

Alto water service pending

The New Mexico Public Service Commission Tuesday took under advisement a request for the setting of Alto Village water rates at a public hearing. The Commission will make no decision on the rates until after a continuance hearing, at a date to be announced.

The water system. Alto Village was approved as a water district by the Lincoln County Commission Nov. 21, over the objections of assistant district attorney Chuck Shaw.

Several alternative rates have been submitted to the PSC by Don Blaugrund of Alto Village, including a plan for a basic \$25 for 0-10,000 gallons of water per month and one for a rate of \$2.50 per 1,000 gallons.

"These rates are just estimates of what we think is a reasonable price," Blaugrund said. "It doesn't mean the PSC will accept them. The Commission will consider all factors and then set a rate it thinks is fair."

Eight Alto Village residents

appeared before the Commission as interveners to protest the recommended rates. "The main argument of those intervening was that the proposed rates were out of proportion with the rates of surrounding areas," Blakely said.

"Several citizens said they were promised their rates would always be reasonable and claimed the submitted rates were unreasonable, when compared to other rates in the area."

Water rates in the Village of Ruidoso are \$1.00 per 1,000 gallons with a \$2.00 service charge.

"Yes, Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs have lower rates, but they also have more con-

nections," Blaugrund said. "Ruidoso has 3,000 connections while Alto Village has only 139. As we get more buildings the rates will undoubtedly come down."

"In the ten years since Alto Village was built we've never charged for water," he said. "Now, as a matter of economics, we have to start charging to pay for the water and maintenance of the system."

Alto Village resident W. D. Patterson expressed his concern about the adequacy of the present water system and complained that the submitted water rates were unfair, in light of the fact that everyone in Alto Village had no choice but to use

the village's water system. Donald L. Rash, chairman of the board of directors of the Alto Village Water and Sanitation District also said he felt the rates requested were too high when compared with the charged in the neighboring communities. He also felt the \$25 base rate was self-defeating as part time residents could save money by paying the \$35 disconnect charge when gone, rather than lose money on the monthly rate.

"The PSC sets the rates and we can't do anything until it makes a decision," Blaugrund said. "All Alto Village residents agreed to pay the water rates set by the PSC when they signed their contracts."

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'DECISION MADE RELUCTANTLY' -- THOMPSON

Cycle conclave cancelled

The muffled resonance of one thousand plus finely tuned motorcycles will not precede the Aspencade parade this fall.

Til Thompson has announced that all plans for future motorcycle conventions in Ruidoso, that have attracted members of organized motorcycle uniformed units and cycling devotees nationwide, have been cancelled.

sponsor the event again." Ed Youngblood, general manager of the American Motorcycle Association, sent Thompson an advance release to appear in the February issue of the AMA News announcing the cancellation of the annual convention held in conjunction with Ruidoso's Aspencade.

"Clarifying its cancellation, Youngblood, said 'I have spoken with Til Thompson, organizer of the AMA convention, and though we very much regret this decision, I understand Thompson's reasons.'"

"Aspencade is no longer a small weekend outing. It has grown very rapidly, and in 1975 achieved convention status. It must be acknowledged as a major public gathering and receive the kind of community support and cooperation that any public event requires. That

is what the organizer is not getting. Though many good people in the Ruidoso community are great supporters of the motorcyclists, the appropriate support is simply not being offered by the police. Without their help, the event simply can't be continued. Til Thompson has decided to close it on a high note before some unfortunate future occurrence spoils its reputation. I regret it, but under the circumstances, I support his decision."

"Youngblood added that some type of motorcycle event would probably be organized for Ruidoso's fall festival, but that it would not be a major road event."

In reference to the lack of support by police, as charged by Youngblood, Ruidoso PD chief Paul M. Lukens Jr., said: "I'd like to point out that the local police department and surrounding law enforcement agencies furnished 58 officers and necessary supporting personnel, devoting several thousand man hours of regularly scheduled time and overtime, in support of this function."

"The fact that the past rallies, first through fifth, at Aspencade have been conducted with an absolute minimum of problems and/or criminal activity is in itself evidence of the effective support given to the rally by surrounding police agencies."

"During the five years of the motorcyclists activities in Ruidoso during Aspencade the attendance has tripled, quadrupled," Thompson said, "and it is due to this growth and the heavy load it has placed upon a very few of us, that I reluctantly decided not to

(Editor's note: Youngblood uses the term "aspencade" in referring to the AMA convention, as that is how club members refer to the meeting.) Youngblood's announcement reads: "One of motorcycling's major road rider events will not be held in 1976. The Aspencade, held in Ruidoso in early

autumn, grew to national prominence over the last five years, becoming one of the most popular events among road riders.

P&Z completes ordinances

After almost three years of work the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission held its final public hearing on the new ordinances for the village Wednesday night. The hearing was the final step before the ordinances are presented to the village board for adoption.

They were a mess," PZ Commission member George Shoemaker said. "There were resolutions on top of resolutions. People would come in to find out what the law was and we couldn't tell them. These new regulations will give the commission and the community a good base to work from."

"We've worked long and hard on these ordinances and we feel like they will work for the betterment of the village," PZ chairman Stormy Edwards said.

The four ordinances approved at the meeting were: —Ordinance Creating a

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Board ok's county P & Z ordinances

The Lincoln County Commissioners approved the new county subdivision regulations Friday. The subdivision rules were submitted by the Planning, Zoning and Parks Development Commission after nearly a year of work, and will go into effect 30 days after they are filed in Santa Fe.

There was one amendment to the regulations approved at the Commissioners meeting. Added to the section on preliminary road acceptance was a clause eliminating any set minimum width for roads and leaving the judgment of good engineering practices, safety and intended road use."

"We feel this amendment will make the regulations a little more flexible," Bill Seelbach, PZPD Chairman said.

The Commission also added a clause which requires paved roads to be constructed of a two inch layer of hot mix or built with triple penetration, according to the standards of the New Mexico State Highway Department.

"The Commission has worked [SEE PAGE SEVEN]

Library booming



LIBRARIAN MONESE BARRON pretty well knows exactly where to locate a desired volume.

The Ruidoso Public Library has been housed in its new building on Sudderth Dr. for a little over a year. According to library assistant Mary Lou Gooch the move has meant more services, more books, and a 65 per cent increase in library patrons.

"Our circulation has picked up tremendously since we moved into the new building," said Librarian Monese Barron, who took her post when the library opened in January.

Circulation figures for fiscal year 1975 were 12,838, a giant leap from the 3,122 books checked out during fiscal year 1974.

Since its inception the library has issued 4,322 library cards. The longest still active patron is Ruidosoan Cyrus Leland III, who was issued card number five, April 21, 1959.

The library has come a long way since its inception in 1954 when the Ruidoso Women's Club offered a small collection of donated books for public use. Several years later the books were turned over to the village where they were first housed in the Ruidoso Municipal Building and then transferred to a small room at Municipal Airport.

"We had the only flying library in the state," Ms. Gooch said, laughing. "People would fly in, pick up a book and fly out."

Though today's library collection has swelled to nearly 8,000 volumes, librarians still face many of the same problems of earlier days.

"Our biggest problem is lost books," Ms. Barron said. "We [SEE PAGE SEVEN]

Chamber meeting Monday

The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce board of directors meets tonight at 7:00 in the municipal building to plan the 1976 CC calendar of events.

