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Today • Sunset, 8:17 p.m. Tomorrow • Sunrise, 5:22 a.m. • Sunset, 8:18 p.m.

Midday Conditions

- Soil Temperature 79 degrees • Humidity 30 percent
- Sky sunny
- Winds southeast 10-15 m.p.h.
- Barometer 30.07 inches and steady
- Record High 106° (1940) • Record Low 43° (1985)

Last 24 Hours*	
High	88°
Low	61°
Precipitation	.05

Northwest Kansas Forecast

Tonight: mostly clear, low mid 60s, winds southeast 10 m.p.h. Tomorrow: mostly sunny, high upper 90s, low mid 60s, winds south 5 - 25 m.p.h.

Extended Forecast

Saturday: mostly sunny, high upper 90s, low mid 60s. Sunday: clear, high mid 90s. Monday - Wednesday: clear, high upper 90s, low lower 60s.

(National Weather Service) Get 24-hour weather info. at 162.400 MHz. * Readings taken at 7 a.m.



Noon Wheat — \$2.95 bushel Posted county price — \$2.81 Loan deficiency payment — 0¢ Corn — \$2.12 bushel

District may revisit gym sale

By Rachel Miscall

The Goodland Daily News to buy property in Thomas County. Goodland School Board members talked about reconsidering a \$15,000 offer on the Edson gymnasium Monday, saying people in the district have complained about the board's decision in more revenues. One idea was to sell in March not to sell the building to two auctioneers.

During the portion of the meeting where members bring up items they'd like to discuss in the future, Ben Duell said people are disappointed the board didn't accept a \$15,000 offer from Tom Harrison and Tom Simpson, owners of Harrison and Simpson said they TNT Auction.

Reiterating points he's made at past meetings, Duell said Harrison and ing it up and would look into leveling Simpson planned to open a viable busi- the dilapidated school next to the facilness in the gym — about 10 miles east ity.

of Goodland - and now may be forced

Fear of budget problems next year due to declining enrollment and state money troubles prompted the board to think up ways to save money and bring the Edson gym, which the district uses about 30 days a year for sports' practices and paid about \$14,000 to keep open last year.

The board received three bids on the gym, with the highest from TNT, which offered triple the second-highest bid. planned to hold auctions in the gym, were prepared to spend thousands fixSchilling favored selling, Kathy Russell, Mike Campbell, President Dick Short and Eric Gray voted against it. Short and Campbell - the most opposed to selling — were not at Monday's meeting, and Schilling and Pat Juhl, board clerk, were also missing

Before voting against the sale, Short said the offer was too low to warrant selling the building and Campbell suggested they could get more money if they advertised it as a grain bin. Schilling countered that the district could save on utilities and maintenance by handing over the gym.

On Monday, Philbrick said people have complained that the board is being hypocritical, saying it needs money,

While Duell, Jane Philbrick and Ron but then not accepting the high offer on the gym.

> Superintendent Marvin Selby and Russell said one reason the board decided not to sell was the \$325-a-day rent TNT was asking the district to pay to use the gym. That would cost the district nearly \$10,000 a year, Russell said. "I'm not willing to pay back what we

get out of it," she said. "If that were to happen, we might as well keep it."

At an earlier meeting, Harrison and Simpson did say they were willing to accept a \$2,000 annual payment from the district.

Russell said on Monday that she has talked with the TNT owners and they say they're willing to work with the board.

Selby said the board may want to talk move," he said.

School roundup

At a meeting Monday, the Goodland School Board:

 Heard how the state's money problems are affecting the district. Story in Wednesday's edition.

 Discussed reconsidering an offer on the Edson gym. Story at left.

· Hired three teachers and discussed projects for the grant writer program. Story page 3.

 Talked about reviewing the high school's discipline policy. Story below.

with TNT again. Duell said he thinks that would be a good idea.

"It would be a good public relations

Panel's pledge ruling may be overturned

outrage across the political spectrum by ruling that it is unconstitutional for schoolchildren to recite the Pledge of Allegiance — a decision that may not last long.

