

# On the Plains

## Haigler News

By  
Floy  
Ruggles



**Weekend trip**  
On Thursday afternoon, Sept. 28, Don and Virginia Harford, along with their daughter Karen, started out for eastern Nebraska for an extended weekend trip.

The first stop was in Kearney where they visited former Haiglerite, Arlene Jones. The next morning they went on to Omaha where they took in the sites of Henry Doorly Zoo. Niece, Jeanie Clegg Thompson, met them at noon and finished out the afternoon with them at the zoo. They went to Jeanie and Bill Thompson's home in Omaha for the evening meal and were joined by granddaughter, Sharla Harford who is also a resident on Omaha.

On Saturday, they motored to the Auburn and Brock area where they visited with the Clarke relatives, Bud, Nancy, Tim, Mindy and Jacob. After a nice lunch with Nancy, she then gave them a tour of Brownville, Peru and neighboring rural southeastern Nebraska. The fall foliage was turning shades of gold, orange and red and the corn and soybean harvest was just beginning.

It was then on to Lincoln where they saw more Clarke relatives; Chayse, Hope and Colton and visited with former Methodist minister Homer Clements that evening.

Sunday was spent visiting more friends and relatives in the Lincoln area, Duane and Anne Eichorn, former Methodist minister Lowell Gaither and his wife Barb, and Max, Jane and Curtis Clegg. Jane showed them the quilts she had finished or was in the process of completing. Sunday evening they journeyed to York where they spent the night and were able to visit with granddaughters, Natalie and Nicole Harford, who are attending York College. As they headed on westward toward Haigler, they stopped to visit Wanda Harford's parents, Milton and Elvera Huebert in Henderson.

They returned home Monday evening after a fun-filled weekend.

**Fall Festival Sales Day**  
Remember the Haigler Fall Festival Sales Day this Saturday from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Watch for ads in the newspapers and postings throughout tri-state area. Site maps will be available at "the station" on Highway 34 and Porter Avenue. Everyone is welcome to attend and have a fun day of garage sales with lots of bargains. (ad located elsewhere).

Stanley and LaNeta Carlock returned home Wednesday evening. They had spent the past week in Estes Park and Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo.

The downtown Haigler area was packed with vehicles last Saturday evening. The coordinators of the Benefit Soup Supper and Fireman's Ball were pleased with the good turn-out and support of the surrounding community.

Sophia Zuege enjoyed a visit from Albert Jr. of Imperial on Saturday.

Stanley and Lois Zuege just returned Saturday evening from a week's trip and visit with Stanley Dale at Pagosa Springs. Taking a special scenic route, they observed the beautiful fall colors of the aspen on the way. Stanley Dale had reserved a condominium for the duration of their visit. A few forest fires were observed during their stay but far enough away so as not to be a threat.

Last Tuesday, Oct. 3, Mary Cox greatly enjoyed a visit with her brother and wife, John and Virginia Barnett, from Augusta. They were on their way back to Kansas from Denver and stopped by for a few hours.

MerryLu Simmons visited her parents, Richard and Laura Pearl Wall on Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Wall and baby, Allison Maylyn of Eustice, Neb., came to the Richard Wall home on Saturday. It was 7-week old Allison's first visit to her great-

grandparents' home. Her grandad, Dwight of Lewellen was also present. Others who attended dinner at the Wall Home included MerryLu and Bob Simmons; Dusty, Christy, Sydney and Gracie Wall; Carlie and Dadie Buchanan; Royal and Helen Woods and Gary Nelson.

Pastors Brian and Lana Fong were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wall.

**Haigler memories**

From Lincoln, Lillian (Zuege) Kruse writes: "My parents were C. William and Alma Zuege. We farmed east of Haigler, about 1/2 mile until they moved to town in 1938. My dad was the city marshal and also worked at the depot. On Saturday evenings, especially, but other nights also, he loaded up eggs, chickens, cream and milk on a little train which consisted of the engine,

one storage car and one passenger car. It made its rounds from McCook to Wray and back. Some people called it "the puddle jumper." He also hung mail for the zephyr and picked up a bag of mail they threw off.

