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Disaster aid available to county residents

BY GWYN JONES
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Representatives of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (FDAA) met Saturday with officials of the village of Ruidoso and Lincoln County, as well as a number of private citizens to explain "what the presidential disaster declaration means," and to outline

procedures for obtaining assistance. The FDAA personnel, Joe D. Winkle, regional director and federal coordinating officer for the New Mexico disaster; Lonnie Chant, who is coordinating the public assistance programs and Chuck Northington of the Dallas FDAA office were joined by Al Lovato and Tom McCalmont of the state Planning Division. Lovato has been designated by Governor Bruce King as his personal representative to work with the FDAA coordinating office, which has been established in Las Cruces.

Public officials were advised to designate by resolution one person to represent their interests with state and federal disaster workers. He or she would have power of attorney for the group and be responsible for the filing of a project application, for reimbursement by the agencies.

The designated representative will also team up with federal and state engineers to tour the damaged areas and prepare damage survey reports, part of the required paperwork.

Several types of funding were described at the meeting. Any project determined to have a total cost of less than \$25,000 would be termed a "small project grant." Governments would be reimbursed only after all emergency and permanent work was completed.

A second type of funding is the categorical grant. With this type of funding, 100 percent of eligible recovery costs are reimbursed, to restore facilities to their original condition, although local funds could be added to improve the facilities.

What the federal officials call "flexible funding" may be used to construct new or improved facilities, if they are deemed necessary for safety or other reasons. Federal funding would cover only the permanent work and directly related costs of temporary, emergency expenditures.

All government representatives were urged, above all, to "keep accurate records" of work performed and money spent or committed, in order to accrue maximum benefits from the federal programs.



DISASTER ASSISTANCE programs available to county residents and governments were discussed at a meeting of federal, state and local officials Saturday. From left are Joe D. Winkle,

regional director of the FDAA, state planning chief Al Lovato, partially hidden, Lonnie Chant, public assistance coordinating officer, and Tom McCalmont, state planner.

Ski report

With the heavy snowfall Monday morning, skiing at Sierra Blanca Ski Area is on powder and packed powder.

Undisturbed snow depth at midway is over 90 inches and several inches of new snow has been recorded in the past week.

Ruidoso Ski Area reports a packed base of 45 inches and new snow of over three inches recorded Monday morning.

All lifts are operating and all trails are open.

Sunday afternoon's high was 43 degrees and Monday morning's low was 18 degrees.

For skiing condition reports, call Sierra Blanca Ski Area, 257-9001, and Ruidoso Ski Area, 336-4211.

Ski run road repairs pending available funds

Repair of the road to Sierra Blanca Ski Area, further publicity and coverage of the Ruidoso area by state agencies, and support of the proposed regional airport were all considered areas of accomplishment by Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce delegation to Santa Fe.

The delegation of Sunny Hirschfeld, Benny Coulston, Dave Wilson and Ed Jungbluth returned Wednesday from the Third Annual Business Leaders Legislative Clinic with an insight into the process of state government as the clinic intended, but also with encouraging news on issues of importance to the Village.

Through Representative John Bigbee, the delegation was able to meet with the representatives of the State Highway Department at a House appropriations and finance committee hearing to discuss work on the road to Sierra Blanca Ski Area.

Chief Highway administrator Fred O'Chesky "agreed to look into (State Road 532), but he felt finances will be a hindrance," Wilson said.

O'Chesky said because the road is through national forest land, the funds for resurfacing, guard rail construction and other improvements could come from Forest Service appropriations which are presently tied up in construction of a road to Sandia Crest.

The delegation also met with Senator John Conway, who promised to pursue the project through Senate appropriations angles.

Also during the clinic, the delegation met with Sheila Tryk of New Mexico Magazine, who assured them the

publication staff was interested in the entire state and not just the portion above Interstate 40.

She requested specific articles from the group which agreed to continue contact and provide material on a regular basis.

John Salvo, cabinet secretary for the Department of Commerce and Industry also requested regular material from the Chamber to assist with promotional efforts.

The delegation viewed a media show on "Ski, New Mexico" which mentioned Sierra Blanca Ski Area but briefly, because few slides were available.

As a result, the delegation will produce a Chamber image bank, a compilation of slides promoting the area and activities.

Details of the project, which will require community support, will be announced later.

Also during the meeting with Salvo, discussion touched on the proposed regional airport.

The state is preparing a position on the project and Salvo promised to support the proposed jet-capable airport in any way possible.

"One of the largest departments in the state taking our side is the best cooperation from the state yet," Wilson said.

While in Santa Fe, the delegation also was told by Conway of a bill to provide assistance to tourist impacted areas when hit by large influxes of persons.

Also, travelling to Santa Fe were Diane Coulston, Mimi Jungbluth, Cece Sudderth and Hibb Hirschfeld.

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COMMISSION ATTACKS GOVERNOR'S ACTION

King opposes airport site

BY MARY WORMLEY
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Correspondence from Governor Bruce King opposing the regional airport protest package prompted members of the Sierra Blanca Airport Commission (SBAC) to comment Thursday that King is being influenced by state agriculture secretary Bill Stephens.

Developments leading to the comments Thursday began with a January 10 letter from King to Stephens requesting the agriculture secretary give his "personal attention on (King's) behalf" to the materials prepared to protest the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) denial of a request for land on which to build the airport.

SBAC chairman Richard Hall responded January 18 with a letter stating, "It was most surprising to learn that a subject matter pertaining strictly to air transportation had been referred to your cabinet secretary of agriculture."

"What expertise does he have in developing air transportation facilities to meet the needs of the fastest growing area of the State of New Mexico?"

He added, "I'm being blunt because this subject means so much to all the citizens of this south central mountain area and we need the assistance of your best qualified staff members."

King replied on January 24 that after a review of the materials he had developed an official state position which includes the comments that the BLM decision to deny the Federal Aviation Administration application for land on behalf of SBAC was "in the best interest of the State."

He added, "I would support Site A as identified by Herkenhoff and Associates as a possibility, which is located four miles from Site B. Only a small portion of Site A is on the Fort Stanton Reservation and New Mexico State University has agreed to cooperate on this site."

"Therefore I cannot support the SBAC appeal as outlined in your letter of December 12...protesting the BLM denial of the FAA Airport Application nor the appeal submitted to Secretary of the Interior Cecil Andrus on December 28 by Henry C. Newman, (Southwest regional FAA director)."

During discussion of the correspondence at Thursday's SBAC meeting, Hall said, "Frankly I'm angry to have this type of treatment from our newly elected Governor," adding "If you read between the lines, Bill Stephens wrote the letter."

Commissioner Wyndham Runningwater, representing the Mescalero Apache Tribe, suggested the commission write to King again pointing out the pitfalls to the proposed alternate Site A.

If King has "\$12 million to lend, can legally release the land and cover the additional cost of excavation, then we'd be in favor of compromise," he said.

Hall concurred, adding other factors keep the site from feasibility.

"Another thorn in our side and one not easily resolved is the close proximity of the solid waste disposal site," he said.

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Handicapped skiers benefit plan ready

BY MARY WORMLEY
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Imagine purchasing the services of 17 prominent area residents for an evening, with the proceeds to benefit the Sierra Blanca Handicapped Skiers Association.

A formal dinner party with well known Ruidosians supplying the mental labor will be auctioned at a western dance scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 13 at the Winners' Circle.

Part of "Have a Heart for the Handicapped" week, the dance will feature continuous music by Clay Mac and backup band Lynn Martin Music Company.

Also during the dance, prizes of a year's pass to Sierra Blanca Ski Area and Ruidoso Ski Area and a year's membership to Sierra Swim and Racquet Club and Inn of the Mountain Gods Racquet Club will be presented to four lucky persons.

Then, a doorprize of two pina Colodas at Playa De Mazatlan and a three day-three night, expenses paid trip will be given away.

But, the highlight of the dance will be auctioning of the dinner party.

The purchaser and guests will be picked up in a chauffeur-driven limosine and taken to a home where the formal dinner

party will be held.

Cast of characters, presenting the party include:

Chefs.....Debbie Davis

L.B. Davis

Head Butler.....Lloyd Davis

Bartenders.....Jerry Bigham

Roy Parker

Footmen.....Wendell Chino

Ray Nunley

Wine Stewards.....Riker Davis

Roo Annala

Maids.....Johnny Durham

Rita Chino

Mary Lee Nunley

Marilyn Bigham

Kathy Annala

Dishwashers.....Dorothy Kimsey

Laurie Durham

Fern Sawyer

OTHER FUND RAISING activities

scheduled during Have a Heart for the

Handicapped Week include:

February 4-13, sale of tickets throughout

town. Prizes will be presented at the

western Dance, February 13.

Tickets are available at Cousins, Sierra

Swim and Racquet Club, the Winners'

Circle, Incredible, Kings, The Texas

Club, Win, Place and Show, Ray Heid's Ski

Shop, Morgan's Mountain Sports, Sierra

Blanca Ski Shop, Nottinghams, Sonny's

Barbeque, Sunrise Natural Foods, Rush

Ski Rentals and Mountain Ski Shop for a 50

cent donation. Coordinator of the project is Lynn Vincent.

Saturday, February 10, volunteers will canvass the town for donations and will be found in conspicuous places throughout the village to gather donations. Volunteers will be recognized by their heart design T-shirts.

Director of the project is Debbie Davis. Monday, February 12, a pre-race party will be held at 7:30 p.m., at Sierra Swim and Racquet Club for review of the race competitors, who include John Hall, Preston Isaacs, Bill McCarty, Johnny Durham, Denys McCoy, Mel O'Reilly, Frank Potter, Don Swalander, Bill Pippin, Ed Jungbluth, Figgy Grigo, Lloyd Davis, Ken Green, Jerry Bigham, Mickey McGuire and Fern Sawyer.

Ray Bishop is organizing the party, where "considerable speculation may ensue."

Tuesday, February 13, the western dance at 7:30 p.m. at the Winners' Circle.

Wednesday, February 14, the Am-Cap race among teams of handicapped skiers paired with prominent Ruidosians kicks-off at 1:30 p.m.

Teams will tear down "Easy Street" at Sierra Blanca Ski Area.

Chairmen of the week of activities are Jerry Bigham and Dorothy Kimsey.

Members of the board of the Handicapped Skiers Association are Rick Vincent, president; Jerry Bigham, vice president; Dorothy Kimsey, secretary-treasurer, and Diana Grover, director.

Also serving are Maureen Ware and Steve Langham, Houston, Texas.



SIERRA BLANCA HANDICAPPED Skiers potential Am-cap race competitors Robert Siroshime, left, and Chris Zurzolo, Association president Rick Vincent, center, with

Capitan voting on school levy Tuesday

BY GWYN JONES
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On Tuesday, Capitan voters will decide a bond issue and an additional tax levy which, if passed, will finance improvements to or possibly replacement of the existing Capitan Schools with new facilities.

In an interview with The News last week, Capitan school superintendent Richard Clifton and principal J. L. Brooks explained the issues on the ballot and the reasons they urge passage of the bond and levy.

The bond issue will generate \$260,000, and the Capital Improvements Levy would generate \$100,000 over a three-year period. The Board of Education has also applied to the state for emergency Capital Outlay funds to assist in the proposed building program.

However, the application for those funds, which would make the new construction possible, will not be considered by the state unless the district is "bonded to capacity," Clifton said.

The passage of the bond and levy would meet that requirement, he added. Since school officials don't know how much money they might receive for improvements, only the most preliminary and tentative construction plans have been formulated. But according to Brooks, "The only logical solution is to start from scratch and build new facilities."