Items to be discussed are the Good Samaritan Nursing Home, Aspencade, arts and crafts fair, indoor dances, the Championship Indian Dances, the CC Banquet, the Sierra Blanca tennis tournament, Thanksgiving Ruidoso Style, the Cadillac party and a Centennial show.

RHS wrestling spectacular

BY BILL WILSON
Staff Writer

Wrestlers? A bunch of fakers — right? All those body slams and presses, the gouging, biting and stomping — just a good show, right?

Wrong. If you want to watch grappling at its finest — as an athletic art — with points scored for pins, making and breaking holds, then you should catch a match between the Ruidoso Warriors and any of the visiting matmen.

The high school wrestlers are serious — there's no showmanship, but you might get to watch some first class oneupmanship.

Wrestling is one of the oldest sports, competitive and otherwise, known to man. People have been scuffling, tugging and grappling with each other since caveman days and regardless of the future, will continue to do so as long as they have arms and legs. As a spectator sport the art has grown in popularity, receiving a boost from television several years ago. In public schools over the U.S., wrestling seems to be spotty — strong in some areas, weak or nonexistent in others.



NO 'NOISY WATERS'—An ice-clogged Rio Ruidoso could barely produce muffled gurgles as it literally oozed along under its mantle of snow and ice on a brilliantly sunlit afternoon one delightful Sunday before Old Man Winter took abrupt leave from this fabled winter playground. It could be that Think Snow buttons will soon be as much in evidence here as Racing Forms are when the bangtails are pounding the turf at Ruidoso Downs.

KRRR sets Thursday 'Good Sam' radiothon

KRRR radio, Ruidoso, will air the Good Samaritan Nursing Home fund drive in a day long radiothon beginning at 8:00 a.m., Thursday.

"We have a game plan," KRRR owner Ed Hyman said, "but it is extremely flexible, depending on weather conditions and traffic."

"We'll be accepting phone calls all day and those desiring to have their conversations aired may do so."

"Anyone can call in, stating the amount of their contribution to the 'Good Sam' home and we'll dispatch someone to any Ruidoso and immediate area home or business to pick it up."

"As the contributions are received at the station, we'll announce the running total."

Hyman noted that no donation is too small and none can be too large.

Members of the 'Good Sam' advisory committee will be at the station during the day to answer questions about the home.

"Contributions to date have been substantial," Hyman said, "and we hope to raise a sizeable sum during our radiothon. We hope our volunteers have to make more than 1,000 trips Thursday to pick up donations."

An outdoor inducement to participate in the drive is planned at KRRR.

Radiothon volunteer workers may call the station through Wednesday and interested persons are invited to attend the 'Good Sam' fund-raising meeting at 7:00 tonight in the Senior Citizens Center located behind the Ruidoso Public Library.



PHIL YOST, wrestling coach at Ruidoso high school, demonstrates how to pin the arms of an opponent during a daily workout session.

PEOPLE

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Happenings by Jerry

Know your turquoise! Turquoise is defined in the dictionary as "a mineral consisting of a blue, bluish green, or greenish gray hydrous basic copper aluminum phosphate fromorphous with chalcocite, occurring usu. in reniform masses with a botryoidal surface, taking a high polish and changing sometimes to a green tint but when sky blue valued as a gem and mined in Persia, Arizona and New Mexico."

Since turquoise was named a precious stone it has become most popular with all ages and both sexes. Some people are collectors and others just enjoy wearing turquoise because of the beauty and versatility of the articles. It looks equally as well with jeans or after five attire and is so individual because of the originality of the pieces.

The array of turquoise jewelry on the market today is

fantastic! The colors from pale to deep blues and into shades of green according, in some instances, to which mine the turquoise is from. There are the big hunky pieces made by the Navajo and the delicate inlays made by the Zuni. Some collectors prefer the old pawn pieces because of the age and history of the articles. Others prefer the newer handmade pieces. But whatever your preference the important thing about collecting turquoise is to know your dealer.

Dealers like Helen and Clayton Bennett are most knowledgeable because of their many years in the business. Mr. Bennett told us of an association that he is a member of that protects collectors. It is the Indian Arts and Crafts Association which is a national non-profit association of Indian Craftsmen, traders, dealers, collectors, museums and

others. It is intended to enhance and maintain the image and marketing of handmade American Indian arts and crafts. Members are obligated to honest representation with credit return privileges of articles which have knowingly and willfully been misrepresented. Members also participate with the National Crime Information Center and private investigators in a world wide security system.

So know your turquoise by knowing your dealer!

Thanks Ron Crawford for calling us with the info on mood rings, which we wrote in Monday's column. He told us that a mood ring works on the same principal as a digital thermometer. It's the crystals that cause the color change according to the temperature. And thanks for reading the column, Ron!

Slalom race at Sierra Blanca

A meeting was held last Monday evening at the home of Sue Reeves to determine whether the younger skiers in the Sierra Blanca Jr. Racers team would attend the race being held at the Purgatory Ski Area on January 24th and 25th. It was decided that the group would enter the ski event. On that same weekend the

ability group of the Jr. Racers will host teams in the Rocky Mountain division for a slalom race at the Sierra Blanca Ski Area. The event will be called the Lookout Estates Slalom. Competition begins each day at 10:00 a.m. and the public is invited to attend. At this time gatekeepers are still needed for the local slalom race.

Fox show

Ruidoso sculptor Lincoln Fox is being honored by the Grand Central Art Gallery at the Biltmore Hotel in New York City this month with an exhibit of his work entitled "The West Returns to Grand Central."

Both Mr. and Mrs. Fox were in New York for a week for the opening of the show January 5. Promotion for the show included a horse drawn carriage which was driven through the streets of NYC heralding the exhibit.

Fox came to the Ruidoso area five years ago from Santa Fe and owns a ranch outside of Alto. In his 15 years of sculpting he has received a medal from the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City for his work and had a show at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D. C. for two months last year.

The exhibit of Indian sculptures and lifesize bronze figures will continue at the gallery until Feb. 10.

Officers elected in San Patricio

St. Jude Altar and Rosary Society of San Patricio held their regular monthly meeting Monday evening January 12th at the home of Erlinda Lucero. Election of officers for 1976 was held with the following elected: Annie Gutierrez, president; Virginia Gonzales, vice-president; Josephine Gomez, secretary; Elma Rogers, treasurer, and Savina Torres, hospitality chairman.

New officers will be installed by Father Flavio Santillanes during the 9:30 a.m. mass on Sunday, January 18th. Refreshments will be served at St. Jude Center following the mass.

Outgoing president, Virginia Gonzales thanked the outgoing officers Martha Fresquez, Orallio Brady, Elma Rogers, Savina Torres, and others who helped with projects during the past year.

Plans were made to raffle a television set and lamb for Walter McTeague who had surgery recently and is now recuperating at home. The money from the raffle will be placed in a trust to help defray some of the cost of his hospitalization.

After the meeting refreshments were served by hostess Erlinda Lucero and her daughters to members and guests. Josephine Sanchez and Mildred Wantiez from St. Eleanor's Guild attended the meeting as special guests.

OES hold January meeting

Ruidoso chapter No. 65 order of Eastern Star met on January 8 at 7:30 p.m. at the Eastern Star Hall.

The meeting was called to order by the Worthy Matron, Rose Norman and Worthy Patron, Larry Norman.

An announcement was made by the Worthy Matron that the Worthy Grand Matron, Mary Ellen Johnson and Worthy Grand Patron, J. Wilburn Miller would make their official visit, Saturday, January 24 at 7 p.m. at the Eastern Star Hall.

