

Will Hoffman Peter Hay has rare chance

After one year and nine months, Santa Fe City Manager Peter Hay is in a rare position. The lame duck, former scapegoat of the Mayor George Gonzales Administration could run city hall for the next two months without political intervention, could stand on his own performance and could even wield a powerful ax. Under the city manager form of government, Hay could hire and fire whomever he chooses. But, we don't think he will.

Gonzales critics think that during the past two years of the Gonzales administration, Hay had been an effective political tool with Gonzales calling the shots. When things went wrong in city government, Gonzales had a convenient \$10,000-a-year scapegoat. Hay had been criticized in certain circles for several personnel moves, including appointments of Giovanni Grecco and Salvador Vigil in Model Cities and Carlos Espinoza as federal fund coordinator. We're still not sure what Espinoza and Grecco do or who their employers are. But all three appointments definitely have been Gonzales-influenced. Now, the political strings have been cut and that ain't no Hay.

SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL: We had a complaint last Friday that snow and ice around Leah Harvey Jr. High were "absolutely deplorable." Pedestrians were taking their lives into their own hands walking down the sidewalks. Why couldn't something be done to remove the danger there as is being done at adjacent Mid-High and Sweeney Gym?

"We're right on top of it," replied Phil Bebo, school superintendent, who had received the same complaint minutes before. "There should be two custodians out there now," removing the ice and putting down chemicals said Bebo. "The area will be kept clean. It will be done in the future. We'll do everything we possibly can. It's a bad situation. The area gets little sun," Bebo added. Muchas gracias, Senor Bebo.

OUR APOLOGIES: A recent editorial implied that the Santa Fe mayor and city council get paid for attending council meetings. Not so, says Bonnie Lopez, city clerk.

Councilmen and the mayor are entitled only to travel and per diem expenses for out-of-town travel on city business. The city has an \$8,000 budget this year for all departments, says Lopez. The rate is \$18 a day per diem in-state and \$25 a day out-of-state, 10 cents a mile in-state and the cost of an airplane ticket or its equivalent in mileage. "I will not pay any in-state travel or per diem for any councilman unless approved by the mayor and the city manager," Lopez adds.

Mayor George Gonzales also has a \$1,000 line item promotional fund to handle visiting dignitaries.

Councilmen and the mayor could receive a set salary if the council voted to put a proposed amendment on the ballot for the coming city election. The plan, as originally proposed and if approved, would have granted them an annual salary similar to the \$266 a month the Santa Fe County commissioners now get.

THIS AND THAT: Mike Valentine, local Chamber of Commerce manager, dropped in the other day to tell us that his chamber is as old as the state. It was formed in the same month as statehood, January 1912, and will celebrate its 60th anniversary at its annual banquet, Jan. 28.

Clear, moderate through Tuesday

Mostly clear skies and moderate temperatures are expected to remain in the area through Tuesday. Forecasters see little change in weather conditions in the area and are expecting a high temperature in Santa Fe of 38 degrees.

Weather observers at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) at the Santa Fe Municipal Airport recorded a high temperature Sunday of 40 degrees and a low this morning of 12.

At Plaza del Monte in downtown Santa Fe, Sunday's high temperature was 45 degrees and the low this morning was 10.

No precipitation was recorded at either Plaza del Monte or the airport in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Sunset today 5:08 p.m.
Sunrise Tuesday 7:14 a.m.
Moonrise Tuesday 3:06 a.m.
New Moon Jan. 16.

