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Christine Baca discovers there is a Santa Claus.

## Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus

One of the most famous newspaper editorials of all time has to do with Christmas. It first appeared September 21, 1897, in the pages of a leading newspaper of the day, the New York Sun.

Virginia O'Hanlon, eight years old, was torn between the doubts placed in her mind by playmates and her own sincere belief that each Christmas a jolly old man came to help spread joy through the world. To settle the matter, she posed the question to the editor of the Sun.

Francis Pharcellus Church replied as follows:

"Is there a Santa Claus?"

"We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of the Sun:

"Dear editor:

"I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says 'If you see it in the Sun it's so.' Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?"

Virginia O'Hanlon  
115 West 9th Street

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable their existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your Papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, not even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture the supernatural beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus! Thank God he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."

## LEAA Representatives Ask for Funds

Because of a cut of federal funds to the Law Enforcement Administration Agency, representatives approached the Lincoln County Commission to help finance this year's operation of Region Six office in Roswell.

Appearing before the Commission, Don Stark and George White, two of the three members representing Lincoln County, requested \$2500 from the County to aid the office.

The Roswell office was funded \$19,000 for this year as opposed to \$32,000 funded last year. Don Stark reported the office has operated for two months on the money and at that spending rate there will be enough for only four additional months. If the Roswell office closes for lack of funds, Stark related, then the money funded for it will go to the Albuquerque office or back to Santa Fe.

"This area of the state is very carefully ignored by the state

government in Santa Fe," Assistant D.A. Dan Bryant stated. He felt closing the office in Roswell would hinder Law Enforcement agencies in this region.

Five counties are involved in Region Six; Lea, Chaves, Eddy, Lincoln and Otero. Each county has been approached to donate \$2500 to the LEAA office in Roswell to cover operation costs.

Presently, Region Six gets about 40 percent of funding. A proposed

merger with Region Five, Clovis, would create a Metropolitan Criminal Justice Commission, giving the area 100 percent of funding.

Since its inception in 1969, the LEAA has funded \$90,371.40 for Law Enforcement programs in Lincoln County. If the office is forced to close because of no funding, money for these programs will have to come out of Santa Fe, a long process.

The Commissioners met with Sheriff Sanchez in closed session to discuss the county's possible liability to Robert E. Cox over the injuries he sustained after capture. Sheriff Sanchez also presented the county with a bill for \$4,465.90 for the care of one prisoner. The Sheriff's department was budgeted about \$1800 for care of prisoners for the year, and was requesting the Commissioners help play the additional cost.

The County Commissioners tabled the request in order to study it further.

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## School Board Approves Plans

Capitan School Board approved the preliminary plans for the proposed high school at their December meeting. Architect Jerry Lake also presented a color scheme for the elementary as well as revised plans for the proposed high school to the Board.

The scheme will include blue exterior doors beige, scarlet, orange, blue, and yellow counter tops. Interior doors and trim will be wood grain. Toilet partitions will be blue and rust; floor tiles, off white; carpet, brown and grey tweed.

Warm colors will be on the dark side of the building and cool on the sunny.

Preliminary plans were once again reviewed; changes in the administration area meeting approval. Much discussion was centered on the open teachers lounge-work area. The lounge is open to a meeting room, not partitioned. Consultant Dr. Richards suggested the work area be separate from the teachers lounge, based on a survey of seven Albuquerque teachers, stressing he was merely suggesting a possibility.

Two teachers per period are off and would be in the lounge, Crane reported. "The teachers aren't used to a lounge, they don't have one now," Crane stated.

A folding partition to close the meeting room was discussed; the possibility of it being added later if funds would allow.

Lake felt it was a good place for a partition, due to little vandalism. "You educators should make this thing flexible," he commented.

Entrances into the science rooms were questioned, additional entrances suggested. Also the number of sinks in the biology room were considered too few.

"We're going to have to do more layout than on the preliminary drawings," Lake stated.

The Board approved the preliminary drawings, assured Lake would consider alternatives for cutting costs if necessary.

"When we have more detailed estimates then we can work from there," Lake stated.

It will be sixty to ninety days before the working drawings are complete.

The Board discussed getting radios in the buses. During bad weather the individual drivers must judge the conditions of the route. Since Capitan School District covers such a diversity of climate, certain routes may not run in foul weather.

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## My Time

by Michael

Swickard

This year at Christmas time, I have a cold. The problem is that as I sit down to write a column, the effects of the cold make me an excellent grinch. I started out:

'Twas the night before Christmas and all through the house not a creature was stirring not even a mouse.

When down the chimney came some unknown person and I blew him away with my .44 magnum.

So for a Christmas story this year, I guess I should use a story given to me by someone else. I like this story as it is how I feel about animals.

### SENATOR VEST'S TRIBUTE TO A DOG

Senator Vest, of Missouri, was attending court in a country town, and while waiting for the trial of a case in which he was interested, he was urged by the attorneys in a dog case to help them. He was paid a fee of \$250 by the plaintiff. Voluminous evidence was introduced to show that the defendant had shot the dog in malice, while other evidence went to show that the dog had attacked the defendant. Vest took no part in the trial and was not disposed to speak. The attorneys, however, urged him to make a speech, else their client would not think he had earned his fee. Being thus urged, he arose, scanned the face of each jurymen for a moment, and said:

"Gentlemen of the Jury: The best friend a man has in the world may turn against him and become his enemy. His son or daughter, that he has reared with loving care may prove ungrateful. Those who are nearest and dearest to us, those whom we trust with our happiness and our good name may become traitors to their faith. The money that a man has he may lose. It flies away from him,

perhaps, when he needs it most. A man's reputation may be sacrificed in a moment of ill-considered action. The people who are prone to fall on their knees to do us honor when success is with us may be the first to throw the stone of malice when failure settles its cloud upon our heads. The one absolutely unselfish friend that man can have in this selfish world, the one that never deserts him, the one that never proves ungrateful or treacherous, is his dog. A man's dog stands by him in prosperity and poverty, in health and sickness. He will sleep on the cold ground where the wintery winds blow & the snow drives fiercely, if only he may be near his master's side. He will kiss the hand that has no food to offer; he will lick the wounds and sores that come in encounter with the roughness of the world. He guards the sleep of his pauper master as if he were a prince. When all other friends desert he remains. When riches take wings and reputation falls to pieces, he is a constant in his love as the sun in its journey through the heavens.

"If fortune drives the master forth an outcast in the world, friendless and homeless, the faithful dog asks no higher privilege than that of accompanying him, to guard against danger, to fight against his enemies, and when the last scene of all comes, and death takes the master in its embrace, and his body is laid away in the cold ground, no matter if all other friends pursue their way, there by the graveside will the noble dog be found, his head between his paws, his eyes sad, but open in alert watchfulness, faithful and true even in death."

Senator Vest sat down. He had spoken in a low voice, without any gesture. He made no reference to the evidence or the merits of the case. When he finished, judge and jury were wiping their eyes. The jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$500. He had sued for \$200.

\* A simple and sane Merry Christmas to all. MS

## EDITORIAL

by Doris Cherry

Misunderstanding Creates Conflict With Capitan School Board. The statement, "There are many personal problems between the board and the contractor, and the board and the architect", published in the article Capitan H.S. Building Plans Reviewed, Nov. 29 was my misunderstanding of the situation.

Admittedly there have been problems between the Board and the contractor, but the architect, Jerry Lake, of Krueger, Lake, Hutchinson and Brown, Albuquerque has been on good terms with the board, no personal problems involved.

"It is one of the best boards I've worked with," Lake stated at the December School Board meeting. "I've had trouble with the project, but not with the school board."

Project problems have ranged from disapproval of plans to extra tests on the elementary to reassure the Board. But they are trying to get the most building for the amount of money they have to spend.

"All our concerns is we get a good job, get a good school building and everybody is happy," Boardmember Phillips concluded.

My apologies to Mr. Lake, "and to the Capitan School Board".

## Robert Irvin Here Sunday

Robert Irvin, son of Rev. Ira Irvin, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Carrizozo, will be preaching in the Evening Worship Service this Sunday, December 23, at 7:15 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Carrizozo.

Robert is a ministerial student and presently lives in Alvin, Texas.

## Police Round-up

by Polly Chavez

TWAS THE WEEK BEFORE CHRISTMAS AND ALL THROUGH THE FIRE HOUSE, NOT A CREATURE WAS STIRRING, NOT EVEN A MOUSE.

Apparently that was not so, because Fire Chief Albert Najar reported to town police that someone entered the Carrizozo Fire Station by breaking a rear window. The thief used an ax from one of the fire trucks to break into the "coke machine" where the firemen kept money in a bank bag.

The theft occurred during the week that the volunteer firemen are busy as elves packaging Christmas goodies for Santa to distribute this coming Saturday at a local park.

Najar discovered the incident December 17. Amount of money taken is unknown at this time, as well as the identity of the holiday grinch who stole the "cold cash".

Chief of Police Morales was the investigating officer.

Other recent police news included a man stopped for driving a vehicle too slow (never over 5 miles per hour); the theft of a \$15.00 radio and two "piggy banks" with \$20.00 in small change from a residence on Birch Street; and vandals at work in several areas of town.

