



Guilty plea for assault in shooting

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A man shot by officers checking out a prostitution complaint after a high-speed chase in April pleaded guilty to three counts of aggravated assault on a law enforcement officer Wednesday.

Entering and leaving the courtroom handcuffed to a walker, Jeremy Owens, 35, admitted to pointing a toy gun that looked like a lethal weapon at three officers

that night near the Edson exit off Interstate 70. He said he pleaded guilty to the three charges as part of an agreement that included, as he understood it, "dismissing charges against my wife, because she had nothing to do with this."

He and Mary Derr, 33, were spotted at the Pilot Truck Stop at around 9:20 p.m. April 23, by Colby Police, who were following up on reports of a man and woman trying to sell sexual fa-

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Former rep back in school

Rep. Ward Cassidy of St. Francis has been named assistant vice president of the Northwest Kansas Technical College, with responsibilities in academic support and outreach.

"I really like to work with kids so it's going to be a lot of fun for me," the retiring representative said.

Cassidy will head up the outreach program for the college, bringing high school students to the college and helping them take college courses before they graduate high school. This includes technical education courses, involving a number of Colby High School students.

Not everyone goes to college, Cassidy said, and taking these courses will help these kids earn more money later on in life.

He described the position as a part-time job which "will help with my ability to watch my grandkids play sports."

Cassidy said he would be running for re-election if he had not promised stop missing his grandkids' games. He has represented the six northwest Kansas counties in House District 120 since November 2010 and announced earlier this year that he would not run for re-election. During that time, Cassidy said, he talked with

the junior colleges in his district many times, trying to get them more money from the state.

He holds a Specialist in Education degree from Fort Hays State University, and a master's in counseling and administration and a Bachelor of Science from Northwest Oklahoma State University in Alva.

Cassidy was a secondary principal, counselor, social-studies teacher and basketball coach for many years. He has served on the advisory board for the Kansas State High School Activities Association, a member of the association's Hall of Fame selection committee and as a board member of the Kansas Secondary School Principals Association. He was Kansas Secondary Principal of the Year in 1989.

"We couldn't be more pleased that Rep. Cassidy is joining the leadership team at Northwest Tech," said college President Ed Mills. "He brings an incredibly rich educational background to the campus that will be, first and foremost, great for our students. I know he will make a great many wonderful contributions to the quality of our programs, outreach initiatives and to the future of this great college."

VA shortfalls cited for clinics

By Roxana Hegeman
The Associated Press

WICHITA - The federal Office of Inspector General for the Veterans Affairs Department released a report Wednesday citing a list of needed improvements and performance review for the six community-based outpatient clinics across Kansas overseen by the Robert J. Dole Veterans Medical Center in Wichita.

Its recommendations are based in part on a site visit to the Parsons clinic along with other data from outpatient facilities in Hays, Salina, Hutchinson, Parsons, Dodge City and Liberal. The routine review had been scheduled before national outcry over reports of patient deaths, widespread treatment delays and falsified records at department facilities nationwide.

Most of the issues cited in the report target the single Parsons clinic

ic that inspectors visited in May, when the office found problems such as no panic alarm system, incomplete diagnostics, inadequate staff training and poor medication management. Inspectors found, for example, that the staff at the Parsons clinic did not do complete diagnostic assessments on 38 percent of patients who had positive alcohol-use screenings.

The Dole Medical Center, which administers the clinics, said in an email that it would be able to meet all the recommendations in the report, noting it touched on issues that can be resolved in a "timely fashion."

Its executive secretary, Diane Henderson, noted in an email that the report specifically speaks of the Parsons clinic in which everything listed - from fire drills to women veterans in exam rooms

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Getting carnival together



Volunteers (left) had to assemble the rides Tuesday evening for the Thomas County Free Fair later this month, even putting the cages in place for the zipper. Jeremy Quint (center) rounded up the remuda of horses for the merry-go-round out of storage at the Thomas County Fair grounds. He then helped other volunteers put the track in the merry-go-round (bottom right) as they got the carnival rides ready for the fair. Curt Beringer and Tasha Wagoner (bottom left) helped put the horses in place after the rest of the merry-go-round had been set up.

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Senator's longevity an opening

By John Hanna
Associated Press

AUGUSTA (AP) - Kansas Sen. Pat Roberts stoked the political brushfire he was hoping to smother during a recent Kansas City-area radio morning show.

"Every time I get an opponent - uh, I mean, every time I get a chance - I'm home," Roberts said during the KCMO interview. That's just Milton Wolf's point.

The tea party-backed challenger for the GOP nomination has been casting the third-term senator as a Washington politician who has lost touch with his constituents. The charge is a potent one already in the 2014 midterm elections: It was a key factor in the ouster last month of House Majority Leader Eric Cantor of Virginia. The accusation nearly cost veteran Mississippi Sen. Thad Cochran the GOP nomination, and remains a chal-

lenge for him. Wolf rests much of his case on Roberts' living arrangements. The senator owns a Washington-area home while his official residence in Dodge City is rented space in a home owned by two supporters. Not so long ago, Roberts joked about having full access to a recliner there.

It's no laughing matter now. The "residency issue" has given some GOP voters pause, even if they be-

lieve Roberts has represented the state well during a 47-year career in politics.

"I wish he'd get his residency problem fixed instead of joking about it," said Henry Ratcliff, a

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Weather



National Weather Service Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 68. Breezy, with a south wind 15 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Mostly sunny, with a high near 91. Breezy, with a southwest wind 15 to 20 mph becoming north in the afternoon. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.

Saturday Night: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 66. Northeast wind 5 to 15 mph becoming southeast after midnight.

Sunday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 88. South wind 5 to 10 mph becoming east in the afternoon.

Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 67.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 86.

Monday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 58.

Tuesday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 76.

Tuesday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 57.

Wednesday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 75.

Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 57.

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 83.

Thursday: High, 91; Low 64
Precip: Thursday None
Month: 0.63 inches
Year: 9.76 inches
Normal: 13.61 inches
(K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset
Saturday 6:28 a.m. 9:12 p.m.
Full moon at 6:25 a.m.
Sunday 6:28 a.m. 9:11 p.m.
Moon: waning, 97 percent
Monday 6:29 a.m. 9:11 p.m.
Moon July: waning, 92 percent
(U.S. Naval Observatory)
Colby Water Use
Thursday 2,526,000 gal.
(Colby Public Works)

Senator's longevity offers an opening

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63-year-old retired Augusta aviation mechanic. "If it wasn't for that, I wouldn't consider voting for anybody else but Pat Roberts."

The 78-year old Roberts is widely expected to win the GOP nomination over Wolf, a 43-year-old radiologist and first-time candidate, in the Aug. 5 primary. The power of incumbency and the campaign war chest that goes with it are considerable advantages.

And Wolf has weaknesses Roberts has targeted. The challenger has acknowledged that several years ago he posted graphic X-ray images of fatal gunshot wounds and other medical injuries on a personal Facebook page, along with dark-humor commentary. Wolf apologized, but Roberts suggests in radio and television ads that "ethics" issues dog the challenger.

At a recent event in Augusta — a town east of Wichita, Roberts not-so-subtly suggested that Republicans don't need any surprises as they seek the six-seat gain they need to wrest control of the Senate from Democrats in November.

"Kansans know my record. They're part and parcel of the partnership we've had," he said. "Nobody knows Kansas better than I do, and we've built a good partnership. I do not think that would be the case with my opponent."

Retorted Wolf: "He still at this point is clinging to a name recognition advantage." But the residency question has Roberts' attention.

Before speaking at the Augusta event, Roberts shed the dark suit jacket and baby-blue tie he'd worn at an earlier public event and rolled up the sleeves of his no-longer-crisp white shirt, and reminded the audience, as Cochran did in Mississippi, that Senate seniority can mean good things for a senator's home state.

Should the GOP win the Senate majority, Roberts stands a good chance of being the next chairman of the Agriculture Committee, giving him an opportunity to shape farm policy while representing the nation's leading wheat-producing state and one of its top beef providers.

But much of his pitch revolved around the value of a longtime senator who, unlike Wolf, is a "known product."

