Adiós. Mis Amigos

It has been a privilege, challenge and honor to attempt to properly perform "El Servicio Real" (The Royal Service) for all the complicated facets of The University of New Mexico and its many programs.

To all of you who have served with me (active, retired and deceased), I wish to again acknowledge your outstanding help in so many ways. Countless times during the past 23-plus years, you made me look good. As I look back, it is the rapport I have enjoyed with so many of you, while we tried to do the job, that will miss the most.

There is still a lot to accomplish in making our operation more efficient. Your new Director will need your continuing help and support in improving our "El Servicio Real." I truly hope you will give him the same help and support you have so generously given me.

With my warmest personal regards to each of you and yours, both now and for the future, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

December 2, 1974

FRONT COVER

Our front cover features M. F. Fifield and Floyd B. Williams, Jr., the Director and Associate Director of the Physical Plant Department, on the roof of Mesa Vista Hall. The photographer, Dick Meleski, was looking west down the three malls -- reading east to west, Union, Sherman E. Smith and Administration. The huge new Humanities Building is at the left, with Zimmerman Library to the right.

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We should pause to remind Joe Lucero that a three-inch pipe is used for running electrical wiring -- NOT FOR SMASHING TOES!

Art Johnson went to Taos this past week...too bad it was to work and not to hunt those nice-sized bucks. Did you see any, Art?

Eric Smith is building himself a workshop. WORK!! Is that all everyone thinks of?

RED RIBBON WINNERS

By Jerry McCan

EDITOR'S NOTE: We are pleased to welcome Jerry McCan as our new Contributing Editor from the Electrical Shop. Before Jerry came to work at UNM on September 10, 1974, he spent four years as an electrician following four years of service in the Air Force where he held the rank of Sergeant and worked as a Fuel Specialist. Jerry and his wife, Arlene, make their home in Albuquerque's South Valley.

Bill Archer went camping with his Boy Scout troop over the weekend that we had so much rain recently. Wasn't something said about an air mattress seen floating across the camp, COMING FROM BILL'S TENT? Was that you asleep on it, BILL?

Someone said Charlie Sanchez lost his level somewhere...have you looked under your hat, Charlie?

We would like to welcome Perfecto Lujan back after his very painful leave of absence. Glad you're feeling better.

What's this we hear about Jack Kavelman redecorating his little girl's room? Whose room is next?

Eric took what started out to be a nice trip to Colorado. Too bad...after he arrived, he didn't feel so well. That is not too nice a place to get a toothache!

Jerry Fine, what happened to your coffee breaks? Is the coffee too hot for you? Maybe Santa will bring you a tea bag for Christmas!

MEDICAL SCHOOL MAINTENANCE

By Lloyd Pierce

RADIO EQUIPMENT FOR MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

The Maintenance Department of the School of Medicine is now wired for sound. We have a small, remote station located in the Information Office on the Ground Floor, which gives us a tie-in to the main Physical Plant on one frequency and a direct link with the Campus Police on the other frequency. In addition, we have three portable radios which are carried by the maintenance personnel. This enables the office to have instantaneous contact with the maintenance personnel for emergency services. The radios serve a dual purpose, since they allow the maintenance personnel to contact the Campus Police direct in the event they see or stumble upon any information or occurrence that should be reported to the Campus Police.

The greatest benefits derived from the radios are the many ways they enable the maintenance personnel to check equipment between the roof and basement and from floor to floor -- this saves a lot of phone calls and walking back and forth for parts, etc. They will, in time, more than justify the money spent, and they are accepted with good spirit by all maintenance personnel.

September and October were vacation times for the Maintenance Department of the School of Medicine. Otis Johnson and Jack Elliot went first, in September. Otis stayed in town and worked around the house getting ready for winter and resting up to come back to work. Jack did a little painting, then went to Nebraska and got in a little fishing -- did quite well, or, at least, that is the way it is being related to those who will listen!

Next to go on vacation were Jay Henderlight and Max Forney. Jay and Eve timed their trip to be in Oakland, California, during the World Series, and Jay tells us there is real magic in the air when something like that is taking place. It is something else to see them play in person! I think he got his fill of Chinese food and fish. From there they went down to Los Angeles for five days to visit their son, Robert. A good time was had by all; by the way, they rode AMTRAK and had a blast.

Max Forney and his wife went to Texas to Kelly Bay and did some fishing in the Gulf of Mexico. As I understand it, the fishing was good. The Forneys also went to Kerrville, Texas, for the Pecan Harvest and picked pecans for themselves and, according to Max, they are some of the largest he has ever seen. All in all, the Forneys enjoyed their vacation and we hope they have many more of equal pleasure and enjoyment.

AUTOMOTIVE CENTER

By Richard Baca

After 21 days of action and vacation under the hot California sun, Hy Adler came by to visit us in Automotive. He said he swam every day while in Palm Springs. He also said he is enjoying the gift of books we presented him with upon his retirement. Come visit us again, Hy.

Pat Martinez entered several of his hens and roosters in the poultry exhibit during the State Fair. His hens were judged outstanding in four different categories. He hopes to enter more next year.
Porfirio "Country" Contreras says he really enjoyed his vacation. He and his son, Chris, toured Northern New Mexico and Southern Colorado. He's also been "fiddling around" with his partners in music -- Los Reyes de Albuquerque.

Our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Felix Cordova upon the recent passing of her father.

We had a visit from Dominillo Martinez, who retired in June, 1972. He told us about being in Arizona and visiting the new Port of Entry at Anapra. He's lookin' good.

Also, LeRoy Imhoff (retired 4/1/73) stopped in to see us. LeRoy is doing just fine; Mrs. Imhoff is just out of the hospital following an appendectomy and removal of gall stones. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Harris McAlmond's wife, Judy, entered St. Joseph Hospital for surgery and is now recovering at home. Mac says she's doing very well, and we hope Judy will be completely recovered soon!

We haven't heard from Mike Baca who is still on leave of absence. Mike, we hope you're feeling better, and let us hear from you!

Albert Reeves' father is recovering after a hospitalization due to a broken hip. Al says he's doing "real fine" for a man of 84 years of age! Marvin Reeves was a carpenter in the Albuquerque area for many years.

Charlie Compton still can't decide whether or not to go deer hunting...... didn't get a thing last year! As a matter of fact, none of the boys in our shop got anything last year..... so buck fever this year isn't too strong in Carpentry. It looks like you have to raise your own deer at home so you'll have something to shoot at the following season!