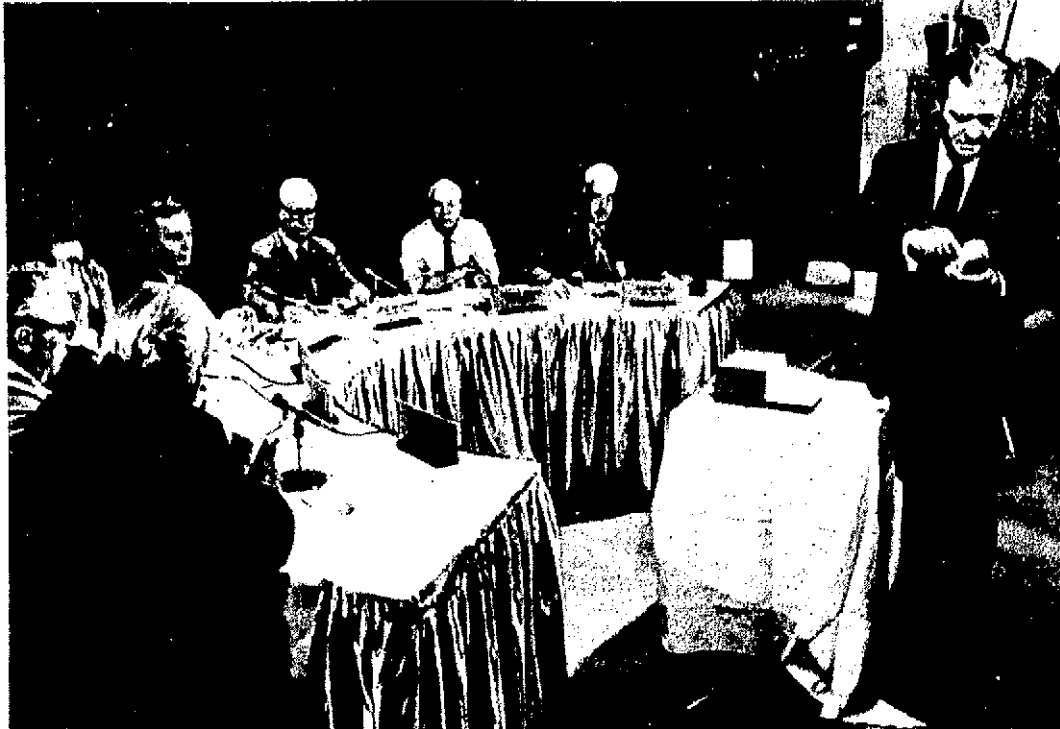
Prominent constellation: Orion setting at moonrise.

Visible planets: Venus in the southwest, Mars in the south and Saturn in the east at sunset.

Jupiter rises 5:38 a.m.-Mercury follows Jupiter.

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| Albany, cldy | 40 | 37 | .01 |
| Albu'que, clear | 47 | 22 | .. |
| Amarillo, clear | 59 | 26 | .. |
| Boston, clear | 51 | 45 | .16 |
| Buffalo, cldy | 40 | 35 | .09 |
| Charleston, cldy | 72 | 60 | .03 |
| Charlotte, rain | 58 | 49 | .61 |
| Detroit, fog | 42 | 29 | .. |
| Duluth, cldy | 31 | 13 | .04 |
| Fort Worth, cldy | 66 | 40 | .. |
| Green Bay, cldy | 40 | 24 | .. |
| Helena, snow | 37 | 20 | .13 |
| Honolulu, cldy | 78 | 69 | .. |
| Indianapolis, cldy | 45 | 34 | .01 |
| Jacks ville, cldy | 78 | 55 | .. |
| Kansas City, clear | 54 | 35 | .. |
| Little Rock, clear | 73 | 40 | .01 |
| Los Angeles, fog | 65 | 42 | .. |
| Milwaukee, clear | 40 | 30 | .01 |
| Mpls-St. P., cldy | 33 | 24 | .. |
| New Orleans, clear | 79 | 67 | .. |
| New York, cldy | 45 | 45 | .40 |
| Oklahoma, clear | 53 | 30 | .. |
| Omaha, clear | 47 | 32 | .. |
| Phoenix, cldy | 44 | 42 | .54 |
| Philadelphia, clear | 64 | 32 | .. |
| San Diego, clear | 61 | 44 | .. |
| San Fran., clear | M | M | M |
| Seattle, cldy | 47 | 35 | .. |
| Spokane, cldy | 36 | 26 | .. |
| Tampa, cldy | 80 | 65 | .. |
| Washington, cldy | 48 | 41 | .31 |



