

# School window replacement topic at board meeting

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Improving the junior-senior high school along with saving money in the long run was discussed when the St. Francis Board of Education met on Thursday.

Rob Schiltz, superintendent, said he had talked with representatives from Manko Windows of Manhattan about replacing the windows across the west side of the high school and the three long windows on the gymnasium. The representatives had been able to tell him the best type of window as well as showing him the different options available. It was also estimated that new windows would save around \$4,500 in energy each year.

Mr. Schiltz had a drawing of the front of the schools showing there are 48 windows on the front side. The bids will be sent out asking for prices to install the different energy-efficient options. Where there is now a panel on the top of the windows, there will be glass. The frame will be a dark brown which will complement the bricks and make the building more attractive.

These windows, Dr. Mary Beth Miller, board member, said, are overdue! We have been talking about them for awhile and we need to get it done. Then, we need to plan on replacing the windows in the back of the building next year.

Mr. Schiltz was told to pursue the window project by sending out bids.

### Upgrades

Mr. Schiltz said he had contacted Communications Engineering out of Hastings, Neb., and, for \$11,875, the company will replace the intercom and bell system in the high school building. The work will begin the first part of March.

The boiler system in the grade school is now in place. Mr. Schiltz said some new problems had

shown up. The power of the steam has revealed leaks in some of the radiators but those problems are being fixed and a few radiators are being replaced. Mr. Schiltz said the new boiler heats up quickly (before, it was necessary to start the boilers early (4 a.m.) for the school to be warm enough for students and teachers at the beginning of school. This will save money on natural gas, one of the board members pointed out.

### Calendar approved

Superintendent Schiltz reported on the meeting of the Meet-and-Confer Committee comprised of teachers, Jean Ann Confer, Kent Kechter, Becky McAtee, David Morrow; board members, Bruce Feikert and Pete Raile; and Mr. Schiltz.

The proposed school calendar had been agreed to with a minor change of moving the ending date of the first semester. This was done to even out the amount of days in the first and second semesters. School will start on Aug. 26.

A few other items had been discussed by the teachers but no changes were made.

### National anthem

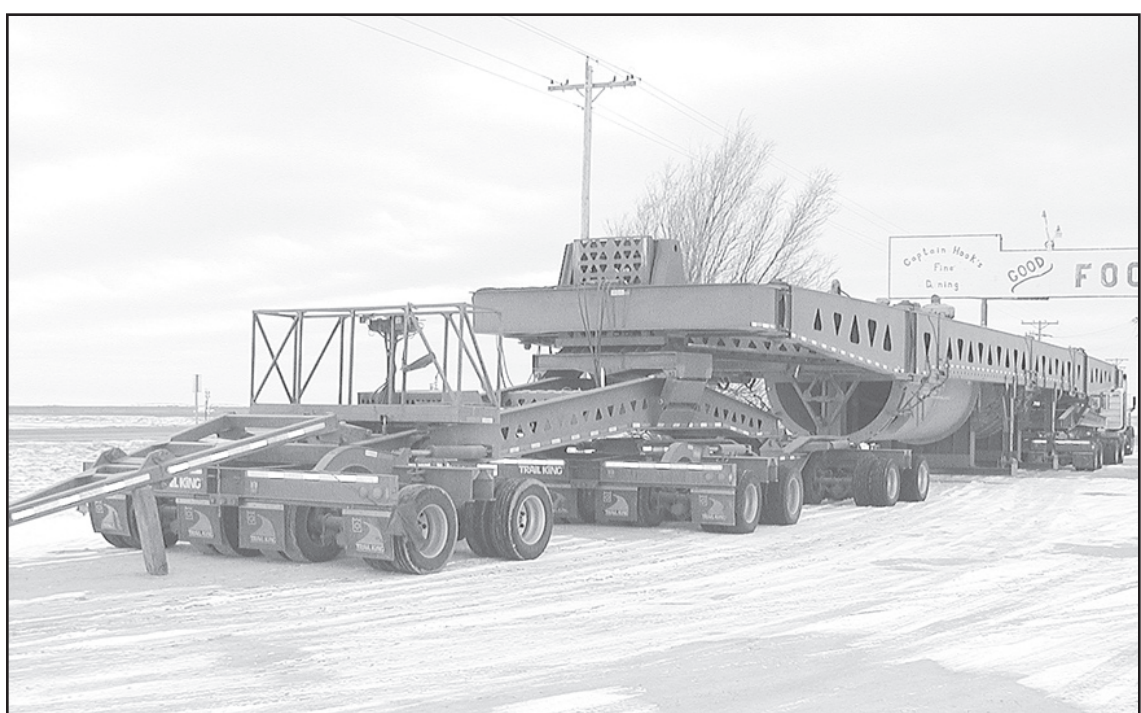
A letter to the editor written by Vickie Coates, which appeared in *The Saint Francis Herald* was addressed. Mr. Schiltz said he had never thought about why the national anthem was played in between the boys and girls games. He said it had always been done that way and that was when the most people present were present. The board discussed the matter and possibly there could be the national anthem played at the beginning of the girls game and again at the start of the boys game. He will look into the matter.