Yours truly had a nice visit from my niece and nephew from Hayward, California, George Ann and Ron Garcia, and my sister, Al, [that's right, folks......her name is Al] from Del Norte, Colorado. We had a nice time in Albuquerque showing them UNM, the Tramway, etc., etc. However, it was TOO HOT for them in Albuquerque!

Carpentry

by Joe Martinez

Plumbing

by Steve Van Dusen

We would like to welcome Albert Chavez to the Plumbing Shop. Albert is from the South Campus where he has been working for the past three years. He is also VERY SMART..... or, should I say, he is UNIQUE..... just in case any of you single girls out there are interested. We hope you enjoy working in the Plumbing Shop, Albert.

Congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Sanchez. Gene's wife gave birth to a 7 lb. 8 oz. boy on September 28. We hope you make it through those 2:00 o'clock feedings, Gene!

Al Staehlin, our Supervisor over Plumbing, is on a leave of absence for a couple of months. He has to put in a number of hours in plumbing construction to be eligible for his retirement benefits from the local plumbers' union.

We were very fortunate to have Ray Cordova lecture on the dangers of gas appliances and how they work. I'm sure the November 1st safety meeting attended by all Physical Plant employees may save some lives. (See Safety Slants, pp. 26-27.)

Machinery Maintenance

by Pete Rodriguez

Mitch's Last Christmas at UNM

This will be James Mitchell's last Christmas at UNM, as Mitch will retire in June of 1975. Mitch has been a Fire Equipment Maintenance Man for the last 15 years at the Physical Plant.

Mitch was born in Livingston County, Kentucky. After serving in the U.S. Cavalry at Ft. Bliss, Texas (NO, Duran, he did not know George Custer or Pancho Villa), he decided to join the CCC which sent him to Mountainair, N.M. There he was a Mess Sergeant and Cook's Instructor, during World War II he became Head Cook at Kirtland Field Hospital; then he spent the next 14 years working for the Sandia Base Fire Department before coming to UNM in October, 1959.

Now that you know something of Mitch's background, let's look at his family, which too often, in other cases, is overlooked.

Mitch and his wife, Barbara, pictured above circa 1971, were married July 31, 1942. They have been married for over 32 years! Barbara is an Administrative Secretary for the UNM Athletic Department.

Following graduation from Sandia High School, James Mitchell, Jr., attended UNM under the Barber Scholarship and earned degrees in Chemistry (continued on page 10)

Harwood Foundation Gets a New Boiler

The last part of October was a time for travel for some of our plumbing crew. Pete Padilla, Sam Zamora and Henry Carley had to make a trip up to Taos for a few days to install a boiler at the Harwood Foundation.

Pictured above are, Sam Zamora, left, and Henry Carley, with the old boiler, just as the work was beginning. This was originally a coal-fired boiler which was converted to butane about fifteen years ago by Charlie Retzlaff, Henry Carley and Pete Padilla. Several years later it was converted from butane to gas.

The boiler pictured above was installed and will service Harwood Foundation for many years -- quite an improvement!

(Photos by Pete L. Padilla)
The 1974 edition of the Christmas Awards Party has some new features which should ensure a record turnout of employees -- active and retired. Of course, the featured event is the awarding of 36 Service Award pins. Two new Vice Presidents will do the honors -- Dr. Paul H. Silverman, V. P. for Research & Graduate Affairs, and Dr. Alex P. Mercure, V. P. for Regional & Community Affairs.

The party will again be held in the Automotive Center and will start promptly at 3:00 p.m. The first treat will involve "The Fiesta Ringers" Hand-bell Choir, an elite, talented, non-sectarian group assembled by their Director, Ruth Slagle. Mrs. Slagle directs three other bell choirs in the City, including one composed entirely of blind ringers. The bells used by the ringers are owned by Mrs. Slagle, and she proudly points out that they are manufactured by the best foundry in the world -- the White Chapel Bell Foundry of London. Some of the pieces this choir plans to ring are: "Fanfare for Bells," "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen," "We Three Kings," "Silent Night," and "Jingle Bells."

"The Fiesta Ringers" are, left to right: Teddy Montgomery, Wanda Halley, Elaine Houghton, Helen McKay, Marie Kazaneki, Marian Heckes, Gertrude Hogg, Mina DePew, Rose Thompson and Ruth Slagle, in the picture at left by UNM Photographer John DeJournett.

The second round of entertainment will be the City and State Championship Barbershop Quartet, "The Happy Day Four." Their planned renditions will be such popular old-time favorites as: "Lida Rose," "Steaming Down the River," "Ida," and "Jingle Bells." "The Happy Day Four," seen below, are, l. to r., Dick Giese, tenor, UNM student; Jim Simpson, lead, math and music teacher; Grant Gray, base, and Bob Nowlin, baritone, construction superintendent; in this UNM Photo by Paul Schmolky.

This diverse group got together through the SPBSQSA, Inc. (The Society for the Preservation of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, Incorporated).

The party will be rounded out by the usual refreshments -- delicious chunks of carrot cake a la UNM's La Posada chefs, washed down by hot coffee and punch.

As usual, all retirees are urged to attend. HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!
Ernie Woods went back east to Indiana for his vacation, but we haven't had a postcard yet! Hope he's enjoying it... John Swan... John SWAN... NO, JOHN SWAIN has joined Machinery Maintenance, and we wish to welcome him. WELCOME, JOHN SWAIN!

AND A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL...

LANDSCAPING

by Dwight Capshaw

Well, it's Fall again, and soon it will be winter! That means it's hunting season again, and our two veteran hunters (?) will be trying again! Sue Garcia and Robert Nipper haven't gotten anything yet, but who knows? Nipper is trying ANYTHING this year... black powder hunts, bow hunts, and the trusty old 30-06. But, NOTHING, as of yet...

Noble Roberts took a well-deserved 30 days off recently. What did he do? Something different, he says..... WORKED AROUND THE HOUSE!

Richard Nipper is trying to expand his musical talents by learning to play the banjo, but I understand he hasn't exactly been flooded with recording offers YET!

We have lots of new faces around the shop. In the way of introduction, may I present Harry Darri, who hails from good old Albuquerque; Robert Senter, who has recently arrived from Los Angeles; Ralph Bozanian, who is our farthest traveler, coming originally from Lebanon; Jesse Perez, who is another local boy, coming to us from Bernalillo; and Robert Snowball, who transferred to Landscaping from North Campus Custodian Section where he was "SERVICIO" Contributing Editor. Robert, who also writes a little poetry, has now transferred to Grounds.