The son of a state GOP kingmaker and confidant of Dwight Eisenhower, Roberts began working as a congressional staffer in 1967, won the House seat for western and central Kansas in 1980 and captured his Senate seat in 1996. And he helped with enough big Kansas projects over the years that a biosecurity research institute at Kansas State University bears his name.

Roberts and Wolf face two lesser-known candidates in the GOP primary. Two Democrats also are running: Shawnee County District Attorney Chad Taylor and Lawrence attorney Patrick Wiesner.

But history favors the GOP in Kansas. Republicans have won every Senate race in the state since 1932. Beside a big advantage

in campaign cash, Roberts has the backing of key conservative groups that are core constituencies for the state GOP, including Kansans for Life and the Kansas State Rifle Association.

Wolf dismisses questions about whether the general election race will be more volatile if he's the GOP nominee and rejects Roberts' arguments that the X-ray postings are a serious issue for voters.

While campaigning, Wolf highlights conservative positions on issues such as health care and gun rights that have brought him backing from tea party adherents and played up his status as a distant but critical relation of President Barack Obama. But his outsider's status and relative youth may represent his biggest appeal.

Caitlin Pretzer, a 21-year-old Salina resident and fast-food worker hoping to save money to study psychology, came to the Abilene town hall with a friend who supports Wolf and liked what she heard from the challenger. Roberts, she said, has "been there too long."

Roberts does own a duplex unit in Dodge City but actually rents it out — acknowledging during the radio interview, "That was probably a mistake."

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Online: Roberts campaign: www.roberts-forsenate.com/

Wolf campaign: www.miltonwolf.com/

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having access to gender-specific bathrooms — are "routine matters" that will be resolved.

"Overall, the goal is to have all recommendations completed by January 2015," she said.

The inspector general made a detailed list of recommendations for improvement, and target dates for meeting each of them. The report noted that the issues are "significant enough to be monitored by the office until corrective actions are implemented." Those recommendations included things like installing a panic alarm system, conducting disaster exercises, and additional staff training.

In addition to the specific recommendations for Parsons clinic, the report also compares how well all the six Kansas outpatient clinics were able to meet wait times of under seven days and whether they follow up with patients once they are discharged. The report covered data for the fiscal year ending in September 2013.

The outpatient clinic with the worst record for scheduling patients was the one in Liberal, where it met that target just 56 percent of the time in September. The clinic in Hays met the wait time target about 65 percent of the time, and Salina met it 85 percent; Hutchinson was at 91 percent; and Parsons and Dodge City were the best with 98 percent.

But the report did not address some of the more vexing problems facing the veterans outpatient clinics in Kansas, such as the difficulty in recruiting and retaining health care providers in rural communities.

U.S. Sen. Jerry Moran has long criticized the department for not having a permanent primary care provider at its Liberal clinic. The last permanent doctor at the Liberal clinic left in November 2007, Henderson said. The clinic has since relied on doctors filling in temporarily and other staff to provide services.

"Recruitment has been ongoing but it is hard to get a qualified provider in that community," she said.

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vors at stations near I-70. Police were checking the license plates on the pickup Owens was driving — found to have been stolen from a landscaping company in Texas — when he took off west on the freeway.

The ensuing chase reached

speeds of up to 90 mph, as officers from the Kansas Highway Patrol and Sherman County Sheriff's Department joined the pursuit. They hit one of the stolen pickup's tires with "stop sticks," but Owens still made it almost to the Edson exit in Sherman County.

Both were arrested at the end

of the chase for aggravated assault on a law enforcement officer, fleeing and attempting to elude, theft and selling sexual relations. Derr went to jail that night, but Owens spent the next two weeks in a Wichita hospital after being shot.

Court records show that Colby Police Officer Kyle Askren, Highway Patrol Trooper Adam Medlicott and Jason Showalter, the Sherman County undersheriff at the time, were in the line of fire when Owens pointed what was later found to be a toy gun at them. Officers returned fire and wounded Owens, hitting him in the chest and abdomen. Over a dozen officers were listed as

witnesses, including Sherman County Sheriff Burton Pinalto, and Marc Finley, Thomas County undersheriff. No information is presently available on which officers actually fired the shots that injured him.

Owens was airlifted to Via Christi Hospital in Wichita, where he had several surgeries, after the shooting. He was brought back to Thomas County on May 8 and booked into jail here. The Kansas Bureau of Investigation looked into the incident, from which everyone by Owens escaped unharmed. His attorney, Leslie Beims of Colby, refused to comment on the case.

Accident Thursday

A Grinnell man was taken to the hospital after he missed his exit on Interstate 70 Thursday afternoon in Gove County.

The Kansas Highway Patrol reported that James F. Baalman, 76, was headed east on the highway in a 2012 Toyota towards Grinnell at 1:45

p.m. Thursday. When he missed the exit, which leads into town, he car went up the embankment along the south ditch, and hit the overpass. Baalman was wearing a seat belt; he was taken to the Logan County Hospital in Oakley and later released

Safety lapses shut down CDC shipments

By Mike Stobbe

AP Medical Writer
NEW YORK (AP) — Citing a recurring problem with safety, U.S. officials have suspended the shipment of potentially dangerous germs from government laboratories in Atlanta to other labs. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention also shut down two of its laboratories where the

safety lapses took place. One of the closed labs was involved in an incident last month that could have accidentally exposed workers in three labs to anthrax. No one was reported ill.

Earlier this year, the CDC said another of its labs accidentally contaminated a sample of conventional flu virus with a deadly bird flu germ. That sample was

then sent to another government lab.

Public Notice

BEFORE THE
STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

NOTICE OF FILING APPLICATION

RE: Gore Oil Company — Application for a permit to authorize the disposal of saltwater into the Rexford Waterflood Unit, located in Thomas County, Kansas.

TO: All Oil & Gas Producers, Unleased Mineral Interest Owners, Landowners, and all persons whomsoever concerned.

You, and each of you, are hereby notified that Gore Oil Company has filed an application to amend the injection permit of saltwater into the Cedar Hills formation at the Rexford Waterflood Unit, located in the South Half (S/2) of Section 13, East Half (E/2) of Section 23, and all of Section 24, all in Township 7 South, Range 31 West, Thomas County, Kansas, with a maximum injection rate of 500 bbls per day.

Any persons who object to or protest this application shall be required to file their objections or protest with the Conservation Division of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas within thirty (30) days from the date of this publication. These protests shall be filed pursuant to Commission regulations and must state specific reasons why granting the application may cause waste, violate correlative rights or pollute the natural resources of the State of Kansas.

All persons interested or concerned shall take notice of the foregoing and shall govern themselves accordingly.

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Monday Evening											July 14, 2014	
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CNN	Anderson Cooper 360	Inside Man		CNN Tonight			Anderson Cooper 360	Inside Man				
COMEDY	Futurama	Futurama	South Park	South Park			Daily	Colbert	At Midnig	South Pk		
DISC	Street Outlaws: Full	Street Outlaws	Fat N Furious				Street Outlaws	Fat N Furious				
DISN	The Little Mermaid		Austin	Austin	Dog		Liv-Mad.	ANT Farm	Good Luck	Good Luck		
E!	E! News	The Soup	Kardashian				Chelsea	E! News				
ESPN	Home Run Derby			Softball			SportsCenter		SportsCenter			
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FAM	Switched at Birth	The Fosters			Switched at Birth		The 700 Club		The Fosters			
FOOD	Guy's Grocery Games	Diners, Drive			Mystery D	Mystery D	Diners	Diners	Diners, Drive			
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Briefly

The deadline for Briefly is noon the day before. Items submitted in the morning will be set up for the following day, space available. The deadline for Monday's paper is noon Friday.

Development board to meet Thursday

The board of the Thomas County Economic Development Alliance will meet at 8 a.m. Thursday at 350 S. Range, Suite 12. For questions, call Kayla Fause at 460-4511.

Once a Month Lunch coming up Saturday

Once a Month Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, at the First Presbyterian Church, 515 W. Fourth St. This free meal is served to everyone who shows up the second Saturday of each month. No reservation. For questions, call the church office at 462-6342.