Vandalism was discovered at the rear door of the Baptist Church. Beer bottles tossed at Pehm's Discount Liquor and Department Store broke a

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# Merry Christmas

# Police Round-up

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window. Vandals used a 32 automatic pistol, rocks, a folding chair and a motor vehicle to destroy property at the golf course at separate times, according to police records at city hall.

The vandals have no respect, in two separate incidents, entry glass doors at City Hall have been discovered broken. Rocks have been found nearby as evidence. No suspects have been charged in any of the vandalism cases.

The Lincoln County Sheriff's department investigated a Dec. 8 Breaking and Entering report called in by Eddie O'Brien, proprietor of the Nike Tavern, which is situated out of the city limits. Eight cases of beer were discovered missing. Entry was gained through a rear dance hall window where the 'suds' thief was cut according to evidence on the scene.

### ACTION TAKEN ON ASSAULT

Among the various cases during last Tuesday's night session at Municipal Court, with Judge S.A. Ortiz presiding, was the incident involving the assault of town policeman, Russell Smith, who had responded to a call for help at the Four Winds Lounge.

Ms. Christine Portillo Burnham, employee at the lounge, was present as a witness at the December 18 court proceedings, where she testified how on November 22, she used a revolver to come to the aid of the officer who was assaulted as he tried to take a man into custody.

Officer Smith had arrived at the lounge in reference to a disturbance between two persons, Charlie Bates and Rito Samora. Smith testified that Samora called him an "S.O.B." and refused to step outside the premises to settle the matter in an orderly

fashion. A woman friend of Samora's struck the officer in the face and broke his eyeglasses. Smith was jumped by several individuals as he attempted to place handcuffs on Samora.

In relation to the assault on the law enforcement officer, Judge Ortiz fined Freddy Padilla and Willie Gallegos, each \$150.00, in addition to 15 days in jail each. Jail sentence was suspended in lieu of 60 days probation, in which time the pair are not to violate any State or Municipal laws.

Charges against Joe Padilla in the assault were dismissed because insufficient evidence. Misdemeanor charges in the case are still pending in municipal court against Samantha Torrez, Paul Pino and Rito Samora, who are no longer in this area.

### DWI

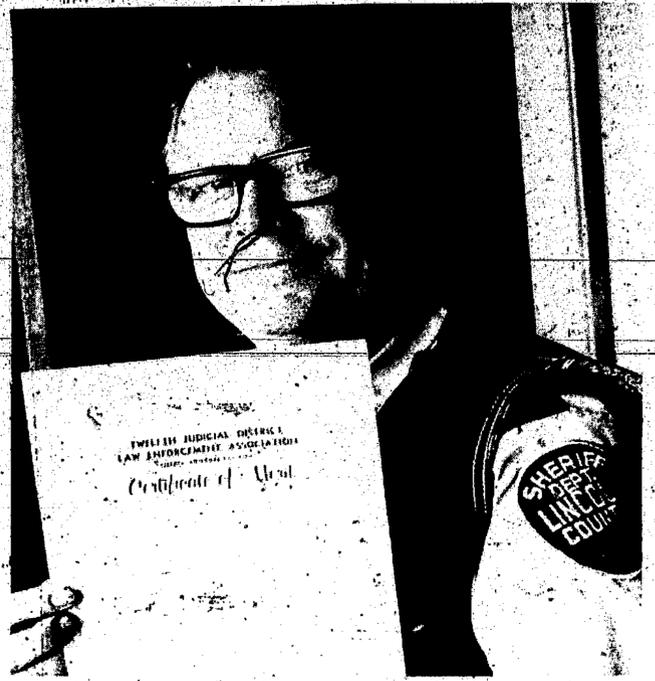
Carrizozo Ambulance responded to a traffic accident 2 miles north of Carrizozo on Highway 54, early Saturday morning on December 15. The accident involved a jeep, two automobiles and a camping trailer, which was being towed by one of the vehicles.

The driver of one of the vehicles, a woman, suffered a broken hip and facial injuries in the 2:00 a.m. accident and was transported to Gerald Champion Memorial Hospital in Alamogordo for treatment.

The driver of the northbound Jeep Wagoneer, Pat Dunning was cited by State Police on two charges - driving while under the influence of alcohol and driving left of center line. The Dunning vehicle ran into the car towing the trailer, which was demolished. The Dunning vehicle then ran into the second car, whose driver was the wife of the man towing the family's belongings in the first car.

Mr. and Mrs. Moffett of Vincennes, Indiana were on their way to live in Arizona when the accident occurred. The young couple's entire personal and household belongings were destroyed as the result of the accident. In addition, Mrs. Moffett will require a lengthy hospital stay.

A passenger in the Dunning vehicle, Leonard Dunning, sustained mouth injuries. The DWI and highway violation charges against Pat Dunning are pending at Magistrate Court.



Hasenbubler

Honored

LINCOLN COUNTY DEPUTY Sheriff Bill Hasenbubler was honored at the Twelfth Judicial District banquet in Alamogordo recently with the Certificate of Merit. Hasenbubler has been with the Sheriff's department since September of 1978.

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# LEAA Funds

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Jack Johnson, whose membership in the District Six Mental Health Board expired recently, was reappointed to the position. He had expressed his desire to be reappointed.

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The State Fire Inspection Report on the Lincoln County Jail was reviewed. Stated the jail's primary deficiency was the single exit, and the need for an additional one. The jail, designed fifteen years ago, was considered fire-proof and one of the best in the state.

County will get an architect to study design limits for alterations.

Since walls are load bearing the Commissioners felt a professional opinion determining the impracticality of the alteration would appease the state Fire Marshall.

Exit signs and a fire alarm system will be installed at the request of the Fire Marshall and an emergency lighting system will be transferred from the old hospital where it is not being used. The system will be connected to the jail electrical system to provide power if the regular system fails.

Two donations were approved; a surplus refrigerator to the Carrizozo Women's Club and a surplus fire extinguishing unit to the Carrizozo Municipal School. Both items will be removed at no cost to the county.

Three resolutions were approved: Funding for Road Department overtime, funding for a carpenter for Courthouse repairs and funding for purchase of a motorgrader.

\$6600 was budgeted for courthouse repairs. Additional storage for county records and a partition within the County Commissioners meeting room will be involved. The partition will give the county manager a separate office, leaving the public meeting room open for meetings other than County Commissioners.

The Commissioners approved hiring a carpenter at \$6-hr. as a county employee. Materials will be purchased with money from the budgeted item.

Purchase of a \$59,130 gallon 600-C Motorgrader for the County Road Department was approved subject to Road Supervisor Guy Henley's approval and approval from the state finance.

The Commissioners reaffirmed the position taken by a prior Commission to allow the Penasco Valley Telephone Co-op, Inc. to buy telephone lines 18 to 36 inches along county road right of ways. Reaffirmation was requested because of a challenge by the BLM.

Hap Canning, Enchosa area rancher, objected to a cattleguard on a county road. The Commissioners

informed Canning, the guard was installed upon request from the state highway department, because the road is a school bus feeder route. The department felt a gate was hazardous because the bus had to park partly on Highway 48 when stopping to open the gate.

Canning's concern over liability if his cattle get onto the highway was settled by Commissioner Hightower. He told Canning he has no responsibility if a cow creates an accident, unless he, the rancher, can be proven negligent.

The Commissioners informed Canning to meet with his neighbors concerning what to do during hunting season.

## CROSSWORD

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13. Smelly, as sea water	8. Celebes ox	27. Point	41. Dessert
14. Ascended	9. Revestals	28. Point	
15. Single unit	10. Newer	29. Point	
16. Devices to secure ships' ropes	11. Not windward	30. Point	
17. Weal again	12. Twilled fabric	31. Sneer	
20. Exclamation	22. Appeal	32. Dens	
21. Man's name		33. Wading bird	
22. Skin opening			
24. Bombardier			
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**DOWN**

1. Work  
2. Think  
3. Capital of Oregon

## School Board

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Superintendent Clifton told of the need for drivers to contact him so the information can be relayed to local radio stations. Presently, information is broadcast over KRR, Ruidoso, but the Board agreed it would aid those living outside of KRR's broadcast to put the information on a Roswell station.

Radios would aid drivers in case of emergency, or bad weather. Board member Phillips felt it should be included in the next year's budget. Payne though the county should be approached. No action was taken.

The seconds program was reported to be working well, but overcrowding in the cafeteria still takes almost two hours.

Sports occupied the remainder of the meeting. The possibility of cutting two football games was raised. The distant, non-district games would be the first to get cut, the high cost of gas

and meals reasons behind the cut. It is estimated gas will be \$2.36-gal; this time next year, and meals have already been cut.

Inadequate coaching was a source of disagreement with the Board. It was felt certain kids were not getting the opportunity to play during games.

"We got kids, beginners, who're not getting the coaching," President Huey stated.

The Athletic Club will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. on Dec. 20 in the Cafeteria, Phillips reported.

The schedule for the Smokey Bear Classic Tournament was reviewed. The tournament, Jan. 3, 4, 5, 1980 will feature boys and girls basketball.

