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SNOW LAID THICK on anything and everything, breaking branches on trees which had not lost leaves.

## Snow hits 5-inch mark

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It started raining Wednesday and continued into the night. By Thursday morning, 5 inches of snow covered the ground, roofs and cars. The trees, many of which still had leaves, hung heavily. Some broke under the strain of the weight and were hauled away by the city crew.

The city crews were out making sure the flow of melting snow did not dam up on Main Street. During the morning, they were making their way up and down the street, breaking up any blocks and keeping the snow from packing on the streets.

The St. Francis schools opened two hours late and buses ran storm routes. Cheylin schools were also two-hours late.

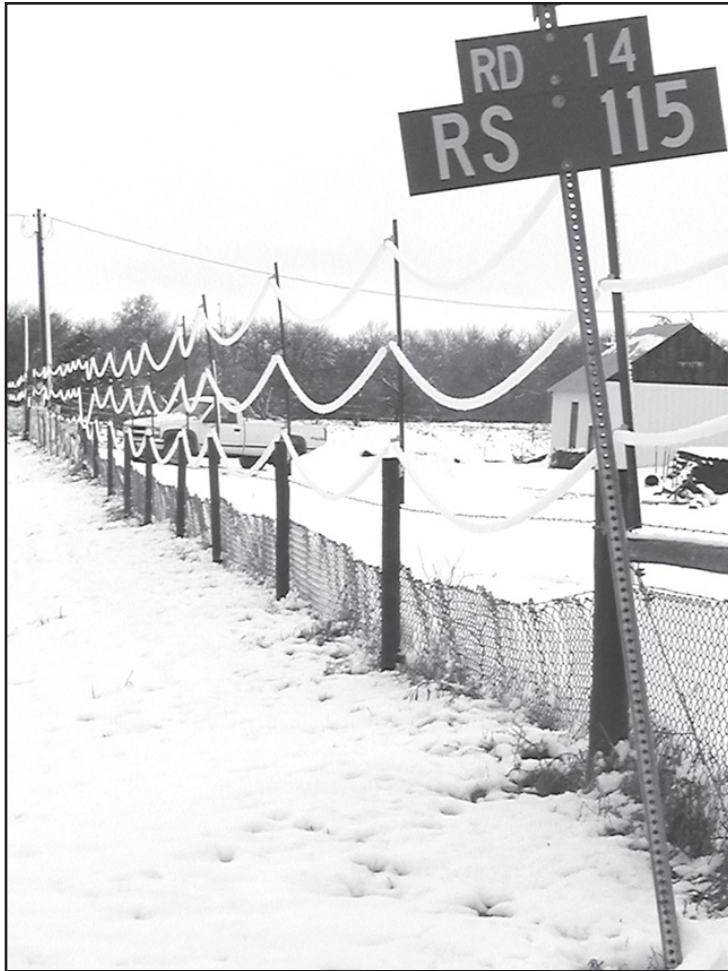
The power was out several

times in St. Francis. J.R. Landenberger, city superintendent, said the first outage was caused by the loss of one feeder. The city is divided into seven areas, each powered by a feeder line. An ice/snow-packed branch broke over one of the feeder lines, causing the first outage in the south part of the city. The next blackout was around 10 a.m. when Sunflower Electric in Atwood had problems.

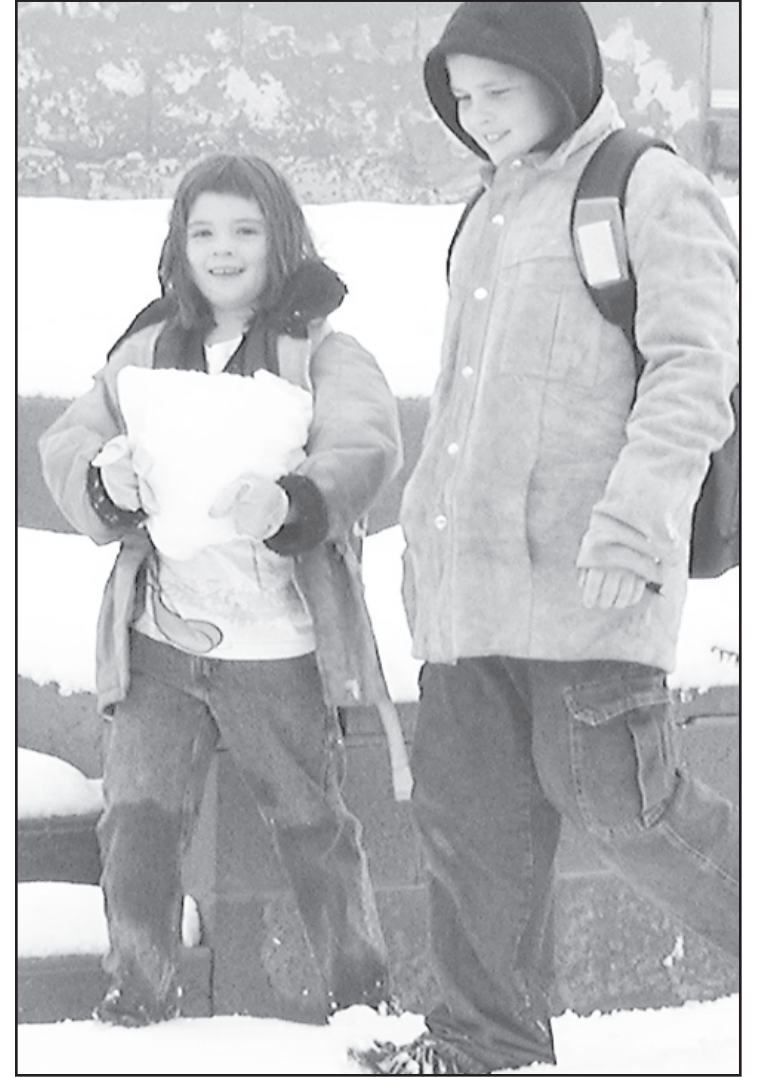
By Friday, a majority of the snow was gone as the ground was still warm. Country roads were muddy. It was too wet to get into the fields to harvest the fall crops. See related article concerning crops.