Founders Day has something for all

The Colby Community College Founder's Day celebration begins at 3 p.m. Saturday in the Cultural Arts Center. Lloyd White, a founding board member, will be honored along with several past presidents, with a reception to follow. From 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., a free community ice-cream and watermelon feed will be held north of the Student Union. Games including a bounce house and fun photo booth will be available for kids. For information, call public affairs director Deb Schwanke at 460-5411.

Lunch, auction to benefit chief

A benefit lunch and live auction to help Police Chief Ron Alexander and his family are planned from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday at the Colby American Legion Hall, 1850 W. Fourth. Sloppy joes will be served for a donation; the auction starts at 1 p.m., and a drawing will follow. For information, call Lisa, Kristy or Courtney McCarty at the McCarty Dairy office in Colby, 460-0596.

Radio controlled 'fun fly' coming up

Come to a radio-control "Fun Fly" is planned from dawn to dusk Saturday and Sunday at the Colby Flyers Field, seven miles north on K-25. In you have a plane, helicopter or drone, or several, come and enjoy the weekend. Everyone is welcome as a participant or observer. For information, call Ken Crampton at 443-1892.

Catholic youths taking fruit orders

The Catholic Youth Organization will be selling fruit through Sunday, Aug. 10. Reserve an order of freestone peaches, Bartlett pears or gala apples by contacting any member or Megan Augustine at the parish office, 462-2179. Pickup will be from 4:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 27.

Women's Institute draws Colby grad

The University of Kansas will welcome a new set of students to campus this summer. Women from Afghanistan, India, Morocco, Mongolia, Pakistan, Zambia and Kansas will be on the Lawrence campus for the Kansas Women's Leadership Institute.

Brittany Bange of Colby, a junior in graphic design and painting at Fort Hays State University, is among those from Kansas.

Starting Wednesday, the women are participating in various leadership and educational opportunities for three weeks. The program will culminate with the women presenting project proposals to improve their home communities. The Women's Leadership Institute aims to provide an experience that develops leadership, cultivates collaboration and elevates the power of women's voices.

"We are again honored and excited to welcome an incredible group of dynamic, engaged, motivated, and inspiring women to be part of the KU and Kansas community," said Mary Banwart, academic director of the institute.

The women will connect with academic and professional women mentors, participate in cultural exchanges, attend classes and learn about Kansas and the United States through travel. They will arrive in Lawrence after spending two weeks in Washington, D.C., learning about U.S. government, history and culture.

Undergraduate women at Kansas universities and colleges were invited to apply to the institute for the first time this year, with preference given to applicants from small or rural communities. Six women from Kansas were accepted into the program.

"This is the first year for us to welcome Kansas women as participants in the program, joining alongside our international participants," said Becky Eason, administrative director. "Already we are seeing how they are connecting across cultures and across country borders to address common issues and concerns."

Organizers included Kansas students to offer an opportunity to deepen the international students' understanding of American culture and society while also allowing for students from Kansas to gain first-hand understanding of other cultures.

This is the fifth consecutive year KU has held the Women's Leadership Institute, which is funded through the State Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Other programs supported by the bureau include the Fulbright Program and the International Visitor Leadership Program. The goal of the programs overseen by the bureau is to increase mutual understanding between the United States and other countries. The institute is offered through the Department of Communication Studies at KU.

Community garden takes teamwork



John Clarke (left), Niki Moss, Jeff Heptig and Sofia Schippers, interns and staff from Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball helped out at the community garden in June, clearing debris and tilling up the plots. "We were grateful for all their help," said Thomas County Coalition wellness Director Richelle Shipley.

NIKKI MOSS
Thomas County Coalition wellness Director Richelle Shipley.

Fort Hays releases Deans' Honor Roll for spring

Local students are among the 1,170 named by Fort Hays State University to the Deans Honor Roll for the spring 2014 semester.

The list includes undergraduate students only. To be eligible, students must have enrolled in 12 or more credit hours and have a minimum grade average of 3.60 for

the semester. Full time on-campus and virtual students are eligible.

Colby: Amanda M. Barnum, senior majoring in mathematics (teaching); Alexandra Jolen Barton, senior majoring in health and human performance (sport and exercise therapy); Barbara Lee Bickner, senior is majoring in mu-

sic (education); Jaylea M. Black, senior majoring in social work.

Brewster: Stefanie Lynn Eichler, senior majoring in biology (cellular/molecular).

Oakley: Jill Elizabeth Dennis, senior majoring in speech-language pathology; Shaylyn Janae Glassman, freshman, a 2013 Oakley High School graduate, is majoring in pre-education (elementary); Conley Shane Moorhouse, junior majoring in psychology; Sergio J. Ramirez, pursuing a second degree, is majoring in art

education. **Winona:** Brett Thomas Gfeller, senior majoring in agriculture (agronomy); Rebecca A. Smith, junior majoring in elementary education.

Hoxie: Carman Leigh Hill, senior majoring in elementary education; Megan Renee Ochs, senior, majoring in nursing; Colton Lee Spesser, sophomore majoring in biology (pre-med/pre-dentistry); Duane E. Wente, senior majoring in technology studies.

University of Kansas announces honor roll

Approximately 4,600 undergraduate students at the University of Kansas earned honor roll distinction for the spring 2014 semester, including several from Colby and surrounding town.

The students are from KU's Lawrence campus and the schools of Health Professions and Nursing in Kansas City, Kan.

The honor roll comprises undergraduates who meet requirements in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and in the schools of architecture, design and planning; business; education; engineering;

health professions; journalism; music; nursing; pharmacy; and social welfare.

Honor roll criteria vary among the university's academic units. Some schools honor the top 10 percent of students enrolled, some establish a minimum grade average and others raise the minimum for each year students are in school. Students must complete a minimum number of credit hours to be considered for the honor roll.

Colby: Ryley Haas, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Katrina Kaus, School of Education; Tomi

Miller, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Tera Raymond, School of Pharmacy; Rochelle Shoemaker, School of Pharmacy; Corbin Stephens, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Michael Tubbs, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Oakley: Brandon Basgall, School of Engineering; Asher Crandell, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Hannah Hubert, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Patrick Loftus, School of Engineering.

Hoxie: Jennifer Swenson, School of Pharmacy.

Brewster: Braden Mckee, School of Business.

Corrections

The Colby Free Press wants to maintain an accurate record of our town. Please report any error or lack of clarity in a news story to us at 462-3963.

Public Notice

The Thomas County Landfill is taking sealed bids on three pickups located at the Landfill.

1998 Ford F150, Odometer reads 171,000. Hail damage plus needs a fuel pump. Engine used oil. Doesn't run.
1986 Dodge Ram 1/2 ton. Odometer reads 99,320. Hail damage plus needs complete exhaust. Doesn't run.
1999 Dodge Ram 1500 X-Cab 4x4. Odometer reads 135,912. Hail damage. Doesn't run.

Pickups will be sold as is where is with no express warranties. They have more issues than stated. True mileage unknown on all units. Send bids to Shelly Harms, Thomas County Clerk, 300 North Court Ave. Colby, KS, 67701. Bids will be opened in the Commissioners Room at 9:00 a.m. on July 21 during regular meeting. The Thomas Co. Commission reserves to reject or accept any or all bids.

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Honor scholars named

Ashley Roehl of Colby, a 2007 Onaga High School graduate, has been named a spring 2014 4.0 Honor Scholar for Fort Hays State University's College of Business and Entrepreneurship. She is a

senior majoring in management.

Only 66 full-time, undergraduate business majors who have a 4.0 grade average for the semester are on the list.

Students on the college's Honor Scholar list were also named in the recent Dean's Honor Roll listing.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day	
Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$6.20
Corn (bushel)	\$4.09
Milo (hundredweight)	\$6.71
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Urgent need stands for water answers

With much fanfare on July 1, the Kansas Water Office released the much anticipated first draft of its water vision for the next 50 years. But it's a "working document," and there are yet more meetings scheduled to discuss the plan. Additional tweaks are likely before a final draft is adopted.

Mapping a course for water usage in the state, and most importantly the ever-shrinking Ogallala Aquifer in western Kansas, over the next 50 years is a lofty goal and a hard one to achieve. As it currently stands, subject to those tweaks, the plan boils down to a target of 20 percent per-capita reduction in water consumption by 2035 while continuing to increase economic growth.

