

Sherman County promoted as 'farmers paradise'

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Sherman County Historical Society
June 17, 1905: Farmers Paradise — The crops grown in this country are wheat, corn, rye, barley, broom corn, alfalfa, and English blue grass, as well as flax and all other cereals, are successfully grown here. Last and not least is the native buffalo grass.

Next to the divine profusion of water, light and air, those three great physical facts which render existence possible, may be reckoned the universal beneficence of grass.

Western Kansas is grasses' empire. In luxuriance, profusion, nutritious quality and economy of production, here are nowhere surpassed.

From these, meats and milk and wealth are made; out of these and by

today in history

these, all things of good must largely come.

The well-known buffalo and gamma grasses form the bulk of the native vegetation on all of the uplands.

They are too short to be cut for hay but cure for the winter use and are the best grasses known for grazing and fattening of cattle for both summer and winter.

Along the bottoms, the blue stem grass abounds, which yields an abundance of hay. There are thousands of acres suitable for the growing of alfalfa, this most wonderful drought resister, without irrigation, while all lands are suitable for the

raising of all other crops.

June 18, 1905: If a stranger had walked into the opera house in Goodland about 8 o'clock Tuesday evening, he would have wondered what it was that had drawn that immense crowd of people out to see and to hear. And if he had been told before the curtain raised that the great "Union Depot" play was on, he would have stayed, too.

Neither a stage tragedy nor a comedy has ever drawn such a crowd as the one that greeted this farce. All the characters were Goodland people.

The receipts of the entertainment amount to \$140. The Episcopal

church, under whose auspices the play was given, will use the money for a fund for the purpose of building a rectory for the Episcopal minister at Goodland.

Considerable money had already been raised, and as soon as the local church accumulates \$500, Bishop Griswold of the Salina diocese will add \$500 to the fund, which will be sufficient for the erection of the proposed rectory.

June 19, 1905: Old Folks Didn't Know — Lula Auer, one of Goodland's most popular young ladies, and whose pleasant manners will always be a remembrance to many people, played a prank upon her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.H. Auer.

The sum and substance of it is, she married to Mr. R.D. Wolfe at Burlington, Colo., May 28, and the

folks at home were kept in complete ignorance of the event until the plighted pair thought it was best to break the news gently.

The shock, though real to the family, did not necessitate the use of smelling salts. Mr. and Mrs. Auer took the extraordinary news quite philosophically, forgave the young couple for so much headlong valor in love, and overlooking their own discomfures, abided the new relationship with words that smacked with hope and joy.

Mrs. Fred Aten, who now lives in Burlington, an old acquaintance, had for some time been inviting her Goodland friend to come and visit her. As the result of one such invitation, Miss Auer made the trip all alone.

Cupid is a strategist, and some-

how, Mr. Wolfe and Miss Auer happened there the same day, and thereby hangs the story of the beginning of married life.

Mr. Wolfe is employed in the Rock Island superintendent's office in Colorado Springs. Before taking that position, Mr. Wolfe was head clerk in the master mechanic's office in Goodland.

He is well-liked by his acquaintance and is recognized as a young man of stability and worth. Mr. and Mrs. will be at home at 309 East Bijou Street, Colorado Springs, Colorado, after July 1.

From weekly issues of the Goodland News, provided by the Sherman County Historical Society. Since the paper was published weekly, some items were arbitrarily assigned a date.

matters of record

Goodland Police

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

May 31 — Aren Bell reported theft at 1016 Sherman.

June 2 — A juvenile was arrested for theft and criminal damage to property at 812 Broadway. The case was referred to the county attorney.

June 3 — Jennifer McGinnis reported criminal damage to the rear driver's side window estimated at \$300 and the theft of a wallet and contents valued at \$3 at 2325 Enterprise.

June 4 — Kurt Zupko was arrested for telephone harassment reported by Corban Huffman at 1521 Broadway. The case was referred to the county attorney.

A juvenile was arrested for theft reported by Tabitha Madden at 2160 Commerce. The case was re-

ferred to the county attorney.

Scott Frazier was arrested for battery and disorderly conduct reported by Daron Hovis and driving under suspension at 421 Cherry. The case was referred to the city attorney.

June 6 — Joshua Hatfield was arrested on a warrant at 1600 Kansas. The case was referred to the county attorney.

Bobbie Jo Tesmer was arrested for theft of services valued at \$150 from Aquila at 1506 Center. The case was referred to the city attorney.

June 8 — Christopher Maldonado was arrested for theft from Kabredlo's at 320 E. 8th. The case was referred to the city attorney.

Criminal damage to property and theft of services valued at \$409.36 from The City of Goodland was reported at 824 Wyoming. The case

was referred to the city attorney.