Beginning at 8:45 a.m. Reserve, top seated on both boys and girls, will play Hondo girls in the gymnasium. At 10:30 a.m. Lake Arthur boys will meet Reserve-12:00 Corona vs. Lake Arthur girls; 1:45 p.m., boys-Hondo vs. Corona; 3:15 p.m. Quemado vs. Carrizozo girls; 5:00 p.m. Carrizozo vs. Cliff, boys; 6:30 p.m. Cliff vs. Capitan girls; and 8:15 Capitan vs. Quemado for the final game on Thursday. Spin off games will be played Friday and Saturday, the final game 8:15 on Saturday.

## Corona Basketball

The Corona Cardinals opened the 79-80 basketball season with a home game against the Cloudcroft Bears this past Friday evening. The Corona junior varsity dominated their game and prevailed by a score of 58-35.

The Cardinals' spirits were high when they took the court in the varsity game. The Cardinals' quick, and aggressive defense took its toll on the taller bears and the teams went to the dressing rooms at halftime with a 30 to 14 edge for the Cardinals. The Bears tried to rebound in the second half but were turned back 52 to 41.

On Saturday night the Cardinals traveled to Cloudcroft. The junior varsity were defeated by a score of 47 to 45. The Cardinals played well but Cloudcroft's home court edge finally prevailed.

The varsity game, the Cloudcroft team was very tough in front of their home crowd. The first half was a

# RIGHT TO WORK news service

## A Vested Interest in Compulsion

By Reed Larson

The Oxford English Dictionary, that great compendium of the American mother tongue, defines "benevolent" as "desirous of doing good to others; of kindly disposition." It means essentially the same, we are told, as "charitable," "humane," and "generous."

Yet, there's nothing very "charitable" about a group of willful men who would openly boast of bringing a major city painfully to its knees. There's nothing very "humane" about men who would assail police officers for volunteering time in the search for the Son of Sam. And there's surely nothing "generous" about a group who would plot to have dedicated patrolmen fired from their jobs for refusing to pay compulsory tribute.

But that's just what officials of the Patrolman's "Benevolent" Association (PBA) union of New York City have been doing for years. And recently, under the pretense of making an "enlightened, self-help effort," they have gone even further in tainting the term they use to describe themselves.

Here's the story. In early January of this year, the PBA came up with the idea of purchasing bulletproof vests for New York City's finest. That's a commendable idea. So far this year 119 New York City police officers have been gunned down in the line of duty. Six have lost their lives.

But in short order, a major problem arose with the union plan. PBA union officials—who collect over \$3 million a year in compulsory union dues—were prepared to contribute only \$24,000 to the fund they had ballyhooed. (The \$24,000 having come not from union dues, but from a Policeman's Ball the previous October.) At 59¢ a piece, that amounted to only 244 vests. And there are nearly 20,000 police officers in New York City.

So union official Samuel DeMilla called upon the "huge corporations" to "match" the union's contribution. Concerned companies and individuals responded enthusiastically. An ad hoc citizens committee was set up to collect contributions, and the money started rolling in. Burger King gave \$100,000, Citibank threw in another \$100,000, McDonalds gave \$50,000, and Queens' Kew-Forest, \$100,000.

By February, New Yorkers had already "matched" the union's \$24,000 contribution to the tune of \$500,000. A grinning DeMilla pronounced the response "phenomenal" and reiterated his earlier promise: the union officials would use the contributions to "outfit each police officer with one of the protective, lifesaving devices."

The community effort seemed to be succeeding. And then the union bosses demanded their full "pound of flesh."

When DeMilla and his lieutenants started handing out the vests "at random," a curious pattern emerged. Only police officers who were full union members, who agreed to obey all union directives without exception, were issued vests. Police officers who were "agency fee" payers, who objected to full union membership—but nonetheless paid fees virtually equivalent to full union dues—were sent away as knights without armor.

Station-house desk clerks who were full union members were fitted with protective vests. But the much maligned "agency fee" payers who walked the streets of New York's toughest boroughs were turned away empty-handed.

Union boss DeMilla had gone back on his word given time and again to the charitable New Yorkers. Far from being the honorable endeavor DeMilla had at first billed it, the "Buy a Vest, Save a Cop" campaign turned out to be just another way for him to coerce patrolmen into his union—and punish those who dared resist.

Now, tragically, what should have been a monument to community pride has become simply another example of union greed for monopoly power. The New York state's attorney's office, acting upon citizens' complaints, is investigating the possibility that PBA union officials have violated state law by collecting charitable contributions under false pretenses. And odds are better than even that DeMilla and his cohorts may have breached their legal duty of fair representation by refusing bulletproof vests to "agency fee" payers.

Coercion is always ugly, and often brutal. Workers who resist forced unionism must live in constant danger of the epithets and brickbats sure to be hurled their way.

But the union bosses of New York City have now gone one step further: They have made full union membership a matter of life and death.

strong, defensive battle and the Bears led at the half 29 to 26. In the second half the team traded baskets & the final quarter started with the Cardinals ahead by two. The Cardinals in the final quarter exploded on offense to outscore the Bears 21 to 7. The Cardinals came home with another victory 61 to 45.

The Cardinals Junior Varsity is now 1 and 1 on the season while the Varsity supports a 2 and 0 record.

## SEASON'S CHEER



Rejoice... the spirit of this Holy season is here! Merry Christmas to all!

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## Holiday Greetings

May Santa find your home the most joyous of all on this Christmas holiday!

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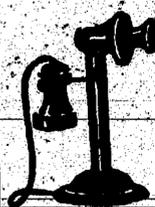


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# Capitan Village News

by Margaret Rench

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My sincere wish for everyone everywhere - A Very Merry Christmas... May the good Lord bless and keep you. His Spirit will guide us.

We had two inches of good wet snow Thursday December 13th. It is very cold. There is a little snow left in the shadows with ice. It was much worse on this side than at Ruidoso side. It was snowing all day in Ruidoso and was like rain as it hit the ground and street. It remained that way past Swiss Chalet over the mountain. By night it became ice.

Ski area reported six inches of snow and they are open at this time. They are having good crowds. So many are enjoying skiing.

The Lincoln County "React" meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller in Capitan beginning at 7:30 p.m. Sunday December 16.

They would like to draw new members over the Lincoln County area. In that respect they will have a coffee break somewhere in Capitan. Somewhere in the shopping area. This is a membership drive to a worthy community organization. Remember the date December 29.

"React" is a Community Service Organization that works in conjunction with the local authorities and police in an emergency.

Lincoln County React is set up to supply coffee and meals to those working in the emergencies.

During the hunt for Cox they were located at the Nogal Rest Stop and served coffee and three meals a day, 24 hours a day. They worked 65 hours. All volunteer.

React is as close as your phone or C.B. They act immediately in any kind of situation. They know who to call etc. Contact them 354-2700 for more information. It is an International Organization. Drop by the coffee break December 29th. This is not expensive. The only way it does exist is through public donations. The dues are small. No charge for their services. Everyone works with no pay. It is an added protection to any Community.

Louise Morgan, Leota Pfingsten and Ofelia Sosa were hostesses to the Eta Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa meeting at her home last week for the December meeting. They exchanged gifts instead of a program, which did get them off to a good Christmas Spirit.

Dr. and Mrs. David Miller, Keith, Amy and Sally visited his mother Mrs. C.W. Morgan recently.

The Capitan Methodist Church held their Christmas Program last Sunday morning.

The 7th and 8th grades boys and girls played basketball in Tularosa last Saturday. Both lost but only one and two points. That is good playing.

George De Siena has had his quota of visitors these past few months. He has had his brothers Louis, Tony and Arthur from Stirling, New Jersey, who enjoyed Capitan

very much. Also his sister-in-law, Terry Barnes from New York City, and his wife's uncle Merle and wife Ella from California.

George is now very seriously ill and is confined to bed. Because of this, he felt left out of Christmas time preparations. With the help of Mr. "Bones" Wright and the Ruidoso Lion's Club, George was able to borrow a hospital bed which he had set up in the living room. Jimmy Wright and his father Howard Wright moved him into the hospital bed, where he has a nice view of Sierra Blanca. With his bed disguised as a sleigh he feels part of the holiday scene.

George says, if you have a person in his condition help them get in the Spirit of Christmas. And he says, if anyone feels depressed this time of year, give him a call, or drop by (3 miles south of Capitan, turn right at the sign that says - Capitan No. 2 to the trailer just before the red-A-frame house), and he wishes you a Merry Christmas. With your faith George, you are going to win health. My sincere good wishes to you.

Thank you, De-Sienas, for your good item. Keep them coming and always know your news is welcomed. I do wish, George, a good recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Ty Ramsey attended the Handies Messah presented by the Ruidoso Community Choir Concert in the Mesalero Room at the Inn of The Mountain Gods last Sunday. There were four soloists from different parts of the nation. There was a full crowd and was enjoyed beyond expression.

Kathy Endsley is making Mr. and Mrs. Santa Clause Center pieces which are lovely and they are for sale. Anyone would be delighted to have them for this season for they are well made and beautiful.

Butch and Tommy Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ridgeway & Dr. & Mrs. Richard Farris were Christmas Dinner Party guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Page last Saturday night December 15.

Mrs. C.W. Morgan hosted a luncheon last Saturday at her home honoring Melissa Coffman's birthday. Those present beside the hostess and honoree were Bessie Jones, Eltha Merrell, Lois Aldrich and Mrs. Frank Miller and her grand-daughter.

