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Fawna Lee Abel . . . Champion cowgirl and the national Jr. rodeo queen

BY CALE DICKEY
News editor

Fawna Lee Abel, at age 17, is picking up accolades in the junior rodeo circuit at a pace that keeps her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Abel of Alto, hard pressed to find room to display her trophies, buckles and saddles in any semblance of order.

Included in her recent conquests are:

— Winning the title of queen of the first annual World's Largest Junior Rodeo early in June at Diabel, Okla. As queen Fawna will appear at area rodeos, representing junior rodeo. The highlight of her reign will be to represent Oklahoma at the RCA national finals in Oklahoma City in December.

("At Idabel," she said, "with the national TV cameras focused on me during the crowning and when I was given a huge bouquet of roses, my horse reached over and grabbed a big mouthful of the flowers. I was so embarrassed. I kept trying to push him back . . . but he kept right on eating my roses. I'll never forget that.")

— Being named All Around Cowgirl at the recent Smokey Bear Stampede in which she won second in the barrels and third in pole bending.

— Winning third in overall barrels competition at Idabel, including a third in the first go round, fourth in the second and third in the average. She won a third in one go round in goat tying before her horse became sick and needed a veterinarian's care for two days.

— Being named Reserve All Around Cowgirl at the NM High School Rodeo finals at Albuquerque where she won the barrel race for the second consecutive year. She also won third in break-a-way roping. Her big win makes her eligible to enter the national finals in the junior rodeo circuit at Sulphur, La., Aug. 2-7. "I don't think I can make it," she said, "it's so far to go and I do have to get ready to go to school."

— Winning the All Around Cowgirl title at the sanctioned junior rodeo competition at Monahans, Tex.

— Repeating as the All Around Cowgirl, having won the title last year, at Van Horn, Tex. Here she won the ribbon roping, the goat tying and second in the barrels, to compile the highest total of points earned in the competition.

— Winning, in American Junior Rodeo Association competition this year, more than \$1,150, two saddles, a \$100 scholarship, an assortment of silver and gold buckles and several trophies that are giving her display problems in her home.



FAWNA LEE ABEL

Her greatest competitive effort this year was at Monahans where she won the barrels, pole racing and breakaway roping. "Winning is always a thrill and the name of the game," she said, "but being able to win against the tough competition that enters these big AJRA events, especially to win everything I entered, is just another in the way of thrills that seems to make all the practice, long trips and longer hours all worthwhile."

Now for a little peek at Fawna, the girl . . . rodeo enthusiast . . . tough competitor . . . and how she got to where she is.

About the time her underpinnings were reasonably steady, she rode her first horse. Liked it. As a tyke, she started grabbing off wins against some pretty fast company. She wasn't a bit bashful about competing against more experienced riders. And she always managed — well, almost always — to get her share of prize money and trophies.

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HOOKEM DANCER BACK FOR THURSDAY'S TOPPER

'Kid Handicap' won by First Impression

It was a see-saw battle in the final stages of Sunday's Billy the Kid Handicap at Ruidoso Downs, but First Impression, who saved his best move for the end, snared the victory and chalked up the greatest performance of his career.

The chestnut five-year-old, brilliantly ridden by Leroy Coombs, ended the seven-furlong struggle with a length lead and established a track record in the process.

The winning time was 1:24 4-5 seconds, and that shaved a single tick off the mark held jointly by Fine Loom and Jetco. First Impression got away as the third choice in the six-head field and returned mutuels of \$9.40, \$4 and \$2.60. Gross purse of the Billy the Kid "cap amounted to \$9,300. First Impression collected \$5,580.

The winner is trained by Melvin Paul for Ray Vigil, Norman Blankenship and Roy Davis of Albuquerque. Trail Driver, the one-time cheap claimer, ran his heart out — and looked like a sure winner at mid-stretch. But the gelding had to settle for second. The mutuel returns were \$3 and \$2.40. Trail Driver earned \$2,046. Victor Escobar was up.

Third went to Arran Dunce, the even-money favorite who packed the top load of 122 pounds. Carlos Rivas called the shots. Arran Dunce ended up a well-beaten third, 2 1/2 lengths behind Trail Driver.

A fast pace was assured right from the first jump. El Puebe, a 22-1 longshot, took up the lead slot and raced at full throttle into the backstretch. Arran Dunce was also eager to go, and didn't stay too far off

the pace. Both Trail Driver and First Impression were well out of it at this stage of the game.

El Puebe was able to carry his burning speed to the half-way point of the backstretch, then began conking out. Arran Dunce took command with authority. But he didn't get much of a breather. Trail Driver moved up boldly, and seemed to have Arran Dunce's number as the two showed the way into the upper stretch.

With most of the stretch still to go, Arran Dunce had about all he could take and began to fade. That's when First Impression began a prolonged and powerful stretch run on the outside. Trail Driver was still on top with about 100 feet to go. But First Impression bowled him over with those long-reaching jumps.

The winner came out of the event with a '76 record of 3-2-0 from six starts. The work yielded \$14,414.

Fans who came out to watch Master Salls, last year's kingpin, weren't disappointed. The six-year-old went in the 870-yard co-feature and looked like the champ he is. He got control early under a hustling ride from Jeff Thrasher, and crossed the finish with a 2 3/4-length lead. Thrasher waved his whip in a jubilant victory salute after crossing the finish.

Master Salls, who won 10 out of 11 races last summer, got quite a hand when he stepped into the winner's circle. He paid \$3 even.

In other weekend action:

DEEG, a 7-2 shot ridden by Carlos Rivas, barely got up in time for a neck win in Thursday's mile headliner at Ruidoso Downs.

The gray gelding, owned by Jane Villareal of El Paso, had to circle most of the field in order to get in contention. In the final yards, the 6-5 favorite, Easy Stuff, was moving boldly but ran out of ground.

Deeg circled the course in 1:43 1-5 seconds and refunded mutuels of \$9, \$4.60 and \$3. Easy Stuff, with Leroy Coombs, paid \$3.20 and \$2.40. D'Ans Guy sailed in third under Henry Uriegas. The show price was \$3.60.

A crowd of 4,100 wagered \$249,639. On the same day last year, 4,020 patrons bet \$239,681.

SONET BIRD got off to a flying start and led from start - to - finish in Friday's four-furlong feature at Ruidoso Downs.

The colt, piloted by Carlos Rivas, was timed in an alert 46 3-5 seconds. The mutuel returns were \$4.20, \$3.40 and \$2.60.

Bushfire, a longshot ridden by Jerry Burgess, mustered a good closing rush but the bid missed by a length. Bushfire refunded \$8.60 and \$5.20. Miss Beau Key, another outside, nailed down third and handed out \$5.40.

Table Policy, the second-favorite, broke sluggishly and was never in contention.

Friday's program also included four 440-

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Ruidoso's All Star nine in Little League tourney

The All Star nine, of Ruidoso's Little League baseball program, are entering officially sanctioned district tournament play at Alamogordo Thursday at 7:30 p.m., when they meet an Artesia team.

Team players were selected from the four major league teams playing this summer, with four being named from each

team. The All Stars and all League players were honored at an awards banquet here last Tuesday.

In other tournament action Lions-Hondo-Roswell meet the Noon Optimist-Roswell at 5:30 Thursday.

In Friday's action it will be Alamo Optimist-White Sands at 3:30, Lions-Sierra

Roswell vs. East Side Optimist at 5:30 and Carrizozo vs. Sertoma-Alamogordo at 7:30.

Opening round winners will play at 3:30, 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

The playoff finals will be July 30 and 31 with the district champions entering the state tournament.

MD's seminar underway

The 19th annual NM Chapter American Academy of Family Physicians convocation opened this morning at the Inn of the Mountain Gods with president E. V. Stalzer, M.D., of Ruidoso presiding.

This year's session, the Ruidoso Family Practice Seminar, will conclude Thursday with a 12:30 wrap-up of the convention activities presided over by Dr. Stalzer.

Upwards of 200 registrants will attend panel lectures and discussions on medical matters from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., daily. In addition 7:30-9:30 p.m. workshops are scheduled today and Wednesday.

