

Schwieterman Market Outlook

A marketing commentary by Bret Crotts

Unfortunately there was not very much positive news this week. Overall, Tuesday's Planted Acreage report was bearish. Wheat and corn acres were both much higher than expected, which sent the corn limit lower on Tuesday. Corn acreage was reported at just over 87 million acres, which was 2 million over the March Planting Intentions. The higher acreage estimate means that we will not be seeing bullish numbers in next week's supply and demand report. Old crop ending stocks may be reduced because of a higher export estimate, but we will definitely have higher new crop ending stocks. The big fear now is that not only will we have a higher acreage figure, but yield may be increased as well since crop condition ratings are better than last year and have improved since the beginning of the season. An increase in acreage and vield, with no increase in demand, would make ending stocks very comfortable, which is why the corn is under pres-

The December corn will find good support at the \$3.50 area next week, but we do have the potential to fall below that level if the new crop ending stocks estimate climbs above 1.5 billion, or if the perception is that the crop size is still growing. Weather is still very important. The weather at the moment is mostly non-threatening and crop condition

sure.

ratings are improving. Keep in mind though, that even with the higher acreage estimate, if the yield is increased to 155 bu/ac ending stocks will still fall from the previous year. However, if weather stays mostly favorable, and traders start talking about a vield closer to 160, that would imply that ending stocks are going to grow, which would keep the corn under pressure for quite some time.

The outlook for the wheat is even worse than for the corn. At least in the corn there is a chance that weather will come into play and affect production and the corn exports have been very good, so there is strong demand to talk about. With the wheat, export demand is still terrible.

I am beginning to fear that USDA will lower the export estimate in the July report, which would be very negative when combined with the increase in production we are bound to see.

I was surprised that Kansas wheat acreage was increased by 300,000 to 9.3 million. I was even more surprised to see North Dakota wheat acreage increased by 220,000 from the March report with all the problems and delays that they had. With the higher acreage estimate and the good yields we have been seeing in much of Kansas we could see a sizeable increase in the production estimate in next week's report. Unfortunately I think we have the potential to see the ending stocks estimate reach the 850 million level sometime in the next couple of months. We really need to see better demand, but it just isn't happening. Look for the September KW to move down to the \$5.30 area.

The soybeans are still in their own world. The soybean acreage estimate was increased to a new record high of 77.5 million, but that was less than expected, so the November soybeans were actually higher for the week.

The bull spreads are still working too since demand is still good. USDA will probably raise the export estimate next week because sales have exceeded the yearly estimate. Soybean oil sales were a marketing year high this week, so it isn't just soybean demand that is good it is product demand as well.

Even with record high acreage, weather is even more critical to the soybeans than the corn. If we have hot, dry weather in late July and August and vield is reduced to last year's level of 39.6 from the current estimate of 42.6, there would have to be a great deal of demand rationing to avoid domestic shortages.

Even a yield of 41.7 like we had in 2007 would do no better than keep ending stocks steady. There is plenty of upside potential in the new crop soybeans, but I still would urge caution. I

\$100 Cash Drawing.

still like \$10.00 November puts to give you some protection, yet leave the topside open in case there is a weather problem this summer.

We had a strange week in the cattle market. After a firm but slow start on Monday, the August LC ended up being limit higher. It was sort of out of the blue and based on a combination of fund and commercial buy-

For the most part the gains held, which is encouraging and cash cattle traded at \$83 in Kansas. That basis is a little weak for this time of year, but it is good to see the better money. The August live cattle are now in overbought territory, but from a technical stand point it looks like we can take a buy the breaks attitude. I really like owning feeder cattle calls and would be willing to own August feeder cattle futures on a move back to \$101.50 or lower.

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Many factors to consider when selecting vaccines

Building immunity and preventing disease are integral parts of achieving wellness on a livestock operation. Incorporating proven vaccines into a well-designed vaccination protocol helps enhance an animal's immune system response to disease, thus keeping them healthy. This in turn helps deliver optimal growth and production while minimizing costs associated with disease.

"Implementing a vaccination protocol is part of an overall strategy meant to lead directly to healthy animals," said Douglas Braun, DVM, senior veterinarian for Pfizer Animal Health. "When building a protocol, it's always best to work with your herd veterinarian to identify the diseases that most threaten your operation. Risk and risk management are fundamentally different based on region of the country as well as variation in dmanagement styles."

When looking at the many vaccines on the market, and sorting through the many competitive products and facts, Braun recommends that both veterinarians and producers turn toward an unbiased source to help make the purchase decision—the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

The decision about which type of label claim a vaccine will be granted is based on an evaluation by the Center for Veterinary Biologicals, which is part of the Animal and Plant Inspection Service of the USDA. The USDA may grant one of five possible label claims. They include:

- 1. Prevention of infection: Prevents all colonization or replication of challenge organism.
- 2. Prevention of disease: Highly effective in preventing clinical disease.
- 3. Aid in disease prevention: Aids in preventing disease by a clinically significant amount.
- 4. Aid in disease control: Aids in reduction of disease severity, duration or onset.
- 5. Other claims: Products with beneficial effects other than direct disease control.

The best way to find out what label indication applies to a particular vaccine is to read the label closely. The approved label for a given vaccine helps us understand the expected performance of the product. Most vaccines on the market have the "aid in disease prevention" claim. Rarely, however, will a vaccine satisfy the requirements to receive the more robust "prevention of infection" or "prevention of disease" label indications. Always read the label closely before making a decision about which product best fits the needs of your herd.

Beyond looking for the label claim when choosing a vaccine, Braun recommends getting more information about the vaccine's duration of immunity (DOI). Vaccines have traditionally been labeled for repeat dosing within 12 months, or administration of a booster within a certain time period without any clear evidence supporting the expectation that the vaccine was actually effective for that given length of time.



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Kansas Hay Market Report

Hay trade slow. Demand moderate to strong for dairy alfalfa, moderate for alfalfa pellets, grinding alfalfa and grass hay. Hot, mostly dry weather has kept hay producers and wheat harvesters extremely busy. Wheat harvest and the second cutting of alfalfa are progressing well with only scattered showers interrupting. Parts of North Central Kansas are getting dry and in need of rain for future cuttings of alfalfa. If you have hay for sale or pasture to rent or need hay or grazing, use the services of the Hay and Pasture Exchange www.kfb.org/hayandpasture/default.htm

Southwest Kansas: Dairy alfalfa and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement slow. Alfalfa, Horse, small squares, 210.00-250.00; Dairy, 75-80 cents/point RFV, Supreme 140.00- 150.00: Premium to Supreme 130.00-140.00, or 140.00-155.00 delivered; Premium 120.00-130.00; Good, 120.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field, 95.00-105.00, an instance 90.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies 115.00-130.00, ground-on-the-truck 118.00-127.00. The week of 6/22-27, 10,970T grinding alfalfa and 1,875T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Oat hay, good small squares 125.00 delivered. PM6 good, small squares 150.00, fair, some weeds 100.00-110.00. Straw, large bales mostly 55.00, little 60.00.

South Central Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa

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Open Class Ceramics, Crafts & Paintings Judging, Floral 9:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m. 4-H & Homemaker Extension Unit Booths & Banners Judging; 4-H Floriculture Judging, Floral Hall Open Class Floriculture Judging; 4-H Horticulture & 12:00 noon

Crops Judging, Floral Hall 1:00 p.m.