Both he and Clifton feel myriad problems at the schools would be solved by such construction. One of the main problems is overcrowding of classrooms.

The state Board of Education sets minimum standards of one teacher to 25 students. Nine of 12 grades at Capitan are in violation of that standard, Clifton said, and every classroom is in use at all times.

"We've grown to the point that if we had teachers hired (to alleviate the overcrowding) we wouldn't have the classrooms to put them in," Brooks said. And he expects that growth to continue.

The schools have gained 72 students since the end of the previous school year, bringing the total enrollment to 373. Brooks points out that even if that growth rate were cut in half, enrollment will still be over 400 next year.

Clifton said the state Board of Education could "vote to disapprove the school" if crowding is not eliminated. Such was the case with the kindergarten program at the school this year.

The teacher-student ratio was 1-30 for the class last August. The class had to be split, with half the students attending Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and half attending the remaining two days. Midway in the year, the two classes switched schedules, to assure that they received equal school time.

CROWDING ALSO PROHIBITS any broadening of the high school curriculum and expansion of the special education program, Brooks said. Teachers add that classes cannot be brought together for group activities.

The sheer age of buildings is another source of problems. Built in 1936 by the Works Progress Administration, it has high ceilings and wood floors, which Clifton said means high maintenance costs. "Last month's heating bill was over \$1,700."

The building's age also means the roof is in poor condition, and the wiring and plumbing "probably don't meet state codes today," he added.

Faulty wiring was cited as the cause of a November 1978 fire which destroyed the stage area and old gymnasium and caused extensive smoke damage to the halls, band room and dressing rooms. For the Christmas program, the children had to rehearse in the halls.

If enough funds are received from the various sources, officials hope to construct a new elementary school with eight classrooms and a multi-media room. The junior and senior high school building would have 14 teaching classrooms, a library, an auditorium with a seating capacity of 300, and a music and band room. According to an election brochure prepared by the school district, the facilities would be built in different phases depending on the availability of funds.

The district could apply for capital outlay funds each year until all needs are met, Clifton said. If a land trade could be negotiated with the United States Forest Service, the new buildings might be located adjacent to the present facilities.

The repayment schedule for the bond and levy will require a tax increase of \$7.00 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation over the 1978 rate, based on the 1978 valuations, or \$2.50 over the 1972 tax rates. The new rate would be \$8.877 per thousand, which brings it in line with such towns as Carrizozo (\$8.318), Cuba (\$8.263) and Estancia (\$8.525). The new rate would be substantially lower than that of Moriarty (\$11.886) and Fort Sumner (\$11.100).

The district prepared a chart showing the estimated tax increase for Capitan area residents. The assessed value of the property (the figure on which taxes are based) is one third of the appraised value, which is usually less than the market value of the property. Thus, a home or land appraised at \$12,000 would have an assessed value of \$4,000, making the tax increase about \$2.33 per month or \$28 per year.

Property appraised at \$30,000, assessed at \$10,000 would show an increase of \$5.83 per month or \$70 per year. Clifton said he doubted many Capitan people would experience that much increase, since many of the homes would be appraised at less than \$30,000.

Brooks said he hoped retirees and residents whose children are now out of school would not vote against the issue on that basis, thinking "education doesn't affect them anymore. Nothing could be further from the truth," he said.

"We have to keep the kids in mind," Clifton added. "We need better buildings and facilities for them — it's that simple."

In addition to deciding the bond and levy issues in the Capitan election Tuesday, voters will fill one school board position being vacated by Horace Cordova. Running for the six-year term are Mrs. Jane Allred, Ralph O. Barber and Curtis Payne.

Registered voters who live within the school district are eligible to cast their ballots. Voting is not restricted to property owners.

The designated polling place is Fletcher Hall Arena, and voting will take place between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m.

(Pictures showing the condition of portions of the Capitan school appear on page seven of this issue.)

Coffee Cart Wednesday

The Wednesday coffee cart will be held at Western Office Equipment, 410 Sudderth, from 9 to 10 a.m.

Ed Jungbluth, executive secretary of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, said, "The coffee carts are an ideal opportunity to exchange opinions with fellow community residents, members of the Chamber board of directors and executive secretary."

King opposes

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Federal regulations prohibit construction of an airport within a certain distance of a waste disposal site because of the hazards presented by small animals and birds attracted to the site.

Hall also pointed out housing developments are springing up near the alternate site.

"Time has overcome the situation. (The engineering firm of) Herkenhoff-Parsons looked at it in 1973 and what looked like a viable alternative just isn't anymore. Site A is inaccessible," Hall said.

ALSO, DURING THE MEETING, Runningwater presented a report on a trip to Washington DC where he met with members of the Department of the Interior and the state congressional delegation.

Runningwater met with Guy Martin, assistant Secretary of the Interior, Land and Water Resources division, who will compile the information which Andrus will use to make a decision.

He requested letters of support of the proposed airport be prepared by each of the governing entities represented by SBAC and sent to Martin.

At the conclusion of his report of the meeting, Runningwater said, "It looks good from that angle, but we can't hang our hats on it yet."

He also met with U.S. Representative Harold Runnels, who told him \$6 million has been put into the research station at Fort Stanton mesa and the "amount received in direct benefit from the experiments would fit into a manila envelope."

Runningwater also reported Runnels' office was of the opinion NMSU was "on the verge of compromise and the Secretary won't have to make a decision."

He also said Senator Pete Domenici appeared to favor the proposed airport, but no official position would be announced for another three weeks.

Runningwater said Representative Manuel Lujan "appeared to be on the fence."

IN OTHER BUSINESS Thursday, the commission reviewed a letter to State Senator John Conway and State Representative John Bigbee pointing out "NMSU is asking the state legislature to appropriate \$5.1 million for a new agriculture building when they are resolutely blocking the airport which would contribute to the economic base of the State."

Also, Hall reported on the promise from John Salvo, State Secretary of the Commerce and Industry Department, to support the airport proposal.

The commission also agreed to keep in contact with Mack Taylor, Sausalito, California, and Silver City, who is taking NMSU and the BLM to court for "collusion" and obstruction of his request to test drill on BLM administered land leased to NMSU in northern Dona Ana County.

The next commission meeting will be at 2 p.m. March 2 in the library.

Cancer control program outlined

A program outlining the goals and operation of the Southwest Health Care Cancer Control Unit was presented at a meeting of the Ruidoso Service Club Council Thursday.

The Cancer Control Unit acts as a screening clinic for early detection of the disease and is being held currently on Thursday afternoons and Friday mornings at the Ruidoso Hondo Valley Hospital.

Community health educators Della Scholes, Anna Padilla and Harriet Barber presented the program, including a film on cancer of the colon and rectum, the most widespread form of cancer affecting both men and women.

Scholes explained that the unit, which will continue here through May, is a community based program designed to become an integral part of the health care system. Nurse practitioners or physicians are trained to take over operation of the clinic.

Another aim of the program is to make people aware of the curability of many forms of cancer, to help eliminate fear of the disease, which often makes a person delay treatment or examinations.

Scholes also explained that cancer is not a single disease, but behaves and progresses differently in its different forms. The unit is dealing primarily with six types of cancer which have a high "cure" or survival rate with early detection. Those are cancer of the breast, cervix and uterus in women; prostate and testicular cancer in men; and, in both sexes, colo-rectal cancer, skin cancer and head and neck cancer.

The educators also teach techniques of self-examination for the different types of cancer and recommend regular routine tests by physicians.

Hours for the clinic are 1:30 to 4:30 on Thursdays and 9 to 11 on Friday mornings. Appointments are required.

The Service Club Council members also heard an appeal for volunteer workers from Bobby Dan Crenshaw, assistant administrator of Fort Stanton School and Hospital.

Crenshaw said he was seeking a group of 15 to 20 persons to donate one day a month to help teach skills to the students at Ft. Stanton. Volunteers would work on a one-to-one basis with a student, teaching one specific skill. The school would provide transportation, and lunch for the volunteer group, he added.

Further requests for funds and recreational materials for Ft. Stanton were made by council member Hazel Kennedy. She said the state provides for the students "mentally and physically, but provides no recreational materials."

"Kids need to play," she added. She suggested that recreational supplies could be donated or funds raised through various club projects to buy the items.

Crenshaw invited all service club members to tour the facilities as a group or individually.

In other business, the council: — Approved the constitution and by-laws for the club and made tentative plans for election of officers at an upcoming meeting.

— Heard a report from Ken Moore on a project by the Rotary Club to purchase "beeper" communication devices. He said that club was interested in purchasing one of the devices in order to have at least one local minister on 24-hour call in case of emergencies.

— Heard a report on the successful tax return service performed by Marry Morris and Charlene Jones and sponsored by the Altrusa Club. The two prepared state tax forms and obtained rebates for a number of senior citizens and low-income families.

County medical needs discussed

County health needs ranging from providing medical service in isolated areas to improvement of emergency medical services were discussed at the Wednesday evening meeting of the Lincoln County Health Advisory Committee to the county commission.

Goals were set in the five major health areas of primary care, secondary care, health education, extended care and mental health care.

Under primary care, the committee agreed to urge medical care for the Hondo Valley area which is "geographically isolated and distant from health care."

The committee also recognized a need for a portable dental unit and water fluoridation project.

Under secondary care, the committee commended the improvements made at

Ruidoso Hondo Valley Hospital, agreeing to encourage patients reluctant to enter the hospital because of past problems to "give it another try."

Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) were the main area of need discussed under emergency medical services.

The committee also agreed intermediate EMT training is needed, but a viable program using intermediate skills could not begin until radios are provided so the EMT's can be authorized by physicians to begin medical treatment.

The committee also was told by Dr. David Rouleau, Capitan, EMT's not meeting standards, could have their licenses revoked.

Under education, the committee agreed information is needed in the schools on

teenage alcoholism, pregnancy and venereal disease, dental education and sex education.

But, they concurred "a state mandate will be needed to get into the schools."

The committee agreed to contact county school boards to encourage programs by area physicians.

They also touched on health education for adults.

On mental health, the committee agreed to encourage establishment of a mental health board for the county.

Under extended care, the group felt an outreach program to provide meals to the homebound elderly is needed in parts of the county.

Finally, Cheri Goad, Carrizozo, was named to replace Mary Rich, as chairman of the advisory committee.



EVACUATION MAPS of Ruidoso and Alto are shown to the Committee For Insuring Ruidoso's Environment during their Thursday meeting by publisher Glenn Pike, standing. The finished maps will go to the print shop today.

Evacuation map to printer

Maps of Ruidoso and Alto showing evacuation route to be taken in case of a major forest fire go to the printers today as a result of final discussion of the project at the Committee For Insuring Ruidoso's Environment meeting Thursday.

The four maps of the area will be black with white routes instead of the traditional black routing on white.

Main arteries to safety will be marked in yellow and arrows will indicate direction. Stars will mark intersections where traffic will be controlled.

During the meeting Thursday, the committee discussed the instructions to be included on the map.

Cited as the most important point was the direction to tune into KRRR or the Forest Service radio station day or night

for information. KRRR is authorized to broadcast from dawn to dusk, but in case of a major disaster can broadcast at night.

The second most important point to be included on the map is that "in some cases, alternate routes will have to be taken and instructions will be broadcast on KRRR."

The map also states that routes give access to safety areas which are the high school, White Mountain school and High Mesa in Alto.

