Retired, but not done working

Retirement — a withdrawal from working! Boy, I wonder who came up with that moniker. It's been two weeks and I've yet to see a withdrawal from working.

Even working just a couple of hours a day, I've yet to get done what I thought would be finished by now. I'll admit that I don't work at the pace I used to, but nevertheless, I still don't seem to see any headway in what I thought I'd get done.

Oh well, guess I'll just keep plugging along and hopefully I'll see some changes.

I don't know about you but this ice is beginning to get the best of me. Dr. Beynon and I had to go to Colby for some closing business with the office and we were surprised at the number of sidewalks that were a solid, I mean solid, layer of ice. The place of business we went to was an ice obstacle course.

Sidewalks in the residential areas here in town are just as bad. I guess I'm an idiot when it comes to snow removal. I was out the last storm when Gary and Laura asked me to get inside and they would take care of it.

They did clean off the drive and the sidewalks, but I hate to see the snow packed down by the pounding feet of the mail man and others who use the sidewalks.

I know of two ladies in the hospital because of falling down due to the ice. Thankfully they had no broken bones, but were just sore and badly bruised. Another lady told me over the

weekend that she had slipped on the ice and was sure feeling the effects of it on Saturday.

The way the sky looks as I work on this column, it looks like it could

of Kansas has become the second univer-

Kansas State University put a hiring

freeze in place last week. And on Mon-

day, University of Kansas officials an-

nounced a freeze on hiring and equip-

ment purchases, attributing the action to

the governor's proposal and higher-than-

to Gov. Bill Graves' budget proposal.



dump some snow on us again. Like I said on Feb. 20. Michelle Hartman, grandbefore, snow, melt, freeze, snow, melt, freeze, etc. and then another layer on top of the mess.

We've forgotten what winter can really be like with the mild ones we've been having the past couple of years.

My friend, Kathleen, called me from Helena, Mont., to see how I was doing as the TV weather report keeps talking about the snow, wind, ice and cold in the Kansas area.

She said this is the first one like this that they have had in the past three years.

Here the other morning it was 8 degrees below when she left to go to the weekly breakfast of retired government employees.

She said this weather is more like what Montana is noted for, the Big Sky country with it's snow, wind and cold.

Ihope Merwin and Sharon Jensen had a nice 40th wedding anniversary.

A couple of newer residents in town, Jess and Carol Huff, celebrated 42 years of marriage on Feb. 18. Jess is one of the van drivers at the Goodland Senior Center. Happy anniversary and also welcome to Goodland.

I said I couldn't remember who had given me those two January birthdays that I lost.

Well, I was told the same evening the p.m. at a cost of \$5 for adults and paper came out, by one of them. They had wondered what had happened, but never you next week, unless you get to the thought I had lost my note.

The name of the lady I couldn't remember was Ethel Chestnut. As I said be-

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fore, happy belated birthday to these 1adies.

Those celebrating more current birthdays are Bud Perrey, Belle Montgomery and Perry Warren all

daughter of Belle, called to ask for a card shower on Feb. 20 for Belle's 92nd birthday. Belle's address is P.O. Box 228, El Dorado, Kan. 67042-0228. Michelle said Belle misses Goodland and her friends here. Feb. 17 was the special day for Donna Rodgers and Gladys Nicholson.

A belated 97th happy birthday wish to Vera Daise on Feb. 13 and one for Arlene Beneda on Feb. 18. Happy birthday to the above mentioned celebrants.

Sincere sympathy to the families of Vic Morin and Elmer Hill. May you know that the Almighty is with you all the next harrowing months as you plan your lives without your missing familv member.

I don't see any more notes, so I'll sign off for now. Keep on smiling in spite of the ice and cold as we all know spring isn't too far off.

Lenten season starts on Tuesday, Feb. 27, and as usual, our church, St. Paul's Episcopal, will be having a pancake supper.

Let's hope the weather is such that one can get out and enjoy the food and fellowship.

We'll be serving from 5 until 7 \$2.50 for children. Take care. See pancake supper. Thanks in advance for your attendance at the pancake supper.

Sisters' parents immigrated to U.S.

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Mueller, immigrated to the United States with their families. He was born Nov. 22, 1876, in Nordholz, Germany, and came over when he was 13. Bertha was born Oct. 22, 1885, in Hamburg, and came when she was 3 months old.

Both families settled in Nebraska, the father's family in Nemaha County, their mother's family at Elk Creek.

The couple met and were married in 1906 at Long Branch Church in Nemaha County. They first lived on a

The rest of the kids were born there and grew up there.

There were two sets of fraternal twins in the Mueller family, Ella and Elsie and Elmer and Iron. Their par- emergencies, and even where to look ents moved into Bird City in 1940, their dad died in 1960 and their mom in 1963.