Three of the women who worked as student help this summer decided it was so great that they would try it full time! Signe Sponsler is another Californian. Washington, D.C., was the home of Alice Echols before she came to Albuquerque. Our last entry has had a few problems since she's been here. Pat Schaefer, from Texas, was in an automobile accident after starting here and has been bothered by a concussion. We hope she feels better soon.

SOUTH CAMPUS

by Frank Madril

OH-OH! Time to rattle those skeletons in the closet again! And if this cold weather continues, everybody is going to continue to shake and rattle. Hope you could all afford to rattle loose one of those turkeys for a Happy Thanksgiving. Some who had no turkey in sight came down to the football field and went fishing around the track. There was so much water around the track that rumor had it that the swimming team would be practicing down here!

The Lobo football team continued to hold its own against almost insurmountable odds and showed a lot of promise for the future. The basketball team, "M.A.C. Champs," already are practicing and looking good. At $.60/gallon of gas, the Lobos should have played for oil (black gold) this summer when they were overseas!

You might think that keeping all the sports facilities operating is a back-breaking job. Well, it doesn't BREAK your back, but it sure plays @!#1@# with it! Just ask Ross Svedera!

Well, Al ("Champ") Chavez decided that he would turn his services to the plumbing trade and recently transferred to the Plumbing Shop. Good luck, Al.

A warm welcome to Ramon Chavez, a native Albuquerquean, who says he's "proud as punch" to be working here... or there... or ANYWHERE! Glad to have you, Ramon.

We all know that Halloween came and went, but David Howe forgot that it went and showed up still dressed like a clown... which goes to show that there's a little bit of the clown in all of us. While on the subject of clowning around, Richard Salas was in Las Vegas, Nevada, on a special convention of ???, and Yours truly went to Arizona on a "weekend vacation." Our friend, Eladio Manqueo, was down in Juarez (AGAIN).... makes you wonder about the old saying, "SOUTH OF THE BORDER".... what goes on? By the way, if you happen to see Freddie Martinez, ask him what goes on... all he'll say is, "My new mobile home is what's happening!"

So, as we come to the close of another chapter of the saga of "La Familia," all of us here would like to take this opportunity to say we hope you and your families had a fruitful and healthy Thanksgiving, and to wish you a better, beautiful and very eventful Christmas and a prosperous New Year!

THE LARKS

by Ken Morris

The Larks, Lenore and Vernon, spent most of a two-week vacation in October driving through the Red Rock Country of Utah and the farming areas of Southern Idaho, Eastern Oregon, and Washington. They visited Vernon's mother who, at the ripe old age of 89, is still doing fancy needle work and is still in excellent health. Vern had to reroof the Larks' house before leaving Albuquerque, as it had sprung leaks during the September downpours!
Andy Montoya was born in Socorro, Territory of New Mexico, on September 14, 1911. He attended Mount Carmel School through the eighth grade. This is the same school which Archbishop Sanchez and Sparky Ipiotis attended a couple of decades later (see September '74 issue of EL SERVICIO REAL). Thus, it would appear this institution has a reputation of giving their students a pretty good start in life.

After only a six-week start in high school, it was necessary for Andy to go to work, and his very first job was to start him in his chosen craft. This eleven-year assignment was with a large lumber and hardware store which was run by Mr. W. D. Crabtree in Socorro. Andy's particular job was to dress and grade rough lumber for this firm.

In 1940, with World War II looming on the horizon, Andy enrolled in a four-month National Defense Training program in Las Cruces in which he took intensive instruction in pattern making and machine shop work. Then followed a series of defense-related assignments all over the Southwest. These were:
1) Fort Bliss target range as a carpenter (one year); 2) Kaiser Shipyard, Oakland, as a shipfitter (five months); 3) Utility Corporation in Los Angeles as a machinist (three years); 4) Lockheed Aircraft in Burbank as a machinist (one year); 5) Midwest Piping Supply Company, Los Angeles, as a machinist (one year); 6) Paulsen & Marden Stamping Company, Los Angeles, as a machinist and maintenance man until the company went broke in the post-war recession (one year); 7) Champion Armature Company in Los Angeles, repairing and rewinding armatures (one year).

Then in 1949 Andy returned to New Mexico. After a three-month stint with the City of Albuquerque, Andy started with UNM in mid-1950 as a carpenter. He was promoted to Lead Millman in 1963. Andy married the former Peggy Baca of Albuquerque on New Year's Day, 1938, and this union produced two boys, Robert and Rudy, and eight grandchildren.

Since 1952 Andy has belonged to the Queen of Heaven Catholic Church and through the years has made cabinets for the sports equipment for the Queen of Heaven School. He is also one of several Physical Plant employees who have made a number of pieces of fine furniture for St. Mark's-on-the-Mesa Episcopal Church (see September '71 issue of ESR).

But, we regret to say, Andy must take early retirement due to a back injury he received in 1937. This occurred while he was setting up a flour mill on the family farm. The injury has plagued Andy all his life, but he always kept plugging away at his many assignments.

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Alton James Pickard was born in White County, Arkansas, on November 10, 1912, on a farm near Beebe, a community where people came close to practicing The Golden Rule. In spite of much work on the farm, there was time for fishing and hunting as Pick grew up -- hobbies that were to remain a consuming interest to Pick for keeps.

He attended grade school in Beebe, Arkansas, and graduated from Antioch High School there in 1931. During the Depression years, Pick worked at carpentry and at the Continental Cotton Gin Company. With the coming of World War II, he did a two-year hitch in the U.S. Army, working in the mechanical repair and firearms inspection field. Pick was enlisted as a Private and advanced to a three-stripe Sergeant. He received an honorable discharge on September 23, 1944.

After this he returned to carpentry and construction work in the Arkansas area. In 1945 Pick chose an Arkansas lass, the former Sammie Ashcraft, as his lifelong partner. Then in 1948, while Pick and Sammie were visiting her brother in Albuquerque, Pick decided to leave those wonderful Ozark hills and "adopt" the Land of Enchantment.


In 1955 AJP started his Physical Plant career as a carpenter. In 1959 he was named Assistant Supervisor of the Carpentry, Plastering and Masonry Section, and in 1964 he was promoted to be the Supervisor of a newly-created section -- Paint, Plaster and Masonry.

