

County Gives 90 Days For A New ETZ Ordinance

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners are giving 90 days for the Lincoln County-Ruidoso Extraterritorial Zone Commission to come up with a new draft of the Extraterritorial Zoning Ordinance or they will dissolve the Extraterritorial Zone.

The 90-day mandate came at the end of a four hour special meeting held Thursday, Sept. 9 in the county commission chambers in Carrizozo.

About two-thirds of the people at the meeting were there in favor of the ETZ. However, when county commissioner Maury St. John asked for a show of hands of those who lived in the one-mile ETZ, only about half raised their hands.

The common issue with all who spoke about the ETZ, whether pro or con, was the ETZ ordinance, originally adopted in 1983 and amended four times with the last time being in 1999, needs to be updated.

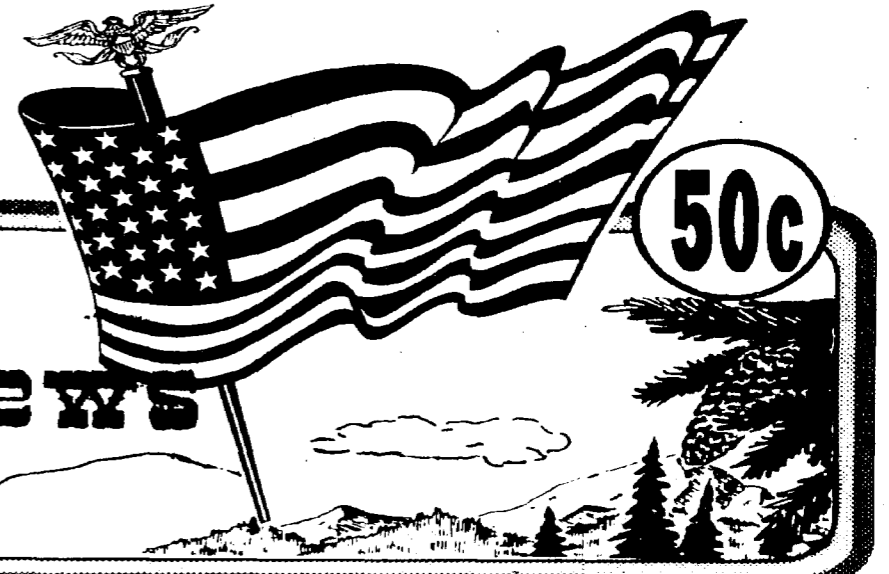
County commission chair Rex Wilson did not want another "re-write" of the old ordinance. Instead he called for an entire new ETZ ordinance or drop the ETZ. By the end of the special meeting, nearly all county commissioners agreed on the need for a new draft ETZ ordinance.

Problems with the ETZ have come before the county commission many times. But recently two events made county commissioners consider abolishing the ETZ. In July, the Village of Ruidoso

requested the county provide \$25,000 a year to help cover the cost of administering the ETZ. Then in August, ETZ businessman, and former Ruidoso village inspector,

J.R. Barrington came to a regular county commission meeting with complaints on how the Ruidoso Planning

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GOOD CROWD BUT NOT OVERFLOWING. Many people attended the special county commission meeting to speak their minds about the Extraterritorial Zone, but the room was not to overcapacity as some had predicted. Some at the meeting said more people would have attended had the special meeting been held in Ruidoso, especially since it was held on a "work night".

Street By Football Field To Be Closed During Games

by Doris Cherry

Carrizozo's 10th Street between B and C Avenues will be closed during home football games to prevent traffic congestion and to increase gate sales.

Carrizozo Town Trustees during their regular meeting Tuesday, September 14, approved a request from Carrizozo School Superintendent Sergio Castanon to close the one-block portion of 10th Street that is on the south side of the football field during home games. Police chief Angelo Vega said Castanon, who was not at the meeting, had contacted him about closing the street because of the traffic congestion. Trustee Wes Lindsay said another problem is people are watching the games from their cars and not paying to get into the gate. "I think we need to close the street to traffic because the school is losing money," Lindsay said.

Someone at the meeting suggested the school charge money for people to park in that portion of the street.

Lindsay made the motion to close the street during home games, which was seconded and carried unanimously.

At long last the new town sewer project is ready to go to construction bid. Rob Richardson, engineer on the town sewer project, said all that is needed now is the finalized agreement with rancher Stirling Spencer to allow irrigation of Spencer's land with the treated effluent from the sewer plant.

The design of the facility is based on the use of the treated waste water, Richardson

said. He said they are developing a second option for use of the treated effluent if Spencer does not finalize the agreement. The option consists of requesting the State Land Office allow the town to use additional state land for the distribution of the treated waste water. The new sewer site is located on state land.

Once the agreement with Spencer, or with the state land office, is received and approved by the Rural Utilities Services (RUS) Richardson said his firm will advertise for bids for the project.

Plans are to advertise in Ruidoso, Las Cruces and Albuquerque newspapers. A pre-bid conference is scheduled for September 30 with the actual opening of the bids set for the afternoon of October 12. Richardson said he will have a verbal report for trustees at their regular meeting that night.

A special meeting will be needed to award the project bid, Richardson said. Once awarded, Richardson said he

will notify RUS in writing.

Trustee Eileen Lovelace asked how long it will take from the awarding of the bid until construction can start. Richardson said about 45 days once RUS recognizes the awarding of the bid. Once RUS gives approval of the construction bid, RUS will hold a grant closing ceremony on December 2. Richardson added, "The grant closure represents the first distribution of grant money to the town and the contractor," Richardson said.

Town wastewater/water supervisor Rick Greigo said he likes the plans for the new sewer facility.

An audience member asked if the effluent to be irrigated on the Spencer land will have potential to contaminate shallow wells in the area. The person said his well is only 40 feet deep.

Richardson said the plan is to locate the new sewer treatment facility about two and a half miles southwest of the

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National Public Lands Day Observed Saturday, Sept. 18 At Valley of Fires

A new tent pad making camping accessible to disabled visitors will be created at Valley of Fires Recreation Area three miles west of Carrizozo on Highway 380 on Saturday, Sept. 18 as one of three projects in observance of National Public Lands Day (NPLD).

The Bureau of Land Management's Roswell District Office will sponsor the three projects at the Valley of Fires Recreation Area. Trees will be planted, rock lined trails will be re-built, a tent pad for the handicapped to use will be built and a general clean up of the area will take place. Volunteers will receive a free lunch, a free tee-shirt, (handed out to the first 125 volunteers) and a one day pass good until next year to any National Park or BLM fee demonstration site.

Volunteers will also achieve pride in giving back to their public lands. Volunteers also be gaining the physical exercise that comes from a day full of cleaning up, clearing, and construction activity. After the work, play will consist of volleyball and horseshoe games and a guided tour of the mal pais lava flow. Girl Scouts from the Zia Council will provide the lunches and some of the expected volunteer work force.

To volunteer or for more

local information contact the Roswell Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management at 627-0272 or the Valley of Fires at 648-2241. BLM needs a count of how many lunches to prepare.

This will be the 11th annual National Public Lands Day and thousands of Americans will take part in hundreds of activities coast to coast. In what has become the largest volunteer hands-on effort of its kind in the country, the participants will lend a hand to the very lands they use to hike, bike, climb, explore, picnic, or just plain relax.

One of every three acres of land in the U.S. "600 million acres in all" belongs to the American people. Since 1994, National Public Lands Day has increasingly demonstrated American's concern for their lands. The first event was sponsored by three federal agencies and attracted 700 volunteers to three sites. Last year, nearly 80,000 volunteers, their community partners, and numerous federal, state and local agencies contributed \$10 million in improvements at 550 public parks, monuments, wildlife refuges, forests and grasslands, marine sanctuaries, lakes and reservoirs. The workers built or refurbished 500 miles of trails, constructed 60 bridges and 100

other structures, planted 6,600 trees and 15,200 other plants, cleared nearly 60,000 pounds of invasive plants, and removed close to two million pounds of trash.

"From east to west, north to south, thousands of volunteers help preserve and protect America's natural treasures on National Public Lands Day," said NPLD Director Patti Pride. "The number of Americans joining the effort grows dramatically every year. It shows just how committed the public is to caring for the lands they cherish and enjoy."

Federal agency sponsors of NPLD are US Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of Defense, Environmental Protection Agency, US Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, Tennessee Valley Authority, and USDA Forest Service. Other participants include numerous state and local agencies, as well as nonprofit organizations such as the National Parks Conservation Association, International Mountain Bicycling Association, Boy Scouts of America, and Girl Scouts of the USA.

By educating volunteers at work sites across the country, National Public Lands Day

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Carrizozo Chamber To Elect New Officers In November

Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce will hold election of the 2005 officers at its October meeting.

Gail Majors, chair of the chamber nominating committee, made the nominations for the 2005 slate of chamber officers during the Carrizozo Chamber meeting held September 14 at Four Winds Restaurant.

Majors said current cham-

ber president Van Shamblin has declined to run again for president. As such the committee was nominating Dean Lollar as president.

Current vice-president Scott Shafer, secretary Korena Walker and treasurer Donna Harkey have all agreed to serve in their offices for 2005, Majors said. Corresponding secretary Jim Mack has also declined to serve another year, so the nominating committee has nominated Gay Speirbhain as corresponding secretary.

Additional nominations will be taken from the floor at the October meeting, which will be held at noon on Tuesday, October 12 at Four Winds Restaurant.

Majors also reported on the Christmas "train" light display, which has been ordered. Because the order was placed early, the chamber will receive a \$1,000 discount, Majors said. Arrangements have been made with Otero County Electric Cooperative to store the "train" display with the other large public Christmas decorations, she added. The chamber has \$2,604 in an account for the train display.

On the afternoon of Sunday, October 24, Frank Walker will conduct an auc-

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RUIDOSO VILLAGE COUNCILOR Ron Harde-man appeals to the Lincoln County Commission to retain the Extraterritorial Zoning Ordinance and ET Zone during the special meeting on September 9 in Carrizozo to consider the ETZ.

County Gives 90 Days

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Department was unfairly imposing rules on his flea market business located on Highway 70 west in the ETZ.

Barrington was allowed to speak at length several times during the special meeting, telling the history of his ownership of the flea market business in the ETZ and his problems with the Ruidoso planning department. Barrington said problems arose because he did not think he had changed the nature of the business from its previous proprietors which to him "grandfathered" that use for that location, and because the ETZ Ordinance does not address flea markets, resulting in making up of rules to fill the gaps.

When Wilson opened the public comment period of the special meeting, first to speak was Bill Boyle, president of Alto Lake Property Owners Association. He said his group met that day and were "diametrically opposed" to the dissolution of the ETZ. He suggested the ETZ Authority (ETZA) should meet more often than it does now, which is on an

as-needed basis.

County commissioner Earl Hobbs, who serves on the ETZA, explained the group has met twice since he has been a member, both times to hear appeals to decisions made by the ETZ Commission. County commissioner Maury St. John is the other county commission member on the ETZA. Ruidoso village councilor Ron Harde- man is the village representa- tive. The composition of the ETZA is set by state law.

Harde- man, who was pres- ent at the special meeting as Ruidoso Mayor Pro Tem, said the village values the ETZ for the fast growing ar- eas in the county. Harde- man then offered a proposal that Ruidoso take all financial responsibility for adminis- tering the ETZ. "In the future we will not ask the county for funds to administer the ETZ," Harde- man added.