"I remember the bad flood of 1935. There was a draw or canyon right next to our farm and it was full of raging waters - just so close to our barns and animals. The Health Department of Lincoln came and vaccinated everyone for typhoid fever.

"Does anyone remember the coyote hunts? I was pretty small but many men and boys congregated out in the country, rounded up and killed coyotes. There were so many.

My mother belonged to United Methodist Church Ladies Aid. They took a kerosene stove in the back of a truck and a boiler, filled it with water and cooked and sold hot dogs for 5 cents each. The ladies baked a lot of pies and sold them also.

"I was able to go through the Haigler Schools, graduated in 1942 with lots of nice memories. Also remember my oldest brother and wife taking a wagon and two horses and on weekends they gathered old bones in the pastures. I don't remember where they took them but they got two dollars a load. Money was very scarce in the 1930s so every penny counted.

"Rev. Homer Clements was a pastor at Haigler and also filled in as superintendent. He now lives in Lincoln and shares his newspapers with us."

## Beecher Island News

By  
Bessie  
Dent



There were 62 at Sunday school. Jacque Ekberg gave the special number. Ashley Hurlburt, Jacob Osmus and Don Marvel gave their birthday offering.

Mr. and Mrs. John Osmus hosted dinner Sunday in honor of Jacob's fourth birthday. Guests were Mr.

and Mrs. Phil Osmus, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Osmus and Holly Johnson and boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Oberg of Corna, Calif., were Monday to Wednesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Srrangways. Mr. and Mrs. Roger Wieser joined them for supper Monday.

Dale and Wilma Brueggeman visited Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Chapman and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ekberg Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Goodman were last Monday overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield. Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mansfield joined them for supper Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Rose and girls and Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Madsen and Kensey attended the ball games at High Plains then went out for supper.

Gary Mansfield was a Sunday

visitor of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dent visited Wednesday afternoon.

Jerri Rose had lunch with Sylvia Madsen in Wray Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dent and Joyce Brown had lunch Thursday at the La Familia.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowe Shively had dinner Sunday with Doris Whomble.

Glen Davenport was a Sunday overnight guest of Mr. and Mrs. Rowe Shively.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dent visited Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Jones Saturday afternoon.

## Ag Talk with Jeanne

### Grazing or Haying Freeze-Damaged Sorghum

By Jeanne Falk; K-State Multi-County Agronomist

Some fields in our area of grain sorghum will likely not reach physiological maturity this fall before the first killing freeze. These fields were under drought stress for most of the summer, which slowed the development of the plants. This may have resulted in a buildup of nitrates in the lower stems to levels that could be toxic to cattle.

Where there has been some recent moisture and growth has resumed, the nitrates that had accumulated in the lower stems will have begun moving normally through the plant into the upper leaves and head. This should result in reduced nitrate levels in the lower stems of these plants.

According to John Fritz, K-State forage management specialist, nitrates will continue to translocate into the leaves and heads, until the first killing freeze. After the plants are dead, whatever nitrates are in the leaves and stems will remain in place. Normally, the leaves will have relatively low nitrate levels. Before grazing, a sample of the upper leaves should be tested for nitrates just to be safe. The lower 8 inches of stems should definitely be tested for nitrate levels before allowing cattle to graze the sorghum.

It doesn't matter if the crop is grazed or hayed before or after the

first killing freeze. If the field will be used while the plants are still alive, producers will have to keep in mind nitrate levels will continue to change with time and may have to be tested more than once.

Stocking rates should be low enough on fields of grain sorghum that the cattle will eat only the heads and upper leaves and stems. Cattle should not be allowed to eat the stalks down to 8 inches or so, if possible.

If the fields will be grazed heavily, producers will have to be very sure that nitrate levels are safe. In addition, cattle should be filled up on roughage before going out onto grain sorghum for the first time.