DIALING HOWARD HUGHES—Dick Hannah, a public relations man for the Hughes Tool Co., places a call to Howard Hughes in Nassau from Los Angeles to set up a telephone press conference with seven newsmen Friday. The reporters, left to right, are Jim Bacon, Los Angeles

Herald-Examiner; Marvin Miles, Los Angeles Times; Vernon Scott, United Press International; Roy Neal, NBC News; Gene Handsaker, Associated Press; Wayne Thomas, Chicago Tribune, and Gladwin Hill, New York Times. (AP)

Hughes breaks silence

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A guttural, relaxed-sounding voice on the telephone, identified by Howard Hughes' spokesmen as that of the billionaire industrialist emerging from long seclusion, said his purported forthcoming autobiography is a fraud.

"Patently false" and "a totally fantastic fiction" were other terms he used to describe the book in the long-distance conference with seven reporters gathered about a table in a Los Angeles hotel banquet room.

But the publishers, McGraw-Hill Book Co. and Life magazine, repeated Sunday their belief they have "the authentic biography."

All the newsmen agreed as the conference ended that it was Hughes' voice.

In Somerville, N.J., Lawrence Kersta, head of Voiceprint Laboratories and inventor of a system that permits voice identification so accurate it is admissible in court, compared tapes of the conversation with tapes of Hughes' voice made nearly 25 years ago.

Kersta concluded: "It is my opinion that it is indeed the voice of Howard Hughes." Filmed Friday, the two-hour, 40-minute session was broadcast in part Sunday by radio stations and the NBC, CBS and ABC television networks. NBC, which filmed it, made films and sound tapes available to the other outlets.

In a voice that was a little raspy, pausing at times, the 68-year-old "phantom financier," whose fortune is estimated at \$2 billion, said also:

—He plans to become less of a recluse, to resume flying and return eventually to the Bahamas to Las Vegas, Nev.

—He definitely expects to have a face-to-face interview with newsmen, intends to have photographs taken for public distribution and wants to resume movie production.

—His health is "tolerable," but he is not happy or content and is hounded by lawsuits and "overhanging threats" such as the alleged autobiography.

The news conference, said by Hughes' spokesmen to be his first in more than 15 years, provided the latest development in a dispute over the authenticity of the 230,000-word book which McGraw-Hill is scheduled to publish March 27. Life magazine plans to serialize three 10,000-word installments before then.

When McGraw-Hill announced in December it had acquired rights to the manuscript, a Hughes Tool Co. spokesman denied within hours that such a book exists.

Hughes said he was in Nassau in his top-floor quarters at the Britannia Beach Hotel.

Asked about Clifford Irving, listed as his collaborator on the autobiography, he said:

"I don't know him. I never saw him. I have never even heard of him until a matter of days ago when this thing first came to my attention."

A reporter remarked that McGraw-Hill and Life have said they satisfied themselves of the autobiography's authenticity.

"Well, I just don't see how it's possible," said Hughes. "I don't see how in the world statements of that kind could be made by people who at least have the resources to investigate and find the truth."

In a joint statement Sunday,

Life and McGraw-Hill detailed for the first time some of their evidence that the book is authentic.

They said they have a 10-page handwritten letter from Hughes and endorsed checks representing payment to him. Experts have authenticated the writing, they said. In the news conference, Hughes denied receiving any checks from McGraw-Hill or Life.

The Hughes spokesman who invited the seven reporters to the interview said they were selected because they had spoken to the industrialist in the past.

They were Marvin Miles, Los Angeles Times; Wayne Thomas, Chicago Tribune; Gene Handsaker, The Associated Press; Vernon Scott, United Press International; Jim Bacon, Hearst Newspapers; and Roy Neal, and NBC correspondent who served as moderator; and Gladwin Hill, New York Times.

