's about 1,386 to 1,156, isn't it?"

"Nope," said Junie, "it's 1,385 to 1,157, haven't you forgot '1 day this is'?"

"Sure didn't forget that," Jupiter grinned, "it's our anniversary, the 3,789th, and there's a special bouquet for you hanging off a cloud nine."

"Gosh, I'm glad you remembered," beamed Junie, "but it's the 3,788th, you've gained a year

somewhere."

"Oh, well, it only seemed that long," retorted Jup, still in his expansive mood. "Say, you know we ought to celebrate. Let's do something good for somebody today." He took out his specially built long binoculars and scanned the earth, with as Lordly a gaze as only the King of Rain possessed.

"What you looking for?" Junie asked.

"Oh, I'd just like to find some real deserving folks that I could do a favor for. Hey, wait a minute, look through these a minute." She peered down, "looks like awfully nice people there, but what's all that brown stuff, and I see a lot of smoke."

"That's Lincoln County, New Mexico," Jup said, "and they've been without rain a long time. We haven't sent them any for quite a spell. The grass is scorched, and they've had some pretty bad fires in those tinder-dry forests."

"Yes, I know," Junie retorted, "but they aren't due, according to our calendar, to get any rain until the Fourth of July, that's our usual schedule for 'em."

"Yeah, I know," Jup said, "but they're nice folks, no fights, no wars, and after all it's our anniversary, what'dya say, let's give 'em a treat!"

"Okay," said Junie, "it's your party. But let's have some fun, let's scare hell out of 'em, first."

So Old Jupiter calls Thor (God of Thunder), to you uninitiated in mythology. "Hey, Thor, old boy, we're playing good samaritan today, but noice making it too easy. How about a little old thunder and some good sharp lightning down Lincoln County, New Mexico way. You stir things up a little, kinda put a quiver in the old folks, and drive the kids under the bed. Then I'll hoot down a real deluge of water. We'll make that old desert sprout real grass yet."

And that, gentle readers, is the real story behind the premature rainy spell that hit our fair area during the past week, one of the first times in recent history when general rains came this early in the season, after one of the longest spells of drought since 1945.

An average of from 3/4 to a full inch hit practically all of Lincoln County within the past few days, according to the NEWS official weather reporter, L.Z. Manire. Up until June 1st the total for the year had been only .74 inches, he said. Indications are that old Jup will continue to smile on the county and its residents, and flowers, grass and shrubs will bloom, cattle will grow fat, the tanks and streams will fill up, and the forests will become so saturated that even the carelessly tossed away cigarette of some damn fool will be drowned out.

T.M.

Every woman needs the protection of a strong man to steady her step ladder while she paints the garage.

## New Minister arrives



Rev. Dan Heckert, wife Marguerite and three children moved here last Friday from Bell City and Sierra Blanca. He conducted his first service here last Sunday. They have three children, Daniel 13, John 11, and Russell 4 1/2. The town welcomes this family to Carrizozo and we hope they will be happy with us.

## Farm & Ranch News

By Ralph Dunlap

The New Mexico Angus Association will hold its annual field day on June 17 at the McCasland Ranch which is located 20 miles north of Clovis on state highway 18.

Events start at 9:45 a.m. with a junior judging contest. Other subjects to be discussed are: herd improvement, artificial insemination and freeze branding.

Tourism is a large industry and is becoming larger.

The average tourist spends about \$20 each day. What we can do to be ready for these potential customers will be discussed at the meeting of the Lincoln County Development Association at the Wortley Hotel in Lincoln on June 8, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Communities do compete for their share of the tourist's money. And the most attractive communities, with a friendly attitude, with unique and desirable features, and well-managed facilities will lure the tourist and bring him back another year.

Rains were recorded over Lincoln County over the last weekend from a quarter of an inch on up to well over an inch.

I had about three-quarters of an inch; yet, it only soaked into the soil four to five inches. The rain was a good start, but it will require several rains before the drought is broken.

