



Fertilizer high, but still available

By Cindy Baldwin

Nutrient input prices have pushed to new highs as spring planting passed the midway point for most Kansas producers. And, with some spring crops still to be planted, there have been scattered reports that fertilizer is not available. A sampling of Kansas cooperatives in the eastern two-thirds of the state has found those rumors, for the most part, to be false.

"The product is there if you are willing to pay the price. No one in this area has been left without fertilizer," said Roger Will, assistant manager of the Agri Producers, Inc. Cooperative headquartered in Tampa.

While co-ops reported having adequate inventory to supply their customers, that doesn't mean that the product is always on hand when the producer wants it. Several products — in particular 10-34-0, phosphate and potash — are in tight supply, making inventory management critical, and some co-ops have experienced delivery delays from suppliers. Doug Wright, purchasing manager for Moundridge-based Mid Kansas Co-op, said MKC began working with customers last winter to estimate demand and began purchasing product to cover anticipated needs after it became apparent that supplies would be very tight this spring planting season.

Wright said factors contributing to the problem include strict allocations of phosphoric acid — a key ingredient in 10-34-0 — to manufacturers, limiting what they can produce and transportation issues impacting movement of dry fertilizers from the gulf to the port at Catoosa, Okla. High river levels have led to restrictions on barge traffic carrying the product. Demand for fertilizer from Asian markets has also cut available supply here.

Dennis Holliday, with Jackson Farmers Co-op, Holton, reported the co-op, like others, has had some spot outages this spring, but that he usually has had product in within a day. Transportation has been more of a problem than finding product, he said. Holliday has resorted to spreading purchases among several suppliers to maintain his inventory.

Dave Studebaker, Delphos Co-op general manager, is anticipating similar tight supply and prices for fertilizer this fall and is now ordering six months out. He and others surveyed are encouraging customers to do soil sampling early, think ahead about their fertility needs and communicate with their suppliers.

Healthy calves and cheap gains featured

By Beth Gaines-Riffel, Editor

Rich Porter has run cattle in the Flint Hills nearly all of his life. And while he's always valued the resource of good grass, when corn and feed prices soared to new all-time highs, this innovative cattlemen knew that he had to maximize his returns — while at the same time protecting that resource that he depends on each and every year.

But to be honest, this system of how he manages his cattle has been under development for sometime — the emphasis wasn't necessarily on cheap gains, rather cattle health — but times have changed.

Porter's set up includes cool and native grass traps, ranging in size from 10 acres up to 120 acres, that he moves cattle through in preparation to go to the big pastures.

"We found out that the 10-acre pastures weren't really big enough," he said. "But the 15 acres gave the calves plenty of grass."

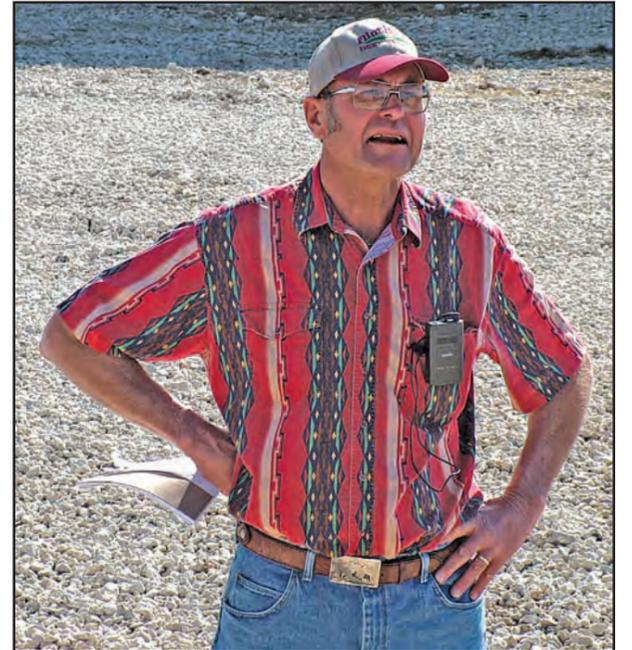
They are positioned around his working facilities and can be easily accessed. Most will hold a pot-load of cattle.

Porter explained that his initial intent was to be able to get the cattle out of the mud, and to keep them warm.

"Just like human doctors tell you to keep warm and avoid crowds if you don't want to get sick," Porter explained, "that was exactly the opposite what we were doing with cattle when we brought them in and penned them up in a lot."

In order to maximize grazing resources, Porter also relies on rye for early season grazing. By accident, he discovered that by delaying going to native grass until there was more growth, he had a better resource to turn the cattle out on. "We stumbled on it by accident, but you can't wait too long to turn out," he said. A key, when deferring grazing, according to several experts, is to make sure that it has enough animal units in order that the grass doesn't become too mature too quickly.

Patch burning is another management tool that Porter thought sounded a bit far-fetched but he's now incorporating, trying to get better grazing distribution as well as leaving important cover for wildlife habitat. "The older I get the



Rich Porter hosted a "Grass and Gain" field day at his operation near Miller last week. The focus was maximizing cattle gains on grass which has become extremely important during this period of high corn prices.

more I think about things like prairie chickens," Porter told the group.

"History shows us that you've got to rotate and not burn pastures every year on April 15 — maybe only burning two out of five years," Porter said in regards to maintaining good health of the native grass prairie.

"We can do some things that don't cost any money, but

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Wheat day focuses on the future and making progress

By Beth Gaines-Riffel, Editor

To put it bluntly, if the Kansas Wheat Alliance had been in place when the extremely popular wheat variety, Jagger, had been released by Kansas State University there would have been at a minimum, \$600,000 dollars more available for wheat research each year.

That's the message that Dr. Fred Cholick, Dean of the College of Agriculture and Daryl Strouts, chair of the newly formed Kansas Wheat Alliance shared last week in Hays during the bi-annual Kansas Wheat Day.

The Kansas Wheat Alliance, which has been formed by Kansas Association of Wheat Growers, Kansas Crop Improvement Association, Kansas Seed Industry Association, Kansas State University Research Foundation, Kansas Wheat Commission and K-State Research and Extension, is a move to further leverage farmer dollars in the field of research to yield real, marketable improvements in wheat and wheat related products and processes.

"On either coast, this is just the norm," Dr. Vincent

Amanor-Boadu told the group during his presentation addressing the need for the protection of intellectual property and the commercialization of research. "Here, we do the research and just give it away."

In a highly competitive marketplace, where private companies are making strides in other crops it is more important than ever that farmers' dollars be leveraged further and get more return. But that doesn't mean necessarily straying away from basic research, said Dr. Amanor-Boadu.

"This forces us to engage in research that has true value to the Kansas wheat farmer," he said. "If it has commercial potential we should protect it."

He added that if done properly, it should be profitable for both Kansas State as well as Kansas Wheat.

Dr. Amanor-Boadu told the group that historically, the research dollars that have been paid by Kansas wheat farmers through wheat levies have primarily resulted in gains in yield. He told the group that in the future the re-



Dean of the College of Agriculture Fred Cholick explained the benefit of the Kansas Wheat Alliance during Kansas Wheat Day held recently at the Research Center at Fort Hays.

search could be focusing on areas such as better seeds, techniques, chemicals, fertilizers and producer knowledge.

"At Stanford or MIT, it is common practice to take the innovations to market," he said. "Our researchers don't even know the value of the discoveries found."

He added that there is risk when innovations are

developed and in order to be successful, there would need to be transparency for problems to be avoided.

"We need to focus on maximizing the returns and not minimizing the regret he said.

He noted that there would be failures along the way — but there could also be much success. The sharing of revenues must be ne-

gotiated up front, because of the nature of it being an on-going process.

Dr. Cholick added that in today's research climate at the University, 64 percent of the funding comes from private sources — not public dollars.

He added that the innovative nature of this process does not detract from the mission of a Land Grant University — in fact, it enhances it.

"The requirement of the land grant college is to put the resources and knowledge into the hands of the final consumer," he said.

The reality of the matter is that innovations are being made — and its important research that makes a difference to farmer profitability.

"I wish we lived in an environment that the investment in the public good was high enough, but that's not the case," Cholick said.

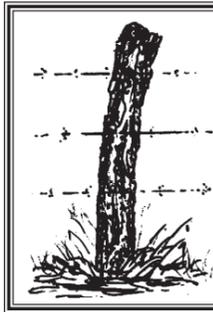
Both Cholick and Amanor-Boadu noted that work done by researchers on various wheat varieties had been picked up and used by other surrounding states.

"There's no reason why our neighbors can't help

pay for it," Dr. Cholick said lightheartedly. "We'll gladly take their money."

Areas of future research to the benefit of growers may include traits such as drought tolerance and other agronomic benefits.

"We develop some really good varieties and then give them away to anyone who would take them," Daryl Strouts said.



The Learning Post

By Gordon Morrison
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Birds And Immigrants

This spring our farmstead has again become the abode of hundreds of birds. Just this morning I took an inventory of all the different species of birds that like to use our house for their fly zone. Big, plump yellow-breasted meadowlarks feel safe while sitting on our deck railing to sing and sing. One adolescent keeps trying to fly into the house but bumps into a window each time. Perhaps he sees his reflection and wants to join that other bird.

A bright red cardinal walks across the yard looking for insects. Blackbirds and sparrows have moved in to declare their space. The swallows have returned by the hundreds to show off their flying maneuvers. I marvel at their flying skills. Hawks and even buzzards control the high skies, looking for prey or a decaying carcass. A pair of turkeys stroll by, looking for a nesting sight. Yesterday a beautiful pheasant walked into our yard, nonchalantly, without a sign of fear or of rejection by the other birds. The meadowlark is still flying into the windows. It is a slow learner.

With all these different birds congregating at our house, I have never once seen a scuffle or fight. These feathered friends seem to understand that they are welcome and that they need not fear because there will be plenty of grain in the feeders for all. They are truly a melting pot of birds. They all help reduce the insect and weed seed population. They are a delight for us to watch.

Last Saturday we attended commencement exercises at Garden City High School, where our granddaughter Amanda was one of the 335 graduates receiving diplomas at the football stadium. This was the 121st senior graduating class at that school.

I was a people-watcher in the stadium, for I do enjoy studying people and observing how they respond to and interact with others. The people in the row in front of us were dark-skinned with black hair. The ones behind us were conversing in a language I could not understand. The attendees walking up and down the steps were of all descriptions, but most were not light-skinned. As I scanned the stands, it dawned on me that Caucasians seemed to be in the minority. I tried to identify the different nationalities represented. Many were of Mexican descent, quite

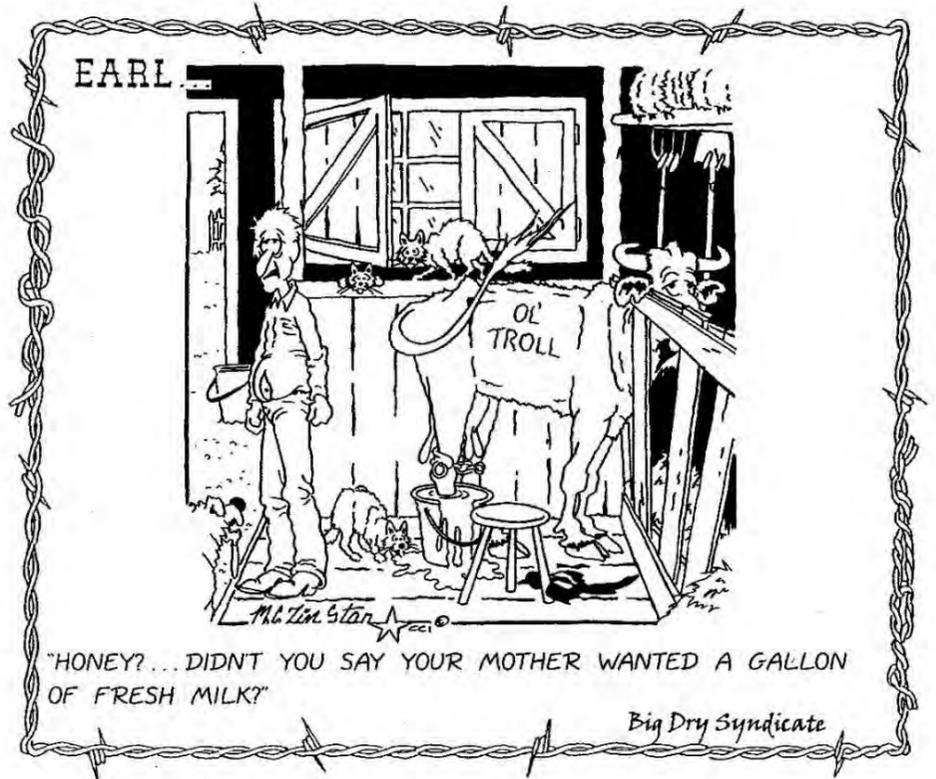
a number of them were Oriental, coming from different countries in Asia, others were African-American, and then there were those of us whose ancestors emigrated many years ago from European countries. We were truly a melting pot of humanity. It came to me that we were like the different species of birds around our house. We were all friendly and congenial, showing respect and courtesy. Each was well-groomed and wearing neat, appropriate clothing.