The annual business luncheon, with election and installation of officers, is scheduled for 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, at which time Neilson A. Smith, M.D., of

Alamogordo, will become chapter president.

In addition to the physicians, medical students, interns, residents, Armed Forces medical officers and Public Health Service personnel are attending the panels and workshops.

The convention director is Bob Reid of Sunland Park.

Pony Express Race will be run Aug. 7

A gunshot's sharp report will echo through the arroyos at White Oaks at 7:30 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 7, as riders in the eighth annual Pony Express Race head out for the grueling 41-mile run to Lincoln — carrying the mail.

Contestants carry first class mail in their saddle bags, with each letter bearing the special Pony Express Seal. The trail for the run is designated as an official mail route, for that day, by the U.S. Postal Service.

To have mail carried in this race, patrons must correctly address the envelope, have a return address, and include Zip Codes. Each letter must bear 13-cents postage and an additional handling charge of 25-cents, per letter, must accompany all

letters.

Bundles of letters, all with postage affixed and the proper amount to handle all letters at 25-cents each, may be mailed to: Pony Express, P.O. Box 217, Carrizozo, NM 88301. Patrons may also deliver their letters personally to the Carrizozo Post Office. The deadline for mail to be carried by Pony Express is Aug. 3, at the Carrizozo Post Office.

To date five entries have been received for the race, offering a trophy saddle made by Sheplers of Roswell. Entries will remain open until Aug. 3. Information and entry forms are available by writing: The Lincoln County Development Association, Box 146, Lincoln, NM 88338 or by contacting Lincoln County Agent Ralph

Dunlap at his office in Carrizozo.

An added attraction this year will be the serving of a Pony Express Race breakfast by the White Oaks Historical Society at 6:30 a.m., giving race fans an opportunity to meet the contestants before they are off and running at 7:30.

The race is run with three stops for changing horses, 9.7 miles to the John Robinson turnoff; 10 miles to the Encinosa school; 8.3 miles to the South Base Road and the last leg, 13 miles into Lincoln between 9:30 and 10 a.m.

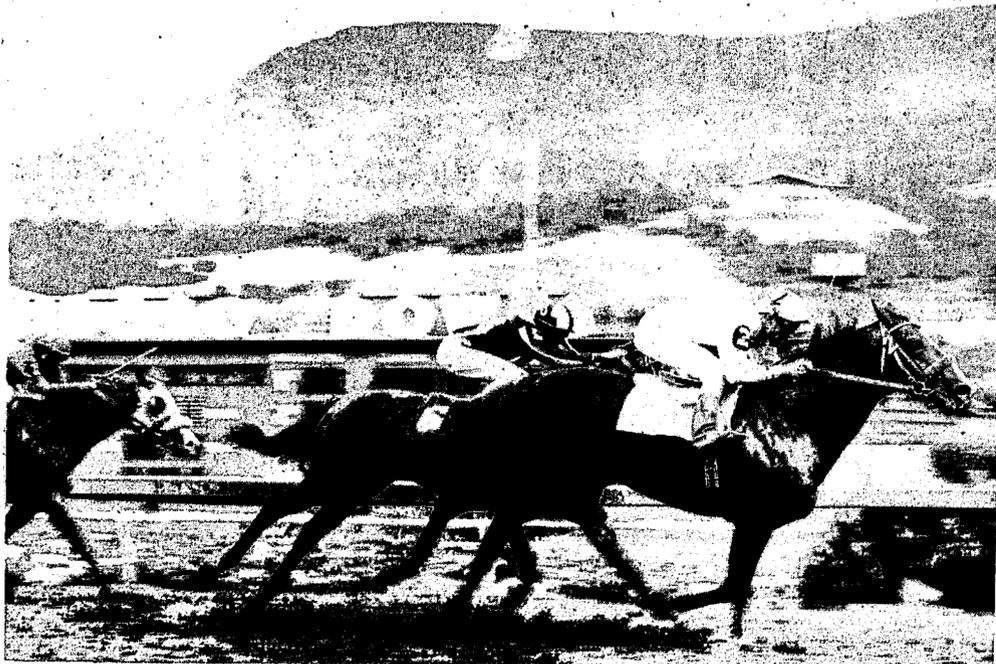
The annual race is held in conjunction with the local talent production, "The Last Escape of Billy the Kid", performed in the arena at Lincoln.

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Rudy Taylor
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Chris Lopez
Steve Zimmer
Brian Richardson
Marcus Salcido
Foset Gonzales

First Impression . . .

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WHAT AN IMPRESSION — First Impression, ridden by Leroy Coombs, moved to the head of the handicap division at Ruidoso Downs with this stunning length

win in Sunday's Billy The Kid Handicap. The five-year-old covered seven furlongs in 1:24.4-5 seconds, trimming a fraction off

the track record. Trail Driver, who held the lead at mid-stretch, finished second in a game performance.

yard elimination trials for the upcoming World's Championship Classic. The qualifiers: A Zure Request, 21.83; Lucky Stepper, 21.86; Pine's Easter Jet, 21.90; Dedra's Uh Oh, 21.90; Three Lit, 21.91½; Velox Man, 21.95; Mr. Breakthru, 21.96; Hi Johnny, 21.98; Sheswright, 21.98; Turf's Hope, 21.98.

Friday's program attracted 5,680 patrons who wagered \$346,121. On the same day last year, 5,100 fans bet \$332,541.

REAL WIND, a filly not many people had heard about until a week ago, emerged as the top qualifier in Saturday's elimination trials at Ruidoso Downs for the upcoming \$345,000 (est.) Rainbow Quarter Horse Futurity.

The filly won the fourth race — one of five Rainbow elimination heats — by nearly a length and clocked the 400-yard distance in 19.92 seconds.

Real Wind now holds a perfect record of four-for-four. She's owned by J. D. and Elsie Kitchens of Ft. Sumner, N.M. Jeff Fair is the rider. A week ago, Real Wind first came into prominence by setting the top qualifying time in the Rainbow first elimination round. The filly is a New Mexico-bred.

The Rainbow Futurity, the second leg of quarter-horse racing's Triple Crown, will be renewed on Aug. 1.

Here are the other qualifiers from Saturday's action:

My Easy Credit, 19.92, owned by Harold Burford of Milton, Kans.

Roll A Coin, 19.98, owned by Mike Rutherford of Houston.

Kid's Rib, 19.99, owned by Gary Pogue and H. C. Werner Jr. of Kenedy, Texas.

Topless Dancer, 19.99, owned by R. E. Wise of Madisonville, Texas.

Swinging Breeze, 20.02, owned by L. M. Bvnum of Blanket, Texas.

Cutie Kiss, 20.02, owned by Robert and Bruce Gentry of Lubbock, Texas.

Megahertz, 20.05, owned by Larry Brumbaugh of Ft. Worth, Texas.

Faint's Deck, 20.07, owned by Harold Knight of Bunch, Okla.

Flight Director, 20.12, owned by Mary Urschel of Canadian, Texas.

Last time out, Hookem Dancer surged out of fourth place to score a neck win over maidens at Ruidoso Downs. The fans had the roan filly pegged as an 8-5 betting choice.

In Thursday's topper at the mountain track, Hookem Dancer takes a jump up the class ladder to engage allowance sprinters. The affair, conditioned exclusively for three-year-olds, will cover 5½ furlongs. The purse is \$2,600.

Hookem Dancer, the property of John Coates and Shelby Shannon Jr. of Austin, will be piloted by the hot-riding apprentice, Stuart Dolphus.

Hookem Dancer is really just getting her track career underway. She debuted in a 5½ furlong sprint on May 31 and made up stretch ground to finish third at 9-2. Then came another 5½ furlong venture. The fans made the filly a 9-5 shot, but the best she could do was a fifth. However, she was later advanced to fourth on a disqualification.