Harde- man then said Ruidoso planning director Chay Rennie was at the meeting to answer questions.

Ken McCloud, who lives in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Es- tates, favored the ETZ to

help control development. He said restrictive covenants on subdivisions are only as good as enforcement and in his area there is no home owner association to enforce their covenants.

Ruidoso resident Bob Holl- is was against the ETZ. He said he was involved with bringing Planning and Zoning to Ruidoso, which was adopted in order to get fed- eral funding, but it had a dif- ferent attitude then. Now the village planning department has a different attitude and rights are being taken away, he said. As an example he said people are not allowed to have horses, or metal buildings in Ruidoso.

Frank Higgins, a member of the ETZ Commission, said there are serious problems with the ETZ ordinance. "It is out of date and not written for our area and people have tried over the years to re- write it," Higgins said. "The ETZ commission can't do it without legal help and that costs some money."

Higgins said the ETZ needs to be fixed with input from all affected. "People who made serious investments in the ETZ area want to know the game rules," he said.

Harry Noble, a resident in the ETZ one mile zone, was against the ETZ. He said his major problem is he cannot vote in the Ruidoso elec- tions, yet he spends his money and pays taxes in Ruidoso. "I fail to understand why Ruidoso has the say on what I can do on my property that I paid for," Noble said.

Higgins explained the ETZ Commission, which has three county appointed members and three appointed by the Ruidoso village council and one appointed at large, re- ports to the ETZ Authority.

"So you do elect those who appoint the ETZ members," Higgins said.

Higgins also defended hav- ing the administration of the ETZ by Ruidoso. He said this was done in part for conve- nience for those living in the ETZ and because Ruidoso has staff in place. "The coun- ty tried to administer it but it didn't work," Higgins said.

Noble said he should not have to go through Ruidoso to do things on his property within the ETZ. When Ren- nick tried to tell Noble that he does not have to go through the Ruidoso Village planning department, Wilson cut him short and allowed Barrington to come back to the podium and speak.

Barrington said there is a misconception that people with ETZ problems can go before the ETZ Commission. "First you have to get past the chair of the P&Z, which can be a very, very difficult thing," Barrington said. He said he tried to submit a re- quest to appear before the ETZ Commission three times.

Kye Brown, a resident of Ruidoso in an area adjoining the ETZ, said she looks down on Gavilan Canyon and for about five years she has been upset about the development in the canyon which is in the county.

Brown said she has submit- ted a request to the New Mexico Attorney General to settle the argument on which entity--the county or the vil- lage--has the right to abolish the ETZ.

Brown presented a petition with about 300 signatures on it requesting the county com- mission keep the ETZ and address the problems with the ETZ ordinance.

County attorney Alan Mor- rel said the last amendment to the ETZ ordinance in 1999 gave authority for either the county or Ruidoso to give 60 day notice of intent to abol- ish the ETZ.

Once again Barrington spoke of his problems with the Ruidoso planning depart- ment in dealing with his flea market business in the ETZ. Flea markets are not ad- dressed under the current ETZ ordinance and amend- ments. "It's not the (ETZ) ordinance that hurts," Barrington said. "It's the rules being made up as we go."

Rennick finally explained why the planning depart- ment was requiring an engineering survey and other things aris- ing over how Barrington's business and property would be connected to the Ruidoso main sewer line.

Wilson asked Rennick if the ETZ ordinance requires an engineer's report. Rennick said the ETZ ordinances does not, however it requires a list of reports from officials as necessary. "One of these was the sewer director who re- quested the engineer's re- port," Rennick added.

Lonnie Loudin, a new resi- dent to Ruidoso who lives next to the ETZ, said he be- lieves the ETZ serves the purpose and should be im- proved by better rules. "Be- cause the county (ETZ) has a great capacity for being a serious eyesore," Loudin added.

Carl Kelly Jr., former ETZ Commission member, said there are a lot of problems

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Friday, September 5, 1924

"If the Election is Thrown into Congress" And-- IF BOTH CHAMBERS ARE DEADLOCKED, then what?

By John Dickson Sherman

PARTY managers are promising political excitement galore this fall. They have programmed a bitter Presidential campaign, a tremendous vote, a Coolidge and Dawes Avalanche, A Davis and Bryan Landslide and a LaFollette and Wheeler Upheaval.

But suppose there isn't any avalanche or any landslide and the upheaval upheaves just enough to prevent a choice in the electoral college and throw the election into congress. Then there will be something exciting.

For it is then quite within the possibilities that both the house and the senate should be dead-locked over the election and that -- for the first time since April 30, 1780 -- there should be no President-elect or vice president-elect to take the oath of office March 4, 1925.

This is not a political screed, but a puzzle story. Here are the facts. Puzzle the thing out in your own way.

There are 531 votes in the electoral college and 266 are necessary for a choice. Suppose -- for the sake of argument -- that LaFollette carries at least five states with 30 electoral votes and that the remaining 492 votes are so evenly divided between Coolidge and Davis that neither has 266. Then under the Constitution the election of a President goes to the house and the election of a vice president goes to the senate. This is the suppositional case in a nutshell. And -- politics being far from an exact science -- there is nothing unreasonable about it.

LaFollette's opponents in both of the major parties concede him the chance of carrying Wisconsin (13), Minnesota (12), North Dakota (5), South Dakota (5) and Montana (4), total, 30 electoral votes.

Coolidge is generally conceded 15 states, with 142 electoral votes.

Davis is generally conceded the "Solid South" of 12 states with 139 electoral votes. It is more or less assumed that Davis will carry West Virginia (8) and that Bryan will carry Nebraska (8), total, 155.

The result in the remaining 14 states with their 195 electoral votes -- including the big ones like Illinois (29), Indiana (15), Missouri (18), New York (45) and Ohio (24) -- is on the knees of the gods.

If LaFollette gets enough electoral votes to block election in the electoral college, the house will proceed to ballot for President February 11, 1925. The twelfth amendment to the Constitution provides that each state shall have one vote, a majority of the delegation determining that vote. A quorum consists of a member or members from two-thirds of the states and a majority of all the states (25) is necessary for a choice.

The present house is so made up that a dead- lock is not at all improbable. There are 23 Republican delegations, and 20 Democratic. Five delegations -- those of Maryland, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire and New Jersey are evenly divided and therefore presumably unable to vote. Wisconsin, nominally one of the 23 Republican states, would presumably vote for LaFollette. So, to win, Coolidge would have to get three of the deadlocked states and Davis would have to get all of the five.

Incidentally, here is evidence that the LaFol- lette managers have long been preparing for this situation. In June the house settled a seat contest between two claimants from New York: Bloom, Democrat, and Chandler, Republican. The con-

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ENMU Community Forum To Be Held Sept. 23 In Capitan

Eastern New Mexico University at Ruidoso is holding a community forum at 6-8:30 p.m. Thursday, September 23 at Capitan School.

The forum is to give opportunity for residents to review, comment upon and finalize the draft Capitan-based plan to help people in the rural Capitan area go to college. Copies of the draft plan will be available at the forum.

According to a press release, ENMU-Ruidoso is working through a collaborative of 34 rural colleges across the United States and the Ford Foundation on three rural community college initiatives. These initiatives seek to remove existing barriers to attending college, create wealth by expanding higher paid jobs and increase civic engagement to improve the lives of Lincoln County and Mesalero residents.

In September 2003, ENMU-Ruidoso held its first meeting with Capitan residents to develop a draft plan for Capitan to locally meet these three goals. Since then, other Capitan residents have

contributed additional ideas on how to achieve these goals. These ideas have been compiled into the draft plan. Comments and ideas offered at the September 23

forum will be considered for the final plan which is to be implemented beginning in November.

Refreshments will be served at the forum.

For more information, or to offer a comment or idea about the plan, call Jim Miller at 257-2120 (or toll free 1-800-934-3668) or Bob Hemphill at 505-648-2500.

MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS
--Carrizozo School Library open for public use, 5-7 p.m.

FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS
--Jalayne Spivey of the District II Office of the State Engineer is at Ruidoso Village Hall from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.
--Fibromyalgia Syndrome Support Group meets every third Tuesday, 6 p.m. K-Bob's in Ruidoso. Call 354-3046 for more information.

TUESDAYS
--Capitan Public Library preschool reading hour at 1 p.m.
--Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m. Carrizozo First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.
--Crossfire Youth Group, 6:30-8 p.m. Trinity Baptist Church in Capitan. For junior and senior high school age youth.

WEDNESDAYS
--Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m. Capitan Senior Citizens Center.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
--National Public Lands Day at Valley of Fires Recreation Area three miles west of Carrizozo. Call 505-648-2241 for information.
--Ruidoso Hispano Chamber of Commerce 16th of September Mexican Independence Day celebration 10 a.m. until afternoon at School House Park on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso.
--Tiger varsity football v. Ruidoso JV, 2 p.m. kick off in Tiger Stadium on Capitan School.
--Grizzly varsity football v. Estancia, 5 p.m. kick off at Laabs Field on Carrizozo School.
--Lincoln County Historical Society presentation by Hollis Fuchs about Dowlin's Mill, 7 p.m. Hubbard Museum of the American West in Ruidoso Downs.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
--"Mama Grizzlies" booster club for Carrizozo Grizzly athletes 5 p.m. in the community room of Otero County Electric Cooperative office on 12th Street in Carrizozo. All mothers of Grizzly athletes welcome to attend. For information contact Deborah Ventura at 648-2330. Group plans to meet every Sunday at 5 p.m. at the OCEC building.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20
--Ruidoso-Lincoln County Extraterritorial Zone Commission meets at 6:30 p.m. in Ruidoso Village Hall.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21
--Lincoln County Commission regular meeting, 8:30 a.m. commission chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo. Tentative agenda includes discussion of draft Ruidoso Downs Extraterritorial Zone Ordinance, bid award for San Patricio fire station, proposed study of Lincoln County Medical Center alternatives, continuation of USGS Water Research discussion, PLURAAC report, consideration of scheduling public hearing on the Lincoln Historic Preservation Ordinance. Copies of the finalized agenda will be available from county manager's office the day before the meeting.
--Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission 2 p.m. village hall.
--Carrizozo Board of Education meets at 6 p.m. in the school administration office.
--Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas board meets at 6 p.m. at the CCNG office in Capitan.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
--Free FireWise Workshop, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sgt. Willy Estrada Memorial Civic Center at 800 E. First Street in Alamogordo.
--Special meeting of the Alto Lakes Special Zoning District 9 a.m. in the Sierra Room in the Alto Lake Golf and Country Club house.
--ENMU-Ruidoso Forum to take comments on a draft plan to help people in the Capitan area attend college, 6-8:30 p.m. Capitan School multipurpose room.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
--Precinct 3 Democrats Enchilada Dinner, 4:30-7 p.m. Capitan Senior Center. Tickets \$5 a plate, take out available. Call 354-2673, 354-4316 or 354-2329 to purchase advance tickets. Some tickets will be available at the door. Local Democratic candidates will be at the dinner.

Street By Football

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current sewer facility. The new sewer facility will treat the wastewater before it is allowed to be used for effluent irrigation of about 60 acres of private ranch land located next to the lava flow. Richardson said in their testing of the site they found no ground water above 60 feet. There are no houses or people living near the site, which is one reason it was chosen.