Sunday December 16 Guy Odell Payne celebrated his eighth birthday. Monday 17 he enjoyed a birthday at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Payne by having his little

friends with him. I wish him many more very happy birthdays and the best of health with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Craih and Mr. and Mrs. Claudio Montoya hosted a Christmas Party at their home on west third street last Friday night. The most delicious foods and beverages were enjoyed by a large crowd.

Last Tuesday the junior play "Toys Take over for Christmas" was enjoyed by a good crowd at the school. Wednesday the band concert consisting of three bands the beginning band, elementary band and the high school band were enjoyed. School closed December 20 thru January 2.

Little LeeAnn and Trena Burch came to me with their Christmas Greetings and desired that I pass them on to others. They are delightful little ladies of the fifth grade. They gave me such happiness.

Bill Strickland of Humble City, N.M. underwent surgery in Lubbock, Texas last Monday. I do wish him the best recovery.

Mrs. Curtis Payne and three children enjoyed their trip to Ruidoso last Saturday and the children visited Santa Claus.

Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Griego went Christmas shopping in Roswell last Sunday and visited his grandmother Elaina Montoya in the Medical Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Padilla and family enjoyed their trip to Roswell last Friday.

Maxine Wright, Linda Wright and two children and Kay Strickland and two daughters enjoyed last Saturday in Ruidoso.



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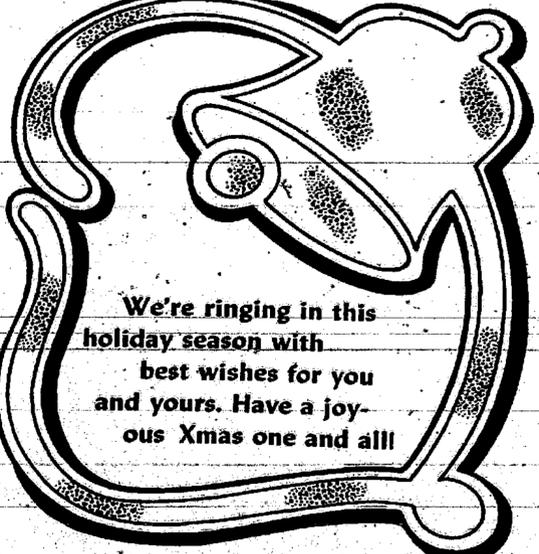


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# Polly's Potpourri

# Around Town & Surrounding Areas

The Lincoln County Sheriff's department held their Christmas party at the Holiday Inn in Ruidoso last Sunday evening. Presents were exchanged at the Dutch treat event. Those from Carrizozo joining Sheriff and Mrs. Ernest Sanchez and other county residents were: Wayland Hill and Sally Dean; Bill and Mary Hasenbuhler; Donn and Mary Dose; Dale and Linda Housley; Jack and Judi Hobbs.

John Harkey said this week that he thinks every rancher in Lincoln County should give the five individuals pictured in last week's NEWS a donation "for getting rid of that cat."

When I stopped at Harkey Real Estate last Monday to chat with John he strongly voiced this opinion regarding the 180 pound mountain lion that was killed on West Mountain recently.

Harkey recalled that a man by the name of Charlie Page lived in Carrizozo about 15 years ago who killed a mountain lion then, when there were few lions around. "Charlie found one on Carrizo Mountain. He had a couple of dogs. He trailed the lion three days, slow trailing. He trailed that lion around and around," Harkey said. "The lion killed a deer every other day while being trailed and Charlie finally got that lion."

John, in his nineties, has been a rancher all his life and has no fondness for mountain lions, who kill deer, cattle and horses. He said that the lions are coming from the Oscura Mountains and always have.

He believes Jackson, Chafins, Tate, Spear and LaMay truly should be credited for the good deed they performed on West Mountain "getting rid of that cat."

Last Friday the ladies of the Baptist Church shared a Christmas dinner, played games & exchanged gifts. Catherine Eaker was the hostess for the event enjoyed by 18 women. Ruth Armstrong shared a Christmas story with the group. The story concerned gift giving - mainly that it is the thought that counts & not the material aspect and that love is the greatest gift one can give.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Beltran Sr. are the proud grandparents this holiday season of a grandson who was

born Dec. 12. The baby boy is the son of Elsie and Tony Beltran of Bayard.

Ruidoso Police department employee, Lorena Kauppinen, daughter of Rosa Chavez, underwent surgery recently at Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Memorial Hospital. Following her release she will spend some time with her mother. Rosa's 18 year old grand-daughter, Vivian Rose Grist, daughter of Felipa and Jim Grist is still very ill in Denver, Colorado.

Once again the traditional Community Christmas Candlelight Services are to be held in the Community Presbyterian Churches of Ancho, Corona, and Nogal. There is no sermon during these services. Children are most welcome. Holiday services are as follows: Ancho - No Sunday services in December. Christmas Candlelight Services to be held in the Ancho Chapel on Saturday, Dec. 22, 7:00 p.m. Corona - Regular Sunday worship is held at 11:00 a.m. Christmas Candlelight Service will be held Christmas Eve, December 24 at 7:00 p.m. Nogal - Regular Sunday worship is held at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 23, a Christmas Candlelight Service at 7:00 p.m. will be held in place of the regular service. (Regular Sunday worship at Ancho will be held beginning January 6, 1980 at 9:00 a.m.)

This past Wednesday the Baptist Church members held their Prayer Meeting which included caroling, followed by their annual distribution of goodies to elderly community shut-ins. The yearly event was topped with a fellowship gathering at the church hall.

Catherine Cornett has holiday visitors through Dec. 31 from Stockton, California. They are her daughter Mary Charlene Taylor and her four year old daughter, Christi.

Phillip Ortiz hosted a birthday party last Saturday in honor of his wife Georgia. Phillip and his band provided the dance music for the merry makers, dinner was catered from the Four Winds and the beautifully decorated cake from Albuquerque. Members of the band were Phillip, Louie Padilla, Steve Wheeler, (guitarists) and Stan Wheeler (drummer).

Guests at the Christmas-time birthday celebration at the REC were Juanita and Neo Vallejos; Rita and Danny Narvaez; Jane Ortiz and Chon Orsco; Charlotte and Gilbert Archuleta; Rachael and Chuck

Rominger; Carol Zamora and Charlie Schlarb; Dolores and David Vega; Lolly and Mike Lueras; Beatrice Ortiz and George "Wheels" Martinez; Mary and Albert Najar; Arlene and Leroy Najar; Carmen and Buddy Hill. David and Stella Ortiz came from Albuquerque. Steve Archuleta, Georgia's brother was here from Roswell.

December 10 the Arts and Crafts Club members enjoyed turkey and all the trimmings at their Christmas dinner at the REA, along with a Christmas time story, presented by Catherine Eaker, president of the club. The touching story was about an emotionally disturbed young boy who was not interested in Christmas but eventually he "came around". The moral of the story: If we reach out to those that need us, they take our hand. The 15 club members exchanged gifts and played games.

This issue, Dec. 20 marks the holiday birth date of Sue Stearns. Others celebrating birthdays in the next 7 days are Arsenia Narvaez, Joan Means, Dec. 21; Lefty Hayes, Patrick Means Dec. 22; Tom Sidwell Dec. 23; Richard Cantrell, Kelley Stephenson, Mrs. T.J. Chisholm, Edna Gallacher Dec. 24; Melinda Florian, Phil Hill, Justin Hefker Dec. 25; Christopher Barela, David Free Cantrell Dec. 26. Humility is a strange thing, the minute you think you've got it, you've lost it. Happy birthday and Merry Christmas!

A first this year for Santa Rita Catholic parishioners is a "parish family Christmas tree". A tree in the church will be left undecorated, members are invited to bring an ornament from home to place on this tree. Ornaments can be placed on the tree Dec. 23, day of the party and potluck or in time for the Christmas masses. Tree & ornaments will be blessed at this time, ornaments will remain on tree until after New Year. When ornament is taken home it will hang somewhere as a reminder all year long of Christian unity in the parish family. The priest and church members are ready to share their joys or sorrows with one another and the ornament will represent this.

Guests in the home of Catherine Eaker was Mrs. Ann Stephens and her daughter, Cathy of El Paso. (Ann is Red's daughter.) They spent the day recently, which included dinner at Catherine's place.

Jesus Christ Superstars invite

pre-schoolers through fourth graders to draw Christmas decorations on the tables in the Santa Rita Parish hall at 3:00 p.m. on Dec. 23. Luminaria preparation and decoration in the church will also start at this time. The potluck is at 4:00 p.m., followed by caroling, then Blackout and ham bingo.

Dec. 24 prior to the midnight mass the church choir at St. Rita's will sing Christmas songs. Those who would like to arrive early will enjoy the talent of the church singers, who were a part of the concert at the Methodist Church last Sunday evening.

A whirlwind of parties, dinners, receptions, church events and other holiday events, sandwiched between meetings has kept the lady of this household busy, busy. Zachary has outgrown the playpen. I am considering placing our Christmas tree in the playpen, out of Zachary's reach. And yes, Michael there is a tooth fairy, although she keeps forgetting to take your teeth. Michael says the tooth fairy may leave his tooth money in installments starting in January, since she is so busy helping Santa stuff toys. Raphael, is in kindergarten can hardly wait to purchase a photo from the NEWS office. Santa is holding him on his lap at Frederick's Shoe Store. Merry Christmas to Polly's Potpourri readers!

