

Graduation for six was held at the opera house

By Evelyn Ward

Sherman County Historical Society
July 2, 1904: High School Class of Six Graduated — That the large audience that greeted the graduates of the Sherman county high school at the opera house Friday night enjoyed what was said by the speakers goes without saying; although in applauding, the audience did not overlap itself.

The stage was amply decorated with flowers and house plants and class colors. Above depended the class motto: "virtus, sua gloria," in large yellow letters.

The hall was brilliantly illuminated, and a goodly number of our townspeople and friends of the school were in attendance.

A piano duet was the first number, after which a march was played while the class marched to their seats upon the platform. The invocation was given by the Rev. J.E. Stevens, followed by a song by a male quartet.

In a general way it may be said that the six graduates acquitted themselves well. Some remarked upon the excellence of this one or that one, and after all was said, words of commendation extended to efforts of the whole class.

As Professor Mallory said in presenting the diplomas, the graduates had been painstaking and faithful students. Grace Roth, one of the

today in history

class, gave an oration upon "The Old and the New," and in the course of the speech said some catchy things about love, which came home with new power the next morning when it was learned that Miss Grace was married that night.

The diplomas presented the graduates are good for entrance to college, and the occasion was one long to be remembered, especially by the members of the class. The names of the six graduates are: May Marshall, Bertha Erickson, Bessie Waters, Grace Roth, Pearl Kimmel and Beulah Roth.

July 3, 1904: NOTICE — Section 1 of ordinance No. 19, of the ordinances of the city of Goodland, Kansas, provides that it shall be unlawful for any person to ignite, discharge or explode within the corporation limits of the city of Goodland any firecracker, rocket, roman candle or any other preparation, package or contrivance containing any gun powder or other explosive material; and section 2 of the same ordinance provides that any person who shall violate any provision of section one of this ordinance shall, upon conviction, be fined in any sum not less than one dollar nor more than twenty five

dollars, and shall pay all costs of prosecution and shall be committed to the jail of said city of Goodland, or county of Sherman, state of Kansas, until such fine and costs are fully paid, and on and after this date the provisions of this ordinance will be strictly enforced so far as it relates to the business portion of the said city of Goodland.

C.E. Swarts, Mayor

July 4, 1904: Fourth July in Goodland — Gala Day For The Small Boy and Those Who Like Sport — The Ball Game an Exciting Event, While the Balloon Ascension Was Prevented by Too Much Wind — Big Crowds at Events — The 128th birthday of the nation was celebrated with life and lightheartedness in Goodland.

The attractions advertised brought people from afar to celebrate here, and they were not disappointed. Every part of the program was not, as it often happens, carried out.

Speaking at the opera house did not materialize. The two balloon ascensions were contracted for, and the balloonist was on the ground, and made an attempt to launch his big hot air balloon with a parachute attachment, but the wind blew so hard from the southeast that the attempt was given up.

Many people gathered to see the aeronaut make the ascent and parachute leap, but as soon as the enterprise was seen to be fruitless, the crowd made for the races and the

ball game between the Goodland and Kanorado teams.

The start of the ball game was a brilliant one. For four innings both teams walked in and out with nothing to their credit.

In the fifth, Goodland landed on Germann, Kanorado's pitcher, heavily, which sent his field to pieces for a little, but they straightened up quickly to hold their opponents down to one score for that inning. Then Kanorado touched up for one score and later two more.

In the seventh, the score was a tie, three to three. Goodland lost the game in the eighth. Billy Williams, Goodland's pitcher, was handled pretty roughly by the Kanorado sluggers.

A wild ball passed the catcher and was lost in the weeds. The bases were full and three men came in, giving Kanorado a score of six. Goodland finally made one more run but could make nothing more. The game ended 4 to 6 in favor of Kanorado. The first money was \$40 and second \$20.

The Callithumpian parade was confined to small boys and girls, the prize of \$2 for the best make up being given to little Ida Derby. The various foot races and athletic contests were too numerous to report. Max Scott fought the greased pole and pulled down the \$5.

A hard fought baseball game, 1 to 3 p.m., between the second nines of Ruleton and Goodland, resulted in a victory for the latter. The horse races were well attended, and Fred Fender, with his string of runners, captured most of the moneys, the

five mile relay race being the most exciting contest.

The balloonist made a second attempt to accomplish an ascension, but without success owing to the wind. The committee gave him \$25 to help cover his expenses. He was to have received \$100 for two, or \$50 if he made one ascension. This leaves about \$75 surplus in the hands of Fred Hodgkinson, treasurer of the Fourth of July committee. It will be a good nest egg for next year.

July 5, 1904: Three Boys Take \$10.15 from the Foster Lumber Company — Forest and Thomas Dougherty and Arthur Davis spent the money they stole from the money drawer in the office of the Foster Lumber Company so lavishly that they soon found themselves under suspicion, and a sweating process uncovered their wrong doing.

