Weather

National Weather Service
Red Flag Warning

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 13. Northwest wind between 5 and 15 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 48. Northwest wind between 5 and 15 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 19. West wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 54. West wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 24.

Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 53.

Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 28.

M.L.King Day: Mostly sunny, with a high near 43.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 20.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 36.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 20.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 50.

Wednesday: High, 34; Low 10
Precip: Wednesday Trace
Month: None
Year: None
Normal: 0.42 inches
(K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset
Friday 8:03 a.m. 5:42 p.m.
Moon: waning, 78 percent
(U.S. Naval Observatory)

Dairy to supply Dannon plant

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ber. And now there's more.

"It just sort of happened," said Judy, "The boys were talking to a consultant who works for Cargill. Cargill has a dairy division, and it was the consultant's dream to put something like this together because it had never been done before, and that's how it all started.

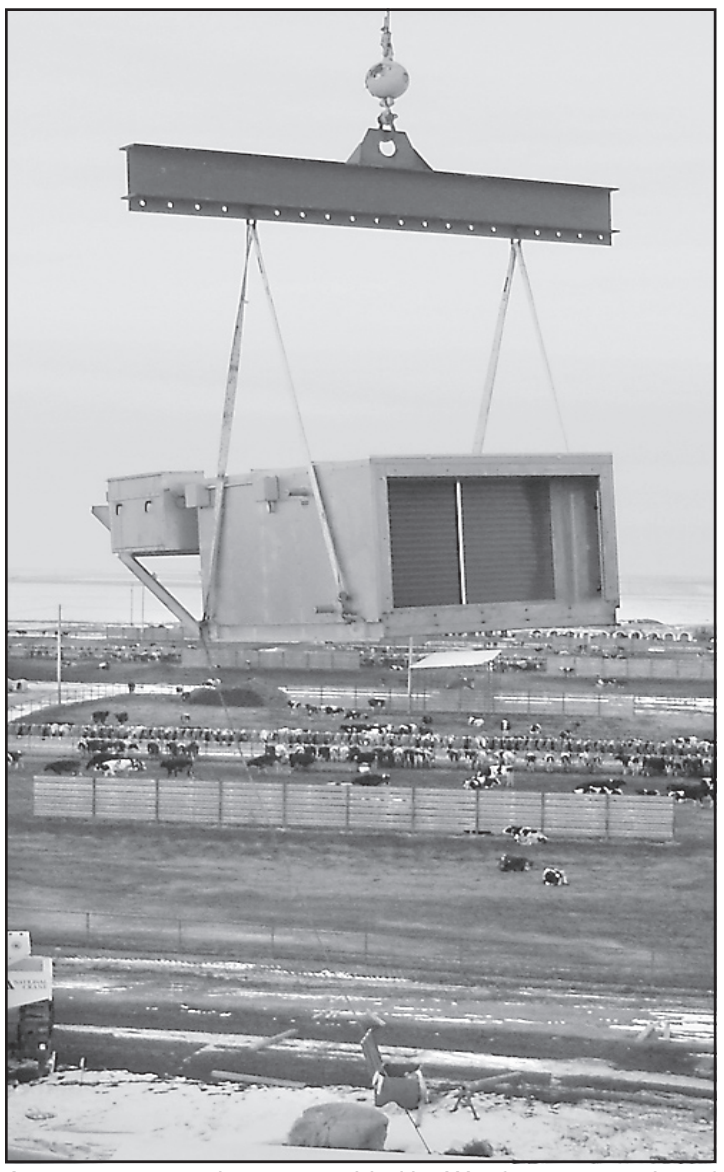
"Dannon is a huge corporation which produces yogurt and dairy drinks for shipment from three plants scattered across the country … in Fort Worth, Jordan, Utah, and Minster, Ohio. The Ohio location is the largest, producing 230,000 cups of yogurt hourly."

Dairying is more than just milking cows. There're newborn calves to tend to, heifers to be fed and prepared for breeding, manure to haul, feeding various rations to the various ages of animals, machinery and equipment to keep in working order, plus making sure it's all done by the clock. And there's never a day off when there are cows to be milked.

This all goes on daily while construction crews are busy with the expansion.

McCarty said many area businesses and agencies, including Midwest Energy, Jim's Electric, the Thomas County commissioners, Foley Equipment, Colby Implement, Colby Canvas and the Northwest Kansas Planning and Development Commission, to name a few, have been good to work with. She said the family workers on the project have given a boost to the area's economy with added business for restaurants and service stations and renting 80 to 90 motel rooms.

