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City Wants To Add To Convention Center

Editorial
By Jon A. Brake

At Tuesday night's Manhattan City Commission Meeting the Convention and Visitors Bureau gave a report to the Commission that recommends adding to the Manhattan Convention Center on 4th Street in Downtown Manhattan.

As reported in the Free Press the City of Manhattan does not own the Convention Center. They decided the property over to the Hilton Garden Inn Holding Company several years ago.

Hilton Garden Inn or the Holding pays \$100,000 a year for 20-years.

The City built the Center in 2009 - 10 for a little more than \$10 million. Without owning the property, the City is still making payments of \$700,000 per year and will until 2034.

Here is what a Memo from February 11, 2014 said:

"On January 19, 2010, the City Commission approved Ordinance No. 6810 issuing general obligation home rule economic development bonds in an amount of \$9.5 million in budgeted construction costs, not including additional interest costs and costs of issuance. (Note: Final bond issuance was in the amount of \$10,055,000.)"

The Memo went on to say: "In addition, the agreement with HCW Development included an annual repayment of \$100,000 which also would be used to reduce the annual payment of principal and interest once the conference center general obligation bonds had been issued."

A Memo given to the City Commission members Tuesday night reported:



"The City, CVB, and HCW Development recently hired Tony Peterman, Executive Vice President, of Jones Lang LaSalle (JLL) | Hotels & Hos-

pitality Group to evaluate the potential to expand the Manhattan Conference Center. Question to the City:

What is going on at the City?

They build a \$10 million Conference Center and then give it away. They build the Kansas Entrepreneurial Center and then finance the sale to the Univer-

sity (see story below. They want the voters to approve two Recreation Centers costing millions and millions on USD 383 land. And remember they paid

\$20 million for the land and buildings in the North Downtown Redevelopment Area and then gave that land to the Developer.

Kansas State University wants to purchase the KSU-IC building

(Editor's Note: Kansas State University wants to purchase the Cities Entrepreneurial Center for \$5.645 million. Here is a Memo given to the City Commission at Tuesday's meeting:)

CITY COMMISSION
AGENDA MEMO
FROM: Jason Hilgers,

Deputy City Manager
MEETING: October 17, 2017
SUBJECT: KSU-IC Building - Agreements with K-State PRESENTERS: Jason Hilgers, Deputy City Manager
Kent Glasscock, President, KSU-IC

BACKGROUND

In September 2004, the City Commission approved an investment from the Economic Development Fund to construct a new 30,000 sq. ft. business/technology incubator facility to be located in the K-State Research Park, on land the

City leased from Kansas State University (the "KSU Land Lease"). In December 2004, the City executed an Economic Development Agreement (the "Operation Agreement") with the National Institute for Strategic Technology Acquisition and Commercialization (NISTAC) to serve as the manager and op-

erator of the incubator facility, known as the Manhattan/K-State Innovation Center. This arrangement was consistent with a previous model whereby NISTAC operated the City-owned Kansas Entrepreneurial Center (KEC) facility on Hayes Drive.

The City issued a total of

\$5,562,281 in bonds for construction and architectural services and fees. An additional \$82,719 in cost of issuance resulted in a total bond amount of \$5,645,000.

NISTAC has assigned its in-

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Kansas governor's race draws record field

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — Kansas has a record number of candidates for the early stages of a 2018 governor's race with even high school students joining the elected officials and prominent business figures voters would normally expect.

Eighteen candidates — 11 Republicans, six Democrats and an independent — have appointed treasurers or committees for a campaign next year, a requirement to raise money. More could be coming: The Libertarian Party is expected to have a nominee, and another independent candidate may get into the race.

The current number tops the previous record of 16 on the primary and general election ballots in 1964. Republican Gov. Sam Brownback is term-limited but is expected to step down this fall anyway to become U.S. ambassador-at-large for international religious freedom.

"There are people who see this as a very wide open race," said Patrick Miller, a University of Kansas assistant political science professor. "There's not a lot of cost, so why not stick your name out there, see how you are perceived by voters and how you do with fundraising?"

No women are running yet,

though Miller said he doesn't see a clear reason, other than "just an accident of individual decisions."

Candidates can raise money and campaign for months before submitting papers for a guaranteed spot on the ballot. The filing deadline for the Democratic and Republican primaries is June 1, and other candidates must file by Aug. 6.

The fee for governor-lieutenant governor teams is \$2,207 but it drops to \$670 if candidates gather signatures from 5,000 registered voters. Independent candidates must gather the signatures.

"That's when we know who's serious," said Kansas Republican Party Chairman Kelly Arnold, who nevertheless expects five or six "good options" for GOP voters.

The field includes four high school students, when one would be unusual. Jack Bergeson, a Wichita Democrat, was first in, and stories about him this summer highlighted the lack of a minimum age to run for governor in Kansas. Three Republican teenagers later formed committees: Tyler Ruzich, of Prairie Village; Ethan Randleas, of Wichita; and Dominic Scavuzzo, of Leawood.

Since Kansas started holding primaries in 1908, the governor's race has averaged seven candidates total on primary and general election ballots. The number exceeded 10 in 1994, 1964 and 1922. Both major parties saw their biggest primary fields in 1964: eight Republicans and six Democrats, though Democrats also had six in 1934.

Republicans are split now over Brownback's policies, particularly aggressive individual income tax cuts that were rolled back by bipartisan legislative majorities earlier this year following persistent budget problems.

Brownback's expected departure this fall will automatically elevate Lt. Gov. Jeff Colyer to governor, and he is seeking a full, four-year term in 2018. But Bob Beatty, a Washburn University political scientist, said Brownback is unpopular enough that having an heir apparent isn't enough to discourage other Republicans.

The Republicans include Secretary of State Kris Kobach; Insurance Commissioner Ken Selzer; Wink Hartman, a Wi-

chita oil company owner; former state Rep. Mark Hutton, of Wichita; former state Sen. Jim Barnett, a Topeka doctor, and the party's 2006 nominee for governor; Former state Rep. Ed O'Malley, CEO of the nonprofit Kansas Leadership Center in Wichita; and Patrick Cucera, a Leawood businessman and evangelist.

Democratic candidates include Kansas House Minority Leader Jim Ward, of Wichita; former state Agriculture Secretary Joshua Svaty, of Ellsworth, ex-Wichita Mayor Carl Brewer and Arden Andersen, an Olathe physician. Robert Klingenberg, a 27-year-old Salina salesman, entered the race last week.

"There's a high level of interest in politics, of getting involved, on both sides," said Kansas Senate Minority Leader Anthony Hensley, a Topeka Democrat.

A Topeka-area minister, Richard Kloos, is running as an independent. And Olathe businessman Greg Orman, an independent candidate for the U.S. Senate in 2014, is considering an independent run for governor.



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City Commission Meets To Spend Money

(Editor's Note: Remember, if it is on the Manhattan City Commission Agenda, the decision has already been made.)

AGENDA MANHATTAN CITY COMMISSION MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2017 7:00 P.M.

The City Commission Meeting will be televised live on local Cox Cable Channel 3 and also on the City's website at .

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

A. October 19, 2017, . Conflict Resolution Day. (Sharon Seidler, Program Coordinator, Riley-Geary Mediation, Conflict Resolution, and Terrie McCants, Clinical Associate Professor-Family Studies and Human Service, Kansas State University, will be present to receive the proclamation.)

B. October 26, 2017, Manhattan Town Center 30th Anniversary Celebration.. (Brad Simonsson, General Manager, and Jeffrey Sutton, Marketing Manager, Manhattan Town Center, will be present to receive the proclamation.)

C. October 28, 2017, C. Clyde Run Fun Run/Walk and Midge's Mile Family Fun (C. Clyde Jones will be present to receive the proclamation.)

D. October 2017, Community Planning Month. (Eric Cattell, Director, and Chad Bunger, Assistant Director for Planning, City of Manhattan Community Development Department, will be present to receive the proclamation.)

COMMISSIONER

COMMENTS

This meeting is being held in the City Commission Room at City Hall, 1101 Poyntz Avenue. In accordance with provisions of the ADA, every attempt will be made to accommodate the needs of persons with disabilities. Please contact the Human Resources Department (587-2443) for assistance.

CONSENT AGENDA

[Items on the Consent Agenda are those of a routine and housekeeping nature or those items which have previously been reviewed by the City Commission. A Commissioner may request an item be moved to the end of the General Agenda.]

A. Approve the minutes of the Regular City Commission Meeting held Tuesday, October 3, 2017.

B. Approve Claims Register No. 2862 authorizing and approving the payment of claims from September 27, 2017, - October 10, 2017, in the amount of **\$3,275,196.66**.

C. Approve Cereal Malt Beverages On-Premises License an annual for Happy Valley LLC, 2307 Tuttle Creek Boulevard.

D. Approve Ordinance No. 7319 amending Sections 32-172 through 32-178 of the Code of Ordinances updating the Grease Management Permit Program, effective January 1, 2018.

E. Approve Ordinance No. 7320 vacating a portion of the public utility easements on Tract A, Menzie Subdivision.

F. General Obligation Bonds,, Series 2017-D:

1. Approve Resolution No. 101717-A setting November

21, 2017, as the date to sell **\$10,170,000.00** in general obligation bonds; and

2. Approve first reading of an ordinance issuing **\$10,170,000.00** in general obligation bonds.

G. Approve Resolution No. 101717-B re-affirming expanded investment powers for the City of Manhattan based on final approval from the Pooled Money Investment Board.

H. Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Agreement for Professional Engineering Services, in an amount not to exceed **\$108,378.00**, with BG Consultants, Inc., of Manhattan, Kansas, for the US 24/Kimball Avenue Geometric Improvements Grant Project (ST1716).

I. Fort Riley Detention Pond Analysis Project (SM1713):

1. Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement for professional services, in an amount not to exceed **\$86,035.00**, with AMEC-Foster Wheeler, of Topeka, Kansas; and

2. Authorize City Administration to finalize and the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an appropriate agreement or action with Riley County for the project.

J. Award and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a construction contract in the amount of **\$559,255.00** to VanNahmen Construction, Inc., of Manhattan, Kansas, for the 2017 Concrete Street Maintenance, Phase II, project (ST1714).

K. Messenger Road Waterline Extension Project (WA1702):

1. Accept the Engineer's Opinion of Probable Cost in

the amount of **\$36,707.00**; and

2. Award and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a construction contract in the amount of **\$32,758.00** with Larson Construction, Inc., Manhattan, Kansas, for the project.

L. Jardine Trail Lighting Improvements Project between College Avenue and Hartford Road (SW1704, CIP #CU040P):

1. Accept the Engineer's Opinion of Probable Cost in the amount of **\$150,000.00** (**\$125,000.00** for the Base Bid; **\$25,000.00** for the Alternate); and

2. Award and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a construction contract in the amount of **\$124,243.00** (**\$89,928.00** for the Base Bid; **\$34,315.00** for the Alternate) to Heineken Electric Company, Inc., of Beloit, Kansas, for the project.

M. Accept the Safe Routes to School, Phase IIB, (ST1802) and the Juliette Avenue Brick Street Rehabilitation, Phase III (Osage Street to Poyntz Avenue) (ST1801) Transportation Alternative Grants from the Kansas Department of Transportation.

N. Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an outside city limits water service connection agreement with Rodney W. Jager and Janice E. Jager, for the property located at 3605 Rocky Ford Avenue, Riley County, Kansas.

O. Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute agreements with Well Landing, LLC, an outside city limits for the outside city limits sanitary sewer service connections for the properties located at 1412 Penrose Place and 1413 Penrose Place, Riley County, Kansas.

P. Approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement with Whoville, Inc., for the holiday lighting and special events regarding "The Festival of Lights" at Blue Earth Plaza.

Q. Approve the following re-appointments by Mayor Morse to various boards and committees of the City.

1. Brent Chamberlain to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee;

2. Joseph Edmunds to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee;

3. Seth Scobee to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee; and

4. Stan Hoerman to the Douglas Center Advisory Board,

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C. CONSIDER FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES LEVYING BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT SERVICES FEES FOR 2018 BUSINESSES LOCATED WITHIN THE AGGIEVILLE AND DOWNTOWN BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS [Aggieville and Downtown Business Improvement District Advisory Boards recommend approval]

D. CONSIDER FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-146 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO LANDING FEES AT THE MANHATTAN REGIONAL AIRPORT

[Airport Advisory Board recommends approval]

GENERAL AGENDA

A. KSU-IC BUILDING - AGREEMENTS WITH K-S STATE

B. MANHATTAN CONFERENCE CENTER POTENTIAL EXPANSION ANALYSIS AND MANHATTAN CONVENTION AND VISITOR'S BUREAU

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Faculty: University of Kansas student hacked into computers

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — A recent cybersecurity breach has a University of Kansas faculty group concerned that the breach could lead to other attacks, not just at the university, but across higher education.

Aerospace engineering professor Ron Barrett-Gonzalez said the hack was carried out by an apparently disgruntled engineering student during the 2016-17 academic year. The details of the hack were shared publicly at a School of Engineering Senate meeting last week, the Lawrence Journal-World reported .

The student in question had allegedly used a keystroke logger to gain faculty members' login information and passwords and changed his failing grades to As.

"It's egregious to me that the administration is hiding this. Those things are being sold like hotcakes on the web," Barrett-Gonzalez said.

Keystroke loggers are sometimes made to look like USB drives, and are often used by cybercriminals to steal personal information from public computers and keyboards.

University officials confirmed that a security breach had taken place but that the attack "was minimal and caught quickly."

Barrett-Gonzalez said he was told the student had since been disciplined and expelled, but he's worried about the greater implications of the hack.

"The big concern among the faculty is that our bank ac-

counts may be drained," he said. "If you steal 15 people's IDs, all of a sudden 20 bucks turns into 200. This is more dangerous than I think people have let on."

Suzanne Shontz, an associate professor of electrical engineering and computer science, said faculty was given some advice on guarding against such attacks in the future.

"It doesn't hurt to check and make sure that you don't see one of these keystroke loggers inserted before you log in," Shontz said.

The university's American Association of University Professors chapter has urged administrators to seek legal punishment for the student responsible.

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Voter Fraud Pile Up as Liberals Look the Other Way

By Jason Snead
The Daily Signal

The Heritage Foundation added another round of cases this week to its ever-growing Voter Fraud Database.

Accounting for these new additions, the database now documents 1,088 proven instances of election fraud, including 949 cases that have resulted in criminal convictions, 48 that have ended in civil penalties, and 75 that have seen defendants enter diversion programs.

Americans should be alarmed, not only because Heritage has compiled so many examples of fraud—impacting nearly every state and elections for all levels of government—but because this figure is likely just the tip of the iceberg.

The Heritage database is not a comprehensive tally of election fraud. That figure would almost certainly be substantially larger.

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Most states, after all, lack the robust procedures needed to detect fraud when it occurs. Even when fraud is detected, prose-

cutors often opt not to pursue cases because their priorities lie elsewhere.

Put simply, American elections are vulnerable and fraudsters know it. Not content to leave their ideological causes or their own careers up to the unpredictable will of voters, many fraudsters choose to act on this knowledge.

Here are two examples from the 2016 election, added in this week's update:

1. Gladys Coego

Gladys Coego was a temporary worker in the Miami-Dade County Elections Department during the November election. She had been hired to open mail-in ballots, but she decided to go a step further: She deliberately altered these ballots to steer more votes toward Republican mayoral candidate Raquel Regalado.

Fortunately, Coego's fraud did not alter the outcome of the election. She pleaded guilty to tampering with ballots and was sentenced to two years of house arrest.

2. Toni Lee Newbill

Toni Lee Newbill, a resident of Colorado, cast two ballots in the name of her deceased father, one in the 2013 general election

and another in the 2016 Republican primary. She pleaded guilty and was given 18 months of probation and ordered to complete 30 hours of community service, as well as pay a \$500 fine.

Consider the consequences of the actions of these two individuals. Newbill used her late father's name to double her influence as a voter, and in the process she canceled out the lawful vote of someone else. Coego took advantage of her position to literally replace the opinions of voters with her own.

Both Coego and Newbill effectively disenfranchised their fellow voters in pursuit of their own aims.

Now, these cases join more than 1,000 others in the Heritage database, which documents all manner of fraud from vote-buying conspiracies to corrupt politicians rigging elections, to illegal voting by aliens and felons.

These cases constitute incontrovertible evidence of election fraud—which is perhaps why the Heritage database has found itself in the crosshairs of the left. After years of insisting that fraud is a myth perpetrated by

vote suppressors, inconvenient contrary evidence is the last thing some want to see.

Last month, the Brennan Center for Justice released a report purporting to explain away virtually every case of fraud in the database. But the Brennan Center appears to have confused obfuscation with analysis.

Any reasonable and fair-minded reader would have difficulty concluding that its mischaracterizations and inaccuracies regarding the Heritage database were anything less than a deliberate attempt to mislead the public on the issue.

What is it that anti-election integrity activists fear?

Voter identification laws have been shown time and again not to suppress voter turnout. In fact, minority voter turnout has been shown to actually improve in many states after they adopt a voter ID law.

Claims that such laws discriminate and disenfranchise voters have been similarly debunked. Justice Department attorneys challenging voter ID laws in Texas and North Carolina could locate nobody who was unable to vote on account of these laws.

one—like Newbill, for example—can vote in the name of deceased individuals, or vote twice in multiple states.

One recent report concluded with “high confidence” that 45,000 duplicate votes were cast in the 2016 election.

Somehow, innocuous measures like these seem to inflame liberal activists. In New Hampshire, for example, efforts to require voters to demonstrate they had established a domicile in the state when registering to vote prompted outrage. The New Hampshire Democratic Party accused supporters of instituting a “literacy test.”

At least one Democrat did endorse the measure, however: Secretary of State Bill Gardner, who noted that citizens deserve an electoral process they can trust. Kudos to him.

DA who dropped Weinstein case rethinking campaign donations

NEW YORK (AP) — A furor over the Manhattan district attorney's decision to shut down a groping investigation of Harvey Weinstein two years ago is putting a spotlight on the DA's practice of taking campaign contributions from defense attorneys.

Cyrus R. Vance Jr. insists he doesn't let money influence his decisions, and his representatives say all donations are vetted for potential conflicts of interest, and some are refused. Moreover, accepting contributions from the defense bar is common among many prosecutors in New York state and beyond.

But the practice troubles many good-government watchdogs because of the doubts it can sow about the fairness of the criminal justice system, as the Weinstein case demonstrated.

Vance's campaign records show the two-term Democrat has taken money from lawyers who regularly face off against his staff in court, from white-shoe firms to scrappy criminal defense attorneys with less-notable clients.

Vance's donor list includes his former private-practice law partner, Elkan Abramowitz, who was hired by Weinstein in 2015 to successfully fend off an allegation that the Hollywood studio boss molested a 22-year-old Italian model during a business meeting. Abramowitz has contributed nearly \$26,000 to Vance, most of it before he was hired by Weinstein, who has denied any non-consensual sexual contact with any women.

After a barrage of sexual harassment and assault allegations led to Weinstein's downfall earlier this month, the National Or-

ganization for Women held a protest outside Vance's office over his refusal to prosecute, and the disclosure about the campaign contributions only compounded the anger.

Vance said the prosecutors in his sex-crimes unit determined they couldn't prove the woman's allegations, even though police had recorded Weinstein apologizing after she accused him of grabbing her breast.

On Sunday, the DA announced that he has temporarily stopped accepting donations and asked an outside ethics group, the Center for the Advancement of Public Integrity, to review how his campaign handles contributions and potential conflicts.

“I've never allowed someone's wealth, power, race, or campaign contributions to influence my decisions,” he wrote in the Daily News. “Over the past few days, I've learned that it's not enough for me to have confidence in my independence from donors. The people of New York deserve to be confident about it as well.”

Susan Lerner, executive of the good government group Common Cause, said as long as private money funds elections for local prosecutors, there will be suspicions about the criminal justice system.

“The problem is systemic,” she said. “It's not at all limited to DA Cy Vance.”

Most of New York state's 62 district attorneys also accept campaign contributions from defense lawyers.

There are plenty of legitimate reasons a defense attorney might donate to a prosecutor. A civic-minded lawyer might want to help elect a district at-

torney who is interested in reducing the prison population, cracking down on police brutality or reducing prosecutions for marijuana possession. Lawyers are often among the top donors to political candidates of all stripes.

Vance has raised more than \$6 million since he started running for Manhattan district attorney in 2008. He is now running unopposed for a third term.

A review by The Associated Press of the nearly 300 top donors found several instances of potential conflicts.

Between 2008 and April 2016, Vance accepted \$23,688 from the Manhattan law firm Clayman and Rosenberg and its two founding partners during a period when the firm's attorneys represented defendants being prosecuted by the district attorney. During one prosecution, against an executive charged in a 2014 payday lending case, the law firm and its partners gave \$4,000 to Vance's campaign while the case was active, including \$2,000 the month before their client pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor.

In a statement, the law firm denied it made contributions in the hopes of favorable treatment.

Vance's campaign has taken \$4,600 from the law firm led by Benjamin Brafman, the defense lawyer who represented Dominique Strauss-Kahn in 2011 when the former head of the International Monetary Fund was charged with sexually assaulting a hotel housekeeper. All of those donations came after Vance decided to drop the case because of questions about the

accuser's credibility.

The head of a private investigation firm that assisted in Strauss-Kahn's defense has also given \$10,000 to Vance over the years.

Representatives for Vance's campaign and the district attorney's office say potentially problematic contributions are supposed to be flagged by a senior prosecutor who reviews every dollar donated, while a few volunteer lawyers for the campaign do the same.

Since 2008, that vetting led to the return of 19 donations, for a total of \$128,498, with an additional 12 donations worth at least \$6,000 refused outright, Vance's staff said.

Those refunds include an \$18,291 donation that the campaign accepted in 2012 from Eugene Remm, owner of a nightclub that was scrutinized by the district attorney's office in 2010 when the teenage daughter of the U.S. ambassador to Thailand died in a 22-story fall from a Manhattan apartment building after a night of drinking. No charges were ever brought against the club or its employees.

Vance also recently returned a \$32,000 campaign contribution from a lawyer who represented the Trump Organization in a fraud investigation that the district attorney ultimately decided to close in 2012 for lack of evidence. The lawyer, Marc Kasowitz, gave the money five months after Vance closed the case.

Kasowitz and Vance said the donation had nothing to do with the decision to close the investigation, but Vance returned the money after being questioned about it by journalists.