Also, producers should not put cattle out onto grain sorghum that has received some rain recently and has new regrowth. These new shoots growing at the base of the plants are palatable to animals, but often have toxic levels of prussic acid, commonly known as cyanide.

Because prussic acid poisoning occurs quickly, the symptoms are usually observed too late for effective treatment. Prevention is the key to this problem. After a killing frost, wait at least four days before grazing to allow the cyanide gas to dissipate from the ruptured cell membranes. Also cattle should be fed roughage before going out on the sorghum.

## Public Notices

### Petition filed in court for the Johnson estate

Published in The Saint Francis Herald, St. Francis, Kansas, Thursdays, October 5, October 12 and October 19, 2006. (39-41)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS In the Matter of the Estate of OSCAR EMMANUEL JOHNSON, JR.

a/k/a OSCAR E. JOHNSON, JR., Case No. 2006-PR-17 deceased.

NOTICE OF CREDITORS THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on September 26, 2006, a Petition for Issuance of Letters of Administration was filed in this court by Elaine E. Johnson, the surviving spouse and an heir of the deceased, and the

court appointed said Elaine E. Johnson on that day as administrator of the Estate of Oscar Emmanuel Johnson, Jr. a/k/a Oscar E. Johnson, Jr., deceased.

All creditors of the above-named decedent are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four months, from the date of the first publication of this Notice, as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

ELAINE E. JOHNSON, ADMINISTRATOR

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### Petition filed in court for the Cardwell estate

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS In the Matter of the Estate of

Case No. 06-PR-16 Jean Francis Cardwell, a/k/a Jean F. Cardwell, Deceased PURSUANT TO K.S.A. CHAPTER 59

NOTICE OF HEARING THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by William D. E. Cardwell, spouse and one of the heirs of Jean Francis Cardwell, a/k/a Jean F. Cardwell, deceased, praying:

Descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Cheyenne County, Kansas:

An undivided one-half (1/2) interest in the West Half of the Southwest Quarter (W1/2SW1/4) of Section Twenty-eight (28), Township Four (4) South, Range Forty-two (42), West of the 6th P.M. in Cheyenne County, Kansas, and

An undivided one-half (1/2) interest in the Northwest Quarter of the

Northwest Quarter (NW1/4NW1/4) of Section Thirty-three (33), Township Four (4) South, Range Forty-two (42), West of the 6th P.M. in Cheyenne County, Kansas.

and all personal property and other Kansas real estate, real and personal, or interests therein, owned by the decedent at the time of death and that such property be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession; and you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before October 20, 2006, at 10:30 a.m. of said day, in said court, in the City of St. Francis, in Cheyenne County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

William D.E. Cardwell, Petitioner JAMES M. MILLIKEN, CHARACTERED James M. Milliken, #7001 101 W. Washington Street, P.O. Box 627 St. Francis, Kansas 67756-0627 (785) 332-2101 Attorneys for Petitioner

## Notification filed for impact of land resource

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PUBLICATION NOTIFICATION OF POSSIBLE IMPACT TO AN IMPORTANT LAND RESOURCE

The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development is considering an application for federal assistance from Midwest Energy, Inc. The specific elements of the proposed action are to re-loan the funds to Bird City Dairy, LLC in Cheyenne County, KS to construct up to a 3000 head dairy facility.

If implemented, the proposed action would indirectly convert 215 acres of important farmland in the dairy facility. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of this possible result and to request comments concerning:

The impacts of the proposed land

located in the W 1/2 of section 27, township 3 south, range 27 west. The tract has 2700 feet of frontage along US 36 and is only the 215 acres located south of US 36 in the W of the above listed property.

Alternative sites or actions that would avoid these impacts, and Methods that could be used to reduce these impacts.

The proposed action is available for review at the following USDA-Rural Development Office, 2715 Canterbury Drive, Hays, KS 67601. Phone: 785-628-3081.

Any person interested in commenting on the proposed action may do so by sending such comments with in 30 days following the date of this publication to:

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