I felt quite comfortable and at ease sitting among this conglomerate of people. I wondered where all of them would be, come Monday. Those of school age will no doubt be finishing their end-of-the-year school work. Many blue-collar workers will be busy at manual labor jobs. Some will be at the Tyson meat packing plant in Holcomb, processing meats — a hard job. I thought I could pick out the ranchers, farmers, and feedlot people with their boots and cowboy hats. Professionals such as doctors, lawyers, and teachers were harder to identify in their casual clothes. The efforts of all of them combined help make Garden City truly a garden spot.

I would say that each person or family present was seeking and striving to see their dreams fulfilled in these United States. This has been the way of most all immigrants that sought a better life in this country, whether in recent years or over 300 years ago. I believe that people who want to fulfill their dreams in America should be allowed to do so, provided they come here legally, obey our laws, learn to speak our language, pay their share of taxes, honor and pay tribute to our flag and country, and be constructive, contributing citizens. Then, as responsible citizens, they would be entitled to the benefits provided by this nation. If they do not want to conform, then they should remain in their own country of origin; or if already in this country, they could be deported to fulfill their dreams in their home country if possible.

That silly bird is still banging its head on the window. Given time, it will learn to conform.

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Over the Barn Gate

By Beth Gaines-Riffel

Driving down through the Flint Hills to Miller last week to attend the grazing workshop hosted by Porter Cattle Co. was sheer pleasure. The day was beautiful — the sun was shining and the grass was growing. Cattle dotted the hills in nearly every direction the eye could see and created a scene that was picturesque and would have been suitable for the cover of any coffee table book. In short, it was glorious. It is days like that and events like the one I covered that makes me really, really glad that I'm in this line of work. It didn't hurt that it was my birthday either — but that's another story.

The focus of the workshop was maximizing gains on native pasture — all while protecting that resource in the process. In the minds of the ranchers attending the meeting, it was clear that the grazing portion of the operations that they own or manage are becoming more and more important — considering the cost of corn and what it takes to put gain on cattle in preparation for entering the finishing phase of meat production.

And while grazing may long be established as a tradition in the craggy hills — how it is accomplished is now being critically scrutinized in order that ranchers can maximize the gains and hopefully profits that they achieve from their businesses.

Years ago, it would have not been even remotely considered to "delay" grazing native grass pastures — the old goal was to be the first to turn out in the spring. But that technique is being rethought — which is pretty daring when you think about the years of tradition that make up the ranching industry.

Yes, times are changing — and the subtleties of that change should be noted.

This week the blue and gold jackets will fill Manhattan. There will be the usual fanfare as students are recognized for their achievements during the year and are presented with the charms for

their State degrees and plaques for the proficiency awards. While the format may be the same, the work that they've done will be more intense, more scientific and focus more on the business and technology side of the agriculture industry than ever before. This move certainly reflects the current realities.

Yes, change in agriculture is taking place.

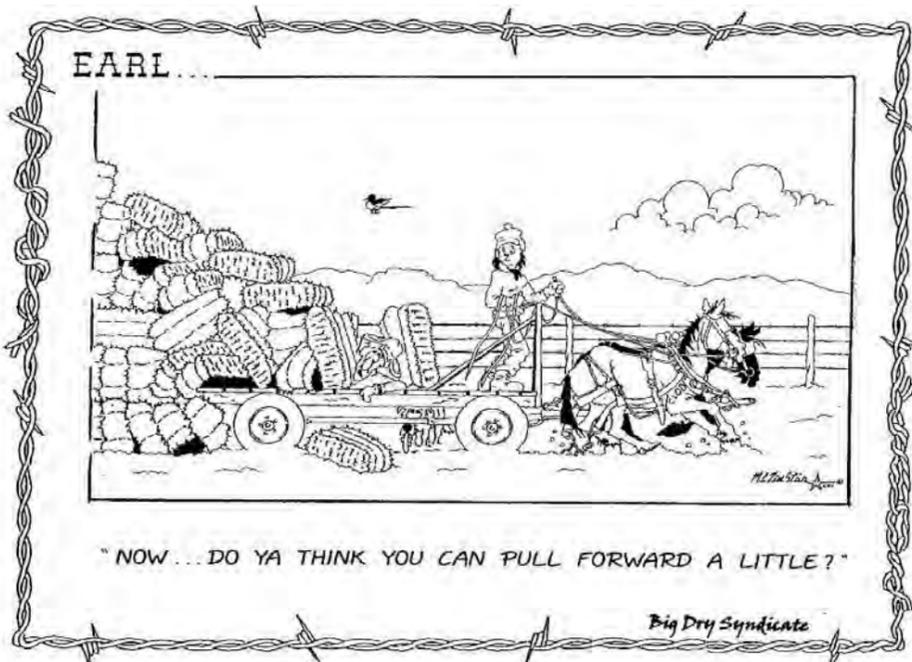
The presentations made by Dr. Vincent and Dr. Fred Cholick at the recent "Wheat Day" indicating that there needs to be more effort made to insure that research dollars truly "pay" off for Kansas farmers and ranchers also hint to change.

Agriculture is a competitive environment and challenging times (such as the current trend of high prices and high costs with lots of risk) tend to ratchet up the drive to make every dollar work as hard as possible. Kansas State wants the opportunity to claim a piece of the ag business pie — and help insure that those in the food and fiber business can also get a piece of the pie.

At first blush, I'll admit that I was a bit skeptical about the process of "marketing" if you will the intellectual property (IP) that comes from our farmer-funded research dollars, feeling that it was encroaching on the land-grant mission of providing an educational component. But the sad reality is that if the farmer-funded research isn't protected, you can bet a for-profit company is going to come along, snatch up the progress and turn around and charge farmers again for something that they initially paid for. And from where I sit, that simply isn't right.

It's been said that the only thing constant is change, and I would have to agree — although sometimes the change is so subtle, you've got to look two or three times to be able to see it.

That's all for now. I'll chat with you next week, "Over the Barn Gate."



Face your deficiencies and acknowledge them; but do not let them master you. Let them teach you patience, sweetness, insight.

— Helen Keller (1880-1968) American Writer

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Swimwear For Cowboys

I know what you are thinking. The same thing I was when I saw the news proclaiming Speedo has invented the world's fastest swimsuit. Yes, practical fashion at last.

I don't know if it will have an impact equal to the invention of the men's fly. That was earth-shattering! Of course they didn't need it in the days of the loincloth and toga. Then people had more time because they hadn't invented the wristwatch. Bathroom breaks were longer. No one knew if you were late. Did you ever hear two three-year-old kids say, "Well, it's getting late," or a turtle say, "Well, it's time to go!"

In the days of the Roman Gladiator, when the urge struck, a soldier had to pull down his breeches and stand

there with his pants around his ankles, vulnerable to attack! The invention of the fly (by Giuseppe Wrangler) changed all that. They could hold a sword in one hand and still take care of business.

Cowboys were saved a lot of injury by the invention of snap shirts. In the 18th century, people were serious about buttons. They were big, made of cast iron or elephant tusk and sewed on with rawhide. They were meant to stay buttoned! So when a big steer stuck his horn under your shirt, it was like putting a handle on a cowboy! They could pick him off his horse and sling him into the Palo Duro Canyon! Or, if the cowboy hooked his shirt over the saddle horn, he was there for the whole ride! Like being

hooked to a paint shaker! The buttons held. So, snaps on the cowboy shirt let him escape ... like a lizard's tail that breaks off in an emergency. Functional clothing.

The new Speedo swimsuit, using polyethylene and computational fluid dynamics, is acknowledged by the International Swimming Federation as an advantage in swimming meets.

I'm looking beyond the Olympics for other uses. For instance, in nursing homes it would allow residents to get to the dining area quicker. Or, how 'bout suiting up the cruising farmer who patrols the country roads at 20 mph looking for stuff to scavenge as traffic backs up behind him for two miles. It would make his arm out the window more aerodynamic.

Or, maybe the Pro Rodeo Cowboys Association could allow barrel racers, team ropers and calf ropers to wear them! Although it's hard to imagine Joe Beaver in a Speedo. The image of a Sumo wrestler in a cowboy hat comes to mind.

Cattleman gets 5 years in prison for \$1.3M fraud

KANSAS CITY (AP) — An eastern Kansas cattleman has been sentenced to five years in federal prison for fraudulently selling off more than \$1.3 million worth of cattle.

Kevin R. Thompson of Richmond pleaded guilty in April 2007 to one count of illegally selling off cattle at WNK Cattle Co. from March 2002 to December 2003. He was sentenced Monday in U.S. District Court at Kansas City, Kan.

Thompson's company sold grazing pasture to farmers to boost the cattle's weight before sale. In his plea, Thompson admitted to selling off cattle without authorization and not giving the profit to owners in five states.

He sold cattle at sales in Fredonia, Kan., Springfield, Mo., and Carthage, Mo.

U.S. Attorney Eric Melgren said Thompson lacked experience with large herds, and turned to fraud after getting into financial trouble.

Schilling Limousin to host field day

The annual KJLBA Field Day will be held at Ron and Marsha Schilling's house in Edson, on June 7-8. Directions can be obtained by calling (785) 694-2731.

Cattle may begin arriving on Saturday June 7 and be in place by 6 p.m. in time for check-in. The KJLBA Field Day show will start at 9 a.m. on Sunday. All participants must be current paid members of the Kansas Junior Limousin Breeders Association. If you have not paid your 2008 dues you may include them with your entry.

Entries are due to Karen Campbell by Friday May 30. Entry fees are \$10 per head. There is not an additional entry fee for the bred and owned female classes. Late entries will be accepted at the show at \$20 per head. Substitutions will be allowed.

All bulls shown by junior exhibitors must be bred and owned bulls. A LimFlex class will be held. NALJA show rules and regulations will apply to this show. No health certificates are required however animals must be free of ringworm and warts.

A cookout will be held Saturday evening after the KJLBA Business Meeting and election of officers. Breakfast casserole will be provided Sunday morning with sloppy joes following the show. Everyone is asked to bring drinks for a community stock tank.



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***** By G&G Area Cooks *****

Deanna Selby, Manhattan, Wins Recipe Contest & Prize In G&G For The Week

Winner Deanna Selby, Manhattan: "My favorite cake."
CHOCOLATE ZUCCHINI CAKE

- 1/2 cup oil
- 1/2 cup margarine
- 1 3/4 cups sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/2 cup sour milk
- 2 1/2 cups flour
- 4 tablespoons cocoa
- 1 teaspoon soda
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups grated zucchini
- 1/2 cup chopped nuts
- 1/2 cup chocolate chips

In a large mixing bowl combine oil, oleo, sugar, eggs and vanilla. Add sour milk and dry ingredients. Mix until smooth. Stir in grated zucchini. Pour into greased and floured 9-by-13-inch pan. Sprinkle top with chopped nuts and chocolate chips. Bake at 350 degrees for 35 to 40 minutes. May sprinkle cake with a little powdered sugar as it needs no frosting.