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California will offer relief to pistachio lovers. California delivered 2,300 metric tons of pistachio nuts last season and California growers estimate they can provide all the supplies the U.S. needs by the early or mid-1980's. California growers have committed approximately 28,000 acres to pistachio production, 3,200 acres of which were of bearing age in 1978. For the past 15 years, pistachio growers have been trying to develop the industry. Why such slow progress?

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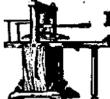
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF LINCOLN COUNTY,  
NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE  
LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT  
OF BARNEY W. WILSON,  
Deceased. Cause No. PB-40-79  
Probate  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
FOR PROVING WILL

TO WHO IT MAY CONCERN:  
Notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of November, 1979, the Last Will and Testament of Barney W. Wilson, deceased, late of the County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, was offered for probate in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico. Any and all persons objecting to the probate of the said will are hereby notified to be present on the 16th day of January, 1980, at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon and show cause, if any they have, why said will shall not be admitted to probate.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, by order of the Judge of said Court at my office in Carrizozo, New Mexico, this 27th day of November, 1979.

Margo E. Lindsay  
Clerk of the District Court  
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
CHILDREN'S COURT  
DIVISION

State of New Mexico,  
ex rel, Department  
of Human Services,  
In the Matter  
of ERICA MOLENA,  
aka MARSHA ORDONEZ,  
A Child, and  
concerning MARIA  
DE ROZARIO, Respondent.  
NO. SQ-135-70

NOTICE OF SUIT  
TO: MARIA DE ROZARIO,  
Respondent

You are hereby notified that the Health and Social Services Department has applied to the Court for a Termination of Your Parental Rights to ERICA MOLENA, aka MARSHA ORDONEZ, born on July 3, 1978. Hearing is set for Wednesday, February 6, 1980, at 9:30 AM before the Honorable Robert M. Doughty, II, Children Court Judge, at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico. Unless you come forward or enter a responsive pleading on or before February 6, 1980, judgment of termination will be entered by default, as prayed in Petitioner's application. The attorney for Petitioner is Daniel A. Bryant, P.O. Box 428, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88345.

WITNESS my hand and the Seal of this Court this 30th day of November, 1979.

MARGO LINDSAY  
DISTRICT COURT CLERK  
BY: Margo Lindsay  
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF LINCOLN COUNTY,  
NEW MEXICO

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
LLOYD WESLEY HOSKINS,  
deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at P.O. Box 546, Carrizozo, NM 88301, or filed with the District Court at Carrizozo, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

Louis Carl Raybould  
E.O. Box 546  
Carrizozo, NM 88301  
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BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO  
PUBLIC SERVICE  
COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF  
THE APPLICATION OF  
PLAINS ELECTRIC GENERATION  
AND TRANSMISSION  
COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR  
APPROVAL OF THE  
ESCALANTE GENERATION  
AND TRANSMISSION PROJECT,  
CASE NO. 1528

PLAINS ELECTRIC  
GENERATION AND  
TRANSMISSION  
COOPERATIVE, INC.  
APPLICANT  
ORDER OF  
HEARING AND NOTICE

On October 17, 1979, Plains Electric Generation and Transmission Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter named Plains) filed with the New Mexico Public Service Commission (hereinafter named Commission) its Application for approval of the Escalante Generation and Transmission Project, authorizing the construction and operation of the Plains Escalante Generating Station and associated transmission system.

The Commission will conduct a public hearing on said Application on January 9, 1980, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the offices of the Commission, Bataan Memorial Building, Santa Fe, New Mexico. The purpose of the hearing is to take testimony in support of, or in opposition to, the Application and to determine whether the application should be approved.

Any interested persons may examine the Application, together with exhibits and any related papers that may be filed in the office of the Commission, and any interested person may appear at the time and place of the hearing and be heard. However, no person may become a party to the proceeding unless he shall have filed a formal Petition in Intervention in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, as set forth in the Commission's Second Revised General Order No. 1. A copy of these rules may be obtained from the offices of the Commission.

A copy of this Order is to be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in Bernalillo, Valencia, Sandoval, Santa Fe, Grant, Chaves, Curry, Eddy, Lea, Colfax, Dona Ana, and McKinley Counties, New Mexico at least twenty (20) days prior to the date set for hearing. Plains shall pay the cost of publication and shall furnish the Commission proof of publication.

ISSUED under the Seal of the Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico this 19th day of November, 1979.

NEW MEXICO PUBLIC  
SERVICE COMMISSION  
- Richard P. Montoya, Chairman  
- Eileen Grevey, Commissioner  
Phil R. Lucero, Commissioner

IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF LINCOLN COUNTY  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
HENRY WEDDIGE, Deceased.  
Probate No. PB-37-79  
Div. II

NOTICE  
BY PUBLICATION  
THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO: To the unknown heirs of Henry Weddige, deceased, and all unknown persons who have or claim any interest in the estate of Henry Weddige, deceased, or in the matter being litigated in the hereinafter mentioned hearing.

Hearing on the Petition filed by the undersigned Lewis Weddige, wherein the Court is requested to enter its order formally probating the Last Will and Testament of the Decedent executed on August 6, 1979, which Will is on file in this probate matter, as the Last Will and Testament of the Decedent; requesting the Court to determine the heirs of the Decedent; requesting that Lewis Weddige be formally appointed as the Personal Representative, without bond in an unsupervised administration of the Decedent's estate; and that letters testamentary be issued to Petitioner and for such other and further relief as maybe proper, will be held in the District Court of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, before one of the District Judges in and for the Twelfth Judicial District of the State of New Mexico, on the 16th day of January, 1980, at 1:00 p.m.

WITNESS our hands and the seal of this Court.

MARGO LINDSAY  
DISTRICT COURT CLERK  
By: - Joy Leslie  
Deputy

Lewis Weddige, Petitioner  
P.O. Box I  
Hope, New Mexico 88250  
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1980  
LINCOLN BOARD COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS REGULAR  
MEETING SCHEDULE  
TUESDAYS 10:00 A.M.  
COURTHOUSE

January 8, 1980	January 29, 1980
February 19, 1980	March 25, 1980
March 11, 1980	May 27, 1980
April 15, 1980	
May 6, 1980	
June 10, 1980	
July 15, 1980	
August 5, 1980	August 26, 1980
September 16, 1980	
October 7, 1980	October 28, 1980
November 11, 1980	
December 9, 1980	December 30, 1980

Published in the Lincoln County News Thursday December 27, 1980.

### In Memory of ... Dr. VanOsdol

Services for Dr. VanOsdol were held Saturday December 1, 1979 at 9:00 a.m. at the Sacred Heart Cathedral. The Rosary was held Friday night at 8:00 p.m. at the Rollie Mortuary Palm Chapel.

Dr. VanOsdol was born September 12, 1907 in Plevana, Mo., son of Roy & Gertrude Hudson VanOsdol. He died Tuesday November 27, 1979 in Gallup.

He was a prominent Osteopath, Physician, and Surgeon practicing in Vaughn for the past 29 years. While in Vaughn he was selected as the Physician for the Southern Pacific Railroad for many years. He had recently retired.

He is survived by his wife Bessie, sons Clyde F. VanOsdol, Albuquerque, Gilbert Mirabal, Gallup, daughters Barbara Branscomb, Lacey, Wa., & Corrine Conry of Jacksonville, Fla., a sister Berniece McWhorter, of St. Louis, Mo., and also 5 grandchildren.

Interment was at the Hillcrest

Cemetery in Gallup. Relatives from out of state attending the funeral services were Mrs. Branscomb and Mrs. McWhorter.

The deceased requested no flowers. Anyone wishing to make a donation to the "In Memory Fund" of Clyde Hudson VanOsdol please send in care of Sacred Heart Cathedral 415 E. Green, Gallup, Gallup, N.M.

He had been in failing health for the past 13 months.



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# Corona News

# Nogal News

Temperatures registered last week at Lincoln Station show a low of 16 degrees on the 4th and a high of 62 on the 3rd.

Ask Bo Tyree about his broken right index finger. A horse stepped on it Sunday and he was taken to Alamogordo for x-ray.

Mrs. R.L. Sharp, Allen Sultemeier and Jerry Sharp were guests last week of the Leslie Sharps, Arcadia, Oklahoma. They attended the national rodeo finals Sunday and the men were in Oklahoma City for the Maine-Anjou convention.

Mr. and Mrs. Toby Osborne of

Albuquerque are the parents of a son, Shaun Christian, born Nov. 27th. The baby has one brother, Jason, and is the eleventh grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Tracey, who have only two grand-daughters.

Xi Beta Epsilon of Beta Sigma Phi met Monday night in the home of Mrs. Jack Donohue. President Kathy Williams presided. Mrs. Donohue presented the program on Winning from the outline "The Art of Living". There was good roundtable discussion on the quality of play and the pressures experienced by students to win. Important things are mental

attitude and enthusiasm in the classroom and on the field. Charlyne Tyree and three week old son, David, were present and were honored with a shower of gifts. There was also a gift exchange among members. Refreshments included a pecan bundt cake, chili con queso, chips, pumpkin tarts, nuts, punch, and coffee.