During the 160 minutes Hughes said:

Surgeon General asks safer smoking

WASHINGTON (AP) — Recognizing that Americans continue to smoke despite the higher risk of cancer, heart attacks and lung diseases, the U.S. surgeon general said today that new efforts must be encouraged to develop safer cigarettes.

And the health hazard may not be limited to smokers, the Public Health Service said in a 226-page report to Congress.

Nonsmokers in a smoke-filled room may be exposed to carbon monoxide levels exceeding some local air-pollution limits, the report said, and especially threatening to persons already suffering from chronic bronchopulmonary and coronary diseases.

—We must continue to encourage cessation as the only certain way to protect both the individual and society from the harmful effects of smoking," Surgeon General Jesse L. Steinfield said.

—We must also, however, work towards reducing the dangers of smoking for those who have not quit by developing less-hazardous cigarettes and encouraging less-hazardous ways of smoking," he added.

The report, the fifth in a series since the first 1964 surgeon general's report linked cigarette smoking to disease and premature death, recommended that primary emphasis in developing a safer cigarette be aimed at reduction of carbon monoxide, nicotine and tar.

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freedom and activities imposed by all this litigation and these overhanging threats of various types—the biography and all this. All of these matters are very draining ... Your question was, am I happy and content? The answer is no."

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through legislative action," he said.

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Removal of six other substances described as probable contributors should be given second priority, it said, before efforts are made to reduce several other compounds considered suspected contributors.

The report noted disagreement among scientists, however, as to whether lower-nicotine cigarettes actually would curb smoking diseases.

"An alternative point of view held by some is that smoking behavior is a response to the need to reach a certain nicotine level and that lowering the amount of nicotine available from a cigarette may result in an increase in the number of cigarettes smoked, the depth of inhalation or the number of puffs in order to maintain an accustomed level," the report said.

"Such an increase in smoking might result in an increased inhalation of other hazardous substances in the smoke ..."

In the first attempt at examining the effects of cigarette smoke on nonsmokers, the report said persons in a smoke-filled room may be exposed to carbon monoxide levels of 20 to 80 parts per million, equal to or higher than some local air-pollution limits and national air-quality standards.

"The presence of such levels indicates that the effect of exposure to carbon monoxide may on occasion, depending upon the length of exposure, be sufficient to be harmful to the health of an exposed person," it said.

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Committee OKs drug abuse funds

Sen. Odie Echols Jr., D-Curry-Roosevelt, said Sunday \$250,000 for a drug abuse program would be in the general appropriations bill in the upcoming legislative session.

The New Mexico Legislative Drug Abuse Committee is endorsing a request from the governor's office for \$250,000 in drug abuse program money.

Echols' committee met Friday and Saturday in Santa Fe and discussed the program with Gov. Bruce King's legislative liaison, Franklin Jones, and Department of Hospitals and Institutions director Bill Giron.

The legislature appropriated \$100,000 for the program this current fiscal year, and Echols said the money had attracted another \$404,000 in federal funds for drug abuse work.

Echols said he believes the \$250,000 would generate between \$800,000 and \$1 million in federal funds to fight drug problems in New Mexico.

Echols said that of the \$250,000, the Quebrador drug rehabilitation center in Albuquerque would receive \$42,000 so it could treat heroin addicts outside Bernalillo County.

The \$100,000 this fiscal year "was spent at the local level where the problem exists," Echols said.

He said the committee was pleased with the way it was distributed.

Echols said the drug abuse committee is asking the State Department of Education to do some preliminary work on a proposed program of testing and counseling in elementary schools.

He said this might help detect youngsters who might be psychologically inclined toward use of drugs and alcohol.

Echols said the committee decided to seek expansion of drug abuse education and coun-

seling programs in the schools after hearing testimony by Dr. William Stennis of Santa Fe, president of the New Mexico Psychiatric Association.