I visited at the Massey Ranch, Saturday, with the group to help set the Junior Hereford Field Day at their place on July 27. A full day of activities is planned.

### Unusual collision reported

Probably the most unusual accident Sgt. Melvin L. West of the New Mexico State Highway Patrol will report in 1967 occurred Memorial Day afternoon seven miles east of Ruidoso. It goes:

A stalled '68 Oldsmobile, belonging to Johnnie Hawthorne of Roswell was struck by a Schwitzer 123-B glider. Piloted by John Henry Wheatley of Albuquerque.

Wheatley's wife had been following the glider and noticed that it was losing altitude. She went ahead to flag down motorists so that her husband could land. Hawthorne pulled off the road at Mrs. Wheatley's signal, said Sgt. West, but his motor stalled and he was unable to restart his car.

The glider's left wing struck a mailbox. Damage to the glider was estimated at \$500.

## Unusual collision reported

## CORONA

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her daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. Fred Turner and baby daughter Zana Lecann.

Mr. and Mrs. Claudio Kuykendall of Belen spent Sunday with the Lee Kuykendall family. Mrs. Claudio Kuykendall also visited her aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wade of Las Cruces spent the weekend with Chariles parents Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wade.

Mr. Charles Quillian of Seattle is visiting his sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kilpatrick.

Mr. and Mrs. S.B. Wyche attended services in Lovington last Friday for Mrs. Wyche's brother, Joe T. Wyche, who passed away last Thursday after a long illness. Their daughter Mrs. E.N. Miller, and a sister Mrs. Bessie Dahl of Albuquerque accompanied them. Another sister, Mrs. Harry Jarrell of Wilcox, Ariz., returned with them and has returned to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Washburn and daughter Rebecca have arrived from New Mexico State University to spend the summer on their ranch, formerly owned by Lyman Strickland.

## Lt. Jack Meyers receives degree



LT. JACK MEYERS

Jack E. Myers, grandson of Mrs. Julia Sherrill of Carrizozo, graduated from New Mexico State University last Saturday night with a degree in mechanical engineering. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E.W. "Dink" Myers of Tularosa, and a graduate of Tularosa High School.

He received his Wings and commission from the 505th Air Force Cadet ROTC, at a ceremony preceding his graduation. He is a member of the mechanical engineers honorary fraternity Pi Tau Sigma and was a member of the National Honor Society in high school.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Paul M. Smith and Don R. Brown, both 19 of Ruidoso, have been arraigned before Judge Prichett of Ruidoso on charges of larceny of more than \$100. A preliminary hearing has been scheduled for June 10. Attorney Dick Parsons has been appointed to represent the pair.

Isaquo S. Gonzales, San Patricio pleaded guilty to charges of reckless driving before Judge R. L. Sherrill and was fined \$100 and \$7.50 court costs. Charges were filed following an early morning wreck when Gonzales' sedan ran off the left side of the road, striking an illuminated guard post and traveled back across the right side of the road.

Sgt. Melvin L. West, New Mexico State Highway Patrol, noted that the car appeared to have been out of control for about 600 feet. Although it did not turn over, about \$300 in car damage resulted.

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Pete H. Padilla, Carrizozo, pleaded guilty to charges of disorderly conduct before Judge R. L. Sherrill. Padilla was sentenced to 30 days in jail and \$7.50 court costs.

Johnnie R. Black, 18, Ruidoso, was bound over to district court on charges of allowing himself to be served alcoholic beverages. Black was found guilty of a second charge of possession of stolen property before Judge Prichett of Ruidoso and was sentenced to six months in jail, a \$25 fine and \$7.50 court costs.

Cecil A. Goree, Fort Worth, Texas, pleaded guilty to charges of reckless driving before Judge K.A. Huey of Captain. Goree was fined \$50 and \$7.50 court costs.

Thomas E. Cumins, Alamogordo, was arrested on a warrant charging him with battery against Marvin Rowin of Carrizozo. Cumins pleaded guilty before Judge Sherrill and was fined \$25 and costs.

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