Following the meeting refreshments were served by Clara Jester, Bea Adams and Ellen Sanders in the dining room.

Bonito V.F.D. election

Bonito V.F.D. held its annual meeting Monday, January 12 for election of officers. Those elected were: John J. Hall, Chief; John VonRosenberg, Assistant Chief; Frank Kirby-Smith, Captain; Robert Runnels, Lt.; Terry Hall, Fire Marshall; Doc Stephenson, Director; Bob Finley, Secretary and George Lore, Treasurer.

Roxie Rogers initiate in n.h.s.

Portales—Roxie Rodgers of Ruidoso is a 1976 spring semester initiate of Eastern New Mexico University's chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, a national honor society recognizing and encouraging superior scholarship in all academic disciplines.

Phi Kappa Phi has a membership of over 260,000 initiates in 145 chapters representing 47 states plus the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Philippines. Membership is limited to second semester juniors who are ranked in the upper ten percent of their class.

NMSU fall candidates

Las Cruces, N.M.—More than 700 students are candidates for fall graduation at New Mexico State University.

The graduates, members of the class of 1976, will be recognized at NMSU's 83rd annual commencement exercises May 15.

Included in the fall candidates for degrees are two Ruidosians, Carey Baker Horton, Bachelor of Business Administration, with honors, Randall L. Eubank, Master of Science, and Leopoldo A. Pacheco, Timmie, Bachelor of Arts.

Village of Ruidoso — a 30 year span

On November 15, 1975 the Village of Ruidoso celebrated its 30th anniversary as an incorporated municipality. The Village Hall had its beginning on Sudderth Drive across from the Skating Rink. In 1949 it was moved to a two room frame building which housed the general office and court room. This location was behind the main Fire Station. In 1954 the Village Hall moved to their present location. This building had been a grade school in Ruidoso.

employees had to stoop so far for a drink of water. Since the renovation however no one would now know that it was once a grade school except maybe our present mayor, Lloyd Davis, who attended grade school there.

In 1949 L. F. Dryden was Village Clerk, Uncle Charlie Weems was Judge, Claudie Peterson was Water Supt. and Fire Chief and Frank Barajas was Village Marshall. There was one other employee that year. Laverne Walkup was employed by the water department. She is still an employee of the Village and is the oldest employee there. She is now in the Utility department.

From about five employees in 1949 there are now about 80

employed by the Village. Starting with only a water department which is now a Utilities department, which includes water, sanitation and sewer. Other departments that have come into being are the Police department, Fire Department, and Street department.

The Library, Senior Citizens and the Airport are also included in the present municipality. The utilities department evolved about 1969 to include sanitation, which was formerly on contract, and the sewerage system.

The Fire department which began with one old truck now has six. Although it is still a Volunteer Fire department there are four paid employees now.

filed by his opponent Dick Ratliff was decided in Ratliff's favor and Ratliff held office until April, 1952. In 1952 Ratliff was re-elected but resigned while in office and was succeeded by Raymond C. Buckner who filled the unexpired term from April, 1954.

Dan D. Swearingin served the first full two year term from April, 1954 until April 1956. Dr. J. E. Snyder ran unopposed in 1956 but resigned in 1958 to be succeeded by Jack Little. In 1958 Jack Little was elected in 1958 serving a full term. Robert Pearson followed in 1960 serving a full term. Varren Tucker served from 1962 until 1964 and was followed by G. H. (Shorty) Stoneman from 1964 until 1966.

Serving as mayor for the 1966-68 term was Lloyd L. Davis, Jr. who was re-elected in 1968 serving until 1970. In 1970 George P. White was elected, serving until 1972 when Leon A. Farrar became mayor. In 1974 Lloyd L. Davis, Jr. was again elected mayor and became the only person to serve as mayor of Ruidoso for three terms.

The Utilities department of the Village probably best defines the growth of the municipality starting out with 250 customers there are now 3200. This is Ruidoso—a village still growing!

The building was remodeled when it became the Village Hall but major renovation did not take place until four or five years ago. Until that time visitors used to wonder why the water fountains were only a few feet above the floor and village

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In 1960, Jim Hine, became the third Village Manager and still remains in that position.

Owen Waldo McElhaney was installed as the first Mayor of Ruidoso in December, 1945. In April, 1946, he was re-elected for a two year term but died in office and was succeeded by George McCarty who served from July, 1946 until April, 1948. John Christman was elected and installed in April, 1948. He died in office and was succeeded by Ike Wingfield who filled the unexpired term until 1950. Wingfield was re-elected in 1950, but an election contest

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CHARLIE CULVER was village clerk for two years in the 1940's. He is shown here in the Village Hall of that era. L. F. Dryden was the second Village clerk. The third to head our municipality in its 30 year history, is Jim Hine, our present Village Manager.

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Young cattle may require protein

Beef cattle may need a protein supplement when they are eating low quality feeds. A balanced ration is important in obtaining optimum production, says Larry Foster, Extension beef cattle specialist at New Mexico State University. Recent NMSU research indicates that mature cows grazing native ranges with ample grass need little or no supplement other than phosphorus. Young growing animals, however, need a better balanced diet. When balancing these rations, consider the amount of dry matter (energy) and protein. For most beef herds, the ration deficiency occurs in the amount of available protein. Research shows that insufficient protein will lower beef production, Foster says.

The protein supplement choice should be based on the individual farm situation. First, the producer must decide whether he wants to use a meal, block or liquid supplement. Before deciding, carefully evaluate the difficulties and advantages associated with each type. While consumption is easier to control with meals, more labor is required. Blocks require less labor but the level of consumption is controlled primarily by the hardness of the block. Liquid supplements require the least amount of labor but the individual daily intake tends to vary. The protein in a liquid supplement is generally from non-protein nitrogen. Also, the cost of this method is generally higher.



The SILVER LINING

By Daniel Agnew Storm

**The Blessed Gift
Of Dorothy Wilson**
Not too long ago W.R. (Bill) Wilson and his wife, Dorothy, decided to leave their home among the Magnolia blossoms of Jasper, Texas to make their home here, in the City of The Pines. Bill is in the advertising department of the Ruidoso News, and is making friends rapidly on account of his sunshiney personality and sparkling wit, and is already very much at home here among us. It is just as if he had been here all his life. Dorothy is a good gift to the world; and she herself has been blest with a wonderful gift by Our Lord. The other day, I received this message in the mail from Dorothy: "I must tell you, now, today, Of Joy your writing brings! While other writers swing and sway; Yours has the touch that sings In tune with those who love the world, And march in peace and light To sweeter music yet unheard Of unsung powers and might! "Never is it much a chore To murmur and complain! But your writings always more Of contentment's sweet refrain I do not know; I do not care - What others have to say - I only know that I must share While it is yet today: For Daniel Storm, I praise the Lord; For all he writes and is That strikes the Master's divine chord And makes all glory His."

People open their Hearts
For the Little Dogs.

After Mayme Fayton Knight took two little female puppies to her home, that left two little males and a little female, of the five little puppies.

Then Bill and Beth Randolph, the new owners of the Ruidoso Cleaners, took in a pretty little male puppy.