The A. J. Pickards are the proud parents of two boys who have done all right for themselves and their families. Dr. Jim Pickard, an Army Captain, is Chief of Staff at the Eye Clinic at Ft. Lee, Virginia. Joe Pickard is the Manager of Sears Western Shop in Denver, Colorado. Pick's "leader," Sammie, has been teaching in the elementary school system of Albuquerque for twenty-five years.

Pick and Sammie have been active members of the West Mesa Trinity Baptist Church for twenty-five years.

What do the Pickards plan to do in retirement? Well, of course, there will be family to visit AND a little hunting and fishing in both the Ozarks and the Land of Enchantment.

With those many friends of A. J. Pickard remaining at the Physical Plant, there will be a vacuum, for A. J., his "ceegar," and his sly, dry sense of humor will be sorely missed by all who had the pleasure of working with him and for him.

MFF
GROUNDS

by Larry Gallegos

Well, here I am, back again. They said that I talk so much they might as well get me out of motballis so I could do my lying in this magazine, although with all the work the Grounds Department has to do, there doesn’t seem to be time for anything else. But Paul Sheridan took a couple of days off; and since I have to do his job when he’s gone (he doesn’t do ANYTHING!), I’ve got time to write this article. Just kidding, Paul! I know how devoted you are. (I had to write that last sentence!) The Grounds Department basically has the same group of tremendous personnel as we did for the last article. They are just a little bit older, a little bit smarter, a little bit meaner, and A LOT MORE EXPERIENCED. This department is the only place I know where you can lose your socks WITHOUT REMOVING YOUR SHOES! The jet set is slowly becoming the menopause set!

We would like to welcome Robert Snowball to Grounds. He recently transferred here from Landscaping. Hope he doesn’t melt in all this sunshine!

Rudy Basquez got married a couple of weeks ago, and he’s still suffering from shock. I asked him how married life is, and he said, “Compared to what?” I said, “Compared to being happy?” But Rudy says he likes it. Max Apodaca is a perfect living example of a recently-married man. He not only talks to himself, but he is starting to answer himself! But they both seem to be thriving on it, so I guess love does make the world go ‘round, even if it’s just in a circle!

Faustin Duran went into the hospital recently with chest pain, but we were glad to hear it wasn’t his heart. We call Duran “THE HORSE,” so Morris Garcia kept insisting he had just thrown a shoe! Duran gave him the shoe, RIGHT IN THE SEAT OF HIS PANTS! Larry Forney said he had a chest pain, too, but I told him it was probably just his hemorrhoids, reminding him that he wouldn’t know for sure just where the pain was!

If you see a guy in a big white truck, wearing a little hat, a tie, and tooting his horn at everybody, don’t send for the cops. That is none other than our garbage truck driver, Fred Hoods, who makes the best out of a tough job.

Tito Chavez says he has no news, but he would like to thank everyone for attending the funeral of his mother-in-law.

In the midst of writing this article, Yours truly had an accident coming to work this morning. BU-FORD -- that’s my truck -- decided to climb a telephone pole. I call her BU-FORD because she has a Buick engine and she’s a Ford. Anyway, she totaled out; apparently a little rod broke and she wouldn’t turn and headed straight for the pole at about 50 m.p.h.! All I could think of was, “Oh, this is going to hurt!” Luckily, I am unscratched, but, alas, BU-FORD is no more!

This is the last article before Mr. Fifield’s retirement, so we would like to take this opportunity to wish him a long and happy retirement!

SHOP & FIELD

by Paul Padilla

SEASON’S GREETINGS! A great time of the year!

Elk Season opened, and off went Juanito Romero and Larry Forney into the wilderness after their trophies. What excitement! What adventure! It was early that morning and they were drinking coffee with their nerves at edge, waiting for the first shot of the day, when off in the bushes they heard the sound of footsteps. “Listen,” whispered Larry to Juanito. Juanito turned and said to Larry, “Look! I can’t believe it!” When what to their wondering eyes should appear but two wondrous reindeer and Santa Claus! MERRY CHRISTMAS, GUS! Maybe you didn’t get those trophies, but our best wishes for a new and better year.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!
Dipping Into History

UNM’S FIRST AND ONLY BARNSTORMING STUDENT — TOMMY THOMPSON

One of the writer's favorite haunts in the early 20's was to watch a UNM student in his World War I biplane operate off a landing field on what is now Johnson Gym parking lot.

The pilot/student would take people for rides over the metropolis of Albuquerque (then with a population of some 15,000 souls) for $5.00 per person. I never could rake up the fare, but did I ever watch many a landing and take-off! Also, Tommy was a favorite of the kids at the grade school, then located at the southeast corner of Stanford and Central. When Tommy wasn't flying, he was always tinkering with that plane -- and we loved it and him!

The exact date of the picture and the name of the photographer are unknown, but it is curious that Tommy seems to have been operating on this particular day with only one tire, for please note -- the engine is running.

HODGIN HALL COUGHS UP ANOTHER RELIC

On a recent custodian closet cleanup at Hodgin Hall, your roving reporter noted the remnants of an old wicker folding chair, circa 1900. It needed some reweaving of the wicker seat; and since this has been accomplished by a local craftsman, we have another rare relic for our museum, if and when!

Si Nanninga, son of the beloved Dean S. P. Nanninga, Dean of the College of Education from 1928 to 1956 and constantly officed in Hodgin Hall, was asked to pose with our newest acquisition. Si is also serving on the Alumni Board, making his appearance in this connection and in this issue of EL SERVICIO REAL doubly appropriate.
May We Never Forget

This issue of EL SERVICIO REAL is honored to announce the relocation within the west lobby of Zimmerman I of one of the University's most valued and poignant memorials -- the forty-two-inch high Christus, beautifully carved in cedar by Professor Emeritus John Tatschl. The move of the Christus from the west wall stairway leading to the Special Collections Library to a position directly opposite, over the zaguan leading from the above lobby to the main library south entrance of Zimmerman II, was advantageous for three reasons: 1) the new location provided a more dramatic display of the sculpture -- as well as the two plaques which eloquently describe its meaning and purposes; 2) the new location enabled the sculpture to be more safely and securely fastened some eleven feet, seven inches above the zaguan floor; and 3) the new location prevented the valuable sculpture from being damaged by a new swinging metal grill door recently installed at the stair landing where the Christus previously hung.