Open Class Horticulture & Crops Judging, Floral Hall; Open Class Photography Judging, Floral Hall; Open Class Foods Judging, First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 902 5th Street

2:00-6:00 p.m. Open Class Bake Sale, Exhibit Hall

Swine Judging, Orrin Hogan Arena 1 hour after swine show ends - Project Auction Pre-Entry **DEADLINE** for those only showing swine

8:00 p.m. Rodeo, Horse Arena Admission: Advance: Adult \$7 • K-8 \$3

Gate: Adult - \$8 • K-8 \$4 THURSDAY, JULY 23

4-H/FFA Horse Show, Orrin Hogan Arena & Rodeo 9:00 a.m. Arena 4:00 p.m. Meat Goat Judging, Orrin Hogan Arena

1 hours after goat show ends - Project Auction Pre-Entry DEADLINE for those only showing meat goats

5:00-7:00 p.m. Lions Club Barbecue

Sheep Judging, Orrin Hogan Arena Chamber of Commerce & Clay County Farm Bureau 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. FREE Watermelon Feed

7:00-8:30 p.m. Free Cotton Candy courtesy of Citizens National Bank 1 hour after sheep show ends - Project Auction Pre-entry DEADLINE for those showing in the sheep, swine and/or meat goats shows 8:00 p.m. Rodeo, Horse Arena

Admission: Advance: Adult \$7 • K-8 \$3 Gate: Adult - \$8 • K-8 \$4 6:00-10:00 p.m. Carnival Attractions by Great Plains Amusements

FRIDAY, JULY 24 8:00 a.m. Rabbit Judging, Rabbit & Poultry Barn

9:00 a.m. Decorated Cake Judging, Extension Office Poultry Judging, Rabbit & Poultry Barn 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. Project Auction Pre-entry DEADLINE for ALL non-live-

stock projects including decorated cakes Dairy Cattle Judging followed by Dairy Goat Judging, 1:00 p.m. Orrin Hogan Arena 2:00 p.m. Bucket Calf Interviews, Orrin Hogan Arena

4:30 p.m. Bucket Calf Showmanship, Orrin Hogan Arena 6:00 p.m. Beef Judging, Orrin Hogan Arena 1 hour after beef show ends - Project Auction Pre-entry DEADLINE for those showing in beef show

Demolition Derby, Grandstand Adults-\$8 K-8-\$4 8:00 p.m.

6:00-10:00 p.m. Carnival Attractions by Great Plains Amusements SATURDAY, JULY 25

Round Robin Showmanship, Livestock Arena 4-H/FFA Livestock Judging Contest, Orrin Hogan Arena 9:00 a.m.. 10:00 a.m. 4:30 p.m. 4-H Awards Presentation, Orrin Hogan Arena 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Decorated Cake & Project Auction, Orrin Hogan Arena 4-H & FFA Livestock Auction, Orrin Hogan Arena 3/4 Midget Cars & Mini Trucks Races 7:30 p.m.

Admission: Adult - \$8 K-8 - \$4 6:00-10:00 p.m. Carnival Attractions by Great Plains Amusements

SUNDAY, JULY 26
9:00 a.m.
1:00 p.m.
2:00 p.m.
3:15 p.m.

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"The Bubble Man" FREE 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 3:15 p.m. 4:15 p.m. 4-H Fun Events, Orrin Hogan Arena, sponsored

by 4-H Junior Leaders 6:00-6:30 p.m. All Exhibits Released 1:00-5:00 p.m. Carnival Attractions by Great Plains Amusements MONDAÝ, JULY 27

Fairgrounds Clean-up

steady, alfalfa pellets steady to 2.00 lower. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa, Horse, mid square 195.00; Dairy, 65-80 cents/point RFV, Premium to Supreme, 130.00-150.00, an instance 160.00; Premium 110.00-130.00; Good 90.00-110.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 75.00-90.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots 100.00-115.00. The week of 6/22-27, 2,669T of grinding alfalfa and 1,579T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Alfalfa pellets: Sun Cured 15% protein 155.00-168.00; Sun Cured 17 pct 170.00; Dehydrated 15% 210.00 and 17% 208.00. Straw, small square 3.50/bale, mid square 55.00-65.00/T.

Southeast Kansas: Alfalfa, brome and prairie hay steady. Movement slow. Alfalfa: Horse and goat, mid square 140.00-200.00. Dairy alfalfa, Good, 127.50; Bluestem: Good, small squares 85.00-100.00, mostly 90.00-95.00, mid and large squares 60.00- 85.00, mostly 65.00-80.00, large rounds 40.00-60.00. Mulch, large rounds 45.00 to mostly 50.00. Brome: Good, Small squares 100.00-110.00 mid and large squares 80.00-90.00, new crop 85.00-90.00, large rounds 50.00-75.00.

Northwest Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement slow. Alfalfa: Horse, small squares 200.00-250.00. Dairy, no trade. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 90.00-100.00; Ground and delivered to feedlots and dairies 120.00-130.00, extra freight 140.00.

North Central-Northeast Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa, prairie hay and brome steady. Movement slow. Alfalfa: Horse small squares 220.00/T, mid square 150.00; Dairy, Supreme, 130.00-150.00; Premium

SATURDAY, JULY 11 — 9:00 AM

At the house, 111 East Bartlett, CLIFTON, KANSAS

ANTIQUES AND COLLECTIBLES: Cambridge square crystal, set of 8; Hull vases; USA bowls; Germany cuckoo clock; small Seth Thomas shelf clock; pachinko machine; Spanish alabaster lamps; P. Buckley Moss Bavaria plates; folding Turkish brass table; Van Briggle 12 in. vase; new Roseville bowls; Miltonvale Pottery wall pocket; 20's cedar chest, painted green; chicken nests; 2 - small Spanish birthing chairs; doilies; fancy work Depression cookie jars; pickle caster; Spanish pialle set; blue and white willow dishes; stone ice cream dipper holder; pressed glass goblets, ice cream dishes; 25 in. orange art glass vase; sleds; Rosamond "Windblown" print; Ansel Adams prints; 10 in. Garman cowboy w/saddle: globe: 12 in. crystal statue of Mary: games: puzzles; marbles; elephant glass top table; inlaid ceramic table; set of pink fluted vases; pair of pink night stands; 4 - ice cream chairs;

FURNITURE, HOUSEHOLD ITEMS, YARD & GARDEN TOOLS: Oversized sofa; recliners; end tables; wicker chairs and rocker; dressing mirror; vanity; 2 chests; porch swing; white & gold bed double dresser and chest; hall bench; baker's rack; fans; gas grill patio furniture; Murray 4 hp. mower; GE refrigerator; many books - fiction, novels, biographies, others; MAC tool chest; USA made wrenches and other tools; electric chain saw; large drill press; belt sander; 2 - Roadmaster mountain bikes; edger; hand tools; cook ware; pots and pans; other household items.

Lunch.

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Auction by

Raymond Bott Realty & Washington Kansas Raymond Bott, Lee Holtmeie and Luke Bott www bottrealtyauction.com 120.00-140.00; Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field, 60.00-80.00, alfalfa Ground-on-the-truck 90.00-100.00, Ground and delivered 100.00-120.00. Grass hay: Bluestem small squares, Good 90.00-100.00, new crop contracted 120.00 delivered, Mid squares 70.00-80.00, large rounds 45.00-60.00. Brome: Good, small squares, 80.00-110.00, 130.00 delivered, Mid squares, 75.00-85.00, large rounds, 50.00-60.00, fair 40.00-50.00. Straw, small squares 3.25-3.50/bale, mid and large bales 45.00-60.00/T.

***Prices are dollars per ton and FOB unless otherwise noted. Dairy alfalfa prices are for mid and large squares unless otherwise noted. Horse hay is in small squares unless otherwise noted. Prices are from the most recent sales.

*RFV calculated using the Wis/Minn formula. *TDN calculated using the Western formula. Quantitative factors are approximate, and many factors can affect feeding value. Values based on 100% dry matter (TDN showing both 100% & 90%). Guidelines are to be used with visual appearance and intent of sale (usage).