So that left a little brother and sister. Gaining strength rapidly and with their bright eyes looking everywhere in the big new world, these two began

following their mother farther and farther from the mattress-and-rug-and-quilt house in the bottom of the arroyo amongst the trash. The little female, which I named "The Mole" would not go very far from home, but the tiny male, marked with brown feet and brown spots over his eyes, would just keep going until I had to bring him back. I called him "The Tracker." One morning when I went up to feed them, the Tracker was gone. The Mole was there with her mother. I went back twice that day, and no Tracker. Then that night just at sundown, here was the Tracker waiting at the door of the den all by himself. After while, here came the mother but not with the Mole. The next morning, the Tracker was gone, and I heard a tiny voice whining down under the cans and bottles; and here came the little female crawling out. That is when she got the name, The Mole. Shady and I tracked the Tracker and found him about a quarter of a mile down the arroyo trying to climb a small rock bluff on his way back home. He had followed his mother all that way, and had come up against this cliff which was too much for him.

Fearing that the Tracker would get lost, I begged Maymie to take him. Now he is the pard and companion of Mr. Knight. I took the Mole around the neighborhood, and showed her to a young lady visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Knapp. Her name is Jean Bell from Hobbs. She fell in love with the Mole, and now all the puppies have a good home, thanks to the kindness that dwells in the human heart, and to the love of dogs that is in us all.

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1040 Taxpayers Ask IRS

This column of questions and answers on federal tax matters is provided by the local office of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service and is published as a public service to taxpayers. The column answers questions most frequently asked by taxpayers. Q. I recently moved to a State which taxes personal property. How do I determine which of these qualify as deductible personal property taxes? A. First, a deductible personal property tax must be an ad valorem tax, that is, one based on the value of the personal property. It must also be imposed on an annual basis, even if it collected more or less frequently. A tax based on anything other than the property's value is not deductible. Therefore, if property such as your car is taxed on its value, and other criteria such as weight or gas mileage, only the portion of the tax attributed to the value is deductible. The tax may be considered to be imposed on personal property even if in form it is imposed on the exercise of a privilege. For example, an ad valorem tax called a registration fee, imposed on your car for the privilege of using the highways, is still considered a property tax. Q. I understand that I may be able to claim additional tax credits for some of my exemptions this year. For which of them may I claim credits? A. Provisions of the Tax Reduction Act of 1975 allow you to reduce their income tax liability by \$30 for each person for whom you are entitled to claim a personal dependency deduction. Personal exemptions may be claimed for yourself, your spouse, and each dependent. However, you may not claim the additional credits for age and blindness exemptions. The credit is in addition to the \$750 deduction allowed for each exemption to which you are entitled. However, your total personal exemption credit may not exceed your income tax liability. Q. I am supporting my parents who qualify as my dependents and who live with me, and I think I may be entitled to a head of a household tax rate. How can I qualify? A. Generally, you must be unmarried on the last day of the year, maintain the household for your dependent parents and contribute over half the cost of its maintenance.

Telephone tax decreases

The federal excise tax on telephone service has been reduced to six per cent, from the previous seven per cent, effective Jan. 1. The six per cent rate will be charged on all bills to customers mailed in January. Tolls prior to Nov. 1, 1975, though billed in January, will be taxed at seven per cent. The tax, instituted during WW II at 10 per cent, has been reduced one percentage point annually beginning in 1972 and is scheduled to be phased out completely in 1982.

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MRS. B
By CECELIA BARRON

Well, I have four hours wait at Phoenix, Arizona; which gives me time to write my dear friends in Ruidoso and my loved ones I have just left behind. And too, I will get to use the nice port folio my granddaughter gave me for Christmas. She is such a practical girl. The other one always wants me to be beautiful by giving cosmetics. Well, I try.

The only compensation I have for leaving my family is: I know I soon will be in my beautiful mountains with my lovely friends. When I went out, Ann was so wonderful to help me get to the bus; and I truly appreciate her nice gift of home made candy. We cannot live without our friends.

The cities I went through were lovely; but I believe Phoenix had the most beautiful Christmas decorations; a tree you could see from afar and a large Santa wearing a broad sombrero and a bright sign "Ole". Of course Las Vegas and Reno were lit up with thousands of lights, but it was nothing new for them. It makes one wonder what good it does for us to just use our one little light.

I meet so many nice people when I travel; Leslie Bradey whose home is in Woodland, Calif., but is attending medical college in Houston, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Goodsell of Roswell and our very own mountains. Margaret Amibath of Long Beach, Calif.

Then there was Lawrence Stephenson of Dimmitt, Texas; and a little man, Danny Crawford and his sister, Daphnie of Phoenix, who had been spending the holidays with their grandmother, who has a ranch in Kingstom, Arizona. Danny says he is an ice skater and is learning figure skating; and he has won several awards. He was a real gentleman offering to get off and get me drinks.

I also met Pat Wagner and little Randy of Medford, Oregon, on their way to visit relatives in Odessa, Texas. Randy was such a bright eyed youngster and enjoying every minute of his trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Cox of San Antonio, Texas were on their way home after spending the holidays in California.

It is a very common thing to see some youngsters with packs on their backs, sitting on the floor of the station, taking their repasts from cans or crackerboxes; just as if they were K rations and they were ready to run for cover, if trouble developed near by. Then at one station I heard a black man ask for a paper cup, he said, just to get some water in, and the waitress said it would cost him a dime. He went away without the cup. Oh, the irony of people!

This transportation is getting to be a real problem. The planes are on strike or airports are bombed, till people are afraid to fly; the trains are so badly connected, no one can board them; as a result, the buses are jammed full and luggage piled high. If they are not on strike, also. One place will fill out your itinerary or schedule, then the next stop will change it or route you some other direction while your baggage is going some other way, until you really don't know where you are going. But, take the bad and good: I am thankful I am physically and mentally able to accomplish each feat.

It was nice talking to Patty Blank and I hope to hear from her again.

I enjoyed having Mrs. Don Chubb and little Korie drop in. It is no wonder she wins beauty contests. There should be no argument against the lovely little miss.

I have learned more about the popular dish, Gazpacho. I am told it is standard and a must among the artists and health food people; made entirely of vegetables, tomato juice, and spices. I enjoy making this wholesome dish and know I am partaking of the best of foods.

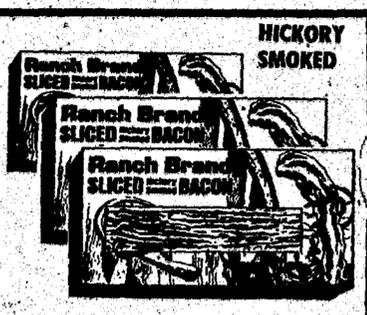
A little lady came to my door with one shoe, saying her dog had carried it home. She was ridding through the snow, going from door to door, trying to find its owner. It was a nice good walking shoe. I thought it was "one in a million" to see. I didn't learn where she lived, but somewhere on the north side of Ponderosa Heights.



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Inside the Capital

by Fred Buckles

Santa Fe—U.S. Sen. Joseph M. Montoya says the Ford administration should recommend Congress enact direct federal loans to certain income brackets to build homes.

The Santa Fe Democrat says: The administration should recommend that the Congress enact a federal financing corporation structure to start direct loans to people who want to build homes at a rate of interest of about 7 per cent for certain low and middle income people.

"These would do the following: They would cause a lowering of the interest rate for other conventional housing eventually and would build interest in housing to a plateau from which we could energize the depressed construction industry."

Sen. Montoya predicted Congress will renew the 5-year federal revenue sharing program for another 5 years. But he would apply rigid controls to replace the present no-strings-attached law.