The first two are from Sandy Hill, Eskridge:
AMERICAN PEANUT CHEESECAKE

- 1 cup graham cracker crumbs
- 3/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons chopped salted peanuts, divided
- 1/3 cup butter, melted
- (4) 3-ounce packages cream cheese, softened
- 2/3 cup creamy peanut butter
- 14-ounce can sweetened condensed milk
- 1/3 cup lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 1/2 cups whipped topping

In a small bowl combine the cracker crumbs, 3/4 cup peanuts and butter. Press onto the bottom and 1 inch up the sides of a greased 9-inch springform pan. Cover and refrigerate 20 minutes. Meanwhile, in a large mixing bowl, beat cream cheese and peanut butter until light and fluffy. Gradually beat in milk then add lemon juice and vanilla; mix well. Fold in the whipped topping and pour over crust. Sprinkle with remaining peanuts. Cover and refrigerate for at least 8 hours. Yield: 12 servings.

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- 1 cup vanilla yogurt
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- 8 large fresh strawberries, sliced
- 1 cup fresh blueberries

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Spread the coconut in a baking dish. Bake for 3 to 5 minutes or until golden brown, shaking the pan occasionally. Stir the coconut and granola together in a small bowl; set aside. Place 1/4 cup of the yogurt in each of two tall parfait glasses. Spoon 1 tablespoon of the honey in each glass, followed by 2 of the berries, then one-fourth of the coconut granola mixture. Repeat layering the rest of the yogurt, honey, berries and granola mixture into glasses. Serve. Makes 2 glasses. Double or triple as needed.

The next two are from Mary Rogers, Topeka:
COLESLAW

- 8 1/2 cups shredded cabbage
- 4 1/2 cups shredded carrots
- 1 1/2 cups minced onion
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup mustard
- 2 teaspoons vinegar
- 1 teaspoon black pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon ground red pepper
- Salt & pepper to taste

In a bowl combine cabbage, carrot and onion. In a bowl whisk sugar, mayonnaise, mustard, vinegar, pepper and red pepper. Pour dressing over cabbage tossing gently to combine. Add salt and pepper to taste. Cover and chill for at least 2 hours.

- SAUSAGE & POTATO**
- 1 pound red potatoes
 - 2 teaspoons olive oil
 - 8 ounces kielbasa sausage, sliced into 1/4-inch thick rounds
 - 1/2 cup finely chopped celery
 - 1/4 cup thinly cut green onions

- 1 1/2 tablespoons vinegar
- 1 tablespoon dijon mustard
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- 3 tablespoons olive oil

Boil potatoes until tender. Drain and let cool. Cut potatoes into quarters and place in a large bowl. In a skillet heat the 2 teaspoons olive oil over medium high heat. Brown the kielbasa sausage. Transfer to a paper towel lined plate to drain. Add kielbasa to the bowl with the potatoes. For the dressing, in a small bowl whisk the vinegar, mustard, garlic, salt and pepper. Slowly whisk in the 3 tablespoons oil. Add the dressing, celery and onions to the potato mixture and toss to combine. Serve warm.

The remaining are from Millie Conger, Tecumseh:
BROCCOLI SALAD

- 8-ounce can pineapple chunks
- 4 cups fresh broccoli florets
- 2 celery ribs, chopped
- 1 cup red grapes, halved
- 1 cup green grapes, halved
- 1 cup slivered almonds
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1/3 cup sugar

Drain pineapple, reserving 1 tablespoon juice. In a bowl combine pineapple, broccoli, celery, grapes and almonds. In a bowl, combine the mayonnaise, sugar and reserved juice. Pour over broccoli mixture and toss to coat. Refrigerate until serving.

- PASTA SALAD**
- 6 cups hot cooked pasta
 - 1 cup frozen peas, thawed
 - 1/2 cup mayonnaise
 - 1/2 cup sour cream
 - 2 tablespoons dijon mustard
 - 1 teaspoon dried dill
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon pepper

In a bowl combine pasta and peas. In a bowl combine

mayonnaise, sour cream, mustard, dill, salt and pepper. Add to pasta mixture, tossing gently to combine. Serve warm or chilled.

BANANA BUTTERSCOTCH PANCAKE

- 1 stick unsalted butter
- 5 large eggs
- 1/3 cup milk
- 3/4 cup flour
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1 cup brown sugar
- Pinch salt
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 2 bananas, peeled & sliced
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts

Preheat the oven to 425 degrees. Add 1/2 stick butter to a 9-inch square baking dish and melt in the oven about 5 minutes. In a bowl whisk together the eggs and milk. In another bowl whisk together the flour and granulated sugar, then whisk in the egg-milk mixture. Pour the batter into pan and bake until the pancake begins to rise, 15 to 20 minutes. In a pan cook the brown sugar, salt and 2 tablespoons water over medium heat, stirring until bubbling, about 5 minutes. Stir in the remaining 1/2 stick butter, sour cream and bananas and heat through. Drizzle the pancake with half of the butterscotch sauce and sprinkle with walnuts. Slice and serve with the remaining sauce on the side.

PEPPER STEAK

- 1 of each: green, yellow & red pepper, cut into strips
- 1 small onion, cut into strips
- 1 pound well-trimmed boneless beef sirloin steak, cut into strips
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 3 tablespoons soy sauce
- 1/2 cup original barbecue sauce
- 2 cups hot cooked rice

Heat skillet that has been sprayed with cooking spray on medium high heat. Add peppers and onions; cook and stir for 6 to 8 minutes or until vegetables are crisp-tender. Transfer to a large bowl and cover to keep warm. Add meat, garlic and black pepper to same skillet and cook and stir for 3 minutes. Add soy sauce and cook 1 minute or until meat is cooked through, stirring occasionally. Add barbecue sauce and cook until heated through. Spoon meat mixture into bowl with vegetables; toss gently. Serve over rice.

STRAWBERRY BONBONS

- 1 pint strawberries, finely chopped
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 pint vanilla ice cream, softened
- 25 plain vanilla wafers

Any bark, white or dark chocolate, for dipping

In a saucepan simmer the strawberries and sugar over medium heat. Cook, stirring occasionally, until softened and syrupy, about 20 minutes. Let cool. Transfer the ice cream to a large bowl and fold in 1/2 cup strawberry sauce which you have just prepared. Cover and freeze until firm, about 1 hour. Save the remaining strawberry sauce for another use. Place the cookies flat side down on parchment paper-lined baking sheet. Top each cookie with 1 small scoop of ice cream. Freeze until firm, about 30 minutes. Dunk each bonbon into the coating then return to the baking sheet and freeze until firm, about 30 minutes. If you would like, you can roll bonbon in nuts also after dipping in chocolate.

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Microwave Cooking Tips To Keep Your Family Safe

(NAPSA) — Whether you are cooking for yourself or for your family, you should always pay attention to — and practice — proper food safety, even when you're using your microwave. Safety in food preparation is very important for all types of cooking, whether you're preparing dinner from scratch or microwaving a frozen meal.

"Bacteria are present in almost every food we eat, and reducing or eliminating bacteria is one of the most important factors in preventing food-borne illness," says food expert Carolyn O'Neil. "One major solution is rather simple — and common-sense in theory — foods should be cooked thoroughly, even when you use your microwave."

O'Neil offers a few tips to help when preparing food in your microwave:

- To ensure the safety of all the foods you eat, read labels carefully and follow all preparation and cleanup directions; for example, proper cooking and standing time, storage and refrigeration, expiration dates, etc.

With any type of cooking, wash your hands before and after food preparation. Keep uncooked meats separate from cooked meats, salads and other ready-to-eat foods.

- It is important to understand what products are pre-cooked and which ones require thorough cooking. Some products, labeled "ready to heat," only need to be heated before they can be eaten. It is very important to note that a label that reads "must be cooked thoroughly" or "ready to cook" does not mean "ready to eat." Some products, such as Banquet

Pot Pies, contain raw ingredients and are labeled "must be cooked thoroughly" and must be cooked fully before they are served.

Banquet recently updated the packaging of its pot pies with microwave directions that provide illustrated, step-by-step instructions to help ensure the product is thoroughly cooked. The packaging includes information on the importance of standing time, an essential part of the cooking process.

- Despite what many cooks think, color is not a sure indicator of whether or not food is safe to eat. To ensure the safety of your food, check the temperature of heated food in multiple areas with an instant-read food thermometer. The temperature should read between 160 and 170 degrees Fahrenheit for most foods, and specifically 165 for those pot pies. Check the food in two or three places to ensure that the temperature is even.

- Know your microwave wattage. Because wattage varies, cook times will differ for every microwave. When cooking foods, your microwave oven needs to be 1,100 watts or higher to ensure that the product is thoroughly cooked. If you have a microwave oven that is below 1,100 watts, many products should be cooked in a conventional oven to ensure thorough cooking.

- Allow standing time. Because food continues to cook after it's heated, let food rest in the microwave according to package directions to ensure a fully cooked meal.

For more food safety and microwaving tips, you may visit www.conagrafoods.com/mwcooking.

Water Conservation Tips Help Eliminate Waste Of Precious Resource

(NAPSA) — From space, our blue planet seems rich in water. In reality, 97 percent of the planet's water is saltwater, 2 percent is in the form of snow and icebergs and just 1 percent is usable freshwater. Water conservation should be practiced at all times and not just in times of water shortages. Using it more efficiently can start in the yard, and done correctly, it's possible to keep your lawn and garden healthier while using less water. To get the most out of your lawn and garden, the experts at Rain Bird — a leader in the irrigation industry — advise following these tips:

Don't Drown
The greatest waste of water comes from applying too much, too often — much

of the water is never absorbed. Instead of watering for one long session, water a few times for shorter periods and take 15-minute breaks in between each session. This will allow water to soak in while minimizing runoff.

Watch The Clock
Water between 5 a.m. and 10 a.m. — when the sun is low, winds are calm and temperatures are cool. Mid-day watering tends to be less efficient because of water loss due to evaporation and windy conditions during the day. Watering in the evening isn't a good idea either because leaves can remain wet overnight — an open invitation for fungus to grow. By watering in the morning, leaves have a chance to dry out during the day.

Divide By Zones
Different plants need different amounts of water. Divide your yard and landscape areas into separate irrigation zones so that grass can be watered separately from and more frequently than ground cover, shrubs and trees. Both sprinkler and drip irrigation can be incorporated to achieve more efficient use of water.

Water Only Things That Grow
If you have an automatic sprinkler system, make sure the sprinkler heads are adjusted properly to avoid watering sidewalks and driveways. A properly adjusted sprinkler head should spray large droplets of water instead of a fine mist, to minimize evaporation and wind drift.

Consider Dripping
When it comes to watering individual trees, flowerbeds, potted containers or other nongrassy areas, consider applying water directly to the roots using low-volume drip irrigation. This will reduce water waste through evaporation or runoff, and will prevent unwanted weeds from growing.

Let It Rain
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For more watering tips and information on the intelligent use of water, visit the website at www.rainbird.com.

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Some recipes will be selected from submissions received from area cooks while others may be suggested favorites. You may also share the recipe with friends and family by clicking on the "email page" button.

This week's recipe is *Toffee-Banana Brownies* and comes from the *NAPS Featurettes News To Use*.

ALUMINUM FOIL INFORMATION!

A friend of Grass & Grain sent this the other day: I've been using aluminum foil for more years than I care to remember. Great stuff, but sometimes it can be a pain. You know, like when you are in the middle of doing something and you try to pull some foil out and the roll comes out of the box. Then you have to put the roll back in the box and start over. The darn roll always comes out at the wrong time. Well, I would like to share this with you. Yesterday I went to throw out an empty Reynolds foil box and for some reason I turned it and looked at the end of the box. And written on the end it said, "Press here to lock end." Right there on the end of the box is a tab to lock the roll in place. How long has this little locking tab been there? I then looked at a generic brand of aluminum foil and it had one, too. I then looked at a box of plastic wrap and it had one too! I can't count the number of times the plastic wrap roll has jumped out when I was trying to cover something up. I'm sharing this with my friends that did not realize this. I hope I'm not the only person that didn't know about this.