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Vet helps train professionals in Afghanist

midst of a war probably isn't something most people would consider. But Dr. David Hodgson, a veterinary anesthesiologist at Kansas State University's College of Veterinary Medicine, is not most people.

Hodgson, a professor in K-State's department of clinical sciences, just returned from his third trip to Afghanistan, where he's been working with Kabul University to better prepare the country's future veterinarians.

"The thing that really keeps me engaged in this effort is the enthusiasm the students have and their real desire to learn and develop clinical skills and expertise," he said. "If I didn't think that I was having a significant

Going to a country in the impact, I wouldn't keep needed to effectively teach going back."

> Hodgson first heard about the chance to go to Afghanistan in a hallway at K-State's Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital. For some time, he'd been considering serving internationally, going as far as to research the possibility of working with the Peace

> When Hodgson made his first trip to Kabul University in 2007, he found the students ill prepared and the university's curriculum and textbooks very much out of

> He said much of his first trip was spent encouraging university faculty to update their materials and dealing with a shortage of drugs, supplies and equipment

the basic diagnosis and treatment of ailments in a variety of animal species.

Friends and co-workers at K-State's College of Veterinary Medicine and the department of clinical sciences helped by donating thousands of dollars in equipment, supplies and current textbooks to the Kabul University Veterinary Clinic. Hodgson said their constant interest, support and encouragement provided him with a source of strength and a desire to represent them well in the impoverished country. In return, Hodgson made the students and staff at Kabul University constantly aware of how interested everyone at K-State was in their educational opportunities.

During this last trip, Hodgson spent his mornings at the veterinary clinic and out in the field teaching current techniques in veterinary medicine appropriate for Afghanistan. In the afternoons he worked with the university's veterinary science faculty, offering help and encouragement for any staff member wanting to update lectures or revise the outdated curricula.

Hodgson said he has learned a lot about cultural differences, but that living in Afghanistan can be challenging. He has been personally faced with security issues, given the activity of the Taliban in and around Kabul.

He said that at the beginning of each trip it takes him several weeks to adjust to the food, water and time change in Afghanistan. Reliable access to the Internet and electricity also were daily challenges.

But Hodgson said the sacrifices he endured were well worth the potential beneficial outcomes for students and staff members.

"The real thing that is going to change Afghanistan is education," he said. "The funds that we direct toward education at every level will effect more positive change in this country than money

that is directed toward war and further destruction."

Hodgson describes his work in Afghanistan as a calling and said that he will return again next year. He said he wants his students at Kabul University and the people of Afghanistan to know that people in the U.S. care about what they're going through.

"I want them to know that there are people at K-State and in the United States who care that they are making progress and care about the things they want to do to better their living conditions and their future opportunities," Hodgson said.

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SUNDAY, JULY 12 — 11:00 AM Sterl Hall (air conditioned) 619 N. Rogers ABILENE, KANSAS

PICKUPS & MOPED: 2:00 PM: 1997 Ford F350 4 dr. crew cab 4x4 dually flatbed pickup with 7.3L power stroke diesel, 10,000 miles on new motor and new automatic tranmission with warranty; 1999 Chevrolet extended cab pickup C10, V8 auto, Silverado; 2006 "Tank" 150cc MoPed with title, 30 miles, elect, start with remote

TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT: After Vehicles: WD 45 Allis Chalmers wide front tractor with 3 pt. conversion, live PTO, hydraulics; John Deere No. 205 Gyromor 5 ft. rotary mower; 6 ft. 3 pt. blade, good; Dempster

3 pt. 2 row lister. **TOOLS & MISCELLANEOUS:** 12:30 PM: 36" Toro riding lawn mower, elect. start, rear engine; 22" Yard Machine 5 hp. high wheel push mower; 17" gas Craftsman weed eater: Stihl gas weed eater: 5 ft. metal work bench with pegboard back; Reed 1/2" to 2" power pipe threader on stand; Porter Cable drywall sander with dust collection hose; Porter Cable type 2 air nailer; Craftsman digital electronic radial arm saw on stand: 2 1/2 ft. bed small wood lathe on stand: DeWalt 3" hand power planer, like new; DeWalt battery concrete hammer drill small circular saw; Coleman 1.5 hp. Powermate air compressor; Speed Aire twin cyl. portable air compressor; Lincoln 180 amp elect. welder; Red Dragon AG215, 200,000 BTU LP heater: Co-op kerosene space heater; 2 Scott self contained breathing equip. air packs with tanks; 50 lb. L, L&B Co. anvil; 4" HD vise; transit tripod; metal case bench grinder; 3 metal tripod adj. height screw stands; pr. metal saw horses; pipe wood working clamps and ratchet grip clamps; halogen shop lights; Handyman jack; 10 ton hyd.

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PADDLE BOAT: 8 ft. 4 passenger paddle boat with canopy, put in lake twice.

TRAILER: Metal factory built 5'x12' tandem axle wood bed trailer with 2 ft. metal side

ANTIQUES/HOUSEHOLD: 11:00 AM: Kellogg oak wall telephone; round top cedar chest; several pcs. McCoy pottery including grape ewer; galvanized tub with stand; copper boiler; many kerosene lamps old and newer; brass motorcycle fire extinguisher: barn lantern; character tumblers; crock bowl; wood cigar mold; antique barbed wire gun rack; wood hames ashtray stand; other collectibles; Brinkman 2400 Pro Series LP BBQ grille; glass top patio table and chairs; GE microwave with turntable: cookware: Retro stainless humpack wood case modern radio; Emerson 4 head VCR; computer monitor; Ionic Pro Quitecare humidifier; dehumidifier; Pillsbury bread maker; kitchenwares; chicken collectibles; Indian items; paintings and pictures; quilt rack; bedding; decorator items and unique baskets; table top waterfall; plastic 6 drawer organizer; tall fake plant; tall wood TV trays; walnut plate rack; child's gate; HARLEY DAVIDSON telephone, shirts and clothes, Christmas items, Easy Rider magazines; real Harley parts; other small household items that were never unpacked in the storage unit.

FURNITURE: Modern maple roll top desk; L shaped office desk, like new; brown 3 pc office furniture set, 6 ft. tall bookcase, credenza for computer and desk; tall maple rocking chair with arms; dresser and chest of drawers; swivel office chair; 2 tall oak end tables; 3 stacking end tables; lg. pine chest of drawers: 4 drawer cabinet; Papason chair; other furniture.

AUCTION NOTE: Many boxes at storage unit were not unpacked. To view photos go to website www.ksallink.com and click on Marketplace and then auctions.

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Trade team activity at peak during summer

The annual wheat harvest in Kansas means not only a flurry of activity for Kansas wheat farmers, but for staff members of the Kansas Wheat Commission and Kansas Association of Wheat Growers. It is trade team season in Kansas — a time when representatives of the milling industry from other countries come to Kansas to see wheat being harvested and processed. Already this year, trade teams from Chile and Nigeria have come to Kansas. Combined, these two markets buy more than 60 million bushels of wheat, much of it from Kansas. Wheat sourced from the United States tends to contain higher quality than wheat from other countries.

According to Camara Mamma, who is in charge of volume sales for the Honeywell Flour Mills in Lagos, Nigeria, wheat sourced from the European Union a few years ago — while

cheaper than U.S. wheat — was lower in quality and didn't produce as much bread per metric ton as the U.S. wheat. More importantly, bread quality was subpar, a trait his customers noticed. And when quality is down, sales volume also declines, prompting variable costs to rise. Thus, profitability declines, too.

"Wheat is not wheat," Mamma says. "U.S. Hard Red Winter is the only wheat that can guarantee the quality traits we need."