Montoya says: "I favor federal revenue sharing on a limited basis with some rigid requirements attached which would require that states, counties, cities and other political subdivisions should spend their money strictly to provide better services to the people and for capital outlay of a lasting nature." He said the present law "has been used to pad payrolls in some cities and the benefits have not gone out to the people."

Sen. Montoya says Republicans will nominate Gerald Ford for president. But he says Ronald Reagan would be easier for Democrats to beat. Montoya adds: "Reagan would be to the right of Goldwater and Goldwater didn't do too well in 1964." The late President Lyndon B. Johnson swamped Goldwater as Montoya won a Senate term.

Montoya will formally announce his candidacy for a third Senate term before Feb. 1. What will be the major national campaign issues in this election year? Montoya says: "No. 1,

the economy, unemployment and the lack of direction from the White House."

"The policies of the Republican administration as initiated by Richard Nixon and followed by Ford have really aggravated our economic situation." In his own campaign, Sen. Montoya says, "I'm going to recite the entire litany of what I have done for New Mexico since I have been in the Congress." He was a House member in 1957-64. He has been a senator since 1964.

Montoya says he serves on committees "which are tremendous assets that belong to the people of New Mexico." He is in the "inner circle" of the powerful Senate Appropriations Committee and ranking member of several of its subcommittees. He is third ranking member of the Senate Public Works Committee and possibly in line for committee chairman.

Montoya is on the joint committee on Atomic Energy and a likely choice for chairman when the post moves to a senator next. Sen. Montoya was

in New Mexico 46 of 52 weekends in 1975. Since he became senator he has spent 36 to 45 weekends each year in New Mexico. He is an active unannounced reelection candidate.

Sen. Montoya predicts "the trend will be Democratic this year in New Mexico." Montoya said in his own poll "President Ford finished very low in New Mexico with only 19 per cent approval. That indicates that this state will go overwhelmingly Democratic this year."

Montoya says he will exert strong influence for the Democratic ticket in the North himself. He does not endorse a Democratic presidential candidate or forecast the winner of the nomination. Many of Montoya's friends in Congress are in the presidential race.

But he notes New Mexico Republicans have gained votes among farmers and he stresses Minnesota Sen. Hubert Humphrey's long record in support of agricultural legislation. Humphrey is on the Senate Agricultural Committee.

Montoya says West Virginia Sen. Robert C. Byrd "might get a nod at the convention for vice president." He predicts the National Democratic Convention "will go several ballots" before a presidential nominee is picked. He says Massachusetts Sen. Edward Kennedy will not run.

Sen. Montoya says: "I am absolutely and irrevocably opposed to the Ford administration's foreign aid programs that the administration has asked Congress to enact. Our foreign aid program has not done us much good. It has caused us much harm. It's about time we got out of this business. I've voted against foreign aid bills for 10 years. I intend to continue."

He said: "The foreign aid programs should be dropped altogether and unusual situations like we have in Israel right now should be helped. It should be done on a country by country basis rather than on a Santa Claus giveaway basis like we have done in the past."

Letters to the Editor

Dear Mr. CD,
In reference to your Opinion Page article about discipline, the home, etc. Specifically, the following quote:
"Working parents—with two incomes being necessary in our present economy among the working masses—cannot devote the necessary time to uphold their responsibilities to their youngsters. That is a fact of life."
Generalized statements such as these are an A-1 cop out; a super simplified rationale for behavioral problems.
Because both parents work does not mean they are "too busy" to devote time to proper guidance and discipline. Concerned parents take time and make time for their children. There is such terms as "quality experience" and "quantity experience." But concern in itself is no guarantee that the child will grow up to be an ideal adult.
Years ago both parents worked. Women worked in the fields as well as in the home.
We cannot let "lack of leisure time" be an excuse for "lack of family involvement". Perhaps lack of discipline has multiple causes.
If discipline is no longer to be found in the home then perhaps Mr. C.D., you can suggest alternative sources?
Respectfully,
Bonnie Coe

Opinion page

Yours and Ours

What price detente?

Wheat—and the failure of USSR five-year programs to provide it—is obviously the No. 1 headache among the Russian biggies.

And without wheat, there's a lack of bread for the Russian soldiers fighting in Angola. Assuming there are Russian soldiers fighting in Angola. And if they aren't, what are they doing there? Promoting tourism? And didn't Napoleon prove that soldiers needed bread—especially during a hard Russian winter? Which has nothing to do with winter in Angola, except soldiers must need bread to slog through the abundant mud.

So—with no wheat, where does Russia turn? To the US—the wheat basket of, and apparently of late for, the world.

And in the midst of this crisis Earl Butz, the farmer's friend, depending upon which farmer he's currently befriendng, blithely arranges wheat sales to Russia.

Adding to the confusion is Henry Kissinger, our peripatetic Secretary of State, who in his bubbling enthusiasm to achieve detente, with the Russians and all countries great and weak who ridicule our form of government, manages to appease the large nations and enrage the leaders of the small entities.

The word is that the Soviets produce oil in quantity.

The US produces wheat by the billions of bushels. Russia needs wheat more desperately than the US needs oil.

Detente, between the US, Russia and all nations, is desirable.

In view of the fact that the US has the USSR in a bind, why doesn't Kissinger—Ford—Congress—draft a detente proposal, on our terms, and submit it to Russia, and other countries, on a like it or lump it basis?

Maybe a man fights better on an empty stomach, but if he's going to keep on fighting, he needs food. Even the Russians can understand that.

What price detente isn't the question—it's detente on whose terms.—CD.

My side of the mountain

By Randi McGinn

Does God Play Baseball?

Children often miss the point of religion. . . they can understand there's a God, but when it comes to some of the rituals in the church they often misconstrue the meaning.

As a toddler in a Roman Catholic family, I was anything but reverent. While Mom concentrated on singing the opening hymn, I would quietly sneak away and spend the service crawling in between the legs of people standing in the pews.

It was great fun searching through stranger's purses, until my mother would realize her child was missing and interrupt mass with a frantic search for a lipstick-stealing three-year-old.

As my brother and sisters and I grew older we puzzled over what kind of being God really was. We imagined He was a lot like a long-bearded grandfather who sat amidst pink cotton candy clouds directing a symphony of angels with a golden baton.

For months we secretly figured we'd never make it to heaven without harp lessons and doubted it was such a great place anyway since there probably weren't any baseball diamonds or television sets.

However, our biggest misconceptions were about the Catholic sacrament of confession.

In our parish, children made their first confession in the third grade, before they really knew how to go about the hardcore, effective sinning that preacher's can really sink their sermons into.

After several months of preparation in catechism a child was supposedly ready to march into the small, dark, confessional and tell the priest behind the screen all his failings.

Unfortunately, my little sister missed something along the line. Walking bravely into the confessional she knelt and accurately recited the opening lines. . . "Bless me Father for I have sinned. This is my first confession and these are my sins."

There was silence for several minutes. "Well?" The Priest said gently. "Ah, I don't have any," Kerry said.

After a brief lecture on the inherent sinfulness of all men and what sin is, she went home and got a pencil and

paper. At her next confession she came prepared with a flashlight and a list.

"At 3:45 on Monday I flushed my brother's goldfish down the toilet so it could go to the sea. . . at 11:30 on Tuesday I make Carlin a sandwich out of cat food. . . at 1:12 I. . ."