During Thursday's meeting the committee decided to eliminate cross referencing because the homeowners' location and evacuation route will be explained as the maps are distributed. The committee also decided to include

border indexing to correspond with the traditional village maps.

Three members of the group will meet with publisher Glenn Pike today to give final approval of the map before it is sent to the printers.

In other business Thursday, the committee:

— Met Ken Schein and Eileen Brink who replace Larry Bandy as State Division of Forestry liaison to the group.

— Viewed a slide show by chairman Herb Brunell on the committee's accomplishments through the year.

— Agreed to contact agencies whose cooperation is needed with the Red Flag Alert program which also is nearing completion.

School board election polling place at RHS

Ruidoso High School gymnasium will be open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday as the polling place for the Ruidoso Board of Education election.

One candidate has filed—incumbent W.R. "Stormy" Edwards.

According to the election notice, "any qualified elector residing in Ruidoso Municipal School District shall be entitled to vote."

"Elector" has been defined as any citizen of the United States, who, at election time, is over 18 years of age and a resident of the state, county and school district.

After the election, the Ruidoso Board of Education will meet at noon Thursday to canvass the returns, issue a certificate of results, determine the total number of persons voting, enter the findings in the official minutes of the district and issue a certificate of election to the candidate elected.

Also during the meeting, the school board will approve Title 4, part A application for the 1979-80 school year for Indian education.

Fire razes Hondo Bar

The Hondo Bar, located at the Lincoln Highway 70, burned to the ground in a fire early Monday morning. The fire, which was reported at 6:20 a.m., is under investigation and Hondo

Valley Fire Department chief Frank Tinsworth has "no idea of the cost."

Two units from the fire department extinguished the blaze and returned to Tinnie by about 9 this morning.



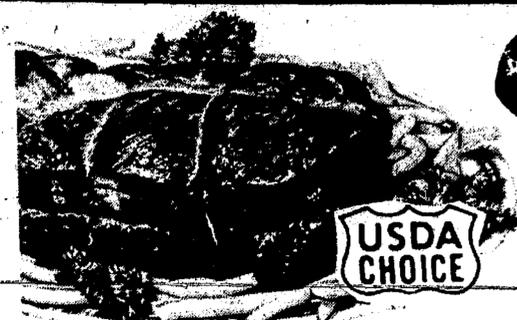
LINCOLN COUNTY ADULT Recreation Center. Jarrett Wednesdays, Mrs. Romans will be assisted by secretary Verna Moss, right. Keys were presented to the new director Belle Romans, seated, by former director Charlotte



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PEOPLE

Mescalero couple renew wedding vows

Elizabeth and Walter Wells, Mescalero, celebrated their tenth anniversary by recreating their marriage ceremony January 29 at Saint Joseph's Apache Mission.

Family, relatives and friends shared in the ceremony officiated by Father Justin Moncrief. To recreate the traditional wedding procession, Mrs. Wells was given in marriage by her first cousin, Keith Miller. The maid of honor and best man were Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Abeyta of Bent. Bridesmaids and groomsmen were, in couples: Bruce and Helen Klinekole II, John and Norma Adams, Raymond and Beverly Kirgan. Ushers were: Jonathan Adams and James Hibbets.

Mrs. Wells chose to adorn the wedding party in near-traditional Indian costumes with yellow and green flare for the special occasion. The altar was adorned with a home-owned statue of the Sacred Heart and yellow and green tapers in a candelabra made by Bruce Klinekole II.

Following the ceremony, there was a reception in the Inn of the Mountain Gods' Mescalero Room. Before the cake cutting ceremony, Willard Evans performed Indian blessings of the three-tiered cake and refreshments.

Hostesses were: Mrs. Phoebe Klinekole, Mrs. Wynelle Geronimo, Mrs. Becky Verdugo and Mrs. Glenda Brusuelas.

Guest books were attended by Mrs. Pansy Shendo and Mrs. Rufina Laws. Serving champagne, wine punch and beer was Gregg Klinekole.

Special guests included the Donald Blake family, George La Paz, Frizzell Pena, Don Chino, Virginia Klinekole, Ruth Klinekole, Zaida Klinekole, Frank Klinekole, George Klinekole, Jr., Lisa Adams, Charlene Adams, Sarah Platere, Kevin Cojo, Bernard Miller, David Kirgan, Alan Kirgan, Tina Kirgan, Sharon Kirgan, Wilson Barber, Elsie Barber, Corie Adakai, Frank Adakai, Ursula Little, Iva Enjady, Martin Enjady, Kathy Enjady, Ila Evans, Timothy Enjady, Donalyn Torres, Tiffany Torres, Lydia Klinekole, Bruce

Klinekole III, Gabriel Shendo, Jennifer Shendo, Magalena Fatty, Gibson Fatty, Louise Kazhe, Darrel Kazhe, Larry Brusuelas.

Out of town guests included Josephine Sanchez, Cathy Quintus, Mrs. Quintus, Ellen Keaton and Jerry Keaton of Ruidoso. The Wallace family from High Rolls, Bobby, Judy, Pam and Debbie. Debbie is an exchange student from Germany.

Mrs. Wells is the former Elizabeth Evans, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bond of Alamogordo. Mr. Wells is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Wells, Sr. of Kiana, Alaska.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells have resided for the past three years in Mescalero where Mr. Wells was employed by the Mescalero Construction Company as assistant manager. Before arriving in Mescalero, Mr. Wells was assistant land planner with the Chugiak Native Corporation in Anchorage, Alaska, and also a draftsman with the Army Corps of Engineers. While in Seattle for five years, Mr. Wells attended the University of Washington and the Seattle University while employed by Systems Architects & Engineers as draftsman.

Mr. Wells was graduated from Mount Edgecumbe High School in 1963, then attended Haskell Junior College as a student of carpentry for two years. Upon completion, he entered Pasadena City College, Pasadena, California as an apprentice carpenter, then served with the U.S. Army and was honorably discharged at Ft. Meade, Maryland.

Mid-school band concert

The White Mountain Middle School band will present a "Pop" concert today in the school's gymnasium. Admission to the concert, which will feature all kinds of music, is free. The program begins at 7 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells have three daughters, Wanene, Wanelle, and Wynette of the family home and two sons, James Hibbets, an engineering student in Albuquerque, and Vincent Hibbets, U.S. Army assigned to communications in the 1098th Transportation Company, Ft. Eustis, Virginia.

Library Laurels by Kathy Moore

Pre-registration for the Spring Pre-School Story Time will begin on February 12 and close on February 21.

To be eligible for the Story Time, children must be three through five years of age. There will be two sessions: (1) Wednesday, March 7 - April 11 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

(2) Thursdays, March 8 - April 12, 10:00 to 11:00.

Story Time will consist of puppet shows, finger plays, crafts, movies and stories. Pre-registration is required and regular attendance is expected. Enrollment is limited to 20 children per class.

Immunization schedule

Monday, February 5, 1979 — Carrizozo Clinic to be held at the L.C.H.O. Court House Annex from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 7, 1979 — Capitan Clinic to be held at the Capitan School from 10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Monday, February 12, 1979 — Ruidoso Clinic to be held at White Mountain School from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 14, 1979 — Corona Clinic to be held at the Corona School from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

A parent or guardian must accompany every child to be immunized. Anyone interested in Family Planning or Well Child Clinic appointments, please call 648-2412.



PARENT VOLUNTEER Nancy Farus assists Elementary School with the kindergarten class at Nob Hill

Parents aiding young students

Nob Hill Elementary School has developed a program which has everyone involved smiling.

The parent volunteer program brings mothers and fathers into the classroom where they provide valuable assistance to the teacher and become educated on the teaching techniques used with their children in addition to becoming a source of pride for their kindergarten, first grader or second grader.

"We have so many first graders this year, I'm not sure we could have operated effectively without the parent volunteers," instructor Nellie Jones said Tuesday.

With the team teaching program being used in the elementary school, classes are divided into small teaching groups directed by the teacher and parent volunteers.

While the instructor works with phonetics or reading, the volunteer can take another group of children and direct their activities.

Parent volunteers have proven most beneficial in the first grade at the handwriting center.

"Parents help the children form their letters correctly, with spacing, and because it is a creative writing center help with spelling words," first grade instructor Greta Cabot said.

Parents also listen to the children read which gives the child practice in oral reading and is "something the children like to do."

Another valuable activity of the volunteers is filing of papers.

"We have 112 first graders this year and in a week's time each does 50 papers. The volunteer staples, files and gets them ready for each child to take home," Mrs. Jones said.

Other activities the parents assist with include field trips and art projects.

In the past months, parents also have volunteered to work in physical education with the children and presented a variety of programs on hobbies or special interests.

The parent volunteer program includes some fathers and also community volunteers without children in the school.

Parents enjoy the program because "it gives them an understanding of what goes on," kindergarten instructor Pat Tate said.

When a child brings home a paper occasionally parents are unable to tell if the class is learning, she added.

"For example, in a lesson on color and shape we'll tell the child to take a red crayon and color in the circle. This teaches the child red and the shape of a circle, but to a parent it may just look like the child is coloring," Mrs. Tate said.

The children also enjoy having their parents in the classroom as parent volunteers.

"The children are very proud of their parents coming to class," Tate said, adding the children urge their parents to volunteer and are disappointed if their parents are occasionally unable to come.

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Accent rugs are another popular "model" idea, to capture the eye in a small children's room and make it look delightful, to give style to a study or a dramatic focal point to a large living area.

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Research program on pot benefits to begin at UNM later this month

A clinical research program to determine the usefulness of marijuana in alleviating nausea and vomiting in cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy should

become operational in New Mexico in approximately 30 days. This is the first such program to be authorized by any state and by the appropriate federal agencies.

The Bernalillo County Medical Center pharmacy has been designated as the state's sole dispensing agent for the marijuana used in the research program in accordance with a specific provision of the authorizing statute enacted by the New Mexico Legislature in 1978.

The BCMC pharmacy has received an initial supply of the drug, in capsule form, from the National Institute on Drug Abuse. However, none can be dispensed until the first patient has been qualified under the strict protocol governing the program. It is estimated that procedures for qualification will take several weeks.

A cancer patient on chemotherapy, who is a resident of New Mexico, and the patient's physician must first initiate a

joint request to the Substance Abuse Bureau, New Mexico Health and Environment Department, asking that the patient be included in the research program. The patient and his physician will receive forms to be returned to the bureau for forwarding to the Patient Qualification Review Board. The board, consisting of three physicians, will decide whether the patient qualifies for the program.

If the applicant is accepted, the board will notify his physician, and the patient will be required to sign a consent form and undergo certain psychological and medical tests. Upon receipt of the completed tests, the Substance Abuse Bureau will instruct the BCMC pharmacy to send

to the patient's physician a supply of marijuana sufficient for one month. It is expected that the drug will be dispensed on a monthly basis as long as the patient is receiving chemotherapy.

Depending on a number of factors, including the patient's preference, the marijuana will be dispensed either in capsule form, to be taken orally, or in cigarette form for inhalation.

Because marijuana is a controlled substance subject to federal law, implementation of the program required approval by the federal Food and Drug Administration and by the National Institute on Drug Abuse, a branch of the US Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Participation by BCMC's

pharmacy was approved by the Human Research Review Committee of the University of New Mexico School of Medicine and by the hospital's Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee.

Although the New Mexico law also permits research in the use of marijuana to alleviate the ill-effects of glaucoma, the appropriate federal agencies have not yet approved inclusion of glaucoma patients. Presently, only cancer patients receiving chemotherapy are eligible to apply for acceptance on the program.