### Next meeting

The next meeting of the school board will start at 8 p.m. on Monday, March 9, in the library at the high school.



This large piece of equipment was parked at Captain Hook's restaurant in Wheeler on Sunday. No one was around to talk about the equipment but the information on the side of it said it was part of the Scotford Upgrader Expansion program. The program is part of the Athabasca Oil Sands Project Expansion 1, which will add approximately 100,000 barrels per day of capacity of the bitumen mining and upgrading facilities. The equipment weighed 111,100 KGS



# School board accepts resignation

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The St. Francis Board of Education accepted the letter of resignation from the head football coach at the Thursday meeting. They then turned to talking about candidates to fill the position.

Coach Tim Lambert had turned in his resignation effective at the end of the school year. Mr. Lambert has taught and coached in the St. Francis school system for 17 years.

Rob Schiltz, superintendent, said when he had put the job application on the Kansas State Department of Education website, he had a hit on the site within 2 minutes. There were 26 to 28 applications. Mr. Schiltz said he had also had a call from Randall Rath, Oakley football and girls basketball coach. Mr. Rath, after talking it over with his family, had declined to apply for the job.

Mr. Schiltz said they had offered a contract to Brian

Christensen from Akron, Colo. Mr. Christensen has been the head football coach in Akron for 13 years and had taken his team to state nine times, winning five of those nine. If he accepts the job, he will take all of Mr. Lambert's teaching responsibilities as well as athletic director.

Mr. Christensen has had trouble making up his mind and told the administration he would give his final answer on Wednesday (Feb. 18). If he doesn't accept, there are three other well-qualified people to interview, Mr. Schiltz said.

Mary Beth Miller, board member, asked why, when the school needed an industrial arts teacher, there were no applications. Mr. Schiltz said that there are very few industrial arts teachers available. There are no universities in Colorado offering the course and only one in Kansas.

The board and administration can do nothing but wait for Mr. Christensen's answer before knowing whether to move onto other interviews.

## Club Clip

### Ramblers Club

#### November

The Ramblers Club met on Nov. 12 at Rosemary Bierig's home.

Jeneva Northrup told of her many memories of attending "The 66th Annual Reunion of the 11th Armored Division of World War II. Members also told memories of World War II and an old ration book had been saved by Margaret Shay.

Hostesses were Rosemary Bierig and Betty Louden.

#### December

The December Christmas party was at Riverside Recreation. A dinner was served and enjoyed by many.

Guests and new members were invited to attend.

#### January

Sherry Schultz opened her home for the Jan. 14, meeting of

Ramblers Club.

Betty Jean Winston introduced the guest, Helene Landenberger. Helene shared poetry which she is known for (The Wild Rose Poet), and some of her music. Also, she talked about "Family Stories" and encouraged members by reminding them to preserve pictures, stories, etc about their own families.

The February meeting will be held at the home of Arlene Walz.



## Club Clip

### Music Club

The St. Francis Chapter of the Federated Music Clubs of Kansas met at 7 p.m. on Feb. 10, with Marsha Magley, presiding.

Raedell Winston gave the poetry moment, with excerpts from the Red Hatters book.

A most enjoyable evening was spent touring Scotland by way of Kim Zwegardt's powerpoint pictures and narrative of the trip she and her husband took.

The poetry of Robert Burns was highlighted in her presentation

called "The Signs and Sounds of Scotland" with everything from a bagpipe player, "Wee" cards, roads, houses, to huge castles, hotels and resorts.

The beauty and complexities of the landscape were shown as well as the humor in the differences of culture.

The group, including two guests, Shirley Watson and Fred Magley, were treated to Scottish desserts and coffee by hostesses Beth Maifeld and Jackie Butler.

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ORTHOPEDIST	Edward Parks, M.D.	March 16
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