Protein content and gluten strength are two important attributes the Nigerian trade team tracks closely. Reports from the U.S. Wheat Associates and Kansas State University, Mamma adds, helps foreign buyers keep abreast of quality throughout the year.

While in the U.S., the Nigerian team spent a day watching wheat harvest near Salina. That farm visit

will be a lasting impression of this trip to Kansas.

Mamma noted that three generations from the Joe Kejr family were involved in the wheat harvest. He will take back to Nigeria a positive image of whole families working together to make harvest a success.

The Chilean trade team, accounts for more than 90% of the country's wheat imports. They, too, made a farm visit near Ottawa, and were impressed with the speed and efficiency of the wheat harvesting process.

Both teams visited the Kansas City Board of Trade, plus other wheat-related businesses in and near Kansas City. The message these important customers take home, however, is consistent, according to Aaron Harries, Kansas Wheat's director of marketing: "The message is that our farmers take great pride in producing wheat that feeds the world."

AFTER HARVEST MACHINERY AUCTION

SATURDAY, JULY 18 — 9:00 AM

Auction Location: At our location at 109 South 4th Street in CLAY CENTER, KANSAS. One block West of Short Stop Truck Stop at the South end of Clay Center on Harriett Street and Highway 15.

PICKUPS: 1998 Ford Ranger,

extended cab, brand new belts,

shocks, tires, 122,000 mi.,

engine makes serious noise;

1987 Ford F-150, custom cab,

automatic, 6 cyl., 2x4, 136,000

Rugger load handler, 12V elec-

ACCESSORIES:

are 40-50%.

mi., runs great.

PICKUP

TRACTORS: JD 4020 diesel, syncro. trans. with Dual 3100 loader; Int. 656 diesel, 3 pt., WF, good TA with Int. cab; Ford 5000 diesel, overhauled in 2008, 540 RPM PTO, hydraulic outlet, 3 pairs of rear weights, 18.4x30 tires with Ford 727 loader with 6 ft. hydraulic bucket; Satoh 25 hp. utility gas tractor with 3 pt. and 540 PTO with GB loader.

LOADERS: GB 760 QT loader with 7 ft. bucket; Westendorf QT loader with grapple.

TRENCHER: Hand operated gas powered mobile trencher, digs 2 ft. deep.

MOTOR GRADER: 1957 Cat No. 12 motor grader, diesel, cab with V snow plow, runs great, coming from Madison Township.

FLEX HEADS & ROW CROP HEADS: Case-IH 1020 flex head, 22 1/2 ft., fore and aft pickup reel, field ready; JD 653 row crop head, 6x30, been shedded its whole life.

ONE TON TRUCK: 1986 Ford F-350 one ton, 6.9 diesel, engine bad with good banks turbo, Hot Shot sleeper cab with narrow rear end, ball for gooseneck trailer and bumper hitch, 66 gal. saddle tank capacity, 4 spd., good looking truck; 1984 Ford F-350, dually, V-8 gas, AT, no bed.

TWO TON TRUCK: 1987 GMC 2 ton truck with 366 V-8, 5 spd., power steering with 8 ton 3 compartment seed tender or bulk feed truck bed with new flighting in auger.

SEMI TRACTORS: 2001 Freightliner, Columbia, 70 in. sleeper, 10 spd., 470 Detroit, 12.7L engine, 20% rubber on the drivers and 50% on the steering axle, has a factory refrigerator, 1,025,000 total mi on truck, at 700,000 mi, in 2003 motor and transmission overhauled, 180,000 mi. on new clutch and pressure plate, tandem axle, twin screw, good, clean truck; 1998 Freightliner, Century, 58 in. sleeper, 10 spd. 470 Détroit, 12.7L engine, 40% recaps on drivers, 30% rubber on steering axle, 900,00 mi. total on truck, 260,000 on out of frame overhaul and rebuilt clutch and pressure plate, tandem axle, twin screw; 1993 Freightliner, 350 Cat engine, 10 spd. with walk in sleeper, total mi. on truck 1.1 million, 100,000 mi. on engine overhaul, new rear rubber, ready to go to work; 1991 Int. 9400 Conventional, 350 Cummins, overhauled in 2007, air ride, 13 spd., 856,000 mi. total on truck, long wheel base and tandem axle; 1989 Volvo single axle semi truck. power steering, 6 spd.

SEMI TRAILERS: 2006 Merritt double hopper grain trailer, 42 ft. x 96 inches x 68 inch sides, full air ride, 11.00x24.5 tires on aluminum wheels, brakes are 80%, drums are 80%, tires are 35%, tarp fair, 21 in. trap/hopper clearance; 1998 Cornhusker grain trailer, 43 ft. x 96 inches x 72 inches tall, mini air ride, 425x85Rx22.5 super singles on aluminum buds, good tarp, tires

tric over hydraulic, pickup bed crane, flat base plate 18x18 in., lift capacity 1200 lbs. at 6 ft. extended, nice unit.

LAWN & GARDEN: Riding Lawn Mowers: Rear engine riding lawn mower, 10 hp., 30 in. cut; Tillers: Like new

riding lawn mower, 10 hp., 30 in. cut; **Tillers:** Like new Craftsman 6 hp., 17 in. rear tine roto tiller; Troybilt tiller, 20 in. wide rear tine with electric start and 5 hp. motor; Homelite 240, 16 in. bar chainsaw; various shovels, rakes, picks, hoes and other hand tools, like new; 2 gas powered string trimmers.

CAT O EQ.: Disk; springtooth; one bottom plow; single row lister (for garden tractors or small utility tractors).

GUNS: Remington Wing Master Model 870, 12 ga. pump shotgun; Westfield Model M-72, 30-30 with scope; Mosburg Model 151K, 22 long rifle.

SMALL 3 PT. EQ.: 3 pt. wheel harrow; LP Model 35, 3 pt. 7 ft. rear blade; 2 big round bale movers, 3 pt.; King Kutter 3 pt., 6 ft. wide rake; Ford 906, 3 pt. post hole digger with 9 in. bit; Ford 2 row cultivator; Ford 2x16 plow: JD 7 ft. sickle mower.

TWO WHEEL TRAILER: Two wheel trailer with pickup box.

MANURE SPREADER: NH

210 manure spreader, PTO driven, very good.

GRAVITY BOXES: 200 bu.

gravity box with 4 wheel chassis.

PLANTERS: JD 1250, 6x30 planter; Demster 4 row lister, 3 pt.

TILLAGE EQ.: Disk: JD 12 ft. tandem wheel disk; Conser-til: 11 ft. Sunflower conser-til with hydraulic raising and lowering of disk; Plow: JD F-145, 3x16 semi mounted plow; Field Conditioners: 18 ft. Crustbuster field conditioner: Springtooth: JD 3 section drag

Crustbuster field conditioner: Springtooth: JD 3 section drag springtooth; 4 section springtooth with 2 wheel carrier, hydraulic lift.

HAY & FORAGE EQ.: Big Round Balers: JD 500 big round baler; Vermeer 605J big round baler; Swather: Int. 1590 hydra-swing, 14 ft. pull type swather; Gehl 12 ft. model 2240 hydra-swing swather; Bale Carriers: 3 pt. double big round bale carrier.

HAY RAKES: 10 wheel hay rake with 2 wheel carrier and hydraulic fold; Ford 3 pt. PTO driven basket rake; Small Sq. Baler: JD 14T small sq. baler, twine tie; Sickle Mower: Int. 7 ft. sickle mower.

SPRAYERS & SUPPLY EQUIPMENT: Sprayers: Shop built tandem axle, goes down 30 inch rows, 1000 gal. tank, 60

ft. Best Way X booms, new big hydraulic pump with less than 30 acs. on it, Raven 440 controller, foam markers, pull type sprayer.