Dr. Edward Deaux, chief of the state's Substance Abuse Bureau, is administrator of the program which, by law, will expire on June 30, 1979, unless the current legislature votes an extension.

BLM issues plans on wilderness management

The U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has issued a proposed regulation to protect potential and identified wilderness study areas from mining and mineral operations and a draft policy for managing these areas for other uses.

The two proposals appear in the Federal Register and are subject to public comment until March 14.

Nearly 13 million acres of public land in New Mexico are currently undergoing inventory to determine which areas may have wilderness characteristics and be recommended to Congress for inclusion in the National Wilderness System.

The proposed rules on mining would require an approved plan of operations for certain mining activities within some public land areas. This regulation would protect potential wilderness areas from those activities that would impair their wilderness suitability.

The draft management policy affects those areas identified as wilderness study areas. Its purpose is to establish procedures to maintain the wilderness

potential for land under study while at the same time insuring that other land uses which would not affect wilderness qualities could continue. Such things as livestock grazing, hunting, and most recreational activities would continue under the policy. Restriction would be placed on things such as new strip mining, road building and those mineral exploration activities that would permanently affect the area.

The BLM will hold public informational meetings in New Mexico in February on these two issues to answer questions from the public. The dates and places will be announced later. Copies of the two documents are available from the BLM, Post Office Box 1449, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501.

Persons who wish to comment on either the proposed regulations or the draft policy statement may do so before March 14, 1979. Comments on the mining regulation should be addressed to the Director, BLM (303) at the same address.

Food price rise forecast

Prospects for more but smaller increases in farm prices next year, coupled with higher marketing costs, indicate that retail food prices in 1979 will climb to only seven and one-half percent above 1978. This compares with the 10 percent rise estimated for this year, Robert Coppersmith, Extension marketing specialist for New Mexico State University, said.

Grocery store food prices are expected to average about seven percent in 1979, while restaurant food prices will probably climb eight percent higher.

"If 1979 food supplies are larger than now expected and if wages and marketing costs are slowed by anti-inflation measures, the food price hikes could be as low as six percent," Coppersmith said. "On the other hand, adverse weather and larger costs increases could boost food

prices as much as 10 percent." America starts 1979 with large grain supplies and relatively low livestock feed costs. This will encourage continued expansion in the cattle, pork and poultry industries.

However, fewer non-fed cattle will be slaughtered, and the total 1979 beef supply is expected to be down again, perhaps by about five percent. Total production of red meat and poultry in 1979 will about match 1978 levels.

With continued growth in consumers' incomes, prices of livestock and livestock products, especially beef prices, are likely to strengthen. However, the price increases in 1979 will be considerably smaller than the rapid increases in the first half of 1978, Coppersmith said.

Manufacturing directory available to buyers

The 1978-1979 Directory of New Mexico Manufacturing and Mining, a buyer's guide, has been released by the Commerce & Industry Department in Santa Fe.

Published to assist interested persons in obtaining goods produced in the state, the directory is also of aid to domestic producers seeking new sales outlets.

Major products of individual companies are reported, grouped by codes designated in the Standard Individual Classification Manual of the U.S. Office of Management and Budget. Companies are listed both alphabetically and numerically by appropriate SIC Code. Maps are provided which indicate the location of each manufacturing facility and mine and its proximity to transportation. Civilian labor force and population data are also mapped by county.

The Directory of Manufacturing and Mining is priced at \$15.00 and may be obtained by writing to Librarian, Com-

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Cagerettes down Hatch 41-30

The Ruidoso cagerettes outscored the Hatch Bears 21-4 in the second period and made that difference to a 41-30 district win Saturday night.

Before a small crowd at Warrior Gym, the cagerettes battled the Bears to a six-all first quarter tie. Neither team shot or played real well in the first period. Warrior coach Sergio Castanon tried to explain it.

"Some of our girls had been at a meeting all day," he said. "They came out flat. But something happened and they got fired up."

Led by senior Kristi Perryman and Cathy Jones, the Warriors repeatedly broke the Hatch zone for inside baskets. When the inside wasn't open, Perryman hit her bombs from 20 feet. The biggest surprise of the game was the play of Jones, who undoubtedly played her best game of the season.

"She's been practicing real well," Castanon said. "I just told her to do that in a game. It's just a matter of confidence for her. I told her she'd get to play a lot more."

Jones scored eight points, most of them from within five feet. Some came from the foul line as she often drew fouls after grabbing an offensive rebound. Although it wasn't necessarily Castanon's strategy to feed the ball inside, the Warriors took what Hatch gave them.

"The middle was open," he said. "They try to clog it up a lot. We take it if it is open. The girls were going to it."

Hatch tried to mount a rally in the third period. They managed to cut the Warrior lead to 14 at the end of three periods. But the Warriors still controlled the tempo of the game.

The Warriors coasted in the fourth period. Although they scored only six points, they held Hatch to nine. That snuffed out any thoughts Hatch had for a comeback.

For Perryman, it was her last home

game for the Warriors. She went out in style, hitting 17 points. She also directed the Warrior attack against the Hatch press when Lisa Shaw was on the bench. Shaw added six points to the Warrior cause. Lori Swain, who spent much of the time on the

bench in foul trouble, tallied five points before fouling out. Kelly Cothran also had five.

The win pushed the Warriors' district record to 2-1. They next face Hatch on the Bears' court Friday.

Wrestlers pinned twice

The Ruidoso Warrior wrestling team suffered two setbacks last week, failing to Roswell 42-15 Thursday and Goddard 53-17 Saturday.

Head coach Gerald Ames wasn't too surprised by the occurrences, however, since he was forced to forfeit a number of matches due to vacancies on the squad.

The loss to Roswell was the second time Ruidoso fell to that team this season. The Warriors did manage to win four bouts.

Dirk Strassberg continued his winning ways, downing Joe Pino in the 98 pound class. Wes Atkinson won his bout in the 112 pound class. Ray Herrera won in the 126 pound class. Gred Lane won in the 132 pound class via a pin. All four are seniors.

From there, the Warriors went downhill. Marlin Randall lost his bout in the 105 pound class, despite one of his "better matches". Byron Wright, in the 138 pound class, lost his match.

"It was one of Byron's best matches," Ames said. "He fought the kid really well."

Godfrey Enjady and Ronald Bell lost their matches. It was Enjady's first match in more than a month. He has been sidelined with an illness. Ames wasn't discouraged by his loss.

"We've got to get him to attack," Ames said. "The kid almost pinned him four times and Godfrey got out of it. We just need to turn him around to be offensive."

The loss to Goddard was somewhat surprising. Ruidoso blasted Goddard the

first time the teams met this season. But, on account of the large amount of forfeits, Ames wasn't surprised.

Strassberg opened the match in the 98 pound class with a convincing 13-1 victory over his opponent. Marlin Randall was pinned in the 105 pound class. Wes Atkinson, in 112, beat his foe. The Warriors were forced to forfeit in 119. Ray Herrera won his bout in 126 but Ruidoso had to forfeit at 132 because Lane was out of town due to an illness in his family.

"Wright wrestled a good match in 139 but just got beat," Ames said.

The Warriors forfeited at 147. Enjady lost at 155. Ruidoso also forfeited at 167 and at 180. Ronald Bell lost at 185.

"He did well, but he just got beat," Ames said.

Game commission sets full agenda

The State Game Commission has a full agenda scheduled for its February 9 meeting, including setting of the 1979-80 big game and furbearer regulations, according to Game and Fish Department Director Harold Olson.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. and will be held in the PERA Building auditorium in the State Capitol Complex in Santa Fe.

In addition to setting seasons and bag limits, the Commission is to review an amendment to falconry regulations, discuss an experimental mule deer trapping and transplanting program, and review several proposals for land exchanges, acquisitions or easements.

Ruidoso flattens Bears

The Ruidoso Warriors rode the 31 point performance of senior Stan Cape to down the Hatch Bears Saturday 82-68 at Warrior Gym in the Warriors' district opener. Friday, the Jal Panthers rallied from a ten point third quarter deficit to down the Warriors 52-48 in a non-district clash.

Saturday against Hatch, Ruidoso sprang to a 22-10 first period lead. Hatch, one of the state's top ranked outfits in class AA, had trouble preventing the Warriors from scoring uncontested layups. Ruidoso easily broke Hatch's press in the first period en route to a 12 point lead.

Ruidoso controlled the second period also, until the final minute of play. Leading 39-31, Ruidoso threw the ball away three times to the Hatch press. Hatch converted each mistake to cut the lead to two points 39-37. A free throw by Borde Williams with less than 20 seconds remaining in the first half gave the Warriors a 40-37 lead.

Although the Warriors still led, head coach Barry Nelson was not pleased with the turn of events.

"We should have been leading by 20 points at half," he said. "That's what makes me mad."

Nelson aimed his halftime chalk talk at correcting Ruidoso's mistakes against Hatch's press. He explained that Ruidoso was throwing the ball away because they were unaware of the press offense they were supposed to be in.

"They didn't realize what press offense we were trying to run," he said. "I told them why we were falling out of one press offense into another."

Once that was taken care of, the Warriors began to roll. Unlike the contest against Jal when Ruidoso blew a ten point lead, Ruidoso poured it on the Bears in the third period.

With Borde Williams breaking the press with ease and Cape and Jeff Elliott controlling the inside game, Ruidoso outscored Hatch 23-12 in the third period.

They did it by controlling the boards and preventing Hatch from fast breaking at will. Nelson believed if the Warriors could stop the fast break, Ruidoso would win.

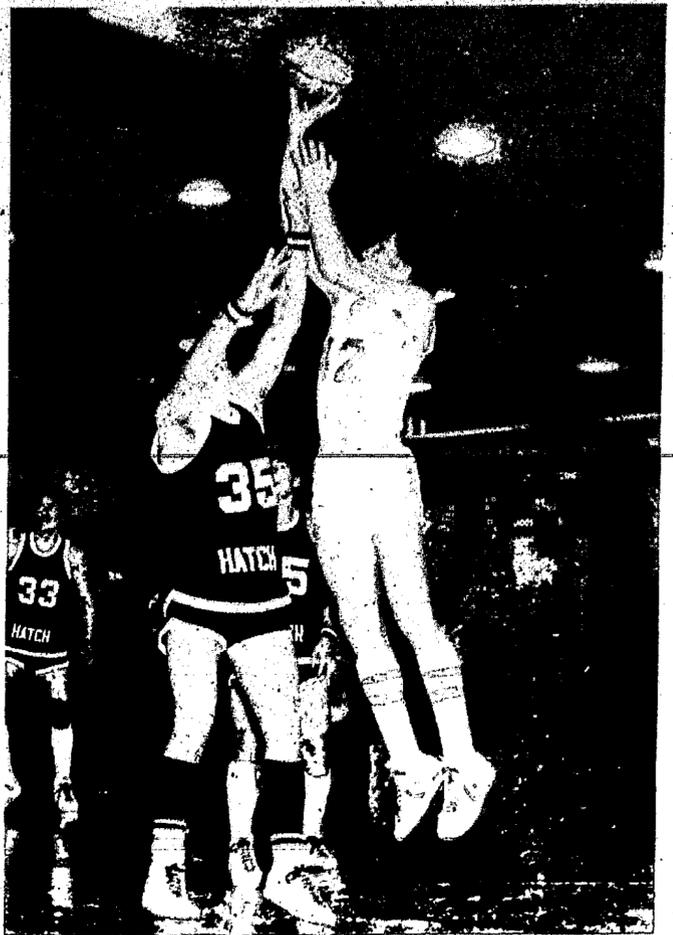
"They didn't have an offensive pattern," he said. "If we stopped the ball, they didn't have anything."

