

## BE ECO-LOGICAL

By Ruth Tripet

Learn to live and help others so that man is once more in harmony with his environment.

Here are a few tips on recycling: JUNK MAIL may be stopped. Tell the post office that you refuse to accept it, and officials there will stop delivering it. You may write to the Direct Mail Advertising Association, 230 Park Avenue, New York, New York, and request that your name be placed on a "drop-out" list, which is circulated to sellers of direct mail lists.

Odds and ends are sought

by nursery schools, kindergarten teachers, Scouting and other groups for crafts projects. Contact these groups if you are interested in getting rid of odds and ends around the house.

Milk cartons: As of August 29 in Denver, King Soopers, AG-Thriftway, Albertson's, 7-Eleven, Del Farm and U-Tote-Em food chains were cooperating in a program to collect milk cartons. Rinsed and partially flattened cartons can be deposited at collection points at these stores. Cartons will be reused as paper towels, napkins and other paper products.

Paper napkins and towels are non-recyclable. Cloth napkins may be substituted for paper. Use rags instead of paper towels to conserve paper, and newspapers are handy for some cleaning chores.

Keep Colorado Beautiful has Litter Cards available; these are postcards you carry in your car and jot down the license number and scene of others littering the highways. Mail the cards to Keep Colorado Beautiful and they in turn will send the car owner a friendly reminder not to lit-

ter and a free litterbag. Cards may be picked up free at the County Clerk & Recorder's office in the Courthouse in Castle Rock or from Keep Colorado Beautiful, 4260 East Evans, Denver, Colorado 80222.

## OH SEDALIA

Gateway to Sacred Heart Retreat; where despaired and lonely meet. Yet today, my heart soared at the sight, Of dazzling waves of gold, green, red so bright.

Oh Sedalia

The foothills of Jarre Canyon are awake, Golden aspens in slender quake.

I tremble, lest it will all end; Around another scenic bend,

Oh Sedalia

Such a paradise, I found, When dead, lay me in this sacred ground! Let my remains repent in mirth, 'neath this mantle of brilliant earth!

Oh Sedalia!  
(Elsie Sheeran 1971)

## ONE GAL'S OPINION

By Dorrie Ryan

I have, at various times in the past, been accused of being a "sob sister," one who becomes so emotionally involved in her writing she ceases to be objective. Mostly it's been by an old boss of mine, one who taught me much and one whom I adore, despite our differences of opinion.

If he could read this column he would, in all probability, ream me up one side and down the other for this free style, which here in Douglas County is acceptable, perhaps even preferable, is not considered professional by him.

But I can't help it. Despite the fact I would like to be considered a professional I write by instinct, heart, by the seat of my pants, if you will.

I become involved because by nature I'm an emotional person. I have a feel for people and their problems. Perhaps because I've had so many of my own.

Well, here I go again. Once before, in an early column, I invited public comment good or bad. I do so again. I invite not just your comment, but your participation.

There is a movement afoot

DOUGLAS COUNTY NEWS  
Castle Rock, Colorado  
Thursday, September 23, 1971

in this county to get a youth center established. A place the 1200 young Junior and Senior High School students of this area can call their own. A place where they can play a game of pool, or ping pong, read a book in a quiet corner, hold dances, play the guitar, or have a cup of coffee and rap (for you parents, converse).

I cannot believe there is a thinking adult within range of this paper who does not believe in his heart that this is far preferable to having your kids hang around the Courthouse lawn until all hours of the morning, race the streets of town in their souped up wheels, or head for the "in" places of Denver and Colorado Springs.

Ideally the home should be the center of activity for our young, but it's a sad fact that many of today's parents either can't or won't provide the kind of atmosphere they feel comfortable in.

Part of the problem is parents are seldom home. If Mom hasn't dashed out to a club meeting, P. T. A., or lunch with the girls, Daddy's gone off to a business meeting, golf, or a poker game with the boys.

Can any of you honestly say how long it's been since you've done anything with the family, the whole family?

I'm probably pricking the neck hairs of many of you readers -- I mean to.

I want you to forget about your clubs and games, your dinner with the Joneses for one night, and come with your youngsters to the High School Monday night. I want you to open your eyes, your ears and your hearts and hear what the youth of today is saying, learn of its needs and forget your own.

You educators -- come with an open mind. Sure, you've had your troubles with the minority of the kids, but why should the minority spoil the plans of a youth center for the majority.

We adults are always harping on the word "responsibility." Let's give our children a little. I think we'll all be surprised at how well it's handled.