The cookbook not only contains recipes, but poems and sayings. One of Cooper's favorites is a poem called "At Day's End."

The cookbook cover has pictures of farm north of Humboldt, Neb. Then in the girls and their mother when they per said.

1911, they moved to a farm two miles were younger. It includes weights and east of Bird City with four children. measures, an herb guide, a list of what foods to serve with certain meats, suggested menus, a calorie guide, a list of how to remove various stains from clothes, first aid tips for household in the Bible for guidance in certain circumstances.

In the front of the cookbook, it says "some of our favorites, old family treasures, new timesaving and fun gems featuring recipes compiled by seven sisters.'

"We all use these books a lot," Coo-

Bureau relies on integrity of public servants

compromised "dozens of United

analysis of KGB operations and "a

highly classified and tightly re-

stricted analysis of the foreign

threat" to a top-secret U.S. program.

Pluta said Hanssen also compro-

mised the intelligence community's

'specific communications intelligence

capabilities, as well as specific tar-

"He compromised numerous FBI

counterintelligence techniques,

sources, methods and operations and

FBI operational practices and activi-

ties targeted against" Russian intelli-

gence agencies. The affidavit said

Hanssen disclosed to the KGB the

FBI's secret espionage investigation of

Felix Bloch, which led the KGB to

warn Bloch that he was under investi-

gation and "completely compromise'

As President Bush flew from Wash-

ington to Columbus, Ohio, White

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the probe.

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ted for 15 years.

"We don't say at this stage that we have a system that can prevent this kind of conduct," he said, adding that the bureau must rely on the integrity of people who take the oath of public service.

The investigation was conducted by the FBI, the CIA, the State Department and the Justice Department.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Randy Bellows said Hanssen could face the death penalty if convicted and could be fined up to \$2.8 million — twice his alleged personal gain from the activities of which he is accused.

The FBI agent was also charged with passing classified documents to agents for the KGB on March 20, 1989, with the intent of injuring the United States. The charges contended that Hanssen has been spying since October 1985, and that his espionage continued until his arrest. A hearing was set for March

Plato Cacheris, Hanssen's attorney, said he believes federal authorities "always talk like they have a great case, but we'll see."

Asked how Hanssen would plead, Cacheris said "at this point not guilty," but he added "it's very embryonic."

Cacheris, asked if Hanssen's case was related to that of convicted spy Aldrich Ames, replied: "There's not a connection but there is some relevant material."

House spokesman Ari Fleischer told In an affidavit, FBI agent Stefan A. reporters: "The president is troubled by Pluta said Hanssen "compromised the allegations. They are disturbing.'

numerous human resources of the He said Bush had been told of the case United States intelligence commubefore Hanssen was arrested. Among secrets allegedly disclosed nity" and three of the sources "were compromised by both Hanssen and by Hanssen included U.S. methods former CIA officer Aldrich Ames, refor conducting electronic surveilsulting in their arrest, imprisonment, lance. He also may have confirmed and, as to two individuals, execu-

for the Russians information originally supplied to them by Ames, the The affidavit said Hanssen also source said. Nancy Cullen, a neighbor, described States government classified docu-Hanssen's neighborhood as being in ments," including those involving shock with news of the arrest. "They the U.S. government's double-agent go to church every Sunday — if that program, a study on KGB recruitmeans anything ... " She said the ment operations against the CIA, an Hanssens were regulars at the Memo-

rial Day block party and called Hanssen "very attractive ... not overly gregarious." Cullen said Hanssen's wife,

Bernadette, teaches religion classes part-time at a Catholic high school.

The Hanssens' \$300,000 middleclass split-level home of brown brick and cedar was encircled by yellow police tape Tuesday. A dozen FBI agents wandered in and out, carrying in electronic equipment. Neighbors briefly filled the cul-de-sac to watch the activity

In 1997, Earl Pitts, who was stationed at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Va., was sentenced to 27 years in prison after admitting he spied for Moscow during and after the Cold War. The only other FBI agent even caught spying was Richard W. Miller, a Los Angeles agent who was arrested in 1984 and later sentenced to 20 years in prison. His sentenced was reduced to 13 years and he was released in 1994 after serving nine years.

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LAWRENCE (AP) — The University expected utility costs.

Provost David Shulenburger said the sity to announce a hiring freeze in response Lawrence campus will cut \$1.15 million from this fiscal year's budget and \$3 million from proposed spending in the next

fiscal year, which starts July 1.

crease faculty salaries. But higher edu- cellor Robert Hemenway said.

cation officials say the increase is offset by cuts in other areas.

They say health insurance and other employee compensation were not figured into the current services budget. This shorted the University of Kansas' Graves' budget director Duane Goos- Lawrence campus by \$1.6 million and sen said the governor's proposal gives the Kansas University Medical Center by the schools an extra \$8.5 million to in- \$814,000, University of Kansas Chan-