Ruidoso did stop Hatch's offensive attack. All the while their's was profiting. Elliott, Cape and Rodney Thomason controlled the inside game. Williams and Paul Kirkwood kept Hatch honest with their outside shooting. Most of the damage, however, came from the Warriors' inside game.

"We felt like we could penetrate their defense," Nelson said. "We can usually pick a zone apart. Hatch put a lot of man to man pressure on us. They try to take you out of your offense. It didn't make any difference. We can adjust."

The win puts Ruidoso on top of their district with a 1-0 mark. Hatch, the preseason pick by Nelson, hosts the Warriors next Friday.

While Cape was burning the nets for 31 points, Williams added 14, Elliott 16,



RUIDOSO'S STAN CAPE goes high into the air to get a shot off against Hatch's Lee Higginbotham during Saturday's 82-68 Warrior triumph. This was a familiar scene Saturday night as Cape paced the Warriors with 31 points. The win upped Ruidoso's district mark to 1-0.

Thomason 8, Kirkwood 7, Mound 6. Friday night against Jal, Ruidoso burned the nets for three periods. The fourth, however, belonged to the Jal Panthers. They rallied from a 38-28 third period deficit to defeat the Warriors 52-48.

It was a game the Warriors chose not to prepare for, instead concentrating all their energies to the district clash with Hatch. Still, the loss hurt.

Nelson said, "I really wanted to win that game."

Forensic specialists link pair to October deer kill

A long investigation, in which the State Police Crime Laboratory helped Game and Fish officers link two suspects to illegal deer kills of last October, ended last week when the defendants entered guilty pleas and were assessed fines and civil damages totaling more than \$1,000.

Game and Fish officer Pat Barncastle said the two men, Charles E. Tuma, 28, Sapello, and Joe R. Alarcon, 19, Las Vegas, pleaded guilty to two counts each of killing deer in closed season. Las Vegas Magistrate Pat Romero fined them \$400 on each count, suspending half, and set six months probationary jail sentences. The department assessed an additional \$100 for each of the two deer killed, a total, with court costs of \$1,020.

Barncastle said the men allegedly killed two deer on October 13, 1978, on the Glasscock ranch near Ocate. Brass cartridge cases found at the scene were

eventually matched by state criminal forensics specialists to a rifle owned by one of the defendants.

The defendants had originally asked for a magistrate jury trial, but changed their pleas to guilty in a January 24 appearance.

Criminal fine monies go into the state school fund. Civil damages, assessed by the department for the state's loss of wildlife, go into the Game Protection Fund.

White Mountain in season finale here Tuesday

The White Mountain Middle School Braves' boys' eighth grade team takes the floor for the last team this season Tuesday.

The Braves, who have been on the road for their last three games, close out the season against Holloman at White Mountain Gym. Tipoff is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. for coach Terry Wharton's crew.

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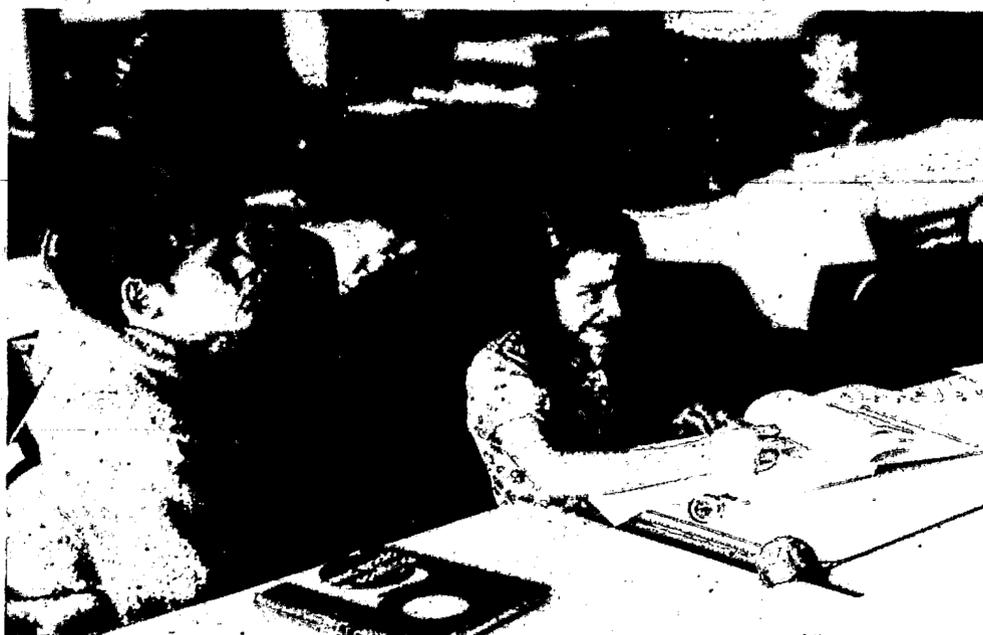
COATS HANG ON WIRES strung in the hallways at Capitan Elementary School. Teachers say plumbing facilities, like the

drinking fountain pictured above, are outdated and frequently in disrepair.

Capitan school's plight pictured

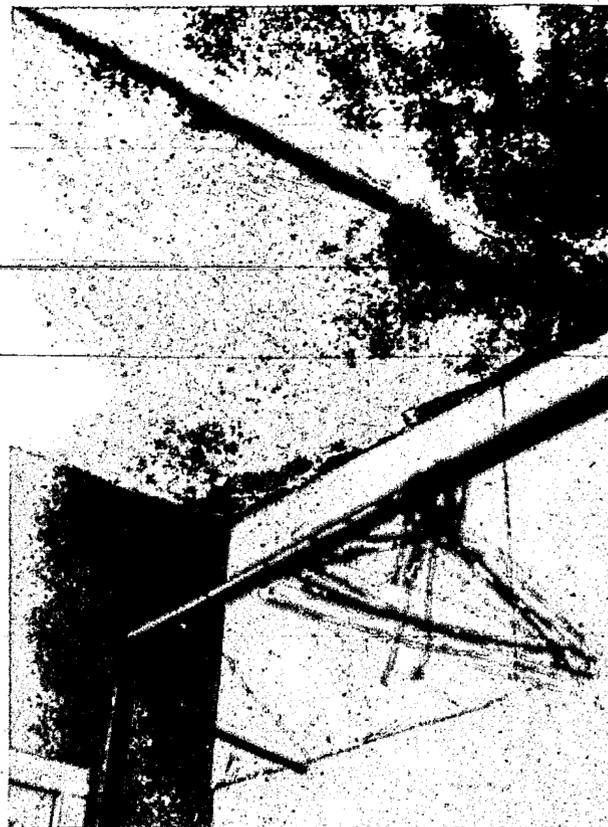


CAPITAN HIGH SCHOOL'S industrial arts or "shop" room is crowded with various types of equipment. Stains on the ceiling reveal roof leaks.



"WALL-TO-WALL KIDS" as teacher Cindy Higginbotham describes the overcrowded classrooms, are a serious problem at the school.

Teacher-student ratios violate state Board of Education minimum standards in nine of the 12 grades, according to school officials.



IN THE GIRLS' LOCKER ROOM, the ceiling is scarred by deep cracks, above and left. Superintendent Richard Clifton said the school paid \$6,400 three years ago for repairs to the room after "a wall caved in."

BY GWYN JONES
Staff Writer/Photographer

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sports and financial channel. The weather channel is also due to be replaced with a new unit. Cablevision has been in business since 1970, and office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. "Service calls take priority over everything else," according to Jerry Wright, marketing manager, and Ron Battles, systems manager, right, above.



HIGH COUNTRY AGENCY, located on Suderth Drive in Ruidoso, offers a complete line of insurance as well as real estate. The agency was formed in 1972 and purchased by the current owners in September 1973. Pictured above are

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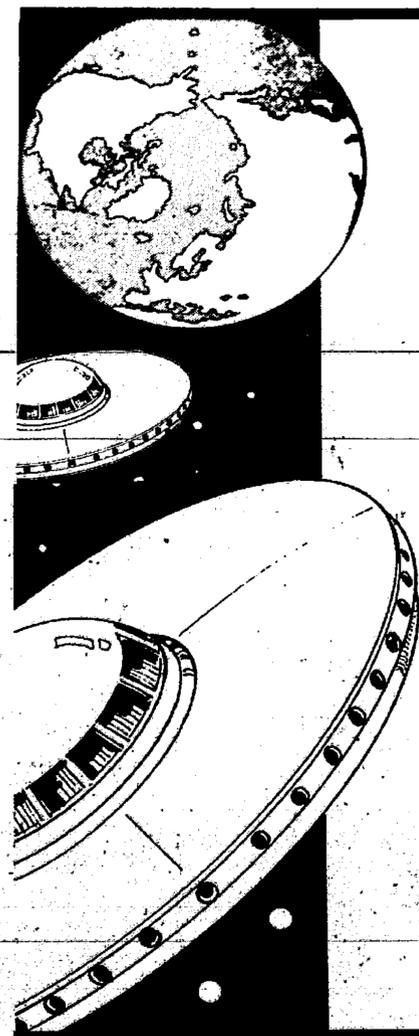
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Inside The Capitol

by Fred McCaffrey

SANTA FE — Those poor TV news folks have it tough.

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That's probably why the ones who swarm all over the State Capitol these days, from commercial and educational stations alike, look so harrassed and harried—that and the fact that their assignment editor's expecting them to be at least two places at once.

Recent years have seen major developments in reducing their burdens (the so-called mini-cams, for one), but it's still infinitely easier on us pencil-and-paper reporters. We just sharpen up the old Eagle No. 2, slip a sheaf of copy paper into our natty sport coat, and we're ready for work.

Since print reporters don't have to carry the presses on their back, we have other advantages. We can write the story in the length it deserves; we can give you the whole story, whenever it is possible to get it.

TV folks, God bless their happy hearts, have to boll down and boll down and boll down. No matter how important the story is, they can afford to give it only about 90 seconds. So what you get from the tube, if the truth be told, is snips and snalls and puppy dog's tails.

That's admitted by everyone in the business who has ever looked seriously at it, including Eric Sevareid and Walter Cronkite and David Brinkley, as well as such locals as Dick Knipping and Rodger Belmer.

It may also be why New Mexicans, very much different from the national viewing audience, don't depend on electronics for most of their news. Though the number of people nationally who give TV as their major source for word of what's going on in the world is now about 75 per cent, New Mexicans rank that medium first in only about a third of their homes.

A recent survey in Albuquerque came up with these figures: of all those surveyed 28 per cent said they count on TV to keep them up on news.

Unless these folks have given up on news altogether, old-fashioned print, out-moded though some feel it to be, has to rank right up there as a source.

There are some of us who think that's a good thing. Though this reporter has used the television medium to communicate news, and probably will do so again, he is a hopeless print addict, not only because newspapers cover their topics more fully, but also because, once it's printed, the news just lies there on the page and waits to be consumed at the reader's convenience.

TV has great power, especially its feeling of immediacy and "liveness." It shows you the newsmakers as they are—lets you see their squints and sweat, and hear their voices. If it ever decided it could make as much money on news as it does on game shows and soap opera and so-called "entertainment," it would be a hefty competitor for the lineal descendants of Gutenberg. But it won't; that money's too good.