Mrs. Robert Williams and Mrs. Archie Perkins attended a meeting of the HSA-Subarea Advisory Council in Roswell Friday. Only Lincoln County was fully represented with five members present. Ken Moore, Dale Goad, Mary Spencer, Ursula Chavez and Mrs. Perkins.

Sherrill Bradford, Jeannie Preston and sons, Joshua and Justin, were here Sunday afternoon from El Paso to get trees for their homes and classrooms. R.L. Sharp and Mrs. Wayne Tubbs made a business trip to Belen Monday and stayed overnight with the Larry Sharps in Prewitt.

Suzie and Walter Garfield spent Sunday with their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Wyche, in Fort Sumner.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sultemeier Jr. have returned from Nebraska where they were called by the death of a brother-in-law.

Robert Williams is on vacation

but reports a low of eight degrees Monday morning of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Byrd are the parents of a son, Jason Halbert, born Dec. 11th in Albuquerque. The baby has a brother, Robby.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Bacila of Los Lunas spent the weekend with the George James family and attended the ball game in Vaughn.

Mrs. R.J. Bagley & Mrs. Ernest Sultemeier were in Midland, Texas to attend the Reynolds-Scherer wedding.

A group of about twenty young people were singing carols Sunday evening and left us a plate of decorated sugar cookies. That was a nice switch.

Mrs. Molly Alirez is out of the hospital following stomach surgery in Albuquerque and is recuperating at the home of her daughter, Mrs. David Otero, and Mr. Otero in Las Cruces.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Anderson

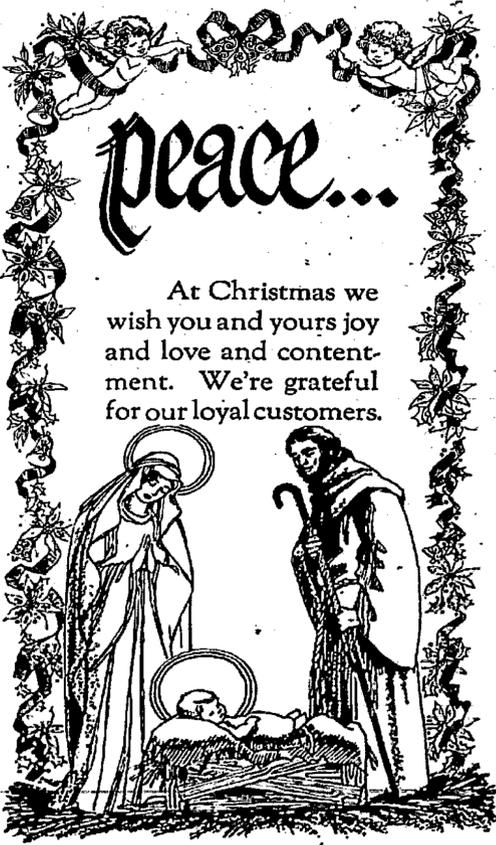
Well, winter days are here with temperatures dropping down into the low teens. It was down to 10 degrees Monday morning.

A lot of us in Nogal are stocking up our wood piles for the winter season. The holidays are always so pretty around a roaring fire.

Robbie Burkstaller got her kitchen remodeled, she sure is happy with the results.

The Christmas season is especially enjoyable when you are sharing it with young children. When Lee had his first Christmas, there were only two children in Nogal under six; now there are nine little ones awaiting a visit from Santa Claus with hope and the trust in dreams of make believe that only the young can have.

I want to wish a Merry Christmas to all the readers of the Nogal column and wish that they all get what they want.



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## GREETINGS

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You can qualify for scholarships because of your high grades or because of a financial need. "We even have money available to students simply because they want to study a specific major in our college," says Dr. Lewis A. Holland, associate dean of the College of Agriculture and Home Economics at NMSU. For example, a \$1,000 scholarship is available to a student who plans to pursue a career in food crop production. The scholarship can be renewed through the senior year.

If you want to major in agricultural economics or agricultural business, you may qualify for a full tuition scholarship. Similar scholarships are available if you want to major in pre-veterinary medicine, animal or range science, agricultural biology, pest management, plant pathology, horticulture, fishery, wildlife science, agriculture and Extension education or home economics.

You may qualify for a scholarship because of your county residence. For example, there are at least three \$1,500 scholarships available for agricultural majors from Dona Ana County. Your involvement in a 4-H or FFA club may also be the key to financial assistance to earn a degree from NMSU's College of Agriculture and Home Economics. Most of these

scholarships are provided by private gifts from alumni, industry and people interested in helping students find a career in agriculture and home economics. In addition to these special scholarships, many students may qualify for general scholarships from NMSU or for state and federal aid programs.

We hire many students to work in their area of interest in labs, with researchers, with the college herds or in teaching labs. To learn what scholarships are available for a specific student, write Dr. Lewis Holland, associate dean of the College of Agriculture and Home Economics, Box 3AG, NMSU, Las Cruces, N.M.



### Best Wishes

Hope your holiday's a-glow with seasonal warmth and Christmas joy. Our thanks to all!

From  
**The Lincoln  
County News Staff**

## Christian Get-Together hosted by Carrizozo Woman's Club

David Lynch, Bill Scholes, James Cope, Charles Adams, David Bergs, Tom Ward and Ira Irwin, representatives of area Christian churches were among the happy people last Sunday evening enjoying a holiday Christian get-together hosted by the Carrizozo Woman's Club at their club building.

The community churches fellowship—followed the Christmas Concert held December 16 at the Trinity United Methodist Church. Methodist, Presbyterian, Assembly of God, Taeria Foundation, Catholic, Christian Science & Baptist members joined forces this Christmas season to share with each other and their congregations the many musical and singing talents.

The Miller Family Singers, the nine children of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Miller of Ancho sang two numbers. In addition, two of the singers, Matilda Lou and Wanda Wynette joined Charles F. Adams at the organ and piano.

Other participants at the concert were the Santa Rita Choir (Charles Adams, director); Santa Rita Ladies Ensemble; Trinity Choir (Scott M. Shafer, director); The Hosannas (David J. Lynch, director) and Jane Shafer, pianist. One of two numbers that solist Kathy Cope presented was 'My Song of Christmas' arranged by Owens.

The congregations joined the featured singers in three Christmas carols. The prayer of invocation was delivered by Reverend Scholes and the benediction by Fr. David Bergs.



## CHRISTMAS

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## OBITUARY

### Richard Montoya

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday Dec. 17, 1979 for Richard Montoya in the Clarkes Chapel of Roses. He was born in Carrizozo, New Mexico April 26, 1948. He was raised here but he passed away Dec. 8th, in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Internment followed at Evergreen Cemetery here in Carrizozo.

He served in the Vietnam war from July 6, 1967 to July 2, 1970. He was a laborer at the time of his death. The Rev. Ira A. Irvin officiated at his funeral, followed by a Military graveside service.

Survivors include a son, Sammy Montoya of Las Cruces; a daughter, Monica Montoya of Las Cruces; his mother Lugie Montoya of Carrizozo; his sister, Virginia Barraza of Denver, Colorado; and four brothers, Louis Montoya; Frank Montoya of Carrizozo; John Montoya of Ft. Stanton; Charles Montoya of Carrizozo.

Pallbearers were Juan Montoya, Rosaleo Barraza, Henry Silva, Manuel Hernandez, Franklin Montoya, and Arthur Zamora Jr.



## Christmas Blessings

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# Grizzly School News

Eight FFA Green Hand Chapter members participated in a contest in Tularosa on Dec. 12. The FFA event included quiz, creed and parliamentary procedure contests. In the creed contest, out of 18 entries, Zozo's Kevin Wilmore and John Hemphill placed 7th and 13th.

Carrizozo school plan to organize a student advisory committee for the lunchroom program. The high school and junior high students will advise on menu planning.

This month's board meeting included the board's adoption of a resolution which stated that they will conduct their meetings & make decisions in public in three ways: regular, special and emergency meetings. Advance notice is - 5 days for regular meetings, 3 days for special meetings and 12 hours for emergency meetings. Notices will be posted on the post office bulletin board and advertised in the Lincoln County News, local weekly newspaper.

An hour prior to the January school board meeting, board members will meet in executive session for a discussion of the superintendent's evaluation. Rehiring of this position is scheduled for February.

Some of the other business discussed in the December meeting included the erasing of past board meeting tapes which will then be

recycled for instructional use in classrooms. Tapes are only aids for preparation of minutes. Minutes are available at the administration office within 10 days of board meetings.

Christmas vacation begins at 3:00 p.m. Friday, Dec. 21. School resumes on January 3, 1980. Friday afternoon 'ol-Sajit Nick is expected to greet youngsters at their elementary classroom Christmas parties.

This year the Christmas spirit is very evident around Carrizozo schools. The holiday display in front of the high school was created by student artists Arthur Vega, Michael Baroz, Chris Ventura and Tommy Silva.