Angie Delano was arrested on a warrant and battery against Greg Kroskey, a law enforcement officer, at 507 E. 13th. The case was referred to the city attorney.

Dustin Krayca was arrested for unlawful discharge of firearms at 711 W. 16th. The case was referred to the city attorney.

June 9 — Floyd Wegner reported theft at 220 W. 10th. The case was referred to the city attorney.

Heather Blake was arrested for forgery and theft from James Precht

at 202 E. 11th. The case was referred to the county attorney.

A juvenile was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia and theft from Wal-Mart at 2210 Commerce. The case was referred to the county attorney.

A juvenile was arrested for battery and criminal damage to property reported by Janet Craft at 404 W. 12th. The case was referred to the county attorney.

Marshall Carson was arrested for driving while suspended at 1700 Cladwell. The case was referred to

the city attorney.

June 10 — Felipe Romero was arrested for theft from the 24/7 store at 2710 Commerce. The case was referred to the city attorney.

Renea Peterson was arrested on two warrants at 220 W. 10. The case was referred to the city attorney.

Accidents

The following accidents were reported to the Goodland Police Department:

June 6 — Kendall Morris was waiting for a car to back out of a

parking space when he backed his 1997 Pontiac Bonneville into Lee Lampinski Sr. in a 1990 BMW at 2160 Commerce.

June 7 — Nyla Finley was backing a 1992 Oldsmobile out of a parking space and into an unoccupied 2000 Pontiac owned by Jackie Jorgensen at 1st and Maple.

June 11 — Oura B. Garrett in a 2001 Ford pickup failed to yield at a sign causing Donald W. Dawes in a 1996 GMC pickup to hit his passenger side at 13th and Caldwell.

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Saturday, June 18th • 9:30 a.m. MST

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NOTE: We will be selling lots of household items for customers in the Goodland area. As usual the hall will be full so come and enjoy the day at another fun auction where everyone has "Satisfaction at the sound of the gavel". Lunch served by the VFW Auxiliary.

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

3-round patio umbrella tables; 2 recliners; 2 rocker/recliners; 2 blue sofas; glass top end and coffee tables; 2 sets coffee and end tables; round end table; small round dining table with 2 chairs; 5' lighted china hutch and covered bowl glass china hutch; swivel rocker; glider-rocker; octagon table with 4 chairs; Ranch Oak round table with 6 leather backed chairs; 2 small writing desks; display case; queen bedroom set with chest; dresser; night stands; 7 drawer chest; 2 portable TV's; kitchen table with 3 chairs; 7' flowered sofa, like new; mauve recliner, nice; queen bedroom set, dresser, chest, night stand, nice; Quasar microwave with stand; magazine rack; new pedestal sink & toilet, almond; almond GE electric stove, self cleaning; 2-Lazy Boy swivel rockers; Tell City hard rock maple dining table with 4 chairs; hard rock maple step table with slate top; camel back sofa; nice sofa & wing back chair; New Holland gas grill

COLLECTABLES

Green Fenton vase with fluted top; purple Fenton basket; Fenton heart shaped dish with hummingbird on lid; red Fenton bowl stand; purple Fenton bowl with candle; pink Fenton basket with handle; Fenton Burmese dish with butterfly lid; red Fenton basket with handle; Fenton bowl - Petal Pink Daisy; red Fenton glass; Faberge egg basket; Faberge egg - musical; Victorian Charm music box egg; Avon music flower box; Lefton china dolphin; etched glass vase; decorated egg from China with wooden base; Mikasa quartz clock; purple Wedgwood dish with lid, 5" Queen Rose cache pot - bone china; Miska Eskimo doll, new in box; Dolly Dingle doll; Cameo doll; Granny World doll; Black Kewpie doll; Betty Ball Goebel musical doll; Goebel doll in glass globe; red headed Goebel boy & girl dolls; money bank; porcelain rooster and hen; shadow box and figurines; porcelain floral pitcher, heart vase, rose box; BOXES of expensive costume jewelry; Several pieces of Jamoco Franciscan china; 4 Haggard flower pots; antique pump organ; couch and matching chair

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Lots of nice cookware, dishes, glasses; bedding; Regulator clock; cassette & video tapes; Christmas figurines; 2 nice fur & leather ladies coats; sewing basket, full of supplies; 3-8 x 10 and 1 18 x 22 wood picture frames with easels.

VEHICLE - 1980 Ford PU, 4sp, V8, runs good but needs some work.

LOTS MORE ITEMS. THE HALL WILL BE FULL

TERMS. Cash or Check with ID. Everything must be paid for and removed day of sale.

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