Whole-Grain Alternative, With Health Benefits



(NAPSA) — In light of ever-climbing obesity statistics, health and wellness continues to rank at the top of consumer concerns. To help their families live healthier lifestyles, consumers are looking for alternatives that can reduce fat, sugar and calories while increasing dietary fiber, to aid in areas such as heart health, digestive health and

diabetes management. Examples include:

- For baked goods, substituting fruit puree, such as applesauce, for shortening or lard.
- Cutting back on sugar in recipes by adding cinnamon, vanilla or almond extract to give the impression of sweetness.
- Choosing grains that are higher in fiber but lower in starch than their traditional counterparts. Sustagrain, for instance, is a type of barley that not only boosts fiber intake, but also enhances the flavor, texture, appearance and nutritional composition of everything from pancakes, muffins and breads to breakfast ce-

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This is the ideal time to introduce youngsters to a healthy, challenging pastime that offers a lifetime of pleasure. Kansas has hundreds of lakes and streams, including numerous conveniently-located community lakes. Finding the ideal fishing location is as simple as visiting the KDWP website, www.kdwp.state.ks.us, and typing "Where to Fish" in the search box.

Public fishing waters also are listed in the 2008 Kansas Fishing Regulations Summary, available on the website or in printed form at KDWP offices and license vendors around the state. The summary also provides a fish identification guide, length and creel limits, and a variety of additional information for anglers.

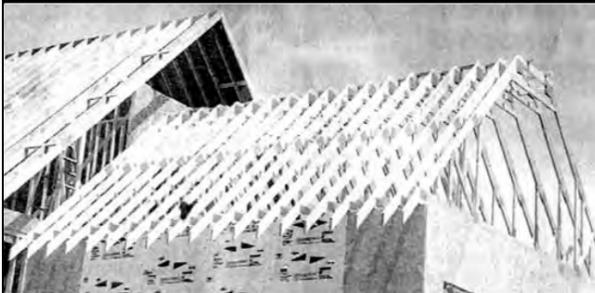
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Expert gives tips to prevent foodborne illnesses

Recent outbreaks of foodborne illness in fresh fruits and vegetables, coupled with increasing food prices and perceptions of sustainability, have led many Americans to search for locally-grown or home-grown produce alternatives, according to a Kansas State University expert.

Douglas Powell, scientific director of the International Food Safety Network and an associate professor of diagnostic medicine and pathobiology at K-State, along with researchers with the network, has tips for people to ensure that their locally grown or homegrown produce is safe.

The location of a garden should always be taken into consideration. A garden should never be near any garbage or clutter because these areas can be havens for pests that can potentially contaminate a garden, Powell said.

"If a yard has a septic tank, make sure the garden is not located near the

tank — and make sure that the tank is properly maintained," he said.

It's also important to know the type of fertilizer used to grow the produce.

"Raw manure should not be used as a fertilizer," Powell said. "Using raw manure is a great way to contaminate fresh produce with harmful microorganisms."

If manure is used, it should always be composted first and the compost should reach an internal temperature of 130 degrees Fahrenheit, which can be measured using a thermometer from a local gardening store, Powell said. Compost, which can help minimize direct contact between possible contaminants and fresh produce, should be added to the soil during the fall. If a compost pile won't be maintained properly, then manure should not be added to it. Gardens take a healthy dose of water, and the source of the water should always be considered.

"As a general rule, surface water from rivers or streams should not be used," Powell said. "It is nearly impossible to know what is upstream that may contaminate the water. Animals also defecate in and around these areas."

Well water is adequate to use as long as it's tested frequently to ensure that it is safe, but the best water sources is either rainwater or potable water, he said.

Both the garden and its surrounding area should be properly maintained. Weeds and tall grass should not be allowed grow in or around the garden, and the surrounding lawn should be mowed regularly, according to Powell.

"It is also important that a fence is in place around the garden to keep out most animals and pets," he said. "Try and ensure that cars or other animals aren't using the garden as a litter box."

When purchasing produce from a grower, the consumer should always ask if the produce is harvested safely. "Just because produce is fresh and tasty does not mean it is safe to consume," Powell said.

If the grower doesn't follow basic guidelines for ensuring the food isn't contaminated, Powell advises buying from another grower. He said that some growers may let a regular customer visit their farms to get a firsthand look at the way the produce is grown.

"Local gardeners and produce customers should understand that whether it is a 1,000-acre commercial operation or a small plot of land in one's backyard, the principles of safe gardening remain the same," Powell said. "The grower must prevent the produce from being contaminated. Remember: food safety from farm to fork — even if it's a small farm."

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rows; elec. drill press w/motor & ft. control; big, hvy. shop anvil; lots of log chains & boomers; several hydr. clys.; pipe threader, lifting cable, lots of tools; 2 antq. corn shellers; big cast iron kettle; several cream cans; antq. hog oiler; old AC tractor seat w/back; antq. saw holder for sharpening; old pump jack; a lot of wheel wgt. & much more.

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May 28-30. We will reflect on strides that have been made, but we also will keep an open mind about areas where we can improve. We are bringing together producers, government regulators, researchers and others, and this will be a great starting point to better understand the best practices and to get everyone on the same page and moving forward. Beef cattle welfare means increased production and efficiency for the cattle we produce. Defining practices that improve nutrition, health, environment and more are all important in improving the well-being of the cattle we produce. We

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AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Mary Jo had many items that date back to the early 1900's and ? before, some rare. There will be many, many more items than this sale bill can show. Don't miss either day — you're sure to find something for yourself. Doors will open Friday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. (Both Friday & Saturday items will be viewable at that time.) Friday may run two rings. Saturday's auction will be a sit down with Antiques & Collectibles selling first followed by furniture.

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605-M Vermeer baler, 6,000 bales; H1000 Haybuster tub grinder, PTO good, SN9102996; round bale stinger for pickup; 2 - 3,000 gal. poly liquid fert. tanks with ele. pump; 2 - 500 gal. fuel tanks with 110 and 12 volt pumps; 500 gal. LP tank; 8' pickup flatbed.

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Miller 225 Bobcat welder, cutting torch with C-H bottles on 2 wheel trailer; Miller 210 wire welder; power washer, gas powered; misc. repairs and tools; chop saw; upright air compressor, like new.

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FURNITURE

3 new sofas; new upholstered swivel rocker; barrel used swivel rockers; cherry storage tables; round glass rattan table & 4 chairs; maple, Tell City Cricket love seat; Tell City maple mate chair; brass with glass shelves tea cart; brass plant stands; Lane cedar chests; bookcase; La-Z-Boy recliner; student desk; 4 drawer chest; Bentwood rocker; assorted lamp & end tables; baby carriers; strollers; new drying rack; office chairs; theatre seats; lamps; Naomi Croy misc. paintings; wardrobe; Tell City oak dining table, chairs & china cabinet.

APPLIANCES

New Amana RR 1200 radar range; new GE 30" range, white with glass top; new GE 30" almond range; GE electric dryer; new GE gas dryer; Amana dial type radar range; 2 shop sweepers; canister sweeper; Bissell Flip It wet to dry vacuum; Panasonic TV.

ANTIQUES

Hand grinder; walnut drop leaf dining table & 6 chairs; walnut dresser; Sessions mantle clock; Boye needle & bobbin cabinet; school desks; farm house chairs; #45 Stanley combined plow & bedding plane; Stanley paint scraper; platform scales; meat grinders; misc. decorations; RCA Victor radio; wheat scale; candy scale; records; Windsor chair; maple commode; metal ice box; Schuman cabinet grand piano, 1853; misc. glassware.

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OFFICE EQUIPMENT

Skill reciprocal saw; Sears Craftsman 12" wood lathe & scroll saw; drill bit sharpener; new R&D parts cleaner; conduit bender; Microfish viewer; several multi-meters; refrigerant vacuum pump; refrigerant tools; assorted Tap-a-Line valves; Royal typewriter; Underwood typewriter; full key board adder; portable typewriter; new Handyman jack; new 5546 Milwaukee heavy duty car polisher; 8' wood step ladder; fence stretchers; Black & Decker bench top Work Mate.

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Hey Neighbor For The Love Of Horses

By Frank J. Buchman

Bronc Riding Better Than Working For Dollar A Day, Claims Oldest Flint Hills Rodeo Director

Riding a horse sure beats walking when you live 3 1/2 miles from school and your family doesn't own a car.

Gene Peacock learned to ride before he could walk, and his abilities grew as he did, soon becoming a top all-around cowboy.

"I was breaking colts myself by the time I was six when I rode a horse to and from school," Peacock remembered last week at the Flint Hills Rodeo grounds in Strong City.

"When I was 14, I worked all winter and spring for our neighbor at Mannford, Okla., so by the Fourth of July, I had enough money to enter the rodeo," Peacock continued. "I won the bull riding and bronc riding, and placed in the calf roping. I got \$63, and right then I decided that's what I wanted to do with my life. It had to

be better than working for a dollar a day."

From a family with eight children, Peacock, who'll turn 80 next month, was named after his dad, Curtis Eugene Peacock. Competing successfully at a few rodeos, the senior Peacock supported the family by looking after cattle over a wide area. "Dad was a top cowboy, and we always had good horses," Peacock credited.

Following his dad's footsteps and the objective set as a teenager, Peacock hitchhiked to Kansas in 1948, soon moved in with the Emmett Roberts rodeo family, and rodeo, horses and cattle became his life. He's a Gold Card Member of the Rodeo Cowboy's Association and is proud of the Number 401 gold buckle he wears signifying that membership.

"I've operated Ribeye Order Buying for 37 years, along with running cattle on leased pastures, but rodeo and horses have always been my main interest," contended Peacock. A past four-term president of the Flint Hills Rodeo Association, he's been a director since 1968. "I'm older than anybody on the board, twice as old as most.

"I spend a lot of time at the arena. I ran the weed eater all morning and have been spraying herbicide this afternoon. We're getting ready for the 71st annual rodeo, June 6-7-8," Peacock said.

Contesting in all rodeo events at one time or another, Peacock specialized in bareback broncs and bull riding. "I won some in calf roping and bulldogging, but I only weighed 130 pounds, so I was better in

the riding events," he claimed.

At one time or another, Peacock traveled with world champions Gerald and Ken Roberts, Jim Shoulders, Harry Thompson, Jack Buschbom and Casey Tibbs, among others. "They were all my close personal friends," recognized Peacock as he related stories about each.

"Jim was the old man. He was born on May 13, and my birthday is June 13. He called me the little kid, but he was really only a month older. I just got a picture in the mail from his widow, Sharon, of me on a bull at Madison Square Garden in New York," Peacock noted.

Crediting Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Roberts for helping him get started, Peacock was ramrod for Roberts Rodeo Company in the '50s. He was largely responsible for care of the livestock in the Flint Hills and at rodeos produced throughout the Midwest.

Roberts' rodeo stock was grazed at Mayetta, and a call was received that a top bull was out with a neighbor's gentle cow herd. Peacock was sent to bring the bull home. He had to rope the runaway, and after a tough battle, the bull went over a cliff and hung himself. Peacock slit the critter's throat, had him



Carrying the American flag, Gene Peacock rode a Vold Rodeo Company horse to lead the parade for the 50th annual Flint Hills Rodeo at Strong City. The oldest director of the rodeo association, Peacock seldom rides these days, but he'll participate in the grand entry at this year's 71st annual edition of the oldest consecutive rodeo in Kansas on June 6-7-8.

processed and took the meat to Strong City in an Oxydol soap box. Emmett Roberts wasn't known to cuss, but his initial reaction approached upper limits.