Here's the way they'll line up for Thursday's headliner: 1 — Lady Wingaway, 115 (Manny Rivera); 2 — Honor Scout, 117 (Illie Lovell); 3 — Hookem Dancer, 110 (Stuart Dolphus); 4

— Bay Signal 117 (Charles Mueller); 5 — Burning Straw, 110 (Glen Jackson); 6 — Sunlow, 107 (Victor Escobar); 7 — Kerry Hancock, 115 (Jerry Nicodemus); 8 — Touch Wood, 115 (Gilbert Villescas); 9 — Misty Mermis, 115 (No boy named at entry time); 10 — Prince O'Speed, 117 (no boy).

Kerry Hancock could have the makings of a strong threat — especially with the savvy Nicodemus in the driver's seat. Last Friday, Kerry Hancock tossed her hat in the ring against feature sprinters, but the filly found herself in deep water and ended up sixth at 4.60-1. Before that, though, she made duck soup out of maidens and zipped under the wire with a 2½ length lead. She operated as an even-money choice.

Her previous outing was staged on March 10 at Oaklawn Park. The competition that time consisted of 10-grand claimers, and the fans didn't have much faith in Kerry Hancock. She was launched at 52-1 and showed good speed from the start, finally winding up third. In her only other try at racing, she finished far back against Oaklawn maidens.

First post, Thursday through Sunday in the cool pines, is 1:30 p.m.

On Saturday, sophomore quarter horses will be trading shots in the \$5,000 — added Zia Stakes at 400 yards. On Sunday, it's the Championship Classic — one of the nation's premier events for quarter horses in the three-year-old and up category. The purse is \$84,265 — a stakes record. The previous high of \$65,815 was set last year. The winner of Sunday's confrontation will haul in \$42,132.

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Fawna Lee Abel . . . Champion cowgirl

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Through the years she stayed in the saddle. Gradually she worked from Western Pleasure competition to the barrels . . . pole bending . . . roping . . . and she kept on winning . . . and Fawna Lee Abel became known as a competitor to be reckoned with.

A couple of years ago, when it became apparent that Fawna was going to be rodeoing in earnest, her parents bought a few acres east of Angus. Fawna's horses had pasture room . . . her faithful goat, who has possibly been roped and tied oftener than any goat in history, has the run of the range. Except, that is, when Fawna's in the saddle . . . with rope twirling above her head . . . sharpening her roping skills.

"That old goat," Fawna said, "knows more about goat roping than I do. And hard to handle . . . why she fights me harder than any of the animals I get in the draw at rodeos." She paused. Grinned. "Maybe it's because she's so onery that I can get some of those good times . . . because I don't think there's a trick in the book to keep from getting tied that that old goat hasn't pulled on me."

On the far side of the spacious horse corral . . . where the goat disports herself exactly as she pleases . . . Fawna has her

private barrel racing course . . . and the ground is maintained in tip top shape . . . and hardly a day goes by when she isn't in the saddle . . . practicing, practicing, practicing.

"It's not only a matter of keeping my own timing sharp," she said, "but I'm also keeping my horses in top condition so their reflexes are able to cope with any arena conditions we're likely to come across."

Though Fawna hasn't as yet started raising her own horses, she does a little "wheeling and dealing" . . . buys a good barrel horse . . . sells a good barrel horse.

How about buying a fresh goat? "No way," she said, "I couldn't get a better one than the one I have."

Fawna's goal in life . . . at age 17 . . . is to get in the maximum amount of rodeo competition she can as she competes the next four years on the rodeo teams at ENMU, Portales. "I'm majoring in physical ed," she said, "with emphasis on track and action sports. Some day I might teach."

Teaching . . . however . . . is going to have to wait . . . wait until she turns pro . . . competing in the Girls' Rodeo Association . . . counterpart of the Cowboy's Rodeo Association . . . with an eye to picking up as many "Cowgirl" honors as there are.

And you know . . . as long as her determination holds out . . . and her faithful old goat doesn't perish . . . it could be that Fawna will win a niche in the Cowgirl Hall of Fame . . . and all of us can smugly say . . . "I remember her when . . ."



FAWNA LEE ABEL

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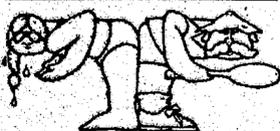
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Happenings

by Jerry



During the past few weeks there have been many changes at the News office. A wall came out — 1000 pound rolls of newsprint came in — desks were moved and a room added on — and finally a press arrived and now for the second week the Ruidoso News is being printed right here.

reporter, Billie Surmick, has joined the work forces. Sharon, after wearing shorts to work for a week because of a sunburn, has finally starting flaking and is back in her maternity slacks. Joining our crew of "back shop" tryhards is Karen Ferguson and Mary Wormley.

Frayed nerves — flared tempers — ink spurting — but things are almost back to normal — "normal?" — are things ever normal in a news office? About that time a machine breaks down — someone nearly cuts a finger off — something is always happening at deadline time around a news office!

Hal Yoder doesn't have to make that 3:00 a.m. trek to Artesia now but is still running up and down the street with those papers — but then nothing seems to change Hal's sense of humor — he bounces in and out with a smile on his face — no matter what!

A least Ken Green is not up to his overalls in ink and has found his desk again — Walt Green, that's our vice president, has gotten most of the grease off his "Do It In The Dirt" T-shirt and is now making brief visits to the classified desk — And Willard Arnold, well he is once again clicking his knife in rhythm to one of the little tunes he always whistles and that's a good sign.

There are many, many tip sheets put out around town but one that circulated amongst a select few recently really had the winners. It gave Lord Winsalot as the best bet of the day, if he overcame his health problem — but if he did not, one was to bet the second best choice . . . the problem being, there was no second best choice given. Luckily Lord Winsalot did overcome his health problem and we all won our \$2.20 — Thanks Dr. Spock!

Other changes around the office are — Randi McGinn, our budding young reporter, (often referred to as "Scoop"), left us to become a lawyer and a new

over from the bank!



We're still filling in for Mr. Pat! This week thought we'd give some hints on cooking with an electronic or microwave oven. Having had one for the past four years there are times I couldn't make it without one.

ways right in the bowl you serve them in. Many times with our hectic schedule just a can of soup is all there is time for. The beauty of this is that you just open the can, pour the soup into the bowl you are going to eat out of and put it in the oven for two minutes. There is no pan to wash!

If you work and have to prepare meals in a hurry, they are great! Pop a potato into the oven and five minutes later it's baked. A steak is ready before you can make the salad, so it's nothing to have a meal prepared in a few minutes.

Many "one dish" meals can be cooked right in the bowl you are going to serve from and can be ready in a fourth of the time it would take in a regular oven.

Another great time saver is holiday time when your house is brimming with company. Since some people want to eat at one time and others at another, the food can be prepared and when someone is ready to eat, all they have to do is fill their plate and pop it into the oven for about three minutes — and voila! . . . it's piping hot and just as good as when it was first prepared!

Left overs are never a problem, because they may be heated in minutes and since the oven cooks so quickly there is no moisture loss making them taste as good as when you first prepared them. Day old bread freshens in seconds.

Breakfast is quick and delicious fixed in your oven too. Using a paper plate with a paper towel lying over it, lay your strips of bacon over it and place another paper towel on top. Bacon comes out crisp and grease free. Eggs can be prepared several

Leave the coffee in the pot but unplug it so it won't get too strong and then when an unexpected guest drops by there is no need to heat up the whole pot; just pour the coffee in the cup and in a minute you are ready to serve a fresh tasting cup of coffee.

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Jewelry workshop

Freda Grissom will conduct a Jewelry Workshop July 26 through August 6 as part of the Carrizo Art and Craft Courses being held this summer.

processes than casting.

Using the lost wax method, students will be taught to cast using steam and how to assemble their own equipment enabling them to cast at home. The basic processes of sawing, filing, texturing, hammering, forming, soldering and surface finishing will be taught for those interested in other

Listed in Who's Who in American Art and Who's Who in the Arts, Mrs. Grissom is a graduate of West Texas State University and did her graduate work at the University of Texas. She is an award winner in many national and international shows including Premier Prix International De Printure De Las Cote D'Azur, Cannes, France.