Confession was also a good way to get even with your brother. By sidling up to the door, you could make out what he was telling the priest and blackmail him when you got home. After a while we started clocking how long each of us spent in the little booth.

Another good indicator of sinfulness was how many prayers you had to say for penance and we began comparing. "Gosh, you have to say 10 'Our Fathers' and 12 'Hail Marys'. . . what did you do, kill somebody?"

Pretty soon it got to be a contest to see who could get the most penance and the only way I could keep up with my rowdy brother was to make up sins. After all, the poor priest probably got bored hearing about how you'd hit your sister or lied to your Mom about cleaning your room.

To get sinful it was always a pretty sure bet to say you'd broken one of the ten commandments and, if that didn't work, there were always the "ate" words. You knew something had to be wrong if it ended in "ate". . . expectorate, vibrate, lubricate. . . they all sounded so evil.

It worked, and for months I won the penance race, until my brother figured out what I was doing and started putting his more fertile imagination to work.

I've always wondered what the priests thought of the two fourth and fifth grade kids who showed up twice a month to report how they'd coveted their neighbor's marbles or conjugated the bully down the street.

STUPH & JUNK By

Cale Dickey



FIGHTING SKIER

NM Gov. Jerry Apodaca's a skier. . . an Aspen, Colo., skier. . . but did you know he also possesses a bit of a temper. . . and, during the heat of a moment, offers to display his pugilistic prowess to a heckler? . . . Anyhow seems his ribs and a delegation of Blacks were conflagrating about unemployment. . . specifically unemployed Blacks. . . and one Gosundi Wusiya. . . without even a "gesundheit". . . did have the temerity to interrupt our honorable governor to interject private opinions. . . with said opinions obviously at variance with what the governor was espousing.

What happen? His ribs suggested, as a friendly man-to-man solution to Wusiya's mouthings, that the two of them arrive at settlement. . . outside. Whether or not Wusiya was impressed with Gov. Jerry's athletic abilities. . . or if he wondered if Jerry'd employ Marquis of Queensbury rules in the exchange of blows. . . or maybe he's just non-violent. . . anyhow. . . Wusiya declined the invitation.

What the incident will eventually do to the relations, or lack thereof, between the Black community and Jerry will undoubtedly make news one day. . . Wusiya's refusal to tangle with the governor blow-by-blow certainly cheated some press photographers out of a good picture. . . and, if'n Jerry'd won, he'd coulda used that picture in future campaigns. . . can't you visualize the wording. . . "Like, man when I believe in something, I fight for it. . . and I win". . . and there'd he'd be. . . all unscathed. . . standing over poor old Wusiya's batte red bruised bleeding beaten bedraggled belaboured body.

Meanwhile. . . pending Jerry's next political campaign and how the repercussions of Tuesday's discussion will affect the voter turnout of minority groups. . . there's this much that is fact. . . when Jerry gets his dander up, by jinkies, he lets you know exactly where he stands. . . and what he stand for. . . and who he'll stand up to.

PICKY-PICKY

Road Information Program has released information on that 1,575 of New Mexico's 4,488 road bridges "are structurally deficient or obsolete". . . which must break down to mean they ain't safe to traverse by vehicle. Anyhow. . . if those 1,575 bridges were strong and modern. . . they wouldn't have made the news.

Comes now Karliden Boggio, information specialist with the State Highway Department. . . noting that there are bridges in Nebraska, Missouri, Tennessee and Illinois that also are faulty.

Question. . . how many of the rickety bridges in the four states she mentioned do New Mexico drivers regularly cross? Also. . . how crassly can one's credulity be consummated?

Picky-picky two. The Postal Service has announced that 13 cent first class mail stamps are cheap. . . for the service provided. And PS cites the much higher rates in foreign countries. . . many of which are almost subsisting on US subsidies.

Question. . . how many letters do you mail in those nations?

RED FACED ME

I have me a sweetheart. . . sweet little gal by name of Carrie. . . she's six. . . and she does love her grilled cheese sandwiches. . . especially when she's in the middle of one.

Anyhow. . . I'm chit-chatting with Carrie while she's devouring her favorite repast. . . and casually inquire as to the perfection with which her "toasted" cheese sandwich was prepared. She immediately favored me with a cold-eyed stare. . . didn't say "stupid". . . and informed me that it was a "grilled" cheese. Red-faced, I left, with my age showing. . . after all, there was absolutely nothing I could conceivably add to the conversation.

BRIEF BIT: Getting out of a rut is good for you. . . unless you wind up in a ditch. . . CD

Clipped comment

RETHINKING SECURITY

By now everyone is well aware of the threat posed by would-be assassins and assorted malcontents to the orderly and democratic selection of a President in 1976. Luck, and only luck, has saved the nation from another trauma of injury or death from an assassin's bullet.

Now it is time to rethink the entire scenario of presidential campaigns—before luck runs out. It is too easy to rationalize such situations, to suppose that what happened twice within 17 days in California was a fluke of coincidence that will not repeat itself.

That is dangerous logic. Too much hangs in the balance to assume anything about security of presidential candidates, and possibly candidates for other high offices as well, in light of what has happened.

It is indeed brave of President Ford to declare he will not be intimidated by the infinitesimal few among us who are dedicated to violence, and will not be isolated in the Oval Office. But the President must be persuaded to rethink his inclination to mingle with the public, to shake hands in an anonymous crowd as possible.

In such open situations the best trained bodyguards in the world can do little but react to the first signs of violence. If they are not fast enough or if luck is on the side of the per-

petrator, far more than the life of one man is at stake. That is the lesson which must be heeded above all other considerations in the wake of the events of September, 1975.—Daily Sun News, Levelland, Tex.

PLANTS VICTIMS

Not only does air pollution damage human lungs, but it also causes hundreds of millions of dollars a year in damage to farm crops. The losses would be greater if plants had not already been selectively bred so as to propagate the varieties with the most resistance to injury from ozone and other pollutants.

That's fine, but what about the nutritional values of those selectively bred varieties? Is there any research to disclose whether a plant resistant to polluted air is either better or worse for human consumption? Will some future Popeye's pollution-resistant spinach have to be artificially irradiated with vitamins?

This is not an isolated problem on the leeward side of big cities. The long-range solution must be to clear the air, not to make permanent changes in plant evolution.—Daily Sun News, Levelland, Tex.



"Jo-Jo... what have they done to you?"

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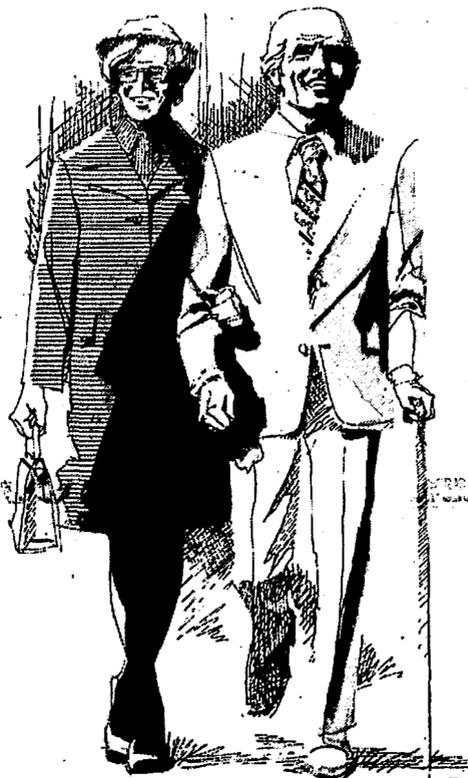
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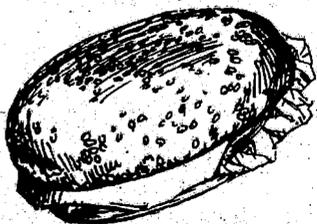
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RHS wrestling spectacular

[FROM PAGE ONE]

In a recent visit to one of the daily workouts at Warrior gym, I walked in looking for Yost—not seeing him standing along the sides, my eyes began a search among the arms, legs, bodies, grunts, and groans on the mat—there was Phil, head down, tail up, demonstrating one of the many holds a mat-man may encounter.