"I competed in rodeos all over the United States, yet Madison Square Garden

and Boston Garden bring back the most memories," Peacock recalled. "We were in New York for five weeks and Boston two weeks. Gene Autry provided the stock at both of them."

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TRACT #1
Consists of approximately 166 acres. The farm improvements and approximately 30 acres have been cut out of this tract. This tract has frontage on "N" Road and 40th Road.

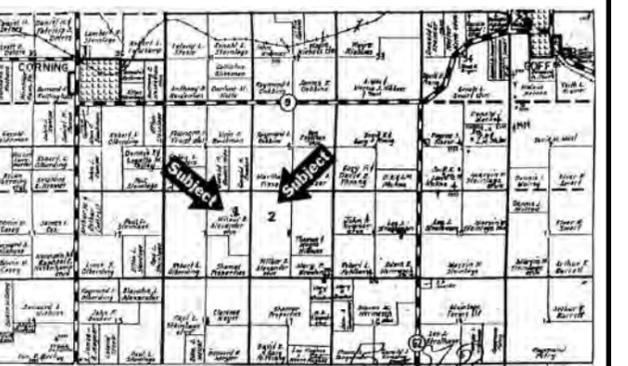
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TRACT #2
Consists of approximately 320 acres and has been removed from CRP and is ready for farming. This tract has road frontage on "N" Road and 40th.

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Peacock competed at each of those rodeos for five years. "I was in the bareback bronc riding and bull riding. We rode 15 head at Madison Square Garden," Peacock reminisced. "I won

the first go-round in the bareback riding one year and got \$800. That was a lot of money in those days."

Injuries plagued Peacock's career, so he wasn't able to make it into the year-end rodeo standings. "I never had much money, but

rodeo was a great life with all of my friends, traveling around the country and getting on the top stock," he reflected.

It's been over five decades, yet Peacock can recall his best career rides. "I won two rodeos on Buetler Brothers' bull 224, but then I drew him at Tulsa where the purse was higher, and he bucked me off," the cowboy admitted.

Best bronc Peacock ever rode was Devils Tower of the Roberts string. "I won two rodeos on that big gray horse. Devil was sensational, and bucked off a lot of cowboys, including champion Bill Linderman, who said Devil was the rankest horse he'd ever been on," related Peacock.

While he never drew Jesse James, Peacock is anxious to tell his ties to the 1961 Bronc of the Year. "I got him in Fort Pierre, South Dakota, for my (then) father-in-law Walter Plugge's rodeo string in Nebraska, and Mr. Roberts then bought the palomino for \$300. That was the most he'd ever paid for a bronc.

"When Mr. Roberts sold out in the early '60s, Hoss Inman from Colorado paid \$2,300 for Jesse. That was a record price," Peacock cri-

tiqued. "There was a matched ride between the world champion bronc, Jesse James, and the world champion bronc rider, Winston Bruce, the next year at Denver. Hoss asked me to come out to flank the bronc. Winston almost won, but Jesse bucked him off right before the whistle."

With his rodeo work slowed, Peacock went to work for Crofoot's Feedlot. "It was kind of like when I started working for Mr. Roberts. I was the gate opener in the beginning and ended up being in charge," Peacock evaluated. "Also, like with the Roberts, the Crofoots, E.C., Girdner, Jay and his son Terry, were like family to me and lifelong friends."

Training horses has always been a big part of Peacock's life. The feedlot gave him the opportunity to ride lots of horses, making mounts in demand over a wide area.

One horse stands out from all the others. "I bought a filly foal called Kitty Clip from Mr. Roberts

when he had his last Quarter Horse sale in the late '60s. I had ridden her dad and mom, and she was an outstanding horse," Peacock described. "Worst thing is that she broke her leg, and I had to put her down when she was just seven. She never had any colts, and I never had another horse that I thought was quite like Kitty."

Given the opportunity to go to Texas when Crofoots moved their operations south, Peacock stayed in the Flint Hills. "That's when I got started order buying and running more grass cattle. It's been good and allowed me to continue working with horses, cattle and livestock people," he recognized.

Regularly attending auctions at Emporia as well as Springfield, Joplin and West Plains in Missouri, Peacock also does private treaty transactions. "I've had some of the same customers since the day I started," he shared.

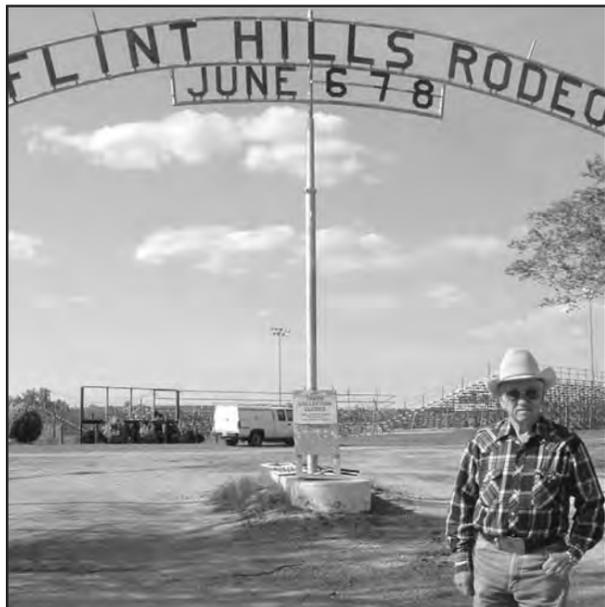
Affiliated with the Flint Hills Rodeo since he moved

to Chase County, Peacock is proud of its heritage and his involvement. "This is the oldest consecutive rodeo in Kansas, and one of the best known rodeos in the country," Peacock confirmed. "With the exception of a few cowboys on the coasts, most world champions over the last 70 years have competed here at one time or another."

Whatever needs doing for the rodeo, Peacock steps in to assist. "I've been in charge of the Sunday church service for a long time, and last year I decided to invite some cowboys who had competed here over 50 years ago. I called 30, and there were 28 who showed up for church. Cowboys have always liked our rodeo," he verified.

In attendance at the first National Finals Rodeo in Dallas, Texas, in 1959, Peacock has only missed the Finals three times. "I didn't go the years it was in Los Angeles, but I've been to all the others in Dallas, Okla-

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Gene Peacock has served as a director of the Flint Hills Rodeo Association at Strong City for over 40 years. He's been affiliated with the rodeo since moving to Chase County in 1948, when he went to work for Roberts Rodeo Company, who started the oldest consecutive rodeo in Kansas.

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Extension provides 'ballpark' haying expenses figures

Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service economists and engineers have been busy crunching numbers, providing much-needed "ballpark figures" about how increasing fuel prices are raising the cost of cutting, raking and baling hay.

It is no surprise that haying expenses are increasing; how much, that is the bottom line agricultural producers want answered, said Bill Burton, Oklahoma State University Cooperative Extension area agricultural economist.

"It's important to realize, right up front, that everyone's costs are going to be just a bit different because each producer's specific situation will have a number of individual factors involved," he said. "However, it's possible for producers to pull out the calculator, put in their specific data and see how their costs are rising."

Burton determined the general per-acre cost incurred in owning and operating the machinery needed for cutting to be \$6.55, raking to be \$3.59 and baling to be \$9.14 at a fuel price of \$3.50 per gallon. The cost figured out to be \$6.91 for cutting, \$3.82 for raking and \$9.35 for baling at a fuel price of

\$4 per gallon. The cost increases to \$7.27 for cutting, \$4.05 for raking and \$9.55 for baling at a fuel price of \$4.50 per gallon. At \$5 per gallon, the cost increases to \$7.62 for cutting, \$4.28 for raking and \$9.76 for baling. "The figures assume no labor expense, newer baling equipment and a 100-horsepower tractor," he said.

Assuming a labor cost of \$9 per acre, the per-acre machinery cost works out to \$19.28 for no labor and \$22.19 including labor at a fuel price of \$3.50 per gallon. At \$4 per gallon, it is \$20.08 without labor and \$22.98 including labor. At \$4.50 per gallon, the cost rises to \$20.87 without labor and \$23.77 including labor. At \$5 per gallon, it is \$21.66 without labor and \$24.56 including labor.

"The question then becomes, what is the cost per bale for cutting, raking and baling the hay?" Burton said.

Looking only at the cost

per acre — based on 1,200 bales — with the labor expense included, the cost works out to be the following:

At a fuel price of \$3.50 per gallon, 0.75 ton of forage per acre works out to \$17.75 per bale, 1.00 ton of forage per acre comes in at \$13.37 per bale, 1.25 tons of forage per acre works out to \$10.67 per bale and 1.50 tons of forage per acre is \$8.88 per bale.

If fuel is \$4 per gallon, 0.75 ton of forage per acre works out to \$18.34 per bale, 1.00 ton of forage per acre comes in at \$13.84 per bale, 1.25 tons of forage per acre works out to \$11.05 per bale and 1.50 tons of forage per acre is \$9.19 per bale. At a fuel price of \$4.50 per gallon, 0.75 ton of forage per

acre works out to \$19.02 per bale, 1.00 ton of forage per acre comes in at \$14.32 per bale, 1.25 tons of forage per acre works out to \$11.43 per bale and 1.50 tons of forage per acre is \$9.50 per bale.

If fuel is \$5 per gallon, 0.75 ton of forage per acre works out to \$19.65 per bale, 1.00 ton of forage per acre comes in at \$14.80 per bale, 1.25 tons of forage per acre works out to \$11.81 per bale and 1.50 tons of forage per acre is \$9.82 per bale.

"The forage yield is not the annual production but the tons of forage on each acre that were cut each time the hay was baled," Burton said.

Another factor that will affect haying expenses is the age of baling equipment. As equipment ages, so does the repair cost.

"The adjustment, reflecting additional dollars per acre, is 30 cents for cutting, 6 cents for raking and 62 cents for baling; multiply the adjustment factor times the age of the equipment and add that figure to the cost per acre," Burton said.

For example, if the cutter is three years of age, the rake is seven years of age and the baler is two years of age, the adjustment would be an additional \$2.56 per acre for repairs.

Burton said his prices are all based on researched machinery cost data.

"Anyone who operates hay baling equipment can see what their costs are for cutting, raking and baling their hay with their equipment," he said.

Rodeo

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homa City and Las Vegas," commented Peacock.

Formerly a two-term director of the Rodeo Historical Society, headquartered at the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City, Peacock was able to keep up with many of his rodeo friends through that position.

Peacock's sons, Allan and Phil, were "good hands" as youngsters, but they didn't follow their dad into rodeo. However, Peacock credits his stepson, Chris Burton, and grandson, Ben Green, for looking after the grass cattle he has these days. "They are top cowboys, but they ought to be. I taught 'em how," Peacock touted.

Married to his wife, Patty, for 32 years, Peacock seldom mounts a horse nowadays, but he rides one in the grand entries at the Flint Hills Rodeo, as he'll do this year, June 6-7-8.

"I've seen lots of changes in rodeo, but it's never gotten out of my blood. I'm fortunate to have been friends with so many cowboys, had the opportunity to go to so many rodeos and work around so much top rodeo stock here and throughout the country," Peacock concluded.

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Seeds for Soldiers a success

YANKTON, S.D. (AP) — When donations began coming in for a campaign to send seeds to soldiers in Iraq, project co-founder Michelle Nielson had no idea the public's response would be so strong.

"I've probably sent over about 5,000 packs of seeds so far," she said.

Nielson, who works at WNAX in Yankton, began the Seeds for Soldiers project after getting a call from her sister, whose husband, Maj. John Blankenhorn, is serving in Iraq.

"(He) called back to my sister and was looking for some garden seeds to show the Iraqi kids how to grow their own gardens (and) kind of help supplement their food supply," Nielson said.

"So I talked to my 4-H kids and asked if they would mind doing a drive of collecting garden seeds and stuff like that for the Iraqi kids."

Nielson asked if she could publicize the effort on WNAX, and her boss thought it was great idea.

Nielson and her 4-H group started putting donation boxes and campaign posters around town, and the project took off.