The Rexford dairy, she said, will add from 13 to 17 jobs for the new project, with the first product to be approved to go out April 1.



An 180,000-pound crane provided by Woofter construction of Colby easily swung giant pieces of equipment into place for the McCarty Dairy expansion.

To fulfill the dairy's commitment to the Fort Worth plant, she said, the family needs to be milking 7,500 cows, so each dairy will have around 2,500 cows.

The Bird City dairy completed a new free-stall barn this year. Crews now are enlarging the milking parlor and maternity area at the Rexford dairy.

Milk from Scott City and Bird City will be hauled to the condensing plant near Rexford, McCarty said. They expect to ship out 3 1/2 loads of condensed product daily. And since milk is 87 percent water, the dairy will be able to reuse the water that comes off the condensing process, enabling it to use even less ground water than before.

"Dannon expects everything to be immaculate," McCarty said. "They are dedicated to meeting or exceeding all state and federal regulatory standards…. It's all about what's good for the environment, the employees and what's good for the business.

"The Dannon Company is very concerned about communities. They're especially concerned about their carbon footprint and about keeping the environment safe, and although they're really big, they are people just like us.

"The first time we all met, there was an instant connection, and we're really comfortable with it all. In fact, with no conference room here at the dairy, everyone, including the environmental people overseeing that end of the project, ended up using my kitchen for meetings.

"This," she said, making a sweep with her arm indicating the temporary modular buildings set up to house offices, project manager and environmentalists, "will all be gone and we'll actually have a real office."

McCarty said since they are a family dairy, the project manager encouraged them to incorporate a family theme into their office decor. They will use some of the rock from a quarry at the old dairy and possibly some wood from Pennyslvania in parts of the new office area.

The lab and processing area will be headed up by Dr. Joe Gillispie of McCook, Neb. He will be responsible for all lab work, which will be under sterile conditions to comply with regulations. Ashley Sherman, a Colby native, will stay on to handle tracking operations. Bill Adams, an accountant from Colby, will handle day-to-day finance.

"We owe many people a lot of gratitude for stepping up to the plate," McCarty said, "and for that we are so very appreciative."

She said the family plans an open house sometime after everything is ready.

Briefly

Conservations awards coming up on Jan. 23

The Thomas County Conservation District's 68th annual meeting and awards banquet will begin at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 23, at the Colby United Methodist Church. Conservation poster winners will be recognized and two farm operators will receive the windbreak and conservation awards. Make reservations by Tuesday by calling Debbie Potter at the district office, 462-7482, extension 1303.

Free help with taxes offered by senior group

Free tax preparation will be available from experts trained by the American Association of Retired Persons' Tax-Aide program, by appointment only, on Wednesdays from Feb. 1 to April 11 at the Colby Community College library. For an appointment, call Earle Rice at 462-2990.

Massage students to have clinic Jan. 24

Students in the therapeutic massage program at Colby Community College will hold a massage clinic Tuesday, Jan. 24. Cost is $10 for 30 minutes, $20 for an hour and $30 for a 90-minute massage. To make an appointment, call program Director Ceena Owens at 460-5427. Money earned will be used for program supplies and and equipment.

Knights of Columbus set free-throw contest

The Colby Knights of Columbus will hold its annual free throw contest at 1 p.m. Sunday in the Colby Grade School gym. The contest is open to boys and girls age 10 to 14 as of Jan. 1. Bring proof of age. Doors open at noon and the contest begins at 1 p.m. Winners advance to the district contest. For information, call Dewey Augustine at 443-1548 or 460-2924.

Sign up now for food; delivery set for Jan. 28

Sign up for Prairie Land Food is open until Monday at the State Farm Insurance office, 905 E. Fourth St., with delivery set for Saturday, Jan. 28, at the Sacred Heart School gym, 1150 W. Sixth St. You may also order by e-mailing linda@parairelandfood.com. For questions, call Gene Griffin, 460-3579.

Economic Development to meet on Thursday

The Thomas County Economic Development Alliance board will meet at 8 a.m. Wednesday win Suite 12 at the county Office Complex, 350 S. Range Ave. For information, call 460-4511.

Church offering class on 'Financial Peace'

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University class, sponsored by Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby, will be offered from 7 to 9 p.m on Sundays beginning Jan. 22 in the basement of the church, 1065 W. Fifth St.. To register, call Steve and Sara Juenemann at (785) 460-7725 or 443-1083.

Air Force band to play

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to the Organ Vesper Series in Omaha.

It is one unit of 45 that make up the Heartland of America Band, which represents more than 325,000 Air Force members. The full band performed in Colby several years ago.