Dr. Stennis compiled a handbook now being used in Los Alamos schools on a test basis to help teachers identify students who might turn to drugs and alcohol, Echols said.

In other business, the senator said, the committee completed work on an 87-page uniform controlled substances act, which would bring New Mexico drug laws more in line with federal laws.

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Santa Fe record

- Police Blotter**
Saturday, Jan. 8, 1972
- Aron L. Bond, 1108 Calle de Pajarito, reported the loss or theft in downtown Santa Fe of his wallet containing \$12 and personal papers.
 - Shoplifters were reported at the Ancient City Curio Shop and at T&EY in the Princessa shopping center.
 - Eugene Smith reported a burglary at 221-R McKenzio St.
 - Youngsters were reported shooting balloons around 735 Don Cubero.
 - Gilbert Montoya reported vandalism to a motor vehicle at 127 Solana Dr.
 - Items were reported stolen from Cottonwood Courts.
 - Robert Boice, 1024 Rio Vista, told police a stereo tape deck was taken from his car.
 - A break-in was reported at Goodwill Industries on Cerrillos Road.
 - Proctors were reported at 245 Casados and 224 Griffin.
- POLICE BLOTTER**
Jan. 10, 1972
- Proctors were reported operating on Armenta, at Casa Loma Apartments, on Encina Road, Arroyo Terorin, Don Diego and on Ambrosio.
 - A wall was damaged at Hickox and Baca.
 - Burglar alarms sounded at Richards, Distributing Co., Kaune's at 2115 Cerrillos, the School Administration Building and at Music Villa.
 - Anastacio Garcia, 446 W. Manhattan, reported the theft of a 1967 white Chevrolet station wagon.
 - Jim Liffelton, 432 Alamo, reported vandalism to a vehicle.
 - Ed Gunter, 1000 Marquet Place, reported a burglary.
 - Fred Deaty, 817 Rio Vista, reported the theft of a gun from a parked vehicle.
 - Reckless drivers were reported on Sierra Vista and on Cerrillos Road.
 - Children were reported shooting BB guns along Sunny Slope.
 - Norman Breshaw, 2320 Camino Carlos Rey, reported vandalism to a vehicle.
 - Manuel Solano, 512 Solano, reported damage to a wall.
 - Jessie Piers, 703 Franklin, reported a burglary.
 - Susan Yahn, 305 Delgado, reported a smashed vehicle window.
 - Dan Brewer, 1804 Paseo de la Conquistadora, reported a broken vehicle window.
 - Michelle Ryles, 456 E. Manhattan, reported a burglary.
 - Police checked on loud parties on Maes Road, Garcia and on Irvine.
 - Anthony Garcia, 724 Canyon, reported vandalism to a vehicle.
 - A stop sign was knocked down at the intersection of Llano and Pinar.
 - Property damage was reported at the Tempo Annex, 400 Camino de los Marquez.
 - Children were reported throwing rocks along Kearney.
 - Robert Lopez, 1001 Calle Katarina, reported the theft of a blue and white 1967 Chevrolet pickup. The vehicle has license plate 17-7511.
 - Clark Allison, 402 Sunset, reported a burglary.
 - Eloy Vigil, Sangre de Cristo Apartments, reported the theft of a stereo.
 - Residents along Camino Alire reported hearing shots fired.
 - Bill Bonjannin, 1817 Mann, reported the theft of a vehicle battery.
 - Eugene Smith, 221 B McKenzio, reported a burglary.
- Accidents**
- Police investigated minor property damage auto crashes on St. Michael's Drive, at Salazar and Agua Fria, on Cerrillos Road, at St. Michael's and Cerrillos, Coronado Center, Cordova and St. Francis, Pen Road Shopping Center, on Camino del Monte Sol and at Fifth and Hopewell.
 - Fire calls
 - Firemen were called to a fire at the City Dump at 5:30 p.m. Saturday. There were no tires reported Sunday.

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