Money was no object, only the means. It came easy, and it went that way. They started to buy out Hodgkinson's store and succeeded to the extent of a jack-knife and a straw hat apiece, and firecrackers, candy and gum were purchased wholesale.

The boys celebrated and had a good time all day. They perhaps never thought that when T.E. Townsend, manager of the Foster yard, was hunting and thinking where in the world the \$10.15 shortage could be, that Nemesis is always camping on the trial of the boy who goes wrong.

But that is what happened, as it has ten thousand times before. Boys

at 10 and 14 years of age don't generally have that much at their fingers' end nor use it that way. Inquiry as to the reckless spending, and hunting and wondering where the lost money might be, soon formed the web that tangled the wayward feet.

Now they are in the hands of the law, and as soon as County Attorney Murphy returns from his trip to Fort Collins, Colo., the boys will be brought before Justice Floyd, and some stern advice administered. They are sorry and wish the whole thing were blotted out and the hair vest of regret turned back.

The money was taken when Mr. Townsend and his helper were working in the yard. One boy pulled open the drawer, and the money looked so good, desire was more than fear.

The parents of the boys are in quite moderate circumstances, and only a part of the amount was at hand to be paid back. They live in the south west part of town. Forest Dougherty is 14; and Thomas Dougherty and Arthur Davis are 10 years old.

When attempting to assign a cause of the wrong act of these boys, the fact still remains that raising boys and girls in the way they should go is the noblest of undertakings, yet fraught with tremendous responsibility.

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public notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF SHERMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE INTEREST OF
JOAQUIN LOPEZ RODRIGUEZ, D/O/B 09-18-03,
A MALE UNDER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS.

CASE NO. 04-JC-06

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO: Adrianna Marie Rodriguez Moreno, D/O/B 01-14-86, Maternal Mother of Joaquin Lopez Rodriguez

Modesto Rodriguez, D/O/B 06-15-63, Maternal Grandfather of Joaquin Lopez Rodriguez

Kathy Rodriguez, Maternal Aunt of Joaquin Lopez Rodriguez

A Petition has been filed In this Court requesting that the Court terminate the parental rights of one Adrianna Marie Rodriguez

Moreno, D/O/B 01-14-86, maternal mother of Joaquin Lopez Rodriguez, D/O/B 09-18-03.

You are required to appear before this Court at 3:00 o'clock P.M. M.T. on the 10th day of August, 2004, at 813 Broadway, 2nd Floor, in Goodland, Sherman County, Kansas, or prior to that time file your written response to the pleading with the Clerk of this Court. If, after a child has been adjudged to be a child in need of care, the Court finds a parent or parents to be unfit, the Court may make an order permanently terminating the parent's or parents' parental rights.

R. Dean Dinkel, an attorney of Dinkel Law Office, L.L.C., whose address and telephone number are: P.O. Box 117, Sharon Springs, Kansas 67758, (785) 852-4096, respectively, has been appointed as guardian ad litem for the child. Each parent or other legal custodian of the child has the right to appear and be heard personally either with or without an attorney.

Clerk of the District Court
By: Karlin Barton

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Goodland Police

The following crimes have been reported to the Goodland Police Department:

June 24 — Molleker-Schmidt Construction reported the theft of two hammer drills and assorted drill bits valued at \$669, at 2218 Commerce Rd.

LeAnn C. Talamantez reported scratch damage to her vehicle at 2160 Commerce Rd.

Grant A. Brown was arrested on charges of driving with suspension, at 1200 Cherry.

Scooter's Clothing Store reported a bad check valued at \$113.40, at 1101 Main.

June 25 — Goodland Sinclair reported a bad check valued at \$124.50, at 2320 Commerce Rd.

June 28 — John O. Corcoran was arrested for violation of protective order for Stephanie Corcoran, at 526 W 13th.

Walmart reported forgery in the amount of \$49.89, at 2160 Commerce Rd.

Ronald R. Thompson was arrested for failure to appear, at 813 Broadway.

June 29 — Frontier Equity Exchange reported a bad check in the amount of \$13.94, at 1202 W. HWY 24.

Napa Auto Parts reported a bad check used, at 1502 Main.

J.C.Penny's reported a bad check in the amount of \$61.34, at 1104 Main.

Ronald T. Asbury reported the theft of an angel statuette valued at \$100, at 609 W 13th.

Carol Hickson reported the theft of a bench from her yard valued at \$40, at 1532 Wyoming.

Real Estate

The following real estate transactions were reported by the Sherman County Register of Deeds:

Northwest Kansas District Free Fair
Howdy Rowdy Rodeo
 Tuesday, August 3th at 7 p.m.
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 Sign up deadline postmarked July 30
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