She said donations have come from schools, churches, businesses and senior centers, as well as individuals. Nielson also has received seeds from other states.

A donation of more than 200 seed packets was expected from South Carolina, she said.

The project began in January, and Nielson said she has sent more than a dozen boxes of seeds to Iraq so far. Several more boxes are awaiting shipment.

In addition to augmenting the food supply, the

project also provides Iraqi children with the opportunity to see U.S. soldiers in a different light, she said.

Blankenhorn wrote Nielson in an e-mail: "This is part of an overall civil-military operation that will allow the coalition forces to help get the community back to normal after all these years of fighting. The kids need to experience something positive and helpful in their lives."

Nielson said soldiers are going to schools to distribute the seeds, and the kids are excited to get them.

There are some guidelines for seed donations. For one thing, all the seed packets must be hermetically sealed.

"Seed packets that have been opened or are recycled from plants I cannot send over," Nielson said. "Customs will not allow it. They will quarantine the whole box."

Seeds for plants should have short growing periods and be suitable for sandy soils that get limited moisture, she said.

"John tells me that they recycle water," Nielson said. "They use their bath water, they use their dishwasher. That's what they use to water their plants with."

Among the best seeds are those for radishes, tomatoes, turnips, cucumbers, small melons and some flowers, she said.

There are currently no plans to stop the project, Nielson said.

"We can just keep right on going with this," she said. "I'm not gonna stop unless I don't get seeds in. As long as I keep getting seeds, I'll keep sending them over and he'll keep sending them out."

"His wish is that he'll have enough seeds to go through most of Iraq."

Treatment of cattle vital to success

Humane treatment of cattle is important in the livestock industry because it is not only the right thing to do, it positively impacts the bottom line.

That's the word from veterinarian Dr. Dan Thomson, who leads Kansas State University's Beef Cattle Institute. The Institute is attracting worldwide attention for its International Beef Symposium on Beef Cattle Welfare, offered by the Beef Cattle Institute May 28-30 at K-State. A pre-symposium session will be offered May 28 on cattle welfare through proper cattle handling.

"With this symposium, we want people have a better understanding of beef cattle welfare guidelines from around the world," Thomson said.

"People in the world need to understand there is a difference between welfare and abuse," Thomson said. "No one is in favor of abusing animals. People need to understand that television and animal rights groups focus on abuse. Animal welfare is animal husbandry."

"No one cares about their cattle more than the person who gets up at 5 a.m. to care for them," Thomson said. "The better the welfare or husbandry of cattle, the better they perform." Before joining the K-State faculty, Thomson worked in the livestock industry. The symposium is an effort

to bring researchers together with producers. The industry/academia interface is essential for both groups to move forward in the interest of the beef industry, Thomson said. The mission of this symposium is to understand the strides that have been made by the beef industry for the welfare of cattle and discuss new areas of opportunity for improvement.

More than 300 people are registered to attend the event and more are signed up for the Webinar which will broadcast the symposium over the Internet. Scientists, cattle producers and cattle association representatives from many countries are participating. All groups are coming together to look at cattle industry best practices, Thomson said.

A presentation on cattle welfare through proper cattle handling will highlight concepts that empower caregivers in the beef industry to create positive relationships with cattle, Thomson said. The presentation and demonstration will include video footage and live cattle interaction in an arena complete with processing facilities. Herd health checks, proper nutrition and effective handling will improve the cattle industry for all, Thomson said.

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LOCATION OF LAND: On blacktop Rd. 260, adjoining Tract I on the South:

LEGAL DESCR.: The W 1/2 of the SW 1/4 in 9-7-1 West of the 6th P.M., Cloud Co., Ks.:

GENERAL DESCR.: 80 A. w/50.1 A. C.R.P. grass & 29.86 A. grass pasture w/fair to poor fences.

CRP PAYMENT: 50.01 A. x \$41.60 per A. =

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By Val Farmer

Rural Life

Creating unity in farm marriages

Perhaps there is no other profession quite like farming that challenges people to be disciplined and to keep life in perspective.

Among other things, farmers react to weather, organizing and attending to demanding work just outside their doorstep. Plus there is the stress of marketing, financial record keeping and management, mechanics and repairs, keeping up with technology, and coordination with employees and partners. Add a little male ego and a strong work ethic to the mix and you have a recipe for making work the dominating subject of one's thoughts, priorities and emotions.

Farm women have equal-

ly busy lives with their contributions to management and farm work. In addition, record numbers of farm women have entered the workforce for personal fulfillment and/or to complement the farm income and to meet their family's financial needs.

Husbands and wives are also committed to the responsibility of parenting and family life as well as meeting each other's emotional needs. Those roles are more meaningful than their respective work and business lives.

Having infants, preschoolers, teenagers and elderly parents who need care can add to the emotional stress, physical work and

time demands of already busy lives. Emotional strain is amplified when there are marital problems, struggles with farm debt or children with health, learning, emotional or behavioral problems.

Facing the challenge.

How do farm families integrate a hands-on, management intensive, labor-intensive home-based business or businesses with marriage, family and community life? How much priority does the farm assume? Are important marital and personal needs being met? Is the farm a catalyst for close relationships or a point of contention and division?

Learning to unify. Being unified means being a true

partnership among equals. The farm isn't a private domain but a joint enterprise managed by equals. Share the dream and the challenges. A wife's off-farm job and daily responsibilities share equal billing and deserve the same kind of support, interest and encouragement.

Decisions are made together after you have formed a consensus a win/win solution. This requires listening, patience, respect and consideration for what each other's needs. Each of you should be amenable to the influence of the other.

Negotiations and compromise isn't the answer to everything. Sometimes there are trade offs. Sometimes you just plain give in or defer to the partner who has the greater emotional investment. Sometimes you gather more data or wait for circumstances to help you get closer to a decision. Sometimes you seek outside guidance.

Differences should be aired with respect and man-

nerly discussion. How problems are talked about will tell more about your unity and mutual concern than the actual decision you come to.

Giving encouragement and support. Another way to show unity is to cooperate willingly with providing support and assistance to your spouse's priorities. Husbands and wives need to be flexible in their gender roles and assist each other with demands and pressures.

Coordinate schedules and be reliable in following through on commitments and agreements.

Reconnect after you've been apart. Set your mood, compartmentalize your work stress, and shift to a nurturing role as you re-establish your couplehood at the end of a workday. Show by your greeting that you care for each other.

Show you care by your non-verbal warmth, smile, eye contact and touch. Show interest in each other's day and concerns. Get to know

the details of your spouse's emotional life. When each other's work lives aren't shared or understood, tensions grow and emotional distance is created.

Show appreciation to each other for the special efforts, talents or accomplishments they have made. Words mean a lot and show that each other's contributions are noticed and valued.

Here are some other suggestions on how to unify as a couple.

Work hard, play hard. Plan for family fun and leisure, "couples" time, time away from the farm, plus hobbies and personal interests to replenish your energy. It needs to be scheduled or it may not happen. "All work and no play makes Jack and farming no fun at all."

Lighten up. Having a light-hearted, playful and humorous approach to life can reduce the stress load immensely.

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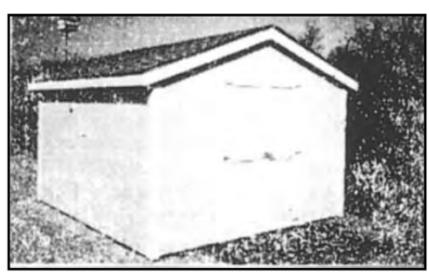
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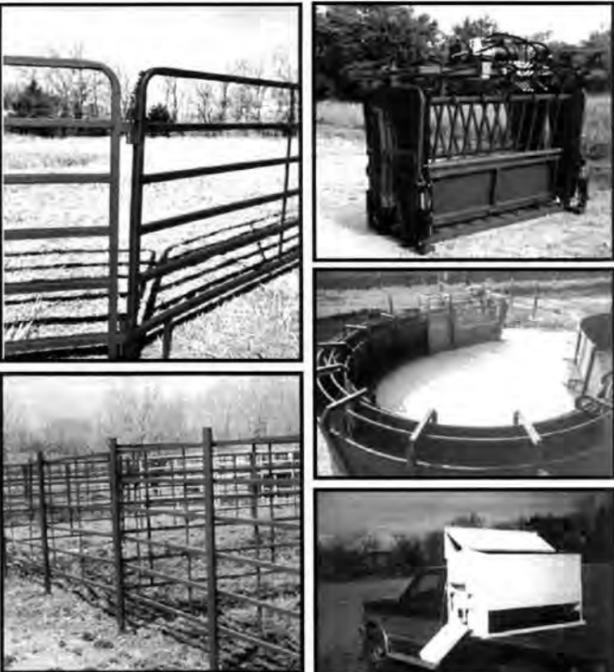
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Manage your stress. Control your emotions, blame, anger and frustration. Don't let work related stress spill over into your family relationships.

Simplify life where you can. Say no to things that don't fit with your main goals. The choices you make may be in making your volunteer work compatible with your spouse's and children's needs and activities. Family time is at a premium.

Make your marriage close and intimate. Avoid criticism and conflict. Take time to talk. Share your personal thoughts and feelings. Be affectionate. A mutually satisfying physical relationship will cap off the emotional unity and teamwork from other parts of your relationship.

Find spiritual meaning and uplift through faith and service to others. It is how you think about life and the meaning you give to events that help set your emotions. By serving others, you lighten your own burdens.

Farm life can be great.

When successful, it is the basis for the strong affection farm families have for farming, raising children on a farm, a rewarding the partnership between husband and wife and having a sense of community with their rural neighbors and relatives.

For more information on farming and marriage, visit Val Farmer's website at www.valfarmer.com.

Val Farmer is a clinical psychologist specializing in family business consultation and mediation with farm families. He lives in Wildwood, Missouri and can be contacted through his website.

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Leadership, excellence and student success will be center stage May 27-30 at the 2008 Kansas FFA Convention. This annual event brings together more than 1,700 FFA members, agricultural educators and supporters from 166 Kansas schools to the campus of Kansas State University to honor outstanding young leaders in the Kansas FFA Association.

The convention theme, "Blue Jackets, Gold Standards," reflects FFA's dedication to and rich history of preparing students to serve their schools and communities through agricultural education. The theme will come to life as guests listen to the inspiring retiring addresses of the state FFA offi-

cer team and motivational speakers from across the country.

Forty-seven members will be awarded proficiency awards for accomplishing specific career goals in their supervised agricultural experience (SAE) programs. The State FFA Degree, the highest honor a state association can bestow, will be awarded to an elite 110 members. From the state degree recipients, a Star Farmer, Star in Agricultural Placement and a Star in Agribusiness will be named — thus recognizing the best three SAE programs in the state.

In addition to individual recognition, entire FFA chapters are recognized through National Chapter Awards and the Triple

Crown Award. The coveted Triple Crown distinguishes the top chapter in the state in the areas of student, chapter and community development.

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AUCTION

**SATURDAY, MAY 31 — 9:30 AM
433 Marshall — CHAPMAN, KS**

Larry and Judy have sold the building at 433 Marshall, Chapman, KS and will sell the contents at public auction.

FURNITURE
Oak writing table; several chests of drawers; dressers and mirrors; wooden rocking chairs; large assortment of wooden straight back chairs, some with cane bottoms; cedar chest; assortment of small tables; card tables; game table; large oak storage chest; 5 drop leaf tables; several pieces of furniture in need of repair, including an old roll top desk; metal beds; several pieces of upholstered furniture; nice pool table; and other misc. items.

bottles; tins; glassware; pedal sewing machines with ornate drawers; Maytag wringer washer with electric motor; dolls; old hats and clothing; wheel chairs with cane back and bottoms; trunks; glass milk bottles; barber chair; fainting couch; small grain grinder, pat. Jan. 2, 1872; oil cans; coal bucket; sad irons; foot lockers.