Hot Dog Roast

At the Beecher Bible and Rifle Church

The congregation of The Beecher Bible and Rifle Church in Wabaunsee, Kansas, invites the public to a Hot Dog Roast on Saturday, October 21, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

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Latest study shows charter students outperform public school students

By David Dorsey
Kansas Policy Institute

The Stanford University-based Center for Research on Education Outcomes (CREDO) just published the results of a comprehensive study comparing New York City charter school students to traditional public school (TPS) students in the Big Apple. The researchers found “an average New York City charter student demonstrates growth equivalent to completing 23 additional days of learning in reading and 63 additional days in math each year” – based on a 180-day school year. (Those differences are statistically significant to the 99% confidence level.) They add, “notable growth occurs among Hispanic and Black charter students in poverty.”

To ensure an apples-to-apples comparison, the researchers controlled for several characteristics when comparing student groups. Characteristics included prior academic achievement, race/ethnicity, special education status, lunch program participation, English proficiency, grade level, and retention in grade. By using this comparative approach, CREDO mitigated the (false) assertion that charter schools do better because they cherry-pick.

It needs to be understood that charter schools are a considerable player in New York City public education. Of the 1.1

million students in the 1,700 public schools that comprise the NYC public school system, currently 227 charter schools serve a population of 114,000. Over three-fourths of the charter students are low-income, more than 90% are minority and the rate of special education students is nearly identical to the system as a whole. What’s more, 47,800 students are on waiting lists to get in. (By law, New York uses a lottery system for enrollment in a charter school.) To put that waiting list number in perspective, it’s about equivalent to the number of students who attend the largest district in Kansas – Wichita USD 259.

After analyzing student-to-student and school-to-school comparisons, CREDO concludes: “Overall, the positive trends found in this study indicate that charter schools in New York City are providing superior long-term prospects for their students.”

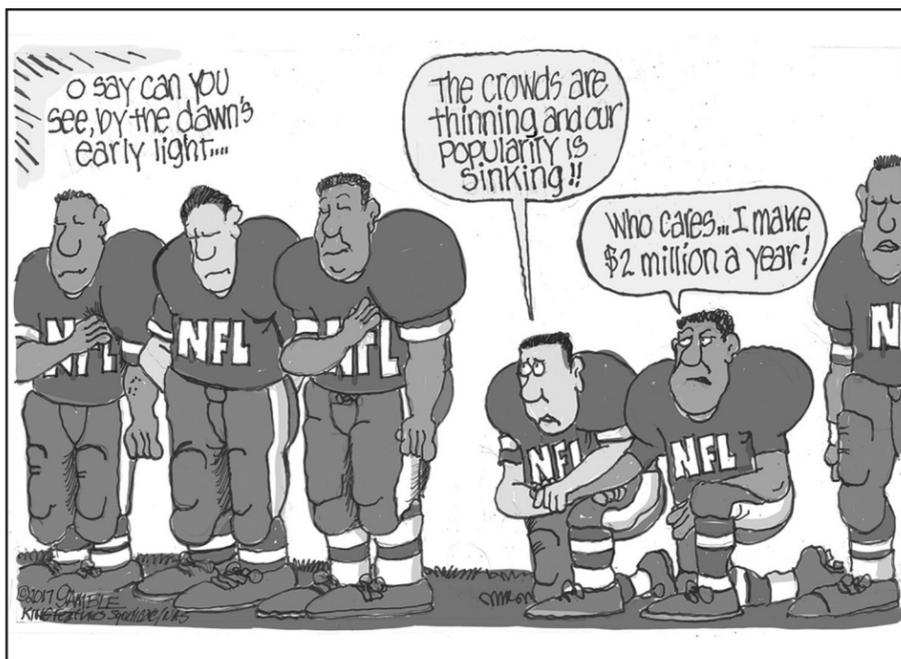
Although this study makes no reference to per-pupil spending, it’s imperative to note that NYC charter schools spend much less than their TPS counterparts. Exact numbers differ, depending on who does the comparing, but it’s safe to say that charter schools get about \$5,000 less per pupil than a TPS. And it is reported that the discrepancy will get larger over the coming years. What makes

the CREDO findings even more powerful is that this study comes on the heels of one released earlier this year by the Manhattan Institute that shows public charter school students outperform the 98 NYC public schools that do use selectivity measures to allow students to attend. (More details are available here)

The timing of the CREDO results is serendipitous because they are concurrent with the Kansas Supreme Court’s finding that the state’s new education finance law is unconstitutional. A major piece of that decision is rooted in what the justices call a “finding of fact” that more money leads to better student outcomes. That “fact” was accepted through nothing more than testimony from those who had a financial interest the Court ordering more money to the system.

The CREDO study, along with the one released by the Manhattan Institute provides further scientific, contradictory evidence that it’s not the amount of money that makes a difference in student outcomes. It’s how the money is spent that matters, making the Court’s “finding of fact” nothing more than a “finding of what-I-want.”

Now, if the Kansas Supreme Court could only understand that, maybe, just maybe, we would see an end to the education/litigation merry-go-round.



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A short-term health deal by senators — with Trump’s blessing

WASHINGTON (AP)— Republican and Democratic senators joined in announcing a plan Tuesday aimed at stabilizing America’s health insurance markets in the wake of President Donald Trump’s order to terminate “Obamacare” subsidies. Trump himself spoke approvingly of the deal, but some conservatives denounced it as an insurance company bailout, making its future uncertain.

The agreement followed weeks of negotiations between Republican Sen. Lamar Alexander of Tennessee and Democratic Sen. Patty Murray of Washington that sought to address health insurance markets that have been in limbo following GOP failures to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act. The talks took on added urgency when Trump announced last week that he would end monthly “cost sharing reduction” payments the government makes to help insurance companies reduce costs for lower-income people.

Without that money, premiums for some people buying individual health plans would spike, and some insurers would flee the markets, industry officials warn.

The Alexander-Murray deal would continue the insurer payments for two years, while establishing new flexibility for states under former President Barack Obama’s law.

President Donald Trump is expressing support for an agreement struck by two leading lawmakers to extend federal payments to health insurers. (Oct. 17)

“This would allow the Senate to continue its debate about the long term of health care, but

over the next two years I think Americans won’t have to worry about the possibility of being able to buy insurance in counties where they live,” Alexander said in announcing the deal after a closed-door lunch where he presented it to GOP senators.

“This agreement avoids chaos. I don’t know a Republican or Democrat who benefits from chaos,” he said.

Alexander said the president had encouraged his efforts in phone calls over the past two weeks. And at the White House, Trump responded positively, expressing optimism that Republicans would ultimately succeed in repealing Obamacare, but until then: “For one year, two years, we’re going to have a very good solution.”

Trump’s position may seem contradictory in that he himself ordered an end to the payments, calling them a bailout, but is now encouraging legislation to reinstitute them. Indeed White House officials had said they would want more in exchange than the additional state flexibility offered in the Alexander-Murray agreement.

Just minutes before Alexander announced the deal, White House legislative director Marc Short emerged from the Senate GOP lunch saying that “a starting point” in exchange for restoring the cost-sharing payments “is eliminating the individual mandate and employer mandate” — the central pillars of Obamacare.

That suggested some disagreement within the administration on the issue. If so, it does not bode well for ultimate passage of Alexander-Murray, since the president’s full support will be crucial in persuading Republicans to get on

board.

Initially as president, Trump continued making the payments though resisting, but he declared last week he would pull the plug. The payments, which cost around \$7 billion this year, lower expenses like co-payments and deductibles for more than 6 million people. But discontinuing them would actually cost the government more money under Obamacare’s complicated structure, because some people facing higher premiums would end up getting bigger tax subsidies to help pay for them.

The Alexander-Murray deal does include a host of provisions allowing states faster and easier access to waivers that would allow them to shape their own marketplace plans under Obamacare. It also would provide for a new low-cost catastrophic coverage insurance option for all consumers.

Reaction from the GOP was decidedly mixed. For many conservatives it’s practically unthinkable to sign off on federal payments that would arguably prop up a law they’ve been vowing for seven years to destroy.

Rep. Mark Walker of North Carolina, chairman of the conservative Republican Study Committee in the House, quickly denounced the deal over Twitter: “The GOP should focus on repealing & replacing Obamacare, not trying to save it. This bailout is unacceptable.”

Freedom Caucus Chairman Rep. Mark Meadows, who’s been at work on a proposal of his own, was slightly more positive, calling the Alexander-Murray bill “a good start” but saying much more work needed

to be done.

GOP leaders in the House and Senate have also been cool to the Alexander-Murray negotiations, the more so since after their failures on Obamacare they are eager to turn their full attention to tax overhaul legislation. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell was noncommittal, telling reporters: “We haven’t had a chance to think about the way forward yet.”

Alexander said he and allies including Sen. Mike Rounds, R-S.D., would spend the next several days trying to build up support with the goal of formally introducing legislation later this week. If the legislation does pass, it would almost certainly be as part of a larger package including must-pass spending or disaster relief bills and that might not be until the end of the year.

Murray lauded the effort, saying, “When Republicans and Democrats take the time ... we can truly get things done” for the American people.

Even more than other aspects of the law, the cost-sharing payments have been in dispute ever since the Affordable Care Act became law. House Republicans sued in 2014 to block the payments, arguing they were illegal because Congress, which has power over government spending under the Constitution, had never specifically authorized them. The Obama administration tried unsuccessfully to get the GOP lawsuit dismissed, but the Republicans won favorable rulings from lower-court judges, putting the payments in legal jeopardy even before Trump won the White House.

liberated the city of Raqqa from Islamic State militants, a senior commander said, adding clearing operations were underway to remove land mines left behind and search for the extremist group’s sleeper cells. (Oct. 17)

The infamous square was the site of public beheadings and other killings by the militants. Bodies and severed heads would be displayed there for days, mounted on posts and labeled with their alleged crimes, according to residents who later dubbed it “Hell Square.”

Crumbled and flattened buildings stood behind the fighters as they drove around the square, a sign of the massive destruction the city has suffered since the militants took over. It was in Naim Square that the extremists paraded tanks and military hardware in 2014 in a chilling show of force that was a sign of things to come.

SDF commanders later visited Raqqa’s sports stadium, which IS had turned into a notorious prison. Dozens of militants who refused to surrender made their last stand earlier Tuesday holed up inside.

“Immortal martyrs!” chanted the men and women in SDF uniforms, saluting their comrades who died battling for the city. According to the coalition, about 1,100 SDF forces have been killed fighting IS in Raqqa and Deir el-Zour.

“Military operations in Raqqa have ceased and we are now combing the city for sleeper cells and cleaning it from land mines,” Brig. Gen. Talal Sillo told the AP earlier in the day.

A formal declaration that Raqqa has fallen would be made soon, once troops finish their clearing operations, Sillo said.

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US-backed forces celebrate fall of IS ‘capital’

BEIRUT (AP) — U.S.-backed Syrian forces celebrated in the devastated streets of Raqqa on Tuesday after gaining control of the northern city that once was the heart of the Islamic State’s self-styled caliphate, dealing a major defeat to the extremist group that has seen its territory shrink ever smaller since summer.

Militants took over the vibrant metropolis on the Euphrates River in 2014, transforming it into the epicenter of their brutal rule, where opponents were beheaded and

terror plots hatched.

It took thousands of bombs dropped by the U.S.-led coalition and more than four months of grueling house-to-house battles for the Syrian Democratic Forces to recapture Raqqa, marking a new chapter in the fight against the group whose once vast territory has been reduced to a handful of towns in Syria and Iraq.