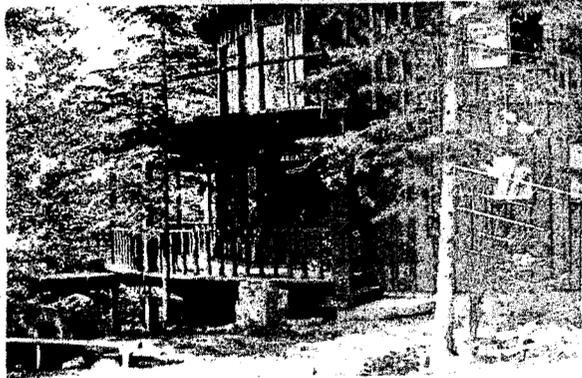
CAFETERIA WORKERS TEST NEW FOODS — A workshop to test new recipes and cooking techniques was an important part of the School Food Service Short Course. During the short course Neva Gower, (left) cook manager in Elida; Anna Carpenter, (center) cafeteria manager in Ruidoso; and Juannima Staggs, (right) cook manager in Capitan,

tested new foods for use in their schools. The short course, held at New Mexico State University, July 6-10, is an attempt to provide school service workers with advanced training.

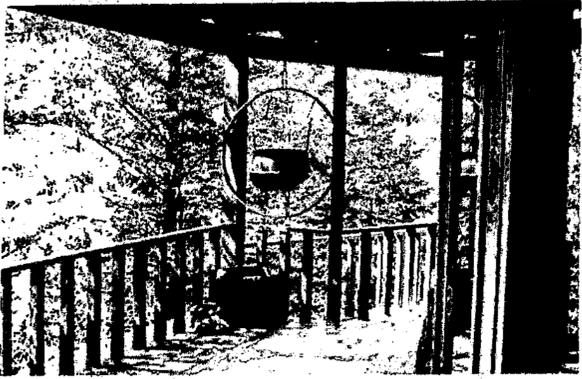


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THIS IS THE MAN that built the house by himself — Bill Jarratt.
The round house — that Bill built

It looks as though it belongs there amidst the trees in that quiet and peaceful setting. It is a round house and it was designed and built by Bill Jarratt.

This room as well as the living room is opened up even more by almost solid windows opening to decks — not only bringing in the outside, but giving more expanse to the room.

The house is both unusual and individual and reflects the taste of both Charlotte and Bill. Bill likes working with his hands. He is a contractor by trade but was a commercial builder before coming to Ruidoso and building their house. It was something he had always wanted to do.

The focal point of the living room is a sunken fireplace. Embedded in the concrete hearth are three leaves and the date 1973. This is Bill's trademark. He always takes a leaf from a tree where he is building and presses it into the concrete to leave his mark. The leaves are painted gold.

They came to Ruidoso in 1972 with the intentions of retiring but both stay busy. Bill is still building and Charlotte is the very busy director of the Lincoln County Senior Citizens Center.

Another mark of his individuality is the mantle of the fireplace. It is a large tree trunk cut in half and suspended by two black chains.

Their marriage is probably best summed up by a nephew who is staying with them for the summer. He told them recently, "You both seem to go your own way and never seem to worry about what the other is doing."

When there is a roaring fire in the fireplace each of the floor to ceiling windows picks up the reflection of the fire making an unusual development that just without one.

Charlotte said, "When we married, we decided that we would not lose our identity and would pursue our own interests." Their marriage is based on individuality with one special ingredient — trust.

Throughout the house are many antiques that have been in Bill's and Charlotte's families. The most interesting of these are old wagon wheels which have been fashioned into tables of all sizes by Bill. Most have glass tops and they swivel.

Bill is happiest when he is building, so the house will probably never be finished because he will constantly think of things to add.

As Charlotte commented, "We are really not antique buffs but we do enjoy the things that have been in our family and are personal." One of the unusual ways that she uses an old wash pot that belonged to her mother and is hanging on the lower deck, is to fill it with ice for chilling drinks during parties.

Throughout the house are handmade items that have been given to Charlotte by "her" senior citizens. She uses them all. She enjoys her work with them because as she said, "They are smart — they have lived longer and had more experiences to gain their knowledge than those younger — and they remain active."

On the kitchen level the large round room serves many purposes. The kitchen is in the center of the room and one of its more interesting points is that Bill built the dishwasher into a beautiful cabinet, making it eye level, so that Charlotte does not have to bend over to fill it.

The house has three levels. The lower level is used for storage now but will someday be the master bedroom and bath. When you enter the huge double doors on the middle level, you enter the living room which takes up half of that area. The other half is made up of three bedrooms and an oversized bathroom.

Other parts of the room include a desk for Charlotte to work at home, an organ which both enjoy playing and a seating area with a TV. The other half of the circular room features some of Bill's handmade round tables for four. This half of the room gets a lot of sunlight so it is also the spot chosen for an abundance of plants.

A stairway from this level leads you up to the top level which includes the kitchen, an all purpose room and a bath. It is all open and could be called the "party room". It has taken care of more than one hundred guests recently and handled the crowd with ease.

Wooden floors are used in this half so that the tables can be moved closer to the windows leaving plenty of room for dancing. The kitchen half, which is the work and relaxing area, has been carpeted.

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The house is still unfinished but they moved into it a year after Bill started it. Much has been done and added since then but, as Charlotte says, "it will probably never be finished." One reason is that Bill enjoys working on the house and that the house is so individual they are always thinking of something else to make it more functional to their needs. It is the house that Bill built and is still building.

July 13 ADMITTED: Lupe Trevino, Ruidoso; Cristy Lynn Brewer, Clovis. DISMISSED: Gladylene LaGrone, Melody Forter and baby, Mary Wrye.

At the hospital

July 14 ADMITTED: Rudy Saiz, Ft. Stanton; Don D. Parsons, Ruidoso; Raymond Silva, Ruidoso; Edward Beck, Paducah, Texas. DISMISSED: Kathie Keegan, Michael Hyman, Malcolm McDaniel, Rebecca Ringener.

July 15 ADMITTED: Harold Brock, Lubbock, Texas; Jenann Kline, Las Cruces; Nora N. Salcido, Hondo; Annette Crow, Ruidoso. DISMISSED: Etna Jones, Adelbert Gleche, Wilbur Sengelmann, Vera Beall, Lester Lanell, Susan Fannin, Joseph Morris, Jack Price, Cristy Lynn Brewer, Harold Brock.