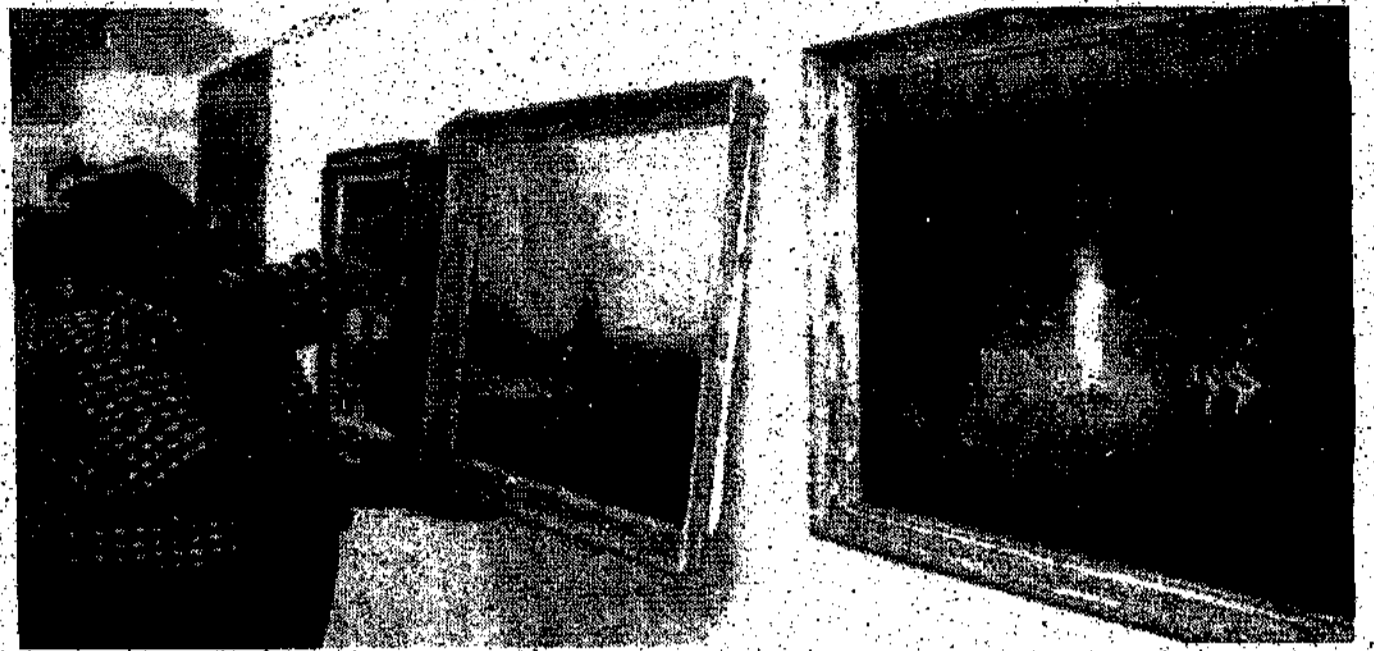
Also during the meeting Griego reported that the City of Alamogordo has shut off the Bonito Lake water because the lake is so low. The city has reduced the water flow in the Bonito pipeline from 12,000 gallons per minute to 600 gallons per minute. Griego said, "We only use 160 gallons per minute," he added. "And we have been asked to reduce our use." He then asked permission to purchase and install an electronic shut off system for the wells and tanks.

Griego said it will cost about \$3,000 to wire the two tanks, which should be recovered by savings on the electric bill for the pumps.

Town clerk Leann Weibrecht said the town budgeted \$5,000 for such a project but does not currently have the money.

After more discussion, the mayor directed Griego to meet with Weibrecht to come up with a plan to pay for the system and report at the next meeting.

Griego also presented a proposal for a residential tiered water rate structure which is higher than what is being paid now. He said town residents are paying too little for water compared to other municipalities the same size and the rates need to be adjusted in order to provide enough money help pay for the water system and its needs.



WHITE OAKS ARTIST
Bob Raynierson hangs his paintings in the hallway of the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo in the continuing series of art displays in the courthouse. Raynierson's paintings will hang in the courthouse for two months.

Obituary

CONNIE HOPPER
Memorial service for Connie Hopper, 61, of Carrizozo, will be tomorrow, Friday, Sept. 17 at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Carrizozo. She died September 10 at her home. She was born April 20, 1943 in Roswell.

Connie was a police officer from 1973 to 1990. She was the first female police officer for the Roswell Police Department. She also worked for the Ruidoso Downs, Ruidoso and Lincoln County in law enforcement. She retired as the Emergency Coordinator for Lincoln County.

She is survived by two daughters, Kristi K. Hopper of Albuquerque and Sherri L. Hopper of Globe, AZ; sister Carol Burk of San Rayburn, TX; brother Jerry Burk and his wife Sharon of Yakima, WA, and seven grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Kyro Hopper.

Arrangements are under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

National Public Lands Day

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maintains the legacy of the Civilian Conservation Corps, an army of three million Americans who in the 1930s countered the devastation of the Dust Bowl and the American chestnut blight by planting more than three billion trees, building bridges and state parks, and fighting forest fires.

For more information, including a list of National Public Lands Day sites, activities, contacts, and downloadable photos, go to www.npld.com

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THOUGHTS
FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Is football your favorite sport?

By Ruth Hammond

The professional football season as well as regulation play for high schools and colleges began recently. This is the annual season when many men become attuned only to football. They can tell you the scores and big plays in their favorite games, but they often don't pay attention to what nearby people say if it doesn't relate to football.

One man was heard to say to his family a few weeks ago, "If you have anything to say, say it now. Football season is starting." Apparently football has precedence over everything else in the man's life. And he didn't even play football when he was in school, he was a watcher.

Listening to football fans you might think that football is the national sport. Not true, we keep being told that baseball is the national sport, though Nascar and other stock car racing events are quickly gaining in that area.

Evidently men like to watch as other guys pound on each other trying to get the football across the goal line. These guys at home seldom play touch football and don't often go to a pro or college game, yet they are experts.

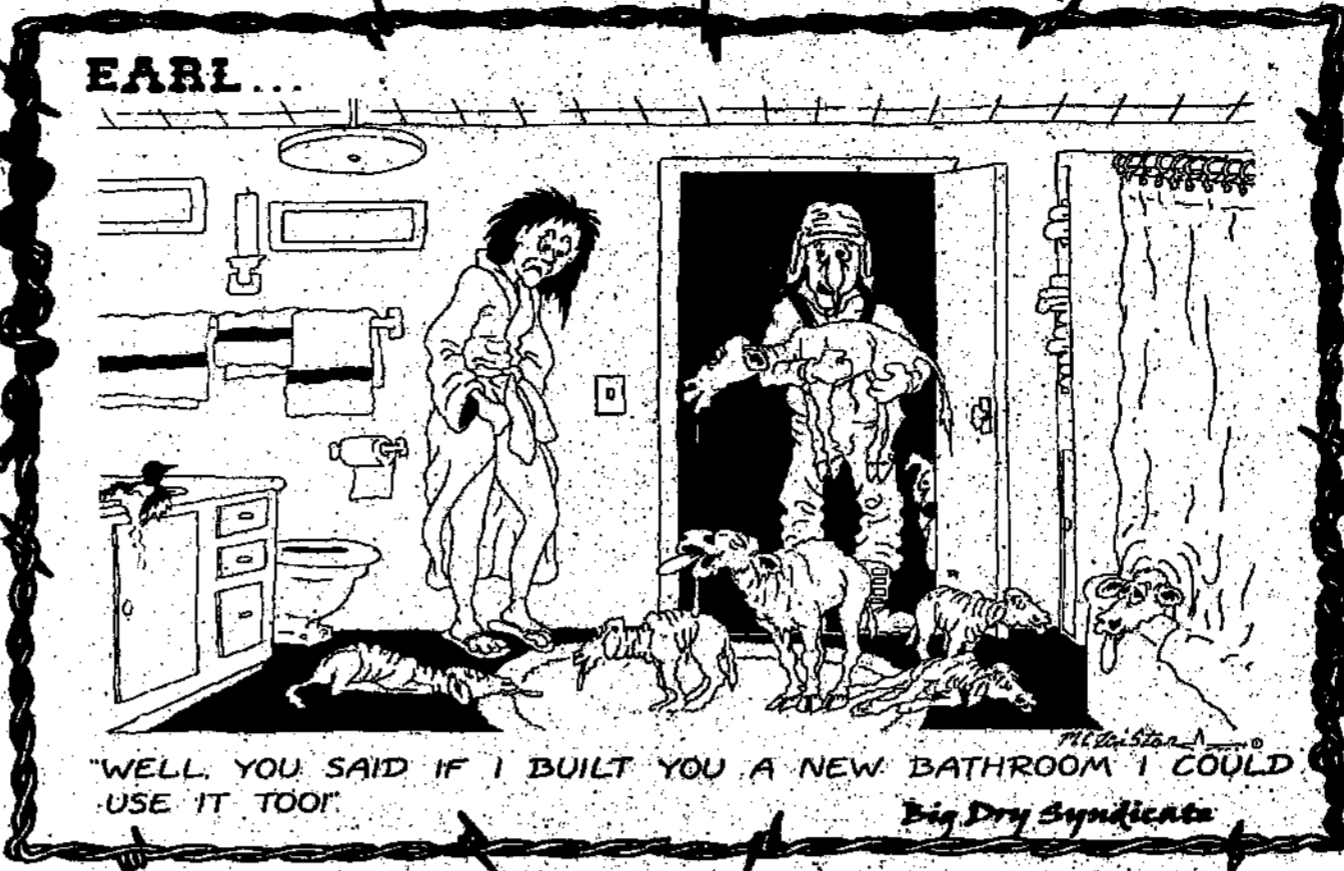
Really now, wouldn't it be nice if they could get paid for knowing which plays will work at crucial times in the game? And wouldn't it be nice if they got paid for the armchair refereeing they do? And shouldn't their families be compensated for the time the men are mesmerized by the sport of football? And why doesn't someone explain why it is called football when feet are seldom involved.

Actually soccer players use their feet to kick the ball more than football players do, but football fascinates guys and grabs their attention in ways no other sport can do.

Not all guys are football fanatics, but there are more football fanatics than necessary. When a guy can tell you the roster of a football team but can't remember how old his children are, it is probably football. When a guy can't remember his own phone number but knows the numbers of the players on his favorite team, it is probably football. When a guy forgets to put pushmoline in the vehicle but remembers highlights of overtime, it is probably football.

Considering the enthusiasm for football, it might be a good idea for politicians to wear football gear while they are campaigning this fall. Instead of wrangling with their opponents, they could get the attention of voters who are football fans, by wearing pads, helmets and knee pads.

Even if politicians don't deck out in football gear, the campaign season is here. And candidates probably know that some people will keep one eye on football while they listen to campaign speeches. And some candidates know that some people will listen to what candidates have to say, and read candidate's ads in the Lincoln County News and will vote they way they should. Football may be the most popular sport, but nothing will beat campaigning.



"WELL, YOU SAID IF I BUILT YOU A NEW BATHROOM I COULD USE IT TOO!"
Big Dry Syndicate

Inside the Capitol
by JAY MILLER



SANTA FE -- The three sheriffs carrying out the Billy the Kid Case Caper may not always have impressed New Mexicans with their thinking, but they have made New Mexicans think.

