

Central school traffic lights come down



City utility worker Lukas Wolak handed part of the Central School crossing signal to Dennis Fyfe, and Pat Thompson held the electric cable as the city utility crew removed the lights. The lights were removed at the request of the school district. Photo By Tom Betz/The Goodland Star-News

‘Chalk rock’ find made news

In 1931, *The Goodland News-Republic* reported the discovery of a large lime deposit on the Marshall Ranch (later known as the Cogswell and T-Bar Ranch) in southeast Sherman County and northern Wallace County. However, it would be several years before the “chalk rock” would be retrieved and processed.

Curtis McKenrick, who lives across the street from the now abandoned plant in Edson, said that the diatomaceous material comprises fossils of microscopic sea algae that contain silica.

The pulverized rock was bagged and shipped by rail by the American Lead Co., which used it in lead-based paint. It was also used as a ballast in tractor tires. McKenrick noted too area baseball teams liked to use the “chalk” material to mark the field lines and put it on sweaty hands because it was not caustic.

FIND LIME NEAR HERE Believe Million Tons in Marshall Ranch Deposit

Raw materials that appear to be suitable for the manufacture of hydraulic lime have recently been found in Wallace County, according to circular No.3 issued recently by the State Geological Survey. Since the United States now imports this substance from Europe, the find may prove to have considerable commercial importance.

The deposit found upon the Marshall Ranch is known as diatomaceous marl, called “chalk rock,” and amounts to one million tons according to estimates. Hydraulic lime is used for constructing tunnels under rivers, as it hardens and “sets” under water.

It is also valuable for foundations and basements where setting may occur, as it is slow in setting, and the structure built of it takes its permanent position before the lime sets, and thus cracks are avoided.

The health of the community’s children was also a concern in the spring 75 years ago. The state was offering free diphtheria toxin to the county for immunization clinics. The PTA got involved, and the result was overwhelming.

OVER A THOUSAND Inoculation Popular, Results Show

More than a thousand children received free inoculation for diphtheria in the three days this week (April 20, 1931) in which it was given at the Grant school here. There were 153 at Kanorado.

In case others want inoculation, who did not fully understand the plan, they may secure it free for the second and third “shots” the next two weeks and pay a small charge for the third one later. Mrs. Euwer, president of the Grant PTA, said.



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anything of the literary style of Ferber or her ability to draw pictures with words.

It is always a sad time in a rural community when it loses one of its young citizens, as recorded in the following article.

YOUNG MAN DIES

Willard Townsend Passes Away

Willard E. Townsend, son of Mr. and Mrs. Witten Townsend, died at his home Friday after a brief illness. His passing came unexpectedly as he had only been seriously ill a few days.

Mr. Townsend, who was only 32 years of age, was married to Miss Pennette Purvis on Jan. 26, 1930. (She later married Kenneth House of Sherman County.) She with his parents, two brothers and one sister survive him. Other relatives and many friends mourn with the family in the untimely death of this young man.

Funeral services were held at the Christian church with the Rev. Dudley in charge with burial in the Goodland Cemetery.

And finally, one local citizen was fortunate to survive a plane crash near Kanorado 75 years ago.

In Plane Crash

Oscar Farnsworth of Kanorado badly damaged his new airplane Thursday afternoon while attempting to fly it. Due to the lack of speed, he did not clear the fence in the George Mangus pasture, where he was taking off, and the plane caught the top wire of the fence. The wings and one wheel were broken, and other minor damage was done. Mr. Farnsworth and Everett Isaac of Norton, who had been instructing him, escaped injury.

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Goodland Police

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

April 20 — 2:55 p.m., 616 E. business U.S. 24, arrested Kenneth Albert on warrant for Saline County. Case referred to proper jurisdiction.

7:25 p.m., 414 Main, Curt Goodwin reported a bicycle theft.

April 21 — 10:20 a.m., 1311 Main, Randie Rowe, reported theft of a bicycle.

12:05 p.m., 1012 Main, arrested Barbara Lee Lindsley for theft at Prairie Rose Floral. Case referred to city attorney.

April 23 — 7:42 p.m., 1900 Cattletrail, arrested Tyler Henderson for driving while suspended. Case referred to city attorney.

April 24 — 11:10 a.m., 2160 Commerce Road, Joe Peter reported a case of battery.

6:06 p.m., 901 Main, Michael McGlone reported criminal damage to property.

April 27 — 12:24 p.m., 303 Center, Samara Bostwick reported criminal damage to property.

April 29 — 12:44 a.m., 1602 Main, arrested Irvin Linsy for disorderly conduct against Jeff Goddard. Case referred to city attorney.

4:16 a.m., 811 Washington, Rebecca Maupin reported theft of a cellular phone.