Other holiday student artists decorated classrooms which were judged. Winning doors were: 1st place - Madrid; 2nd - Peckinpaugh; 3rd - Richmond; 1st - Wetzel; 2nd - Pafford; 5th - Hightower. Honorable Mention - Jarrad, Stephenson, Lawson.

The following mid-school students went Christmas window painting last Saturday and earned some money for Christmas: Jimmy Portillo, 8th grade; Leroy Lopez, 5th; Tony Barela, 4th; Timmy Barela, 6th and Troy Hollis, 6th. Family Pharmacy, Gambles and Piggly Wiggly were treated to a holiday

"face lift". Art students are busy creating ornaments and block prints for Christmas. They use inner tube cut-outs glued on wood, then they use printers ink and stamp designs on construction paper.



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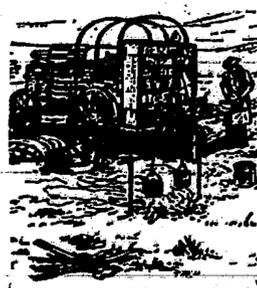
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# INSIDE THE CAPITAL

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by fred mcCaffrey

**SANTA FE** — Legislators, probably reflecting the views of their constituents, went after Charles Becknell, ultimately responsible for our prison system, hammer and tongs.

He put up little defense. For 11 of the toughest cons in the pen to cut the wire and walk away is, he agreed, inexcusable.

But that's only a symptom of the problems in our penal system.

We are not even agreed upon its purpose. Some of us think it's punishment and punishment only—the "lock 'em up and throw away the key" school. Others think we have a responsibility to make some try at changing lives, so that when the con becomes an ex-con, he or she is returned to the world a little better than when put away.

Sometimes one view prevails and sometimes the other—which is why we've had five directors of our pen system and five wardens at our pen in the last seven years.

After our people make up their minds about what they really want, maybe the Secretary of Criminal Justice can start doing what we want done.

**A SIMPLE QUESTION:** With all the trouble University of New Mexico finds heaped on its head, why would President Bud Davis come before the Legislative Finance Committee and assure them there was no more bad news to come, when he knew at the time there were problems in the med school's cancer center.

Dumb, dumb, dumb. Some of the biggies on that committee get very short-tempered when they think they've been lied to. In this instance, that's what they thought.

**REACTION:** Many members of that same LFC, though not at all condoning the hanky-panky which has apparently gone on in the athletic department at UNM on a very wide scale, felt the really sad news came from another quarter.

That was when UNM admitted that 58 per cent of this year's freshman class was so unprepared for college that they have to take make-up-work-in-our-native-language.

Two clear points emerge from that picture: Our high schools are doing a lousy job, and our major university will admit almost anybody, no matter how badly prepared.

Both thoughts are very discouraging.

**PREDICTIONS:** There was not a smile in the House as the economists from Fiduciary Trust in New York who are retained by the state to tell us what to expect in the wide world of finance got off this year's prophecies.

Here are a couple of their discouraging statements:

—Just because that recession everyone predicted hasn't hit yet, don't believe it isn't coming. It is, and the longer it takes to get here, the worse it will be.

—America's economic future is no longer in American hands. Iran and the OPEC nations and other countries not yet heard from have more to say about your life and mine than we do.

Both legislators and the audience listened grimly and silently.

Lawmakers invited them to return in January, to address a joint session of both houses, in the apparent hope that by that time they have better things to say.

**GREETINGS:** That's a pretty black note on which to go out on a column just before Christmas. All we

can add by way of hope is that the world looked black at the time when a bright star arose over what we now call the Middle East.

Perhaps the One Who sent His Son to save us then will, again this year, turn His eyes of mercy on a sorrowing world.

## Harrison Schmitt Reports To NEW MEXICO



### The Iranian Specter

The "Iranian specter" will hang over this nation and its allies for years to come. It will be present somewhere in the world until we have produced and conserved our way back to energy independence, until we have bought and trained our way back to defensive superiority, until we have thought and acted our way back to international respectability.

Personal terrorism, economic blackmail, military intimidation and international contempt will not disappear because of cries for retaliation or because of intemperate name calling or because of the identification of scapegoats. These symptoms of the weakened state of the Union will only disappear when we are capable of both recognizing and then eliminating the causes of the diseases with which the country is now afflicted.

History will show that the following four facts are true:

First, because of decades of bad federal energy policy we import 50 percent of our crude oil needs. This at a time when we have vast natural and technological energy resources that could be produced quickly by our free-enterprise system.

The question is, will we allow that system, the most efficient in the world, to produce and conserve our way back to energy independence?

Second, because of years of bad federal defense policy, we can be intimidated by superior conventional, strategic, intelligence and civil-defense forces in the hands of our adversaries. This at a time when we could have vastly superior technological defense systems available to us.

The question is, will we allow ourselves to buy and train our way back to defense superiority?

Third, because of decades of excessive taxation, federal spending and over-regulation, we are being destroyed by inflation and foreign economic competition. This at a time when we have a capability for innovation and competition unmatched by any other society on Earth.

The question is, will we allow taxes, spending and regulation to be cut so that we can invest and produce our way back to economic stability?

Fourth and finally, because of three years of bad foreign policy, there is no reward for nations to be our friends and no penalty for nations to be our enemies. This at a time when freedom and the benefits of freedom are so obviously desired by all those who have known oppression.

The question is, will we find the intellectual and common-sense leaders who can think and act our way back to international respectability, leaders who can think and act beyond the limits of the dogma and demagoguery of the past?

Our enemy is not "big oil," it is a fear of American enterprise.

Our enemy is not "the Ayatollah," it is an unwillingness to be both strong and compassionate in the long term struggle between oppression and freedom.

At the same time that we must work in imaginative and principled ways to secure the release of the American hostages in Iran, we also must realize that the "Iranian specter," or something close to it will remain. The "Iranian specter" will remain until we become Americans again, in thought, in productivity and, most importantly, in dedication to the advancement of freedom.

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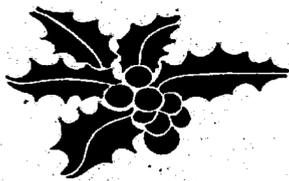
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# Pre-fab fireplaces cut fuel cost

When the chilling winds of the season nip the air outside, many homeowners make sure they have an adequate stockpile of wood for cozy evenings by the fireplace during the long winter months.

While enjoying the comfort and coziness a fire provides, some homeowners today can rely on their prefabricated fireplace to add heat to the home and to help conserve furnace fuel used for home heating.

This reassurance comes as a result of tests on prefabricated wood-burning fireplaces. These tests were witnessed by Pittsburgh Testing Laboratory (PILL), an independent testing laboratory.

The revolutionary fireplaces that help heat the home are called "energy-saving" fireplaces. They are designed to put significantly more heated air into the home than they take from the home.

In the past, homeowners were told that conventional masonry wood-burning fireplaces lose more heat than they produce.

These recent test results demonstrated that prefabricated "energy-saving" fireplaces can deliver more heated air to the interior of a home than they take from the home.

That means a reduction in the amount of conventional heating fuel needed while an average-size fire is burning in an "energy-saving" fireplace.

Such figures are averages, according to one fireplace manufacturer, and generally apply when outside temperatures are near 0°F, and when about two logs (12 lbs.) per hour are being burned.

At higher outside temperatures, the savings can be greater, of course, and at colder temperatures the savings are not as great.

The larger the fire, the more heat is provided to the home. For safety reasons, a fire should

not be any larger than that recommended by the manufacturer.

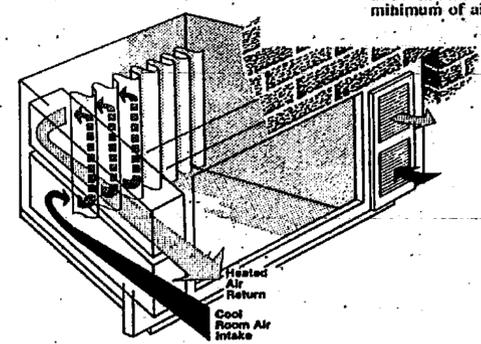
Screens should always be closed for safety, while a fire is burning. But glass doors should be left open in order to benefit from the full radiant heat of the fire.

Only when a fire fades to embers should glass doors be shut to prevent room air from going up the chimney through the open flue.

A prefabricated "energy-saving" fireplace has a separate air space behind the walls surrounding the fire.

Cool air from the room enters the air space, flows around the heated stainless steel walls of the firebox, and re-enters the room as warmed air. More air is heated and sent into the room than the fireplace takes from the room.

Standard pre-fab fireplaces, which do not have provisions for circulating heated air into the home, do not save as much home heating fuel as do "energy-saving" fireplaces.



SHOWN HERE is the flow of room air around an "energy-saving" fireplace. Cool room air is warmed by the fire and returned to the room to provide supplemental home heat.

Such fireplaces will provide about as much heat to a home as is lost from the home at 0°F outside temperature.

"On a really cold day, it's about a break-even proposition," says Dick E. Shoemaker, president of The Majestic Company, a fireplace manufacturer, in reference to the standard pre-fab fireplace.

When it is warmer than 0°F outside, even a standard pre-fab fireplace will provide more heat than it loses. But the savings are not as great as with an "energy-saver," according to the test results.