While the rain and snow has caused some inconvenience for some and has put fall harvest be-

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SNOW EVEN stuck to fence lines. Right, (l to r) Collin and Chase Bradbury, grandchildren of John and Elaine Kite, had built a snowman; far right, Stephanie Meyer and her brother, Justin, were headed to school.



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## Haigler festivities set on Halloween

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Witches, ghosts, princesses and Spider Man may be spotted at the Haigler Tumbleweed Festival held Halloween day on Saturday. There is no admission but there will be a free-will donation to fund the museum project.

The festival will start at 9 a.m. with Village garage sales. Most will end at noon but there are many unique, fun and useful items which will be for sale. Maps will be available at the corner of Porter and U.S. 34.

The chili feed with homemade pies and ice cream begins at 1 p.m. There will be drawings for prizes and there will be a maypole award.

Since this is the "Tumbleweed Festival," people are asked to bring

their decorated tumbleweed to be judged. The best-decorated tumbleweed for Halloween, along with the biggest tumbleweed, will be given prizes.

At 3 p.m., the Kiddy Halloween Parade will be held at the schoolhouse.

From 6 to 10 p.m., a country-western dance will be held at the American Legion building. At the close of the dance, a breakfast, sponsored by Sons of American Legion, will be held.

Saturday in Haigler promises to be a full day of fun, food and dancing.

In case of inclement weather, all afternoon events will be moved inside the country schoolhouse and the senior center.

## Church holds festival

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It is the sixth year for the St. Francis Community Church Fall Festival set for Halloween night on Saturday. With hay bales for seating and pumpkins for decoration, the fun will start at 6 p.m. at the church on 204 N. Quincy Street.

Everyone, said Pastor David Butler, is welcome to come enjoy the fun.

There will be a contest for

the kids' non-scary costume and adults can enter the "best decorated" hat contest.

There is a chili cookoff and the winner will be awarded the Golden Ladle Award. There will be a brownie cook off and the winner will be presented the Golden Spatula Award.

Last year, Tiffany Hamilton, for the second year in a row, won the chili cookoff. She is challenging anyone to bring in a better chili

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JEANNE FALK, area agronomist, talks to farmers at the county wheat plot tour in June. Herald photo by Karen Krien

## District receives three awards

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The Sunflower Extension District No. 6 was recently honored by receiving three awards at the National Association of County Agricultural Agents annual meeting in Portland, Ore. Three counties, Cheyenne,

Sherman and Wallace, make up the Sunflower district.

The district's crop production program was a national finalist. Jeanne Falk, multi-county agronomist for the district, had submitted the entry, which placed second in the nation. The

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## Parents reminded of school meetings

St. Francis schools have scheduled parent-teacher meetings on Friday for the elementary and junior/senior high school. Junior and senior high school parents may also visit the school on Monday evening.

"We look forward to this opportunity to talk and work with the parents of our students," said Principal Hoagie Carmichael.

The elementary meetings, planned for Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., have already been scheduled by phone.

"If parents have not talked to either the teacher or office, please call and we will get you a time to meet with the teachers," Mr. Carmichael said.

The principal said, in the past, the Monday nights have really

worked out well for the parents of junior/senior high school students.

"We are hoping that parents who can, will try to come up on Friday," he said. "We will have sign-in sheets with the teachers for the parents to sign."

The Monday night hours are 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

"We are looking forward to seeing all of you," he said.

### Financial Aid meeting

Ward Cassidy, school counselor, will be having a financial aid meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday night for parents of juniors and seniors to discuss post-high school placement.

The meeting will be held in the cafeteria and should last about 30 minutes.

## Time to set clocks back

With the second snowfall of the season over and winter just around the corner, Daylight Saving Time will come to an end shortly.

The clocks will turn back an hour on Sunday, which means the evenings will seem longer throughout the winter, as the sun sets earlier.

Under federal law, daylight time ends at 2 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 1. Last year, law makers added several weeks in the spring and one in the fall, specifically so trick-or-treating will have some daylight.

Clocks need to be turned back at 2 a.m. Sunday morning, but most people will either set the clocks back Saturday night before going to bed, or when they get up. Just don't forget, or you'll miss that extra hour of sleep.