For example, people have had to decide if they cared whether Garrett shot the Kid, since the lawmen were saying he didn't. But what got me to thinking was just what do officers of the law owe their communities as a part of their jobs?

And that same question seems to have gotten the Fort Sumner people thinking, since after a year of watching their De Baca County Sheriff Gary Graves running all over New Mexico trying to dig up bodies dead over a hundred years in the pursuit of a murderer dead 96 years, they seem to have had their fill. They are in the process of having him recalled.

At least his two pals in this endeavor, Sheriff Tom Sullivan and Mayor of Capitan Steve Sederwall, who seems to go by the nick name "Deputy Sheriff" (since it is unclear that he is a real one) at times claimed that they were performing their antics to promote tourism in Lincoln County, or maybe in all of New Mexico.

The tourism claims were made when they were asked why they were spending taxpayer money on a criminal investigation of a 123-year-old murder. Tourism Secretary Mike Cerletti confirmed to me that there was no state tourism money involved, but at least the sheriffs' motives sounded good-hearted.

But what about Sheriff Graves' motives? Since the whole basis of the Billy the Kid Case evidently is to prove that Garrett did not shoot the Kid, it would mean that Fort Sumner's tourist pitch "We've got the Kid" would have to be changed to "We've got the unknown cowboy."

Somehow I don't think that will fly. Even though law enforcement has nothing to do with economic development or tourism, at least his two compadres are staying on the right side of the tracks. But it was pretty clear to Fort Sumner residents that where Graves was heading was economic destruction, since their village depends on Billy the Kid tourism.

And when I looked at his use of public money for the Billy the Kid

case, he was suspiciously billing his taxpayers for two different phones and gas for his infamous county vehicle called the "Golden Nugget" while his route took him and it all the way to Silver City for the Billy case hearing there last December 8.

His county commissioners wrote a unanimously signed letter opposing exhumation. Apparently they could think of better uses for their tax dollars. For example, one could guess that they were thinking about crime control since he was their Sheriff.

Also Graves has been very secretive about his own separate filing of the Billy the Kid Case in his De Baca County Sheriff's Department. He never even answered my request for a copy, and as far as I can gather, I'm not alone in being given the cold shoulder.

What does he think he is hiding? Or like Sheriff Tom Sullivan in Lincoln County, is he worrying that his "murder investigation" will be interfered with if word gets out to Garrett that they're after him?

Maybe I'm old fashioned or maybe I've watched too many cowboy movies. I thought a sheriff was the good guy who rescues people in distress (live ones) and then rides off into the sunset because he wasn't looking for anything in return -- such as book and movie deals.

Gov. Bill Richardson's Attorney Bill Robins claimed he could speak for the dead Billy the Kid in New Mexico courts of law to help the sheriffs win their nonsensical case.

Maybe the lesson is that you couldn't mess with Billy alive and it's just as risky to mess with him dead. Because the only grave Graves seems to have been digging this past year is his own political one.



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Virgo (Aug 23 - Sept 22) Back up, step aside, because your life is about to change without notice. Get ready, get jiggy, just do what you know you have to do to make this sail smoothly. Don't allow your ego to get in the way. Have a little heart.

Libra (Sept 22 - Oct 22) A new job? Moving? Starting a new life? Something new is in the air. Take charge of the situation and find out the best way possible to make the most of it. Money could be coming in by different ways.

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21) It's up to you to make the next move. Make sure you do it the way you would want someone else to do it to you. Feelings are not facts, so get the facts straight before letting your feelings take hold. Get more rest.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21) This could be a very touchy time, so don't spoil the moment by saying something that you might regret later on. Smile and watch for others reaction. You'll soon learn you don't have to do anything but be happy.

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19) Someone close to you is trying to reach out and get your attention. Don't bother talking to them unless you really have loving feelings. They might read something into you being friendly, instead of being understanding.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18) Money? Love? You don't have too much to lose, so don't bet something that you may not get in return. Sit down and find out just how much you can spend, with love or money. The best way is to make more of both.

Pisces (Feb 19 - March 20) Understanding someone is not the same as loving them. Putting up with someone is not the same as loving them. Clear the air, so both parties understand where the line is drawn. Start with a smile, end with a hug.

Aries (March 21 - April 19) You have been here before, so think of what you did right and wrong so you don't have to waste very much time and energy on this. Get through it, get over it, just do it and come back happy that you did it.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20) It's not up to you to make a decision for someone else. They have to do this on their own. You make yourself happy and this will also make them happy as well. Give love and support, not a lot of ego. Let it go.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20) Duck and take cover. You're going to get it from both sides, and there's not anything you can do until it's over. Have fun dogging people's so-called loving words. They mean well and think they know what's best for you.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22) In the beginning there was a reason to live, now you're wondering if that's so. Sure it is, because you are entering the twilight zone of no return. You wanted something different, so here it is. Watch what you wish for.

Leo (July 23 - Aug 22) You might be hurt, and have a hard time understanding someone else's hurt too. You're way past talking, so the next best thing is to regroup and start over. Think about others and what they see in you.

PSYCHIC PREDICTIONS

Fee Free Day Sat., Sept. 18 At Three Rivers Campground

Lincoln National Forest will observe National Public Lands Day with a Fee-Free Day on Saturday, September 18. The purpose of this day is to recognize our nation's public lands, economic resources, environmental refuge, protect natural resources, and maintain a recreation paradise.

Fee-Free Day authorizes Jose Martinez, Lincoln National Forest Supervisor, to waive the day-use fee charge for all Recreation Fee Demonstration Projects. The Fee Demonstration areas on the Lincoln are: Three Rivers Campground, located on Highway 54 between Carrizozo and Tularosa; Silver and Silver Overflow Campgrounds, located on Highway 244 near Cloudcroft, and Sitting Bull Falls Recreation Area, outside of Carlsbad, by driving US

Highway 285 North, then NM Highway 157, then Country Road 276, and continue southwest for eight miles.

The US Forest Service Recreation Fee Demonstration program was designed to increase consistency and coordination across participating federal agencies. The program increases maintenance, enhances visitor services and provides a safe and healthy recreation setting on public lands.

Visitors to these Lincoln National Forest locations on September 18 can enjoy their Forest Lands at no charge.

For more information on the Lincoln National Forest and its district offices, visit the website at www.fs.fed.us/r3/lincoln.



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Sheriff's Report

The following information was taken from dispatch records in the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

September 7
8:01 a.m. request for deputy regarding a dispute with employee at condos in the Alto area. Deputy arrived at 8:15 a.m. At 8:23 a.m. the deputy went to speak with the employer then at 8:42 a.m. the deputy advised he spoke with the subject who was paid his wages and left the area.

8:55 a.m. Ruidoso police requested a deputy at the police department concerning a report of criminal sexual contact which happened in the Rancho Ruidoso area involving a 38 year old male. Deputy dispatched.
9:58 a.m. gas skip of \$86.84 from business in the

ski run road area. Deputy dispatched.

10:30 a.m. request for ambulance at senior apartments. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 10:37 a.m. and at 10:54 a.m. left for Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso arriving there at 11:35 a.m.

11:16 a.m. State of New Mexico requested a deputy to do warrant service in Carrizozo. Deputy dispatched.

4:08 p.m. stolen credits cards in Carrizozo.

4:44 p.m. request for ambulance for male who was short of breath at business. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 4:52 p.m. and at 4:55 p.m. left for LCMC and requested a paramedic who met them at 5:23 p.m. for transport into LCMC arriving at 5:40 p.m.

5:31 p.m. request for deputy for dogs barking day and

night at location in the Alto area. Deputy assigned.

September 8
10:10 a.m. request for ambulance at mile marker 285 on Highway 70 for a woman with Parkinsons who was having difficulty breathing. Med 7 ambulance at the construction office in Hondo responded at 10:11 a.m. and at 10:16 a.m. requested Med 1 advanced life support ambulance stationed at LCMC to intercept. Med 7 arrived at the location at 10:17 a.m. and cancelled the call for Med 1.

6:34 p.m. fire in Ranches of Sonterra area. Bonito Fire Department arrived at 6:39 p.m. and cancelled the fire call at 6:41 p.m. because the smoke was from a BBQ grill.

9:29 p.m. 911 request for ambulance at business for 43 year old male with chest pains and numbness in left arm. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 9:37 p.m. and at 9:54 p.m. left for LCMC and requested paramedics who intercepted. at 10:18 p.m. They arrived at LCMC at 10:39 p.m.

September 9
12:06 a.m. deputy advised he was doing agency assistance as he could hear a domestic happening at location on 12th Street. At 12:07 a.m. Carrizozo police was called. The deputy advised the as-

signment was completed at 1:08 a.m.

8:16 a.m. Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) requested a deputy for a case of theft. Deputy dispatched.

2:11 p.m. Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD) requested a deputy for agency assistance at a home visit in the Capitan area. Deputy dispatched.

5:35 p.m. request for ambulance at football field. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 5:38 p.m. and at 5:52 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 6:36 p.m.

10:08 p.m. hit elk at mile marker 269 on Highway 70. Deputy arrived at 10:20 p.m. and advised it was a spike bull elk and at 11:02 p.m. the deputy advised the assignment was complete and the vehicle was driveable.

September 10
8:32 a.m. CYFD in Albuquerque requested a deputy for a referral in the Alto area. Deputy dispatched.

10:16 a.m. vehicle v. elk at mile marker 4.5 on Highway 37. The accident, which had injuries, was handled by state police the night before and the driver's parents would get the vehicle moved.

11 a.m. request for deputy at business in Alto area for a criminal damage report.

11:24 a.m. K-9 at large on Little Big Horn, a cocker spaniel-shepherd mix. At 11:38 a.m. a deputy arrived and took the dog to the shelter in Carrizozo.

2:10 p.m. District Attorney Scot key reported child abuse in Lincoln County. Deputy dispatched.

September 11
5:12 a.m. domestic violence at location in Carrizozo. Deputy dispatched.

9:25 a.m. funeral home requested traffic control at an RV park. Deputies dispatched.

10:15 a.m. K-9 running at large in the Alto area. Deputy dispatched.

2:44 p.m. request for ambulance at location in lower Eagle Creek. Med 1 arrived at 2:56 a.m. and at 3:09 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 3:19 p.m.

6:26 p.m. Ruidoso police requested agency assistance at the corner of Crown and Camelot for a warrant subject who fled from an officer, and police were doing a search of the area by foot. Deputy dispatched.

7:02 p.m. deer with broken legs on Highway 48 near Alto lake. Deputy dispatched.

8:12 p.m. loud music in Rancho Ruidoso, a red sport sedan was going up and down with loud boom box. Deputy dispatched.

September 12
12:24 a.m. request for deputy to come to a location north of Capitan to take a report about the 19 year old son and his car beaten with a baseball bat. Deputy contacted the reporting party and found out the incident took place in Ruidoso, so the deputy advised them to go to Ruidoso police and make a report with them.

11 a.m. district court requested a deputy for warrant service in Carrizozo. Deputy dispatched.

3:22 p.m. noise in Ranches of Sonterra, a red sports sedan with loud music. Deputy dispatched.

6:48 p.m. request for ambulance at location on Hilltop Lane for patient having trouble breathing. Med 1 arrived at 3:57 p.m. and at 4:13 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 4:18 P.M.

4:55 p.m. domestic involving the daughter-in-law at location on county road A005. Deputy dispatched.

5:03 p.m. Ruidoso police dept. requested agency assistance checking for a wanted subject in the Camelot area. Deputy dispatched.