"Keep your arms in this position," the instructor grunted, emphasizing the grasp. He went on, "You're setting yourself up for a fall anytime you're relax." He did, the student with whom he was demonstrating flipped him onto his back. "See what I mean?" he said with a grin.

When asked a few questions about the sport, Yost handed me a typewritten sheet of paper entitled "Points to Ponder about Wrestling." Herewith are a few excerpts:

"Wrestling is an individual sport with one-to-one competition."

"Boys of all sizes are needed to complete a wrestling team. A 98 pounder is just as important to the team as a 200 pounder."

"Skill in wrestling is much more important than strength, size, height or weight."

"Few other sports are more closely watched by the referee."

"Wrestling is the only sport in New Mexico where each year

two boys, weighing less than 100 lbs., are crowned as state champions."

"Probably no other sport in the U.S. sends as many young athletes abroad for international competition."

"Wrestling is one of the best sports for more complete physical development and muscular co-ordination."

Enthusiasm is one of the virtues of a wrestler and Yost's group has a lot of it—wrestling is an art, a fine spectator sport, watch the schedule, go out, enjoy and support the Warrior Grapplers in action—you'll be glad you did!

Wrestling for Yost on the Warrior squad are Scooter Driver, Mark Strassburg, Rick Tate, Clint Baker, Gary Whitten, Sterling Rehmer, Chuck Burgess, Danny Francis, Joe Yates, Jim Lowrance, Lynn Holly, Wes Atkinson, Richard Woodul, Bob Wagenfehr, Gregg Lane, Kenny Sullivan.

RUIDOSO HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING SCHEDULE

Home Matches
Jan. 31, Cobre, 10 A.M.
Feb. 6, Deming, 6 P.M.
Feb. 13, Silver City, 1 P.M.
Feb. 13, NMSVH, 2:30 P.M.



RALPH ROMERO, undersheriff and criminal investigator with the Lincoln County Sheriff's office, and a Democrat, has announced he is a candidate for Sheriff of Lincoln County. Romero has had seven years of law enforcement experience in county sheriff's offices. He has served in his present capacity for seven months.

Board ok's ordinances

[FROM PAGE ONE]

a long time on this," county commissioner R. C. Nunez said. "They've done a good job."

In further business the commissioners:

—Authorized county manager Lea Olson to investigate the possibility of a joint powers agreement with the municipalities in the county over which subdivision regulations, either county or city, will have jurisdiction over

subdivisions within a three mile border of the municipality.

—Reappointed Tom Babors of San Patricio and Frank Kirby, Smith of Alto to the county valuation protests board.

—Approved the county treasurer's report for November and the county sheriff's report for December.

—Thanked Greg Hosler of the Soil Conservation Service for his year long help with the new subdivision regulations.



BILL ELLIOTT, 47, has announced his candidacy for the post of Lincoln County Sheriff, subject to the Democratic primary. Elliott has served on the Lubbock and Amarillo, Tex., police departments and was a patrolman with the Lubbock County Sheriff's office and attended many law enforcement schools.

P&Z completes ordinances

[FROM PAGE ONE]

Planning and Zoning Commission

—Design Standards for New Subdivisions

—Zoning Ordinance

—Ordinance Regulating the Operation of Trailer Parks

There was little opposition from any of the approximately 15 citizens attending the hearing and most complimented the commission on the job it had done.

"These ordinances are one

hundred per cent better than we had," Ruidoso builder Bill McCarty said. "I'd like to commend everyone on the commission for writing them up."

There were several minor changes made in the ordinances during the meeting, including the addition of a recommendation for triple penetration construction of some roads in the area. The commission also increased the minimum lot size of single

family dwellings from 7,000 square feet (70' x 100') to 10,000 square feet (100' x 100') to allow for more air space between buildings.

"I'd like to stress this commission doesn't put the ordinances into effect," city attorney John Thompson said. "The commission just makes a recommendation to the governing body and then they make the law. This was a procedural meeting to meet the requirements of law rather than one instituting the ordinances."

Library booming

[FROM PAGE ONE]

like to be optimistic and think these long overdue books will be returned, but many times that isn't the case."

Ms. Barron estimates there are 168 non-fiction books out at the present time. "At an average of five dollars a book that's \$840, which is almost one-fifth of our annual budget," she said. In addition, she said there were nearly 130 fiction books overdue.

With the switch in location the library has had a small problem sorting and cataloging the transferred books.

"At the present time the card catalog isn't available to the public as we're working on updating it," Ms. Barron said. "For the moment it's a browsing library, however if someone needs to find a particular book we can probably tell them where it is."

The Village of Ruidoso has allocated \$5,000 a year for new books and Ms. Barron is trying to gradually increase the inventory.

"Our aim is to have enough books to interest everyone in the community," she said.

Many of the books are purchased in accordance with the basic collection guide for small libraries, which recommends groundfloor books which appeal to most people. Some are bought on special requests by local citizens and others come to the library through donations.

"Some of the nicest donations we receive are books which have been dedicated to the memory of deceased friends or relatives," Ms. Barron said. "We've also had cash donations from most of the local clubs, several individuals and the Cathedral in the Pines."

Other assistance to the library comes through volun-

teers who work with Ms. Barron, the only full time employee, and Ms. Gooch and Mary Barraclough, who work part time.

Besides issuing books, the library provides several other services, including:

—A weekly preschool program of story telling every Thursday from 3-3:30 p.m.

—Over fifty different magazines — 25 subscriptions from the library fund and more than 25 donated by local clubs.

—A toy lending program to begin in February. Parents will be required to enroll in a library-instructed child development course on "How to Play with Children" before they may check out items from the library's selection of educational toys.

—Five newspapers: The Roswell Daily Record, The Ruidoso News, The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, The New York Times and The El Paso Times.

—A collection of 200 current novels and books from the McNaughton Rental Service, with ten new books added to the collection each month. McNaughton books can be checked out for only one week at a time.

