

## weather report

79°

at noon

Today

• Sunset, 8:10 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 5:37 a.m.

• Sunset, 8:09 p.m.

### Midday Conditions

• Soil Temperature 73 degrees

• Humidity 53 percent

• Sky mostly sunny

• Winds variable at 6 mph

• Barometer 30.13 inches and steady

• Record High 109° (1939)

• Record Low 52° (1988)

### Last 24 Hours\*

High 86°

Low 58°

Precipitation 0.01 inch

### Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: Mostly cloudy, 60 percent chance for thunderstorms, low 60, winds east 15-25. Tomorrow: Partly cloudy, 40 percent chance for thunderstorms, high 80, low 60, winds southeast 10-20 mph.

### Extended Forecast

Saturday: chance for thunderstorms, high 80-85, low 60. Sunday and Monday: chance for thunderstorms, high 90s, low 65-75.

(National Weather Service)

Get 24-hour weather info. at 162.400 MHz.

\* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

## local markets

### Noon

Wheat — \$2.38 bushel

Posted county price — \$2.19

Loan deficiency payment — 26¢

Corn — \$1.56 bushel

Posted county price — \$1.49

Loan deficiency pmt. — 5¢

Milo — \$2.87 hundredweight

Soybeans — \$3.75 bushel

Posted county price — \$4.01

Loan deficiency payment — 89¢

Millet — \$4.50 hundredweight

Sunflowers

Oil current crop — \$5.60 cwt.

Loan deficiency pmt. — \$4.06

Confection current — \$13/\$7 cwt.

Pinto beans — \$12 (new crop)

(Markets provided by Mueller Grain, Sigco Sun, Frontier Equity Co-op and Prairie Pea and Bean. These may not be closing figures.)

## afternoon wire

Late news from the Associated Press

1 p.m.

## Two shows top Emmy list

LOS ANGELES — Call it the mob vs. the White House: “The Sopranos” and “The West Wing” each received a leading 18 Emmy nominations Thursday.

HBO’s drama about a mobster battling the feds, his family and a nervous breakdown and NBC’s tale of a fictional president and his staff will compete for best dramatic series honors and in major acting categories at September’s Primetime Emmy Awards.

“The West Wing,” although only in its first year, may have an edge: Emmy judges have been unwilling to give a top series honor to a cable show and last year picked ABC’s legal drama “The Practice” over “The Sopranos.”

The gritty mob drama also has enough violence and sex to make some judges uncomfortable and last year managed only four awards out of a leading 16 nominations.

# ‘Critter Gitters’ take over old school

By Janet Craft

The Goodland Daily News

Lights, camera, action! A film crew from California was in Goodland this week to shoot parts of an animal rescue movie.

The crew from Santa Barbara, Calif., arrived in Goodland on Sunday and began filming Monday morning, taking over the old Union School at the High Plains Museum and shooting at other sites around town.

The scenes provided bit parts for several Goodland people, and at least one will be traveling with the crew when it leaves town today.

The movie is about a rescue team for animals called the “Critter Gitters,” made up of two young boys and a girl. They are chasing some bad guys who have stolen a rare African lion from Las Vegas. The three main bad guys are related to “Old West” figures Doc Holiday, Buffalo Bill and Annie Oakley. They plan to steal animals in each state they go through so they can start a Wild West circus in Ohio.

A scene filmed on Monday afternoon at the old Union School, north of the High Plains Museum, involved the “Critter Gitters,” a veterinarian, a police officer and an elderly man. The school was one of their stops in the chase; in the script, the school it the one Annie Oakley attended.

Lights were set up on stands around the room. Actors and behind-the-scenes crew members did their jobs as needed.

The director called for the actors needed for the scene. The makeup person would whisk the actors’ faces with a makeup brush to get the sheen off their faces. A young woman who is called a clapper/loader marked each scene, holding the traditional hand-held chalkboard. The purpose of her job, said Milt Riess, the lighting director, is to synchronize the sound with the picture, as the sound is totally separate.