11:06 p.m. Ruidoso police reported that a female on Tiger Drive in Capitan was needing assistance. Deputy dispatched.

September 13
12:35 a.m. Ruidoso police dept. reported loud music in Ruidoso. Deputy dispatched.
12:50 a.m. accident on Highway 54 north. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 12:55



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test committee had found for Chandler. The LaFollette group voted with the Democrats to seat Bloom. Why? Because Chandler's vote would have put New York in the Coolidge column. Blooms's vote puts New York in the Davis column.

Let us assume that there is a deadlock in the house and that it continues to March 4 next.

On that date the term of President Coolidge expires. And on that date his successor should be sworn in. The house having failed of election, that successor would be the vice president elected since February 11 by the senate.

But suppose the senate had been unable to elect a vice president since February 11. Let us take a look at the conditions in the upper house in respect to this election.

The senate, under the Constitution, is restricted to voting for the two candidates receiving the largest and next largest vote in the electoral college. That would eliminate either Dawes or Bryan or Wheeler. Take your choice and work out the answer in your own way. A quorum for the purpose of this election consists of two-thirds (64) of the whole number of senators (96) and a majority (49) of the whole number is necessary for a choice.

Now, in the present senate there are 51 nominal Republicans, 43 Democrats and two Farmer-Laborites (Shipstead and Johnson of Minnesota). LaFollette himself is one of these nominal Republicans. Brookhart of Iowa and Frazier and Ladd of North Dakota are listed as Republicans. So are several other senators who have been tagged by the "regulars" as "radical" and "insurgent".

It is therefore evident that LaFollette with very little help would hold the balance of power in the election of vice president by the senate.

Keeping in mind that this is a puzzle article and not a political screed, let us assume that Dawes has been eliminated by the vote of the electoral college. How would LaFollette and his following maneuver to bring about the election of Wheeler over Bryan?

Now suppose Bryan had been eliminated by the electoral college and LaFollette's job was to elect Wheeler over Dawes. What then?

Now suppose that Wheeler had been eliminated by the electoral vote and the contest was between Dawes and Bryan. LaFollette and his group apparently could deadlock the senate until March 4, assuming that aside from his following the Republicans and Democrats stood pat. Or LaFollette apparently could elect either Dawes or Bryan by combining with their respective partisans. Of course, even a partial combining of Republicans and Democrats could at any time break the deadlock and elect either Dawes or Bryan. As to whether the LaFollette groups would favor Dawes or Bryan -- make your own guess.

Having gone so far for the sake of argument, let us keep on and assume that both chambers have remained in deadlock from February 11 to March 4 and have failed to elect either a President and vice president.

There is therefore no President to swear in as successor to President Coolidge when his term expires. There is no vice president to be sworn in and automatically become President.

The new house is seated that day. Thirty senatorial seats are filled.

But with no President and no vice president to inaugurate what happens?

Is the United States for the first time since April 30, 1780, without a President?

Or does Secretary of State Charles Evans Hughes automatically become President Hughes?

The Constitution provides that "the congress may, by law, provide for the case of removal, death, resignation, or inability both of the President and vice president, declaring what officer shall then act as President; and such officer shall act accordingly, until the disability be removed or a President shall be elected."

The Presidential succession act, approved January 19, 1886, provides that the succession shall pass to the members of the cabinet in the following order: Secretaries of State, Treasury and War, Attorney General, Postmaster General, Secretary of the Navy.

In the event of Secretary Hughes' becoming President, would he serve the full term of four years? Or has congress the power to order a special Presidential election? And -- in case either chamber were Republican by a decisive majority -- would congress order such an election?

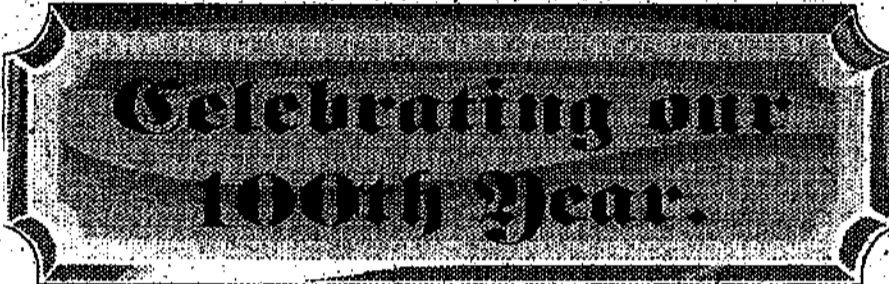
This is a puzzle story, not a political screed, but

Would it not be interesting if Charles E. Hughes, who resigned from the Supreme court only to be defeated for President in 1916, should thus achieve his ambition?

Would not the well-known irony of fate be

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Church Directory



MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY

Nogal Presbyterian Church:
BILL SEHRING, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.

Ancho Community Presbyterian Church:

TERRY AIELLO, Pastor / 648-2024
Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

Corona Presbyterian Church:

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church

HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor
314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM
648-2988 (Church) or 648-2107
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
Sun. Evening Training at 6:15 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:15 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Carrizozo Community Church (A/B)

JOHNNIE L. JOHNSON, Pastor
Corner of G Ave. and Thirteenth, 648-2186
Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

Santa Rita Catholic Community

FR. DAVE BERGS, Pastor
213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853
SATURDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart 5:00 p.m.
Carrizozo Santa Rita 6:30 p.m.
SUNDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart 9:00 a.m.
Carrizozo Santa Rita 10:30 a.m.
Corona St. Theresa 1:00 p.m.

Church of Christ

TOM POINDEXTER, Minister 354-3135
Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 1:15 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

St. Matthias Episcopal Church

REV. RON THOMSON, Rector
Corner of E Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM
1-505-268-1242
Holy Eucharist Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Claunch Community Church

TONY SCACCIA, Minister
648-1402
Second Sunday of Each Month 9:00 a.m.

United Methodist Churches

JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor
1000 D. Ave, 648-2893 / 648-2848
Carrizozo, NM 88301
Sunday School (All Ages) 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Choir Practice (Tuesday) 6:30 p.m.
United Methodist Women
Every 3rd Wednesday 2:00 p.m.
Fellowship Dinner on
4th Sunday of Month 12:30 p.m.

CAPITAN:

Adult Sunday School 8:30 a.m.
Worship Service 9:15 a.m.
Children's Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Fellowship Time 10:15 a.m.
Adult Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
Choir Practice (Tuesday) 7:00 p.m.
Fellowship Dinner Every Third Sunday
Handmaidens (Ecumenical Women's Group)
1st and 3rd Tuesday 9:30 a.m.

Christ Community Fellowship

ED VINSON, Pastor (Inter-denominational)
514 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan, NM
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Capitan Church of Christ

LESLIE EARWOOD, Minister
5th & Lincoln / 336-4627
Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church

MEL GNATKOWSKI, Pastor / 648-2530
Phone 354-2044
Capitan (South on Hwy. 48)
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church of Corona

CAL WEST, Pastor / 849-7975
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Fellowship Dinner 1st Sunday of Month

Angus Church of the Nazarene

Serving All of Lincoln County.

RICK HUTCHISON, Pastor / 336-8032
Southwest Corner of Hwy. 48 & 37 Junction
Between Ruidoso and Capitan, NM

Sunday:
Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Children's Church 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday:
Teen dinner and games 6:00 p.m.
Teen Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting 8:00 p.m.

LaGrone Funeral Chapel

Jerry & Lanita Rasak

In Memory of
BILL WINKLER

Stearns Insurance Agency

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A fun day at ...



FAIR DAY AT THE STREET FAIR. Lots of activities at the Labor Day Carrizozo Street Fair kept the many people who attended the event busy.

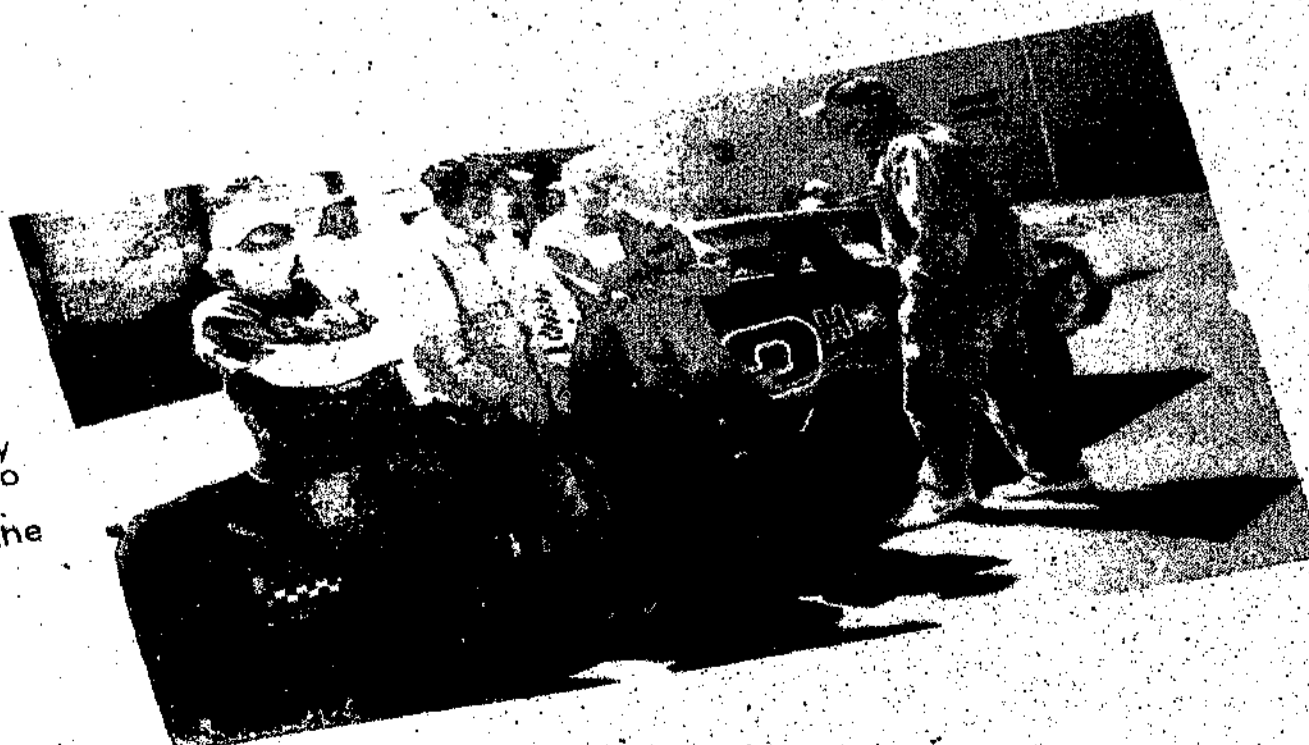
Included in the events were the rising stars of Carrizozo's Broken Black rock band which is pictured warming up for the crowd of young people who gathered as the last even of the fair.



Other events included performances of the Danzo Matachin Pavo Real from Clint, TX. Visitors to the Street Fair got a chance to take a first hand look at the Ruidoso



School stock car, other stock race cars and shiny Corvettes, or a chance to just lean and visit. This was the 11th year for the Labor day Street Fair.



