

GOODLAND'S MIGHTY CHANCE TO BECOME BEST TOWN WEST OF TOPEKA.

Opportunity for Business Interests in Territory Large as Five Eastern States.

Some cities, like some men, have one decisive chance to direct the tide of circumstances in their favor, and Goodland is one of them. We mean by this that she is confronted with the "Ingalls" kind of opportunity, that all and what she is to be depends upon how hard a blow the business and other interests of this city strike for its accomplishment.

Here Goodland is in the midst of a wonderful and fertile plain, far from any over-shadowing or ingulfing city influence. Denver lies 200 miles to the west and Topeka 350 miles to the east, and between these two cities there is not a place along the line in the northern half of Kansas that can rival Goodland in a well-planned and mighty march toward progress. North and south in the west half of Kansas, not one town can successfully challenge her in such a contest, and across the line in Colorado, Goodland can even divide honors in a contest with Denver for trade of eastern Colorado. So, in point of territory, Goodland has a wonderful opportunity for trade extension—a territory equal in extent to the combined areas of Connecticut, Delaware, New Jersey, Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

Again, not another town in this territory has so large and promising railroad center as Goodland. The train service in and out of here is exceptional—ten passenger trains in a day and almost as many freights. There is ample outlet, east and west, along the trunk line of the Rock Island for the building up of a comfortable wholesale business in groceries and other lines of merchandise. Upon the supposition that the Bucking-Dodge City branch of the Rock Island is continued to Goodland northwest—and there is no question about its being built sooner or later—it would open up an additional fertile field for traffic. With the Rock Island, this city is a freight distributing point that is, freight destined for small towns east and west of here, is shipped to this point in a "through car," sorted and reloaded for its final destination. If Goodland was a jobbing point for a wholesale grocery house, for instance, it would not be a natural parallel to what the Rock Island finds necessary in handling western freight. Goods would be shipped here in a "through car," sorted and reloaded for its final destination. If Goodland was a jobbing point for a wholesale grocery house, for instance, it would not be a natural parallel to what the Rock Island finds necessary in handling western freight. Goods would be shipped here in a "through car," sorted and reloaded for its final destination.

But some one says, the freight rate would put you out of business in comparison with what a Kansas City or Topeka house could get. Not at all. Goodland could not get a lower terminal rate, in fact, it has been whispered by a Rock Island official, that if some one would establish a wholesale grocery house here, terminal rates would be granted, which would give this city as cheap freight rate from Chicago, say, as Topeka, St. Louis, Wichita and Denver. The Goodland wholesaler buys goods as cheap and gets the same freight rate from Chicago as the other wholesale distributing points in the west, why, the problem is solved. And all this is not moonshine, but fact. Small manufacturers would spring up amid such a condition.

So, Goodland has the geographical position, the railroad facilities, the opportunity to get terminal freight rates. And more: She has the finest climate and purest water in the world—and these things invite population. Goodland can become a city of 5,000 population in three or four years upon the influence of the one great opportunity, and in ten years, maybe 10,000. Let Goodland have the formation of a live commercial club to lead our city out into broad avenues of larger business life, and her light will shine more and more in the galaxy of western cities.

Bids Will Be Received.
Bids will be received for the repairing of the school house in District No. 65. Repairs will consist of laying a new foundation, painting, plastering, etc. Also repairing old out-building and building a new one. All bids must be received within the next three weeks, and the school board will be in session to make further explanations and receive proposals on Wednesday, August 15, at 10 o'clock a. m. W. G. Clark, clerk, living on 15-4-29, D. F. SHERROD, Treasurer.

Farmers Desiring to Build
Header for sale or trade, cheap. Chase Warren.

Base Ball ATHLETIC PARK Saturday and Sunday August 4-5. Goldsmiths

(The Fast Semi-Professionals of Denver)

VS.
Goodland Athletics

Watches!

A Good Watch—One
To Be Relied Upon

Is a satisfaction and a necessity to every progressive up-to-date person. If you desire a good time-piece, please give me a chance to show you my stock and talk the matter over with you. Watches and jewelry repaired. All my work is guaranteed. Do you realize what a saving in expense this means to you?

Harry J. Rowe

Watch, Clock, and Jewelry
Repairing.
GOODLAND, KANSAS.

A WEATHER OBSERVATORY.

Calvert Has Turned Himself Into a Meteorological Diary.

One of the good things that the people of Sherman county will appreciate is the establishment of a meteorological station at Goodland by the United States weather bureau. The office is established for the purpose of obtaining accurately the amount of rainfall and the climatic conditions here, and reports every month to the Topeka office. Mr. Calvert made application to the government agents some time ago, and upon the 21st of July, the instruments arrived. They were immediately put to work, and the record has been made for the last five days in July. During these five days, the rain gauge shows a total precipitation of 1.14 inches, which is indeed satisfactory if Mr. Calvert can keep up his record for measuring rainfall. The mean maximum temperature was 83.6, mean minimum 56.8; mean, 73.2. The maximum occurred on the 31st. The thermometer registering at 94. The minimum temperature was registered on the 29th, ranging at 51.