ANTIQUES/COLLECTIBLES
Advertising items; cigar boxes;

TOOLS
Variety of hand tools; two table saws, 10"; garden tools including two garden seeders, one with several plates.

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: This is just a small listing of the items that will be on this auction. There are many boxes that will be unpacked the day of the sale. Based on what I could get to in the storage building for the listing, I thought it might have everything but the kitchen sink for sale. However, I have since discovered at least three kitchen sinks. There are bound to be many more surprises stored in this building that will be revealed the day of the auction.

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JD 4010 D tractor; Servis 5' rotary mower; Yale LC52-2024 hard tire forklift, propane; 2006 Gulfstream 30' travel trailer, used very little, nice cond.; Manitowac 600 ice maker; some office equipment; antique secretary, needs repair; antique kitchen cabinet, needs repair; antique Trusty Steel incubator; 5 antique radios, Sears & Wards; assortment of automotive new inventory including 40+ cases oil, tires, toys, etc., etc.; 2 floor jacks; K-Tool Accutorq stick; K-Tool locking lug nut remover kit; Lisle 38850 power steering puller pulley; OTC 6494 shock & strut tool; storage racks and work tables; Makita 14" chop saw; Coats rimclamp 5050XL tire machine; Delta 6 1/2 HP

vertical air compressor; Coats 850 wheel balancer; Ben Pearson 9000 auto. floor lift; Ammc brake latch 4000 disc & drum grinder/890 brake shoe attach./trk. drum & rotos attach.; OTC Genisys engine diagnostic system; Robinair 15500 AC 2-storage vac pump; Robinair 16600 AC leak detector; Equus 3022-7 function analyzer; Mac AC 170 refrigerant mang. center; Mac AC 600 reclaimer; Stant cooling system pressure tester; transmission 1000 lb. high lift jack; engine 3-ton hoist; Black Hawk 67610 25T hyd. press; Curtis key machine & keys; great selection of shop tools and related items, plus a good variety of antiques & collectibles.

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By Don Coldsmith



A Herd Of Turkeys

In the middle 1930s, we had some really strange weather in Kansas. I was at a very impressionable age then, and I well remember the dust storms which made it hard to breathe. My mother tied wet cloths over the faces of her family, and in a short while the areas over mouth and nose would be black with mud from the dust that was filtered out by breathing. It would be twilight at noon, and you couldn't see a street light from a block away. It was pretty scary.

We had an aunt and uncle on a farm about twenty miles away, and I spent a lot of time there during those summers. I'm not sure of the year, but for two or three of those dreadfully

different summers they had a plague of grasshoppers. The insects numbered in the millions, and were pretty destructive. I can recall corn fields stripped down to stubble, peach trees with no more leaves than they'd had in December. Fruit was one of the more important Kansas crops then, before wheat came to its peaks later. It must have been devastating to a farmer to watch grasshoppers destroy his orchard before his very eyes. There were stories of grasshoppers chewing on the skin of infants in cribs, leaving raw patches.

In a more jocular vein, jokes of exaggeration sprang up to relieve the tragic tension. There was the man hoeing corn who,

when the swarm settled, had the straw hat eaten from his head and the wooden handle of his hoe eaten in two as he ran for shelter. In another variation, an ax handle at the chopping block by the kitchen door was eaten, leaving only the metal head of the ax stuck in the block (I wondered why they didn't eat the chopping block, too. Well, it's a story).

All of this was recalled not long ago when I saw a reference to the grasshopper plagues in a magazine article. It involved Dr. Arthur Hertzler, the famous Kansas "horse and buggy

doctor" who founded the well-known clinic at Halstead.

Dr. Hertzler was an innovator, not only in medicine but in any field which caught his attention. He tried various financial endeavors, and was apparently moderately successful at most of them.

The grasshopper connection occurred when Dr. Hertzler had an idea about how to use the insects rather than fight them. He bought several hundred young turkeys, called "poults." After a reasonable start in a poultry shed, he would turn the birds out to be "herded" like sheep or cattle. The herdsman were teenage boys, hired for the summer job of turkey-herding. Each was armed with a long bamboo fishing pole, a red bandana tied on the tip. The boys would turn out the herd each morning and drive the birds out into

grasshopper-invested open country.

There was apparently a standard route which they followed, a big loop at a quiet pace that took all day. Any strays were encouraged back into the flock by the flags on the long cane poles. It apparently worked relatively well, because grasshoppers were in abundance, fattening the birds by the end of the summer.

That's a great example of an idea that would work one time, in a special circumstance, and maybe never again. Probably there were a lot of people who asked themselves "Why didn't I think of that?" Or, who thought it was a great idea when they heard of it later. It takes a special genius to see an idea and act on it, in time to make good. Dr. Hertzler was one of those people.

This recalled a similar story from the era of the "great buffalo hunts" in the 1870s. An entrepreneur in Tulsa saw that the animals were being slaughtered by the thousands for only the tongue or the hide. The rest was left to rot.

His idea was to take advantage of the situation. He bought several hundred young hogs in Tulsa, and hired a crew to herd them out onto the prairie. For all summer they followed the hunts, moving in behind the skinners to allow the herd to feed on the abundant repast scattered across the plains.

At the season's end they drove the now-fattened butcher pigs back to the stockyards to sell. Of course, either of these men could have lost his shirt. But they didn't.

See you down the road.

AUCTION

SATURDAY, JUNE 7 — 10:00 AM

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blades; Wagon jack; Wagon scoop board; Post vise; Windmill fins; Steel implement seats; Steel wheels; Wooden troughs; Steel bed frame; Pioneer Globe wood cook stove; 2 pedal grinders; Pitcher pump; Coaster wagons; Trunks; Crock jugs; Crock chicken water; Wooden doors; Hames & horse collars; Grain binder for parts; Cream cans; 1892 100# Eagle anvil; 150# anvil; 2 scale model grain wagons.

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2 wheel loading chute; (9) 10' & (1) 12' Stroberg panels; 3 Stroberg round bale feeders; (2) 16' & (1) 12' Stroberg feeder panels; Combination panels; Wooden squeeze chute; Several steel & wooden gates; Mineral feeders; 6' stock tank; electric fence posts; 35 new orange t-posts; 30 used t-posts; (80) 3/4" sucker rods; 40 sticks of 2" pipe; Misc. 3", 5" & 7" pipe; Silage fork; 12 volt fencer; Small loading chute; 1 full roll barb wire; Several partial rolls barb wire; Utility poles; 24'x25", 20'x18" & 24'x12" culverts; Bridge planks.

4-WHEELER, GARDEN & MISC.

Kawasaki Bayou 2x4 wheeler, 30 hrs; Push mower; DR walk behind, 5 1/2 hp string trimmer; 12 volt sprayer; 4x8 2 wheel trailer; Wheel barrow; 2 picnic tables.

TOOLS & MISC. FARM ITEMS

225 amp Lincoln welder; Du-racraft 5/8" drill press; Black & Decker cut off saw; Skill saw; Belt sander; Craftsman 1/2" socket set; 12 ton jack; Log chains; Wooden extension ladder; Craftsman tap & die; Bench top drill press; Cord of seasoned hedge wood; Misc. lumber; Red brick; Miter saw; 4" auger; 300 gallon fuel tank; 1300 bushel grain bin to be moved.

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PLANES: Stanley, (2) #1, #2; (4) #3; (2) #4 1/2; (2) #5, #5C, #5 1/2C; (3) #6; (2) #6C; (5) #7; (2) #8, #8C, #9 1/4; (2) #10; (2) #12, #13, #23; (2) #26, #28; (2) #29; (4) #32, #39-3/8, #39-3/4, #40, #42; (6) #45 2 with boxes, #46, #48, #50 with orig. box; (2) #55, #57 with one set of wings, #62, #65, #66; (3) #71; (2) #71 1/2, #75, #76; (3) #78, #79, #80, #80M, #82, #90, #92; (2) #95 one with orig. box, #100, #101, #102, #110; (3) #112, #113, #130, #135, #148, #180, #191, #193, #220, #239, #248; approx. 10-15 assorted plow planes; approx. 200 assorted molding planes; wood and metal rabbet planes; sash plane; Sun plane; H. Brittain pattern makers plane with 5 soles; machine set tongue and groove; Croze; stair plane; 7 1/2 ft. wood joiner plain; couch makers planes; many other planes not listed.

NOTE: Mr. Sheldon has decided it is time to sell his tool collection. Partial listing, many other tools. Auction held inside air conditioned building. CHECK WEBSITE FOR FULL LISTING AND PICTURES. Ottawa is right alongside I-35 with plenty of motels.

TERMS: Cash or check with positive ID. Refreshments by Happy Trails Chuckwagon.

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MISC. TOOLS: Set of Tinnars stake anvils with stand; Swage block; cutters for 45, 46, 55; 3 sets of cutters for plow planes; Fabian pinwheel log calipers; Cleveland Rule Co. log measure; large wood frame saw; 2 spoke tenoning machines; 2 boring machines; wooden routers; Stanley 12" CI level; 2 Stanley 36 CI levels; 6 spoke pointers; 6 travelers; barking spud; slicks; handmade felling ax; handmade hatchet from Holland, used to make wooden shoes; break down squares; 8 spoke cutters; wooden thread cutters; P.S. Askens wood and brass brace; Tillotson wood and brass brace; copper adze; hoop setters; drills; wood frame saws; 72 handmade bits; sev. draw knives; sev. squares; breast drills; Stanley mitre vise; assorted calipers; slicks; cradle scythe; 2 small grinding stones; saws; froes; broad axes; sev. assorted wood augers; sev. iron and wooden spoke shaves; scrapers; log saw; book press; lard press; ice saw; measuring tools; corner braces; asst. braces; framed ad for Barnes foot powered tools; commercial 4" Delta jointer; commercial Bell saw sharpener; tool book and magazines; lots of other misc. antique and collectible tools.

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EQUIPMENT
'99 #963 Bobcat, VIN: 562211756, has tracks and tooth bucket; 2005 #S300 Bobcat Vin: 525815076, new tires, 80" tooth bucket; 2006 S300 Bobcat VIN 53111906, 80" tooth bucket, 2 speed, tracks; 2004 416D CAT backhoe VIN 0BF00514, 2500 hours, extend-a-hoe, 4x4, heat, AC, 2' bucket; 2005 420D backhoe, VIN: CFDP18803, 1500 hr, Extend A Hoe, 4x4 heat/AC 18", 2' and 3' buckets, new pins.

TRUCKS & TRAILERS
'99 Ford 4 door F350, 2WD, auto, VIN: 1FTSW305XED 25085, new tires and brakes, used for transporting men and trailers; 2000 Ford F350 dually, 5 speed, VIN: 1FDWF3655 YEC27259, new transmission, clutch, U-joints, brakes and tires in 2007 equipped with 4 tool boxes, Makita G6100R generator Ser: 1011607, TD400 Stihl cutoff saw, removable lumbar rack, 2 levels, 2 ext cords, worm drive saw, hammer drill, 2 elec drills, used on job for setting forms, transporting lumber and equipment; 1999 Ford F700 5 speed, VIN: 1FDNF72J6VVA253812 gas engine, new clutch, brakes in 05, new tires in 07, equipped with 4 tool boxes, Makita G6100R Generator SER: 1015935, 1 Partner K950 cut off saw, 2 levels, 2 ext cords, 1 worm drive saw, 1 hammer drill, 2 elec drills, large lumber rack, hyd wench w/400' cable, used on job site for form setting; '97 Ford F350 four door, auto, VIN: 1FTJKW36GXVED 02785, 460 gas, new engine in 05, new u-joints, brakes, in 05, GN hitch used for transporting equipment and men; '97 Ford F350 4 door, 4x4 automatic, VIN 1FTJW36F4VED18245, 7.3 diesel, new transmission in 07, new front lockouts in 06, GN Hitch, new tires, in 07 new brakes and fuel pump in 06, new water pump in 05, used for transporting equipment and men; '79 Ford L9000 10 wheeler dump truck, VIN: U90LVEC 6247 15' dump bed, 400 Cummins, 13 speed, used for local

CONCRETE TOOLS
'99 M-K 14" walk behind concrete saw VIN 9916VG; 07 48" Whiteman power trowel, VIN: A10153514; '07 Whiteman 48" power trowel VIN DDL0123 058; 2005 36" Whiteman power trowel, VIN DG0120087; 2001 Whiteman 48" power trowel VIN TL15602; '99 48" Whiteman power trowel VIN: PF28113; 2001 48" Whiteman power trowel VIN TL15601; 2001 36" Whiteman power trowel, VINTL15628; MBW Vibra Plate VIN U5693; Multi Quip 3" water pump VIN 301TH14392; MBW Concrete Vibri Strike 12'; 2005 96" Bobcat 6 Way Dozer Blade VIN: 2244002497; Sanborn Commercial Air Compressor, VIN 2660639; Bobcat B850 Hydraulic Concrete Breaker; Leica Lazer Level VIN 46992; Coleman Powermate 5500 Generator; MBW 30" Concrete Power Screenshot; 3-TS400 Stihl Cut Off Saw.