DISTRICT COURT CALENDAR

The Calendar for District Judge Karen Parsons

Monday, September 13:
8:30 a.m. Jury trials:
#1 Teddy Sosa; CR-2004-74 (Dobbs/Holmes)
#2 Arlo Victor; CR-2004-36 (Ceballos/Mitchell)
1:15 p.m. in small courtroom; JQ-2004-04; Pre-adjudicatory meeting

Tuesday, September 14:
Judge Parsons in Ruidoso.
8:00 a.m.
Chad Crouse; JR-2004-26; check in.
Harrison Thompson; JR-2004-Misc.
First Appearances:
Thomas Mirelez; JR-2004-56
Orlando Enos; JR-2004-57
Vincent Coloman; JR-2004-58
Clayton Schmid; JR-2004-59
Other:
Danielle Russell; JR-2004-35; Plea, pre-trial hearing.
Kristos Thoksakis; JR-2004-33; Plea, pre-trial hearing.
Cody Vega; JR-2002-59; Judicial inquiry.
Jake Tetreault; JR-2004-42; Pretrial hearing, plea.
Nicholaus Harford; JR-2003-64; Order to show cause.
Brandon Turley; JR-2004-37; Plea, pre-trial.
Cipriano Sandoval; JR-2004-39; Adjudication.
10:00 a.m. Sedillo v. Sandoval; DM-1997-177 (R.Hawthorne) Order to show cause.
10:30 a.m. Williams v. Lamay; CV-2002-64 (ProSe/Rhodes/Doughty) Motions.
12:00 p.m. Drug court advisory meeting.
3 p.m. Drug court staffing.
4:30 p.m. Drug Court.
Darrell Brantley domestic mediator will hear cases in Carrizozo on Tuesday, Sept. 14 at:
10:30 a.m. Morgan v. Petruzzi; DV-2004-101
11:00 a.m. Landin v. Landin; DV-2004-70; Motion.
11:30 a.m. Jones v. Jones
1:00 p.m. Smith v. Switzer; DV-2004-57 (Rafkin/McSwane)

Wednesday, September 15:
8:15 a.m. Jury Trial Docket:
Jose Marquez; CR-2003-145
Steven Anderson; CR-2004-89
Matt Sammis; CR-2004-95
Troy Slaby; CR-2004-54
Ralph Nosker; CR-2004-90
Tommy Woods; CR-2004-99
Chad Botello; CR-2004-100
John Ortiz; CR-2003-220
Margrett Cano-Sammis; CR-2004-94
8:30 a.m. Criminal Day;
First Appearances:
Sandra Sanchez; CR-2004-156
Donald Woods; CR-2003-02
Luis Realyvasquez; CR-2004-114; Plea.
Sentencings:
Esteban Gastelum; CR-2003-45
Cynthia Mitchell; CR-1998-21
George Romero; CR-2004-44
Jerry Chavez, Sr.; CR-2003-142 & CR-2004-86
Timothy Padilla; CR-2000-165
Ermando Candelaria; CR-2003-187
Jonathan Lentz; CR-2002-153
Dion Reynolds; CR-2003-238
Bennie Pino; CR-2000-80
Dennis Foster; CR-2003-244 & CR-2004-24 & CR-2004-150 & 151

First appearance.
Pre-trial hearings;
John Blackmon; CR-2004-72
Michael Mattiace; CR-2004-03
George Stallings; CR-2004-08 & CR-00-64
Gerald Crow; CR-2003-198
Monroy Chavez; CR-2004-27
Filemon Aldama; CR-2002-154
Monette Finley; CR-2003-104
Chris Mitchell; CR-2004-113
Other:
April Chronister; CR-997-118; Pretrial hearing.
Katie Bates; CR-2002-197; Pretrial hearing.
Amanda Brimer; CR-999-44; Pretrial hearing.
Rudolph Stermer; CR-2004-05; Plea.
Tim Matthews; CR-2000-117; Pretrial hearing.
Courtney Belcher; CR-2003-19; Pretrial hearing.
Javier Hernandez; CR-1999-133; Motion to appoint counsel.
Jose Arroyo; CR-2004-16; Motion.
Angelique Griewahn; CR-2004-79
1 p.m. Plea Conferences;
John Ward; CR-2004-137
Rene Rivera; CR-2004-173
Dawn Silva; CR-2004-92
Joshua Gent; CR-2001-21
William Hillburn; CR-2004-136
David Resendiz; CR-2004-115
Charles Otero; CR-2004-116
Michael Case; CR-2004-123
Ken Montoya; CR-2004-124
Reginald Turner; CR-2004-126
Pam Moquine; CR-2004-130
Kymberly Moftee; CR-2004-127
Steven Grain; CR-2004-105 & 106
Mindy Clark; CR-2004-118
Ebony Cummings; CR-2004-125
Dan McClennen; CR-2004-131
Tim Sartin; CR-2004-134
Kim Conner; CR-2004-128
Carlos Añohando-Soto; CR-2004-120

1:30 p.m.
Gene Mowdy; CR-2000-148; Sentencing.
Gene Mowdy; CR-2003-243; Sentencing.
Steven Powell; CR-2003-206; Motion.
Gabriela Comacho; CR-2004-75; Motion & CR-1997-157
Thursday, September 16:
8:30 a.m. First National Bank v. Salazar; CV-2004-185 (Wheeler) Order to show cause.
9 a.m. Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD) cases:
JQ-2004-03
JQ-2004-04
11 a.m. Stucky v. Tucker; DM-2004-95 (Cook/ProSe); Preliminary injunction.
1 p.m. teleconference. Lopez v. Las Cruces Care Center; CV-2003-166. (McDonald/Chapman/Rogers) Motion to compel.
1:30 p.m. Sweatt v. Waldrop; CV-2004-92 (R.Hawthorne/C.Hawthorne) Half day for merits.

**LEGAL NOTICE
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
No. PB0403**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
RUSSELL MOORE, Deceased.**

**NOTICE OF HEARING
BY PUBLICATION**

**THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:
TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS OF RUSSELL
MOORE, DECEASED AND ALL
UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO HAVE OR
CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE
ESTATE OF RUSSELL MOORE,
DECEASED, OR IN THE MATTER
BEING LITIGATED IN THE HEREIN
AFTER MENTIONED HEARING.**

Hearing on the Petition filed by the undersigned Personal Representative, which Petition provides for the complete settlement of the Estate, approval of the Personal Representative's final account and report, and authorization for distribution of all estate assets, will be held at the LINCOLN County Courthouse before THE HONORABLE KAREN L. PARSONS, on October 5, 2004, at 8:15 a.m.

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 45-1-401, notice of the time and place of hearing on said Petition is hereby given you by publication, once each week, for two consecutive weeks.

Witness our hands and the seal of this Court.

DATE: 8-26, 2004.

(SEAL)

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court
By: **Clydene Baca**
Deputy

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**LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT
No. CV-04-49**

AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE COMPANY,
Plaintiff,

v.
**MARK S. JEFFCOAT, SUZY D. JEFFCOAT,
ROW MANAGMENT CORP., RICHARD H.
GAINES, and THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF
RICHARD H. GAINES,**
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on October 13, 2004, at 9:00 a.m., at the main entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

Lot 2A, Block 5 of WOODLAND HILL SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the replat of Lots 2 and 3, Block 5, Woodland Hills Subdivision, filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, April 22, 1992, in Cabinet E, Slide 246

The address of the real property is 752 Center Street, Ruidoso, New Mexico. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on August 27, 2004, in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a note and mortgage held by the above plaintiff and wherein plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$120,753.72, plus interest from August 20, 2004, to the date of sale at the rate of 9.659% per annum, or \$27.88 per day; the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee of \$200.00, publication costs, and plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance or keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

Dated: September 7, 2004.

Peter Baca
Special Master
Box 215
Carrizozo, NM 88301
(505) 648-9925

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Old Lincoln News

by Rosalie Dunlap

Lincoln was a busy place over the weekend. The Hubbard Museum sponsored a water color workshop at the Dr. Woods house. There were fourteen in attendance.

The REDTT group held their meeting at the Wortley Hotel going over the next years plans and finalizing the "Art in the Orchard" for Sunday.

The Art in the Orchard saw many different artists and several demonstrations such as blacksmithing and spinning. The new addition of a garage sale seemed to be a success.

Many of the Lincolnites were involved either as volunteers or participants. The weather turned warm but that didn't deter the people coming out to the various activi-

ties.

The Episcopal Church ladies of San Juan cleaned the church Saturday followed by noon prayer. Sunday saw a large attendance of members from the different chapels and Ruidoso. The vestry held their monthly meeting after the church services with a pot luck at the Dunlaps' den. Ralph and I were unable to attend as we were involved in the Art in the Orchard.

Tim Hagaman has been a busy man this month. Last year a Denver, CO/London based Production Co. did some filming in Lincoln for a movie "Deja VU". Tim played Jesse with speaking and contact parts. The movie was preliminarily approved at the Sundance Festival.

Tim attended the Indie Film's 1st Denver screening of the movie in August. He reported that it was great showing. Tim has been in three films the past year. Congratulations Tim.

This weekend will see lots

of motorcycles in Lincoln County and Lincolntown will get its share.

Several members of the Mountain Woodturners are getting salt cedar today (Monday) for their various woodworking projects. They are a busy group.

The Lincoln County Photographers held their monthly meeting last Thursday. Ray Bowman gave an interesting slide show of their Alaskan cruise.



Alto Lakes Special Zoning District Special Meeting To Be Held Thursday, September 23

The Alto Lakes Special Districts Commission will hold a special meeting on September 23 in the Sierra Room of the ALG&CC, 1 Country Club Drive in Alto at 9:00 AM. This is the initial meeting of the ALSZD during which organizational issues and regular meeting schedules will be addressed. Agenda items include adopt open meetings, resolu-

tion, adopt Roberts Rules of Order, elect officers, establish ordinance advisory committee, establish finance and admin committee, establish budget, authorize regular operating expenditures, adopt meeting schedule, discussion of form of proposed zoning ordinances, prioritize ordinance drafting projects and authorization to schedule public hearings.

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County Gives 90 Days

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with Ruidoso's "attitude." He claimed the village never sent him notice of the ETZ meetings.

"Glen Barrow (Ruidoso P&Z chair) and Chay Rennick have done extreme terrible damage by making the county look bad," Kelly said. "Get rid of the ETZ because Rennick has done so much damage there is no way to salvage it."

Linda Flack, former Ruidoso Councilor, favored the ETZ and said Ruidoso happens to be in Lincoln County. "What benefits Ruidoso, benefits Lincoln County," she added.

Hardeman said he and many others feel the ETZ is flawed and should be overhauled. "I also believe there will be adverse effects if you do away with the ETZ that we have not even realized," he said.

Joan Zagone, who lives in the ETZ, supported the ETZ which she said if abolished would negatively impact the golden goose and thus affect all county residents.

Again Hollis spoke, telling of how his property rights in Ruidoso were violated in a zoning situation that occurred about 20 years ago. Hollis said he agrees with Carl Kelly about the ETZ and asked that Ruidoso planning department do their jobs with "compassion and honesty."

When Ruidoso realtor Harvey Foster said to Wilson that Hollis' comments had nothing to do with the ETZ, Wilson said Hollis' comments were relevant because it shows how things function in the Ruidoso and ETZ planning department.

Jerry Carroll, Oscuro resident and property rights ad-

vocate, said while he does not support the ETZ if there is an ETZ the county should administer it. He said he does not advocate allowing people to do anything that could hurt their neighbor, but he also does not like when new people come here and pass laws about what they don't like to see which he calls "zoning by aesthetics."

