## -Public Notices---Petition filed in court for final settlement

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In the Matter of the Estate of DUANE P. WILKENS, Deceased.

Case No. 2010-PR-02

#### **NOTICE OF HEARING ON** PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said court by Ashley Wilkens, executor of the estate of Duane P. Wilkens, deceased, praying for a final settlement of said estate, approval of the acts, proceedings and accounts of the executor, allowance for the services of the executor and attorney's fees and expenses; and also praying that the court determine the heirs entitled to the estate and the proportion or part thereof to which each is entitled, and distribute and assign the same to them in accordance with the provisions of decedent's will; that the administration of the estate be closed; that the executor be discharged and released from further liability.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 24th day of June 2011, at 10:00 a.m. of said day, in said court, in the city of St. Francis, Cheyenne County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

Ashley Wilkens

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## Petition filed in court for Frank Nelson estate

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS FILED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 59 OF THE KANSAS STATUTES ANNOTATED

In the Matter of the Estate of FRANK L NELSON,

Case No. IIPR 12

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED You are hereby notified that on the  $2^{NO}$  day of this Court by Elexis Lamberton, an heir at law of the decedend raying that she be appointed Administrator of the Estate; that petitioner be granted Letters of Administration herein

All creditors of the decedent are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter of four months from the date of first publication of notice under K.S.A. 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

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## Petition filed to appoint estate administrator

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS FILED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 59 OF THE KANSAS STATUTES ANNOTATED

In the Matter of the Estate of VIRGINIA NELSON,

Case No. // PR //

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED: You are hereby notified that on the ZNO day of WAF, 2011, a Petition was filed in

this Court by Elexis Lamberton, an heir at law of the decedent praying that she be appointed Administrator of the Estate: that petitioner be granted Letters of Administration herein All creditors of the decedent are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter

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Elexis Lamberton, Petitioner

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ters can reach him at the Dundy County Hospital 1313 N Cheyenne Street Box 626 Room 104 Benkelman, NE 69021.

Brent Wheaton came home Friday for the Memorial Day weekend. He was here to help with the McVey branding on Saturday. Adam and Stephanie Wheaton came Saturday afternoon and brought the new puppy to visit. The weekend was spent outdoors. The garden has some plants in it now. The guys went out to do a little trap shooting. The puppy was walked over several parts of Haigler.

### Haigler Alumni

Haigler's Alumni/Memorial weekend saw many people "return home." The class of 1961 held its 50th year reunion with activities at the Haigler Community Legion Building, The Lodge, and Sage Hill Winery. Those able to attend the celebration were: Joan Phipps Luebbe of Seward, Neb., and her husband, Roger; Fred Sass Hosic of Stockville, Neb., and her husband, Darryl; Joan Kay Smith of Great Bend and her husband, Gail; and Joanie Wheaton Henderson of Haigler. Those class members unable to attend were: Dwight Beeson of Fredericksburg, Va.; Carol Wall Flaming of Yuma, Colo.; Evelyn Williams Bronzynski of Norfolk, Neb.; Cheryl Carlock Raile of Burwell, Neb.; Betsy Van Horn of Colorado; and Betty Schwartz from the west coast.

Other Haigler Alumni Class through 75th years. Special rec- Cornerstone Museum. Late after-

Don Harford is in the hospital ognition was given to the eldest noon was spent visiting with their in Benkelman. Cards and let- alumni attendees: Don Harford of Haigler for his 76th year; De-Veta Collicott Redfield of Palisade, Neb., and Royal Woods III of Wray, Colo., for their 72nd year. The Haigler Alumni Association also presented recognition awards to Laura Pearl Wall (class of 1940) and Joann Webster (class of 1949) for a lifetime of serving the Haigler community and preserving the history and heritage of Haigler.

Over 150 people attended the Haigler Alumni pot luck luncheon at the Haigler Legion Community Building. on the Sunday of Memorial weekend. Everyone enjoyed all the special food treats, visiting and renewing friendships, and program hosted by the 50th year class of 1961. Remembrance of those Haigler alumni and Haiglerites who died this past year included: Dusty Wall, Lester Adams, Stanley Zuege, Grace Bannister, LeRoy Rathburn, Lucille Phifer Corder, and Velda Clark Smith. They shall be missed.

DeVeta Collicott Redfield (Haigler Alumni Class of 1939), of Palisade, Neb., and her husband, Dwaune spent Alumni Sunday in Haigler. They were accompanied by daughters, Sharlene of Brighton, Colo., and Kaylene of Columbus, Neb. After decorating Haigler family graves in the Haigler cemetery; they attended the Alumni pot luck luncheon at the Community Building, and the open houses at the Country Schoolhouse 67 Recognitions included the 55th South Museum and the Haigler

nieces Myrna Collicott Mulligan and LaNeta Collicott Carlock.

Dr. Tim and LaVeta Smith Blecha of Superior, Neb., visited family and friends over the Haigler Alumni/Memorial Weekend.

The Collicott sisters spent this past weekend in Estes Park, Colo.--recovering from the hectic schedule of alumni weekend. The Big Thompson River is expected to again this year have some flooding from the heavy snow melt in the mountains. Trail Ridge Road is still closed with 12 foot drifts

Sophia Zuege visited with her sister, Irene Blacker, in Bennett, Colo., from Thursday until Satur-

Lois Zuege spent Thursday through Saturday with her sister, Irene Blacker, in Bennett, Colo.