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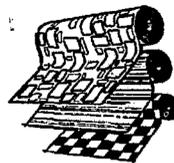
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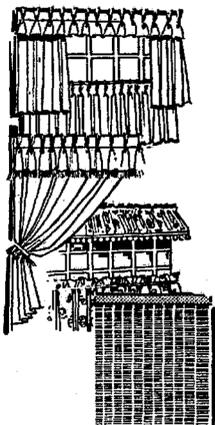
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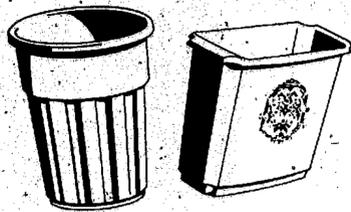
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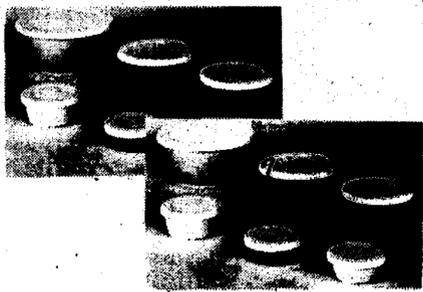


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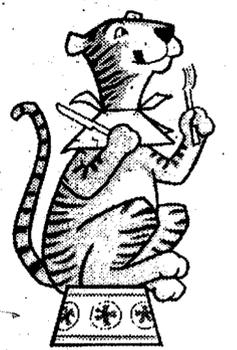


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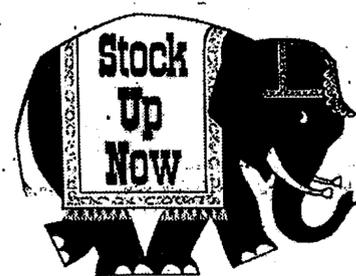
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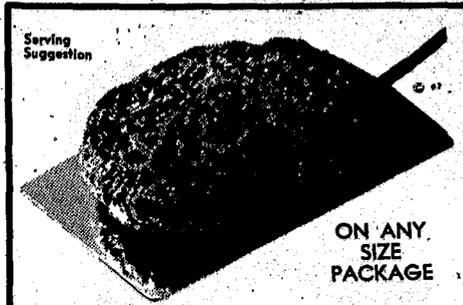
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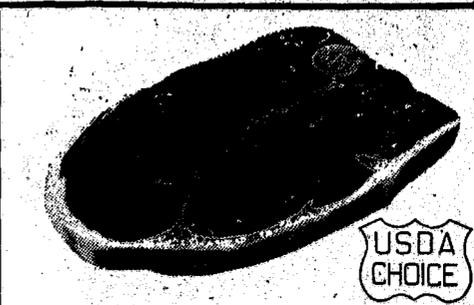
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How success came to a young jockey

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Boy meets horse. Boy decides to be a jockey. Boy works hard, puts in years of rough work and sweat and disappointment. Finally, boy turns into a man. And success finally comes. Hard work pays off.

That, at least, is how the scenario goes in a typical American dream. In real life, perhaps, the young fellow would come to his senses in short order, and turn into an accountant.

But Jerry Bailey, the 18-year-old jockey from El Paso, is giving the story a new twist. Regrettably, there's no inspirational message in what he's doing. There's no Sunday school moral based on diligent work and keeping one's nose to the grindstone and all the rest of it.

What stamps Bailey apart is the fact he skipped all those years of hard work. Success wasn't a long way down the road. It came up right away. You look at Jerry Bailey, and he certainly seems innocent enough. He has an angelic quality. He wears the latest in mod clothes, and looks like a kid living on top of the world. And, like any other jockey-on-the-way up, he drives a brand-new cherry-red Cadillac, complete with plaid interior and the rich, redolent smell of new leather.

The car, of course, was purchased from Bailey Cadillac—a little operation owned by his uncle. Jerry's pop is in a slightly different line of work. He's Dr. Jim Bailey, a children's dentist in El Paso, and from what we surmise, quite a good one.

So you might say riding race horses is a long way from such established family ventures as selling Cadillacs to the well-to-do and repairing cavities in the mouths of babes. Thus, the obvious question: what in the world is Jerry Bailey doing at the racetrack, and how come he's doing so well so fast? And besides, what happened to all those years of sweat and travail one is supposed to put in?

In the first place, he talks to horses. Undoubtedly, they understand his lingo. With that kind of communication, no wonder a horse gets in high gear in a hurry. "I really can't explain this ability I have with horses," Jerry starts in, talking in that lucid, bright way of his. "I just know I click with horses. Sometimes I'll be on a horse with bad habits, but I'll sweet-talk him, and pat him on the neck. It's the way you talk to them, the tone of your voice. Like when I was riding Misty's Senorita. We'd be moving along, and I'd say to her, 'There you go,' nice and soft. Sometimes it almost seems I can put myself right into the horse's brain—like I'm part of the horse."

Sweet-talking, and a spiritual connection, are only part of the Jerry Bailey story: As anyone around Sunland Park will tell you, he's a natural. For example, there was the time about a year ago, at the start of his career, when Bailey came roaring down the stretch on the 15-1 shot, Fetch. "I was whipping on the right side, and he began veering in," Bailey recalled. "Then I shifted to the left hand, to straighten him. The thing was I didn't even know I'd done it. It just came naturally. I remember thinking the horse was starting to go in, and I had to do something." The move paid off, and Bailey was in the winner's circle.

The story really began when Bailey was 10 or 11 years old. He got exposed to racing through his father, who owned several race horses. "I just decided I wanted to be a jockey," he said. But he had no inkling he would be especially good at it. "I played basketball and football, but I was just fair. So when I decided to be a jockey, I never thought it would turn out the way it has."

During his days at Coronado High School, he was an excellent student. He drew A and B grades. On Nov. 3, 1974, his thinking drifted a little away from academic circles. That's when he started riding at Sunland Park. And life for Jerry Bailey hasn't been quite the same since. "Everything I dreamed about came true," he said. "Just the way I pictured it. I thought it would be fun to be a jockey, and it is—even more fun than I thought. I enjoy the people I meet, and learning about their lives, and getting around to so many places."

And Bailey admits its even a kick being sort of a celebrity, and enjoying the public limelight. But that's all part of the game, and nothing to get big-headed about. "I'm just doing the things I like to do," he says. "Just because I drive a big car, it doesn't mean I'm anything special. Anyway, this is kind of unreal, some, with the publicity and all. It feels out of place, like it's not any of my doing. It's just the horses I get on."

There's no denying the fact Bailey has been on a skyrocket. As of this writing he's won 108 races—and he's still an apprentice (which means his horses get a five-pound reduction in weight—thus improving their chances of winning.) Normally, Bailey's apprenticeship would have expired on the first anniversary of his fifth win but he got an extension due to the fact he put in a semester at college.

At the end of last semester at the University of Texas at El Paso, Bailey dropped out of school, as he had planned. He's now riding at Louisiana Downs. From there, it'll be on to such relatively big-league tracks as Oaklawn Park and Ak-Sar-Ben. Late in the fall, he'll be back in the Southwest to ride at the Albuquerque State Fair meeting.

A few lethargic statistics are needed to flesh out a remarkable year of accomplishment. Last spring, for example, Bailey finished up as Sunland's fourth-leading rider. He won the \$25,000-added His Majesty's Council Handicap at Ak-Sar-Ben aboard Bye Bye Battle. At the end of the season, he was ninth in the standings. At Santa Fe Downs, he won 23 races in one month. At the State Fair meeting, he booted in 19 winners and took the championship.

So what does it mean to enjoy this kind of success? We don't mean to pry into anyone's personal business, but surely anyone doing that well is likely to be pulling down 25 to 35 to 45 G's. Whatever Bailey earns, it's a good hunk, and contributes to the euphoria of having one's dream come true.

If there's been a rough spot in Bailey's career, it's hard to say. Maybe this one will do: "I was on this horse, and we were really going along, and he took a bad step. He broke his knee, and the next thing I remember there were hooves all over me. It knocked me out. I tried to get up. Then I passed out again. While recovering in the jockeys' quarters, he felt pretty scared. "It shook me up, alright. But when I got on my next horse, the fear went away."

So what does Bailey do but win that next race. That's the way it goes, when a dream comestruer.

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