“Liberating Raqqa is a triumph for humanity, especially women,” who suffered the most under IS, said Ilham Ahmed, a senior member of the SDF po-

litical wing.

“It is a salvation for the will to live an honorable life. It is a defeat to the forces of darkness,” said Ahmed, speaking to The Associated Press from Ein Issa, just north of Raqqa.

Fighters from the SDF cele-

brated by chanting and honking their horns as they spun doughnuts with their Humvees and armored personnel carriers, and hoisting yellow SDF flags around Naim, or Paradise Square.

U.S.-backed Syrian forces

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K-State Hosts Ninth-Ranked Oklahoma Saturday on FOX

KSU Sports Information

Kansas State looks to shake off a 26-6 loss to No. 6 TCU on Saturday as the Wildcats continue Big 12 Conference play at home against the ninth-ranked Oklahoma Sooners. Saturday's game at Bill Snyder Family Stadium, which kicks at 3 p.m., will be shown nationally on FOX with Gus Johnson (play-by-play), Joel Klatt (analyst) and Jenny Taft (sideline) on the call. The game can also be heard across the 40-station K-State Sports Network with Wyatt Thompson (play-by-play), former K-State quarterback Stan Weber (analyst) and Matt Walters (sidelines) calling the action. Coverage will also be available on Touchdown Radio, SiriusXM channel 81 in addition to the TuneIn app. Live stats are available at kstatesports.com, while Twitter updates (@kstate_gameday, @KStateFB) will all be a part of the coverage.

A LOOK AT K-STATE

Guided by Hall of Famer Bill Snyder, who is in his 26th year at the helm, the Wildcats are looking to defeat a top-10 team at home for the first time since 2006.

K-State's defense continues to put in solid work as the Wildcats head into the weekend with the league's No. 2 unit in scoring defense and No. 3-ranked total defense.

K-State held its first four opponents to under 21 points for the sixth time under Snyder, joining the 1994, 1996, 1998, 2000 and 2002 teams.

K-State also enters the OU game ranked 15th nationally in turnover margin (+6), 39th in scoring defense (21.0 points per game) and 45th in total defense (362.5).

The Wildcats are led by linebacker Trent Tanking, who is seventh in the Big 12 with 50 tackles, while defensive tackle Will Geary has a team-best 6.5 tackles for loss and three sacks, both ranked seventh in the Big 12.

Kendall Adams has been a ballhawk this year with two interceptions – including a pick-



Alex Delton (5) goes to his right, is it a run or pass? (Photo by Ben Brake)

six – and a fumble-return touchdown this season. Adams also ranks third on the team with 40 tackles.

Cornerbacks D.J. Reed and Duke Shelley are tied for sixth in the Big 12 with six passes defended. Reed has 25 career passes defending in just his second season.

Senior Jesse Ertz enters this week ranked second in the nation in yards per completion (16.91) and seventh in yards per attempt (9.30), but it was Alex Delton who earned his first-career start against TCU.

Ertz also leads the team with 336 rushing yards and has 1,399 in his career to rank third in school history in career rushing yards by quarterbacks.

Six different Wildcats have scored on the ground this year, while four different receivers have carded a touchdown catch, led by Dalton Schoen's three.

Schoen, who had 128 yards and touchdowns of 82 and 12 yards at Texas, leads the Wildcats with 286 yards through the air.

A LOOK AT THE SERIES

Oklahoma leads the all-time series, 74-19-4, including an 11-5 edge in the series since Big 12 play began in 1996.

K-State is 2-3 against Oklahoma in the last five meetings, with both of those wins coming in Norman as the Wildcats have

not defeated the Sooners in Manhattan since 1996.

This will be the seventh-straight season K-State will face a ranked Oklahoma team and the third when the Sooners are ranked in the top 10. K-State is 2-4 against OU during that stretch with a win over the sixth-ranked Sooners in 2012 and another over No. 11 OU in 2014.

OKIE CATS

Kansas State boasts seven players on its current roster from the state of Oklahoma, include two that have earned starts in the defensive backfield in Cre Moore (Broken Arrow) and AJ Parker (Bartlesville).

Additionally, running back Justin Silmon, who is closing in on 1,000 career rushing yards, is a former walk-on from Tulsa (Union HS).

CONFERENCE CALL

Saturday's matchup features a pair of the best programs since the Big 12 was formed in 1996 as K-State and Oklahoma are two of only three teams to notch at least 100 league wins.

Oklahoma tops the list with 131 Big 12 wins over the last 22 years, while the Wildcats are third with 106.

Additionally, K-State ranks third in the conference in winning percentage since the start of 2011 at .649 (37-20), trailing

only Oklahoma (.789; 45-12) and Oklahoma State (.702; 40-17).

During that stretch, the Wildcats are 21-8 (.724) at home in Big 12 play.

THE HALL OF FAMER

The architect of the "greatest turnaround in the history of college football," Bill Snyder was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 2015.

Snyder is just the fourth person in the history of college football to be inducted as an active coach.

Snyder has compiled an amazing 205-108-1 (.656) record in 26 seasons at K-State as he is one of just six coaches to reach the 200-win mark and coach at only one school.

Holding 166 more victories than any other coach in K-State history, Snyder ranks first in the FBS in wins among coaches at their current schools and second in total wins among active coaches.

Additionally, Snyder has 119 conference wins to stand as one of four coaches with 100 Big 8/12 victories (Tom Osborne [153], Bob Stoops [121], Barry Switzer [100]).

TURNOVER TURN-AROUND

A year after finishing minus-3 in the turnover battle, K-State tied for fourth in the na-

tion with a plus-13 turnover margin in 2016.

It was the Wildcats' best national finish in turnover margin since ranking third in 2012, while it marked an 84-spot jump from a tie for 88th the year prior.

K-State enters this week tied for 15th nationally in turnover margin at plus-6.

The Wildcats have gained 11 turnovers – six fumbles and five interceptions – while only committing five.

DRAWING FIRST BLOOD

Since 1990, K-State is 163-32 (.836) when scoring first.

K-State finished the 2016 season with a 5-2 mark when scoring first and is 18-4 in that department over the last four seasons.

Under Bill Snyder, K-State is 150-25 (.857) when scoring first, including a 3-1 mark this season.

QUICK OUT OF THE GATE

Kansas State started games on the right side of the scoreboard in 2016, outscoring opponents 95-54 in the opening 15 minutes.

That mark improved to 248-137 through the first half and 336-184 after three quarters.

Through six games in 2017, K-State has outscored opponents 123-67 in the first half, including a 82-30 margin in the second quarter alone.

LEADING AT THE HALF

K-State earned an 8-1 record in 2016 when taking a lead into halftime with its only blemish being a loss at West Virginia.

Under Bill Snyder, the Wildcats are 175-10 (.948) when leading at halftime, including a 56-3 (.950) mark in Snyder's second tenure, which began in 2009.

The Wildcats are 3-0 this season when leading at halftime and are riding a nine-game winning streak when leading at the break.

FILLING THE BILL

Attendance at K-State games has been at an all-time high over the last five years as K-State has recorded 37-straight sellouts.

K-State finished second in the nation in percentage of capacity filled in 2013, 2014 and 2015, and fourth in 2016 at 103.84-percent (more on page 45).

Twenty-two of the largest 25 crowds in stadium history have come since 2013.

CATS TOPS IN NON-OFFENSIVE TDs

K-State is the nation's best in non-offensive touchdowns over the last 19 seasons as it has 109 since 1999, including D.J. Reed's punt return score in the season opener and two by Kendall Adams against Charlotte via a 30-yard interception return and a 46-yard fumble return.

K-State's two defensive touchdowns currently rank 17th in the nation.

Since 1990, the Wildcats are 60-17 when scoring on special teams and 20-1 when scoring on special teams and defense, including an 18-0 mark under Bill Snyder.

The Cats have had at least five non-offensive touchdowns in five of the last six years and in 16 of the 18 seasons since 1999.

NON-OFFENSIVE TD RECORDS

Under head coach Bill Snyder, K-State is 72-21 (.774) when scoring a non-offensive touchdown, while the Cats are 53-14 (.789) since 1999 in that department.

Since Snyder returned to the sideline in 2009, K-State is 28-7 (.800) in this same category.

OFFENSIVE NOTES GROUND ATTACK

K-State leaned heavily on its running game throughout 2016, particularly during the second half of the year.

The Cats broke the school record in yards per carry (5.27) and ranked third in rushing yards per game (231.8).

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TCU handles K-State, weather delays in 26-6 victory



Kansas State's Quarterback Alex Delton (now without the ball) and Kansas State had a bad day with the TCU defense.

Photos by Jon A. Brake



Kyle Ball (44) brings down the runner.



The K-State Defense could not keep TCU out of the end zone.



K-State's Jayd Kirby ends a tackle with a head stand.



The Kansas State Girls Track Team were at the game as the Big 12 Champions.

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K-State's Wide Receiver Byron Pringle (9) goes up to get a pass from Quarterback Alex Delton. See K-State - TCU game story on page 16.



Wildcat Quarterback Alex Delton gets the ball off under pressure.



The TCU receiver has the ball but K-States Eli Walker (7) hits it away.



Wildcat Trey Dishon (99) can not be "held" back from making the tackle.



AJ Parker (12) and D.J. Reed (2) make the play on the runner.

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Montgomery, Iowa State throttle Kansas 45-0

AMES, Iowa (AP) — The challenge for Iowa State after stunning Oklahoma on the road was to see if it could handle success.

Kansas made sure the Cyclones didn't have to face much adversity on a soaking wet Saturday in Ames.

David Montgomery ran for a career-high three touchdowns and Iowa State throttled Kansas 45-0 for its second straight win.

Trevar Ryan added a 68-yard punt return for a score for the Cyclones (4-2, 2-1 Big 12), who held the Jayhawks to a season-low 106 yards — Iowa State's least yards allowed since 1963 — and shut out a Big 12 opponent for just the fourth time.

"They've been through a lot here. They're not into every-

body patting them on the back," said Iowa State coach Matt Campbell, whose team went 3-9 last season. "All they're into is working and they've done a really good job in setting the tone."

Montgomery turned an interception into a 4-yard TD run to open the scoring, and Ryan's return gave Iowa State a 14-0 lead.

A bad snap on a punt by Kansas (1-5, 0-3) led to Montgomery's 1-yard TD plunge that pushed the Cyclones ahead 24-0, and Marchie Murdock's 8-yard TD reception to end the third quarter made it 38-0.

Kansas, which entered play averaging 26.5 points in two Big 12 games, put forth one of the worst offensive perform-

ances in school history.

The Jayhawks punted 13 times, were just 2 of 17 on third down and didn't cross into Iowa State territory until midway through the fourth quarter.

Taylor Martin had 53 yards rushing for Kansas, which was without leading rusher Khalil Herbert (hamstring).

"We had too many errors in special teams...we've got to be able to play complementary football," Kansas coach David Beaty said.

THE TAKEAWAY

Iowa State: The Cyclones are just two wins from bowl eligibility at the season's midway point, a result nearly every Iowa State fan would've taken in August. It's not as though Iowa

State played its best game of the season either. The Cyclones simply took advantage of an inept opponent, something that a lot of Iowa State teams in recent memory might not have been able to do.