ROTARY MOWERS: 6 ft. rotary mower, 3 pt.; Land Pride 6 ft., 3 pt. rotary mower; Bush Hog 7 ft., 3 pt. rotary mower; Int. 6 ft. pull type rotary mower.

IRRIGATION PUMPS: Berkley 4x3, 10 hp. single phase, electric booster pump.

LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT: Cattle Equipment: 8 1/2 ft. big round bale feeder; 7 - 16 ft. long portable corral panels; 10 and 12 ft. pipe gates; 2 - 12 ft. feed rack panels; 5 - 10 ft. long tubing gates or panels; 2 big round bale feeders. Hog Equipment: 32 pieces of loose tender footing hog flooring; 5 Osborne 7 bu. finishing feeders; 8 - 10 ft. solid bar panels; 10 - 7 ft. solid bar partition panels; 28 Commanders 26-D Model, 100 lb. nursery feeders; 16 - 5x7 self supporting farrowing pad with raised center; 16 - 5x10 ft. self supporting nursery flooring; 4 10 ft. solid rod panels, 32 in. tall with cut out for feeder; bulk bin to feeder flex auger feed system; 4 - 5 ton bulk bins; 10 LB White heaters; 40 - 5ft. gates off of nursery; 50 adjustable stainless steel waterers; 7 - 100 bu. rotary Sioux hog self feeders; 12 Pruden ventilation fans, 24 in. and 18 in. diameter; 5 Del-Air 20 in. fans; several fresh air inlets with louvers with fan controls; 16x8 ft. custom built hog or pig trailer, hydraulically lowers to the ground, very well constructed; Horse Equipment: 6 horse hay feeders.

HEDGE POSTS: 50 hedge posts from 1 consignor; 100 line hedge posts and 5 corner hedge posts from 1 consignor.

FENCING SUPPLIES: T posts and electric fence posts; 65 - 6 ft. T posts, brand new.

CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES: 11 - 8 ft. telephone pole posts; 2 - 20 ft. telephone poles; 52 - 12 ft. long corrugated tin; 19 - 2-5 ft. long corrugated tin in 1 pile; 200-300 ft. of 1/2 in. black plastic pipe with fittings for sprinkler

GRAIN HANDLING & BIN EQUIPMENT: Hutch 12 in. x 41 ft. transport grain auger.

MISC. ITEMS: 10 ft. long, 4 row bleacher; 2 - 5 ft. long wood benches.

RECREATIONAL ITEMS: Black wrought iron patio table and 4 chairs; wrought iron love seat glider.

PROPANE TANKS: 4 - 100 lb. propane tanks.

TOOLS & MISC.: Pair of car ramps; like new come-a-long; various hand hay hooks.

TIRES: 11.00x16 quad rib tractor tires.

CENTRAL AC: York cental AC unit.

CANOPIES: (To sell at 10 AM): 1 - 24x24; 1 - 24x48.

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ORDER OF AUCTION: 9 AM hedge posts, then livestock equipment, second ring at 9:00 AM trailer load of misc. and shop equipment and patio equipment; 11 AM one ring selling farm machinery, tractors, pickups, trailers and semi tractors.

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AUCTION

MONDAY, JULY 13 - 4:30 PM

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Beautiful pump organ with mirror; 8 sections of oak stack bookcases; walnut corner cabinet: 3-drawer walnut chest with carved pulls; 2 walnut parlor tables: walnut dresser with mirror; marble top washstand with tile back splash; unique tole painted chest; 4 pc. walnut bedroom suite; armoire; 2drawer oak ice box; walnut headboard; 2 modern 2-section bookcases; iron bed, complete; Abernathy round dining table; set of 4 chairs; glass display stand table; cedar chest; oak parlor table: walnut single bed; several rockers and chairs; large marble fern stand/pedestal; arm chairs; sundial and base; rocker recliner; school bench; patio glider with 2 matching chairs and ottoman; sofa; roll away bed; living room chairs; desk; sofa sleeper; blonde dresser; coffee and end tables: electric drver: Vaseline glass fish bowl with metal floor stand; Singer Featherweight sewing machine; slot machine; oak map

case; wicker baby buggy; cast iron carousel horse; various signs and poster including Barber signs; Smokey Hill 1859-1868 sign; child's sewing machine in original wood case: Washington County 1906 Atlas: castor set with red to clear bottles; Russian doll, eggs and stack dolls; art work; English garden china; sterling and silverplate items; Westmoreland glass; brass and cast iron candleholders; Northwood Carnival punch bowl base and broken bowl; pressed glass; B&G handpainted and collector's plates; angels; books and records; VCR camera; cast iron beveled mirror; brass kerosene lamp, electrified; blow torch lamp; Coleman lamp with shade; wind-up tin roller coaster; tick-tack flip dolls; old toys; ironstone; nice shaving mirror; Jardiniere; razors; hat pins; wooden toy castle: cannonball: soapstone foot warmers; pictures; beveled mirror with wood frame; stereoscope and cards; figurines;

china; bookends; wood carvings; brass and silver samovars; glazing ball; primitive bench; exercise bike; serving cart; hamper; card tables and chairs; iron yard art animals; large slate; router and table; large wood clamps; wood in/out box; large tool bin; vacuum; clocks; Corelle dishes; kitchen appliances; bedding; luggage; fancywork; Pyrex; Corningware; bakeware; household items.

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1882, 1883 and 1884 CC unc. silver dollars; Proof sets: 1972, 3-1973, 4-1974, 4-1976, 2-1981, 2-1986, 5-1987, 5-1989, 5-1994; Indian Head pennies; Lincoln pennies; 1844 dime; paper money; Mint Sets: 1986, 3-1972, 4-1975, 5-1978, 5-1981, 5-1989, 2-1993; uncirculated "lke" dollars sets 5-1971, 3-1973, 4-1974; several 1986 Liberty coin sets; large collections of First day covers (boxes full).

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LECTIBLES; crystal; lots of antique oil lamps; dishes; military items; Victorian filigree phone and stand; many decorations; antique fishing lures; craft items; Ty Beanies galore; household items; duck, turkey,

grunt and deer calls; hunting items; fishing poles; tack; wood chicken crates; chicken feeders and hutches; hog feeder; weedeaters; tools; automotive; LOTS MORE!

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Horse-powered field day planned

In a throwback to days gone by, area horsemen are hosting a horse-powered haymaking field day this Saturday. Hosted by Jim Thompson of Horseway Farms and Adventures, Eskridge, and Collin and Cara Zirkle of Zirkle Cattle Co, Harveyville, a full day of old-fashioned fun planned. It is hoped that a wide variety of size, color and breeds of working horses will be participating in the event. Planners have shared that horse teams from the Council Grove, Alma, Eskridge, Osage City, and Harveyville areas have confirmed their attendance.

Thompson was recently featured in the summer edition of the international publication "The Draft Horse Journal" where it speaks of his love of working with horses and his desire to share that love with others. The "Hay Days" idea was one that came to fruition during hay season last year when people kept stopping by the hay field to take pictures, videos and rides with Jim on the cart behind the horses pulling the rake.

This is something for absolutely any age — elders love to relive their youth through memories of a

Washington County, Kansas.

farm, are not included.

and Zenith Road.

and ½ by the buyers.

horse who used to work their farms or take them to school — as well as the younger set who marvel at the gentle giants at work.

"Hay Days" is planned for Saturday July 11, 2009. It will be from 9 a.m.-5p.m. For \$10 or \$5 kids under 11 and over 65, spectators can enjoy a "field lunch" and a wagon ride through the field to take photos and to just watch and enjoy this event.

An RSVP phone call to (785) 449-2236 to insure enough food would be appreciated but is not essential.