This needs to happen. Gov. Sam Brownback has made it an imperative for the state and has been one of the biggest champions of the cause. That's a bit unlike him, being one who favors less government rather than more. It shows how important this is.

The problem started back in the 1940s and '50s when farmers in western Kansas started irrigating corn in the dry, arid region once referred to as the Great American Desert. It turned the region into an economic force in the state.

Although the Ogallala Aquifer is huge, pumping that much water out of it over that length of time has depleted it to the point that by 2064 about 70 percent of it will be gone, according to Brownback. He said the status quo is not an option. He's right.

It's not just irrigators, either. The plan calls for reduced water consumption by the entire state. Everyone needs to do his part. The plan also calls for the dredging of numerous reservoirs that have silted in over time. That will allow for storage of more much-needed water.

There will be other rounds of meetings throughout the state before the final plan is revealed in November at the Governor's Water Conference.

Let's hope this time something comes of the plight of the Ogallala Aquifer. It's been talked about for decades, but nothing of substance has come from the talk.

This time, action is imperative. Time, and water, is running out.

— *The Hutchinson News, via the Associated Press*

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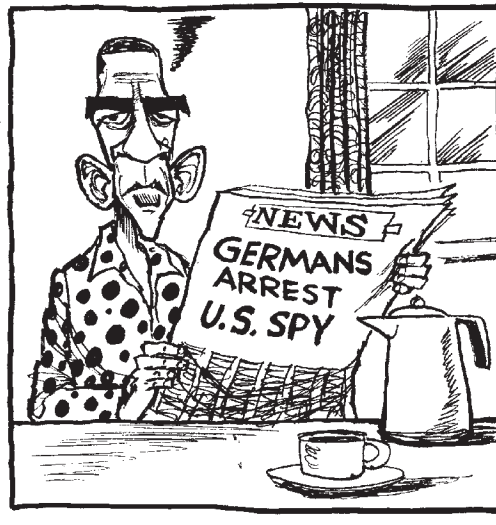
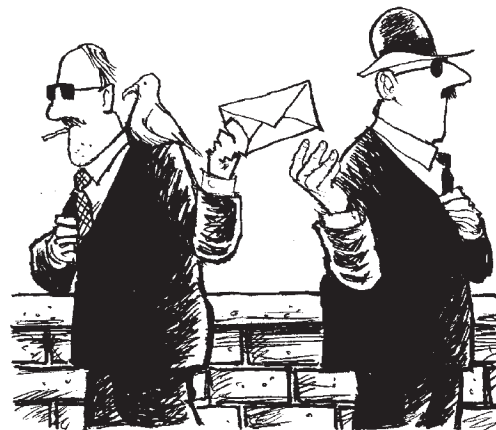
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War on science fully bipartisan

Until recently, I was of the opinion that hostility to science was solely a right-wing phenomenon.

After all, the libertarian, anti-government wing of the Republican Party has fiercely denied the reality of global warming, while the religious right has led the crusade to get intelligent design (aka creationism) taught in public schools that are supposed to recognize the separation between church and state.

So when conservative friends of mine claimed that environmentalism was akin to a religion, I never took the charges seriously.

But some so-called environmentalists — who, like animal rights activists, don't deserve the label environmentalist — have mirrored their right-wing opponents with their absolutist opposition to genetically modified foods and vaccines. What is tragic about this is, like denial of climate change, it poisons debate and hurts vulnerable people around the world.

The extreme anti-vaccine movement poses risks not only to the children of parents who won't let them be vaccinated, but also to the other children who attend the same public schools. This movement, promoted by charlatans, although perhaps well-intentioned, like celebrity Jenny McCarthy and depressingly, environmentalist Robert F. Kennedy Jr., constitutes a public-health risk to the world's kids.

Today, some public schools are allowing children to get exemptions from vaccinations for philosophical and religious reasons. Once-rare childhood diseases like the measles and whooping cough have been on the rise since



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the anti-vaccine movement has grown. In fact, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report 13 measles outbreaks this year — the most since 1996.

While children shouldn't be forced to have a vaccination if it goes against their religion, the exempt shouldn't be allowed to enroll in public schools because of the public health risks to other students.

"Schools are the setting in which children are most consistently exposed to large numbers of their peers in close quarters," write Dr. Russell Saunders in an article published by the online news and entertainment website Salon, "and thus it is of paramount importance that they remain as protected as possible against contagion. Children whose vaccination status would make other children unnecessarily vulnerable should not be allowed to attend."

The intransigent opposition to genetically modified organisms is driven more by emotion than science. As Pamela Arnold, a UC-Davis plant geneticist, wrote in an article for the *Scientific American* published in 2011: "There is a broad scientific consensus that genetically engineered crops currently on the

market are safe to eat."

More important, they have the potential to help the world's poor. For example, Dan Fagin, in a terrific article for the *Scientific American*, writes how humanitarian-driven genetic modification projects like drought-tolerant maize and vitamin-fortified cassava, developed by nonprofits, should already be in wide use in countries that want them. (The article was run in October, so hopefully some progress has been made in this direction.)

Fagin highlights a product called golden rice, engineered to address vitamin A deficiency, a malnutrition problem that blinds hundreds of thousands of children every year in Africa and Southeast Asia. It was developed by a non-profit organization supported by governments and philanthropies (Monsanto assisted by giving the rice's developers royalty-free licenses to use some of its patent-protected processes, and its charitable arm helped support several of the independent groups.)

I'm no fan of many of Monsanto's practices, but genetically modified foods and crops, when used properly, can play a helpful role in alleviating mass suffering. It's far past time to end the bipartisan war on science.

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Science education goes beyond facts

I was unhappy. The new state-of-the-art molecular biology lab building had just opened last year at one of China's premier universities. I attended one of the first presentations in that immaculate room. There was just one new high definition projector beaming the speaker's programmed slides on a huge white screen — and nothing more. No black board with chalk. No white board with markers. Not even an "elmo" platform that projects your handwriting on the screen. And that was the problem.

"So you don't want Nobel Prizes?" I asked the chair, after the students were gone and we were walking down the hall. That was definitely impolite, even if my Chinese hosts are very courteous toward guests.

"The PowerPoint is fine for reviewing past science, but how are you going to engage students in questioning and pursuing future avenues of research? No one gets Nobels for knowing what is already in textbooks. You get Nobels for asking new questions and finding new techniques, and that takes brainstorming — on the board," I continued.

That graduate research building had just opened and it only had one lecture room. The rest of the facility was laboratories arranged in suites of two to four labs around each researcher's office, and there were four wings and four stories — over 30 empty lab facilities waiting to be filled.

So this year, when I had the opportunity to visit that molecular biology research lab, my first question was: did they add boards? Three-fourths of the labs are now occupied. And although it was a Sunday, most labs had students and professors hard at work. Thanks to the labs having glass windows to the hallway, I could



John Richard Schrock

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easily walk the building, all four wings, top to bottom, and view it all. Every lab had a large white board with a holder full of markers to the side. It was obvious from the smears left by markers (I still prefer chalk), that these boards were heavily used. And indeed, as I passed by one laboratory, the professor and students were gathered around the board arguing over some lab dilemma. I could not hear if it was a technical problem or change in procedure or a new direction when results are unexpected. But it was science and it was not in the textbook or cookbook lab manual.

There are two sides to the science coin. Part of science is what is already known. Students can memorize that from the textbook, although it does not guarantee they know what it means. The other half of science is the questioning skills to search beyond what is known. Chinese students are great at memorizing the textbook science — what is known. They memorize in order to score high on that single critical end-of-high school gao kao test.

But it has been the unique strength of the American classroom that our science teachers ask students to read, and then think, compare and question. Is there another way to interpret that graph? How could we discover the cause. How can we measure it? We attempt to train our students in questioning and analysis — an

experience that until recently, Chinese students never had.