Kansas: The Jayhawks started with more turnovers (two) than plays from scrimmage (one) after they muffed a punt and threw a pick — and things actually got worse from there. Kansas, which gained just 40 yards on 30 plays in the first half, looked like a team destined to finish winless in the Big 12. "They controlled the line of scrimmage," Beaty said.

POLL IMPLICATIONS

Iowa State earned five points in last week's poll. Could the

Cyclones crack the Top 25 this week? Probably not — but they're getting closer.

LANNING WATCH

Iowa State senior two-way player Joel Lanning finished with a team-high 10 tackles, including 2.5 for a loss. He also ran the ball eight times for 34 yards.

KEY NUMBERS

Kansas started Peyton Bender at quarterback and he finished 8 of 19 passing for 18 yards. Carter Stanley was 3 of 7 for 26 yards in garbage time. ...Moos's punts traveled a staggering 495 yards. ...Montgomery rushed for 68 yards and Kyle Kempt went 13 of 20 for 122 yards with a touchdown for

Iowa State. ...Iowa State's Sheldon Croney picked up his first rushing TD, a 10-yarder, to close the scoring. ...Kansas is allowing 55.3 points per game in the Big 12, while the Cyclones have let up just 16 in league games.

HE SAID IT

"They're hard to come by," Lanning said about the shutout. "We were clicking on all cylinders on defense."

UP NEXT

Iowa State plays at Texas Tech next Saturday.

Kansas will face TCU on the road next week. The Jayhawks have lost 46 consecutive games played outside of Lawrence.

K-State looks toward last season for turnaround inspiration

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — Kansas State coach Bill Snyder doesn't have to flip back the pages in the media guide very far to find inspiration for turning around a season that has gone sideways.

In fact, one page should do it.

The Wildcats were muddling along at 3-3 last year after a disheartening loss to Oklahoma, and a season that began with high expectations had no direction. But they responded with close wins over Texas and Iowa State, kicking off a 6-1 finish that included a Texas Bowl victory over Texas A&M.

Now, the Wildcats again find themselves at 3-3 after an equally disheartening loss to TCU, and only a similar turnaround against the meat of the Big 12 schedule might save the season.

"I think we have the capacity to finish the season well," Snyder said Saturday night, after leaving a morose locker room following a 26-6 home loss to the Horned Frogs — an out-



K-State Coach Bill Snyder (Photo by Ben Brake)

come made even worse by the fact that the Wildcats had to endure nearly 4 hours' worth of weather delays.

"I think they'll be competitive. I think they'll have heart. I don't think they'll give up."

They sure didn't last season. Kansas State has a reputation for getting better as the season progresses, a big reason why Snyder is considered one of the best coaches in the country. And they showed it last season by

beating up on Baylor, Kansas and TCU down the stretch, then holding off the Aggies in their bowl game.

"It's something you point to that says you can do it. But it's not where we want to be," linebacker Trent Tanking said. "We know we have to play hard and play our butts off to be where we want to be."

The road to another nine-win season is a lot more difficult this time.

It begins with the ninth-ranked Sooners, fresh off their Red River Rivalry victory over Texas, heading to Manhattan on Saturday. The Wildcats have lost three of the last four meetings with Oklahoma, getting outscored by a combined 93-17 over the last two seasons.

Then, after playing the Jayhawks, the Wildcats must head to high-scoring Texas Tech. They return home to face No. 23 West Virginia, play No. 10 Oklahoma State on the road, then finish with Iowa State, a team that knocked off the Soon-

ers in Norman before throttling Kansas last Saturday.

Throw out the Jayhawks and those opponents are a combined 22-8 this season.

"Just got to look for some answers on film and get ready for next week," running back Alex Barnes said. "We're all frustrated."

Perhaps nobody more so than Snyder, who turned 78 last month.

Snyder returned the bulk of his starters from last season's successful team, including quarterback Jesse Ertz, and let slip throughout the offseason that he thought the Wildcats had a chance to compete for the top of the Big 12. And it was that belief that in part drove Snyder through treatments for throat cancer and inspired him to get back on the field in time for training camp.

Ertz has been hobbled by more injuries, though, and young backup Alex Delton looked lost against the Horned Frogs last weekend. Throw in

the inability to run the ball — crucial for the Wildcats' ground-based attack — and the offensive-minded Snyder has reason to be disappointed.

He was quick to place the blame on his own shoulders, though.

"There are some things that I need to get straightened out," he said. "They wanted to win. They gave a good effort. There are just some things that are not taking place. That falls in my lap."

In truth, it falls on the lap of everyone in the locker room, just as it did last season. And together they managed to straighten things out, just as they hope to this season.

"We just have to come in on Monday and work hard," defensive tackle Will Geary said. "Like Coach Snyder said, 'I'm going to do my best to get you guys ready next week, but I am going to need you to buy in, go along with it and give me your all.'"

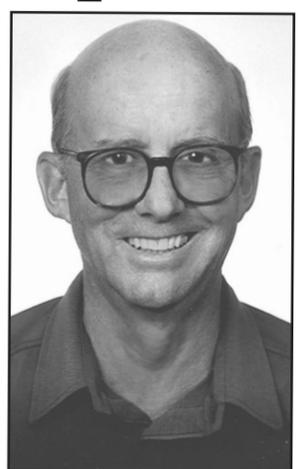
Sports Potpourri by Mac Stevenson

The Kansas City Chiefs put the finishing touches on what was a forgettable weekend for football fans in the state of Kansas, losing 19-13 to the Pittsburgh Steelers. KC has played a number of great games under the coaching of Andy Reid, but last Sunday wasn't one of them.

Pittsburgh dominated KC at the line of scrimmage on offense and defense; it's a wonder the score wasn't much worse than it was. But that's the way it goes in the NFL, when teams don't play their best football, they walk off the field losers.

KC will have to quickly forget the Pittsburgh game and focus on their Thursday night game at Oakland (CBS TV). The Chiefs had many shortcomings last Sunday, but the worst of all was the inept tackling by the defense.

Kansas City will be, at worst, tied for first in the AFC West going into the Thursday night game. KC has played well



By Mac Stevenson

against Oakland recently and the guess here is that the Chiefs will be ready to go Thursday.

From here on, the main thing for KC is being able to avoid any more serious injuries; that can decimate a team in a hurry.

Delusions of grandeur vanished as quickly as a late

evening sunset for Kansas State's football team following the 26-6 loss to unbeaten Texas Christian.

Dreams of a high national ranking and Big 12 championship are gone, but the realistic possibility of another bowl game remains. Kansas State has a 3-3 record and the Wildcats need six wins to qualify for a bowl game.

Before the TCU game, Coach Bill Snyder said, "At the outset of the season I think our players had a little bit of a misperception about how good they were. There was probably too much outside influence in regards to a playoff team, a conference championship team. We have to go back to what our premise is . . . it's that 1-0 concept . . . it's about today; let's do all we can do today. Let's be better today than we were yesterday." That says it all.

K-State plays Oklahoma this Saturday (Oct. 21) at Snyder Family Stadium and the Soon-

ers will be heavy favorites. Next up will be Kansas in Lawrence (Oct. 28) and that will be the fourth victory for the Wildcats.

After the KU game, K-State will likely have a 4-4 record with four remaining regular season games: a road trip to Texas Tech (Nov. 4), a home game against West Virginia (Nov. 11), a road game at Stillwater against Oklahoma State (Nov. 18), and the final regular season game with Iowa State at Snyder Family Stadium (Nov. 25).

The best chances for the two needed wins are the home games with West Virginia and Iowa State; however, all of the last four games will be challenging.

How much success K-State has in the second half of the season will depend greatly on whether or not QB Jesse Ertz can fully recover from his knee injury. Backup Alex Delton had a very rough game against

TCU, but the blame wasn't his alone.

At the halfway point of the season, the play of the offensive line hasn't measured up to expectations; the OL's run blocking and pass protection has been substandard.

The Wildcats' defense has shown improvement and hasn't been the main issue in K-State's disappointing season; it's the widely acclaimed offense that has been ineffective.

Misery loves company. Missouri's move to the SEC and Nebraska's switch to the Big Ten hasn't helped their football recruiting. MU is 1-5 and lost to Georgia (53-28) last Saturday and Nebraska is 3-4 and lost (56-14) to Ohio State in Lincoln. So sad!

Kansas basketball fans don't have long to wait until their favorite time of the academic year will be here. It promises to be a special season for the Jay-

hawks. Coach Bill Self and his 15th team at KU have many high goals for the season, but none would have a more far-reaching and lasting effect than becoming the first team in NCAA history to win 14 consecutive conference championships.

Kansas is currently tied with UCLA as the only teams to have won 13 straight league titles; if KU makes it 14 in a row this season, it will be a long, long time or never, before that record is broken. The national media will be focused on the Big 12 race as never before because of the possibility of this improbable and incredible feat becoming a reality.

It won't take long to find out where the 2017-18 Kansas team stands nationally; the Jayhawks play Kentucky in the Champions Classic on November 14 at the United Center in Chicago. What a great way to start the season.



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Big 12 Standings

School	Big 12	Overall
TCU	3 - 0	6 - 0 1.000
Oklahoma	2 - 1	5 - 1 .833
Okla State	2 - 1	5 - 1 .833
Iowa State	2 - 1	4 - 2 .667
West Virginia	2 - 1	4 - 2 .667
Texas	2 - 1	3 - 3 .500
Texas Tech	1 - 2	4 - 2 .667
Kansas State	1 - 2	3 - 3 .500
Kansas	0 - 3	1 - 5 .167
Baylor	0 - 3	0 - 6 .000

Kansas State Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/ TV
Sat, Sept 2	vs Cent Arkansas	KSU 55 - 19
Sat, Sept 9	vs Charlotte	KSU 55 - 7
Sat, Sept 16	@ Vanderbilt	KSU 7 - 14
Sat, Sept 30	vs Baylor	KSU 33 - 20
Sat, Oct 7	@ Texas	KSU 34 - 40 2OT
Sat, Oct 14	vs TCU	KSU 6 - 26
Sat, Oct 21	vs Oklahoma	TBD
Sat, Oct 28	@ Kansas	TBD
Sat, Nov 4	@ Texas Tech	TBD
Sat, Nov 11	vs West Virginia	TBD
Sat, Nov 18	@ Oklahoma State	TBD
Sat, Nov 25	vs Iowa State	TBD

Kansas Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/ TV
Sat, Sept 2	vs SE Missouri St	KU 38 - 16
Sat, Sept 9	vs Cent Michigan	KU 27 - 45
Sat, Sept 16	@ Ohio	KU 30 - 42
Sat, Sept 23	vs West Virginia	KU 34 - 56
Sat, Oct 7	vs Texas Tech	KU 19 - 65
Sat, Oct 14	@ Iowa State	KU 0 - 45
Sat, Oct 21	@ TCU	TBD
Sat, Oct 28	vs Kansas State	TBD
Sat, Nov 4	vs Baylor	TBD
Sat, Nov 11	@ Texas	6:00 PM L Network
Sat, Nov 18	vs Oklahoma	TBD
Sat, Nov 25	@ Oklahoma State	TBD

