Grant Junior High wins league Scholars' Bowl

Students risetothetop in Atwood

By Kathryn Burke

The Goodland Star-News In the first time in at least 15 years, the Grant Junior High Scholars' Bowl team won the league meet in Atwood last month.

"It's really exciting to win league," said Tanya Gray, team sponsor and seventh-grade math teacher at the school.

The team comprises eighth graders Tanner Oharah, Allen Smith, Brad Geist, Chelsie Gausman, Devin Mangus, Dallas Price, T.J.



Members of the Grant Junior High Scholars' Bowl team (from left) Tanner Oharah, Allen Smith, Brad Geist, Chelsie Gausman and Devin Mangus waited with buzzers ready for questions at the league meet last month. Photo by Tanya Gray

Freeman, Bryan Gray, Brennen practice on Tuesdays and Thurs-Clouse and Adam Duell. Gray said they get together for a.m. until school starts.

days to answer questions from 7:30

The Scholars' Bowl season, she said, runs from October through March, and the students practice the whole time.

condition, she said, they use old competition questions and questions from books she buys.

She teaches students the rules, too, and they practice using the buzzers and how and what to challenge.

years," she said, adding that she's not sure how the team practiced before she signed on.

The team doesn't have try-outs, Gray said. Anyone who comes to practice gets to participate. She said Hoxie, Atwood, Quinter and sometimes students who join the team realize how tough it is and drop out on their own. The ones who stay, she said, enjoy the challenge.

"They love it," she said. "They ask me to start sooner ... and run top," Gray said. later....

mally tie into what kids learn in all of the league placings by the class. She said they seek out some school.

information, especially in art and To get the team in award-winning music. One student, Mangus, is an expert on presidents and fields all of those questions.

"I have some kids who have trivia books that they read," she added.

The 10-member team was limited to five competitors for the league championship, Mangus, "I've been doing this for two Gausman, Smith, Oharah and Geist.

She said although only 10 got to attend the competition, they have been to seven competitions to get to league. The were up against Colby, Oberlin teams for the title.

Winning the title might not have been a surprise for the team, since they have done well all year.

'We've finished mostly in the

Members got a small plaque they The questions, Gray said, nor- will add to another plaque holding

City planned to sell water works bonds, organized new city board By Evelyn Ward drawn into the enterprise, and the ing little town just over the line in seems to be one of the needed factoday in history

Sherman County Historical Society April 19, 1905: To Sell Water Works Bonds — As Soon As They Are Negotiated, Stand Pipe Work Will Begin — The city council met in a special adjourned meeting at the water works building and organized the new city board.

Mayor-elect George Kelly took the oath of office, and John Bock, acting mayor, and Mayor Kelly made short speeches. The new councilmen, Wallace Filer, Albert Reed and D.C. Derby, were sworn in according to the usual form.

The council ordered an advertisement inserted in the city official paper and state official paper for the negotiation and sale of the Goodland water works improvement bonds.

The council ordered the advertisement of bids for 250 tons of gravel and for the excavation of 208 yards of dirt. The excavation for the foundation for the stand pipe is to

be eight feet deep and 30 feet in di- fice location based upon a 10-year ameter. The gravel is for the purpose of making concrete foundation.

Government Agent Here to Inves- Heston brothers were the only bidtigate — The north end and the ders for the contract. south end petitions — the former asking that the present post office location in Goodland be maintained, the latter asking for its rethe post office department at Washington to make investigation as to wishes of the people of Goodland in the matter.

department was here and availed to the person who would erect a himself of many interviews with businessmen and officials of the rental, there is no question but what town. He invited bids for a post of- local capital would be quickly

contract, provided a brick building could be obtained, fixtures fur-April 20, 1905: WILL POST nished, also heat, light safe, etc. It OFFICE BE MOVED? — Special is understood that T.P. Leonard and

But many people who favor a peaceable adjustment of the matter think that the location should be on what may be termed neutral ground moval farther south — have moved and say that the vacant lot just south of Wilson brothers' law office is a means between the extremes. But its proper location and as to the the want of a building there seems to be the obstacle.

If the post office department To that end, a special agent of the would consent to award the contract brick building on that lot for a good

post office location agitation would no doubt be amicably settled for years to come.

The people of the south end are not disposed to run away with the post office location, and some have suggested that it be placed on the corner just south of Leonard's brick.

Developments are not sufficiently mature at this time to reveal what the outcome will be, but it's a reasonable prediction to say that the location will be changed, and it ought therefore to be located at such a place as will give the least cause for grievance or contention.

April 21, 1905: The child of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, who live in the north east part of the county, died last Wednesday from the effects of concentrated lye in the stomach. The child swallowed some of the lye about ten days ago. Dr. Gulick was the attending physician.

April 22, 1905: Brewster, a thriv-

Thomas county — the place where some Sherman County farmers trade and haul to market — is to upon as the height of folly. have a bank soon, according to The Colby Free Press.

Like all western Kansas towns, Brewster has experienced a good deal of prosperity within the last weekly, some items were arbitrarily few years. A bank at that place assigned a date.

tors, but no further back than four years it would have been looked

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Accidents

The following accidents were reported to the Goodland Police Department

March 30—Tharon Barber was

the wall of Kabredlo's.

April 1—Ann Melton in a 1995 bulling a 1987 Ford Bronco II into St. when it hit a 1996 GMC driven on Grand when he hit a 1987 Buick but did not see the pickup.

the a parking lot at 320 E. 8th when by Alison E. Milke who was travthe throttle stuck and the vehicle hit eling north on Grand, crossing 16th St.

Mercury was traveling west on 16th 1989 Chevrolet S-10 pickup south he looked before crossing Grand

driven by Craig Mason crossing at 7th St. Normandon said he was watching people in the street and Chad Normandon was driving a didn't see the other car. Mason said

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