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 Fourth—400 Yds.; Mr Velox, 23.00, 7.40, 4.40; Joe Virgil, 3.80, 2.80; No Native, 3.00; T—20.50.
 Fifth—6 Fur.; Shadow Sprite, 5.60, 4.00, 3.00; Lady Monitor, 6.40, 4.20; Magnifier, 4.80; T—1:14.4.
 Quinella—\$84.60
 Sixth—870 Yds.; Scott's Native, 25.40, 9.80, 5.20; Real Sleeper, 8.80, 5.20; Nobody's Perfect, 3.20; T—46.35.
 Exacta—\$811.80
 Seventh—7 Fur.; Misty Will, 21.80, 11.00, 6.00; Seems Saucy, 8.20, 5.40; J Straw J, 9.80; T—1:27.1.
 Quinella—\$94.80
 Eighth—6 Fur.; Do I Clown, 7.40, 3.80, 3.00; Sundowner Kid, 4.00, 3.20; Bonny Lake, 3.80; T—1:12.4.
 Ninth—7 Fur.; Jim's Shoe, 29.80, 11.20, 7.80; Clever Bud, 5.60, 5.20; Atom Charger, 9.20; T—1:26.1.
 Big Q—\$558.60
 Tenth—400 Yds.; Chica Barbara, 73.00, 15.00, 6.60; Miss Hay Bug, 3.80, 2.80; Finball Wizard, 3.20; T—20.02.
 Eleventh—1 Mile; Deeg, 9.00, 4.60, 3.00; Easy Stuff, 3.20, 2.40; D'Ans Guy, 3.60; T—1:43.1.
 Twelfth—6 1/2 Fur.; Clenega Canyon, 10.60, 4.80, 4.00; War Jet, 3.80, 2.80; Le Care, 3.60; T—1:20.2.
 Quinella—\$25.60
Friday, July 16, 1976
 First—400 Yds.; Becky Kelter, 21.00, 8.20, 5.00; Reb's Policy, 4.20, 4.60; Dancers Bob, 7.00; T—20.54.
 Second—5 1/2 Fur.; Que Sera Sera, 73.00, 24.00, 6.60; Native Tease, 4.00, 2.80; Lady Johnnie, 2.60; T—1:09.3.
 Daily Double—\$492.80
 Third—400 Yds.; 21 And Change, 6.80, 3.40, 2.80; The Embargo, 3.60, 2.60; Son Of A Bunny, 4.80; T—20.60.
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 Fourth—5 1/2 Fur.; The Spiller, 18.40, 9.00, 4.40; Skip Bo, 5.60, 3.80; Jolly Little Jack, 3.00; T—1:09.1.
 Fifth—870 Yds.; Pops Bar, 7.60, 4.80, 3.20; Hi Divy, 5.20, 3.60; Ransom, 2.80; T—46.95.
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 Exacta—\$33.00
 Seventh—400 Yds.; A Zure Request, 3.40, 2.20, 2.20; Three Lit, 2.40, 2.20; Shadow Flash, 2.60; T—21.83.
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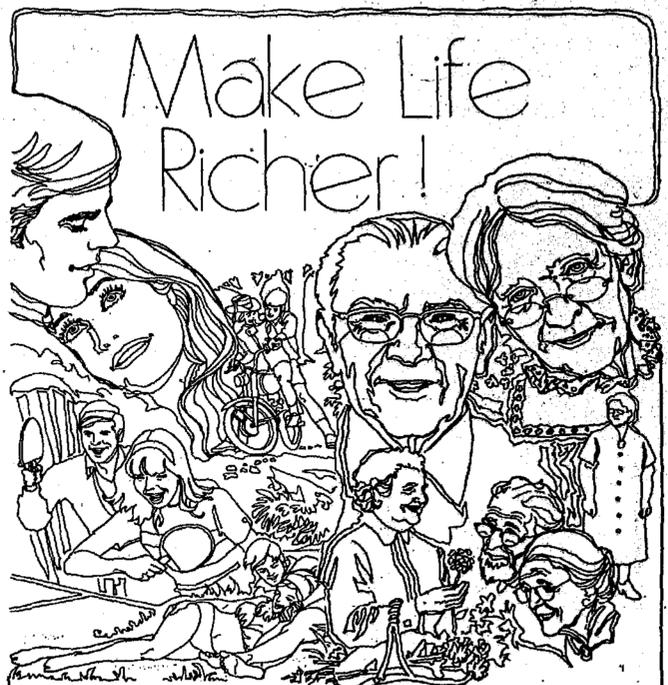
Fifth—400 Yds.; Miles Hy, 8.80, 3.80, 3.60; Newsworthy, 5.20, 5.00; The Moon Witch, 14.00; T—20.35.
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 Sixth—5 1/2 Fur.; Donna My Dear, 9.40, 4.80, 3.60; Pert Countess, 4.60, 3.20; Tamalie Pie, 3.80; T—1:05.4.
 Exacta—\$42.80
 Seventh—350 Yds.; Chicory Moon, 3.00, 2.60, 2.40; No Reply, 6.20, 3.00; Lela Barnes Bug, 2.40; T—17.76.
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 Eighth—7 Fur.; Gallant Lover, 6.40, 4.20, 3.00; Texas Bully, 7.80, 6.00; Envoy's Lark, 9.00; T—1:26.2.
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 Twelfth—6 Fur.; Stubby's Kid, 18.20, 8.20, 3.80; Joner, 6.60, 3.60; Wiskaway, 2.60; T—1:13.2.
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 An alternative is textile paints. They're heavy, so they'll soak through, but they won't run when you apply them. You can use a stencil brush or a "found object" — such as bark, an empty spool or cork — to apply the paint.
 Closely-woven natural fibers, such as cotton, linen and some cotton-blended synthetics, accept paint well. Check your marker's instructions for any restrictions on use.
 Paints "take" better when applied over a padded surface. So line your item with a blanket or newspapers. This padding also will keep the paint from seeping through to lower layers.
 A simple design is easiest, especially if you're working with a felt-tip marker. Lines made by a felt-tip marker will blur when absorbed into fabric.
 Apply the lightest color first, the specialist suggests. That way, you can shift your design more easily if you make a mistake.
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July 31 — Ray Price Concert and Dance at the Chaparral and the Episcopal Church Christmas in July Bazaar, Ruidoso.
 July 31 — Corona Summer Festival and Arts and Crafts Fair.
 Aug. 6-8 — Billy The Kid Pageant, Old Lincoln.
 Aug. 7 — Pony Express Race, White Oaks.
 Aug. 7-8 — Rifle Shooting Contest, Capitlan.
 Aug. 13-15 — Billy The Kid Rodeo and Barbecue, Carrizozo.
 Aug. 14-15 — Eighteenth Annual Square Dance Weekend at the Chaparral in Ruidoso Downs.
 Aug. 17 — Second Annual Cadillac Party at the Inn of the Mountain Gods.
 Aug. 21 — Arts and Crafts Show, White Oaks, Joint Tour of White Oaks by Jicarillas and Ancho.
 Aug. 21 — An American Bicentennial of Song featuring Voz Vaqueros, the Singing Men of Las Cruces, Carrizozo.
 Aug. 22 — People's Market Place, Carrizozo.
 Aug. 29 — Molly Bosh Arts and Crafts Fair, Nogal.
 Sept. 3-5 — Labor Day Western Art Show, Glencoe.
 Sept. 6 — All American Futurity Quarter Horse Race, Ruidoso Downs.
 Sept. 12 — Rifle Shooting Contest, Capitlan.
 Oct. 1-3 — Motorcycle Observed Trials (Aspenade Cup) and Aspenade, Ruidoso.
 Oct. 7-8 — Sierra Blanca Open Tennis Tournament, Ruidoso.
 Oct. 8-10 — Lincoln County Mule-O-Rama and Oktoberfest, Ruidoso.
 Oct. 10 — Rifle Shooting Contest, Capitlan.
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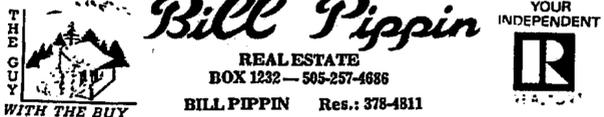
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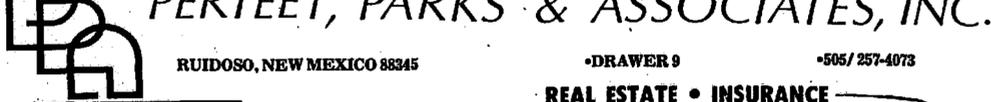
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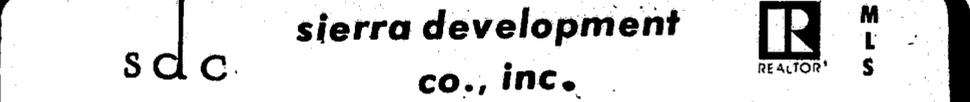
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Hay show teaches grading methods

USDA alfalfa standards are always mentioned whenever hay quality is discussed in New Mexico. However, much of this discussion is not based on a good working knowledge of the USDA standards, says James Kirby, Extension economics and program chairman for the New Mexico Hay Show.

During this year's hay show, Aug. 7 in Tucumcari, producers and buyers will have a unique opportunity to study USDA-style grading. During a workshop, which starts at 10 a.m. at the Quay County Exhibit Center, participants will work on a one-to-one basis with experienced professionals. They will be able to actually inspect, touch and smell the hay they are grading. Through this method, we hope to help the producer judge his own hay and the buyer make more knowledgeable purchases, Kirby says.

None of the present standards for hay value — such as visual or laboratory analysis — alone are sufficient for every utilizer of hay. Visual analysis is highly subjective and there are sometimes great differences of opinion between graders and buyers in various hay producing areas. Although laboratory analysis can help in formulating rations, it doesn't reveal the hay appeal and acceptability of the cow.