Big 12 Schedule

Date	Away Team	Home Team	Location	Time (CT)	Media
* Sat, Oct 21	Iowa State	Texas Tech	Lubbock, Texas	TBA	
* Sat, Oct 21	Oklahoma State	Texas	Austin, Texas	TBA	
* Sat, Oct 21	West Virginia	Baylor	Waco, Texas	TBA	
* Sat, Oct 21	Kansas	TCU	Fort Worth, Texas	TBA	
* Sat, Oct 21	Oklahoma	Kansas State	Manhattan, Kan.	TBA	
* Sat, Oct 28	Kansas State	Kansas	Lawrence, Kan.	TBA	
* Sat, Oct 28	Oklahoma State	West Virginia	Morgantown, W. Vir.	TBA	
* Sat, Oct 28	TCU	Iowa State	Ames, Iowa	TBA	
* Sat, Oct 28	Texas	Baylor	Waco, Texas	TBA	
* Sat, Oct 28	Texas Tech	Oklahoma	Norman, Okla.	TBA	
* Sat, Nov 04	Iowa State	West Virginia	Morgantown, W. Vir.	TBA	
* Sat, Nov 04	Kansas State	Texas Tech	Lubbock, Texas	TBA	
* Sat, Nov 04	Texas	TCU	Fort Worth, Texas	TBA	
* Sat, Nov 04	Baylor	Kansas	Lawrence, Kan.	TBA	
* Sat, Nov 04	Oklahoma	Oklahoma State	Stillwater, Okla.	TBA	FOX or FS1

Manhattan High School

Date	Opponent	Result
9/1	@ Shawnee Heights	MHS 18 - 21
9/8	Washburn Rural	MHS 31 - 7
9/15	Highland Park	MHS 55 - 0
9/22	@ Topeka	MHS 21 - 14
9/29	Seaman	MHS 21 - 12
10/6	Junction City	MHS 42 - 12
10/13	@ Emporia	MHS 38 - 7
10/20	@ Blue Valley Northwest	
	Location: Blue Valley Northwest High School	7:00p

Junction City High School

Date	Opponent	Result
9/1	Emporia	JC 12 - 17
9/8	@ Topeka	JC 28 - 42
9/15	@ West	JC 60 - 21
9/22	Washburn Rural	JC 35 - 21
9/29	@ Highland Park	JC 61 - 12
10/6	@ Manhattan	JC 12 - 42
10/13	@ Varsity Opponent	JC 56 - 22
10/20	Seaman (Topeka, KS)	
	Location: Junction City High School	7:00p

Wamego High School

Date	Opponent	Result
9/1	Rock Creek	WHS 21 - 14
9/8	@ Ottawa	WHS 13 - 28
9/15	@ Marysville	WHS 13 - 50
9/22	Clay Center	WHS 14 - 27
9/29	Chapman	WHS 14 - 12
10/6	@ Concordia	WHS 14 - 12
10/13	Abilene	WHS 28 - 16
10/20	@ McPherson (McPherson, KS)	
10/27	@ Hays (Hays, KS)	
	Location: Hays High School	7:00p

Riley County High School

Date	Opponent	Result
9/1	Wabaunsee	RC 49 - 6
9/8	Washington County	RC 41 - 0
9/15	@ Rossville	RC 52 - 7
9/22	@ St. Marys	RC 34 - 19
9/29	Rock Creek	RC 41 - 21
10/6	Silver Lake	RC 14 - 41
10/13	@ Minneapolis	RC 45 - 0
10/20	Beloit (Beloit, KS)	
10/26	@ Marysville (Marysville, KS)	
	Location: Marysville High School	7:00p

Rock Creek High School

Date	Opponent	Result
9/1	@ Wamego	RC 14 - 21
9/8	Rossville	
9/15	Wabaunsee	RC 42 - 26
9/22	@ Silver Lake	RC 49 - 0
9/29	@ Riley County	RC 14 - 41
10/6	St. Marys	RC 21 - 41
10/13/7:00p	@ Smoky Valley	RC 21 - 26
10/20	Clay Center (Clay Center, KS)	RC 36 - 0
10/27	@ Chapman (Chapman, KS)	
	Location: Chapman High School	7:00p

Blue Valley - Randolph

Date	Opponent	Result
9/1	Crest	BV 34 - 70
9/8	Blue Valley West	
9/8	@ Linn	BV 0 - 21
9/15	@ Tescott	BV 38 - 34
9/22	@ Southern Cloud	BV 14 - 21
9/29	Wakefield	BV 6 - 56
10/6	@ Hanover	BV 0 - 62
10/12	Blue Valley Northwest	
10/20	Axtell (Axtell, KS)	BV 8 - 42
10/20	@ Aquinas	7:00p
10/26	@ Frankfort (Frankfort, KS)	7:00p
	Location: Frankfort High School	7:00p

Redeye

10-23
OPEN WIDE AND SAY "AH"
AH-H-H-H-H
NURSE! DO WE HAVE ANY MORE HEARTBURN TABLETS?

10-24
YOU DON'T REALLY LOVE ME, DO YOU?
OF COURSE I LOVE YOU, I MARRIED YOU, DIDN'T I?
HA!
IF YOU REALLY LOVED ME, YOU WOULD HAVE MARRIED SOMEONE ELSE!

10-25
YOU'RE GOING TO SEE A BIG CHANGE IN ME STARTING TODAY, CHIEF!
NO MORE GOOFS OR DUMB MISTAKES FOR ME!
FINE, TANGLEFOOT
NOW, CAN YOU PADDLE A LITTLE FASTER?

10-26
CUSTER'S LAST STAND
SODA
CANDY
HOT DOGS
I THINK HE'S PUTTING US ON!

10-27
THAT WAS SOME STORM LAST NIGHT!
YES, ISN'T IT AMAZING WHAT A MESS FATHER NATURE CAN MAKE?
DON'T YOU MEAN MOTHER NATURE?
NO, FATHER NATURE!
NO WOMAN WOULD LEAVE THINGS LOOKING LIKE THIS!

10-28
OH, NO! NOT ME AGAIN, CHIEF!
YES, YOU!
I HATE MOVING-TARGET DRILL!
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"Why don't you turn off the TV and let the children insult your intelligence tonight?"

King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Chevy
 - 4 The enemy
 - 8 Pharmaceutical
 - 12 Corroded
 - 13 Wise one
 - 14 Simple
 - 15 Guard of a sort
 - 17 Leading man?
 - 18 Unlikely loser
 - 19 Every crumb
 - 21 Illustrations
 - 22 Frank
 - 26 Pamphlet
 - 29 Peruke
 - 30 Regret
 - 31 Kind of mark or tag
 - 32 A welcome sight?
 - 33 Bouquet holder
 - 34 Guitar's cousin
 - 35 "Monkey suit"
 - 36 Feelings, informally
 - 37 Old salt
 - 39 Shell game need
- DOWN**
- 1 Cutting tools
 - 2 Hexagonal state
 - 3 Kill a bill
 - 4 Unisex garment
 - 5 "I — Anyone Till You"
 - 6 Id counterpart
 - 7 Billion-dollar seller
 - 8 Handed out hands
 - 9 "Awesome, dude!"
 - 10 "Born in the —"
 - 11 Workout site
 - 16 Trainer
 - 20 Journal
 - 23 Colorless
 - 24 English river
 - 25 The Bee —
 - 26 So
 - 27 Croupier's tool
 - 28 On the briny
 - 29 Candle matter
 - 32 Suspect's pic
 - 33 Article of food
 - 35 Placekicker's pride
 - 36 Lillian of mail-order fame
 - 38 Losing power, like a battery
 - 39 Obey a comma
 - 42 Mid-month date
 - 43 Arrive
 - 44 Chills and fever
 - 45 Small barrel
 - 46 George's brother
 - 47 Be victorious
 - 49 Raw rock

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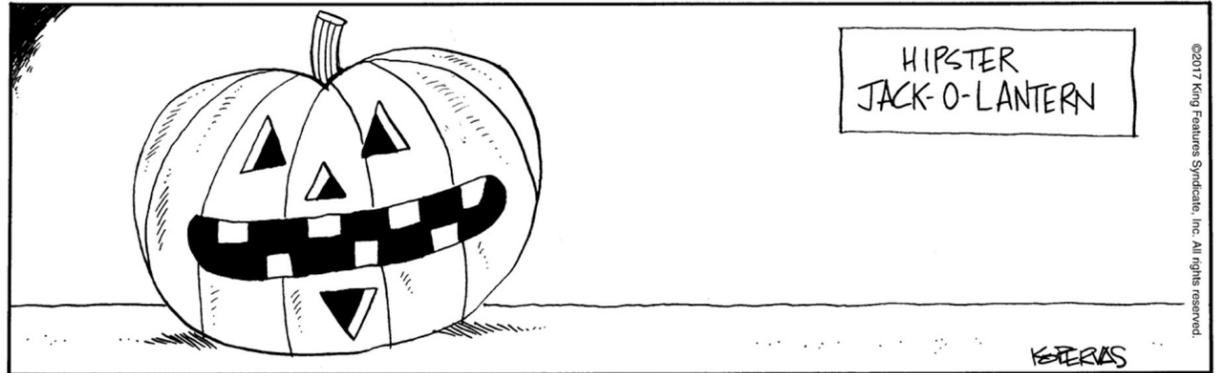
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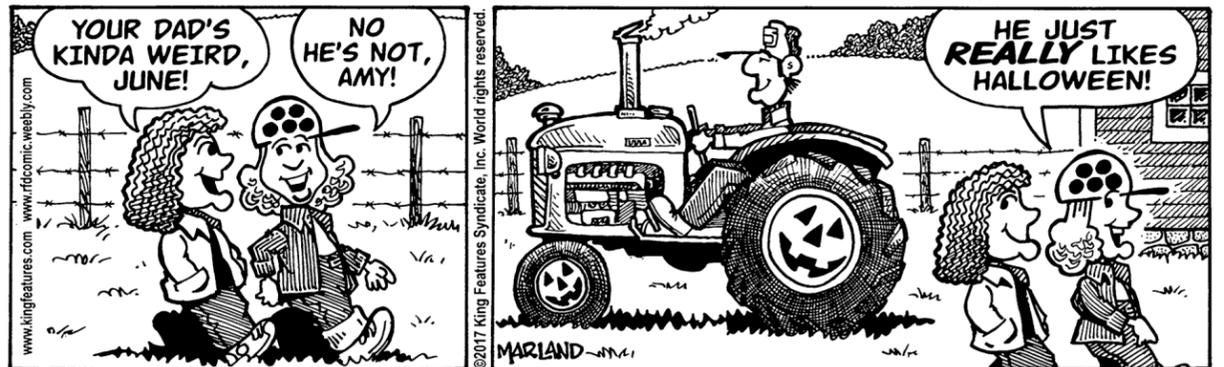
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THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME

BY AL SCADUTO



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**Riley County Minutes
Cost Taxpayers \$700 Per Month:**

The minutes for years did not cost the county extra. They were produced using Word. A new program now costs \$700 per month.

**Riley County Commission
Minutes for October 5, 2017
8:30 AM Call to Order**

1. Public Comments
2. Commission Comments
- Business Meeting
3. Petition for Demand in the Matter of the Estate of Charlotte A. Michal, Deceased
- Cox presented the Petition for Demand in the Matter of the Estate of Charlotte A. Michal, deceased.
- Move to approve the Petition

for Demand in the Matter of the Estate of Charlotte A. Michal, Deceased.