Pictured above with the Christus in its new location, which provides a fitting background for key personnel involved in the move, left to right, are Steve Rhodes, Don Mackel, Miriam Douglass and Professor Bainbridge Bunting. The latter is an old friend of the Douglass and Tatschl families. (UNM Photo by Pete Lemmell)

The Christus was given by the late Professor Emeritus Ralph Douglass, his wife, Miriam, and their daughter, Marilyn, as a memorial to the 134 UNM alumni and students who gave their lives for the cause of freedom in World War II. One of these was their son, Private Donald Ralph Douglass, who was killed in action leading a patrol on January 8, 1945, in the Ardennes Salient of the costly Battle of the Bulge, near Tillet, Belgium.

The Christus was dedicated on March 11, 1947, in simple and appropriate religious ceremonies held in the Zimmerman I lobby, with President J. Philip Wernette receiving the memorial on behalf of the University.

The memorial is described in the two plaques shown at left: The Christus plaque was lettered by Professor Douglass, one of the leading calligraphers in the U.S. We are proud to again remind EL SERVICIO REAL readers that Professor Douglass also lettered and designed the masthead for EL SERVICIO REAL.

The complete explanation for the memorial was stated in a typewritten sheet behind the Douglass plaque and has remained hidden and forgotten for some twenty-seven years. The plaque which explains the memorial was relettered by UNM's Steve Rhodes. It is mounted with the Christus plaque on an attractive background framing designed by Don Mackel and built by the Physical Plant Carpentry Shop.

Pictured at right are Donald Douglass' sister, Mrs. Jack B. (Marilyn) Carlson of Fullerton, California, B.F.A. from UNM in 1961, and his mother, Miriam, as they stand in front of the "plaque pair" mounting. (UNM Photo by Dick Melki)

NOTE: Special credit is due other key UNM personnel involved in the memorial relocation and plaque arrangement: the late Vice President Sherman E. Smith and Mr. John Durrie, Secretary of the University.

Donald was born in Chicago but was reared in Albuquerque. He graduated with honors from Albuquerque High School in 1943, completed one semester at UNM, and was called to active duty from the Army Reserve in November, 1943. After training in Fort Benning, Camp Livingston and Fort Jackson, his unit was shipped to England in October, 1944. One month later he entered the battle zone, seeing action in France, Luxembourg, Germany and, finally, Belgium. Donald is interred in the U.S. Military Cemetery at Hamm, Luxembourg.

Above is the Douglass' favorite picture of 19-year old Donald in uniform.
At age six, Stanislaus went to a nearby Primary School and after four years of school took the Competitive Entrance Examination. After passing, he entered an Intermediate School within the village until 1964. Then he sat for the Kenya Preliminary Examinations, but due to an inadequate number of secondary schools, he was not accepted, in spite of his good grades. He then joined a Teacher’s Training College for two years, was awarded a Teacher’s Certificate and taught in primary schools for four years. During those years, Stanislaus spent much of his time studying privately. Toward the end of 1970, he wrote to his brother, who was already in the USA, and explained his desire to further his education. His brother responded immediately, and on January 31, 1971, Stanislaus arrived in Albuquerque, where he attended Highland High School before entering UNM in 1972. After he receives his B.A., Stanislaus plans to return to Kenya.

CENTRAL SECTION

by Mauricio Montoya

We would like to welcome several new custodians to Central Section. Anna Smith was born in Roosevelt, Oklahoma. She worked for Fred Harvey before coming to UNM in September, 1974. Anna is working in Zimmerman Library.

Arcenio Gallegos was born in Aragon, N.M., and raised in Barstow, California, where he worked for the Santa Fe Railway. Arcenio started working here on September 16; and he, too, is in Zimmerman Library. His favorite sport is baseball.

Jerome Armijo, a student, comes from Reserve, N.M., where he was raised. He is a junior at UNM, majoring in Biology. He is also a newlywed -- married Terrie Lynne on October 19. She attends UNM, too, majoring in Medical Technology and is from Magdalena, N.M.

Carlos Cherino graduated from Santa Fe Indian School and started to work at UNM on September 9th. He and his wife, Martha, have six children. Carlos works in Woodward Hall and the new Humanities Building.

Jesse Montoya is an Albuquerque native and graduated from Albuquerque High. He served in the Army for two years and spent part of that time in Germany. Jesse started working here in September and also works in Woodward Hall and the Humanities Building.

NOW SOME NEWS ON THE "OLD-TIMERS"

Joe Sandval was on the sick list, but he is back at work. James Smith has been very sick, too, and we wish him a quick recovery.

We were all sorry to hear about Sparky Ipilois’ accident. We wish her good luck, and God help her to recover soon.

We have in our midst a new lady custodian, Lucy Peralta. Her husband, Jake Peralta, has been a UNM employee for six years. Welcome, Lucy!
IN MEMORIAM

Earl Bowdich
1889-1974

Graduating from the Third Ward High School in Albuquerque in 1905, Earl's first full-time job was as a night operator of the Bell Telephone System for the whole City of Albuquerque -- with a total of 112 telephones!

A year later he started the slow climb in his chosen field as a plumber apprentice at the "fantastic remuneration" of $4.00 per week for a ten-hour day. "In those days one might say an apprentice had to practically steal the trade," Earl is quoted as saying. Little wonder, then, that in 1910 Earl was one of the prime movers in the organization of the Plumbers and Steamfitters Local #412, a Local still in existence. In fact, Earl became so active in union work that he later became well acquainted with Samuel Gompers and George Meany. President Woodrow Wilson named Earl New Mexico's first Labor Advisor, and, as a result, he became a Democrat for life.

Later in 1932 Earl was successful in getting the State's first Labor Law passed. Subsequently he was named the first Chairman of the State Labor Commision. In fact, as a tribute to Earl's many efforts in the labor field, he was affectionately named "Mister 412" in honor of the Local he helped to organize.

On Sunday, October 20, 1974, the University of New Mexico lost one of its most respected employees. Ralph V. Holst was born in Bremen, Kansas, in 1918. He worked on the family farm and the neighbors' farms where he acquired the independent dirt farmers' skills. He was especially good at mechanical and electrical work.

He enlisted in the 2nd Cavalry, Ft. Riley, Kansas, on November 7, 1937, and because of his mechanical ability, was assigned to the New Motor Section. The U.S. Cavalry, as late as 1937, felt the upstart Motor Section was a passing fancy. Private Holst took a lot of ribbing. In those days the troopers who smelled of gasoline were not allowed to sit at the same table in the mess hall as the real troopers. The real troopers had a different smell about them.