The USDA grades have for years been the most widely known standard for determining alfalfa quality. These standards are a genuine attempt to bring the variance between graders and areas into some degree of uniformity.

The New Mexico Hay Show has always stressed uniformity in determining hay quality. Therefore, it seems only natural to have this workshop on the USDA grading system, says Kirby.

Working with the producers and buyers during the workshop will be Kirby; Gordon Hoff, Extension agronomist; and O.F. Crawford, Roswell. Crawford is a former U.S. government grader and is now one of the prominent hay buyers and truckers in Chaves County.

Producers are invited to bring hay samples for the USDA grading workshop.

Informative speakers are also planned for the day of education and entertainment. Wayne Kellogg, NMSU dairy associate professor, will explain how an artificial cow's stomach helps determine hay digestibility. Speakers will also cover the value of using visual as well as laboratory analysis when selecting hay.

Vic Worley of Worley Mills, Tucumcari, will discuss his experience making no-bloat pellets for 2500 head of cattle grazing alfalfa. Finally, Jim Gray, NMSU agricultural economics professor will round out the program with a look into his research work on the economics and marketing of alfalfa hay.

As in the past, many hay-related retailers will be on hand to display and discuss their machinery, new seed varieties, chemicals, herbicides and other production aids.

No hay show would be complete without plenty of hay. This year hay entries are expected from across New Mexico and parts of Texas for competition in the hay show contest. The hay will be judged by experienced hay buyers and producers for blue, red and white ribbon awards. Entry details are available at all county Extension offices.

Laboratory analysis of various qualities of alfalfa hay is now being completed for a special display at the Hay Show, says Kirby. By looking at this display, producers and buyers can see the change in nutritional values as the appearance of the hay changes. Top quality, bleached, stemmy and several other qualities of alfalfa are being analyzed.

Fun and entertainment are always an important part of the New Mexico Hay Show. Fiddling, a horseshoeing demon-

stration and award presentations are only a part of the activities planned for the day.

This will be a time for the entire family to enjoy the hay show in the new air-conditioned Quay County Exhibit Center, says Ted Peabody, Quay County Extension Agent. The Tucumcari Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the noon barbeque.

The New Mexico Hay Show is sponsored by the NMSU Cooperative Extension Service. Kirby, the show's program chairman, is also the editor of a widely-circulated NMSU hay-market newsletter.

Take cleaning habits camping

When camping or vacationing, don't forget to take your good housekeeping habits along on your trip. Smart campers know that clean properly packed camping equipment makes the trip more enjoyable, says Charles M. Hohn, Extension agricultural engineer at New Mexico State University.

If you plan to fish, remember that cardboard tubes make fine holders for fishing rods. When you're through fishing for the day, wipe off your tackle box and make sure it's latched before packing it. Also, clean and dry fishing boots after each use and keep them in a sack.

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Computers aid small communities

By using a new computerized system, local community leaders and officials can quickly find federally funded rural development programs for which their community meets the basic eligibility criteria. The system — the Federal Assistance Programs Retrieval System (FAPRS) — has been brought "on line" by the Rural Development Service of the USDA. The New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service is facilitating access to this system.

According to Robert Coppedge, NMSU Extension economist, FAPRS enables community leaders to employ a single source of information concerning federally funded programs for their communities. This can eliminate much of the time-consuming research needed to find which programs are available to them.

To operate the program, information is needed on location by city and county, 1970 population, general categories of interest and entity making the request. Categories include community facilities, business and industrial development, planning and technical assistance and housing. Eligible entities include units of government, public and private non-profit organizations, Indian tribes and private individuals.

Select poultry, breed carefully

Whether you have a large poultry operation or a small flock owner, you need to select the right breeds of chickens for the right job, says D. W. Francis, Extension poultry specialist at New Mexico State University.

It's not enough to use one breed of chicken for both egg and meat production. An egg producer needs a certain breed of chicken and a meat producer needs another, says Francis.

Birds selected for egg production should meet certain standards. A leghorn-type bird is best for the production of high quality white shelled eggs. Birds used for egg production should weigh between 3 1/4 pounds and 3 1/2 pounds at 21 weeks of age, the specialist says.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY STATE OF NEW MEXICO
IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF OLIVER JACKSON (JACK) HULL, Deceased.

No. 42 - Probate
NOTICE OF HEARING ON FINAL ACCOUNT AND REPORT
STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: Hazel Purcell Hull; Marie Hull Rooney; Pat Hull Rooney; Bernard O. Rooney; Cheryl Stanley/Robney, a/k/a Cheryl Stanley Robney and Cheryl Stanley Richardson; Cal Farley's Boys' Ranch; New Mexico Boys Ranch; New Mexico Society for Crippled Children; Shriners' Crippled Children's Hospital; all unknown heirs of Oliver Jackson (Jack) Hull, deceased; all unknown persons claiming any lien upon or right, title or interest in or to the estate of said decedent;
MANUEL SADILO, Ancillary Executor, has filed his Final Account and Report, and on August 17, 1976, at 10:00 a.m., of the District Court of Lincoln County, Carrizozo, New Mexico, the Court will hear objections thereto and the settlement thereof, and the Court will proceed to determine the heirship of said decedent, the ownership of his estate, the interest of each respective claimant thereto or therein, and the persons entitled to distribution thereof.
John W. Thompson, P.O. Box 777, Ruidoso, New Mexico, is attorney for the Ancillary Executor.
WITNESS my hand and the seal of the District Court this 28th day of June, 1976.

Margo Lindsay
Clerk of the District Court
By: Joy Leslie
Deputy

350 41 (7) 5, 12, 19, 26

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that on July 21, 1976, at 10:00 a.m., a public sale will be held at Sierra Blanca Motor Co., Ruidoso, New Mexico to sell for cash the following collateral, to wit: one 1975 Chevrolet Monte Carlo Serial #1HSTJ5260176 said collateral being held to secure an obligation arising under a retail installment security agreement (Conditional Sale Contract) held by General Motors Acceptance Corporation as secured party. Said public sale is to be conducted according to the laws of the State of New Mexico. General Motors Acceptance Corporation reserves the right to bid at this sale. The collateral is presently stored and may be seen at Sierra Blanca Motor Co.

Exhibit K
(Retail Remedies)
353 11 (7) 19

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Village of Ruidoso invites and will receive sealed proposals (bids) up to the hour of 5:00 P.M. on the 10th day of August, 1976, for the construction of the Gavilan Canyon Pipeline, furnishing to said Village of all transportation, materials, equipment, labor, services and supplies necessary to construct for said Village, said work at which time said proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at the office of the Village, corner of Wingfield Street and Center Street. Copies of the contract documents are on file and may be examined in the office of the Village.

353 21 (7) 19, 22

LEGAL NOTICE

CALL FOR BIDS
The Ruidoso Board of Education desires to receive bids on three (3) Electromatic Copy Machines. Specifications are available in the office of the Superintendent of Schools, P. T. Valliant, Box #230, Ruidoso, New Mexico 86340, 722-1111.
Bids will be opened and read aloud at a regular meeting on August 10, 1976, at 8:00 P.M., which will be held at the Administration Building.
The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive all technicalities.

P. T. Valliant
Superintendent, and
Director of Finance

359 11 (7) 19

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico calls for Paying District #3 Bonds 180 through 200 on August 1, 1976. Bonds should be presented at the offices of the Village Treasurer for payment.

By Order Of
Governing Body
Village of Ruidoso
James L. Hines, Treasurer

350 21 (7) 19, 26

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF THOMAS JUDD MCKNIGHT, Deceased.

No. 1260
NOTICE OF HEARING ON FINAL ACCOUNT AND REPORT
STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: Joe W. McKnight, Judd P. McKnight, Joyce McKnight Cooper, John Wade Cooper, Robert C. Marley, Gay Vance, Tommie Joy Studdard, All unknown heirs of Thomas Judd McKnight, deceased, and Minnie McKnight Marley, deceased; and All unknown persons claiming any lien upon or right, title or interest in or to the estate of Thomas Judd McKnight, deceased.