Heretofore the precipitation in Goodland has been a matter of guesswork, some times perhaps, overestimating the amount of moisture and at other times underestimating it, but from this time on, the people will be able to hear correct reports from the Goodland weather bureau.

Mr. Calvert's assistant in handling the instruments and making the rainfall perfunctory reports is Curtis Calvert, who takes a good deal of pride in compiling this sort of record, and we hope he will not grow weary in well doing.

SAYS WHEAT CROP BEST YET.

Wallace County Man Talks to Kansas City Market Reporter.

A. E. Gladd of Stockholm, Kan., says the corn belt now extends to the Colorado line. Mr. Gladd resides in Wallace county, which is on the western line joining Colorado. "Until a few years ago Wallace was an exclusive cattle grazing county, but during the past few years farming has been introduced. 'Now we are raising a considerable amount of corn,' said Mr. Gladd. 'Each year a little more is planted, until corn is to be found all over the county. The corn this year has been doing well, and promises to make a good crop. Alfalfa has also been introduced, and does well there. This year the acreage is larger than usual. Our wheat average is year after year the best we have raised. We have also begun to raise hogs. At first we raised just enough for our own use, but gradually we have expanded until we are raising more to sell now. With the increase in the amount of corn raised, the hogs have multiplied. Land values are going up. The best farms are selling at \$15 an acre.'

LOCAL NOTICES.

For fire insurance see B. F. Brown. See C. J. Shimeall for rates on fire insurance.

Wanted—Two clerks, ladies' preferred. C. M. Millsack, Goodland, Kan. Money to loan on time to suit you. C. M. Millsack.

Bower & Son sell Drop-Head Singer Sewing Machines for \$35.

The Farmers National Bank cashes all kinds of checks and drafts.

Money loaned on land and chattels, favorable terms. C. M. Millsack.

Exchange on drafts half month order rate at Farmers National bank.

Thos. P. Leonard has that quarter of land for sale you want to buy. See him.

Buy lots from A. B. Montgomery, 235, clear title. Address 206 Temple Court, Denver, Colo.

For Sale—Household and kitchen furniture, second-hand, will sell very cheap in bulk. C. M. Millsack.

Wanted—At once, a girl to do cooking and general housework. Apply to E. H. Ambrose, Goodland, Kan.

L. E. Simpson manufacturers and sells cement stone machines. Just the thing for farmers to do their own building.

Correct abstracts of title furnished at once to all lands in Sherman county. Call on or write Thos. P. Leonard, Goodland, Kan.

Wanted—Three rooms furnished for light housekeeping by dispatcher in Rock Island office. Call on or address this office.

Will pay 12 cents per pound for good butter. Shipping butter 13 cents per pound. Eggs, not held, 15 cents per dozen. Dawson & Dawson.

Shooting Gallery Changes Hands.

C. C. Jones, proprietor of the shooting gallery between the C. & N. and the Williams confectionery store sold out this week to Tom Dooley and S. M. Webster, carpenters.

At the carpenter business, a little slow at this time, the deal was made for the shooting gallery, and Mr. Jones, accompanied by his little brother, Archie, left this week for Abingdon, Ill., from which town they came a few months ago. Mr. Jones is a young man about 23 years of age, and is too good a western hustler to spend his time among what we generally call the slow people of Illinois. He may return after a while, to become a permanent resident of Sherman county.

The B. A. Ball.

Those who reckoned the dance last Thursday evening, given by the B. A. association, report a very pleasant time. While as yet there are only seven members of this association, the name of which is kept shrouded in mystery except to its membership, they proved their ability to show the lovers of the Terpsichorean art what a young girl might call a "lovely" evening. Music was furnished by the Goodland orchestra, and refreshments were served on the stage at midnight.

Strayed.

From my premises, 4 1/2 miles northwest of Goodland, a black mare ten years old. Information of her whereabouts desired. W. H. Stone.

For Sale.

Building where bowling alley was; size 18x36, worth \$1,000, offered for sale at \$300 on easy terms. C. M. Millsack.

White's Green House.

Special sale in the next ten days of all kinds of potted and flowering plants, to make room for a new stock. I am going to Omaha to buy a new and varied assortment. Call and select what plants you want. W. L. White.

Want a Suit of Clothes.

I am agent for the Chicago Tailoring company and carry a full line of the samples. Suits from \$10 up. Joe Kolaney.

Residence for Sale.

Will sell at very reasonable price, my residence property in Goodland, on West Tenth street. For particulars Address W. Stephens, 2067 East Thirty-fifth street, Kansas City, Mo.

PICNIC IN THE FEASTER GROVE.

Crescent District Sunday School Holds Interesting Out Door Services.

"To him, who in the love of nature holds communion with her visible forms, she speaks a various language."

—Thanasopais.

"The groves were God's first temples, ere man learned to hew the shaft, and lay the architrave."