For more information about "Hay Days" or Horseway Farms and Adventures visit: www.horsewayfarms andadventures.com or call (785) 449-2236 or email horse wayfarms@yahoo.com.

Directions to the hayfield: From the south/Harveyville/Hwy31 - Go north from Hwy 31 on Harveyville Road two miles to Dragoon Creek Road and follow the

From the north/Auburn: Head west out of Auburn on SW 89th St. 8 miles to the rounding curve which turns you into Harveyville Rd. Follow Harveyville Rd south 6 miles to Dragoon Creek Rd. and follow the signs.

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SATURDAY, JULY 25 — 1:00 PM

At the American Legion Building, HANOVER, KANSAS

Two Farms, 315 acres Washington County, Kansas Land

The NE 1/4 35-1-4, 155 acres, more or less, Franklin Township,

The southeast corner of this farm is the intersection of 24th Road

and Wagon Train Road. The west part of the farmstead, including

the barn, cattle shed, grain bin, corn crib, and corral, is included with the land being sold. The east side of the farmstead, including

the dwelling, and the small cemetery in the northwest corner of the

There are approximately 92 acres cropland, with 22 acres in the

north bottom field, 69 acres in the south and west fields, and a lit-

tle over an acre north of the river. The 22 acre bottom field, which

is excellent Eudora silt loam, is flood irrigated. The upland fields

to the south and west are nearly level to gently sloping Crete soils,

with some Longford soils to the west. The land presently in pas-

ture, about 43 acres, is also nearly all gently sloping productive

land, and could easily be converted to cropland and much of the

large field could then be center pivot irrigated. The Little Blue

River runs through the north and northeast part of the farm and the

The FSA bases and yields are 82.4 acres milo, 113 bushels; and

25.9 acres soybeans, 26 bushels. The 2008 taxes were \$1,006.41. The water rights from the Little Blue River and Mill

Creek have a priority date of June 20, 1953, with 132 acres pernitted at a rate of 650 gpm from the river and 700 gpm from the creek. This year there are 62 acres corn and 30 acres soybeans. The NE 1/4 29-1-5, 160 acres, more or less, Independence

The northeast corner of this farm is the intersection of 26th Road

There are approximately 92 acres cropland, nearly all gently slop-

ing Crete soils. There are 39 acres cropland on the east side of

the old railroad right of way and 53 acres on the west side. The

rest of the farm is native grass pasture and waterways, with some

timber and excellent wildlife habitat along the draws and along the

The FSA bases and yields are 60.5 acres wheat, 38 bushels; 4.6

acres milo, 96 bushels; and 25.9 acres soybeans, 26 bushels. The

2008 taxes were \$1,026.24. This year all the cropland is planted

Terms on both farms: Ten (10) percent down, the balance due in

30 days. Possession will be given at closing, subject to the ten-

ant's rights. Full possession will be given on February 1, 2010. The buyer will receive the cash rent due on November 15, 2009 on

the pasture and on January 15, 2010 on the cropland . The escrow fees and the title insurance will be shared equally by the

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old railroad right of way. There are two ponds.

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Expert gives suggestions to get the most out of corn silage

Processed corn kernels in silage are readily digested, allowing cows to absorb more energy for milk production, say experts at Pioneer Hi-Bred, a DuPont business. Producers can improve starch digestibility in ruminants by adequately processing grains being fed and by thoroughly processing corn kernels during silage harvest. "More than half of the digested energy in corn silage comes from the starch and sugar; and these come primarily from the corn kernel," says Fred Owens, Pioneer senior research scientist. "Therefore, it is vital for producers to process corn silage to obtain high starch and energy availability."

The smaller the kernel particles in corn silage, the more easily they are digested both in the rumen and intestines. Larger particles or whole kernels often pass through the tract undigested.

"Energy from feed becomes available only if the material is digested," says Owens. "Whole kernels may pass through the digestive system intact. Sacrificing starch digestibility also sacrifices nutritional value and efficiency of production."

Like starch in high moisture corn grain, starch from corn silage is digested primarily in the rumen. Although starch that is very rapidly digested in the rumen can cause acidosis, over-processing of grain included in the diet, not of the silage, and inadequate forage intake usually are the root causes of acidosis. Through increasing starch availability, kernel processing corn silage can reduce the amount of grain that needs to be fed.

"If a producer sees whole kernels or even half kernels in silage, digestibility of starch from that silage is less than ideal," says Owens. "Chopping length at harvest has a limited impact on starch digestibility; gap setting on the kernel processing rolls is the primary driver. A

gap setting of 1 mm for the processing rolls is considered ideal. To be well digestprocessed particles should be less than onequarter of the size of the ker-

Corn silage that has not been kernel processed is another matter. For unprocessed corn silage or when the processor setting has allowed whole kernels to come through, kernel dry matter and kernel hardness can impact starch digestibility. Starch in unprocessed corn silage can have digestibility below 90 percent compared to more than 95 percent for processed silage.

Yet, compared with dry grain, grain in corn silage generally has high starch availability because of the fermentation process. Starch availability also increases during time in the silo. Corn silage several months old has higher feeding value than silage fed within a month after harvest.

"While it is recommended to stay within the suggested moisture bounds during corn silage harvest for ideal fermentation and compaction in storage structures, letting corn silage become a bit more mature certainly increases both starch content and silage yield," says Owens. "But for more mature silage with drier grain, kernel processing of the silage during harvest becomes absolutely essential."

Silage hybrids should be selected first for maturity and to match one's agronomic practices. Then, because hybrids can have a large impact on yield and starch content, selection should be based on yield, tonnage, starch and fiber digestibility.

"If a producer sees whole kernels passing through cattle, kernel processing has failed," says Owens. "Effectiveness of processing must be monitored during harvest. The only alternatives are reprocessing the silage at feeding time or delaying silage feeding until kernels have been softened by fermentation."

Morris County Fair booth spaces available

Commercial booths will be a special added attraction at the 2009 Morris County Fair, July 28 through August 3, at the fairgrounds 1½ miles east of Council Grove.

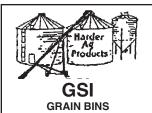
Indoor and outdoor spaces are available to rent by businesses, individuals and any groups wishing to display or promote merchandise, products, services or offerings. Inside booths will have access to a 5-foot table.

Cost for display space is \$25 per unit, with set-up date to be Thursday, July 29. Displays are to be open to the public Friday, July 31, through Monday, Aug. 2.

Reservations are required and should be made with fees paid to the Morris County Fair Board by Friday, July 24, through the fair board secretary Nicky Tiffany. Her telephone number is 785-587-7870, and e-mail address is cross7@dishmail. net Mailings should be sent to 1326 Kelso Road, Council Grove, Kan., 66846.



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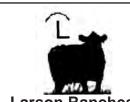
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Grass & Grain, July 7, 2009 Longtime Kansas weatherman reflects on changes

HUTCHINSON (AP) — His blue eyes twinkle when Dale Collins compares his 40-year career as a weatherman to today's 10 p.m. fellows who depend on radar and Doppler.

"We looked up in the sky, watched the stars and clouds and took observations," he

Forecasters drew their own maps and plotted what was coming based on visual sightings. He's still "like an old horse hooked to a fire engine," when it comes to watching the sky.

At Kingman Drug, where he stops in twice daily for coffee, longtime clerk Ann Smith, 70, called Collins "a very intelligent man."

"We always ask him about the weather and kid him about which TV forecaster is his favorite," she said. "He's well-known in the community and would do anything for anybody."

Collins, 96, trained as a forecaster while he was in the Army. Among his assignments with the U.S. Weather Bureau were the eight-state Western Region, Montana to the Pacific Coast, and in Syracuse, N.Y., where real snowstorms come in over the Great Lakes.