"The squadron of musical professionals come from advanced degrees … who have continually proven a broad mastery of musical styles from classic to contemporary, jazz to country, and pop to rock," said SSgt. Carl Eitzen, tour director and trumpet player.

Eitzen said components of the Heartland band do more than 450 concerts a year throughout eight states.

Guest artists who have accompanied the band include John Denver, Frank Mantooth, Kevin Mahogany, Frederick Fennell, Chip Davis, Crystal Gayle, Wycliffe Gordon and Joseph Alessi, he said.

"It was the greatest pleasure and honor to work with the USAF Brass in Blue," said Alessi, the principal trombonist of the New York Philharmonic after an October 2008 performance.

Hospital hires doctor couple

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Hills, Mich.

"I saw the needs in northwest Kansas while growing up in Cheyenne County," he said. "It was always my goal to return and provide what I knew we needed. Coming to Colby seemed to fall into place, and when we considered all aspects, it became an easy decision."

Hospital officials said he will provide general surgical services, including hernia repair, cholecystectomy and appendectomy, bowel resections and colostomy, breast surgery, endoscopic procedures and emergency surgery and trauma.

"Surgery is not a job for me, but a calling," he said. "I believe God has led me here and allowed me to travel this path for a reason. I can only hope to serve him and this community well."

Sarah Gabel graduated from Hays High School in Hays and went on to receive an undergraduate degree from Fort Hays State. She also attended medical school in Kansas City and received a Doctor of Osteopathy degree. She completed a family medicine residency at William Beaumonth Hospital in Troy, Mich., and is currently in a surgical obstetrics fellowship at Oakwood Hospitals in Wayne and Dearborn, Mich.

She said her Kansas roots and her experiences out here led to her become a family physician after shadowing Dr. Richard Rajewski in Hays.

The hospital says she will be providing a full spectrum of family medicine services, treating both men and women of all ages. Through Dr. Sarah's residency and fellowship She will have extensive training in obstetrics and women's health.

The Gabels have two children, son Elijah, 3, and daughter Aleha, born in November. Kelly Gabel is the youngest son of Larry and Beth Gabel of Colby.

LOCAL TV Listings

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Saturday Evening — January 14, 2012

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Wipeout		Miss America Pageant				Local			
KBSL/CBS	NFL Football						Local			
KSNK/NBC	The Firm				Law & Order: SVU		Local	Saturday Night Live		
KSAS/FOX	Cops	Cops	Terra Nova		Local		Hell's Kitchen		New Girl	Local
Cable Channels										
A & E	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Shipping	Shipping	Storage	Storage
AMC	The Cowboys				Hell on Wheels		The Searchers			
ANIM	My Cat From Hell		Pit Boss		Pit Bulls-Parole		Pit Boss		Pit Bulls-Parole	
BRAVO	Real Housewives		The Break-Up				The Break-Up			
CMT	Tombstone		Ron White: Call Me Tater Salad			True Blue: Ten Years		Ron White: Call Me Tater Salad		
CNN	CNN Presents		Piers Morgan Tonight		CNN Newsroom		CNN Presents		Piers Morgan Tonight	
COMEDY	Shallow Hal		Super Troopers				Napoleon Dynamite			
DISC	Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs	
DISN	Monsters, Inc.			Take Two	Phineas	Phineas	Phineas	Phineas	Jessie	Austin
E!	(500) Days of Summer				Kourtney	Kourtney	The Soup	Chelsea	Chelsea	500 Days
ESPN	SportCtr	Poker	World, Poker		World, Poker		SportsCenter		NFL PrimeTime	
ESPN2	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strongest Man		SportsCenter	
FAM	Mrs. Doubtfire		Matilda				Coraline			
FOOD	Restaurant: Im.		Restaurant: Im.		Restaurant: Im.		Iron Chef America		Restaurant: Im.	
FX	UFC Prelim				Transformers					
HGTV	Design	Genevieve	Color	Donna Dec	House	Hunters	House	Hunters	Color	Donna Dec
HIST	Outlaw Josey						Cowboys & Outlaws		Outlaw Josey	
LIFE	Sexting in Suburbia				Walking the Halls				Sexting in Suburbia	
MTV	Teen Mom 2		Jersey Shore		Jersey Shore		Shaun of the Dead			
NICK	iCarly	Big Time	Victoriou	iCarly	'70s Show	'70s Show	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SCI	Meteor Storm		Collision Earth				Stonehenge			
SPIKE	The Rundown		Starship Troopers					Starship Troopers		
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Failure to Launch				Just Friends	
TCM	Thirty Seconds					Adam's Rib				LastHurr
TLC	20/20 on TLC		20/20 on TLC		20/20 on TLC		20/20 on TLC		20/20 on TLC	
TNT	Shooter					American Gangster				
TOON	Garfield Gets Real		Oblongs	King/Hill	King/Hill	Fam. Guy	Boondocks	Boondocks	Bleach	Fullmetal
TRAV	Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures	
TV LAND	Cleveland	Cleveland	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	King
USA	NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		Indiana Jones			
VH1	Menace II Society				Romeo Must Die					Music
WGN	NBA Basketball					News/Nine	30 Rock	Scrubs	Scrubs	Sunny
Premium Channels										
HBO	Black Swan				Robin Hood					Blk Swan
MAX	The Rite	Men in Black			Stag Night			Lingerie	Lady Chatterley	
SHOW	The King's Speech				I'm Still Here				Lies	Shameless