So despite all the flashy slogans about how Action News Is Everywhere, ordinary folks, who just want to know what's going on will probably keep reading newspapers and supplementing them with the evening's ritual around the glowing tube.

OPINION PAGE

Yours and Ours

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Dear editor:

Congratulations! Your editorial January 25th regarding the Ski Area road! — the Apaches should be forced to improve the road conditions or close the Ski Area. The accident rate warrants such.

Please continue with your comments — they do help, as no one listens to the skiers, only take their money! — Thanks for listening.

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P.S. Hope the Chamber of Commerce and Motel Association will help you also.
EDITOR'S NOTE: The road to the Sierra Blanca Ski area is part of the highway system of the State of New Mexico. The Mesquero Apache Tribe is not responsible for its upkeep.

Dear editor:

It has been just two weeks since I left your beautiful mountain village, but to me it seems like an eternity.

Rotarians in my home district warned all of the departing exchange students about culture shock, when we first arrived in our "new homes," but I don't think I had much trouble adjusting to y'all's way of life. What they didn't warn us about is the culture shock you receive when you return home.

It's weird, really. One is born and raised in one part of the world, which that person considers home. Yet, it only takes a year away from "home" for it not to feel that way anymore.

It would've been all right if my friends and family had acquired American accents, but they hadn't and it was an extremely alien feeling to not feel comfortable, whilst surrounded by the relaxed Aussie accent. I was really shocked every time I spoke to my old friends, especially. Of course they had written to me during my year away, so that there was communication, but I guess as time went on I began to read their letters with an American accent.

However, having been away from home for a year, I can kinda' look without bias and see things that are different here that I'd completely forgotten about. For

example, the weather.

Having gone through a very mild summer in Ruidoso, I'd forgotten how "wonderful" heat waves of 35°-40° C (95-105) can be without air-conditioned cars or houses. But then again, we have the added bonus of the nearby beach, to make up for that.

I'd also forgotten that Australians, especially the men, dress to suit the weather. Our (the 50 exchange students arriving home from three Australian states) first impression of this was upon disembarking at the Sydney airport. It was an extremely hot day and the airport was no exception to the heat. All the men were wearing shorts and things — a very rare occurrence to be found in Ruidoso. Then when I went shopping in town at Adelaide I was surprised to see all the businessmen (sorry, not all, but a big majority) wearing shorts, with long socks, shoes, a short-sleeved shirt and a tie.

However, the hardest thing by far to get used to, has been the driving on the other side of the road. Mum would pull out of the driveway and start driving, and I'd see another car come around the corner and I had to close my eyes for fear of collision. It's been too many to count the number of times I've told my Mother that she is driving on the wrong side of the road!

Well, it's been nice talking to all my old friends in Ruidoso again and on February 7th I will be telling the Rotary Club of Henly Beach all about y'all. Don't worry, it will all be praise!

Love you and miss y'all very much,
Sylvia Turner
20 Lindfield Avenue
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1978 Australian Rotary Exchange Student

Clipped Comment

55: FAST ENOUGH

The world has sped up incredibly over the past decade. In the transmission of messages, in air travel, in the diagnosis and prevention of disease, in the construction of homes, in the preparation of foods (yes, and in the consumption of foods).

However, there is one area in which we've been able to turn the clock back and slow things down: on the highways.

The machines may be faster. The speedometers might go higher. But unless a driver wants to jeopardize his or her drivers license those machines cannot be used to their ultimate capability.

It's been five years since the 55 mph speed limit became law in this land. A move that was made to meet the energy crisis turned out more successful in the lives it saved than the gallons of gas it saved.

It took some time for most of us to get accustomed to the slowed pace. Some of us never did — some never will.

There were some who disobey the speed limits because they are there. However, those who speed now are going 65-70 mph, while five years ago they were going 80-90. In effect, even our most reckless drivers are unwittingly being more cautious.

Despite the complaints by some truckers and lead foots of our nation, the 55 mph speed limit was one of the most positive things that has been implemented in a country of people who surge around a break-kneck speed if given the chance.

The traffic fatality statistics lately haven't been as glowing as they were when 55 was first implemented. Americans are slowly but surely finding ways to kill themselves again on the highways, most often with booze in their systems.

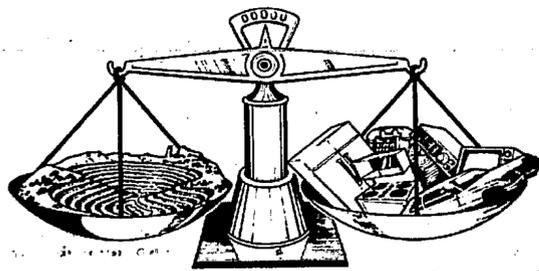
There are those who insist that the once-again rising fatality count in this country shows that the 55-mph speed limit makes no difference. We assert that it will always make a difference, a big difference. Speed kills. More speed, more death. It's a simple equation.

However, the effectiveness of the 55 mph limit corresponds only to how it is enforced. Americans will get away with speed if they can.

A bill has been proposed at the statehouse which would curtail the deduction of points from a driver's license for violation of the 55 mph limit. The sponsors of that bill are asking for trouble.

Colorado citizens may not always know tax laws or voting laws, but they will find out about laws that allow them to get away with excess speed on the highway.

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How many of you out there feel, as I do, that one of the biggest ripoffs around is the fact that in Ruidoso if you deposit 20c in a pay telephone before you dial, you lose your money. Since most of the other pay telephones in the country don't work that way, it seems almost intentional that they're different here, doesn't it? — kg

Stuph & Junk

... by

Cale Dickey



The Stuph & Junker has journeyed off to Texas on a two-week vacation. Mattered something about wanting to see where all these visitors came from as he went out the door. Said he didn't have any specific route of travel in mind. Just gonna wander around. He'll probably have something to say about it all when he returns. —kg

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FLYING HIGH

The Boeing Co. has received orders from two airlines for 50 of its new medium-sized 767 airliners — a \$1.25 billion deal. Here's a case where even those with no love for big business have to admit that what's good for Boeing is good for the country.

Our aircraft industry is one that still stands head and shoulders above foreign competition. Commercial and military aircraft rank second only to farm products in the dollar volume of American exports — a significant factor in keeping our foreign trade deficit from being worse than it is.

Last spring saw an ominous development. Eastern Airlines chose to buy the new European A-300 'Airbus' to meet its need for a jetliner in the mid-range of

passenger capacity — a growing need among airlines and one which the Boeing 767 is designed to fill. This was a signal that the European industry could successfully challenge U.S. manufacturers on their home turf.

In the face of a fierce selling effort by the Airbus consortium, United Airlines ordered 38 of the Boeing 767 jets last July. Now American Airlines and Delta have given Boeing the nod. The Airbus remains a stiff competitor on the world market, but Boeing's success in designing and selling a new-generation airliner helps dispel the notion that inflation and deteriorating productivity in American industry are going to price our goods out of the market altogether. —News-Bulletin, Beles

Energy Saving Techniques

A series of articles by the New Mexico Energy Conservation and Management Division of the Energy Extension Service

"HOT WATER"

If you like to take hot showers you may be interested in today's topic - hot water. It is as important as water itself, so you should have an idea of what it costs.

If you have an electric water heater, it costs about two cents to heat one gallon of water to 140 degrees. A gas fired hot water heater will only cost one and a fourth cents. To give you a few examples, an average shower will use twenty gallons of water. This costs twenty cents because half of the water used is cold. One complete cycle of a dishwasher uses about thirteen gallons of hot water.

The standard domestic water heater is simply a thirty or forty gallon tank. It has a heater at the bottom programmed with a thermostat to start burning when the water falls below a certain temperature. When you turn on a hot water tap, it takes water out of the tank. At the same time, an equal amount of cold water is forced into the tank from another pipe. The longer the hot water tap is left on, the more cold water enters the tank. The cold water eventually reduces the tank temperature enough to cause the burner to come on to reheat the water in the tank to the proper temperature.

The cost of hot water supplied to a residence of four people amounts to about one-fifth of the total gas and electric energy used in the home. About half of the hot water used in a residence is for bathing, and the rest accounts for washing clothes and dishes.

The most effective way to reduce hot water costs is simply to use less. This means you must become aware of how you are over using it. There are dozens of ways to reduce hot water consumption. A few hints are to take shorter showers, repair leaks and use lower water temperatures for washing clothes. Also, if you run your dishwasher only when it is full and put flow restrictors on kitchen and shower faucets, your bill will go down.

Another way to reduce hot water costs is to lower the temperature setting on the water heater. Do this in small steps until you reach a temperature at which the household doesn't run out of hot water during its peak usage time.

If you are interested in obtaining more information on household hot water, call the toll-free number 1-800-432-6782.

Lincoln Logs

By Ralph Dunlap
County Agent

The blooms on your fruit trees can be delayed by sprinkling in the early spring. The fruit buds are sprinkled when the daytime temperatures get above 45 degrees F. As the water evaporates it cools the buds and delays their development. A shrub-type sprinkler is recommended as it uses less water and yet will get the job done. Researchers at Los Lunas use 5 acre inches in two months whereas the impact sprinkler used 36 acre inches of water.

The process of retarding fruit blossoms is simple. After your fruit trees have gone through enough cold weather to meet their rest requirements, their buds begin to develop. When the air temperature around your apple trees rises above 45 degrees, the buds will develop getting ready to bloom. To slow the bud development you can sprinkle them with cool water. As the water evaporates, it lowers the temperature of the buds surrounding the trees. This lower temperature slows the bud development and delays blooming.

In general, the buds on fruit trees across the state will complete the rest period in February and early March. The approximate dates of completion of rest period are: apricot - early February, peach - late February, apple - early March. That means you will want to turn on the sprinklers any time the daytime temperature goes above 45 degrees and leave the sprinklers on until the temperature drops below 45 degrees or sun-down. Remember the idea is to keep the buds cool. That means any time the temperature goes above 45 the sprinklers go on.

By sprinkling for 2 to 3 weeks you can delay blooming for about 10 days. Continuing the sprinkling for a longer period will delay the bloom even more. Do not sprinkle after the leaves appear as the mineral in the water will often kill the leaves. After about 2 weeks of sprinkling the hard calcium water will leave a white deposit. This white coating itself will delay bloom about 2 days as it reflects the sunlight and keep the fruiting-bud cooler. Set the sprinkler at the top or above the southwest side of the tree; so that the wind will carry the water over the entire tree. If you put the sprinkler in the center of the tree, the wind often keeps the water from reaching the west side of the tree.

If your fruit blossoms froze last year, you might want to try this this year. For more information get Research Report 342 - "Evaluation of a shrub-type Nozzle" from the Lincoln County Extension Office in Carrizozo.

If you're a home gardener, you probably have some leftover seed lying around from last year's plantings. Is this seed worth using? Most seed packets now cost at least 50c, compared to only a dime a few years ago. Therefore, it would certainly reduce this spring's gardening costs if you could plant your leftovers. However, you may want to think again before planting questionable seeds. Although most vegetable seeds have a rather long life, there are some important exceptions. For example, corn and onion seeds have short life spans. They should not be kept over one year. Bean, pea and carrot seeds can be stored for two years. Pepper, pumpkin, beet and tomato seeds won't germinate after more than three years.

