

report **32**° at noon Today

 Sunset, 5:28 p.m. Tomorrow • Sunrise, 6:31 a.m.

• Sunset, 5:29 p.m.

Midday Conditions

Soil Temperature 32 degrees

- Humidity 85 percent
- Sky mostly sunny
- Winds southeast 12 mph • Barometer 30.19 inches
- and steady Record High 73° (1972) • Record Low -1° (1953)

Last 24 Hours*	
High	55°
Low	27°
Precipitation	none

Northwest Kansas Forecast Tonight: Cloudy, slight chance of

freezing drizzle or light snow, low 15, southeast wind 10-20 mph. Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy, high 35-40, low 20-25, south wind 10-20 mph.

Extended Forecast Thursday: dry, high 40. Friday: dry, high 40s, low 20s. Saturday: chance of snow, high 40s, low 20s. (National Weather Service) Get 24-hour weather info. at 162.400 MHz. * Readings taken at 7 a.m



Noon Wheat — \$2.72 bushel Posted county price — \$2.69 Loan deficiency payment — 0¢ Corn — \$1.95 bushel

Russian intelligence agents working in Alexandria, Va. for the United States in exchange for up to \$1.4 million in cash and diamonds. espionage should remind us all, every the actions of Robert Philip Hanssen traitorous and treasonous.

"Individuals who commit treasonous held fully accountable," said Attorney General John Ashcroft.

Hanssen, 56, is only the third FBI

WASHINGTON (AP) — A veteran and conspiracy to commit espionage. the intelligence division of the FBI field had received more than \$650,000 in agreed to immediately launch a review FBI agent was accused Tuesday of spy- He was arrested at a park near his home ing for Moscow for more than 15 years in Vienna, Va., Sunday night and arand giving the KGB the names of three raigned Tuesday in U.S. District Court

"The arrest of Robert Hanssen for The nation's top law officers called American should know that our nation, our free society is an international target in a dangerous world," Ashcroft said. "In fact, the espionage operations acts against the United States will be designed to steal vital secrets of the United States are as intense as they have ever been.'

According to a 100-page affidavit, agent ever accused of spying. The gov- Hanssen voluntarily became an agent ernment charged him with espionage of the KGB in 1985 while assigned to Hanssen. Overall, Freeh said, Hanssen

office in New York and as supervisor of a foreign counterintelligence squad.

He independently disclosed the identity of two KGB official who, first compromised by Aldrich Ames, had been recruited by the U.S. to serve as "agents in place" at the Soviet embassy in

The director said agents covertly intercepted \$50,000 in cash intended for

cash, as well as diamonds, and an additional \$800.000 had been set aside for him in an overseas escrow account.

"This was his bread and butter for many, many years," said Freeh.

Hanssen kept his identity a secret even from the Russians, who did not learn his name or his employer until his arrest, Freeh said. The agent monitored the FBI's own security systems to see if authorities had any suspicions about catching Hanssen "red-handed" in him. He apparently came under suspicion only late last year.

of FBI practices.

Freeh said Hanssen's conduct "represents the most traitorous actions imaginable." He said the full extent of the damage done is not yet known "because no accurate damage assessment could be conducted without jeopardizing the investigation. We believe it was exceptionally grave."

Freeh credited the government for turning over secret documents but could not explain how the agent was able to work for the Russians undetec-

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Seven wrestlers headed to state

By Tom Betz

The Goodland Daily News third this weekend at Class 4A regional wrestling tournament in Hugoton, and qualified seven wrestlers for the state 130 pounds. tournament in Wichita on Friday and Saturday.

The Hugoton regional had been dubbed the toughest in the state with three highly ranked teams, and it lived return trip to Wichita with a third place up to that billing. Scott City was the finish. team winner with 229 points and will send 13 wrestlers to state while Colby High finished second with 12 qualifiers and 224.5 points. Goodland was a

distant third at 155.

As expected, most of the Cowboys The Goodland Cowboys finished qualifying for state were in the lighter weights, with Bryce Abbey and Bryce Bahe winning regional titles at 125 and

pounds and will be the only Cowboy

hael, 119; and Max Saint, 145, each fin-



Blayze Bahe was second at 103

freshman to make the trip. At the heavyweight end, Curtis Swager earned a

Kyle Schulte, 112; Mark Carmic-

Spelling winners ready for district bee Wednesday

By Janet Craft The Goodland Dailv News

Grant Junior High and Central Elementary held spelling bees last week to determine who would compete at the day, so Michelle Smith will take her district spelling bee Wednesday.

Lukas Peters, a seventh grader, was Sondra Smith of Goodland.

Second place went to Alexis Schields, daughter of Ron and Kim Schields of Goodland. However, Schields will be out of town Wednesplace. Smith is the daughter of Bob and

Washington. When these two KGB men returned to Moscow, they were tried on espionage charges and executed. A third was imprisoned and ultimately released, said FBI Director Louis Freeh.





osted county price — \$1.90 Loan deficiency payment — 00¢ Milo — \$3.15 hundredweight Soybeans — \$4.00 bushel Posted county price — \$3.85 Loan deficiency payment — 1.05¢

Millet — \$7.25 hundredweight Sunflowers

Oil current crop — \$6.10 cwt. Loan deficiency pmt. - \$3.61 Confection current — \$15/\$7 cwt. Pinto beans — \$14 (new crop) (Markets provided by Mueller Grain, Sigco Sun, Frontier Equity Co-op and Prairie Pea and Bean. These may not be closing figures.)