Private Holst advanced up through the ranks and retired as a Warrant Officer (Special Weapons) in November, 1957. He took a year to get acclimated to civilian life, then went to work for American Car and Foundry in 1958. In October, 1960, he came to work at the University of New Mexico Physical Plant; and one year later, because of his security experience in the Army, he was assigned to the Police Department. Again, he advanced through the ranks and was promoted to Captain.

Ralph and Virginia have five children: Richard is married and resides in Juneau, Alaska. They have four children. Larry is married and is living in Tucson, Arizona. They have two children. Claudia (McCormick) of Havana, Illinois, is married and has one child. Wesley is married and lives in Albuquerque. The youngest, Renate (Nattie), is still at home.

Those who knew Ralph in the Service were always amazed at his calm, cool manner, no matter what the situation. However, he still could get very impatient with a person if he made the same mistake the second time. He was the one to whom we in the Department took our complaints, gripes, and troubles. Many, many people, especially students at the University, would drop in to have a talk with the man.

Although he is gone, the impact of his personality will remain with us.

Ralph Holst was truly a man among men.

by Corporal Owen D. Fournier
On December 31, M. F. (Fife) Fifield will retire as the Director of the Physical Plant Department. He has been with the University in this capacity since June, 1951, twenty-three and one-half years. During his tenure here, he has actively participated in the orderly growth of the University from 59 permanent buildings to its present 140. The student enrollment has grown from 3,796 students in 1951 to our present-day 19,488 (21,462 including Gallup Branch, Northern Branch and Los Alamos Graduate Center). In 1951 the Physical Plant Department had less than 100 employees; today there are 302.

Fife was born in 1914 while his father was County Superintendent of Schools at Aztec, N. M. He spent his early life at Mogollon and Laguna, N.M., and finally came to Albuquerque in 1921. Fife graduated from Albuquerque High School in May of 1931 and the following Fall enrolled at The University of New Mexico, graduating in 1936 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering. After graduation Fife worked for Standard Oil of Texas in their Pipeline and Refinery Division until the start of World War II. During the War he served in the U. S. Navy, while in the Navy, he was assigned to a Navy Aviation Unit in the South Pacific, spent 17 months in the New Hebrides doing overhaul on American aircraft, and was later assigned to an Intelligence unit in Washington, D. C. to rebuild and study Japanese aircraft. After the War, he remained active in the Naval Reserve and retired from the Navy with the rank of Captain in 1968.

In March of 1947, Fife went to work for Phillips Petroleum in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, as Superintendent of Operations for their Sales Department in that area. He remained with Phillips until 1951 when he returned to Albuquerque to work for the University.

Fife is married and has three grown children. Fife and his wife, Katie, met and were married in Washington, D.C., during the War. The Fifield's oldest child is their daughter, Marilyn; she is married to a local lawyer, James Dines, and teaches school in the Albuquerque system. Lynn Fran, their second child, is a Biologist and works for the military. Their third child is their daughter, Marilyn; she is a Biologist and works for the military.

Fife has been active in the community since the age of 10, when he founded the Student Council at Albuquerque High School. He has served in numerous leadership positions, including President of the Student Council, Member of the Board of Directors of the New Mexico Chamber of Commerce, Member of the Board of Directors of the New Mexico Chamber of Commerce, and Member of the Board of Directors of the New Mexico Chamber of Commerce.

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Safety Slants ... by J.R. Callahan

EDITOR'S NOTE: During the quarterly all-hands safety meeting, the Contributing Editor of this column, J.R. Callahan, who had set up the meeting, gave us a scare. J.R. suddenly felt "kind of woozy" and, thanks to the quick action of Bill Bowen, et al., was promptly taken to Lovelace-Bataan Emergency -- with any possible serious complications held to a minimum. Anyway, as we go to press, we're pleased to report that J.R. is back at his many tasks. Our only comment is: "LET'S DON'T MAKE THESE QUARTERLY SAFETY MEETINGS TOO REALISTIC, J. R.!!!"

The featured speaker at our quarterly safety meeting was our expert on gas-heating appliances -- Ray Cordova. Above Ray shows how a bird's nest was built in a furnace flue that was inactive for the summer. (UNM Photo by Dick Meleak)

PRECIPICE PARKING

With all the free parking available on the North Campus, one wouldn't think anyone would deliberately choose the plateau bluff surrounding threesides of the Observatory as a parking spot. What a chance for a prankster -- and, even more critical, let's hope those vehicles have good brakes which are properly set! (UNM Photo by Paul Schmolky)

SURPLUS PROPERTY TRAILER TRUCKS ARE HAZARDOUS

Several Surplus Property refrigeration trailers, destined for other State agencies, were temporarily parked northwest of Quonset Tres/Cha-me/Three. But the big boo-boo was that the doors were left ajar. To prevent neighboring kids, who constantly roam the area around Physical Plant, from getting trapped and suffocated, Ladis Armijo, locked them. GOOD THINKING! (UNM Photos by Peter Ide)

WHEN IT'S YOUR TIME, BE READY!

MEANWHILE, RIDE ON GOOD RUBBER

GIVEN: A nice Saturday, September 7 -- take six dedicated Cursiillistas -- place them in an economy sedan and locate them on Highway 14 on the last curve before they enter the town of Tajique in the Manzanos where they plan to attend a Fiesta Mass -- then let a right-hand front tire blow out on a hard left 15 m.p.h. curve.

RESULT: Car turns over three complete times (thank goodness they were complete) -- lands on its wheels -- is utterly demolished -- and the only one seriously hurt is the driver -- our own Sparky Ipiotis -- hospitalized for two weeks and missing, and sorely missed, from her desk ever since with multiple injuries.

PROGNOSIS: Hopefully back with us, at least part time, after January 1, 1975.

MORAL: WATCH YOUR TIRES, for we never know how close we come to checking in our license for life with the Master Architect. It's a miracle Sparky is still with us, and we're all so grateful.
POQUITO aqui y alla

THE FIRST PHASE

One of the most unique construction projects ever undertaken at UNM was the construction of the first phase of what is now Ford Utilities Center in 1947. The picture below, taken by Professor A. D. "Pop" Ford, who was also the Designing Engineer and Construction Superintendent, shows the skeletons of the two 45,000 bhp Combustion Engineering water tube boilers taking shape.

