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Goodland teams advance in 11th Topside Tip-off

By Tom Betz

The Goodland Daily news The host teams for the 11th Annual Topside Tip-off the Goodland Cowboys and Cowgirls both won their first games of the season, and their opening round games defeating Wray and Burlington, Colo.

The Cowgirls opened tournament play against Burlington, considered by some to be one of the toughest teams in the field, and won convincingly, 69-62. The Cowboys used a strong effort in the second half to defeat Wray, 71-68.

Other winners in the first round were the McCook Bison who defeated Yuma, 76-38. Burlington's boys team defeated Morrill, 67-42, and St. Mary's won over Holyoke, 75-60. In the girls bracket Morrill defeated Wray, 57-43; McCook defeated St. Mary's, 54-26; and Holyoke won their game against Yuma, 71-59.

The second round begins at noon today with the Wray girls facing St. Mary's of Colorado Springs at the Max Jones Fieldhouse. At 2 p.m. Morrill faces McCook at the fieldhouse. At 6 p.m. Burlington plays Yuma at the high school gym, and at the same time the Goodland Cowgirls will face Holyoke at the fieldhouse.

The second round of the boys bracket begins at 4 p.m. with McCook facing Burlington at Max Jones Fieldhouse, and at the same time Morrill will play Yuma in the high school gym. At 8 p.m. the Goodland Cowboys will face St. Mary's at the fieldhouse, and Holyoke will play Wray at the high school gym.

Saturday's action in the girls consolation bracket will begin at 9 a.m. at the fieldhouse where the winners of the games between Wray and St. Mary's, and Burlington and Yuma will play for fifth place. The loser of the games Friday night will play for seventh place at 1 p.m. Saturday in the high school gym.

The winners of the games between Morrill and McCook's Lady Bison, and the Goodland Cowgirls and Holyoke, will meet for the tournament champi- onship at 7 p.m., Saturday at the Karen Ginther; First National Bank onship at 5 p.m. Saturday at the fieldhouse. The loser of these games was represented by Debbie Martin; repfieldhouse. The losing teams will play will play for third place at 3 p.m. at the resentative from Coca-Cola was Rich for third place at 1 p.m. Saturday at the fieldhouse. Saturday's action in the boys consolation bracket begins at 11 a.m. Saturday when the winners of the games between Morrill and Yuma, and Holyoke and Wray will play for fifth place. The loser of these games will play at 3 p.m. Saturday at the high school gym for seventh place. The winners of the games between Burlington and McCook's Bison, and St. Mary's and the Goodland Cowboys, ager and Dolly Irvin, associate; West-certificates by Dee Miller, Topside Tipwill meet for the tournament champi- ern State Bank was represented by



Cowgirl Jayci Stone looks to move the ball up court against Burlington's Sheena Knox during the opening round of the Topside Tip-off Thursday. The Cowgirls won the game 69-62. Action continues today at Max Jones Fieldhouse, and the championships of both the boys and girls brackets will be held Saturday evening.

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Noon Wheat — \$2.05 bushel Posted county price — \$1.89 Loan deficiency payment - 56¢ Corn — \$1.56 bushel Posted county price — \$1.58 Loan deficiency pmt. - 41¢ Milo — \$2.21 hundredweight Soybeans — \$3.91 bushel Posted county price — \$3.86 Loan deficiency payment — \$1.03 Millet — \$3.80 hundredweight Sunflowers Oil current crop — \$5.60 cwt. Loan deficiency pmt. - \$3.89 Confection current — \$11/\$7 cwt. Pinto beans — \$15 (new crop) (Markets provided by Mueller Grain, Sigco Sun, Frontier Equity Co-op and Prairie Pea and Bean. These may not be closing figures.

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Russian spy

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WASHINGTON - U.S. inves-

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the Russians had inside help plant-

ing a sophisticated eavesdropping

device inside the State Department

because it took more than one visit

And it took months to find it -

even after an alert FBI surveillance

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America's diplomatic headquarters

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about the size of a Geiger counter

before locating the radio signal they

say the bug sent from a department

conference room to the spy outside.

as though receiving a signal.

to install, an official says.

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It was a tall order for Cowboy center Russell Owens as he pushes the ball toward the basket against Wray's Treece Bohall who was a bit taller than Owens. The Cowboys won the game 71-68.

fieldhouse.

The three-point shootout finals will be held between the girls and boys championship games Saturday evening, and the all-tournament teams will be announced and trophies presented following the boys championship game.