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May 27 — Real Estate at Aurora for Doris Walker Estate. Auctioneers: Bob Thummel Auctions.

May 28 — Marshall Co. land at Blue Rapids for Tony & Rhonda Trimble. Auctioneers: Steve Murray Auctions.

May 28 — Nemaha Co. land at Corning for Donnie & Kenny Alexander. Auctioneers: Countrywide Realty & Auctions.

May 29 — Coffey Co. land at New Strawn for Eugene & Isabel Lang. Auctioneers: Joe Biggs & Associates Auctions.

May 30 — Tractor & farm machinery at Hesston for Wilbur Goertz. Auctioneers: Schmidt Auctions.

May 30 — Violins, bows, collectibles, coins, appliances, furniture, tools & misc. at McPherson for Don R. Becker. Auctioneers: Tripke K Auctions.

May 31 — Large collection of collectible dolls, doll furniture, doll clothes, doll houses (large doll auction) at Junction City for Mona Kessinger Estate. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

May 31 — Commercial building at Herington. Auctioneers: Bina Auctions.

May 31 — Household, antiques & vehicle at Abilene for Gordon "Pete" Schmutz. Auctioneers: Reynolds, Mugler & Geist.

May 31 — Collectible dolls, Barbie dolls, miscellaneous dolls, doll houses, toys, accessories & furniture at Junction City for Mona Kessinger Trust. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auctions.

May 31 — Farm sale, antique tractors, horse equipment, tools at Abilene for Mr. & Mrs. Gale Rufener. Auctioneers: Thompson & Shivers.

May 31 — Automobile, guns, ammo, appliances, furniture, collectibles, watches, coins, baseball trading cards at Sabetha for Lois Dandliker Estate, etal. Auctioneers: Hartter Auctions.

May 31 — Cars at Beloit for Lorn Gates Estate. Auctioneers: Bob Thummel Auctions.

May 31 — Carpentry class hosue at Abilene for USD 435. Auctioneers: Reynolds, Mugler & Geist.

May 31 — Furniture, appliances, glassware, boat & trailer, lawn tractor, trimmers, fishing rods & tackle, hand & garden tools at Baldwin for Leon Rockers Estate. Auctioneers: D&L Auctions.

May 31 — Tractor, mower, forklift, office equipment, assortment of auto new inventory, antiques, collectibles, shop tools & items at Topeka for KC Automotive. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.

May 31 — Furniture, appliances, antiques, collectibles, tools & misc. at Chapman for Larry & Judy Blixt. Auctioneers: Yocum Realty and Auction Service.

May 31 — Antique foot powered equip., misc. tools at Ottawa for Tom Sheldon

Tool Collection. Auctioneers: Buddy Griffin Auctions.

May 31 — Equipment, trucks, trailers, concrete tools at Oswego for Joe Spriggs, Jr. Auctioneers: Chesnutt & Chesnutt.

May 31 — Tools & equip., camping, hunting, guns, tractor & access., household & misc. at Berryton for Dan Norris. Auctioneers: Kooser Auctions.

May 31 — Car, pickup, mowers, pop-up camper, generator, household, antiques, collectibles, guns, toys & tools at Marysville for Charles Milner Estate. Auctioneers: Prell Auctions.

June 1 — Antique tractors, other equipment & vehicles at Washington for the Washington Swap Meet & Tractor Show. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott, Lee Holtmeier & Luke Bott.

June 1 — Collectibles, costume jewelry, linens, towels, dishes, fishing boat, yard & garden items, guns & misc. at Osage City for The Late Pearle Jernigan & Gary Jernigan-Evan & Dolores Beck. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.

June 1 — Furniture, glassware, appliances, vehicle, farm machinery, tools & misc. at Topeka for Nancy & Fred Kent. Auctioneers: Kooser Auctions.

June 2 — Real Estate, vehicle, mobility chair & personal property at Topeka for Jim & the late Bettyanne Wade. Auctioneers: Gannon Auctions.

June 2 — Tractors, trailers & equipment at Pratt. Auctioneers: Hamm Auction & Real Estate.

June 4 — Furniture, welders, trailer, fishing items, tools, household, antique trunks & misc. at Manhattan for Parsons Estate. Auctioneers: Gannon Real Estate & Auctions.

June 5 — Real Estate at Aurora for Larry Ouellette & Sheila Collins. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

June 6 — Real Estate at St. George for Jaymes Estate. Auctioneers: Vern Gannon Auctions.

June 6 & 7 — Vehicles, household items, furniture, collectible items, antique furniture, antiques, collectibles, primitives & glassware at Portis for Forrest "Frosty" Stanfield. Auctioneers: Wolters Auctions.

June 7 — 13th Annual Wilson Co. Wildflower Tour at Fredonia for Wilson Co. Conservation District & Conservation.

June 7 — Restaurant & bakery equipment at Washington for Schooky's Deli. Auctioneers: Uhlik Auctions.

June 7 — Household & collectibles at Barnes for the Estate of Betty Wesche. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott, Lee Holtmeier & Luke Bott.

June 7 — Quality glassware & antique & misc. household at Clay Center for George & Edythe Slade Estate. Auctioneers: Kretz, Hauserman, Bloom Auction Service.

June 7 — Farm sale, tractor & equipment, shop tools S. of Abilene for Felix Strauss. Auctioneers: Thompson & Shivers.

June 7 — Shop equip., antiques, collectibles, boats,

4-wheeler, cars, motor, truck, tractors & misc. at Holyrood for Kenneth Barta Estate. Auctioneers: Victor Brothers Auctions.

June 7 — Real estate, vehicles, farm items, tools, household & guns at Delia for Veradean Lewman. Auctioneers: Dan Harris.

June 7 — Tractors, machinery, shop equip. & antiques at Auburn for Frank & Ada Kelly. Auctioneers: Everett Hoobler & Dennis Rezac.

June 7 — Real estate, construction equipment, shop & misc. at Peabody for Grosse Construction Co., Sharon (Mrs. Jack) Grosse. Auctioneers: Leppke Auctions.

June 7 — Tractor, truck, machinery, horse drawn equip., farm collectibles, livestock equip., 4 whlr., garden tools & farm items at Windom for Wilmer & Hazel Ekholm. Auctioneers: Triple K Auctions.

June 7 — Car, appliances, furniture & household items at Salina for Genive Schuckman Estate. Auctioneers: Roger A. Johnson & Sons.

June 8 — Collectibles, guns & tools at Council Grove. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions.

June 8 — Pickup, trailer, mower, saddles, livestock equipment, hand tools, antiques, furniture & misc. at Perry for Verlin & Connie Green. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.

June 9 — Edwards Co. land at Lewis for Aaron & Denise Wheaton. Auctioneers: Carr Auctions & Real Estate.

June 10 — Real Estate at Manhattan for Farmers National Company.

June 10 — Chase Co. land at Cottonwood Falls for Carole A. States & the late Joe States. Auctioneers: Rick Griffin Auctions.

June 13 & 14 — Bedding, fabric, household, appliances, shop & garden, antiques, collectibles, antique furniture at Delphos for Mary Jo Haley Estate. Auctioneers: Bid-N-Buy Auctions.

June 14 — 7th annual consignment auction at Abilene for The Mid-America Pony & Miniature Ponies. Auctioneers: Don Chegwiddden & Charley Konig.

June 14 — Loader-backhoe, dump trucks, dozer, semi's, trailers, dirt working equip. & shop tools at Plainville for Plainville Trenching & Backhoe LLC. Auctioneers: Ashley's Auctions.

June 14 — Victorian furniture & glassware at Junction City for Mona Kessinger Estate. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

June 14 — Consignment auction at Washington. Auctioneers: Raymond Bott, Lee Holtmeier & Luke Bott.

June 14 — Real estate, livestock equip. & misc. at Leonardville for Anderson Farms. Auctioneers: Gannon Auctions.

June 14 — Antique furniture, antiques, glassware, silver & collectibles at Junction City for Mona Kessinger Trust. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auctions.

June 14 — Real Estate & personal property, farm equipment & dog equipment at Lyndon for Gerald (Cheese) & Judy Marten. Auctioneers: Beatty & Wischropp Auctions.

June 17 — Jackson Co. land at Holton for Jack & Karen Beightel. Auctioneers: Dan Harris.

June 21 — Lots of vintage clothing, primitives, book collection & misc. at Junction City for Mona Kessinger Estate. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auction Service, LLC.

June 21 — Vehicles, mower, furniture & misc. at Concordia for Marikay Hull Estate. Auctioneers: Larry Lagasse Auction & Real Estate.

June 21 — Miscellaneous, antiques at Abilene. Auctioneers: Thompson & Shivers.

June 21 — Antiques & collectibles, vintage clothing, military items, old newspapers at Junction City for Mona Kessinger Trust. Auctioneers: Brown Real Estate & Auctions.

June 21 — Farm equipment, boat, camper, tools, household & lots of misc. SE of Salina for Dale Billups. Auctioneers: Roger A. Johnson & Sons.

June 28 — Farm sale with tractor at Elmo for Don Guthals. Auctioneers: Thompson & Shivers.

July 15 — Pasture, wildlife habitat & cropland near Miltonvale for Wendell McConnell Estate. Auctioneers: Clay County Real Estate, Greg Kretz & Gail Hauserman, salesmen & auctioneers.

August 2 — Consignment auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auctions.

August 16 — Annual Hanover Firemans consignment auction at Hanover.

August 23 — Leather & tack shop items, antiques & collectibles, general household at Clay Center for Paul Williams. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service, LLC.

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September 1 — 13th annual Labor Day consignment auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auctions.

September 6 — Fall machinery auction at Clay Center. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service, LLC.

September 21 — Murray Ranches Production Horse Sale at Alma. Auctioneers: Steve Murray.

October 11 — Quarter Horse foal & riding horse sale at Alta Vista for Buchman's Double B Ranch. Auctioneers: Dennis Rezac with Allyn Thompson & Ron Shivers Auctions cooperating.

November 1 — Consignment auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auctions.

November 10 — JD farm equipment, livestock feeding equipment, trucks, trailers & misc. farm items at Clay Center for B&K Livestock Farms, Inc. Auctioneers: Gehling Auctions.

November 15 — Late fall machinery auction at Clay Center. Auctioneers: Mugler Auction Service, LLC.

January 1, 2009 — 24th annual New Year's Day consignment auction at Lyndon. Auctioneers: Harley Gerdes Auctions.

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do have some returns from the producer perspective," Porter said.

Porter also noted that he uses feed to help manage his grass, feeding a starter ration of half gluten feed, 20 percent hay and 30 percent corn.

Porter admits that because of the grass trap system and getting the calves off to a good start he's able to buy cheaper cattle from southeastern states.

Dale Kirkham with the Kansas Rural Center noted that the rules certainly have changed because of the price of corn. "We need to get more out of grass," he said. "It's on the shoulders of the owners and managers to get more out of it."

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