NEW CASTLE, Ind. - Waiting in the pre-dawn cold at a truck stop, two teen-agers wanted for the slayings of two popular Dartmouth College professors were expecting a lift from a truck driver.

Instead, a police officer who overheard a CB radio message from another trucker that the two teens were looking for a ride to California, arranged for the boys to be met by deputies and driven to the county jail.

Sgt. William Ward pretended to be a trucker and radioed driver James Hicks to drop the teens off at the Flying J Plaza on Interstate 70 for a 4 a.m. pickup. Hicks wound up losing his job, as his company has a no-riders policy.

James Parker, 16, and Robert Tulloch, 17, were captured before dawn Monday, more than 700 miles from the site of the Hanover, N.H., slayings.

the first place winner at the junior high last Monday. He is the son of Sherrie Clements of Goodland. Coming in second was Abby Murray, an eighth grader and the daughter of John and Dana Murray of Goodland.

Peters and Murray will advance to the district contest, to be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday in the Goodland High School auditorium.

Other junior high students who participated were Jenna McGinley, Gami Cloyd, Lane Winter, Bret Jarmin, Jory Nelaimischkies, Brett Lalicker and Clenisha Yarbrough. McGinley and Cloyd, both eighth graders, also will attend the district contest.

Courtney Sheldon won first place in Central's spelling bee, held last Tuesday for fourth graders. She is the daughter of Shad and Penny Sheldon of Goodland.

Love winner has royal flush

Eight hands of cards were turned into The Goodland Daily News office by Monday's deadline for the "Don't Gamble with Love" Valentine's week contest.

Being Valentine's, hearts instead of spades were trumps, and Lucy Ackerman's heart royal flush beat Maurice L. Daise's spades. Ackerman selected her \$50 gift certificate, compliments of The Daily and Tender Love Home Care, to be used at Ray's Cafe.

Because Daise would have won a normal poker game with a jack, queen and ace of spades and two wild jokers, Red Brick Road Promotions donated a second \$10 prize to another contest participant, Pizza Hut.

Atletha Morris was third, having the eight through queen of clubs. Thanks to our other players: Ruth Smith, Kendall Morris, Ron Ackerman, Martha Gunderson and Wanita Rico.

Other participating merchants were: Ray's, Aten Department Store, McClung's Appliance and Furniture, B-E's Jewelry and Kickers Restaurant and Lounge.

We hope you had fun playing while patronizing participating merchants.

Other fourth graders who participated were Whitney Schields, Danielle Pettibone, Charli Lawson, Chelsie Gausman, Clay Schilling, Shelbi Herl, Andrew Raile, Linsey Owens, Cameron Morris, Shayla Matthews, Kate Robinson, Bradley Geist and Daniel Haley. Only Sheldon and Smith will compete in Wednesday's contest.

There will also be four students from North Elementary in the contest Wednesday. Dick Liess, assistant principal and athletic director at Goodland High, will pronounce the words. Judges will be Superintendent Marvin Selby; Gerald Franklin, a school board member; and Karen Gillihan, children's librarian at the Goodland Public Library.



Cowboy Jordan Riebel ripped down a rebound during the game with the Hoxie Indians on Saturday, but the Cowboys lost, 73-65. The boys' final regular season game will be tonight at Norton with the junior varsity beginning at 5:30 p.m. Mountain Time. For game stories, see Sports, Page 10.

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The cover of the cookbook put together by the seven Mueller sisters.

Sisters keep in touch with 35-year letter

By Janet Craft

The Goodland Daily News In 1966, seven sisters, the children of German immigrants raised at Bird City, started a "round robin" letter to keep in touch. The letter is still going 35 years.

The sisters were Lola Cooper and Eva Reinke of Goodland; Lucille Scrivner of Littleton, Colo.; Ella McLemore and Elsie Nichols of Deaver, Wyo.; Frances Meyer of Bird City; and Viola Mullins of Sallisaw, Okla.,

It started when Cooper wrote a letter and send it to Scrivner, who wrote a separate letter and sent both to Reinke. She sent the package to Mullins, who sent it on to Meyer, then to McLemore, and then finally to Nichols, who sent it back to Cooper.

Each sister would add a letter to the envelope and send it on to the next. Eventually, Cooper would get the envelope back with all the letters. She would take out her old letter and replace it with a new one and send the package out to make the rounds again.

The sisters also put together a cookbook of their favorite and fun recipes in 1985, called "Then 'til Now."

They wanted each other's recipes,

Cooper said. They all liked to cook and some of them had a lot of experience cooking for hired men, she said. They had collected the recipes through the years and the book was printed for their families, friends and relatives as a keepsake.

Since then, Frances, Elsie and Viola, have died, but the four remaining sisters continue to circulate their letters.

"It's hard to believe it's been 35 years," Cooper said. "They've all cooperated. It makes the rounds about once a month.'

When the round robin letter was first started, Cooper said, sometimes that might be the only letter you got. As they went out into the world, the sisters became teachers, secretaries and housewives.

The girls grew up in a family of 12 on a farm near Bird City, including five brothers. Of the boys, Dean, Lester, Glen, Elmer and Iron Mueller, only Dean is still living.

Their parents, Bertha Haack and Johann Diederich Ehler "Dick"