The mud drum is below, and the steam drum is above. The buildings in the background are temporary Biology and Chemistry Labs with Bandelier Hall and the Sandias in the distance.

RUTH KENDRICK AT DUKE UNIVERSITY

Word has just reached us that a longtime friend of UNM Physical Plant has just taken a challenging assignment with the Physical Plant Department of Duke University at Durham, North Carolina. Ruth Kendrick, the daughter of Professor Emeritus "Pop" Ford and widow of our beloved Dick Kendrick, has been named by Harry Ebert, Physical Plant Director at Duke, to head up his Energy Conservation Program.

In the above picture by Peter Ide are left to right: Kenneth L. Sparks, New Mexico Western University, SPPS President; Fred Valdes, PERA Building Superintendent, Past President of Capulin Chapter and SPPS President-elect; Jay S. Wadsworth, Plains Chapter President, Lubbock; and George Mahon, Manzano Chapter President.

John Burton Carves Two Insignia

Artist John Burton of Santa Fe recently carved two beautiful insignia for organizations associated with UNM - the Southwest Physical Plant Supervisors and the Association of Physical Plant Administrators.

J. McCree Smith Retiring

Another long-time friend of UNM and frequent participant in workshops and seminars sponsored by UNM is J. McCree Smith, Director of Physical Plant at North Carolina State University, Raleigh, who is retiring from that institution effective February 14, 1975.

McCree will take up residence on a twelve and one-half acre citrus farm in Central Florida. In retirement he will do some consulting work in his field of Physical Plant Operations. McCree, a 1942 graduate of North Carolina State University, has been its Director since 1953.

Your reporter had the pleasure of introducing McCree at the 61st Annual Meeting of APPA in Houston last May. McCree's talk on energy conservation left a vivid recollection that is certainly worth repeating here. He came up with a bar chart of comparisons of savings of energy conservation by month for 1973-1974 at NCSU. At the bottom of the chart, his slogan read:

ENERGY CONSERVATION DEPENDS UPON THE "YOU" FACTOR!

How apropos! Thanks, and good luck, "Mac"!

Good Crew -- Good Supervisor!

EL SERVICIO'S roving reporter caught Charlie Retzlaff, Roy Wiley and Albert Reeves helping "Supervisor" Becky (Mrs. Sherman E.) Smith do some special ceiling beam repairs to her home at 423 Girard, N.E.
Above: Don takes a noon-day navigation measure of smooth sailing and safe anchoring in this challenging endeavor.

PHYSICAL PLANT’S DISTINGUISHED VISITOR

Sumner S. Holbrook, Business Manager of Phillips Exeter Academy, New Hampshire, one of the Country’s most elite high schools (founded in 1791), paid us a four-day visit in early November. The principal reason for the visit was to get first-hand knowledge from Mr. Holbrook, Bill Bowen, et al., on how UNM makes slide/tapes. However, as in all such visits, there is always an invaluable exchange of information, plus the possible chance to show a visitor a little “color” in the Land of Enchantment. This time it was feasible to expose our guest to Lawrence Ranch and way points, courtesy of Al Bearce.

Earl Bowditch — continued from p. 22

Getting back to some of Earl’s other accomplishments, in 1912 Earl accepted the assignment of writing the City’s first Building Code, and two years later this led to his appointment as the City’s first full-time Building Inspector.

When America entered World War I, Earl joined the 89th Division overseas and participated in all its major battles. A few days before the Armistice, Earl was severely gassed and spent a year in hospitals in Paris and the United States. When he could return to work, he was named Department Head of two City departments -- the Building Department and the Health Department. Then in 1926 he became associated with the Shumquist Engineering Company in building construction.

In 1933 Earl became Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds at UNM, and he was to serve in this capacity under three Presidents -- Zimmerman, Wernette, and Popejoy -- through a Depression and the Federally-financed building boom in the late 1930’s, by the administration of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Then came the World War II shortages, the post-war boom, and the movement of scores of temporary buildings to the campus -- mostly from Bruns Hospital in Santa Fe.

In 1949 Earl had the pleasure of moving from inferior quarters his forces had occupied in previous years in the old Sotolot Plant (recently known as Commedia Theatre) to a brand new Service Building that he helped plan and which still houses the main Physical Plant stores and offices.

Throughout all of Earl’s many endeavors at UNM he handled his many varied assignments in a most practical and frugal manner. His stories and experiences were numerous and varied. Please see the April ‘66 issue of EL SERVICIO REAL for a first-hand story and part of the “color” that was “inherently Earl Bowditch’s trademark.

Earl was an honorary, lifelong member of the Albuquerque Elks Club, #461, and for many years headed up the annual barbecue for the athletes of the Coaches Clinic and All Star Game which was held at the Elks Club picnic grounds.

Andy Montoya — continued from p. 12

Now, at 63, he’ll take it a little easier but will still keep busy making furniture, doing cabinet work, and filing saws.

Physical Plant has never had a nicer, quieter, busier guy working away at his job. Adios, Andy! We enjoyed knowing you and working with you.

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AN INTERESTING COINCIDENCE

Both Frank Feather and Al Bearce are teaching classes on "Indoor Plants" in the second eight-week session of the Community College. We’ve got talent running out of our ears in Physical Plant.

THE FRIDAY THE 13TH CLUB

...plans to meet at Lawrence Ranch. The date in December? You guessed it! This club of physical plant people have been meeting quarterly in major Colorado cities for the last few years. Their decision to meet at Lawrence Ranch should draw some recruits from West Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. Suggestion to Ranch Manager Al Bearce -- get some ladders to walk under and turn loose a passel of black cats! We hear these fellows have no hang-ups -- whatsoever!

CAPTAIN ABE RYDER AT NEW LOCATION

We note that Captain Abe Ryder has moved to a new spot as a crossing guard. He is now seeing the Jefferson Junior High kids across Lomas at Loma Vista.

Our deepest sympathy to Jean Sveum upon the recent loss of her sister, Betty Fowler, after a long illness.
WE ARE PLEASED TO PRESENT...

Physical Plant employees who work in the Electrical and Paint, Plaster & Masonry Shops!


DONALD L. MACKEL -- NEW MANAGER OF PHYSICAL PLANT SERVICES DIVISION AND HEALTH SCIENCES PLANT

Don Mackel's latest promotion, effective October 1, 1974, to fill the Manager's assignment created by the retirement of Hy Adler, attests to the fact that there is room in Physical Plant for promotion from within. A look at Don's relatively short history with UNM is impressive.

