

# Progress 75 years ago was in skies over Goodland

For signs of progress in North-west Kansas 75 years ago, one had to look to the skies over Goodland. The airport was a refueling stop between Denver and Kansas City, which in turn opened up the opportunity for air mail service in June 1931.



**marcia smith**  
• from the vault

**AIR MAIL TO START FRIDAY**  
**Can Send Letters With Pilot**  
Everything is ready for the opening of the air mail line from Kansas City to Denver by the United States Airways, flying through here. Salina will be the only mail stop on the line at the opening, requests of other towns, including Goodland, to be made mail stops having been turned down. The first trips are to be made Friday.

Since the planes will stop here to refuel, Goodland people can get the advantage of fast delivery of their letters by securing air mail stamps and giving their letters to the pilots of the ships to be mailed at some of the regular mail stations, according to B.E. Bridges, vice-president of the air line.

Letters cannot be dispatched through the local post office, however. Since there will soon be a regular attendant at the airport at all times, it is thought an arrangement

can be made to collect outgoing air mail in a package for each ship and have it handed to the pilot when the plane stops to refuel.

**Refueling Stop Prepared**  
The equipment for refueling is being installed. Since the planes will be carrying a pay load at all times, they will not want to carry too heavy load of fuel, and also, there are certain requirements as to fuel load that must be met. Goodland is the logical refueling point between Salina and Denver on account of its location about half way.

Quite a lot of letters have been received at the Goodland post office from outside points for mailing on the first plane. Postmaster John Heston says a package of letters with air mail stamps was received from Portland, Ore., another from Seattle and one from Blue Island, Ill.

The senders want to get the postmarks of the stations on the new

collectors.

In order to show interest in the new development, especially since officials of the post office department and the airline will be on the ships Friday when the service is inaugurated, it has been suggested that citizens of Goodland gather at the airport and meet the planes about 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

**Lunch Stand and Park Added**  
W.H. Arensberg said this morning that he expected to have his oil station and lunch stand completed by Friday at the airport. He is also fixing up a little park south of the station, with lawn seats and umbrellas, and invites the public, as well as the air passengers, to visit the place.

The local station will have radio equipment with which to communicate with the planes in flight and give them weather reports and other

information the pilots may desire.

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The Sherman county fairgrounds were slated for new buildings in 1931. Many citizens today may not know that horse racing was quite popular in the area.

**MORE HORSE BARN**  
**Fair Association Building**  
**More Room for Race Horses**

New stables for race horses are being built at the Northwest Kansas Fair grounds, to furnish stalls for 20 horses in addition to the old stables.

Early indications are that there will be many more horses entered in the races this year, according to Fred Roberts, speed secretary. Evan Knudson, secretary of the fair, said that a good many horses were turned away last year because there was not sufficient stable room for them.

There will be a full afternoon's program of racing, as in the past.

There will not be more races but more entries and keener competition in each of the races, the fair management anticipates.

The new stables are being built along the north side of the grounds.

The premium lists for this fall's fair are being prepared and will be printed a little earlier this year than last. Advertisers who want space in the premium book should arrange for it right away.

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Not only were race horses increasing in numbers at the district fair, but so were the entries for hogs. Again the fair board was building spaces to accommodate the greater exhibit numbers 75 years ago.

**More Hog Houses**

Additions to the hog houses at the Northwest Kansas fair grounds are being made to take care of increased demand for space in that department. The hog buildings are being extended to the north, adding sev-

eral pens to each building.

A second hog house was built only a little more than a year ago, after the hog show had outgrown the original building. Last year it was still not enough room, and outside pens had to be provided.

The Northwest Fair is coming to be outstanding as a hog show especially, and early indications are that there will be more hogs entered this fall than ever before.

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*The Goodland News-Republic* also included the following advice for those bothered by the rooster's annoying wake-up call or who lived near chicken coops in town.

**Stopping Rooster's Crowing**

Nothing is entirely efficacious to stop the crowing of roosters. A good plan is to place the rooster's roost high enough so that when he stretches up to crow he will strike his head on the roof. This will stop his crowing.

## matters of record

### District Traffic

The following fines were paid in the Sherman County District Court:  
**Feb. 18** — Michael W. Loser, \$120 reinstated for speeding.  
**Feb. 26** — Melvin F. Krutsch, \$114 reinstated for speeding.  
**March 4** — Gilbert Manzanares, \$132 reinstated for speeding.  
**March 26** — Rita Y. Estrada, \$138 for improper parking.  
**April 2** — Renilda N. Dreiling, \$126 for speeding.  
**April 6** — Christopher L. Mina,

\$164 for speeding and dismissed for not wearing a seat belt.

**April 13** — Paul A. Beyer, \$132 for speeding.

**April 18** — Kathleen Travis, \$150 for speeding.

**April 20** — Christine B. Clyne, \$156 for speeding.

**April 23** — Jeremy W. Bobo, \$132 for speeding.

Alan D. Ruck, \$126 for speeding.

**April 26** — Anthony J. Pisicoli, \$285 for speeding and \$150 for speeding.

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AMENDING THE 2005-06 BUDGET**  
  
The governing body of **Unified School District 352** will meet on the **26th** day of **June**, 2006 at **7:00 p.m.**, at **1312 Main, Goodland, Kansas** for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed amended use of funds.  
  
Detailed budget information is available at **1312 Main, Goodland, Kansas** and will be available at this hearing.  
  
**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS**

	Adopted Budget 2005-06			Proposed Amendment 2005-06 Budget
	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of Tax to be Levied	Expenditures And Transfers	Expenditures and Transfers
Fund				
<b>General</b>			<b>6,383,372</b>	<b>6,395,291</b>

  
  
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