

Goodland people went ‘sightseeing’ to fields

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Sherman County Historical Society
July 8, 1905: Great are the Plains of Kansas — Some Goodland people went out by the New Liberty school house sightseeing over the weekend. They saw where Mr. McCall has 500 acres of small grain: wheat, rye, and barley; some of which is shoulder high to an ordinary-sized man.
July 9, 1905: Muldrow News — There will be ten headers in operation in this community when harvest begins. — Joe McAdams bought a new binder in Brewster and began cutting rye. — Prof. Shoesmith of the agricultural college took several photograph views of the grain fields and dwelling places in Llanos Township and expressed himself as highly pleased with the appearance of our county.
July 10, 1905: Good Time At

today in history

Sexson’s — Rejoicing At A Model Kansas Farm — The evangelistic services and picnic on the farm of W.A. Sexson of Grant Township was both a decided success and an enjoyable occasion.
People came from far and near, and by the time for the services to commence, the farm yard and grounds were thickly encumbered with carriages, farm wagons and other vehicles.
The grove of thrifty ash trees, planted as a wind break on the north of the orchard, had been carpeted with new mown rye, seated with planks and a stand and space arranged for a rostrum.
Evangelist W.M. Sexson, assisted by Mrs. Delia Swint, evangelist singer of Denver, conducted the service. The speaker read a portion of the second chapter of the prophecy of Daniel, regarding the king’s dream of the great image with head of gold, etc. and preached a very instructive sermon as to the kingdom of God and the gospel dispensation.
After the religious services were ended, a wagon load of eatables was hauled in, tables arranged and a picnic spread that would delight the most fastidious epicure. It was a pretty sight.
The neat farm house and the well-kept out buildings, surrounded by shrubbery, orchard and grove, on a high swell of the prairie, all nestling like a lark in a meadow, and on every

had fields of waving grain, growing corn and cane, horses and cattle, bathed in the bright sunlight of the quiet Sabbath day, leisurely grazing on the pastures or lying down upon the soft carpet of the sod; while stretching away in every direction rolled the emerald billows of the prairie, and dotted in the distance by groves, marking the happy homes of Kansas farmers, and here in the center of the glorious picture of the glorious picture, under the trees, old men and matrons, young men and maidens, bright-eyed boys and girls hymning the praises of Jehovah, listening to the word of God, and partaking thankfully of the rich bounty of a benign providence, was food for thought, a memory to cherish, a scene for an artist, a psalm for a David.
Here, where but a few brief years

ago roamed the bison, and denominated by geographers the “Great American Desert,” the old savagery gone forever, a newer, better order of things has come in its place, bringing the blessings of fruitfulness and peace.
Rev. W.M. Sexson and wife are stopping at W.A. Sexson’s place, to whom they are distantly related. Mrs. W.M. Sexson is a niece of George Edwards, and W.M. Sexson and W.A. Sexson are second cousins. Many of the people of Grant are from the same locality in Illinois.
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Brother and sister plan trip to Washington

A Goodland brother and sister will be going to Washington at the end of July for a leadership conference, to meet congressional staff members and to visit historical sites.
Ben and Day Waugh, son and daughter of James and Traci Waugh of Goodland, will go to the Junior National Young Leaders Conference from Sunday, July 31, to Tuesday, Aug. 9. Its theme is “The Legacy of American Leadership.”
The conference introduces young



Ben Waugh



Day Waugh

people to the tradition of leadership throughout American history, while helping them develop their own

leadership skills.
The event is designed to inspire students to recognize their own leadership skills, said Mike Lasday, executive director of the Congressional Youth Leadership Council, and to measure their skills against those of current and former leaders.
The Waughs will take part in educational activities and presentations and meet with officials and key Congressional staff members on Capitol Hill.
They will visit historical sites,

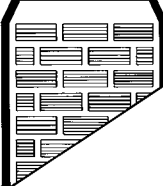
such as Colonial Williamsburg, Harpers Ferry, the National Museum of American History and the city’s monuments and memorials.
Conference participants will put their own leadership skills to the test as they examine some of today’s leading issues, such as poverty and the environment, and develop plans for addressing these issues back home.

Goodland students get Haysscholarships

Seven area students accepted scholarships to Fort Hays State University for the 2005-06 school year.
Erinn Abernathy, a 2005 Goodland High School graduate, accepted a \$500 Award of Excellence in communication studies.
She was involved in Family, Career and Community Leaders of America; cheerleading; and Distributive Education Clubs of America and has participated in Scholar’s Bowl, tennis, musicals, choir and the Girls’ Athletic Association, was a football statistician and student mentor, was president of the National Honor Society, secretary of Student Council and co-chair for the Little Brother/Little Sister Committee, was named in “Who’s Who Among High School Students” and is on the Principal’s Honor Roll.
She is the daughter of Paul and Gina Abernathy of Goodland and plans to major in communication studies with an emphasis in journalism.
Shannon Bryce, also a 2005 Goodland graduate, accepted a \$500 Award of Excellence in teacher education. She is the daughter of Ronda Thompson of Goodland and plans to major in elementary education.
Charles Lammers, also a 2005 graduate, accepted a \$400 Fort Hays Bronze Academic Award. He was involved in Boy Scouts and Distributive Education Clubs of America, was captain of the Scholar’s Bowl team, vice president of his senior class and vice president of American Field Service and was on the honor roll.
He is the son of George and Kathy Lammers of Goodland and plans to major in communications.
Peggy Siruta, Goodland, accepted \$280 Mearle and Dorothy Hoover Scholarship. She is involved in Phi Theta Kappa and the Kansas National Education Association-Student Program and is a teacher’s aide at West Elementary School and is on the National Dean’s List.
She plans to major in elementary education with a minor in special education.

Supreme Honor Roll.
He is the son of Chuck and Alicia Wilkens of Goodland and plans to major in engineering.
Ashley Wing, also a 2005 graduate, accepted a \$500 Award of Excellence in the College of Business and Leadership. She was involved in National Honor Society, Distributive Education Clubs of America I and II, Student Council, choir, American Field Service, Art

Club and school musicals. She was president of DECA I and was on the Principal’s Honor Roll.
She is the daughter of Mark and Laura Wing of Goodland and plans to major in business management.
Aubrea Winter, also a 2005 graduate, accepted a \$500 Award of Excellence in agriculture. She is the daughter of Gary and Deb Winter of Kanorado and plans a career in veterinary medicine.



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