The sound man then called for people to be quiet as the scene began, and then the camera man would begin filming.

Scenes were done over if lines weren’t said right or an expression wasn’t quite how the director wanted it.

Several Goodland residents involved in the film, including Josh Vignery, a May graduate of Goodland High School; Bob Juleson, a Goodland police officer; Austin, Emily, Jessica and Levi Klemm, whose parents Ken and Laurie own a buffalo ranch where some of the filming was done; and about 10 other children.

Juleson played an officer in the scene at the old school on Monday.

Vignery played a farmer in a scene filmed Monday morning. He also moved lights at film sites, was a stand-in to test lighting and helped where



Director Dan Nissila (above with hand on microphone) set the stage for a movie scene Monday afternoon at the old Union School in Goodland, while crew members and actors listened and waited. Claudia Lopez, Jon Ryckman, and Jamie Whipple (below left to right), actors in the film, practiced some of their lines. An assistant animal trainer for the film swung Sosa, a 17-month-old male chimp, at the Sherman Theatre on Wednesday afternoon for an audience of young moviegoers.

Photos by Janet Craft and Doug Jackson/The Goodland Daily News

needed.

“It’s fun,” Vignery said. “I like it a lot.”

The Klemm children played bit parts on Tuesday, and the other children had parts in scenes set up Wednesday at the telephone building on Main and the Buffalo Inn.

Vignery will be traveling with the crew for the remainder of their filming.

On Tuesday, the crew filmed at the buffalo ranch, northeast of Goodland. They also took some aerial shots that they weren’t able to get on Monday because of the weather.

Dana Marie, production manager and actress on the film, said the crew was to leave Goodland today. They

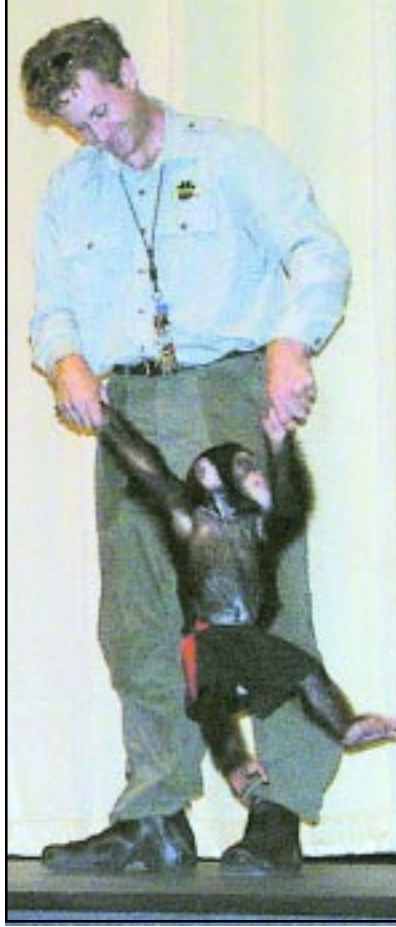


planned to travel to Oakley, Kansas City, St. Louis, Indianapolis, Canton, Ohio, and finally Columbus, Ohio.

The film directors are Joel Keeler and Dan Nissila, who both play parts in the

movie.

Before coming to Goodland, the crew filmed at Doc Holiday’s grave in Glenwood Springs, Colo., and at Buffalo Bill’s grave on Lookout Mountain



in Golden, Colo.

Several crew members remarked about how Goodland was very hospitable to them and how much they enjoyed their stay here.

# Drama at Camp David: In late-night turnaround, talks revived

THURMONT, Md. (AP) — Back from the brink of collapse, the tumultuous Middle East peace talks picked up anew at Camp David today, with both sides struggling over the issues that have divided them for 52 years.

“We wouldn’t be here if we didn’t think there was some potential” for agreement, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, who took over the mediation duties after President Clinton left for Japan, began the day by meeting with the U.S. negotiators. She expected to

talk separately with both Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat later in the day, but no three-way meetings were planned, Boucher said.

