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Two local plants close for holidays

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Reminders about plant closings in Sherman County have people wondering if the economic slowdown has reached into the rural area. Reports circulating are that the Goodland Adonis/Economic Manufacturing plant is closing and that the E. Crous ethanol plant has stopped all construction.

Helena Dobbs, economic development manager, said the Sherman County Economic Development Council Tuesday that Adonis was closing their Goodland plant for the holidays.

A call to Adonis’s management Glen Cameron Wednesday confirmed the plant will be closed during the holidays.

He said they were shutting down because production numbers are down and the current labor market doesn’t deserve that of the 1980s. He said the company wasn’t laying people off, and plants are expected to reopen on Monday, Jan. 5.

The plant manufactures antennas for commercial vehicles, and a majority of the work has been with General Motors over the past year.

General Motors and First Motor Company have announced they will close most of all their plants from today until the first of the year.

One second rumor circulating was that the Tecumseh Center west of town had halted all construction and was closing down.

Jerry Fairbanks, director at First National Bank and a representative for Goodland Economic Center, said the construction people have been sent home for the holidays.

He said the Goodland Economic Center of- fice of Rumors abounding on Michelle Dougherty is managing the office at 1204 Main. Over the past week or more, pickets have been seen pulling up to the doors, and furniture, chairs and tables have been semi- nipping, which has it been said, was because JMC Engi-

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The fifth and sixth grade bands of North Elementary presented their winter concert at the school on Tuesday, Dec. 9.

Band director Deanie Lang-

tes, grandparents and friends that she had

ted the instrument.

She said this was to get them

ting by a mouthpiece for the instrument they wanted to play.

She was surprised we had rooms. People

was it was a mistake to use the improvement with the sixth grade after one year of playing their instruments.

The fifth grade presented the first four songs of the program including “The Christmas Bell, En-” and “Fare-” and “Fare-

Local markets

Noon

Whet Stones

Pepsi-inspired genre — $1

July 17

Precipitation none

This month

10.1

Year to date

30.3

Above normal

0.71 inches

Year to date 20.33

This month 0.10

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