## \*Mail pick up moves forward in area towns

(Continued from Page 1A) equivalent of four jobs in Colby and Hays. Its goal was to save \$139,000 a year.

Thursday, Postal Service spokesman Brian Sperry in Denver, said the a new study has begun on the feasibility of moving almost all processing in Kansas-from Salina, Hutchinson, Dodge City, Colby, Liberal, Topeka and Hays-to larger cities. Colby and Hays already send Saturday mail to Wichita to be sorted.

The service said the study won't be completed until early next year, and if the service decides to take a harder look at the plan, it will hold another public meeting in this

Along with the processing changes, people in Norcatur, Herndon, Kanorado and Edson face the clo-

sure of their post offices under a plan increased volume, while cutting the to eliminate 3,700 offices around the country - more than 10 percent of all post offices - announced in July. In Kansas, 134 offices are being studied for closure. Public hearings are being scheduled on those plans also, but nothing has been set.

> So far, the Jennings, Brewster, Selden and Rexford offices have not appeared on the hit list.

Mrs. Knappert said the new schedule shouldn't affect delivery of The Oberlin Herald on Wednesdays, since it is delivered directly to the office here. Papers to area towns will go to Colby and should be delivered on time, said Publisher Steve Haynes.

Papers going out of the area could even gain a day for delivery in eastern Kansas and some other areas, he noted.



AT THE FAIRGROUND on Saturday Harvey Wright West (below) and his son James showed how the corn (above) demonstrated an old fashioned log splitter during sheller works. the Mini Sappa Antique Engine and Thresher Show. Doug

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## \*Thresher show draws crowd

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Top 5 tractors, Sunday: 1930 McCormick, Myron Veh, Norton; 1929 L Case, Bob Martin, Herndon; 1938 John Deere 420, John Gallentine, Clayton; 1943 Allis WC, Norman Wendel, Almena; 1954 International Super MTA, Eldon Huff, Lebanon, Neb.

Top 5 cars/pickups/trucks, Saturday: 1947 Hudson, Tom Purvis, Goodland; 1930 Ford pickup, Gleason Dryden, Oberlin; 1967 Chevy Impala SS, Dana Marintzer, Oberlin; 1931 Ford Model A, Melvin Smalberger, Oberlin; 1955 Ford pickup, Tom and Patti Purvis, Goodland.

Top 5 cars/pickups/trucks, Sunday: 1960 Chevy pickup, Tom Solko, Herndon; 1967 Chevy Impala, Wayne Goltl, Oberlin; 1967 M-151, Gary Allen, Oberlin; 1959 Studebaker, Wayne Goltl, Oberlin; 1979 Dode Lil Red Ex-

press Truck, Vickie Lippelmann, Oberlin. Kids pedal tractor pull: 6 and

under, Kiana Martin, first; Katie Denton, second.

10 and under, Sarah Denton, first; Andrew Dryden, second. **Tractor Games** 

Slow race: James West, first; Goerge Brown, second; Tom Solko, third.

Barrel race: Nik Martin, first; Lowell Holmberg, second; Doug West, third.

Washer Drop: Lowell Holmberg, first; George Brown, second; Fred DeWitt, third.

Relay Teams: Lonnie McEvoy, and Nik Martin, first; Gary Allen and Greg Cundiff, second; James West and Lonnie McEvoy, third. People's Choice Award: Reva Marshall, 44 items.

Joe Samson won a drawing for a pedal tractor and Carolyn Wurm a John Deere cross-stitch quilt.



# One System Unlimited Service

## \*Water search continues here

(Continued from Page 1A) water each year.

The problem is, he said, if the city needs to use well No. 11 east of town, it's high in manganese, which was going to be dealt with the water treatment plant.

Some of the planned distribution work, said Mr. Miller, is to take care of the crud-filled older mains.

Historically, said Mr. Miller, the city has pumped 541 acre feet of water a year.. The last three years, it's been only 445 acre feet, and well No. 11 provides 250 acre feet.

That leaves around about 300 acre feet to be found, the mayor said.

"That would be a great number," said Mr. Miller.

The council asked about blending the high-manganese water with. Mr. Miller said they might be able to use a blending pipe to get the job done.

"Would you go south or west of town?" asked Mayor Riedel.

To the south there is only one well in 15 miles that they know of, said Mr. Miller. To the west there are four.

"If we had to go take a person's treatment plant. well," said Mayor Riedel, "basically we would be turning their land from Department of Agriculture to use wet to dryland?" Yes, said Mr. Miller, but the owner would be compensated for it. Councilman Jim Miesner, who

has been helping with the search, said to the south is more attractive because it's closer to town. He said they had drilled a test well last week, but didn't have much luck. He said they are trying to get a hole a little farther south.

Councilman Rusty Addleman said Dick Kelley had done the first three test well for free. Mr. Miesner said he thinks the price is normally \$5 a foot.

"The last thing we want to do is take someone's water away.'

"I am not going to vote for that, so you know," said Councilman Rob McFee.

There was some question if the city needs to wait to hear from the state. No, said Mr. Miller, if the city is going to have test wells drilled, then it needs to get them done.

The council decided to approve drilling six test holes.

Administrator Karen Larson said she would take the cost for the test holes out of the water fund. She said she felt she doesn't dare take it out of the money for the water

Maybe it's time to ask the U.S.

#### the money, said Mr. Miller, and tell them the city is looking in another direction.

## **Barbecue set in Atwood**

Barbecue contest has been rescheduled for Saturday at Lake Atwood. Afternoon entertainment will be provided by Joe Vyzourek, a deejay from KXXX Radio in Colby.

A band from Denver will play for the dance. New this year will be a chainsaw artist. The second annual

The Smoking on the Beaver Showing on the Beaver Antique Show will be held in conjunction with the contest.

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