The reliability of seed varies with the storage conditions. Kale, lettuce, cantaloupe, spinach, squash, turnip and watermelon seeds will be good for as long as four years provided they are stored under cool, dry conditions. To test the germination of your seeds, place a definite number on moist blotter paper. Put the paper in a dish or pan covered with plastic or glass to maintain a high humidity and place it in a warm location. After 10 to 14 days, count the number of seed which have germinated. You can then easily determine the percentage germination and adjust the thickness of planting accordingly.

Official Records

WARRANTY DEEDS

David V. Lawson and Faneta S. Graham to W.B. Dugger and Annie M. Dugger, an undivided 1/2 interest in and to Lot 32, Block 7, White Mountain Heights Sub., Lincoln County, N.M.

Innsbrook Construction Co., a New Mexico Corp., to Dorado Development Corp., a New Mexico Corp., Lot 47, Innsbrook Village, Lincoln County, N.M.

Dorado Development Corp., a New Mexico Corp., to Lewis S. McCall and Debbi K. McCall, Lot 47, Innsbrook Village, Lincoln County, N.M.

Stansell L. Jones and Leah O. Jones to Kenneth N. Jones and Frances V. Jones, Tract No. 1, Block J, Middle Cedar Sub., Lincoln County, N.M.

James D. Kell and Leta Kell to Paul Fiester, Lots 30, 31, Block 16, Paradise Canyon Sub., Lincoln County, N.M.

Mohaco, Inc., a New Mexico Corp., to Sam P. Kafton Jr. and Ann Kafton, Lot 36, Block 7, Big Country Sub., Lincoln County, N.M.

Greater Southwestern Development Co., Inc., to Bill Betcher and Ruby Betcher, Lot 13, Block 2, Unit 2, Enchanted Forest Sub., Lincoln County, N.M.

Bill Betcher and Ruby Betcher to James E. Rugg and Alma E. Rugg, Lot 13, Block 2, Enchanted Forest Sub., Unit 2, Lincoln County, N.M.

Earl Holley and Beatrice Holley to Earl W. Cochran and Margaret P. Cochran, Lot 16, Block 5, Green Meadows Addition, Lincoln County, N.M.

Ruidoso Land, a Joint Venture, Larry A. Gladstone and Beatrice M. Gladstone, Paul I. Borschow and Dorothy Z. Borschow, James P. O'Leary and Ann Hopt O'Leary, Louie E. Maldonado and Rachel Maldonado, to Ruidoso Inn-Joint Venture, a portion of Tract A, all of Tracts B, C, D, E, and F, Pinediff Sub., Lincoln County, N.M.

Earl W. Cochran and Margaret P. Cochran to Bluford J. Walker and Elmer Vernice Walker, Lot 15, Block 5, Green Meadows Addition, Lincoln County, N.M.

Wm. E. Taylor and Peggy Ann Taylor to Gary Slaughter and Lewis Hearon, d/ba S&H Enterprises, a Texas partnership, and Judy Slaughter and Wanda Hearon, Lot 2, Block 1, Holiday Acres, Unit One, Lincoln County, N.M.

Wendell M. Johnson and Ina F. Johnson to Johnnie A. Underwood and Nehla P. Underwood, Township 11 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., Lincoln County, N.M.

Linda Osbourn to Marian B. Sharp, Lot 6, Block 1, First Plat of Wingfield Homestead Sub., Lincoln County, N.M.

Batt Construction Co., Inc., a New Mexico Corp., to S.W. Jensen and Sophie P. Jensen, Lot 9, Block F, Ruidoso Springs, Lincoln County, N.M.

George R. Tetreault and Mary A. Tetreault, to John R. Le Sasser and Carolyn A. Le Sasser, Lot 9, Block 1, Unit One of Alto North Sub., Lincoln County, N.M.

E. Bryan Matthews and Ava Carolyn Matthews to Joe E. Davis and Billie Davis, Lot 26, Block 6, Holiday Acres, Unit One, Lincoln County, N.M.

Wesley Dross and Marlene Dross to Eunice L. McBrayer, Lots 3 and 4, Block 17, McDonald Addition, Lincoln County, N.M.

John J. Elliot and Leona Elliot to Herman L. Hulén and Velve M. Hulén, Lot 27, 28 and 29, Block 1, Morris Addition, Lincoln County, N.M.

Rebecca Pineda Warner to Frances Warner Utley and Rebecca Pineda Warner, Lots 9 and 10, Block 4, Mountain View Addition, Lincoln County, N.M.

Yale E. Key and Wilma L. Key, to Howard R. Shuyter and Margaret E. Shuyter, Lot 23, Block 4, White Mountain Estates, Unit 2, Lincoln County, N.M.

E.P. Barber and Beatrice P. Barber to Albert M. Geiger and Eula A. Geiger, Lot 5, Block 7, Green Meadows Addition, Lincoln County, N.M.

Prude Ranch School for Exceptional Children, Inc., to Billy D. Hicks and Dorina Hicks, Lot 6, Block 1, LaJunta Ranch Sub., Lincoln County, N.M.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

To Whom It May Concern: Notice is hereby given that on February 5, 1979 at 2:00 p.m. a public sale will be held at Ruidoso State Bank, Ruidoso, New Mexico, to sell for cash the following collateral, to-wit: 1975 Chevrolet Pickup, id CC2145119136; 1971 Oldsmobile Cutlass 2d id 234871212192. The Oldsmobile is stored at Frontier Wrecking, said collateral being held to secure an obligation arising under a security agreement held by Ruidoso State Bank. Public sale is to be conducted according to the laws of the State of New Mexico. Ruidoso State Bank reserves the right to bid at this sale. The collateral is presently stored and may be seen at Ruidoso State Bank.

RUIDOSO STATE BANK
Ruidoso, New Mexico

LEGAL NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The New Mexico State Highway Department has received a grant of \$146,800.00 to develop a program aimed at increasing participation by Minority Business Enterprises in highway construction. We are seeking a management consultant capable of developing and conducting innovative training programs which will address specific needs of the MBE community and which will assist them in entering the highway construction field. Interested parties are urged to contact the following for details relative to the proposal requirements: Fred O'Cheskey, Chief Highway Administrator, New Mexico State Highway Department, Box 1149, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503. Attention: Robert E. Lucero, Project Manager (505-983-0402) not later than 3-5-79 for detailed guidelines and application forms necessary for submitting formal proposals.

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LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 79-3

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER VI, ARTICLE 1 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO, THAT: Chapter VII, Article 1 of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Ruidoso, New Mexico, is hereby amended to add Section 41 as follows: 41-1 CAMPING PROHIBITED. "It is unlawful for any person to set up tents, shacks, or any other temporary shelter for the purpose of overnight camping, or to leave in a park overnight any movable structure or special vehicle to be used or that could be used for such purposes, such as a house-trailer, camp-trailer, camp-wagon, recreational vehicle, or the like." This Ordinance having come before the governing body at a duly announced public meeting is hereby adopted and approved this 20th day of January, 1979.

By: /s/ Lloyd L. Davis, Jr., Mayor

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO WITHIN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN RUIDOSO STATE BANK, Plaintiff, vs. PERRY L. CARLTON, Defendant.

NOTICE OF PENDING OF ACTION STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO TRIPLE CROWN TURF SUPPLY, INC., B.J. SCHINDLER, C.C. VELTMANN and JOHN B. OGGERO, INDIVIDUALLY. You are hereby notified that Cause Number 0103 CV-77 has been filed in the District Court of the Twelfth Judicial District, State of New Mexico, within and for the County of Lincoln, wherein Ruidoso State Bank, a New Mexico Banking Corporation, is Plaintiff, and you are Defendants. The general object of the Action is a Cross Claim of the Plaintiff, Ruidoso State Bank, against Defendants Triple Crown Turf Supply, Inc., B.J. Schindler, C.C. Veltmann and John B. Oggero for damages against said Defendants in the amount of \$7,500.00.

The Plaintiff's attorney is GORDON H. SCHAUFAER, P.O. Drawer 1455, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88545. You are hereby notified that unless you enter your appearance in said Cause on or before the 19th day of March 1979, judgment will be rendered against you by default.

Dated this 30th day of January, 1979. Attest True and Correct Copy ATTEST TRUE AND CORRECT COPY By: /s/ Joy Leslie, Title: Deputy Dist. Court Clerk Date: January 30, 1979

Margo E. Lindsay District Court Clerk by: /s/ Joy Leslie, Deputy

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Every Saturday Night 8-10 p.m. American Legion Post 79 Proceeds to Charity

SHERWIN WILLIAMS is here Tuesdays and Fridays Contractors' Prices 600 10th St. Alamogordo, NM. PHONE 437-4900

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MILLY'S BEAUTY SHOP

Adobe Plaza-- Phone 257-7273

DOGGIE BATH Grooming-Bathing 257-2782 257-4410 after 5 CASA LOMA CENTER

OUTDOOR SPECIALTY REMODELING NEW CONSTRUCTION SPECIALIZING IN ALL PHASES OF MASONRY CONSTRUCTION - DAVID KEETON - Phone 257-7195 After 5:00 p.m. Comm. Lic. 15677

LICENSED DAY CARE RUIDOSO SKI AND REC. AREA 7:45 - 5:45 NO RESERVATIONS NEEDED CALL 336-4211 SKIERS WELCOME

SINGLE FEMALE ROOMER - to rent bedroom and share rest of house. Has washer, dryer, fireplace. Call for appointment. 257-4867. 75-6tp

FREE FOLDERS - Search Bible truths for yourself, don't be gullible. Amazing Facts. P.O. Box 3194, Baltimore, Maryland 21228. 71-7tp

HELP WANTED:

BOOKKEEPER NEEDED - fulltime. Phone Morris Bookkeeping at 257-4223. M-76-4tc

POSITIONS AVAILABLE - for nursing assistants on all shifts in Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Hospital with competitive salary and excellent benefits. Preference will be given to those with past experience. For information contact personnel department, Drawer 3C-D, H.S. Ruidoso. R-75-4tc

WAITRESS WANTED - wages plus tips. Contact Village Kitchen, Four Seasons Mall, call 257-7523. V-75-2tc

NEED A MIDDLE AGED - lady to live in with an 85 year old lady. Call 378-4332. G-75-4tc

OPENINGS - for experienced secretaries, experienced bookkeepers and general office help. The Job Center. 257-2300. J-61-4tc

COOK NEEDED - at the Wortley Hotel in Lincoln. Fulltime, phone 1-653-4381. W-69-4tc

DOUG BASS - & Associates, Realtors, is taking applications for full time licensed New Mexico real estate salesmen. Experience in Ruidoso area market preferred. Call Richard Cothran, Sales Manager at 257-7386. B-25-4tc

WORK WANTED: WILL BABYSIT - in your home after school and on weekends. Call 378-4681. R-75-2tc

WE DO UPHOLSTERY - Reasonable prices, have samples. Phone 257-4117. R-74-4tc

COINS, GUNS, ANTIQUES APPRAISED Contact Pat Baldinelli 378-4774 Box 3975 H.S. or 257-5101

SIGNS - commercial art work, automotive pin stripping, and custom paint jobs. Reasonable. Leave message, Bob Hudson, 257-4010. H-59-4tc

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SONY - reel to reel stereo tape recorder, like new; heavy duty bolt-on trailer hitch; Polenex whirlpool bath; walnut utility cart. Various household items. Reasonably priced. 257-7516. 76-2tc

25 BACKHOES - at wholesale prices. All makes. Call 243-3565. 76-2tp

SINGER SEWING MACHINE - fancy stitches, \$6.55 per month. All sewing machines repaired, free estimates. Ruidoso, Mesalero, call Bob's Upholstery, 378-4580; Rex Denson, Singer Dealer, Roswell, 623-8532. 75-4tp

FOR SALE - quarter horse, barrel racer or terrific pony horse, call after 5:30 p.m. 257-7238. 75-2tp

WOOD FOR SALE - pinon, juniper, cedar, dry pine, wholesale and retail. Call 378-4774 or pick up, 1 mile east of Gibson's, Highway 70. 72-8tp

LAWN CARE - 336-4561. P.O. Box 73, Alto, New Mexico. W-21-4tc

STERLING SILVER - Pinnochios to hang on chains. The Serbian Peasant, 1106 Ohio, Alamogordo, N.M. Daily from 10 to 5. 75-2tc

ELECTROLUX - vacuum for sale. Cannister type, less than 6 months old, just like new. Call 257-7885. R-74-4tc

WESTINGHOUSE - frost-free refrigerator-freezer, side by side, automatic ice maker, 2 months old, like new. Can be seen at Dr. Doyle's office or call 257-5094, 257-4507 for details. D-70-8tc

LARGE COMMERCIAL UPRIGHT cooler, 3 sliding doors, good condition. Call Bob Moore, 257-4451.