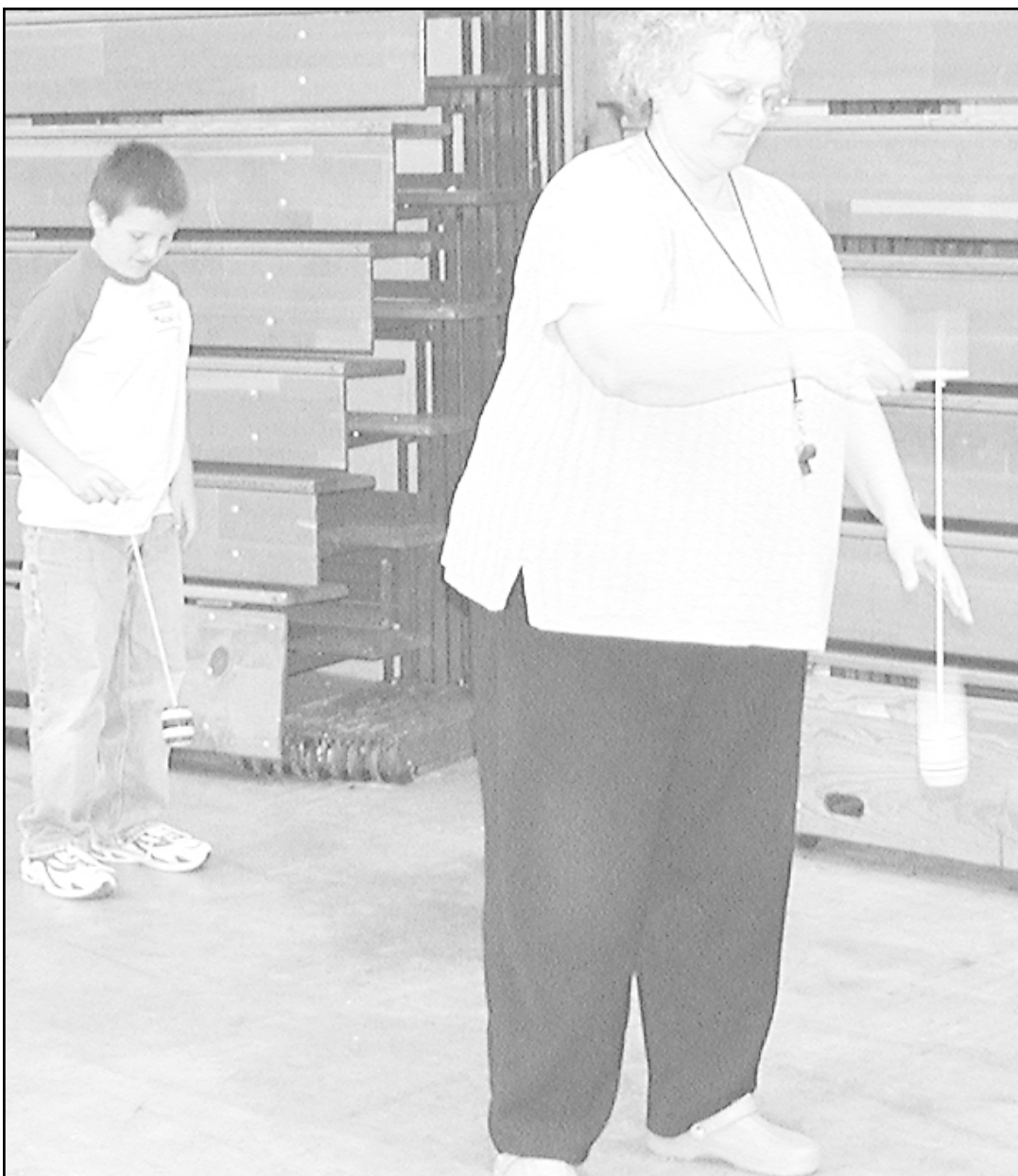
8:86 a.m., 802 Colorado, Dean Graber reported criminal damage to yard lights.

8:05 p.m., 1319 Cherry, James Sheats reported a case of criminal trespass.

8:35 p.m., 1319 Cherry, Sena Brown reported a case of criminal trespass.

April 30 — 4:17 a.m., 2218 Commerce, Jovita Gutierrez reported domestic battery, phone harassment and disorderly conduct. Case referred to county attorney.

Kids, teachers celebrate Cinco de Mayo



Sixth graders got a taste of Mexico from Mary Porterfield's Spanish classes at their celebration of Cinco de Mayo Wednesday at the Max Jones Fieldhouse. Students were treated to lunch while the high school pep band played. They were broken down into smaller groups for activities. Mikail Freeman (left) and Pam Hardy, sixth grade teacher at North Elementary School, tried their hand at getting a wooden barrel toy to land on top of a wooden handle. Other stations made paper flowers, Ojos de Dios (God's Eyes) and played games. Students also got to break a piñata.

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