Some legal scholars say the ruling, which takes issue with the phrase "one nation under God," will likely either be derstand that our rights were derived overturned by the Supreme Court or from God.' reversed by the full 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

"I would bet an awful lot on that," said Harvard University scholar honorable court," said White House Laurence Tribe.

The 2-1 ruling on Wednesday was in response to a California atheist's bid to keep his second-grade daughter from being exposed to religion in school.

Circuit Judge Alfred T. Goodwin said leading schoolchildren in a pledge that Trust.' says the United States is "one nation under God" is as objectionable as making them say "we are a nation 'under 'under Zeus,' or a nation 'under no god,'

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A fed- because none of these professions can eral appeals court panel has sparked be neutral with respect to religion." The decision was met with wide-

spread criticism.

President Bush found the ruling "ridiculous," and added today that it was 'out of step with the traditions and history of America" as he promised to appoint "commonsense judges who un-

"The Supreme Court itself begins each of its sessions with the phrase 'God save the United States and this spokesman Ari Fleischer. "The Declaration of Independence refers to God or to the creator four different times. Congress begins each session of the Congress each day with a prayer, and of course our currency says, 'In God We

Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., called the ruling "just nuts." Sen. Christopher Bond, R-Mo., Jesus,'anation 'under Vishnu,'anation said it was "political correctness run amok."



Soccer coach Schyler Goodwin (right) tried to keep control of his ball while knocking Luke Hindes' ball away from him during a coaching clinic Wednesday at North Elementary School. Hindes is a soccer coach from England. Photos by Doug Stephens/The Goodland Daily News

Posted county price — \$2.00 Loan deficiency payment — 0¢ Milo — \$1.78 bushel Soybeans — \$4.48 bushel Posted county price — \$4.58 Loan deficiency payment — 8¢ Millet — \$4.25 hundredweight Sunflowers Oil current crop — \$10.50 cwt. NuSun — \$10.65 cwt. Loan deficiency pmt. - 0¢ Confection current — inquire

Pinto beans - \$27 (Markets provided by Mueller Grain, Sigco

afternoon

WorldCom

head cuts costs

JACKSON, Miss. - With his

company facing federal fraud

charges and potential bankruptcy,

WorldCom CEO John Sidgmore

vowed to continue cutting costs

following the revelation that the

company hid \$3.8 billion in ex-

In a taped Webcast on Wednes-

day evening, Sidgmore called the

accounting disclosure "an undeni-

able setback" for the nation's No.

2 long distance provider and tele-

But Sidgmore said he was mov-

ing forward with plans to make the

company leaner and simpler, a

process that will involve laying off

as many as 17,000 people begin-

ning Friday. He said the sale of cer-

tain assets and other cost-cutting

measures will be forthcoming, but

he didn't mention something that

some industry observers believe is

inevitable — a bankruptcy filing.

penses from investors.

communications giant.

wire

Late news from the Associated Press

1 p.m.

Sun, Frontier Equity Co-op and 21st Century Bean. These may not be closing figures.

Board member wants discipline rules review

needs to be reviewed before the start of specific gripes, she said she's heard school in August because the biggest complaints from parents, teachers and complaint about the school is a lack of board members. Russell said the board discipline, Kathy Russell told her fel- needs to address the discipline problem low school board members Monday. Russell made her request during the part of the meeting where members dis- going," she said, "school is going to

The high school's discipline policy meeting agendas. While she didn't cite before school starts.

"I just think if we don't get something cuss what should be included on future start and nothing will change.'

Trash firm to present landfill plan to county

By Tom Betz

The Goodland Daily News Representatives of U.S. Waste Industries of Colorado Springs plan to present figures Friday to the Sherman County commissioners to consider leasing the transfer station and new landfill for at least 10 years.

DiVello, president of the waste handling company, said they were interested in handling the city's trash collection system, and leasing the county landfill as part of the project.