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experience, Collins thinks today's forecasters get a bit carried away, even with thunderstorms of the garden variety.

"If you've got thunder, you've got lightning," he said. "Action in progress. When it's spotty, it can go either way.'

His group released weather balloons with tiny lighted candles that let them predict the weather based on wind speed and direction. Encoded teletypes from ships delivered information from over the oceans.

Even with today's technology, Collins thinks that beyond three days, it's a 50-50 guessing game. Scattered showers on radar mean just that. "You can look out and it's raining cats and dogs or you're not getting a drop."

He adheres to the validity of sunspots and he's not worried about melting icebergs.

"We had the ice age several thousand years ago with icebergs in Kansas and it melted," he said. "We've iust had two cooler-than-normal summers and a couple of cold winters."

Some people say breaking up the sod made the weather different, but that's still a guess, "nothing they Based on his decades of can put their finger on.'

He remembers the history of an 1834 volcano that blew up in the southwest Pacific, caused so much dust around the world it served as a solar insulation. There was no summer that year; crops didn't grow and people starved.

Even though it's been ages ago, he still gets ribbed about being a forecaster.

"Everybody always asks me what's going to happen next week," he said. "All you can do is tell them what could happen, what it looks like might happen."

Continuing with the banter that locals heap on him, Collins said that once a weatherman gets used to lying, he can't stop, "just like a good lawyer."

"You try to highlight your good ones and downplay your bad ones," he said. He went on to say there's no need to try to please everyone. It's just like farmers. Some want rain for their planting while their neighbor doesn't want rain because he's haying.

Turning serious, Collins compared air to water. While water goes downstream, air moves up and down and sideways, follows the Adiabatic stream. As he surveys the magnitude of the weather, he doesn't discount the grandeur of the Creation.

"You gotta believe in something," he said.

Bullfighter pleads guilty to theft of cattle

After an eight-month investigation, a cattle theft case in Pittsburg County, Okla., is finally closed after a rodeo bullfighter pled guilty to felony embezzlement of cattle.

On June 16, Michael Eugene Matt, 36, of Blanco, Texas, was sentenced to a five-year deferred sentence, including supervised probation and was ordered to pay nearly \$15,000 in restitution after assisting in the theft of 300 head of cattle worth approximately \$244,000 from a California couple who owned a ranch in Oklahoma.

Matt is a four-time world champion Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) and Professional Bull Riders (PBR) bullfighter and rodeo performer.

Traven Wayne Clifft, 22, of McAlester, Okla., was hired by the couple in 2005 to manage the Oklahoma ranch. Investigations revealed that Clifft sold the cattle at area cattle auctions and deposited the money into his and Matt's personal checking accounts.

Clifft pled guilty in February to three counts of felony embezzlement of cattle and was sentenced to five years deferred sentence with supervised probation and more than \$130,000 in restitution.

The sentences follow an eight month investigation led by Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association Special Ranger John Cummings.

"I would like to thank Doy Sennett of the Pittsburgh County Sheriff's Office, Sgt. Mike Hicks with the Texas Department of Public Safety, TSCRA Special Ranger Max Hartmann and the Pittsburgh County District Attorney's office for all their hard work on this case," Cummings said. "I am proud to be part of the team effort that brought this case to a successful conclusion and in working toward the ultimate goal of obtaining restitution for the hard working ranchers in our

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Yard & Garden Tips By Gregg Eyestone

Watering for the Lawn

We have been either blessed or cursed with above average rainfall in Riley County the last two years. I hope you have been adding to your landscape because rainfall has been doing most of the watering to aid in plant establishment. In some cases, it has been too much rain. As of this writing, we are still getting rain by being above normal. That would make three years in

My lawn has yet to be watered other than by nature in 2009. There was a time early in the growing season where it was getting dry. The color fades

from green to a gray and you can really see where you have walked on a dry turf. At that stage, the lawn could have used some extra water to keep it green. I chose to let it go dormant and wait for natural rainfall.

A lawn should be fully mature after three growing seasons from being planted. It may not need supplementary water again to survive. Dormancy will occur during drought. When there is no rainfall for an extended time, add just a quarter of an inch of water every two

The general rule is for

plants to get an inch of water per week. Soak the lawn to a depth of six- to eight inches and then don't water until the lawn needs it. Looking at the records of the Weather Data Library, Riley County is pretty close in getting an inch of water per week during the growing season. That information is available on the web at www.ksre.ksu. edu/wdl. Click on county precipitation and then the county you want.

It is easier to say I'm not going to water my lawn when we are at or above average rainfall for the

year. But that is my intention now and for the future. The only time the lawn might get water is when the kids want to run through the sprinkler.

K-State Research and Extension has several publications on watering your lawn. Stop by the Riley County office in downtown Manhattan or download from the web at www.ksre. ksu.edu and go to publications. Get one or all of these titles "Watering New Lawns", "Watering Established Lawns" and "Maintaining Good Lawns with Less Water".

If you want to save some money let nature water the lawn. That way instead of saving your money for a rainy day, you are saving it for the dry days.

For more information on this or other horticulture-related topics, contact Eyestone at the Riley County Extension Office at (785) 537-6350 or e-mail geyeston@ksu.edu.

Photo exhibit to open next week in Clay Center

A free exhibit of fourteen original photographs from Community Chamber Orchestra's 2009 "Agriculture and the Arts" project will be on display in the Lobby of Union State Bank, 701 5th Street, in Clay Center the week of July 13. The Lobby hours are 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, and 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. on Thursday.

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Photographers whose pictures were framed are: Susan Hammond, Nolan Sump, Rhys Baker, Mary Roth, Jamie Bloom, Jim Beck, Jerry Patterson, Michelle Tessaro, and Linda Shaw. Their contact information as well as that of other contributing photographers to "Agriculture and the Arts" will be available at the display for anyone wishing to purchase their work or arrange photography sessions. From 2008-2009 a total of 35 different photographs have been framed at cost as a gift to Clay County by Jerry and Cindy Mayo of Mayo's Custom Framing.

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Trees benefit as stubble Hort experts points out that a buildup of stress is killing trees fires fade due to change in farming practices

Not so long ago, Kansas´ night sky would begin to glow gold-red with fire every July — soon after the wheat harvest annual kicked into high gear. It looked fantastical. But, farmers were simply burning stubble to clear their gleaned wheat fields, plus heat-treat any weed seeds and diseases. That sight isn't so common now, and one Kansas forester says he's glad the annual light show is fading.

"A consequence that still is often overlooked is the effect stubble fires have on the trees that border wheat fields," explained Bob Atchison, the Kansas Forest Service's rural forestry coordinator. "I've actually seen where the fires have damaged or totally taken out field windbreaks and riparian forests." Some farmers seem willing to accept that kind of risk to their trees, Atchison said. Others assume stubble fires won't harm mature trees. These producers tend to view their woods as being a built-in fire break.

One fact does lend credence to the assumption, he added. If a fire isn't too intense or long-lasting, a few Kansas tree species can withstand the exposure. As they mature, for example, bur oaks and cottonwoods gain the ability to survive a bit of burning heat. They develop a thick, protective bark. Confusing the issue, fire also can be an important tool for forestry, when used correctly. Periodic, controlled

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burning of grasslands prevents woody encroachment, which "gives trees a bad name," Atchison said, And, prescribed fire can be a successful tool in establishing oak forests and savannahs.

"Most often, though, uncontrolled burns end up killing or severely damaging any thin-barked trees. Tree exposed to the fire go up in flames. The tiny seedlings that could have become the next generation of woodlands - including such valuable species as the black walnut — turn to ash," the forester

July's nighttime fires are fading away, Atchison said, because more and more farmers are realizing that burning stubble sends soil nutrients up in smoke. It fosters erosion and reduces soil fertility and moisture.