Joyce McKnight Cooper, Executrix has filed her Final Account and Report and on August 13, 1976, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., of the Probate Court of Carrizozo, New Mexico, the Court will hear objections thereto and the settlement thereof, and the Court will proceed to determine the heirship of said decedent, the ownership of his estate, the interest of each respective claimant thereto or therein and the persons entitled to distribution thereof.

Richard G. Bean, 1013 North Main St., Roswell, New Mexico is attorney for the Executrix.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Probate Court on June 28, 1976.

Barbara Lovelace
Clerk of the Probate Court

(seal)
351 41 (7) 5, 12, 19, 26

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
IN THE PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF LINCOLN

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MELVIN BLACKARD, Deceased.

NO. 1401
NOTICE OF HEARING
STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: All unknown heirs of Melvin Blackard, deceased; and to all unknown persons claiming any lien upon or right, title or interest in or to the estate of Melvin Blackard, deceased.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that Ophelia D. Blackard has filed a verified Petition in the above styled cause praying for a determination of heirship, and that the 10th day of August, 1976, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard, at the Probate Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, the above named Melvin Blackard, deceased, and the ownership of his estate and the interest of any claimant thereto and therein and the persons entitled to distribution thereof. The said estate consists of an undivided one-half interest fee simple to the land described in the Petition filed in said cause, said lands described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 5, Block 7, White Mountain Heights Subdivision, Lincoln County, New Mexico, in the SE 1/4 SE 1/4 Section 20, T-11-S, R-13-E, N.M.P.M., as the same is shown on the original plat thereof filed in the Office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico. That the Attorney for said Petitioner is Richard A. Parsons, P.O. Box 1000, Ruidoso, New Mexico 86340. WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Court this 23rd day of June, 1976.

Barbara Lovelace
CLERK OF THE PROBATE COURT

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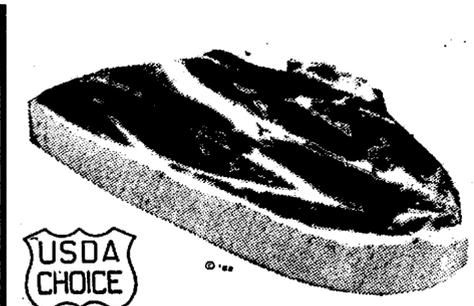
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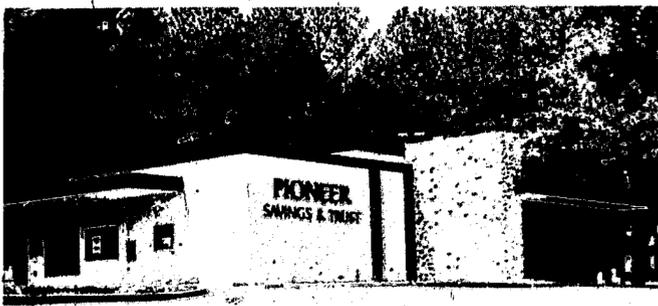


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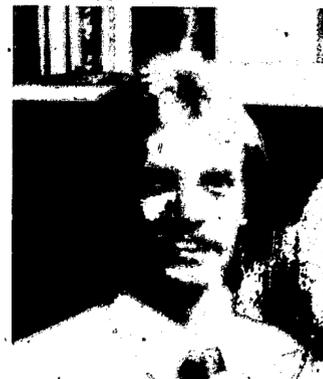
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Official Records

Veta Allen, County Treasurer, to The State of New Mexico. Lots 22 & 23, Mountain Villa Estates Subdv., Lincoln County, New Mexico.
 Veta Allen, County Treasurer, to The State of New Mexico. SW 1/4 SW 1/4, Sec. 2, 10 S., 16 E., SE 1/4 NE 1/4, Lot 2, Sec. 3 10 S., 16 E., Lincoln County, New Mexico.
 Veta Allen, County Treasurer, to The State of New Mexico. Lot 19, Blk. 1, Lot 33, Blk. 2, Tall Pines Subdv., Lincoln County, New Mexico.
 Veta Allen, County Treasurer, to The State of New Mexico. Lot 21, Unit 4, Blk. 14, Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club Subdv., Lincoln County, New Mexico.

Veta Allen, County Treasurer, to The State of New Mexico. A tract of land beginning at the NW corner of the SE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 32, Twp. 10 S., Rge. 17 E., Lincoln County, New Mexico.
 Veta Allen, County Treasurer, to The State of New Mexico. Lots 48, 49 & 50, Blk. 0, Ruidoso Pine Lodge Subdv., Lincoln County, New Mexico.
 Veta Allen, County Treasurer, to The State of New Mexico. Lots 19, 20 & 21, Blk. 23, McDonald Addition, Lincoln County, New Mexico.
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Dehydrating preserves food by removing sufficient moisture to prevent decay. The bulk and energy content of foods are not affected but there will be some loss of vitamins and minerals in the process.

There are three methods of drying food — sun, the kitchen oven and the portable food dehydrator. In New Mexico the high

summer temperature and low relative humidity make sun drying quick and easy. Drying trays (clean window or door screens work well) and a supply of cheese cloth are needed.

Drying does not improve the quality of food so only top quality fruits and vegetables that are suitable for eating fresh are suitable for drying. They should be selected and prepared for drying the day they are harvested.

All foods need some preparation or pre-treatment for drying. Blanching vegetables with hot water or steam inactivates enzymes in the foods and preserves the color and flavor during drying and storage, Mrs. Johnson says.

Fruits may be blanced, however sulfuring before drying is preferred. Sulfuring must be done out of doors, away from children, plants and pets. Do not use galvanized screen for sulfuring or drying. The action of acids in the foods with the screen can cause a dangerous reaction.

Dried foods should be packaged promptly in clean, dry, insect proof and rodent proof containers. As precaution against insect contamination, dried foods should be placed in the home freezer for 48 hours after packaging. Store in a cool, dry and dark place.

"Home Drying of Fruits and Vegetables," Extension Circular 332, which gives complete directions for drying fruits and vegetables is available at your County Extension Office.

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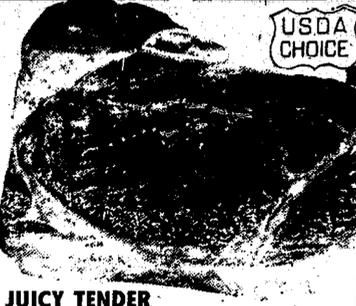
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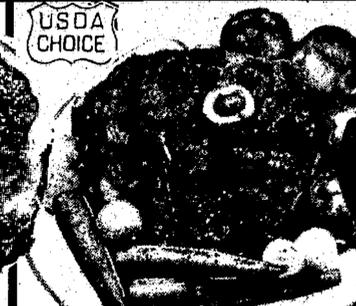
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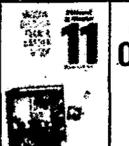
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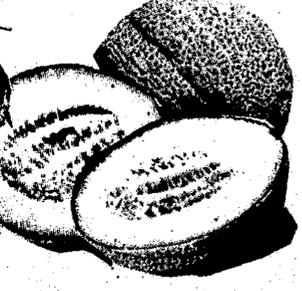


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LINCOLN DAYS CELEBRATION
It is getting to be more like July weather every day now. And as I write this on Tuesday, July 13, there is a black cloud coming over the hill to the north from Lincoln, reminding me that the weather man is reminding me the little frontier village and all the surrounding Bonito River country side — to be green and beautiful for the Lincoln Day celebrations.

Celebrations will include The Pony

Express Race, Old Time Fiddlers Contest, Introduction of Old Timers, and the Historical pageant, "The Last Escape of Billy the Kid."
I am always glad when this time of year rolls around, for many reasons, and one reason is that my heart beats a little higher as I look forward to meeting my friends from all over Lincoln County when we enjoy the happy times at old Lincoln.
I have here a card from the good folks at Lincoln saying that there is to be a picnic dinner for all interested in taking part in the pageant at the Baca Campground Wednesday, July 14. The Baca Campground is about two miles up the river from Lincoln.
By the time this reaches you the picnic will be in the past; and we will tell you more of the pageant plans next time, such as the practice dates and other things.
When I try to look ahead this way, and at the same time give you a picture of what is happening right now sometimes I have to be in the past, present and future all at the same time.