After taking his Bachelor's in Architecture from UNM in June of '68, Don started with the Physical Plant Department in the Engineering Section. He worked either full time or part time, as his time permitted, while he was enrolled in exacting courses to earn his M.B.A. from the School of Business and Administrative Sciences. During this period, his principal work was with Floyd Williams, the Manager of the Construction and Maintenance Division, in coordinating the work of the several crafts in major and minor remodeling undertaken by the department.

Don received his M.B.A. in February, 1971. On July 1, 1972, he was named Associate Architect in the department. This was a new and more appropriate title for his duties.

Thus, a young, personable, knowledgeable, professional, fellow employee, who is directly related to the first two Governors after New Mexico became a state, is moving up the ladder at UNM -- and this is lucky for all of us, for Don has had numerous offers for employment at other institutions since he helped give a principal paper to the APPA convention at the University of South Florida at Tampa in 1970.


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New voices answering the phone at PPD belong to Doris Thomas, Kacky Ertl and Beverly Powell, who have helped us during the period we've been so short-handed, due to the retirement of Helen Servis on July 1; Marian Pierce's 45-day stay in Presbyterian Hospital and recovery following her illness; Sparky Ipiotis' accident on September 9, from which she will return to work after the first of the year; and Margaret Mangham's surgery in November. Helen is enjoying her retirement, doing a great deal of traveling. By the time our magazine is in the mail, Marian plans to be back at work part time, and Margaret will be back full time.

You'll all remember that Doris Thomas was the editor of ESR for five years (1967-72), and Paul Sheridan says it's sure good to have "OLD WHAT'S HER NAME" back in the office. Kacky Ertl worked at Continuing Education for a year before her husband's recent transfer to South Dakota; Kacky left us on December 6. After Beverly Powell spent two weeks in our office, she went to the Athletic Department to work with Eddie Groth.

We are pleased to welcome Rick Runinski who joined our Engineering Division on November 4 as Associate Architect, replacing Don Mackel.

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PROMOTIONS

TO: Effective Date

CRATFS/MECHANIC HELPER: PATRICK MARTINEZ 10/7/74
Automotive Center

CRrTFS/MECHANIC TRAINEE III: FELIX CORIZ 9/30/74
Plaster & Masonry

MAINTENANCE REPAIRMAN II: JOHNNY PADILLA 9/30/74
Machinery Maintenance

MANAGER OF SERVICES DIVISION AND HEALTH SCIENCES PLANT: DONALD L. MACKEL 10/1/74
Adler-Núñez Retirement Party

On September 30, 1974, a unique, stand-up retirement party, honoring two long-time, loyal employees of UNM, was held in the Automotive Center. Since pictures are better than words, we’ll “tell it in pictures.”

A. Ray Nunez received a 25-year pin, the first given an employee in the Comptroller’s Department. Here, President Heady watches as Ramon’s wife, Josephine, completes the pinning.* (All UNM Photos by Paul Schonley)

B. The next order of business was the award of a Presidential Citation to Hyman Shale Adler. Here, “El Presidente” beams upon the recipient and his wife, Rana.*

C. Then came the opening of two giant, homemade “SALUD Y BUENA SUERTE!” cards made up by Bonifacio Griego and signed by several hundred employees in Physical Plant and across campus.

D. And, finally, there was the swinging music of the Lovelace-Bataan German Band. These gals and guys played polkas and waltzes that provided a nice background while all in attendance clustered around Hy and Ray to say goodbye and tasted La Posada’s ever-delicious carrot cake with coffee.

EARLIER THE SAME DAY: A surprise coffee was called in the Medical School Custodian Lounge where Hy’s day-shift sections toasted their departing “leader” and met his replacement.

Pictured, left to right, below: Dick Plyler, Roger Martinez, Bill Bowen, Retiree Hy, Lee Roy Espinoza, and the brand new Manager of Services and Health Sciences Plant, Don Mackel.

*See retirement stories in September issue of ESR.

Data Processing Center Personnel

We are pleased to feature the Data Processing Department which is vital to the University. Why? Well, they print our checks! Also, they do a lot of other goodies like keep track of the Registrar’s class assignments; tabulate student grades; handle personnel records; keep inventories; keep all financial records of the University; and keep vital records for the Library, Book Store and Alumni Office. So, small wonder that we feature them here! Posed in their main computer room are, kneeling in front l. to r.: John Jenkins, Pete Stines and Ernie Lucero. First row, standing, l. to r., are: John Allen, Steve Sanchez, Mack Patel, Sonny Vega, Dorothy Bates, Wayne Hoobler, Jerry Hanks, Don English, Doug Pridham, Sara Dotson, Quinn Dickey, Tony Lucero, Agnes Truske, Gary Phillips, Dennis Gresham, Paul Greenberg, Teresa Ortiz, Paula Mortensen, Bill King, David Saiz, Donnie Tolman, Jan Dieuw, Bets Rutherford, Hugh Mahi, Julian Hoffman, Bill Darling, Karen Johnston, Richard Vigil, Bryan Dershem and Dick Leuring. Not pictured: Eloy Balinado, Jo Beran, Patti Davis, Lani Ebert, Jim Ellis, Conna Landstrom, Ted Montoya and Vi Quirk. (Unm Photo By Peter Ide)

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Word has reached EL SERVICIO that Doris Barker has deeded her home to UNM. What a generous gesture! We are also pleased to report that, at press time, Doris has just returned from the hospital where she had successful surgery on her right hand which had been giving her considerable arthritic trouble. What a gal, this long-time UNM employee, friend of Physical Plant, and true friend of her alma mater, even in retirement!

We were sorry to hear that Custodian retiree stalwart, Moises Dauber, had to have a nine-day sojourn in St. Joseph Hospital. Moises is recovering nicely at his new home, 708 Tranquilino, N.E., 87102. Moises, now a widower, says it’s really too big a house, and he’d rather have his old, beloved adobe back. But he enjoys visits from his children and grandchildren, three of the latter now employed at UNM. As we go to press, Moises plans to attend our Service Awards Party on December 20.

While Al Staehlin was on leave of absence, he found himself in Anna Kaseman Hospital for a brief stay, due to chest pain. But Al is fine now and should be back with us by the time this issue is in the mail!