And spread the roof upon them—ere he framed the lofty vault, to gather and roll back the sound of anthems; in the darkening wood, amid the cool and silence, he knelt down and thanked the Mightiest solemn thanks.

And supplication."

—Christ Hymns.

Everyone loves at times to get in closest touch with the great outdoors, the loving bosom of Mother Earth.

The country folk and the town folk feel the same impulse. So it is that "a touch of nature makes the world akin."

The large gathering of 150 people or more, from near and far, in the Feaster grove, eight miles west and north of Goodland last Sunday, proved the truthfulness of this sentiment.

In the past few years farming has been introduced. "Now we are raising a considerable amount of corn," said Mr. Gladd. "Each year a little more is planted, until corn is to be found all over the county. The corn this year has been doing well, and promises to make a good crop. Alfalfa has also been introduced, and does well there. This year the acreage is larger than usual. Our wheat average is year after year the best we have raised. We have also begun to raise hogs. At first we raised just enough for our own use, but gradually we have expanded until we are raising more to sell now. With the increase in the amount of corn raised, the hogs have multiplied. Land values are going up. The best farms are selling at \$15 an acre."

Here the Sunday school of the Crescent school district, assisted by the Ruler people, assembled at about 10:30 Sunday morning. There was an organ, a flower decorated parlor stand for a desk, a piece of carpet on some boards, and an armed lounge as rostrum appointments, with plank seats for the audience, and, withal, the refreshing shade of the maple grove. The service was held in making thisylvan temple a becoming, waving, inviting place of rest. On arrival, there was heard the voice of song and prayer.

D. A. Long of Ruleton presided and called the members of the program, consisting of vocal and instrumental music, recitations by the members of the Sunday school, and a lecture by Rev. R. M. Johnson from a chart, picturing the three realms and the path to life.

D. B. Dinwiddie also made a brief address on Sunday school methods, old and new.

After the exercises tables were spread with an ample and appetizing repast from the country housewife's abundant larder, and all were welcome to a good meal, with and without price, free as the bounty of gospel grace. The old, the young, the infirm, the day-laborer, and the satisfied, with the bounty of grace consecrated by prayer and thanksgiving, and "baskets full of fragments" were fed.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the audience again assembled. There was song with organ accompaniment by the Ruler people, and a recitation of the Lord's prayer by Parson Stewart.

Parson Stewart made a brief talk, with pictures from the trees and short passages from the scriptures for texts. The theme was "The Infirmary of the World."

Rev. T. T. Johnson of Baker university, made a fine address on "The Infirmary of the World."

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PARSON STEWART WITHDRAWS

WILL NOT BE CANDIDATE FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

Unfriendly of Certain Element in Democratic Party the Cause of His Resignation.

Tuesday morning J. H. Stewart, the democratic candidate for representative, tendered his resignation to W. S. Coleman, chairman of the county central committee, and also signed up the necessary blank, declining the nomination, with Wilson Peters, county clerk.

The reasons are obvious, and all interested probably know what they are. To state plainly, it is the unfriendly attitude of a certain element recently manifested toward him in matters more important than those of election to the legislature. It is matters paramount that they are not friendly, in matters of less importance, they could not be expected to give support to a candidate. It would be too much to expect.

The "Parson" is a consistent and straightforward democrat in principle, and will support loyally, with pen and tongue, the principles and nominees of the party. He has been a wheel-horse of the democratic chariot for years, and the people know how often by counsel, advice and advocacy of the cause he has assisted in pulling the heavy load of victory. New comers may not know these things, but the old guard do.

REMARKABLE RUNAWAY.

Team of C. A. Brannon Went Through Several Wire Fences.

Perhaps the most remarkable runaway of recent occurrence was that which took place Sunday evening last from the place of C. A. Brannon on the line between Sherman and Wallace counties, where a team of horses, driven by the buggy after returning home from town at dark, with a team of drivers, were running for the purpose of one of the animals moved a step, then sprang forward, and in a jiffy the team was gone like a flash of lightning.

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KANSAS MARKET REPORT.

Supply Is Small, Owing to Decline in Last Week's Prices.

Stock Yards, Kansas City, July 31. Naturally the decline of 15 to 20 cents of beef steers last week cut down the receipts this week, but Chicago was an exception yesterday, 31,900 cattle being centered there. The market would have ruled steady here but for this weakening influence, as the supply as several thousand below recent Mondays at this point; sales ranged from steady to 10 cents lower.

The run today is small for Tuesday, at 11,000 head, but the market has a weak tone, a few choice heifers selling stronger. An extra large percentage of the receipts just now are killing kinds, and of these the big percentage is good weight steers, both grass and grain, while the hot term weather does not call for extra large numbers of cattle that will make the heavier cuts. The lighter weight and make from the strictly range country, except from the quarantine districts, are still lacking, although their advent in considerable numbers is expected each week. The supply of stockers and feeders is small, and the quality undesirable. Top beef steers yesterday sold at \$5.8