

weather
report

96°

at noon

Today

• Sunset, 7:11 p.m.

Tomorrow

• Sunrise, 6:20 a.m.

• Sunset, 7:10 p.m.

Middy Conditions

• Soil Temperature 78 degrees

• Humidity 18 percent

• Sky mostly clear

• Winds southwest 11 mph

• Barometer 20.98 inches

and falling

• Record High 102° (1939)

• Record Low 37° (1956)

Last 24 Hours*

High 96°

Low 64°

Precipitation none

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: Partly cloudy, 20 percent chance of rain, low 55-60, winds south 15-20 mph. Tomorrow: Partly cloudy, high 75-80, low 55, northeast 10-20.

Extended Forecast

Friday: dry, high 85, low 55. Saturday: dry, high 85-90, low 50s. Sunday: chance of thunderstorms, high 90, low 60-65.

(National Weather Service)

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* Readings taken at 7 a.m.

local
markets

Noon

Wheat — \$2.58 bushel

Posted county price — \$2.38

Loan deficiency payment — 7¢

Corn — \$1.59 bushel

Posted county price — \$1.53

Loan deficiency pmt. — 46¢

Milo — \$2.12 hundredweight

Soybeans — \$4.05 bushel

Posted county price — \$4.36

Loan deficiency payment — 54¢

Millet — \$8.00 hundredweight

Sunflowers

Oil current crop — \$5.38 cwt.

Loan deficiency pmt. — \$4.39

Confection current — \$15/\$6 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.

Tire problems
found in '97

WASHINGTON — Bridgestone/Firestone Inc. collected data from 1997 to 1999 indicating possible safety problems with the same tire models that were recalled last month and are being investigated in 88 U.S. traffic deaths, according to documents obtained by The Associated Press.

Officials with Ford Motor Co., which uses the tires, previously said the tire maker told them it did not compile such data.

The internal Bridgestone/Firestone documents marked "confidential" show most of the customer reports of tread separation involved tires from the company's Decatur, Ill., plant.

The documents were made available to the AP the same day two congressional hearings opened to find out when Bridgestone/Firestone and Ford knew about the problem.



Frontier Equity Exchange employees from Ruleton worked Tuesday afternoon to get an ammonia tank upright after it overturned. Dave Smith, elevator operator, (above) lifted the bucket on a tractor as Roger Ridder,

fertilizer manager, directed him. Ridder (below) unhooked some chains from the tank to reposition them. Members of the Goodland City Fire Department stood by to help if needed.

Photos by Janet Craft/The Goodland Daily News

Tank accident calls for cool actions

By Janet Craft

The Goodland Daily News

An anhydrous ammonia tank overturned on a Sherman County road west of Goodland on Tuesday after the truck pulling it apparently ran onto some loose gravel.

Firemen were called out when the tank was reported to be leaking, but no emergency measures were needed. The ammonia is considered an inhalation hazard.

Carolyn Brazda, driver of the pickup, had picked up the tank from the Frontier Equity Exchange at Ruleton about 1:30 p.m. She was headed south on County Road 10 just about a mile south of Old U.S. 24 when the tank overturned.

Brazda said the tank just started "whipping." She was not hurt and there was no damage to the pickup, but the tank was reported to be leaking. White gas seeped out of the tank at times.

Frontier Equity employees Roger Ridder, fertilizer manager, and Dave Smith, elevator operator, worked to get the tank upright. Ridder hooked chains to the tank, while Smith used a tractor with a bucket to pull the tank up.

The Goodland City Fire Department was called because of the ammonia, which farmers use for fertilizer, said Deputy Sheriff Robert Lamb.

As it turned out, the volunteers didn't



have to take any disaster measures, said Fire Chief Dean Jensen. They stayed around to help with getting the tank

back on its wheels.

Kansas Highway Patrolman Rich Hageman was also at the scene.

The tank bled itself off and was taken back to the Ruleton Frontier Equity elevator to be repaired.

City asked to pay \$3 recycling fee

By Dana Sulsberger

The Goodland Daily News

The Goodland City Commission heard Monday that a new recycling service wants the city to pay for having newspapers and magazines hauled off, something the operator had been doing for free.

City Manager Ron Pickman was out of town, so Ed Wolak, public works director, gave the manager's report.

He said Jeremiah Wickham of Kansas Recycled Resources, a new recycling program that started Friday, wants to charge the city \$3 a box for the magazines and newspapers that he picks up from the city's recycling containers. About 400 pounds of recyclable material fills a box, he said.