Lorri McKnight, Ruidoso village manager and resident of the ETZ, favored the ETZ and the village and county working together to improve the ETZ ordinance.

County planning officer Patsy Sanchez recommended the ETZ ordinance not be rescinded, rather be changed to include several recommendations she made in 1996. Items Sanchez recommended included flea markets, storage units, RV parks and temporary structures.

Sanchez, who used to administer the ETZ, also questioned why some people are being charged Ruidoso fees for permits, and why the village was allowed to annex property that is not contiguous such as the airport. She also asked if the property in the Eagle Creek area which Ruidoso annexed recently was ever zoned through public hearings.

As for problems within the Ruidoso planning department, Sanchez said perhaps the village needs to change its village personnel ordinance with strict guidelines for the planning department. Sanchez said many of the problems with the ETZ is not the ordinance, rather the enforcement.

Ruidoso councilor Deborah Byars said the village is in the process of developing and adopting a Comprehensive Plan. She said as a lawmaker she has the responsibility of improving an ordinance if it is not clear. She asked for the opportunity to move forward to create an ordinance everyone can live with.

Angel Shaw, Ruidoso village councilor, said she lived in the ETZ eight years ago and she was all for changing the ETZ ordinance. She suggested a committee made up of county and village representatives to review the ETZ ordinance. "Don't just kill the ETZ when we are growing, because I am afraid what the boundaries could look like," she said.

Don St. John, resident in the ETZ three-mile planning area, said the ETZ which makes \$150,000 a year for Ruidoso is a "mini cash cow" and he wanted the county to throw out the ETZ totally. He made several other comments about the Ruidoso planning department which prompted Hardeman to tell Wilson he resented how Wilson allowed St. John to "smirk and insult" the village planning department.

"You don't enforce your rules when people say things you don't agree with," Hardeman said to Wilson. "You hardly allowed Chay (Rennick) to answer questions, then you allowed two or three others to say negative things about him."

"It appears to me there are some other issues than with the Ruidoso planning office," Hardeman added.

Wilson said he should not have allowed the speakers to make the comments about Rennick. (By then Rennick had left the meeting.)

Phyllis Barnett said she proudly serves on the Village of Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission and the ETZ Commission on which a lot of volunteers give their time to serve their communities. "I resent someone questioning my mentality," Barnett added. "Those who condemn us all, why don't you step up and volunteer."

Earl Adamy from Alto Lakes, said Alto has undertaken a Zoning Commission because the property owners felt they needed something beyond the restrictive covenants of their community and

he supported the ETZ.

Ralph Romero, county resident and volunteer on many county committees, said restrictive covenants work if enforced. He said the ETZ ordinance is not working and is creating a lot of hard feelings. He suggested junking the ETZ ordinance and starting all over.

William Phillips, new resident who moved here from California, said the county needs to create its own planning department and the county look at zoning the total county, not just the one-mile area around the city.

Sanchez also suggested if the county commission does away with the ETZ forever, then the county commission consider zoning the entire county.

Tony Seno, Ruidoso resident, said the 3,500 people living in the ETZ are subject to "every scheme the village planners dream up." He said his county commissioner is not on the ETZ Authority and thus he is disenfranchised with no vote and no representation.

"The biggest problem with ETZ ordinance is it calls for taxation without representation," Seno added. "Will we continue to allow government to grow at the expense of private property rights?"

Suede Mills, a young resident in the ETZ, said there were more people at the meeting in favor of amending the ETZ to get to a point where everyone is happy with it. "Seems to me that is public interest," Mills said. "So that leaves what is left a special interest and when lawmakers vote for special interests that's what I call misrepresentation."

Byars then reminded that Ruidoso provides fire protection services to the ETZ.

Higgins offered a suggestion to Seno's problem with no representation by expanding the ETZ Authority to five members. Morel said the number is set by state law.

At 8:45 p.m. no one else from the public asked to comment and it came time for county commissioners to speak which they did for about an hour and a half. County commissioner Leo Martinez said the ETZ ordinance has to stay in effect to protect the areas outside the city limits. As for the problems with Ruidoso now, he said it appears there is a failure to communicate. He supported the members of the ETZ Commission who are "trying to do the right thing."

"Ruidoso had better understand this is a priority and they should not fill the gaps," Martinez said. "This ordinance is full of holes and that is why we are here today. It finally came to a head because people are sick and tired of the ETZ's lacking and the Village's enforcement."

Martinez asked Ruidoso to make it a priority for its planning office to treat people well.

Hobbs said when he first considered running for office he was basically against the ETZ. Over the last two years his vision changed, especially when serving on the ETZ Authority. "I now recognize it as a useful tool and I am in favor of a properly drawn ordinance," Hobbs said. He agreed with Martinez about Ruidoso planning department taking a more helpful attitude. He said he wanted to retain the ETZ ordinance to give time to draft a new ETZ ordinance.

In conclusion Hobbs said Lincoln County needs to develop a county-wide Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance in order to maintain the ambiance and character of Lincoln County.

County commissioner Rick Simpson allowed San Patricio resident Ken Nosker to speak about the Scenic Byway which he believes was illegally put in place and that restricts property owners from having signs, etc. As for the ETZ Nosker said he was

a county commissioner when it was first established. He said it seemed reasonable at the time, but it has changed since then.

Simpson said if Ruidoso wants jurisdiction over the ETZ then it should annex all that property. He said it is irrelevant whether the county or the village administer an ETZ if the ETZ ordinance is done properly. Simpson supported restrictive covenants and the county's subdivision regulations to guide development, and imposing limited rules in areas where citizens seek them such as the Nogal billboard situation.

The current ETZ with its many amendments and problems is a "monster", Simpson said. He suggested the ETZ Commission make recommendations for a fix to the ETZ Authority.

"Because of the significant mishandling of the ETZ, if nothing is done to improve the ETZ ordinance within a year, the ETZ should be dissolved," Simpson said.

Wilson said he was there to represent the minority especially when dealing with rights. "The majority shouldn't snowball the minority," he added.

County commissioner Maury St. John said she has received no calls in support of the ETZ and several against it. She said taking away the ETZ will not affect people's insurance, it will not affect fire protection or littering and refuse. She said she is bothered by the high fees Ruidoso is charging for ETZ applications. She also wanted to see the county work with Ruidoso, but she wanted to start from scratch on a new ETZ ordinance.

After more discussion Barrington said he appreciated Wilson who did not owe anyone an apology.

Finally, Wilson closed the hearing. It was almost 10 p.m.

Martinez offered a motion to retain the ETZ ordinance and re-write the ordinance which would be revisited within 90 days at the expense of Ruidoso. Hobbs seconded the motion, then made an amendment to take Ruidoso part out. Martinez accepted it, but it never made it to a vote. Instead after another nearly 10 minutes of discussion, Hobbs tried to make another motion. But Wilson called for a vote on Martinez's original motion. That

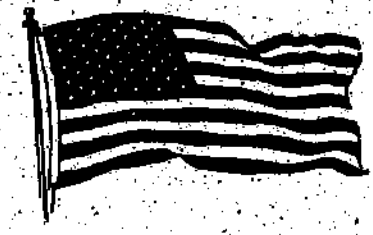
motion failed with Simpson, St. John and Wilson voting no, and Martinez and Hobbs voting yes.

Then Hobbs made another motion, to retain the original 1983 ETZ ordinance and all other amendments to the ETZ which will automatically rescind at the end of 90 days during which time the ETZ Commission shall present a new ETZ ordinance for consideration. Martinez seconded the motion. That led to a comment from Morel that if they have the ETZ Ordinance drop dead at the end of 90 days, it is a guarantee the ETZ will die.

St. John said they want some kind of ETZ ordinance drafted by December, before the outgoing county commissioners leave (Wilson and Martinez).

Finally at 10:10 p.m. Hobbs reworded his motion to have the original ETZ ordinance rescinded at the end of 90 days and the ETZ Commission be directed to present the county commission a completed ordinance. St. John made an amendment to change the "completed ordinance" to draft ordinance. "Everyone voted in favor of St. John's amendment. But in the final roll call vote on the amended motion, Hobbs, Martinez, St. John and Wilson voted in favor, Simpson voted against."

As soon as the vote was taken, Wilson adjourned the special meeting.



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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
No. D-1226-CV-200400069

NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE CO DBA COMMONWEALTH UNITED MORTGAGE COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

vs
WAYNE C. MARTINEZ; DENVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS CREDIT UNION; UNKNOWN MOBILE LIENHOLDERS, IF ANY; UNKNOWN MOBILE HOME OWNERS, IF ANY; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF WAYNE C. MARTINEZ, IF ANY,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on September 28, 2004, at 9:00 A.M., at the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central, Carrizozo, NM 88301, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

Lot 29, Block I of LAS LOMAS SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, February 26, 1971, in Tube No. 397. ALSO TO INCLUDE THE MOBILE HOME.

The address of the real property is 305 Nevada, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on August 5, 2004, in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a note and mortgage held by the above plaintiff and wherein plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$77,097.04, plus interest from July 31, 2004 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.125% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a pay off, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, this sale will be null and void. The successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgage giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and mobile home and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchase at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption.

Dated: August 19, 2004.

/s/

Peter Baca
Special Master
c/o Shapiro & Meinhold, L.L.P.
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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
IN THE CHILDREN'S COURT
No. JQ-2004-03
Div. III

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ex rel.
CHILDREN, YOUTH AND
FAMILIES DEPARTMENT

In the Matter of J.H., E.M., and D.R.,
Children,
And Concerning Jennifer Romero, Tomas
Parra, Mario Montalvo, and George
Romero,
Respondents.

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY
OF ACTION**

TOMAS PARRA

TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT:

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been filed against you in the above named Court and County by the State of New Mexico in which the State of New Mexico has filed a petition alleging that you have abused and neglected J.H., E.M., AND D.R., children. The above proceeding could ultimately result in the termination of your parental rights.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that this matter will be heard in the Children's Court Division of the District Court in Lincoln County, New Mexico, thirty days after the last publication of this notice.

WITNESS my hand and the Seal of the District Court of the State of New Mexico.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court

(SEAL)

by: Elizabeth Ysasi
Deputy

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER:
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Looking Back...

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aply illustrated if Charles W. Bryan should thus attain to the place three times refused his more illustrious brother, William Jennings Bryant?

Going Strong

A draft of Missouri mules had just arrived at the corral, and one new buck private made the common but sad mistake of approaching too near the business end of one of them. His comrades caught him on the rebound, placed him on a stretcher and started him for the hospital.

On the way the invalid regained consciousness, gazed at the blue sky overhead experienced the swaying motion as he was being carried along, and shakily lowered his hands over the sides, only to feel space.

"My gosh!" he groaned. "I ain't even hit the ground yet!" -- American Legion Weekly.

Very Good

One day a man in a show stood up and said, "I will tell you a young man the name of his future wife." A bright young man out of the audience stood up.

Showman -- What is your name?

Young Fellow -- It is Brown.

Showman -- The name of your wife will be Mrs. Brown.

New Mexico State Items

The new Presbyterian church in Las Cruces, now nearing completion represents an investment of \$20,000.

Vaughn recently staged its annual rodeo and it was one of the best seen in the state this season. Some of the best riders and ropers in New Mexico and Texas took part in the many event.