But Chinese students have come to the United States by the hundreds of thousands and have experienced that questioning in their masters and doctoral research here. Large numbers have now gone back to become the science professors in their new universities. And many are now standing with their students at those boards, markers in hand, figuring out the questions and methods to answer new problems. Because their students have under their belts as American students, this bodes well for future science breakthroughs here. And to be really effective, introducing this second aspect of science — this questioning — needs to begin across China in their public school classrooms. And that has barely begun. But China is on the right track.

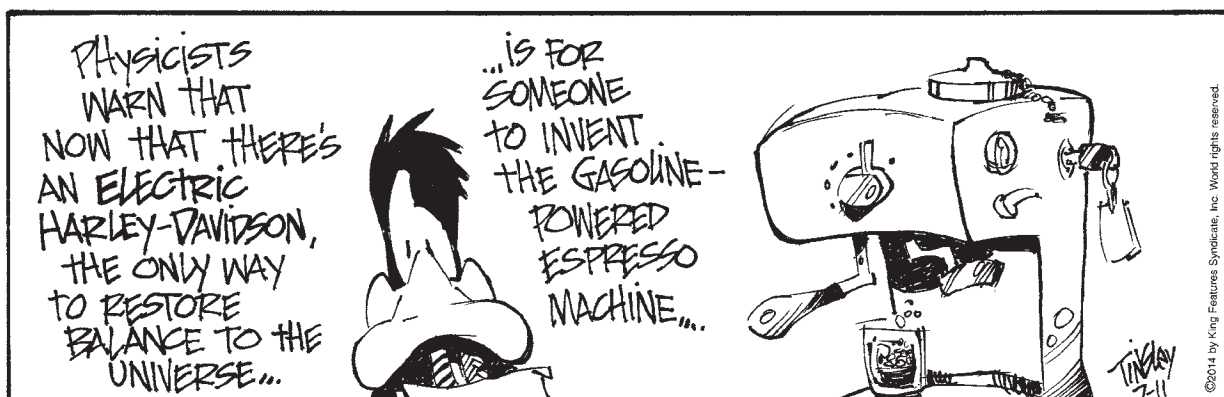
Meanwhile, back in the United States, no less than 10 states are now basing teacher evaluation on students' test scores. That is continuing the No Child Left Behind tyranny that forces teachers to replace open questioning, labs and field work with teach-to-the-test drill work. Along with our continued anemic coverage of science under the Next Generation non-standards, we are decimating our science education.

China is going the right direction. A direction many schools in America are abandoning.

John Richard Schrock, a professor of biology and department chair at a leading teacher's college, lives in Emporia. He emphasizes that his opinions are strictly his own.

Mallard Fillmore

• Bruce Tinsley



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Runaway tortoise comes home after half-mile journey

DAVISON TOWNSHIP, Mich. (AP) – A 60-pound runaway tortoise is back home in Michigan after disappearing for several days and making it about a half-mile during that time.

The Flint Journal reports (bit.ly/1m7COI0) the pet named Franklin strayed May 29 from his

home in Genesee County and was found on June 1.

Owner Chris Breuhan says family members walked his 10-acre property and started putting up flyers to see whether anyone had spotted Franklin. It turns out that the man who found him saw one of the flyers, and Franklin was

brought back home.

Breuhan says he was concerned that Franklin might get run over by a vehicle in the rural area, which is roughly 50 miles north-west of Detroit.

"Nothing will eat him," Breuhan said, noting that: "He's too big."

Phone lost in grain bin recovered

TULSA, Okla. (AP) – An Oklahoma farmer's iPhone that was lost when it fell into a grain elevator has been returned to him unscathed after it was found in Japan.

Kevin Whitney lost the phone in October when it slipped out of his shirt pocket as he was unload-

ing grain from a truck into a silo in Chickasha.

The load traveled to a depot in Convent, La., and then loaded onto a ship bound for the island of Hokkaido, Japan.

A worker at the Japanese facility phoned a counterpart in Louisiana, who then called Whitney

in late May asking if he lost an iPhone.

Whitney says he's glad to get the phone back because it had photos stored on it from his daughter's wedding and vacation, and he thought those were lost forever.

Senior Progress Center

The Senior Progress Center is looking for two new volunteers for home delivery of meals, from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. Every Thursday beginning Aug. 21. Talk to Kaila DeBoer at 460-2901 for information or to volunteer.

Activities for the week: **Monday:** 10:30 a.m. Skip Bo. **Tuesday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. canasta. **Wednesday:** 10:30 a.m. snack day. **Thursday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. pinochle. **Friday:** 10 a.m. exercise.

Menus for the week: **Monday:** chopstick tuna casserole, coleslaw with carrots, cottage cheese salad, mixed fruit. **Tuesday:** pork roast,

mashed potatoes, gravy, steamed cabbage, carrots and onions, applesauce. **Wednesday:** pasta salad with ham and vegetables, cantaloupe, bread stick, cook's choice complement. **Thursday:** meat loaf, scalloped potatoes, peas, strawberry shortcake. **Friday:** chicken salad sandwich, German cucumbers, mandarin oranges, bun, cookie.

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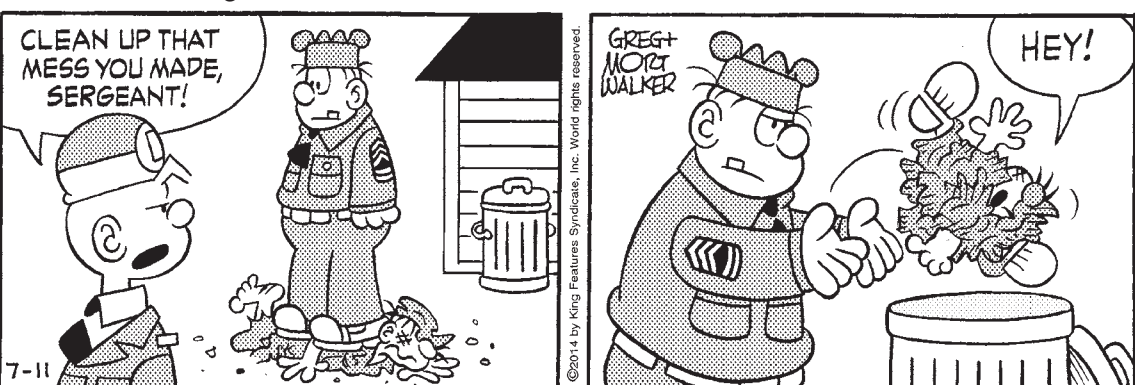
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Heloise

- Hints from Heloise

Clip coupons for base families

Dear Readers: A recent column about coupon hints brought in a bunch of comments and suggestions. Here are just a few, and they are about sending coupons to military families:

- Cathy Sammons in Hewitt, Texas, wrote, "A way we use extra coupons is to send them to military bases for use by military families."
- Sandi Werthe, via email, wrote: "I am a member of the American Legion. We clip coupons and deliver them to military spouses."

Thank you for sharing your hints! There are many programs out there that accept coupons for military families to use on bases in the United States and overseas. Some commissaries overseas may accept coupons up to six months after the expiration date. So, if your coupons have expired, don't throw them away! Find a program and see if they still can be used. — Heloise

P.S.: Our troops and their families need our help! Anything, small or large, that you can do is a heart hint that will last a lifetime!

SEND A GREAT HINT TO:

Heloise
P.O. Box 795000
San Antonio, TX 78279-5000
Email: Heloise@Heloise.com

TRAVEL HINT

Dear Heloise: Here is my travel hint: All cosmetics, bandages, mini night light, tiny alarm clock, mini flashlight, etc., go into an 8-by-8-inch plastic container that has a tight seal. I also put a large rubber band around it for safety. This way, I just put the plastic container on the bathroom counter, and everything is neat and ready to go. — Loretta W., Somerset, Pa.

CLEAN GLASSES

Dear Heloise: My husband and I had our annual eye exams yesterday, and were stunned to learn we would be charged \$2 for the previously free bottles of eyeglass cleaner. I told my husband you'd have a recipe to make your own. Do you? — Becky and Billy D., Sublimity, Ore.