"It is cheaper than hauling it to Garden City," said Mayor Chuck Lutters, noting that if Wickham doesn't haul the newspapers off, the city has to pay someone else to do it.

Commissioner Jim Mull said he was worried that they would set a precedent by paying for this service when they have refused to provide money to other programs in the past. He was also worried that if a contract was signed, the price might go up later.

The commission decided to wait until Pickman returned. Members wanted the manager to talk with Wickham and see if a weekly contract could be worked out. The commission members figured that it would cost \$13,000 a year for the service.

They decided to place the issue on the agenda for the next meeting on Monday, Sept. 18.

Wolak said work on Steever Waterpark is progressing, and that crews will begin pouring concrete on the main pool in two weeks. The other pools haven't been excavated yet.

Commission members said they worried that children might be playing in the area while the other pools are dug but aren't stable. Wolak said that about all they can do is urge citizens not to go to the site while the work is being done.

The director also reported on progress of the city's water project.

At the commission's last regular meeting, Pickman reported that Well No. 4, on 10th and Colorado, was only pumping 175 gallons per minute rather than the 300 gallons it was supposed to do.

The commission had decided to have another test well drilled on the west corner of property. Wolak reported the second test well had the same problems with sand and gravel that slowed down the pumping.

Mayor Lutters asked if the city started using the well, would it be able to be moved it later if they found a better location. Wolak said that he didn't think so.

"I think we need to know if we are going to be locked into any decisions before we make any," said Commissioner Rick Billinger.

The issue was tabled until he could answer the commissioners' questions.

Commissioner Tom Rohr asked if the city would have to be put on a water restriction this summer. Wolak replied that there were three days this month where the city lost some ground in the water supply, but other than that it had been OK. He said if one of the wells went down, though, the city would have to enforce restrictions.

The commission accepted a bid to sell the city's old transportation van to Sonrise Christian Church for \$3,300. The only other bid was from Jarold Weber from Kanorado, for \$495.

"The bid is better than I thought it would be," said Mayor Lutters.

Commissioner Billinger said the city bought the van for \$7,500.

In other business, the commission:

- Approved a \$55,800 payment to Associated Pool Builders and \$64,281 to Rhoads Construction for work on Steever Waterpark.

- Talked about the demolition derby cars sitting around town. Billinger said he had heard several complaints. Wolak said they would start enforcing the city ordinance, which says that property owners can't have junk cars on their property for more than 30 days.

- Commended the city staff for work this summer. Mayor Lutters said the staff had done a good job this summer with all of the projects.

Leaders charting U.N. era

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The largest gathering of world leaders in history convened Wednesday, turning New York into a global kaleidoscope of Falun Gong protests, Mideast peace talk, traffic-snarling motorcades and bigwig shoulder rubbing.

The purpose of the Millennium Summit was to chart the course of the United Nations in the 21st century — particularly its efforts to forge peace. The meeting was clouded by a faraway reminder of the challenges facing the international body: the killings of U.N. aid workers in West Timor.

After a moment of silence in their memory, President Clinton called upon the world's nations to provide the resources the United Nations needs to keep the peace. He also sought the world's support in forging a settlement in the Middle East: "They have the chance to do it, but like all life's chances, it is fleeting and about to pass."

Russian President Vladimir Putin, meanwhile, called for an international conference to be held in Moscow that would ban the militarization of space — a response to American proposals for an anti-missile defense system.

The three-day meeting of despots and monarchs, presidents and prime ministers opened festively, with limousine after limousine arriving at the international headquarters on Manhattan's East Side.

The leaders — more than 150 of them — greeted each other with handshakes and kisses on the cheek. Their socializing delayed the start of the summit by nearly a half hour.

There was Putin, arriving without a suit jacket. There was Fidel Castro in a business suit and Yasser Arafat in his usual olive-green uniform and checkered headdress.

"The new millennium is an opportune time, as any, for a fresh start," said the president of the Maldives, Maumoon Abdul Gayoom. "The gap between expectation and result must be eliminated."

But for all of the high spirits, there were no illusions that the summit would in itself change the world and cure it of its ills.

"The problems seem huge," said U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, listing poverty, the AIDS epidemic, wars and environmental degradation. "But in today's world, given the technology and the resources around, we have the means to tackle them. If we

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Bulldog royalty crowned



Brewster's homecoming was celebrated Saturday with the crowning of Jill Beiser as queen and Brett Arnberger as king. For more photos and a story, see Page 8.

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