Further extension of zinc mining in the Silver City district is made possible by the acquisition of a large group of claims by Pittsburg capi-talists in the Gold Gulch district, according to announcements made in Silver City the last of the week. The property is developed by a 125-foot shaft and a tunnel over 800 feet long and is believed to be one of the best proposition of the kind in the southern part of the state.

The shadow of the gallows, which has been cast over W.G. LaFavors and Charles H. Smelcer, two youths in the death row at the state penitentiary, was swept away by Gov. James F. Hinkle, who commuted the former's sentence to life imprisonment at hard labor and the latter's to forty to forty-five years. They were under sentence to be hanged by the neck until dead at Alamogordo for the slaying of Sheriff W.L. Rutherford of Otero county at Alamogordo on Feb. 13, 1923.

A heavy hailstorm which visited the San Jon district last week did much damage to the cotton and many of the farmers believe that a large part will be a total loss. The Bard section suffered the heaviest loss, in some of the fields the crop being pounded into the ground so that there was little left of it. A large part of the crop was insured but this will cover only a small part of the loss. As the weather is still favorable, part of the crop will come back but a careful survey of the district shows that there will hardly be more than a 25 per cent harvest.

Some of the finest grapes ever produced in the southern part of the state will be picked in Luna county this season. Joe Deckert recently brought to Deming a crate of Black Hamburg grapes from his farm and some of the branches weighed as much as two pounds, the grapes being packed so closely that no part of the stem was visible. Shipping has already been started and the crop promises to be one of the largest ever harvested in the county.

Why He Enjoyed It

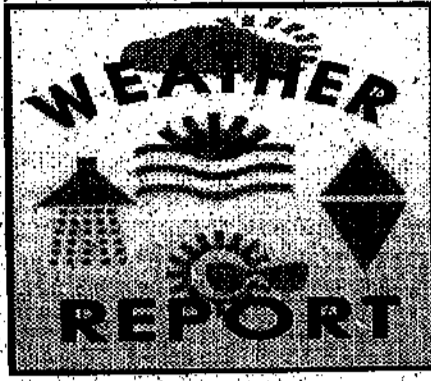
"Sir, said the young man with enthusiasm, as he seized the lecturer's hand and shook it warmly, "I certainly enjoyed your lecture last night very much indeed."

"I am glad to hear that," said the lecturer, "but I didn't see you there."

"No," admitted the youth, "I wasn't there."

"But," said the puzzled speaker, "how could you enjoy my lecture if you were not there?"

"Oh, I bought tickets for my girl's parents and they both went."



Dry warm days continue with only a very slight chance for showers through Sunday.

The following information was taken from the National Weather Service website. Up to date weather reports can be viewed at www.srh.noaa.gov/abq/ on the internet.

Forecast for Carrizozo, Lincoln, Hondo and high plains of Lincoln County:

Today, Thursday, Sept. 16
Mostly sunny with east winds 5 to 10 miles per hour (mph). High around 89. Tonight mostly clear with southwest winds around 10 mph. Low near 54 in Carrizozo.

Friday, September 17
Mostly sunny with west winds to 10 mph. High near 88. Tonight partly cloudy with low around 56.

Saturday, September 18
Partly cloudy with high near 83. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms. Low around 56.

Sunday, September 19
Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms. High around 83. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Low near 58.

Monday, September 20
Partly cloudy with high around 84. Tonight mostly clear with low around 56.

Tuesday, September 21
Sunny with high around 80. Tonight, clear with low near 55.

Forecast for Ruidoso, Capitan and Corona:

Today, Thursday, Sept. 16
Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after noon. East winds 5 to 10 mph becoming south in Ruidoso and

Capitan, becoming southwest in Corona. Highs around 80 in Ruidoso, around 84 in Capitan and 83 in Corona. Tonight mostly clear with southwest winds 5 to 10 mph. Lows of near 51 in Ruidoso, near 53 in Capitan and 50 in Corona.

Friday, September 17
Mostly sunny with southwest winds 5 to 10 mph. Highs near 80 in Ruidoso, 83 in Capitan and near 82 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy. Lows around 54 in Ruidoso, 56 in Capitan and 51 in Corona.

Saturday, September 18
Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms in Ruidoso and Capitan. Highs near 77 in Ruidoso, near 80 in Capitan and near 76 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms in Ruidoso and Capitan, no chance in Corona. Lows around 54 in Ruidoso, 56 in Capitan and 51 in Corona.

Sunday, September 19
Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms in Ruidoso and Capitan, no chance in Corona. Highs around 75 in Ruidoso, 78 in Capitan and 77 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms. Lows near 56 in Ruidoso, 58 in Capitan and near 52 in Corona.

Monday, September 20
Partly cloudy with high near 75 in Ruidoso, 78 in Capitan and Corona. Tonight mostly clear with lows around 55 in Ruidoso, 56 in Capitan and 51 in Corona.

Tuesday, September 21
Mostly sunny with high around 70 in Ruidoso, 74 in Capitan and 73 in Corona. Tonight, mostly clear with lows near 51 in Ruidoso, 52 in Capitan and 49 in Corona.



Carrizozo Lady Grizzly Volleyball Schedule 2004

Date	OPPONENT	WHERE	TIME
Sept. 16-18	Roadrunner Tourney	Away	TBA
Sept. 21	NMMI JV/V	Away	4:00
Sept. 21	Capitan JH	Home	4:00
Sept. 24-25	Capitan Classic	Away	TBA
Sept. 30	*Corona V	Home	6:00
Oct. 1	*Mt' Air JH/JV/V	Away	4:00
Oct. 4	Mescalero JH	Away	4:00
Oct. 5	*Vaughn JH/V	Home	5:00
Oct. 7	*Hondo JH/V	Away	5:00
Oct. 12	*Corona V	Away	6:00
Oct. 12	Capitan JH	Away	4:00
Oct. 14	*Hondo JH/V	Home	5:00
Oct. 19	*Vaughn JH/V	Away	5:30
Oct. 21	*Mt' Air JH/JV/V	Home	3:30
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Carrizozo Chamber To Elect

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tion on behalf of the chamber. Members are asked to donate items for the auction, with proceeds from the auction to benefit the chamber.

Anyone wanting to donate items for the chamber auction can call Walker at 648-3007 before the end of September. More details about the auction, such as time and

items to be auctioned, will be provided at the October regular chamber meeting.

Shamblin recommended the chamber transfer \$1,000 from the general fund into the regular savings account.

The general fund has a balance of \$6,644 and the savings account \$2,003. Mem-

ber Scott Shafer made the motion to transfer the \$1,000 into the savings account, which was seconded and carried unanimously.

Volunteers are needed to help staff the Chamber Caboose Visitor Center. Volunteers are asked to work only one day per week, from the hours of 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call the visitor center at 648-2732 to volunteer.

Visitor center volunteer Audry Paton-Sansone was recognized for assisting a woman who learned of a death of a nephew while charging her cell phone at the visitor center. The woman sent a card to the chamber thanking Sansone and included a \$20 donation so the chamber could purchase more "Kleenex." Sansone said she just offered moral support to the woman who appeared to be in shock when she learned about her nephew's death.

Shamblin also reported that on December 31, the First Federal Bank branch in Carrizozo will close. Shafer said he talked with the First Federal Bank president who told him that no employees will be terminated and they will be given the opportunity to work at another First Federal Bank.

Shafer said this has come about because the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has terminated

its lease of the building in which the branch bank is located. The NRCS plans to construct a new larger facility in Carrizozo and have more staff, Shafer said.

Shafer, president of Wells Fargo Bank of Carrizozo, said he hopes everyone will feel comfortable banking with his company. He said it is important for Carrizozo to have a full financial service and his company will make sure it meets the needs. "Let me know if it doesn't," he added.

Shafer said the building which now houses the NRCS and First Federal Bank was constructed in 1977 and has potential for something else.

The new NRCS office will be constructed on 13th Street in the block with the new cell phone tower.

Barbara Culler announced the animal shelter donation box had \$34 which paid for three collars and leashes, two flea and tick packages and a pack of puppy chews for the dogs in the town animal shelter. A painted birdhouse is being made for the animal shelter donation which will be placed in various locations in town.

The program on Safety Tips for the Home and Business was to have been given by police chief Angelo Vega. However, Vega was called out of town and was unable to attend the meeting. His office provided a printed copy of his presentation which offered simple and mostly common sense tips on preventing theft in the home and business. Safety tips included being aware of sur-

roundings and report to police anything that is suspicious such as a unknown vehicle driving up and down the street numerous times; locking doors and windows on cars, homes and businesses; have a friend watch your home or business if you are gone to fool potential thieves by having the friend turn on lights and TVs at night to make it appear someone is home.

If a resident or business owner plans to be gone, they can notify the police department which will do close patrol of the residence or business while the owners are gone. Call the police department for more information about this service.

Be aware of your surroundings at all times and never leave any personal items unattended anywhere. This includes putting your purse, cell phone or other valuables in the trunk of a car, which can be accessed through the back seat, because a potential thief may be watching as you pack away your things.

Notify the police department if anyone sees suspi-

cious activity, vehicles or individuals by calling 648-2351 or 648-2341 (sheriff's dispatch).

After the presentation, Shamblin announced that the October chamber meeting will be at noon Tuesday, October 12 at Four Winds Restaurant.



Army Pfc. Cody D. May has deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom to engage in military operations involving U.S. and coalition forces. He is the son of Paula G. Allen of Ruidoso. He was a 2001 graduate of Ruidoso High School.

Sheriff's Report

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a.m. and at 7:08 a.m. accepted a signed refusal.

9:02 a.m. request for animal control for K-9 in Corona. The neighbor's dog kept coming into the caller's yard and fights with his dog and the dog will not let him out of his house. Deputy dispatched.

10:56 a.m. request for ambulance at clinic in Capitan. Med 1 arrived at 11:35 a.m. and was given a refusal, at 11:44 a.m.

12 noon. breaking and entering, criminal damage at location off Highway 380 in the Lincoln area. Someone broke windows and got in the house and left beer bottles. It was unknown if items were missing. Deputy dispatched.

12:10 p.m. Otero County Sheriff's Office requested a

welfare check of a red luxury sedan with white top with two people in it which was on Indian Divide on Saturday. Deputy dispatched.

1:52 p.m. 911 hang up from Hondo. Deputy assigned.

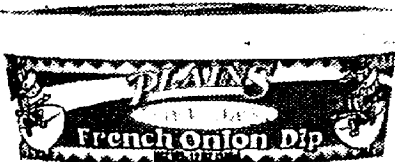
4:24 p.m. request for ambulance at mile marker 135 on Highway 54 for an 80 year old female having trouble breathing. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 4:46 p.m. and at 5 p.m. left for the hospital in Alamogordo arriving there at 6:01 p.m.

8:24 p.m. disturbance at location in Biscuit Hill, the son was causing trouble at the residence. Deputies dispatched.

11 p.m. suspicious subject at location on west Lava Loop. Deputy dispatched.

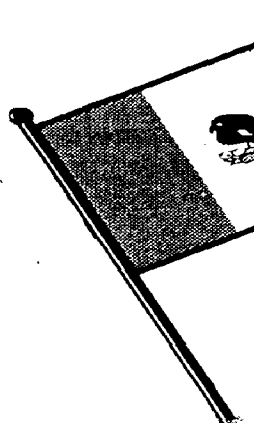
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