Brother Mark, who is silver lining me a bouquet about the Silver Handing and the Dreamer, and who together with brother Lynn has given me some valuable pointers, tells me not to worry about saying "This is being written on this date."
Mark is right, but just this last time I thought it might be interesting to know that on this date the best rain of the year so far is falling on the place. I will follow my brothers' suggestions about these little sketches always. But I know Mark will forgive me if I slip in the day of the month somewhere in the middle of the sketch. By the way, Mark says he is working on a little drawing for "The Dreamer" like the one he did for "The Silver Lining".

WONDERFUL RAIN
The vast band of clouds over the mountain split into several branches. One circled up the river and is now coming down. The other went down towards Glencoe. Now I see the rain grey upon the hillside advancing down from the southeast.
I knew this rain was on the way because two days ago all the cows and calves went up to the high country. Then also, all morning there has been that closeness in the air. Now that the rain is falling, the air is so easy to breathe, and the sound, smell, and looks of the young and the clouds give you new life. The rain apples on the trees turn their faces up to the rain seeming to drink from the falling drops. The leaves on the trees stand proud and glad. Mother Earth is drinking in the rain, and the world is rejoicing with the thunder and lightning of the storm.

BILLY THE KID PAGEANT HELD FIRST WEEKEND IN AUGUST
It is easy to remember the dates of the historical Lincoln County Pageant, "The Last Escape of Billy the Kid", because it falls every year on the first weekend in August. This year that will be evening performances Friday the sixth, Saturday the seventh; and an afternoon performance on Sunday the eighth.

Many of the actors in the pageant — of all ages and from all parts of the Lincoln County — are descendants of the early day pioneers who were prominent in the history of Lincoln County.
The show goes over the high points in the career of Billy The Kid in the Lincoln County War, ending with his dramatic escape from Jail in the old courthouse which still stands, little changed from the old days.
The pageant is the only western drama

that takes place on the very spot where the historical action took place. The pageant grounds are right next to the courthouse.
For realism and being true to the actual history, the pageant is in a class by itself. Costumes, firearms, horses, mules, stage coaches, all help to turn the clock back almost one hundred years.
Pride in the local history, and joy in a neighborhood presentation, give the actors great inspiration in giving their best to the show.
All Lincoln County looks forward every year to the pageant and folks come from far and near, an extremely appreciative and welcome audience. A spirit of wholesomeness and good will prevails as all present take part in honoring the pioneers of our Southwest.

BEGUN ON NEW MEXICO'S FOUR HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY
The pageant was begun in 1940 as part of the New Mexico Cuarto-Centennial or four-hundredth birthday, as part of A Day in Old Lincoln. The first Billy the Kid was Peter Hurd, and the play was acted out with the streets of Lincoln as the stage, with the courthouse itself being the center of the stage.

The play gained in popularity after it was revived in 1949 so that today there are the three performances at the pageant grounds. Billy Shreengost, born and raised in Lincoln, plays the part of the Kid. Billy, who is supported by some two hundred neighbors from all over Lincoln County, is Kid number six, his predecessors being Peter Hurd, John Davis, Johnny Thomas, Tommy Taylor, and Earl Taylor.

The pageant has been held every year since 1949 but in the middle of the rainy season; but it has never been completely rained out although heavy rains have fallen just before and after the show.

This is the bicentennial presentation of the show, so Billy Shreengost and all the rest of us will be honoring not only the pioneers of the Southwest but also our forefathers who carried our beloved nation through its birth and infancy.

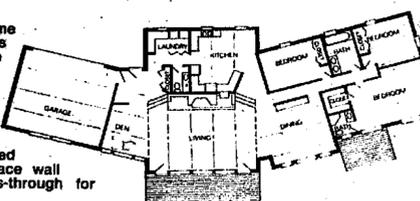
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HANCOCK AND THOMSON
Shortly after the Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence, draft copies were signed on July 5 by John Hancock and Charles Thomson, president and secretary of the Congress. These copies were sent immediately to the states. The formal signing of the Declaration did not occur until August.

John Hancock and Charles Thomson are two men who represent the independence movement very well. That they were the first signers is appropriate.

Hancock is better known of the two, primarily because of his bold signature on the official copy of the Declaration of Independence, made supposedly so that King George could read it without his spectacles. Hancock was one of the richest men in the colonies and thus had much to lose in the Revolution. According to contemporary reports he was also one of the vainest men in the Congress.

Supposedly, he was not happy as President of Congress and really wanted to be Commander of the Continental Army, a post that went almost automatically to George Washington.

Hancock had been an early radical in Massachusetts and counted among his closest friends such men as James Otis, Jr., and Sam Adams. At one point, the British had posted a large reward for the capture of Adams and Hancock.

On the other hand, Charles Thomson, virtually unknown today, was just as committed to the radical cause. He was an Irish immigrant who had the good fortune to receive a good education. He moved successively from teacher to businessman to politician.

He had been so active in the Independence movement in Pennsylvania: that John Adams once referred to him as the "Sam Adams of Philadelphia."

When the First Continental Congress was chosen, Thomson was not a member. Internal politics in Pennsylvania and ardent opposition by the conservative Joseph Galloway had prevented his election. At the first meeting of the Congress Thomson was chosen its secretary, a post he held for the entire fifteen year life of that body. It was Thomson who kept all the official records of the proceedings of the body.

In the Spanish system in New Mexico, not many men emerged to assume such leadership roles. Although there were local leaders, the Spanish system was such that they were overshadowed by the royal governors. Even governors, however, often did not make a mark on history.

Perhaps the reason that few New Mexicans are remembered from this period was that little other than the normal daily routine was occurring in this remote outpost. Even so, the Spanish system did not encourage individual leaders to emerge. /Donald W. Whisenhunt, history professor, Eastern New Mexico University.

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE
The Declaration of Independence is one of the most remarkable documents ever written. It is looked upon today as one of the most concise and clear expositions of eighteenth century philosophy regarding the rights of man.

Although the writing of the document was assigned to a committee of the Continental Congress, the Declaration was drafted by Thomas Jefferson with only minor editorial changes made by the committee.

Jefferson, only thirty-three at the time, was among the best that America had produced. He was well-educated and thus well-equipped to express the sentiment of those Americans ready to cast off British rule.

An amazing thing about the Declaration is its focus. Trouble between England and her colonies had started over economic matters. Navigation laws and other regulations of commerce had prompted resistance to British authority. Despite the fact that the controversy was mostly economic in origin, at least at first, Jefferson chose to emphasize the political difficulties in his document.

In addition, Jefferson made King George III the villain. Instead of attacking Parliament for the laws he considered unjust, he listed one abuse after another that had been perpetrated by the King. Two reasons for this can be mentioned. On the other hand, it is much easier to personalize and place blame on one individual rather than a larger parliamentary body. On the other hand, Americans still had friends in the Parliament that Jefferson was not anxious to alienate.

The other thing to remember about the Declaration is what its purpose was. It was not the act of independence. Congress formally voted for independence on July 2. The declaration was really a proclamation telling the world what America had done and why.

July 4th is celebrated as Independence day because it was on that day that Congress officially approved the Declaration "without one dissenting colony" although the New York delegation abstained until it received instructions from home. On July 15, New York made it unanimous.

Finally, the American colonies had taken the fateful step that they had been moving toward for several years. Even though many people were opposed, they were all now committed to making the experiment work. Whether they had to maintain the independence they had just proclaimed now remained to be seen.

July 4, 1776, passed like any other day in Spanish New Mexico. The weather was warm and the future was as bleak as before. Beset by isolation and poverty New Mexicans had little to look forward to. They had no way of knowing that a concept had been unleashed on the Atlantic coast that would have repercussions world-wide, including New Mexico. /Donald W. Whisenhunt, history professor, Eastern New Mexico University.

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