However, at that meeting DiVello said they did not have figures put together because they were studying information provided by Sherman County.

DiVello had made a presentation to the city commission last Monday offering to take over the trash collection system for \$396,000. The commission did not accept at that time, but the issue is scheduled to be on the agenda this Monday.

The county commissioners did not indicate any eagerness to lease or sell the new landfill, but said they would review the proposal when figures were available.

Curt Way, county public works manager, is scheduled to present the landfill proposal at 10 a.m.

As part of old business, the commissioners will be considering three hospital board appointments.

The Sherman County Historical Society will appear at 8:15 a.m. to discuss their program and request an increase in funding for next year. The historical society operates the Handy House, an At the June 18 meeting Victor old Victorian home on 13th and Center, as part of their program to promote the county.

> The commissioners will review a draft resolution establishing the Sherman County Economic Development Council at 8:30 a.m. The group has been asking the county to establish the group under the county, and the draft resolution was created by County Attorney Bonnie Selby, with the help from members of the economic development group's steering committee, using sample resolutions from other counties.

At9a.m., PhilSamuelson, new Good Samaritan Center administrator, will discuss the membership of the advisory board and future plans.

Questions about a demand meter charge at the fairgrounds will be discussed at 9:30 a.m. with Trent Blythe. of B and B Electric, Ed Wolak, city public works manager, and Roger Snethen of the county stock car association

Coaches give soccer tips

By Doug Stephens

The Goodland Daily News Four British soccer coaches tried to pass on a little of what they know at a coaches clinic Wednesday behind North Elementary School.

The Goodland Activities Center has held the clinic for the past four years, and anyone was invited to show up and join in on the fun.

"People who even think they might one day want to coach," said Donna Terry, administrator of the center, "this is for them."

Three activities center coaches learned the "10 steps to heaven," which the British coaches have been using in their week-long soccer clinic at North. The steps include, "No. 1on the run," "No. 4 — head on the Floor," and "No. 8 — switch with a mate."

Adam Houldsworth, 21, head coach, said that during a clinic like the one in Goodland, he usually teaches the first four steps on the first day, then three more on the next two days.

"The kids won't be able to remember all 10 on the first day,' Houldsworth said.

The steps all have names that rhyme to make them easier to remember, and to make them easier for the kids to remember. Houldsworth said that the more kids have fun, the more they will learn about the game.

"Make them use their imaginapractice. tion," he said, "anything to keep them Houldsworth said. "It's criminal. We interested." see kids waiting their turn to kick, or

Anything that kids like can be made into a game, the coaches said. They have made up games based off the Harry Potter books and movie, they said, and Star Wars is always big with the kids ..

"Anything which is popular is good to use," Houldsworth said. "They think they are playing a game, but they are actually learning the sport."

The coaches said it is important to techniques from other coaches." target the games to the ages of the kids.



Older kids, they said, should play

games which are more technique-

based, while "with young kids, fun

The coaches said it is important not

"Don't make kids wait,"

run a play, or whatever, all the time.

It's a horrible thing to do to a child."

coaches not be afraid to do something

They encouraged the prospective

"If you see a coach do something

you think is good, don't be afraid to

pinch it," said Luke Hindes, another

coach. "That's how we learn. We take

If something isn't working,

to make a child wait in line during a

is the way to go."

new

Chris Senior, a British soccer coach, goofed off a little and bounced a ball on his head after a coach's clinic Wednesday at North Elementary School.

Houldsworth said, don't be afraid to change it.

"Don't be so confident in yourself that you can't do something a little different," he said. "Do a different game, or a different drill. Keep trying until something works."

The British coaches ran their class through a mock practice, showing them how to keep kids interested, and what each lesson was trying to teach the kids

A coach would yell, "No. 1!" and the class would answer, "on the run!"

"Kids like noise," Houldsworth said. "Shout out instructions. Be loud.'

When the class got to No. 3 — drop to your knee-they dropped one knee