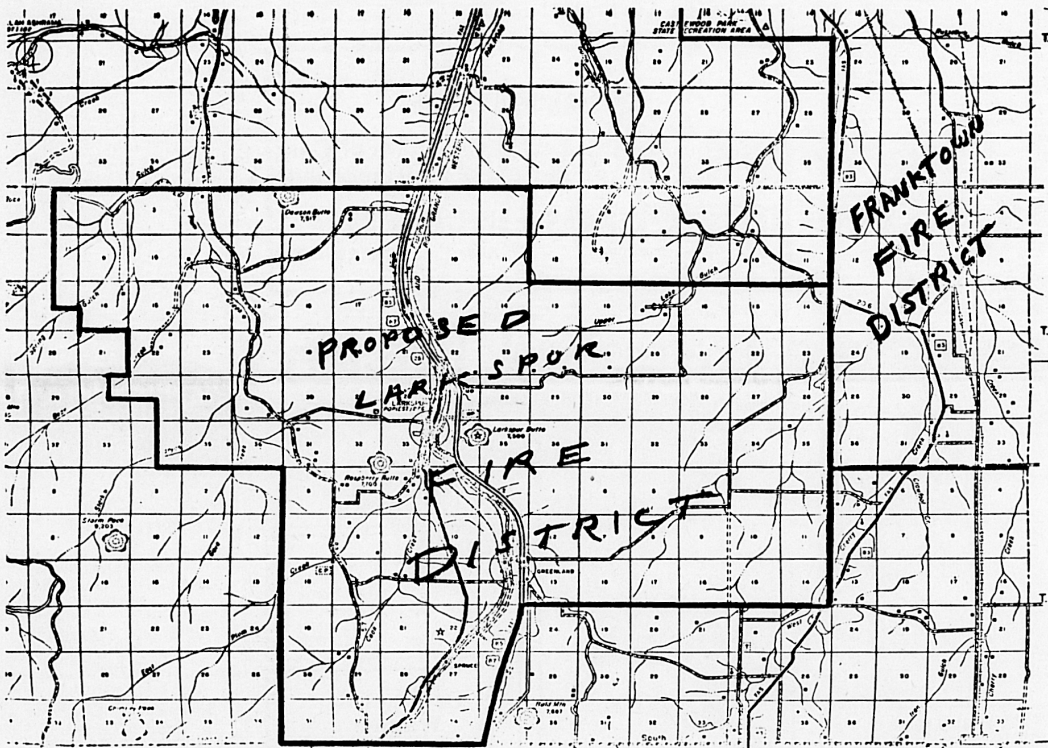
At least that's this gal's opinion.

## FINAL MOVIE IN DCHS SERIES

1984, George Orwell's terrifying prediction of the future, will be shown in the DCHS Auditorium next Tuesday (28th) at 7:00 p. m. Prices are 75¢ for students; \$1.00 for adults.

1984 depicts a world enslaved by dictatorships -- a world in which individual thought is methodically stamped out, and in which love is forbidden. Edmund O'Brien stars as a man who dares to defy the government.

Try a NEWS Classified



## LARKSPUR FIRE DEPARTMENT SEEKS TAX SUPPORT

Fellow Douglas Countians:

The members of the Larkspur Volunteer Fire Department are desirous of setting up a tax supported fire protection district in Douglas County. Since 1964 the Larkspur Volunteer Fire Department has operated on donations from the Community. It is now felt that a greater service can be rendered through the establishment of a tax district.

We feel that the community will benefit in the following ways from such a district formation:

1. The Larkspur Volunteer Fire Department will gain a larger income from which to secure better training and better equipment, and hence can provide better fire protection.
2. It will provide a more equitable means of cost sharing fire protection. Our present fund drives are not received equally well by all members of the community.

There is, of course, one disadvantage to the formation of a district and that is the tax increase. Although Colorado law allows a maximum taxation of 6 mills for a fire district, this is not expected to occur in Douglas County; at least not in the foreseeable future. The highest fire tax assessment presently in Douglas County is at Franktown, where they have a 2.75 mill levy. The County Commissioners indicate that the Larkspur Fire District, if approved, will have a tax levy of 1 to 2 mills. This should not work a real hardship on anyone.

Before presenting our petition to the court, we wish to make known our desires to those in the County who will be effected, and to request their cooperation and concurrence in our endeavor. It is our desire to serve the community in which we live. From the analysis and research performed to date by our members, we feel that a tax supported district will best help us serve that purpose. We therefore request your support and cooperation.

An open meeting is to be held on Tuesday, October 5th, at 8:00 p. m. at the Larkspur School. Further information will be presented at this time, and members of the Larkspur Volunteer Fire Department will be available to answer questions concerning the

proposed district. Petitions for the formation of the district will also be available for your signature.

I respectfully request, that if at all possible, you plan to attend this meeting.

Most sincerely yours, Edward S. Anderson /s/, Fire Chief,  
Larkspur Volunteer Fire Department.

**FREE REFRESHMENTS**  
**FREE DOOR PRIZES**  
**OPEN HOUSE**  
**Thursday, Sept. 23 - 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.**

**SNEAK PREVIEW**  
**of the 1972 Fords! See the**  
**ALL NEW TORINO**  
**BURGESS MOTOR CO.**

414 Wilcox

Castle Rock, Colo.