“She will continue to try and close the gaps and move forward on the issues,” he said.

That the Israelis and the Palestinians remained at the negotiating table at all was a surprise. The White House, in a terse announcement late Wednesday, declared the summit had ended in failure.

In a late-night turnaround, the parties

agreed to try again.

“All the cars were lined up, bags were packed, people were ready to go, the motorcade was ready to leave,” Boucher said. “This was real.”

Then Clinton announced the negotiators would remain at the secluded presidential retreat, even as he left for a weekend summit of leading industrialized nations in Japan.

“Nobody wanted to quit, nobody wanted to give up,” the president hoarsely told reporters at a news conference hastily convened after midnight in the small-town elementary school that

has served as the summit press center.

Clinton, who had shuttled between the two leaders for nine straight days, cautioned that “there should be no illusion about the difficult task ahead.”

Albright took the reins of the talks, as she did a week earlier during a daylong absence by Clinton.

Patrick Clawson, director of Research for the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, said Clinton’s departure gives the parties an “opportunity to pause, to get some sleep. ... It’s a good opportunity for Albright to explore the basic issues.”

If the talks had been allowed to end in failure, Clawson said, “it would have made an ultimate settlement more difficult. ... It would have been very bad for Mr. Arafat as well as for Mr. Barak.”

Palestinians welcomed the revival of the talks, which came as both Barak and Arafat were preparing to catch planes home.

“This is a new opportunity I hope will be used to reach an agreement,” said Hassan Abdel Rahman, the Washington envoy of Arafat’s Palestine Liberation Organization. “I hope this effort will succeed.”

# I-70 west completed; east project nears end

By Tom Betz

The Goodland Daily News

The slurry sealing and striping of I-70 west of Goodland has been completed, and the concrete project east of Goodland is moving into the final phase, with opening expected within a few weeks.

Striping on I-70 west of Goodland to the state line was completed July 12, and traffic is back to normal, said Kristen Brands, public affairs officer for the Kansas Department of Transportation in Norton. The final part of that job was the permanent striping, which was done by Twin Traffic Marking

Group of Riverside, Mo.

On the six-mile section of I-70 east of Goodland, she said Koss Construction has completed all the concrete work, but there are few items to be done before the lanes can be reopened.

“They have to do the shoulder work, put up the guardrails and the seeding will be the final phase,” Brands said. “The seeding may be done about the first of August, and the lanes opened after that is completed.”

Workers were finishing permanent striping of the new concrete today, then plan to move on to sections of pavement which are already open.

## School calendar available today at businesses

Despite the warm weather and summer fun, the school year is already breathing down the neck of students and teachers.

New school year calendars are ready. Parents and students can pick up at area business starting today.

Calendars can be picked up at Shores Brothers, Bankwest, Eklund’s First Insurance, First National Bank and Collingwood Grain.

# Land O’ Lakes, Farmland to consolidate feed business

ARDEN HILLS, Minn. (AP) — Land O’Lakes and Farmland Industries announced Wednesday that they will consolidate their feed businesses to form North America’s largest feed company.

Land O’Lakes Farmland Feed LLC will combine the farmer-owned cooperatives’ production, distribution and marketing of formula feed and feed ingredients, animal health products, and pet and specialty products.

Products sold by the joint venture will be branded with the trademarks and brand names currently used by Farmland and Land O’Lakes.

The company is expected to begin

operations late this summer. Land O’Lakes will manage the joint venture, which will be based in Arden Hills.

Bob DeGregorio, vice president of the Land O’Lakes Feed Division, will head the company. Others on the management team will be drawn from both cooperatives.

Based on 1999 results, Land O’Lakes Farmland Feed will have initial sales of approximately \$1.6 billion and an annual feed production capacity of approximately 9 million tons.

That will put the new company’s production capacity ahead of Cargill, which will drop to second, and Purina Mills, Land O’Lakes said.