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Sunday Evening — January 15, 2012

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Once Upon a Time		Desperate Housewives		Pan Am		Local			
KBSL/CBS	Undercover Boss		The Good Wife		CSI: Miami		Local			
KSNK/NBC	Golden Globes						Local		Dateline NBC	
KSAS/FOX	Simpsons	Napoleon	Fam. Guy	Napoleon	Local					
Cable Channels										
A & E	Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds	
AMC	Unforgiven				Hell on Wheels		Hell on Wheels		Breaking Bad	
ANIM	American Stuffers		Gator Boys		Finding Bigfoot		Gator Boys		Finding Bigfoot	
BRAVO	Housewives/Atl.		Housewives/Atl.		Chef Roblé & Co.		Happens	Housewives/Atl.		Happens
CMT	Urban	Pure Country					Kitchen Nightmares		Kitchen Nightmares	
CNN	CNN Presents		Piers Morgan Tonight		CNN Newsroom		CNN Presents		Piers Morgan Tonight	
COMEDY	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Kevin Hart: Laugh		Kevin Hart: Laugh		Donald Glover		Tosh.0	Work.
DISC	Sons of Guns		Sons of Guns		Sons of Guns		Sons of Guns		Sons of Guns	
DISN	Austin	Frenemies			Shake It	Austin	Shake It	Shake It	Wizards	Wizards
E!	Kourtney and Kim		Kourtney	Kourtney	Kourtney and Kim		E! After Party		Kourtney and Kim	
ESPN	NFL PrimeTime		NBA Basketball					SportsCenter		
ESPN2	Australian Open									
FAM	Bedtime Stories				Bedtime Stories				J. Osteen	Ed Young
FOOD	Cupcake Wars		Rachael v. Guy		Iron Chef America		Chopped		Rachael v. Guy	
FX	Zombieland				Zombieland				Armored	
HGTV	Holmes on Homes		Holmes Inspection		Holmes Inspection		Property Brothers		Holmes Inspection	
HIST	Ax Men		Ax Men		Cajun Pwn	Cajun Pwn	Larry the Cable Guy		Ax Men	
LIFE	Boy She Met				Sexting in Suburbia				Boy She Met	
MTV	Caged		Teen Mom 2		Jersey Shore		Jersey Shore		Challenge	
NICK	'70s Show	'70s Show	My Wife	My Wife	George	George	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SCI	Resident Evil		Resident Evil				Resident Evil			
SPIKE	Kill Bill: Vol. 2				Turistas				Turistas	
TBS	Ghosts-Girlfrnd				Ghosts-Girlfrnd				Miss Congeniality 2	
TCM	Abbott and Cos.-Frank.			Abbott & Cos-Invisible Man			Abbott & Cos Meet Mummy			Floating
TLC	I Cloned My Pet		Hoard-Buried		Storm Chaser		Hoard-Buried		Storm Chaser	
TNT	Law Abiding Citizen		Leverage		Law Abiding Citizen				Leverage	
TOON	Gumball	Looney	Chicken	Aqua Teen	King/Hill	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Robot Chicken		
TRAV	When Vacations		Making Monsters		Making Monsters		Toy Hunters		Making Monsters	
TV LAND	M*A*S*H	The Exes	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	King
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Indiana Jones			
VH1	Mob Wives		Baseball Wives		Mob Wives		Mob Wives		Baseball Wives	
WGN	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	News/Nine	Replay	The Unit		Monk	
Premium Channels										
HBO	The A-Team				Angry	Angry	Arthur			
MAX	Hand-Rocks				Sucker Punch					
SHOW	Lies	Californ.	Shameless		Lies	Californ.	Shameless		Lies	Californ.

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