RESULT: ADOPTED
[UNANIMOUS] AYES: Wells, Wilson, Rodriguez

4. Marlatt Ave. Bridge Replacement Project - Change Order #1 (Final)
- Move to approve Change Order #1 with Ebert Construction Co., Inc. for the Marlatt Avenue Bridge Replacement Project in the amount of (\$1,885.51) for an adjusted con-

tract price of \$294,871.62.
RESULT: ADOPTED
[UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Wells, Wilson, Rodriguez

5. Bridgeview Heights Sewer Benefit Dist. Agreement with BG Consultants

Move to approve the Agreement with BG Consultants for the Preliminary Engineering Report, Engineering Design and Construction Observation Services for the Bridgeview Heights Sewer Benefit District in the amount of \$38,660.00.

RESULT: ADOPTED
[UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Wells, Wilson, Rodriguez

6. Sign Riley County Personnel Action Form(s)

The Board of County Commissioners signed a Riley County Personnel Action Form for Michelle Adams, a new hire, as an Administrative Clerk II-Utilities, in the Public Works Department, at a grade J step 2, at \$17.69 per hour.

7. Board of Riley County Commissioners - Regular Meeting - Oct 2, 2017 8:30 AM

Move to approve the minutes.
RESULT: ACCEPTED
[UNANIMOUS] AYES: Wells, Wilson, Rodriguez

8. Tentative Agenda

9. Discuss Press Conference

10. Riley County Website

Redesign
Howser discussed the Riley County website redesign.

Shoffner presented the Riley County website redesign.

Move to allow IT/GIS to authorize CivicPlus to continue with the website development.

RESULT: ADOPTED
[UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Wells, Wilson, Rodriguez

9:15 AM Dennis Peterson, Noxious Weed Director

11. Staff Report
Peterson presented the Noxious Weed/HHW staff report.

9:30 AM Greg McHenry, Appraiser

12. Appraiser's Office Report
McHenry presented the Appraiser's Office staff report.

9:45 AM Monty Wedel, Planning/Special Projects Director

13. Planning & Development - Staff Update
Wedel presented the Planning and Development staff report.

Wedel discussed the Chamber visit to Iowa and Omaha.

10:10 AM Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services

14. Administrative Work Session

15. Executive session to discuss confidential legal advice regarding pending litigation issues

Move that the County Commission, including Chairman

Wells, Commissioner Rodriguez, and Commissioner Wilson recess into executive session on pending litigation for the purpose of consultation with Clancy Holeman, Riley County Counselor, attorney for the Riley County Commission, which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, an exception to the Kansas Open Meetings Act, the open meeting to resume in the County Commission Chambers at 10:30 a.m.

RESULT: ADOPTED
[UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Wells, Wilson, Rodriguez
10:30 AM

Move to go out of executive session.
No binding action was taken during the executive session.

Move to have staff act as directed on the matter just discussed in executive session.

RESULT: ADOPTED
[UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Wells, Wilson, Rodriguez

10:30 AM Ron Fehr, Manhattan City Manager

16. General update City of Manhattan
Fehr presented a general update on the City of Manhattan.

11:00 AM Cindy Volanti, Human Resource Manager/Deputy Clerk

17. Approval of McGrath Classification for EMS/Ambulance Department

Volanti presented the McGrath Classification Study for EMS/Ambulance Department.

Move to approve the following for the EMS/Ambulance Department with an effective date of November 1, 2017.

A. The McGrath Classification pay schedule of the grade/step positions as provided on Appendix A.

B. The McGrath Classification pay schedule of the exempt positions as provided on Appendix B, which coincides with our existing Professional Pay Schedule.

C. The leave transition of taking the October 31, 2017 leave balances and moving into our annual leave chart (Table 4 of McGrath Report), not to exceed the annual maximum limit of annual leave. Any leave exceeding this limit, will be placed in the extended sick leave bank.

D. The 24-hour Model for work schedule. This is the current practice and the EMS/Ambulance Director recommends to continue this schedule.

E. The grade/step and professional pay placements of staff as presented on the 2018 EMS/Ambulance Personnel Budget sheet that is provided.

RESULT: ADOPTED
[UNANIMOUS]
AYES: Wells, Wilson, Rodriguez

11:30 AM David Adams, EMS/Ambulance Director

18. Staffed Ambulance Locations
Adams presented information regarding staffed ambulance locations.

P. Collins said what he hears is there is a large population to the north who is not close to services.

12:11 PM Adjournment

K-State wants to purchase the KSU-IC building _____ from page 1

terest in the Operation Agreement to KSU-IC. The term of the Operation Agreement was for 10 years, commencing on February 28, 2007 (date of Certificate of Occupancy). The Operation Agreement gave KSU-IC an option to extend the term in one-year increments. The original term expired on February 28, 2017, with a date of November 28, 2016, to exercise the first year option in the Agreement.

EXISTING AGREEMENT:

The City of Manhattan constructed and financed the KSU-IC building (formerly known as NISTAC) and have had a 10-year Operation Agreement with KSU-IC since February 28, 2007 (date of Certificate of Occupancy). The Operation Agreement would have expired on February 28, 2017; however, there were options to either pur-

chase the building or continue the Operation Agreement at \$50,000 per year (annual renewal required) in one year increments for up to 10 years. In addition to the \$50,000 for years 2-10, KSU-IC would pay an "operation fee" equal to the \$50,000 plus a percentage fee equal to the

Consumer Price Index (CPI) published in the United States Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics for the month of July. KSU-IC notified the City in November 2016 of their desire to execute the first year option and made a payment of \$50,000 to the City.

KSU-IC (NISTAC) also has the option to purchase the building if they have exercised the option to extend the Agreement during the first one-year option beyond the original term. The purchase price is set at the costs related to design, con-

struct, and equip the facility, and the cost to issue the bonds (\$5.645M). The \$50,000 KSU-IC would have paid in the first year to extend would be applied as a credit towards the purchase price.

If KSU-IC (NISTAC) decides to purchase the building in years 2-10, then the purchase price shall be either the City's costs to design, construct and equip the facility, or a percentage of the market value of the facility, whichever is greater. The percentage of market value is 75% in the second year, with such percentage increasing by 3.125% each subsequent year, until the percentage is 100% in the tenth year option. The fair market value of the facility is to be determined first by an agreement between the City and KSU-IC. If the parties cannot agree on a fair market value, each party will appoint a

Member Appraisal Institute (MAI), and then a third MAI will be appointed by the two hired to determine the value.

If KSU-IC purchases the building at less than market value within the 10-year period and later sells its interests in the facility within a 20-year period, KSU-IC is obligated to pay the City one-half of the net proceeds of the sale in excess of the option price paid by KSU-IC to the City.

On November 17, 2016, KSU-IC submitted a letter extending the Operation Agreement by one year per the agreement and made payment of \$50,000.

On April 14, 2017, the City received a letter (attached) from President Richard Myers and Kansas State University with a proposal to purchase the KSU-IC building from the City over a 15-year term for \$5.645 mil-

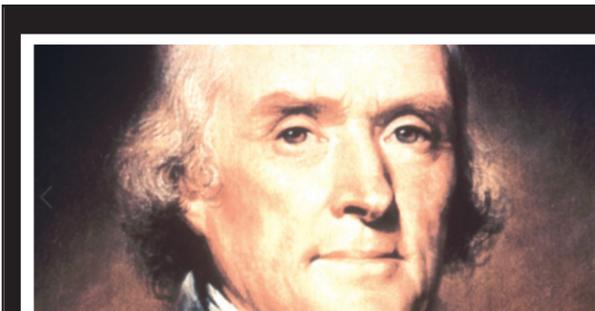
lion. They would like to continue the \$50,000 payments for three years, and then debt finance the remainder, with a Lease Purchase provided from the City, over a 12-year period (\$457,913 for years 4-15). In order to accomplish the Lease Purchase, several other "agreements" would have to occur. First, the Operation Agreement with KSU-IC, would have to be terminated. Second, the KSU Land Lease would have to be amended to take into account the Lease Purchase of the building. Finally, the Lease Purchase itself would have to be entered into between the City and KSU and would have to be approved by the Board of Regents.

On May 16, 2017, the City Commission held a work session to discuss the options being proposed by K-State to purchase the KSU-IC facility. Commissioners provided direc-

tion to City Administration and K-State to pursue agreements outlining the 15-year option for a total payment of \$5.645 million.

DISCUSSION
A Lease Purchase Agreement has been developed to continue the \$50,000 payments for three years, and then debt finance the remainder, with a Lease Purchase provided from the City, over a 12-year period (\$457,913 for years 4-15).

FINANCING
The City has completed the bond payments for the \$5.6M project from the Economic Development Fund. Future revenues from this sale will be deposited in the 2002-2012 Economic Development Fund, from which they originated. These funds would then be available for disbursement by the City Commission.



I never considered a difference of opinion in politics, in religion, in philosophy, as cause for withdrawing from a friend.

Thomas Jefferson

Diary of Issac T. Goodnow - 1855

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Diary of Isaac T. Goodnow 1856

Tuesday 4/29/56

Feel the effects of last night's work. some rainy. A.M. Miscellaneous "puttering". Call from Br Denison, who came after plough & wagon. Planted Eastman's corn (alias Wyandot) Neally's squash, muskmelons, onions, carrots, parsnips & vegetable oysters, Peas & beans. P.M. visit from Dr Hunting & wife. Eve call from Br Gill Powerful wind, P.M.

Wednesday 4/30/56

Showers of rain. Worked most of the day on S.W. corner piece getting out fencing material with Wm. E.P. & J. Parkerson. Called at Mr. Houston's.

Bogus Legislature assessor called in my absence.

Bargained my cow & horse to W. E. Parkerson \$70 & \$20. \$90. Am to have the use of them till Fall.

Thursday 5/1/56

Mayday! But damp & cold A.M. worked on fence S.W. lot. Call from Dr. Wilcox P.M. furrowed out & planted some.

Friday 5/2/56

A.M. finished planting, S.W. Lot. P.M. Worked on fence. Mail, papers but no letters! A fine day.

Saturday 5/3/56

A.M. Finished fencing S.W. Lot. P.M. Repaired pasture fence. could not find our cows.

Sunday 5/4/56

Rode to Childs after cows but did not find them. W.E.P.—found them near home. Damp with clouds & rain. Read at home. Went over to Br D's, just at night to tie up oxen.

Monday 5/5/56

Ploughed on East Lot with Henry. cows out of pasture. Late doing chores. Dr Wilcox took supper with us.

Tuesday 5/6/56

Ploughed as yesterday. Did not quite finish the piece. Cloudy & cool in the P.M.

Wednesday 5/7/56

A.M. Planted in garden. P.M. cleared up bottom for W.E.P.—Cool at night.

Thursday 5/8/56

Finished ploughing corn lot with W.E.P. 1 3/4 hours

Felt quite unwell with pain in stomach. Lay by 3 hours. P. M. Mess. Samuel Larkin, Wm. H.

Stillman & boy, arrived from Westerly, R.I. Shot a gopher, Mr Stillman another & Mr Larkin a Red tailed Hawk. Hoed in garden. Messrs. Stillman & Larkin stopped with us over night. Rec'd a summons to attend court at Ogden as a witness in a case between T I. Roosa & a German boy, to be held the 1st Monday of June.

Friday 5/9/56

Grubbed my East lot of Elders Buckeyes &c Shot a Ring Gopher. Planted Western pumpkins, watermelons & squash seed.

Saturday 5/10/56

Taken with a severe pain in the stomach which ended in a chill followed by a slight fever. Lay on the lounge a good part of the day A call from 2 begging Kaws.—gave them nothing from a fear that others would follow. Mr. Heald arrived from Lawrence. Stops at Br Denison's. News from Congressional, Territorial Committee. They are piling up evidence on the frauds of election. Sheriff Jones, not dead but small hopes of his recovery.