I do have a simple way to clean your eyeglasses. Rubbing alcohol is a good cleaner, but really all you need to do is use a clean microfiber cloth. You will be amazed at how it cleans off the gunk! You don't even need a cleaner or water. — Heloise

SORTING SOCKS

Dear Heloise: I find it frustrating to gather up all the socks, when they have dried after washing, to sort together in pairs. I solved that by putting a mesh laundry bag in the clothes hamper. All dirty socks go into the laundry bag and are simply dumped out after drying to sort in pairs. We usually have only dark colors, but you could have a bag for lights and darks. — Jane K., via email

POTTY PRACTICE

Dear Heloise: When my son used a training potty, he often would miss the potty while learning. I placed a beach towel under it to catch spills. It made cleaning up easier, as the towels could be thrown into the wash. — S.L. in Texas

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Bridge • Steve Becker

You are South, and the bidding has gone:

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
?			

What would you bid now with each of the following four hands?

- ♠ K4 ♥ AK742 ♦ 10 ♣ AJ953
- ♠ 9 ♥ AQ764 ♦ A8 ♣ KJ742
- ♠ J4 ♥ QJ1053 ♦ AQ ♣ AK106
- ♠ 982 ♥ KQJ83 ♦ A ♣ AJ92

Bidding Quiz

1. Three spades. Partner's two-spade bid is somewhat ambiguous in this sequence. Thus, it might be based on as little as:

- ♣ Q10873 ♥ 8 ♦ K764 ♣ 62
- or as much as:
- ♠ AQ8652 ♥ 93 ♦ J7 ♣ K84

You'd have very little chance for game with the first hand and an excellent shot at game with the second hand. To cater to the various possibilities, you raise to three spades and let partner decide whether to bid game. Your K-4 of spades are adequate support for a suit that partner has bid twice.

2. Pass. With no fit in spades and minimum high-card values for your opening bid, this is obviously not a game-going hand, so the only problem is to find the best part-score contract. In general, where there's a misfit -- which seems to be the case here -- you should throw in the towel as soon as possible. There is no good reason not to do so here. The only other possible action would be to bid three clubs, but this might lead you into even deeper trouble. The sooner you drop a hot potato, the better off you are.

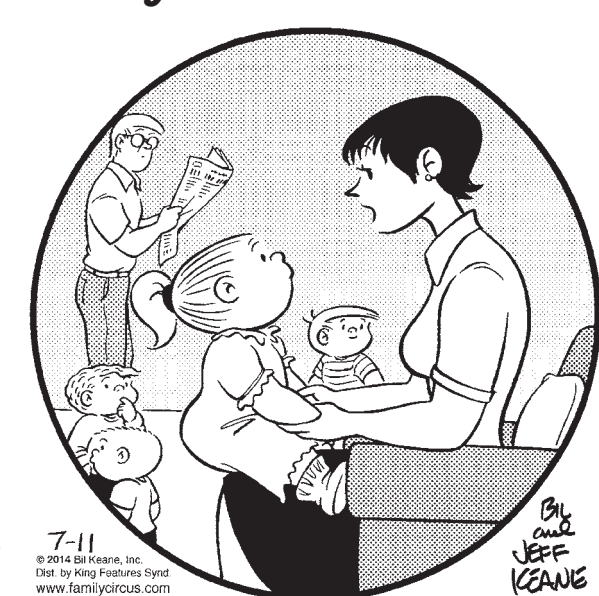
3. Two notrump. You can't very well pass with 17 high-card points, so you invite partner to bid game in notrump, which you'll almost surely make if he bids it. He might, of course, have a hand suitable for or spades, and in that case he will bid three or four spades, either of which you will pass. Should that happen, your J-4 of trumps will be a welcome bonus for partner, who should have an excellent chance to make whatever contract he selects.

4. Four spades. The jump-raise to game, despite your skimpy trump holding, comes much closer to representing the real value of your hand than does the alternative bid of three spades.

True, you have only 15 high-card points, but nearly all of them are potential tricks. In particular, your three trumps, together with the singleton ace of diamonds, should be worth their weight in gold. Partner might not make four spades, but you would be remiss not to bid it.

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Conceptis Sudoku • Dave Green

	3	6		1				
7				2				
				1	4	3		
5		9			6	7		
			2					
	6	8		7				9
4	2	7						1
			5					
	6			8		4		

Difficulty Level ★★★★★ 7/11

This is a logic-based number placement puzzle. The goal is to enter a number, 1-9, in each cell in which each row, column and 3x3 region must contain only one instance of each numeral.

The solution to the last Sudoku puzzle is at right.

8	5	3	2	6	4	1	7	9
4	7	1	5	3	9	8	2	6
6	9	2	7	1	8	3	4	5
5	6	4	3	9	1	2	8	7
7	1	8	4	5	2	9	6	3
3	2	9	6	8	7	4	5	1
1	8	7	9	2	5	6	3	4
2	3	5	1	4	6	7	9	8
9	4	6	8	7	3	5	1	2

Cryptoquip

AXIP H JKYLIM HPNW YD
OWWM JKMMDCSWY AED JEUQ
WP NXI GZWLIG, H USHIM

"ZWPO NHYI PW GQH!"

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: THE ARMED CAVALRYMEN ARE OFFERING THEIR SERVICES AT NO CHARGE. I'D SAY THEY'RE FREE LANCERS.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: D equals Y

Crossword • Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS	DOWN
1 Twangy	1 Siesta
6 Nabokov heroine	2 Foreman foe
9 Occupation	3 Sister of 16-Across
12 Island farewell	4 Single-minded captain
13 Calendar abbr.	5 Logan and Spencer
14 Unblock, in verse	6 Waylay
15 Hair-related	7 Accomplishes
16 Singer aka Sasha Pierce	8 Whatever amount
18 Old counter?	9 Dr. Salk
20 Two-some	10 In the work mentioned (Abbr.)
21 Sailors' org.	
23 "May-day!"	
24 Engages in banter	
25 Diana who played Emma Peel	
27 Rid of wool	
29 Chicken serving	
31 Rouses	
35 Grates	
37 Break suddenly	
38 Like 60 percent of world population	11 Bar orders
41 Good name, slangily	17 La Scala shows
43 Man-mouse link	19 Expenses
44 Flash Gordon foe	21 Metro area, briefly
45 Sickly gray-green	22 Round Table address
47 Daughter of 16-Across	24 Mandible space
49 New York island	26 Parking
52 Part of UNLV	28 Art prod
53 Middling grade	30 — Diego
54 Representative	32 Maiden name of 16-Across
	33 Listener
	34 Hot tub
	36 Appealed to God
	38 Saunter
	39 "The Da Vinci Code" monk
	40 Occupied
	42 Fold
	45 Swedish man's name
	46 Gymnast Korbut
	48 Lemieux milieu
	50 Passbook abbr.
	51 Pigs' digs

Yesterday's answer 7-11

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12					13			14		
15					16			17		
	18			19				20		
21	22			23				24		
25		26		27		28				
29			30			31		32	33	34
			35			36		37		
38	39	40			41		42		43	
44				45			46			
47			48				49		50	51
52			53				54			
55			56				57			

Classifieds

To place your classified ad, mail (155 W. Fifth), fax (785-462-7749), phone (785-462-3963), or stop by our office at 155 W. Fifth

Card of Thanks

THANK YOU to everyone who helped to make my 6th Annual Lemon-Aid stand a huge success! All donations will benefit the Northwest Kansas Animal Shelter. Your support is greatly appreciated!! - April Swartz ---7/11---

Help Wanted

Part-time Cook for a growing assisted living facility. Apply at Fairview Estates Retirement Community, 1630 Sewell Ave, Colby, KS or Call Gary for more details at 785-462-2154. EOE ---7/9---7/14---

Wanted: Energetic, motivated business leaders who are looking for a successful, ground-level business opportunity. If that's you, contact me today at 785-443-1458 or visit www.mitch2014.arealbreakthrough.com ---7/9---8/4---

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Wanted: Immediate Opening for an experienced diesel mechanic. Signing bonus, benefits and wages are negotiable 308-340-8389. ---7/2---7/16---

Wanted to hire Housekeeper, PT Cook, Pool Tender 785-443-1339. ---7/2---7/30---

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Help Wanted

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2 BR Apt., washer-dryer, stove, refrigerator, a/c, dishwasher, non-smoking, no dogs, in Colby. 785-460-0916 or 785-462-0274. ---7/7---7/18---