RINSE AND VAC - Shampooer. \$12 a day at Minit Mart Food Store. 257-2307. M-41-4tc

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FOR SALE - 18 ft. Frigidare Imperial refrigerator-freezer-combination, \$75; 2 tool boxes, side mount for pickup, \$140. Call 1-354-2413. F-67-4tc

GARAGE SALE Men's levis, 31-34 and shirts, ladies' sweaters, blouses, size 8-10, shoes, size 7, assorted furniture, many miscellaneous items. Juke box, Americana by Wuritzer, jewelry. All items going cheap. 102 Eagle Drive or call 257-5689.

AUTOMOTIVE: 1975 CHEVROLET - 1/2 ton, 4WD, all power. Reasonable. 336-4875. A-76-4tc

1976 PLYMOUTH - Trail Duster, 4x4, full power, AM-FM 8 track stereo, roll bar, fully loaded with extras. Have ordered new vehicle and must sell. Priced at \$6950. Phone 257-4686 days, and 257-5690 evenings. W-84-4tc

WESTERN TRUCK & AUTO 10 South 15th Across From Safeway Custom Vans-Custom Trucks New and Used Cars and Trucks Ralph Edmon-257-2099, 7-5509 Bob Pratt-257-2999, 7-7607 Bill Uhlhorn-257-2980, 7-7121

FOR SALE - 351 Ford motor and automatic transmission, Four 14" tires, nearly new. Phone 378-4847. W-76-4tc

1975 PONTIAC VENTURA - call 257-2000 or 257-7610 after 5 p.m. Can be seen at 1103 Mechem. J-73-8tc

24 FT. - 1968 Frolic travel trailer. Completely self contained. \$2100. Call 378-4312 after 4:30. H-73-4tc

1975 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN - 4 wheel drive, 3 seats, 2 air conditioners, luggage rack, cruise control, tilt wheel, radio and tape player. Price: \$5250. Can be seen at Douglass Real Estate or call 257-4671. D-73-4tc

FOR SALE - classic 1968 Ford 1/2 ton pickup, V-8, standard, 5 new tires, all metal rear bumper with hitch. Very clean, must see to appreciate. Call Manlie at 257-7450. Bargain, \$1300. B-72-4tc

1974 1/2 TON CHEVY - pickup, 4WD, rough but solid, only \$2450. Phone 257-7733, 336-4581. A-70-4tc

1976 CJ 5 JEEP - clean, low mileage, 257-7733 or 336-4581. A-70-4tc

1975 FIAT - 32 MPG, good condition. Best offer, come and get it. Phone 257-5718. W-75-4tc

FOR SALE - clean 1973 Buick, 4-door, cruise control, new upholstery, great gas mileage. Phone 257-5369. P-75-4tc

FOR SALE - 1974 Ford F-350, P.S. P.B. 4 speed, 41,000 miles. Clean and tight. \$3650. 378-4279. 75-4tp

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4 BEDROOM VACATION - cabin by day or week. Everything you need. For reservations call 257-7286 after 5:00. H-67-4tc

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FOR LEASE - 2 bedroom furnished house, fireplace, carpet throughout, \$100 cleaning deposit. No pets, \$175 month plus utilities. Phone 257-2310. 76-1tp

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TRAILER SPACES - for rent, adults only. Phone 378-4639 after 5 p.m. 378-4802. A-71-4tc

ONE BEDROOM - furnished apartment with washer, dryer, in downtown Ruidoso. Call 257-7413. 78-2tp

TWO BEDROOM - furnished apartment. \$150 plus \$50 security deposit. 65 Swallow Drive in Pinehill. L-75-2tc

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LEASE - 3 bedroom unfurnished house, fully carpeted. References required. Truett Ball Realty, 378-4484. 75-3tp

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TWO BEDROOM - 1 bath, trailer for rent. Call 505-437-1817 or 257-7461. R-75-3tc

ONE BEDROOM - mobile home, \$90 month, two bedroom, \$126 month. Two Rivers Court Hickory and Sudderth. Phone 257-2133. After 5 p.m., 257-2943. G-75-4tc

FOR RENT - mobile home, 3 bedroom, 2 full baths, furnished, \$250 plus electricity. Available after 28th. Call 257-4877 after 5 p.m. H-73-4tc

FURNISHED APARTMENTS - midtown location, all utilities paid. Reasonable rates. 257-2739. 75-10tp

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HOUSE FOR SALE — by owner, low down payment, terms open, inquire 2nd and Turkey Canyon Road, Ruidoso Downs. 76-6tp

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REAL ESTATE SCHOOL
The Ruidoso Board of Realtors has tentatively scheduled a course in Real Estate Appraisal for March 23rd through April 7th. If you are interested, please contact Kim Pickett at 257-4073 no later than February 5th.

INNSBROOK VILLAGE — 3 bedrooms, 2 bath condominium, 2 story with fireplace, furnished or unfurnished. \$70,000 unfurnished or \$78,500 furnished. Roswell, 622-0505 or Ruidoso, 257-2549. S-75-tfc

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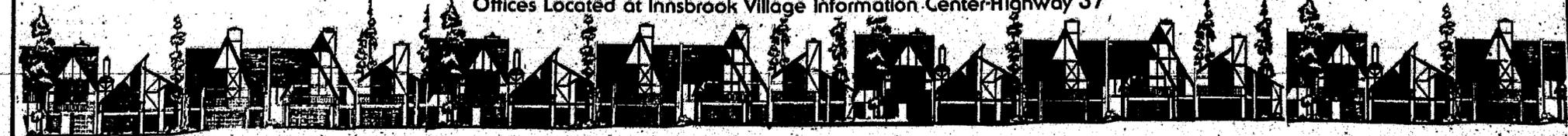
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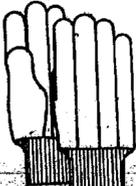
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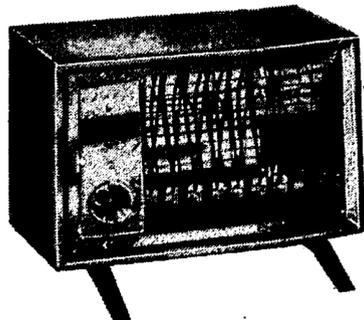
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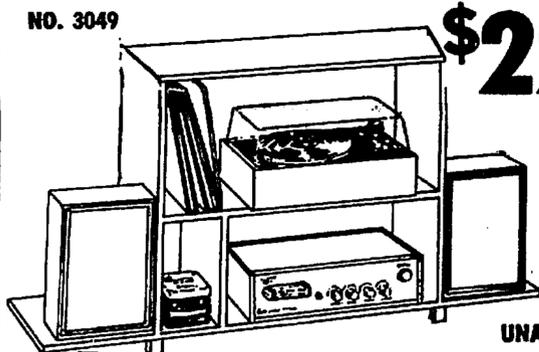
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The Dreamer

BY DANNIE STORM

This is being written to you on February 2, Ground Hog's Day. The great little month of February opened bright and clear with a western wind blowing down the vale. And then this morning, Ground Hog's Day, all the mountain land was covered with a blanket of snow.

So, if the little ground hog got up early, he had a good look at his shadow because the sun was shining brightly in the blue sky. However, it is possible that if the little ground hog awakened a little later than usual, and if this is true, he might have gotten a look at a cloudy world.

For now, in mid morning, the clouds have moved in riding in the west wind. And there are no shadows to be seen on the snow mountains. Ground Hog's Day was on the same day as Candle Mass, a sacred day in the Christian year. And in ancient times people noticed if the weather was fair on this day winter would later get a new start and bring more cold weather. An old Scotch saying goes, "If Candle Mass be bright and clear, there'll be two winters in

the year." The American Pioneers noticed that the little ground hog had come up out of his underground home on Candle Mass Day, February 2, for a look at the signs of weather. He had had enough of sleeping and was anxious for spring. If he saw his shadow, he became frightened and went back into his winter home knowing he would have to sleep six more weeks of winter time.

Year in and year out, the ground hog is surprisingly accurate. It does seem that a lull in winter weather gives the winter a new start to bring on more cold weather. However, today on this Ground Hog's Day, the message seems not quite clear. The sky is mostly cloudy with a little sun every once in awhile.

It may be that we will have a little spell of winter intermingled with sunny days or that snowy weather will last only three weeks instead of six.

If we do have six more weeks of winter it would be a great blessing to the land. We do not have enough moisture and snow already for a flowery spring, a green summer and bountiful autumn. So you see, no matter what the ground hog has brought us, our days ahead will be filled with great happiness and joy. Let us thank God for all our blessings.

Wilderness Wisdom

with Wayne Calloway

Dear Wayne — I frequently surf fish with a guy who is so obsessed with the condition of his equipment he spends most of the time tinkering with it. He contends that each piece must be perfect in order to be effective. His pet peeve is hook sharpness. Immediately after buying a new pack of hooks he proceeds to file the points. I've tried to convince him that filing new hooks is a waste of time since they are already sharp enough, and he's probably just weakening the points. Maybe he's just a boy's putterer. Dewey J., Georgia.

Dear Dewey — He's probably not wasting as much time as you think. The penetrating ability of hooks varies widely with manufacturers. Some are adequately sharp, but a large number are not. A couple of licks on each side of the point with a small hook file is usually all that's needed. And it's a fact that sharp hooks miss less fish than dull ones.

Dear Wayne — With our increasing population, decreasing availability of land, and a growing anti-hunting and anti-

fishing sentiment, the future of hunting and fishing sports would appear very dismal. Would you agree? Norris N., Tennessee.

Dear Norris — Whether the outlook for these sports is dismal or not depends to a large degree on what we do now and in the immediate future to preserve them. I'm sure some changes will be brought about, but I believe we have the knowledge and resources to meet the challenge.

Our wildlife management programs today are products of many years of experience and are very effective. All of our wildlife species are carefully monitored to insure healthy animals and good balance with available habitat.

Hunting and fishing are essential elements of our present management programs. Surplus animals must be harvested to provide adequate forage and stronger herds. In addition, if the money from hunters and fishermen ceased to flow, taxpayers would have to assume a considerable burden or our management programs would fall miserably.

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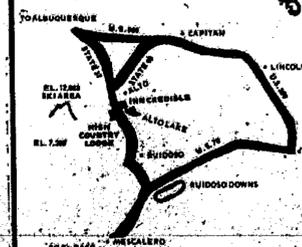
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