Sunday 5/11/56

A pleasant morning. Rested tolerably well through the night. Br Denison & wife called after meeting. Wrote J.A. Goodin

Monday 5/12/56

Badly troubled with nettle rash through the night Scratch myself horridly slept but little. Early siezed with violent pain in the stomach, followed by purging & vomiting. After this I had a cold clammy sweat & then some fever. P.M. Rather more comfortable. Dr H—not able to visit on account of rain & dampness. Sent me medicine call from W. & E. Hunting Br Shattuck & Lady, to aid & sympathize.

Tuesday 5/13/56

Rested tolerably well during the night. Feel quite comfortable this A.M. though weak. P.M. Walked out & helped Ellen about a hen coop—Can do but little—must wait awhile.

Sunday 5/18/56

Since writing as above I have been worse with the same old complaint I am reduced low—very weak—have sat up but little—mucus membrane—quite delicate—eat a little flour gruel & rice—Dr has called twice.—Must now build up slowly. A new war has broken out below between Free state men & Border ruffianism 35 men left yes-



Isaac Goodnow was an early resident of Manhattan, Kansas, and was a free-state supporter. He was a delegate to the Leavenworth Constitutional Convention and was one of the founders of Bluemont College.

terday for Topeka. We live in troublous times. May the God of battles calm the passions of men & bring good out of the efforts of Ungodly Men to spread human slavery over these fair domains. Have read some to day & walked into the garden & out to the barn. Hope now by Divine help to soon be about my usual business. No letters the past week one paper & congressional Document from Mr. Harlan, M. C.

Monday 5/19/56

Did little or nothing. gain slowly.

Tuesday 5/20/56

Ploughing across the creek. Wm. E.P. &c

Wednesday 5/21/56

Ploughing going on. Do but little myself.

Friday 5/23/56

Shattuck, W.E.P. & J.P.—finished the piece across the creek. It has been very hot for 4 days.

Letter from Sister Ransom Therm 96°.

Saturday 5/24/56

Went over to Br D's after cattle. Had my East lot harrowed. Furrowed out a part of it & W.E.P.—& myself planted some potatoes. Also planted some on garden lot. Much fatigued.

Alfred A Parkerson & F B. Smith left for R. I. Sent letters to G.W. Quereau & Mrs M. Bateman. Ellen also wrote Mrs. C.M. Alvord Warm 98°.

Sunday 5/25/56

Washed myself all over at the Wild Cat—feel better for it. A.M. Read some P.M. Attended meeting at Dr. Hunting's. Preaching by Rev. C. E. Blood. Still warm & very dry.

Monday 5/26/56

Harrowed my 5 acre lot. Wm. & Joseph planted barn lot. Very warm. Term 99°.

Tuesday 5/27/56

Planted my 5 acre lot aided by Brs. Shattuck, Gill, Wm. & Joseph & Henry Denison. An excellent job. Am quite fatigued. Cooler.

Saturday 5/31/56

Warm & dry. For the last few days have been to work on S.W. Peninsula. Corn did not come up. Have ploughed over a part, harrowed over the whole, furrowed it out & to day have planted 1/4 part. Killed a rattle snake with 6 rattles. Did not know it was one till after I had stamped on his head with my heel! Careless! The Lord is good.

Yesterday letters from W. Cone & N. P. Selee.

Sunday 6/1/56

Preaching at my house P. M. by Br. Denison. Quite a large company present. Read as usual.

Monday 6/2/56

Burnt a little coal pit, for charcoal to save my beef. Made a cellar window & helped Ellen clear out cellar. Started for Ogden to attend court as witness. Met Br Barnes on the road who informed me that the case was settled. Turned back by way of Br Morris's & Mc.Kenzie's Glad to be released. News has come from the Neosho that one of the Legislators was butchered by Border-ruffians & that his friends rallied & killed 8 of the Murderers!

Mr. Kimball a worthy young man met with a serious accident! He was run over by his oxen & wagon with 700 ft of boards, the wagon passing over the abdomen. Poor fellow. The Lord be with him!

Tuesday 6/3/56

Warm, for several days the Thermometer has stood at about 100°. at M! to day also!

Worked with Wm. E.P. making fence (his) 3/4 day, on little Peninsula & his bottom. Am troubled with a lame side—Must lay aside more.

Ellen rode up to Mr Trafton's to visit Kimball, the man so badly injured,— is no better. Call from Brs Gill & Shattuck.

Wednesday 6/4/56

Hoed in the garden a little. Cannot do much owing to a pain in my side. Warm

Thursday 6/5/56

Hoed 2 rows of potatoes. Call from Messrs Wilson & Wells, who helped me cultivate my garden field of potatoes & corn.

Friday 6/6/56

A.M. made a frame for musketoe bar, & winnowed corn for milling P.M. sent 2 Bu Corn to mill by W.E.P. planted, pumpkin, Neally Squash, watermelons & cantelopeseed. A severe wind with some rain.

Letters from Mrs. E. B. Howe, C.F.A. Dodge, Z-e.

Mr Kimball the young man so badly injured last monday, died this P.M. A great loss to our little community!

Sunday 6/15/56

Last Sabbath went to Br Shattuck's to class. Ellen rode to the city & attended meeting. I wrote to M.A.D. Z— & commenced a letter to R. Allyn.

Most of the week I have spent, hoeing potatoes & corn in the garden lot. Planted over corn also some egg beans & broom corn.

Friday 13th

125 Dragoons passed from Ft. Riley bound to Lawrence, as one of the soldiers raid to escort home the Border Ruffians! To day we learn that the territory is under martial law—that Shannon & all other officers that were concerned in burning Lawrence are dismissed.—Pierce is backing down! Letters

from L. H. Whitney, L. P. Lincoln & C. L. Eastman Ellen B. Buddington Eastman. Almost too good news to be true! C. Sumner has been knocked down in the Senate Chamber. Slavery must settle for this! She is fast filling up her cup of iniquity! The Lord speedily sent her down-fall!

Finished a letter to Br R. Allyn, & wrote to mother.

Sunday 15th

My cow had a "tantram" which hindered me several hours. a little rain.

Monday 16th

A.M. quite rainy. A great desideratum just now. Set out some cabbages.

[June 17, 1856 to November 13, 1856, inclusive, are missing from this book.]

Friday 11/14/56

A pleasant day. Mr. McCulom picked corn. I have done more today than any day for 6 weeks. I seem to be gaining strength finely. Buried some cabbages & turnips & covered up peach & apple trees with Brush to keep off cattle. No letters today; only a Herald of Freedom. Settled with Mr Blake. He is pretty sharp! Joseph D. is gaining.

Saturday 11/15/56

Picked corn dug potatoes &c. Am gaining strength daily. Bless the Lord! Beautiful weather for gathering crops.

Sunday 11/16/56

Another beautiful Sabbath. I had hoped to spend it quietly & have done so, save some 2 hours driving off cattle from my corn. Read some & rested. Called on Br Denison with Ellen. Find him much better. Wrote in the Evening to Br Jotham.

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TCU handles K-State, weather delays in 26-6 victory

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — TCU and Kansas State had gone through pregame stretching and warm-ups, even tossed the coin, and were minutes away from kickoff Saturday when the first flash of lightning lit up the sky.

After a 3-hour weather delay, the Horned Frogs returned to the field to start the game.

The Wildcats never really showed up.

Sixth-ranked TCU's stingy defense shut down the ailing Kansas State offense, and Kenny Hill threw for 297 yards while running for a touchdown in a 26-6 victory that kept the Horned Frogs undefeated.

"Honestly no," Hill said, when asked whether he thought TCU would be the Big 12's lone remaining unbeaten team. "To get to this point, I wasn't expecting that at all. I mean, it's a good feeling, but you've got to keep pushing, keep plugging away and keep trying to get another win."

Sewo Olonilua added two short touchdown runs for the Horned Frogs (6-0, 3-0), who held the Wildcats (3-3, 1-2) without points both times they ventured into the red zone.

Kansas State was forced to play without quarterback Jesse Ertz, who was hurt in last week's double-overtime loss at Texas. Sophomore backup Alex Delton got his first start and was 11 of 29 for 146 yards, struggling to run coach Bill Snyder's complex offense against the Big 12's best defense.

The Wildcats' ground-based attack managed just 70 yards on 29 carries.

"There are some things that



K-States' Quarterback Alex Delton didn't get the pass off on this play.

(Photo by Ben Brake)

I need to get straightened out," Snyder said. "They gave good effort. There are just some things that are not taking place. That falls into my lap."

After kickoff was delayed because of the lightning, the Horned Frogs wasted little time in taking the lead. Their defense got the ball back deep in Kansas State territory, and Aaron Hicks pounded away five straight times before Hill scampered in from seven yards out for the touchdown.

Jonathan Song added a pair of field goals later in the first half.

"We had the same thing happen to us at Texas where we had a delay a couple of years ago," TCU coach Gary Patterson said, "and so I let them play some music and they were singing, doing all the things they wanted to do to stay loose."

The Wildcats' most promising drive reached the TCU 5, but they followed with a pair of penalties on Byron Pringle including pass interference to wipe out his TD catch before fumbling the ball away.

They had a similar meltdown late in the third quarter, when they marched inside the TCU

10. The Horned Frogs' defense proceeded to stuff Delton on third-and-2, and then shot through the line to bring down running back Justin Silmon on fourth-and-inches to get the ball back.

"That's very surprising. I expect us to convert all the time," Wildcats offensive lineman Abdul Beecham said. "It's very disappointing no matter who we're playing not to find the end zone."

Early in the fourth quarter, another lightning spell sent the teams back to the locker room.

Only a few thousand water-

logged fans were left when the teams returned to play the final 12:49, and the Horned Frogs made sure they stayed quiet. They forced a quick punt by Kansas State and breezed 65 yards downfield before Olonilua scored from one yard out for a 26-3 lead.

The Horned Frogs cruised the rest of the way in avenging a defeat from last year for the fourth time in their first six games. They've also beaten Arkansas, Oklahoma State and West Virginia.

"All I know is, we're bowl-eligible and that's my first goal,

is to get to six, and now it's going to be to get to seven," Patterson said. "But you got to have six first."

CORNERING DELTON

Patterson called more blitzes than he has in years to keep the athletic Delton from scrambling for big gains. It worked. He carried 19 times for 39 yards. "We did not want to let Delton out," Patterson said, "and it's the first time he's starting, so we kept doing things to confuse him."

THE TAKEAWAY

TCU's defense bailed out an offense that played well in back-to-back wins over the Cowboys and Mountaineers but squandered plenty of chances Saturday. Darius Anderson fumbled the ball away in his own territory to set up Kansas State's first field goal, and KaVontae Turpin dropped a pass in stride early in the fourth quarter that would have gone for a game-sealing touchdown.

Kansas State simply looked inept on offense. Delton's inconsistency in the passing game allowed the Horned Frogs to stack the line of scrimmage, taking away the Wildcats' run game. Offensive coordinator Dana Dimel hardly helped with some head-scratching decisions, such as running out of the shotgun when the Wildcats were stuffed on their fourth-and-inches try.

UP NEXT

TCU returns home to face struggling Kansas next Saturday.

Kansas State gets another stiff test in No. 12 Oklahoma on Saturday.

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