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Nice 3 bedroom house for rent in Colby. No smoking, no pets. Call 785-443-1969. ---7/9---7/31---

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---7/9---8/4---

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---5/9---TFN---

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---1/31---7/17---

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---5/13---TFN---

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---3/11---TFN---

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---6/25---7/23---

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---5/12---TFN---

Garage Sales

1830 W. 5th St - Friday, 3 - 6 p.m. Baby items, furniture, clothes, toys, misc.
---7/10---

Garage Sales

410 S. School - Saturday only, 8 a.m. - ?? Dining table, 2 window air conditioners, power tools, garage door, wooden shutters, apt. size refrigerator, reloading dyes, 2 turkey cookers, clothing, storm door, ceiling fan, lots of misc.
---7/10---7/11---

Huge Multi-family Garage Sale 1818 Harvey Court - Friday, 4 - 7 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m. - noon. Lots of really nice items. Something for everyone!
---7/9---7/11---

1850 Co Rd 15 - 4 miles west of Colby on Hwy 24, 1/2 mile south. Friday, 4 - 6 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m. - noon. Holland & Phoenix Grills, "Buckle" & "Macys" women's clothes, boys clothes, gas trimmer, toys, bikes, 5-dog pen panels 6' tall x 10' long, video games, Weathermatic Sprinkler Controller, and much more.
---7/9---7/11---

Half Price Sale All of July Wednesday's & Saturday's 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Second Time Around Shop, 115 Center Ave. Oakley, Kansas.
---6/23---7/21---

Garage Sales

485 N. Franklin - Saturday, 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Going for program needs - Wings Upon the Prairie.
---7/9---7/11---

1850 W. 5th St - Friday, 3 - 6 p.m., 7:30 - 11:30 a.m. Clothing, toys, household, misc.
---7/9---7/11---

365 W. Summit - Friday, 5 - 7 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m. - ?? Multi-family.
---7/9---7/11---

No one wanted Vacuum Shop new Panasonic and Sharps - Erwin Thiele 785-462-5572.
---6/27---7/11---

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Slugger hurls one-hitter in Norton nightcap

By R.B. Headley
Colby Free Press
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Luke Cox pitched a one-hitter while the Colby Sluggers scored early and often to beat Norton, 9-1, in Wednesday night's second league game at Colby.

The Sluggers improved to 4-0 during this week-long homestand which concludes tonight with another 6 p.m. doubleheader against Burlington, Colo.

As reported on Thursday, Colby fought off Norton for an 8-6 opening win.

Nothing close to a comeback occurred during game two as Cox didn't even permit one hit until Norton's final at-bat of this five-inning contest.

Cox struck out seven and walked only three. He also en-

joyed pitching with a large lead after Colby's four-run first inning.

Brady Holzmeister and Hudson Stramel both singled home teammates to help create the 4-0 margin. It quickly became 6-0 before two innings were completed.

Casey Quagliano's two hits helped the Sluggers maintain control, and Josh Matchell doubled in another run to enforce Legion baseball's eight-run mercy rule after five innings.

Others igniting Colby were Austin Hart (single, run), Cox (two runs), Caleb Mazanec (RBI), Tate Carney (run) and Matt Barnum (run).

Hart also swiped three of Colby's seven stolen bases. Quagliano took two bags, further proving that Colby football linemen can run like the wind (or at least a light breeze).



Holzmeister and Austin Boehme stole one base apiece.

The Sluggers committed only one defense error compared to

Norton's four.

Game one featured just a 9-8 Colby hitting advantage over Norton. A glance at all the Slugge leaders from that contest:

Hits: Carney 2, Quagilano 2, Boehme 2. Cox and Hart added one apiece.

Runs: Matchell 2, Carney 2; one each from Mazanec, Holzmeister, Stramel and Boehme.

RBI: Cox 3; Carney and Quagliano drove home one each.

Double: Carney.

Stolen bases: Boehme 3, Matchell, Carney.

Quagliano's seven innings on the mound featured three walks and five strikeouts. He allowed eight hits along with five earned runs.

Norton put the tying runs on base during its last at-bat, but "Quig" retired those final three batters.

The Sluggers now get ready to play two home non-league games starting at 6 p.m. tonight against

R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press
There's no safe-or-out argument on this play as the Colby Slugger reaches safely while that baseball (right) is bouncing down the left-field line. Colby scored three late runs which helped seal an 8-6 league win over visiting Norton Wednesday evening. The Sluggers followed this triumph with a 9-1 triumph for their fourth consecutive win this week. Colby will be home again at 6 p.m. tonight to play a non-league doubleheader against Burlington, Colo. The Sluggers then visit Norton for a Sunday evening rematch.

Burlington, Colo.

It begins a busy weekend where Colby also visits Norton for two more contests Sunday evening.

"We're getting into a groove now," coach Brian Quagliano said. "And now's the time to do that."

Regional playoffs are less than two weeks away in Colby.

Coach Quagliano said the state-qualifying tournament will likely begin on Wednesday, July 23 with a state tournament spot at stake.

Hungry Sharks still attacking area



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press

After a brief break to enjoy the holiday weekend, Colby Sharks will be back in the water to resume their summer swim club season this weekend. Watch for results and perhaps other details next week.

Believe it or not, NBA's 'King' wants a return to Cleveland

from espn.com

LeBron James is heading back to Cleveland.

The four-time National Basketball Association most valuable player told Sports Illustrated.com on Friday that he is returning to the Cleveland Cavaliers.

"My relationship with Northeast Ohio is bigger than basketball," James told SI.com in a first-person essay. "I didn't realize that four years ago, I do now."

For James, it marks a complete turnaround from his original free-agent decision in 2010, when he bolted Cleveland for the Miami Heat, creating a Big Three with

Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh that went on to win two NBA titles in their four years together.

"The hardest thing to leave is what I built with those guys," James said. "I've talked to some of them and will talk to others. Nothing will ever change what we accomplished."

The Heat were in the mix for James again this time around. Team president Pat Riley traveled

to Las Vegas to meet with James on Wednesday in an attempt to lure him back to Miami after the All-Star opted out of his contract following the team's NBA Finals loss to the San Antonio Spurs.

But James said no to Riley and the Heat, instead choosing a Cleveland team that picked him No. 1 overall in the 2003 draft out of St. Vincent-St. Mary, where he starred as a high school player.

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WESTERN STATE BANK, a Kansas Banking Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

MEDICAL ARTS, INCORPORATED; COLBY MEDICAL & SURGICAL CENTER; ESTATE OF VICTOR H. HILDYARD II, DECEASED, BRENDA HILDYARD, ADMINISTRATOR; BRENDA HILDYARD; PEOPLES STATE BANK; CARDINAL HEALTH; THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THOMAS COUNTY, KANSAS; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA through its agent INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; SANDRA SQUIBB; RICK DEINES; LOGAN COUNTY HOSPITAL; STATE OF KANSAS, DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; HTB ARCHITECTS, PLLC; CAROLYN YARD AND WILLIAM V. HALE, CO-EXECUTORS OF THE THE ESTATE OF FRANCES D. ZOBBERST, DECEASED. Defendants.

Case No. 12-CV-48

NOTICE OF CREDITOR SALE

To all persons who are or may be concerned.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that under and by virtue of an Amended Order of Sale and directed out of the above entitled Court pursuant to the Amended Journal Entry of Judgment and Decree entered therein, wherein the Western State Bank was Plaintiff, and Medical Arts, Inc., and Colby Medical & Surgical Center, and others were Defendants, the same being case number 12-CV-48, Homeland Realty and Auction, Colby, Kansas, Auctioneer and Agent for Plaintiff, Western State Bank will on the 28th day of July, 2014, commencing at 10:00am central daylight time sell to the highest and best bidders for cash in hand, by auction, at the clinic building located at 175 South Range, Colby, Kansas all of the unattached personal property situated thereon and therein, consisting of office equipment, medical equipment and miscellaneous supplies owned by

Colby Medical & Surgical Center, and/or Defendants Medical Arts, Inc., and/or the Estate of Victor H. Hildyard, II, deceased which items of personal property include but are not limited to the following:

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Now 15-3, Colby K-18 are kings of Hill City



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Mark Faber was one of several successful pitchers who worked during Colby K-18's doubleheader sweeps at Hill City and over Colby K-18 Team 2 this week.