Memorial Day visitors of Lois Zuege were Diane and Larry Sack (who brought her mother, Hazel Chambers), Dorothy and Eileen Walker, Earl, Helen and Wes Unger, Doris Weaver and daughter, daughter Vernette and Bob Gor-

man, Vernett's son Jason and wife and two boys. Also Rae White and Chris and Jim and Jerrie Wheaton came for a little while.

By

Floy

Visitors of Floy Fisher this past week have been Dwight and Leah Brewer and Dwight's brother, Doug and friend. Dwight and Doug worked on Floy's car air conditioning while the ladies watched and visited. Floy's daughter, Sharna Richardson drove her to Goodland to bring home three nice 8-week old, part Siamese kittens. She took one of them and Floy kept two and has been entertained ever since. Floy's son and wife, Garry and Sharon Fisher stopped by on their way to Kansas City/Shawnee Mission area to visit their son, Jonathan, and wife, Wendy, and meet the new grandson, Reed Owen. Reed has a 2-year old sister, Taylar. They returned to their home near Wray

It was (unofficially) 94 degrees Erma and husband, Frankie. Other on Monday afternoon at 3:30 in visitors were Idell Zuege and Haigler. Is it going to be a long

## **Idalia News**

on Monday.

The Idalia Gun Club was the sponsor of the 24th annual Lloyd Flick Memorial Roman Nose Rendezvous at Beechers Island Battleground the first weekend of June (June 4 and June 5).

and pistol events included novelty and paper targets which took Kansas and Nebraska. place during the day.

hawk and archery events and at 1 p.m. clay pigeons. Awards and prizes were given

Sunday morning knife, toma-

out between 2 and 3 p.m.

The weather was almost perfect Saturday, black powder rifle and a good time was had by all.

Shooters came from Colorado,

# **Echos Across the Plains**

Sent Away

### By Dorthy L. Mast

The covered wagons just kept on coming and coming across the plains.

Several young people and adults have asked, "What was a patent and how did my grandfather or grandmother get one?"

It might surprise you the number of single women or widows that acquired patents. One such woman, Miss Etta Lynn, acquired two patents, a "Five-year Proven Up," and a "Timber Claim." She taught in the first private school in 1885 in Bird City on the first floor of the Court house building. She also became the first superintendent of schools in Cheyenne

Another surprise might be if you note the very first entry on your land abstract. That could be a patent with a special number. It might even tell you the type of patent.

There are several types of pat-

The "preemption" act of 1841 - A preemption was the right to purchase land before others. The Federal Government had a problem administrating a land law of the public domain during Washington's administration. The problem was how to provide an equitable method of distributing land to private owners. The first policy allowed large tracts of land to big interests. A different policy was adopted that allowed



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es by the sworn in settler.

There were two main methods of securing land in the 1850s:

1. One was by means of Solrant. Since 1776 land warrants had been given as a reward to the Nation's soldiers.

2. The land law of 1841 is known as the preemption act. This act provided that the head of a family or widow or single man over 21 years of age could file for 160 acres of public domain.

This claimant by law was required to erect a dwelling on the claim, make proof of his settlement to the register and receiver at the land office for which that

that -

a. He had never preempted be-

b. That he was not the owner diers' Military Bounty Land War- of 320 acres of any state or ter-

> c. He had not settled on the land for the purpose of selling it. d. He had no agreement or con-

tract with anyone directly or indirectly to turn the land over to anyone else. Persons swearing falsely were

guilty of perjury according to the law and the perjurer was penalized by both the loss of the land and the money.

### The Railroad Act - 1850

This act of 1850 granted to the official received fifty cents from states alternate sections of public cordance with the specifications lines and branches to aid in the this area.

the purchase of land for low pric- laid down was required to swear Construction of certain railroads. An amendment under the

Homestead Act allowed an exsoldier of the Civil War who had served nine months to take 160 acres of land within the limits of a railroad grant whereas all other settlers could only take 80 acres.

Sources - Sod House Frontier by Everett Dick Gov. - Military records

Early Bird City Newspapers

*Note - One must remember that* when someone staked a claim in those early times, he or she might have to travel a long distance to a land office by wagon, horseback or walk to file. Fifty cents at that time was a considerable amount of money. DM Next month - The Homestead

Act if 1862 and how it affected

### **ACROSS** 1. Surgery souvenir

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- pastrami
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- 43. Stick on the dinner table?
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- 51. Metal marble 53. It surrounds the pupil
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- 61. Box office buy, slangily 64. 2000 presidential
- also-ran 65. Nobelist Wiesel
- 66. Sky shade 67. Euclid's lake
- 68. Bat Masterson's weapon
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- 69. Hitchcock
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American Profile Hometown Content

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- or dermis 12. "Fantasia" frame
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- surreptitiously 29. Wall overgrowth, perhaps

27. Meet

- 30. Dennis the Menace's dog 31. Inventor Howe
- 33. Transit map markings 34. Young hooter
- 35. Farm gear pioneer 37. Demonic
- 40. Bit of decorative stationery 41. Christian or
- Victorian 42. Skeptical sort 47. Sends to cloud nine
- 48. \_\_ Tin Tin

50. Where Rhodes is 52. Barely defeated 54. Mosaic, e.g.

55. "Goosebumps" series author R.L. 57. Folk history

58. Newsman Sevareid 59. Try to locate

60. Top-rated tourney entrant 61. Apply gently

62. Israeli submachine gun 63. Mean mutt

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