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What if you returned from vacation and your house had been illegally demolished?

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The happenings in Cheyenne seem to be getting weirder and weirder by the day.

I had a call a few days ago from the owner of the last remaining property at the Nob Hill subdivision west of the city that has not been acquired by the hospital.

She was in the process of solving the mystery of what had become of her meters for both electricity and natural gas at her house when she called.

This woman works in Albuquerque during the school year and returns to Cheyenne when she can during her school's summer vacation and other times during the year because most of her family still lives in Cheyenne.

To prevent water line freeze-ups during the time she is gone during the winter,

she places a "vacation hold" on her utilities - paying a monthly charge to have the gas left on so a temperature above freezing can be maintained in the house.

But when she went to her house the other day, after coming up from New Mexico, planning to work on getting the house in order to stay there and possibly having someone live in it after she returned to her job in Albuquerque, she went in the house and turned on the light switch. No power. Not a burned out bulb. There was no power anywhere in the house.

She went outside to the rear of the house and quickly discovered that the electric meter had been removed and wires were cut. The gas meter had also been removed and the line was capped, with the pipe protruding outward from the house.

Wondering what had happened - because she did not owe Cheyenne Light (CLFP) anything in arrears and had not requested any such disconnection - she contacted CLFP. Their records showed the house was to be demolished. An order was written to remove the meters.

Reconnection was made quickly when CLFP determined they had made a mistake and the customer was treated considerately and CLFP had her back in business almost before she knew it.

How close did it come to her house being demolished by mistake? Her fear of the hospital's power, based on the threats of their agent, led her to quickly conclude that the hospital was going to have her house demolished even though they didn't own it. It was a misplaced fear. But the story doesn't end here.

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Carlin St. enters Nob Hill subdivision from the south, off Happy Jack Rd.

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