Such figures are not true of most typical masonry fireplaces, which do not have the sophisticated engineering and manufacturing precision of many prefabricated "energy-saving" fireplaces.

Masonry fireplaces often have over-sized flues which allow excess room air to escape up the chimney, but factory-built "energy-saving" fireplaces are engineered to produce maximum heat with a minimum of air loss.

# SENSE AND NONSENSE . . .

by U.S. Senator Pete Domenici

is money that belong to them...not the government.

By taking this action taxpayers won't be faced with such outrageously high taxes during this period of high inflation. It also means business will have more money which in turn will help spark our ailing economy and help bolster productivity.

Our proposal lost by a mere five votes...we were that close to doing something positive for people and for our economy. The band of congressional big spenders is getting smaller for slowly they are realizing that the power to tax also brings with it the power to destroy incentive and productivity.

Calvin Coolidge once said that collecting more taxes than is absolutely necessary amounts to legalized robbery, and "it seems evident our government is heading in that direction; we are robbing each and every one of you, and in return we are robbing our economy."

This past week Sens. William Roth (R-Del.), John Danforth (R-Mo.) and I tried to put an end to the legalized hold-up of the American taxpayer. We proposed an amendment to the so-called Windfall Profits Tax that would put a lid on the amount of taxes the federal government can collect in any given fiscal year.

Here are some hard facts. During the next four years our government will take in an estimated \$227 billion in new taxes, and that does not take into account one penny that may be generated by this windfall tax. This huge increase can be attributed to a dramatic rise in social security taxes, income taxes and the inflation tax caused by "bracket creep."

All this new tax money gives our government a veritable "blank check" with which to fund new programs, and I don't think that is what New Mexicans have in mind when they write me about how Congress ought to cut federal spending. Just when everybody is saying we have too much government, we'll be getting more because when Uncle Sam has too much tax money it burns a bigger hole in his pants.

The Roth-Danforth-Domenici proposal would have put that fire out. We proposed limiting the amount of tax the federal government can collect to all of our productivity or 19.5 percent of the Gross National Product by 1983. By limiting our tax intake we will be returning \$360 billion to taxpayers within four years; rightfully it

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## GREETINGS

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# Ecologist Monitors Snakes' Movements

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — When Dr. Bruce Means wants to find a snake, he listens for a beep instead of a rattle. And when he hears the beep, he heads out into the woods until he finds his rattlesnake, usually coiled up snoozing in a hole in the ground or in an old tree stump. Means records the snake's whereabouts and then gets on his way—often on motorcycle—to find the snake's whereabouts and then to find another snake.

The animals don't beep on their own, of course. They beep because Means has force-fed them battery-powered transmitters. By following their signals with an antenna and receiver, Means is learning the secrets of an often misunderstood snake—its eating and breeding habits and its uncanny ability to find its prey and a mate.

Shrinking Volleys  
"What was previously known about reptiles could be dropped in a thimble," Means said. There are about 70 species and subspecies of rattlers along, he said, but their shy ways and natural disguise make them hard to study.

The eastern diamondback rattler—the light and dark diamond-patterned snake Means is concentrating on—blends so well with its surroundings that even after telemetry has led him to the place a snake is hiding, it can take several minutes for him to the place a snake is hiding, it can take several minutes for him to spot it.

Means, a 38-year-old ecologist, is director of Tall Timbers Research Station, a private organization for ecological studies.

A lush former plantation on the Florida Georgia border, Tall Timbers is an ideal location to track the eastern diamondback, whose range spans the open, forests from coastal North Carolina to eastern Louisiana.

Growing to an average length of 5 feet and an average weight of 6 to 7 pounds, the eastern diamondback is the largest, heaviest poisonous snake in the country. It can weigh as much as 16 pounds.

It is, also the most dangerous snake, releasing a very large and unusually toxic dose of venom when it strikes. More deaths result from the bite of the eastern diamondback, a pit viper, than any other snake in the United States.

### Split Personality

Like most poisonous snakes, the eastern diamondback has a Dr. Jekyll-Mr. Hyde personality," Means said. "They are usually very shy and docile, but when trod upon, they become frightened and go into an aggressive defense behavior. They coil up, begin to rattle, and strike."

So why get cozy with rattlesnakes? Means came to study them by way of the salamander.

"I'm very much in love with a certain kind of salamander," he said. But difficulty in marking it for identification defeated his attempts to study that animal. Rattlesnakes, a

reptile scientists knew even less about, took its place. Means' study, which is more than three years old, is partly funded by the National Geographic Society.

He soon found that snakes have a reputation not wholly deserved. Their image as a fierce aggressor probably is a holdover from man's tribal days, the scientist suggested, when people generalized about dangers to protect themselves. The use of snakes as a symbol of evil in religion and mythology hasn't helped. "I find beauty in them as part of nature," he said.

Swallowing prejudices about snakes wasn't difficult for Means. Designing a transmitter small enough for a snake to swallow was.

His technique now is to anesthetize each snake, mark it for identification, and then, using forceps, slide the paraffin-coated transmitter down the animal's throat and into its stomach, where it is held in place by muscles. After the snake is released, it can be tracked about six months before the transmitter is passed out of its body or regurgitated.

So far he has followed 75 snakes, 28 of them with telemetry.

One Turns on Him  
He'll never forget a 3½ foot eastern diamondback he was working with in September 1976 in the days before he used anesthetic to calm his snakes. As he tried to measure the snake in the laboratory Means was bitten on the finger. He collapsed within five minutes and soon lost temporary control of his legs and arms.

After he had 30 units of antivenin at a hospital, nine days of hospital treatment, and several months of convalescence, he recovered. He says snakes made him a little nervous for a while, but he got over it.

"My love for snakes did not change," he said. "I knew it was a hazard of the job."

There have been other troubles. Foul-ups with batteries not powerful enough to transmit a wandering snake's signals have forced Means to search days for a single snake. Recently he lost track of three of 12 of his animals in the field, apparently because of battery failure. Other snakes, such as No. 39, have been more reliable.

"No. 39 is my sweetheart," he said. "I know everything she's done in the last year." Numbers 38 and 69 have provided some good data, too. They each gave birth last year, and Means was on hand to observe and photograph it.

The scientist has discovered that instead of breeding in the spring, as had been believed, the eastern diamondback breeds in late summer, the season it bears young. An average of 14 babies are born live.

The eastern diamondback apparently has a keen memory and sense of navigation, Means has found. A snake might travel as far as a mile from its "home base" and then return, often by a roundabout route.

Means also has found that the snakes overwinter at the same site

from year to year, usually in a stump hole or burrow of a tortoise. There they spend November through February, without eating.

"A rattlesnake could coast a year on its fat reserve," he said.

Fangs Like Needles  
When they do eat, they choose their meals from the rat, mouse, rabbit, and squirrel populations.

Waiting until its prey is within striking distance, the snake stabs it with its needle-like fangs and injects venom, which comes from a gland behind the eye. The prey dies quickly and is swallowed whole.

What fascinates Means and other

scientists at Tall Timbers is how a rattlesnake finds its prey, a mate, or anything else it wants. To study this, the researchers have erected a snake pen deep in the woods, where they watch the snakes kill and devour rats.

After a rat is struck, the researchers have observed, it scurries to a distant corner of the pen and dies. Several minutes later the snake unerringly follows the precise path of the rat, even crossing fresher trails of other rats to get its meal.

One hypothesis is that the snake is "sniffing out" the rat with its tongue, which catches odor particles on the

ground. After picking up a particle, the snake slides its tongue into a small receptacle on the roof of its mouth to

identify the odor. Means believes this tracking ability might also help rattlesnakes find mates.



## Caster Commissioned

LIEUTENANT HONORED—Paul R. Caster (left) has been commissioned by LTC William Robinson, senior associate professor of military science at Eastern New Mexico University, a second lieutenant (active duty), Adjutant General

Corps. Caster is a 1975 graduate of McCurdy High School and is the son of Mrs. June A. Caster of Carrizozo. A graduate student, he majored in political science at Eastern and minored in military science. (Photo by ENMU)

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Apr. 20 - May 20  
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- GEMINI**  
May 21 - June 20  
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- CANCER**  
June 21 - July 21  
An acquaintance can become a friend. Their wit and charm wins you over. It will endure.
- LEO**  
July 22 - Aug. 22  
Make the rounds of the theatre and social gathering, merry times are in store all this week.
- VIRGO**  
Aug. 23 - Sept. 22  
A short trip helps to relieve the pain. Enjoy it, but don't become morose. Better things are in store.
- LIBRA**  
Sept. 23 - Oct. 22  
Sometimes it's hard to let go of the apron strings, but children do grow and so must you.
- SCORPIO**  
Oct. 23 - Nov. 21  
Pouting doesn't solve the problem. Face up to whatever is causing the friction, it's the only answer.
- SAGITTARIUS**  
Nov. 22 - Dec. 21  
Progress is the watchword this week. Nothing will be able to tie you down. Give it all you've got.
- CAPRICORN**  
Dec. 22 - Jan. 19  
It's a good time to consolidate the gains you've made in the past month. Your instinct stands you in good stead.
- AQUARIUS**  
Jan. 20 - Feb. 18  
Try to restrain the impulse to spend. Your budget has just about had it. Some things are unnecessary.
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