"Perhaps now these farmers will begin to notice the research-backed fact that protecting hedge rows. field windbreaks and riparian forests can add value. too," he said. "That's true even if you discount woodlands' positive impact on crop yields, state water quality, timber products, wildlife and recreation.

"Reduced- and no-till approaches to farming have done wonders for our environment. Even so, trees obviously still have an important role to play in a state that's losing 2.1 tons per acre of cropland soil to water erosion every year and 1.3 tons per acre of topsoil to the wind."

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Trees in many areas of Kansas have died suddenly this year. In some cases, the trees leafed out before dying. In others, the trees simply never leafed out when the growing season

"We've also been getting reports about living trees that have lost whole branches. Additional live trees have leafed out but then lost leaves in a kind of general thinning," said Ward Upham, horticulturist with Kansas State University Research and Extension.

The cause isn't proving to be some invading insect, virulent disease or unusually fierce weather event.

"Although the trees seem to be dying quickly, they appear to be reacting to a gradual accumulation of weather-related stresses. The causes probably stretch back at least as far as spring 2008," Upham said.

The samples and reports coming into K-State this year from both individuals and county/district Extension offices suggest the particular causes and plant responses can vary widely even among trees in the same town. So, owners will need to assess their own situation before deciding what to do next

The stressors may range from last year's super-saturated soils in some areas to winter's dry weather and April's abrupt cold snap, Upham said. Trees' specific reactions also can provide insights.

"For example, trees that withered seemingly overnight may actually have died some time earlier. They simply had enough food stored in reserve to put out leaves and perhaps even to grow for a while. As soon as they used up that food, however, they abruptly began to look as dead as they really were," he said.

One problem with identifying this kind of reaction is: The symptoms can look almost the same as those caused by another problem. The May beetles that attack from April through June not only feed at night but also

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work to strip the leaves from plants. If enough beetles are growing and feeding in the same place, the bared trees they leave behind can look defunct. (May beetles are one of the two kinds of adult insects who start out life as the white, soil-dwelling, Cshaped grubs that cause so much damage to lawns.)

"Fortunately, healthy trees recover fairly easily from May beetle damage. They just throw out a new set of leaves. But, that's one reason why you always should check twigs before cutting down a tree that simply looks dead," Upham said. Dead trees have dry, brittle stems that snap when broken, he explained. Live stems may break, but they aren't brittle or dry. So, they just need time to put out a new set of leaves. For trees in which individual branches have died, Upham recommends cutting out the deadwood.

"Several problems - including verticillium wilt disease — can cause this same kind of loss, though," he said. "So, if you suspect some factor other than stress is at fault, you may want to take a sample of the cut branch to your nearest county or district K-State Research and Extension office. For a small fee, that office can send your sample for testing in our diagnostic labs on campus."

Fortunately, trees usually recover from losing leaves when they look as if a barber has reduced their "hair" volume with thinning shears, Upham said. With leaf loss this early in the growing season, they have ample time to replace those leaves and then make and store the energy they need before winter. "You should, of course, do what you can to keep their stress level down from now on," Upham

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on sericea lespedeza control

Sericea lespedeza continues to be a major concern on rangeland, pasture. and some Conservation Reserve Program acres in Kansas, a Kansas State University agronomist said.

"Sericea lespedeza is a state-wide noxious weed in Kansas and needs to be controlled," said Walt Fick, a rangeland management specialist with K-State Research and Extension. "It has a tremendous seed bank that helps re-establish stands. Left untreated, sericea lespedeza will dominate a site, greatly reducing forage production and species diversity."

There are no known biological controls that can be effectively used on sericea lespedeza, he said. However, grazing with goats can suppress the plants' stands and produce a saleable product. It takes four to five goats per acre of sericea to graze the plant enough to eliminate seed production.

Mowing in mid- to late-July will reduce stands of sericea lespedeza to some extent, Fick said. Sericea has not been eliminated, however, even after several years of mowing.

Herbicides applied at the correct time and under favorable environmental conditions can significantly reduce it, he said.

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Products containing metsulfuron, such as Escort XP and Cimarron Plus, are generally more effective in late summer when sericea lespedeza is actively blooming, Fick said. Recommended rates are 0.5 ounce per acre of Escort XP and 0.625 ounce per acre Cimarron

For spot application, mix 1 fluid ounce Pasture-Gard per gallon of water, use a 1 percent solution of Remedy Ultra in water, or 0.3 grams Escort XP per gallon of water. Aerial applications of these products should be done with a minimum spray volume of 3 gallons per acre. Higher rates, such as five gallons per acre, will generally be more effective.

Herbicide treatments need to be repeated every two to four years to keep this invasive species in check. Initial treatments should reduce dense stands to the point where spot treatment can be used in future years.

> LEVEL LIFT

K-State agronomist offers tips Kansas gallery shows collection of known artists

small collection of works by well-known artists.

It's a gallery of mostly early 20th century American paintings, sculptures, prints and drawings, a place that houses work by artists like John Steuart Curry.

It has become a staple of the Garnett community, an uncommon gallery for a small town.

"We call it a collection of small works by big names, and that's exactly what it is," Robert Cugno, who helps maintain the Mary Bridget McAuliffe Walker Art Collection, said.

Cugno has helped curator Robert Logan with the gallery, which is housed in the Garnett Public Library since the late 1980s.

It was a bit of good luck that brought the Walker Art Collection to Garnett.

Maynard Walker, prominent art dealer in New York during the 1930s and 1940s and a Garnett native, loaned and later donated a number of pieces of artwork that he owned. The gallery was established in 1951 and was named after Walker's mother.

The collection includes pieces by artists Jean Baptiste Camille Corot. Edouard Manet and Walt Kuhn.

Walker loaned the artwork after receiving a letwho was compiling letters of famous people from the

"He hoped to stimulate youth to look at art," Cugno

But it's not just youths who visit the gallery.

"We get visitors from all over," Cugno said.

Curry's painting "Tobacco Plant" is one of the most recognizable pieces in the gallery, Cugno said. A Kansas native, Curry painted the world famous, but controversial, murals on the second floor of the Kansas State Capitol.

"This painting is one of the most unusual Curry ever did because it is so peaceful and does not contain the turmoil of most of Curry's work," Walker said of the "Tobacco Plant."

It was by chance that Cugno and Logan moved to Garnett from California.

The Kirk House, a historical building that stands next the library, attracted the pair to the city. They saw the pieces of work that were part of the Walker Art Gallery at the li-

"I still get chills thinking about when we found the collection," Cugno said.

But the collection wasn't being displayed in a way that kept the pieces preserved, he said.

"It was an amazing col-

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OTTAWA (AP) — It's a ter from a Garnett woman lection, but it was in need of attention," Cugno said.

> And so began his and Logan's campaign to restore the artwork and to find a space appropriate for the gallery. An addition to house the collection was completed in 2001.

"I prayed all along that it would happen, and it did," Cugno said.

In addition to the Walker Art Gallery, the library also houses the Garnett City Art Collection.

The original collection was 90 works of art donated by a benefactor over a period of five years. The collection contains works by California regional artists from the late 1970s to the mid-1980s, Cugno said.

"It's very contemporary," he said of the collec-

The Local Artists Gallery, also a part of the library, is a collection of artwork created by local artists. An occasional traveling exhibit also might be displayed. Those works are rotated on a monthly basis, Cugno said.

"The collections here just aren't something that you find in rural communities," he said.



Members of the Pott County horse judging team recently competed in the state event in Manhattan and placed third high overall. Members included (from the left) Laura Furney, Becky Biswell, Cassandra Ebert and Joelle Sylvester. Biswell was the fourth-place high individual and Sylvester placed eighth overall.

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