Corporate sponsors of the Topside Tip-off for this year were honored this week for their support with Wal-Mart represented by Scott Schroller, man-

Hillmer; Western Insurance was represented by Don Fiegel; Northern Sun/ Archer Daniels-Midland was represented by Kelly Ehmcke: Dan Brenner Ford was represented by Dan Brenner: Goodland Greenline was represented by Brad Smith; Howard Johnson Hotel was represented by Richard Lamp, manager; and Sherman County Convention and Visitors Bureau was represented by Dale Neill..

Each were presented with special off chairman.

Maynord Bane has been selling 'white elephants' for 46 years

By Janet Craft

The Goodland Daily News Maynord Bane, 72, owner/auctioneer of Bane Auction has been playing Santa Claus for over 40 years. He started dressing up as Santa and handing out candy to young and old alike, at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall in 1953, when he was 26 years old.

Bane related how this candy giving project came about. In 1936, when he was nine years old, living in Smith Center, the community was giving bags of candy to kids for Christmas at a local lumberyard. After he got his first bag, he took two boards off the fence in the alley to get back in to get another bag. But a man caught him and took him to his father. His father gave him a whipping for what he did. He said he told his father if he ever made any money, he would buy treats for all the kids in town.

So after coming to Goodland in 1953, he began doing that. For the first three years, he paid for all the candy himself. But when that got to be too much of an expense for him, Bane approached Goodland businesses about donating items to be auctioned off. The money made from the auction would then be used to buy candy.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary and Goodland businesses have sponsored the project since then. The veterans organization let Bane use their building free of charge for the auction. At some point, the auction began ture, toys, clothing and appliances. being called "The VFW White Elephant Sale.'

This year the auction will again be



Maynord Bane

held at the Veterans of Foreign Wars tion)," said Bane. "They want to be a Hall starting at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, to which the public is invited.

Both new and used items have been sold in years past, including new tires, bicycles, tricycles, gasoline, oil changes, certificates, potatoes, furni-Every business is asked to donate something.

"Everybody wants in on it (auc-

part of it."

Over the years, the most unusual item sold was a wooden leg, which Bane bought to play a trick on a friend. The highest priced item sold was a domestic well donated by S & H Drilling and for the funniest item sold, Bane said, a person would have to ask Vaughn or Opal Brown about that.

that's what we mean," Bane said. "We and told him that she would be 100 have a fun day."

In addition to giving out bags of candy at the hall, he takes some to the crisp \$100 bill. Goodland hospital, Good Samaritan Center, Golden West Skills Center, needy families and the county jail, where talks to each person individually. So that day starts around 1 p.m. and ends around 9 p.m.

Bane related a cute incident that involved a 98-year-old woman at the Good Samaritan Center. When giving out treats one year, he told the woman that if she lived to be 100 years old, he Santa will come down Main Street on would give her a \$100 bill. Late one a firetruck. He will get off the truck at evening, two years later, his phone the veterans' hall, where he will go inrang. It was the woman he had told that side to give out treats to both young and to. She asked him if his word was good old people.

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He said what has made the auction and candy handout such a success has been the help of the fine individuals and business people of the community, along with the Goodland police and fire departments.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary members plan to fill 2,500 bags with candy on Friday, Dec. 17.

Then at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18,

Open records plans please most

LINDSBORG (AP) — Newspaper meeting. editors and publishers are pleased with plans from Gov. Bill Graves and Attorney General Carla Stovall to create a lishers and officers of the Kansas Press state agency to oversee compliance with the state open records law.

Graves and Stovall met Thursday to discuss the proposal, which followed a statewide survey by 19 Kansas newspapers last month that found some inconsistency in compliance with the 1984 records law.

and the governor expressing their support for this proposal. It is quite possible you will see the same proposal as part has recognized that this is a public of their legislative packages," Graves "When we say a Bane fun auction, spokesman Don Brown said after the

News of the plan met with enthusiasm from newspaper editors and pub-Association. The KPA's Board of Directors met Thursday in Lindsborg.

Jeff Burkhead, executive editor of The Emporia Gazette and president of the KPA, said editors and publishers had been concerned about Graves' initial response to the open records project. The governor had suggested no changes in the law were necessary.

KPA's executive director, David Furnas, said, "I'm pleased the governor policy issue that needs to be addressed.'

"You will see the attorney general