

School, railroad made cuts during Depression

In 1932, the Depression had hit the local economy as it had nationwide. Two items in *The Goodland News-Republic* 75 years ago reflected the money woes of two major employers, the school district and the Rock Island Railroad.



marcia smith

• from the vault

CUT TEACHERS WAGES High School Teachers Get Ten Percent Less

The high school board, meeting last Wednesday night, decided to make salary reductions in the local high school for next year of about 10 percent.

It is probable that in offering teachers new contracts for the coming year, the board will set a figure about 10 percent lower than the present scale.

Monday night the board met and decided to make the reduction general.

RAILROAD CUT

PENSIONS, TOO

Information has been received the Rock Island not only has cut wages 10 percent on all its employees but that it will also cut 10 percent off pensions. There are quite a number of retired employees of the railroad here. It is estimated that the railroad will benefit to the extent of \$8,000 a month at the expense of the pensioned employees of the system.

Some area school teachers had good news, *The News-Republic* said. Ruleton students had performed exceptionally well in a state

RULETON RANKS HIGH In Two Subjects Grade School Leads State

The Ruleton grade school has the distinction of ranking highest in the state in two subjects, eighth grade history and sixth grade geography, in the Every Pupil Contest recently put on by the Emporia Teachers College.

The school also ranked unusually high in the other subjects in which it competed. Besides the two in which it led the state, the school made class grades of A in two reading classes (and above average in geography, English, history, arithmetic and spelling).

In the high school subjects, only four tests were taken. The high

school averaged an A in typing, B in geometry and English and C in algebra. The remainder of the tests will be taken in April.

Supt. Seth Arnold and his faculty are justly proud of the record the school made in the tests.

Across the county, the junior class of Edson was planning their fund raising event with a play in March 1932.

JUNIORS IN PLAY At Edson Schoolhouse

The junior class of the Edson Consolidated School will present the play "Poor Father" at the school auditorium there Friday evening at 7:30. This is a good play, and a well-chosen cast from the school will make this an evening of good entertainment for the public. The proceeds will be used for class graduation expenses.

Those having parts in the produc-

tion are Dale Briggs, Don Yocum, Gerald Barnes, Abe Dahl, Tom Cebula, John Stanley, Martha Elliott, Olive Elliott, Inez Fiechter (Bennett), Lucille Carper, Bessie Morgan and Hazel Morey.

Specialties between acts will be furnished by the glee clubs of the school and the gymnasium class.

And perhaps the country schools became victims of theft because of the hard times.

CHARGE COAL STEALING

Oliver Mitchell was scheduled to stand trial in Justice W.A. Sexson's court this afternoon on a charge of stealing 250 pounds of coal from the school house in District No. 61, known as the Bellevue school. There have been numerous complaints of coal being taken from

country school houses this winter, and officers are trying to round up guilty parties.

Adding to the hardships the Depression brought to the area, a house fire compounded the distress of one Goodland family.

Fire Saturday Nearly Destroyed Neil Anderson Home

Fire starting from a defective flu-damaged the home of Neil Anderson at 1514 Kansas Ave. Saturday afternoon. The roof and interior were burned, and it is doubtful if any of the building can be salvaged except some of the material in the outside walls.

The Anderson family and Mr. and Mrs. DeClark lived in the house, and most of their household goods were saved.

public notice

NOTICE OF PLACES AND DATES OF REGISTRATION

In compliance with the provisions of K.S.A. 25-2311, notice is hereby given that the books for registration of voters will be open at the following places at the times specified:

County Clerk's Office	8 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (Mon. - Fri.)
City Clerk's Office	7 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Mon. - Fri.)

The books for registration of voters will close at 5 p.m. in the County Clerk's Office and 4 p.m. in the City Clerk's Office on the 19th day of March, 2007.

A citizen of the United States who is eighteen (18) years of age or older, or will have attained the age of eighteen (18) years of age at the next state general election, must register before he or she can vote. Registration closes fourteen (14) days prior to every election.

When a registered voter changes residence or name, such voter must register in order to be eligible to vote. Any person may apply in person or by telephone, or by mail to the County Election Officer to be registered. Application forms shall be provided by the County Election Officer upon request by the applicant. Such application shall be signed by the applicant under penalty of perjury.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 2nd day of March, 2007.

Janet R. Rumpel
Sherman County Election Officer

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Brewster boys, girls have winning seasons

Sounds like we're in for another storm this week, hope it's not like last Saturday. That wind was something else. Closed everything down in a big way, for the day. Just bring us some good rains.

We congratulate the Brewster boys and girls on their basketball season. The boys are 18-4 and the girls are 15-7 and went to substate Friday and Saturday.

Willard Hartley is in the Hays Hospital after having two heart attacks. They put a stint in. I understand he is doing pretty well.

John McMahon's unit was hit in Iraq. I guess it was the barracks that were hit. One was killed. Our prayers go out to John and Susan



betty jo baird

• brewster news

and their children, plus all the others who are in Iraq.

The Thomas County Health Department and Area Agency on Aging were scheduled to speak at the senior center on "Aging with Medication gracefully."

We will have our open house for Jack Faber's retirement as President of the Senior Center on Friday,

March 16. Come and join us for hot apple cider and cookies from 2 to 4 p.m.

That's all the news I've heard this week, so I will close off today with this thought.

Those things that are going to tempt you off the path of your spiritual growth are not going to come up to your front door and ring the bell. Temptations come in through the cracks. They slide under the door! They sneak in through the windows! If you are not careful and always alert, you will be tempted to

go right back to your old way of thinking, doing and being.

Keep the cracks of your heart covered with constant prayer. Ask for divine wisdom and spiritual insight in the midst of all experiences. Seal up the windows of your mind with song, songs of goodness, songs of praise and songs that will keep you protected by the watchful eye and guiding ear of the Holy Spirit.

Secure the door of your soul with the knowledge of who you are. You are a daughter of light, a woman of power, a child of the Omnipresence of God. Temptation may ring your doorbell, but if you are singing and praying loud enough, you won't even hear it.

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District Traffic

The following fines were paid in the Sherman County District Court:
Dec. 25, 2003 — David W. Wilson, \$150 reinstated for speeding, \$10 for no seat belt, \$60 for unlawful acts with vehicle and \$300 for no liability insurance.
March 6, 2004 — Michael A.

Pearson, \$115 for speeding.

March 10, 2006 — Michele L. Tollette, \$138 reinstated for speeding and \$300 reinstated for on liability insurance.

April 1 — Stephanie E. White, \$114 reinstated for speeding and dismissed for no liability insurance.
July 16 — Crystal J. Ritter, \$99

for speeding.

Aug. 6 — Tina R. Hernandez, \$132 for speeding.

Aug. 27 — Kate Z. Schneider, \$138 reinstated for speeding.

Sept. 4 — Jennifer A. Timberlake, \$126 reinstated for speeding and \$60 reinstated for unlawful acts with vehicle.

Sept. 18 — Eddie N. Williams, \$96 reinstated for speeding.

Sept. 28 — Jimmy M. Horn, \$126 from bench trail guilty verdict for speeding.

Oct. 20 — Jessie G. Murray, \$266 for racing on highways.

Hernan F. Ramirez, \$156 for speeding.

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