'Nemesis' Goodland might decide a No. 1 seed

By R.B. Headley
Colby Free Press
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Nearby Oakley continues to delay what's been inevitable for most Colby K-18 Jayhawk League baseball foes this summer.

Another number in the loss column.

"We have home games with Oakley remaining, but time's running out to reschedule them," Colby coach Travis Branum said about a doubleheader rained out last month. "I've been waiting to hear back (from Oakley) for three weeks now."

These Oakley contests are so important after Colby (15-3 record) trampled Hill City twice Thursday evening in Hill City.

Norton's also 15-3 with its sweep of Goodland on Thursday, tying Colby for the Jayhawk League lead and No. 1 regional seed entering tournament play at Hays next weekend.

Goodland and Norton are set to play another pair that caps the regular season tonight.

"So, even though we gave Norton all three of their losses, they could be No. 1 if they sweep Goodland," Branum explained

while projecting overall winning percentages. "If they split and we don't play Oakley, then we would be No. 1. I guess we may have to rely on an old nemesis (Goodland)."

No matter who's No. 1 or No. 2, Branum knows the post-season gameplan really doesn't change.

"If we show up and play Colby baseball, we'll have a good chance to play for the championship," he said. "If we don't, it could go south in a hurry."

Tumbling down at Hill City was never a problem Thursday night. Coach reported that Colby won both games by scores of 16-2 and 18-3.

Speedy Shevin Martin never stumbled while rounding all bases for an error-free, inside-the-park home run.

Branum recalled other memorable hits coming from Zach Hart, Rex Branum, Parker Wright and Brooks Curry among others.

"Carter Stanley had a good hit also. Just about everyone up and down the lineup had a good hit at some point of the night," coach Branum said. "We came out a little flat in the first game, we had to spur them (the players) on a bit. But once we made some ad-

justments at the plate, we started singling and doubling them (Hill City) like crazy."

Coach offered equal praise for Colby's pitching, as the goal was to gain experience and build depth entering that all-important regional tournament.

Winning pitcher Hart and Martin worked the opener at Hill City. Game two featured Rex Branum throwing three no-hit innings while striking out seven.

"I took Rex out because we wanted to get others some time (on the mound), not because he did anything wrong," coach Branum explained.

Curry relieved and Tucker Branum threw two strong innings where he struck out three.

Stanley caught both contests, meaning Colby also has depth at the crucial position entering playoffs. Tucker Branum has been the team's No. 1 catcher all season.

"We came out on fire in that second game and got five runs right away," coach Branum observed. "That's what you want to do on the road. Set the tone early and let your defense go to work."

No official stats or other details were obtained, but watch for more Colby K-18 coverage next week.

Sweet Thunder started rolling with Hays Tournament title

The Colby Sweet Thunder softball team starts Kansas ASA 18-and-Under state tournament play at Salina Saturday morning.

Coach Alan Sager's squad has earned a first-round bye with its winning record of 5-3-1.

Here are quick recaps from each Sweet Thunder contest:

Colby 4, Hays Monarchs 3
Haley Mengel's two-RBI single ignited the Thunder to its opening win at Hays.

Elissa Zerr and Darby Sager both walked ahead of the big Mengel hit. Sager stole a base before motoring home to give Colby

a 3-1 lead. Desi Schippers took that lead and pitched all six innings of a three-hitter. She struck out nine while not allowing one earned run.

Colby 9, Larned Rampage 4
Darby Sager's grand-slam home run sent the Thunder soaring to this semifinal win at Hays.

Kyle Martin went two-for-two and scored two runs from her leadoff spot. Haley Mengel doubled, singled, touched home twice and drove home one.

Dani Foster pitched all five innings of this victory, permitting only five Larned hits.

Colby 12, Salina Rampage 2
Nobody rampaged through the Hays title game more than Bailey Foss with her single, double and Four RBIs including a walkoff single that forced softball's "mercy rule".

Mengel's triple scored Martin (who singled) to ignite a five-run Colby first inning. Foster and Schippers added two hits, two runs and scored one run apiece.

Martin — Colby's No. 1 pitcher during the spring high school softball season — threw four no-hit innings to earn the victory. She walked six Salina batters but also

struck out six.

Colby 1, Great Bend Vipers 1
The opening game of this Great Bend tourney was called after 4 1/2 innings due to rain.

Zerr singled, stole second and scored Colby's lone run on Darby Sager's double. Sager finished two-for-two in the seven-hit Thunder attack.

Schippers pitched four innings, allowed four hits and struck out three.

Larned Renegades 5, Colby 4
Thunder wiped out a 4-1 deficit only to see the Renegades tally one final game-winner.

Zerr walked twice, swiped three bases, scored two and delivered an RBI.

Sager and Schippers (one RBI) ripped the two Colby hits.

Great Bend Quicksilver 8, Colby 2

Thunder grabbed a 2-0 lead as Martin (error), Zerr (walk) and Sager (single) all reached base safely ahead of Foster's two-RBI single.

Top-seeded Quicksilver tallied five first-inning runs and never allowed a Colby comeback. However, revenge was coming in the next contest.

Colby 1, Quicksilver 0
After the pool-play defeat, Thunder brought payback as Martin pitched a two-hit shutout. Zerr singled and stole two bases en route to scoring Colby's run.

Hastings, Neb. 7, Colby 3
In the recent McCook, Neb., tournament, Hastings threw a powerful collegiate pitcher to contain Colby. Stephanie Forney and Martin collected the only Thunder hits.

Colby 14, Imperial, Neb. 4
Every Thunder player including Elizabeth Koel and Hartwell scored multiple runs at McCook.

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Bottle Gallery, Colby Walmart Supercenter, Comfort Inn, Pat Criss, Cahoj Earthmoving, City Limits Convention Center, Farm Credit of Western Kansas, Frontier Ag. Inc., Gem Lions Club, Holiday Inn Express, Qdoba Mexican Grill, S & T Communications, Sleep Inn & Suites, Strutt Insurance Inc./Prairie Land Insurance, Sonic Drive-In, TCCF Director's Fund/Paul Steele, Woofter Construction & Irrigation, Mayor Gary Adrian, Tim Adrian, Aflac District Office of Jordan Sharp, Baumann Mortuary, Colby Ag Center, Colby/Thomas County Chamber of Commerce, Culligan/Scheopner Water Conditioning, Pioneer Seeds-Don Marshall-McDonald, The Great Outdoor's Gun Shop-Atwood, Great Plains Spraying, Great Western Tire of Colby, High Plains Lions Club, Aaron & Elisa Horinek, Tony & Anita Horinek/Legacy Farms, Horlacher Jewelers, Hoxie Feedyard, J & J Tool Service, Inc., Joseph Kanak III-Atwood, McDougal-Sager & Snodgrass Grain-Atwood, Northwest Kansas Chiropractic, Peoples State Bank, Gary and Marilyn Reed, Schlick Construction, Vap Construction-Atwood, Vanderbilts, Western Sprinklers, Inc., Don & Evelyn Woofter, ADM-Grain, Active Balance Chiropractic & Acupuncture Clinic, LLC-Atwood, CB Heating & Air Conditioning, City of Colby, Colby Automotive-Car Quest, Colby Glass, Colby Wrecking Yard, Dillons, Robert Dible, CFP, Donelan Jewelry, Farm Bureau Financial Services, Farm & Ranch Realty, Farmers & Merchants Bank, Tina Harris Physical Therapy & Sports Medicine Center, Inlow Interiors, Jim's Electric, Inc., Kansas Quick Lube, Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel, Kirks Auto Supply-Atwood, Robert Luck/Mobil Oil, P & D Auto Repair, Prairie Land Insurance of Winona, Quality Title & Abstract, Someplace Special, State Farm Insurance, Sunflower Bank, Taco John's, Vision Source, Waddell & Reed, ZEZ Commodities Leon & Sharon Woofter

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