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Last week the Sears Co. announced that the Manhattan Sears would be closing in November. The question needs to be asked will Sears be the only store to close in the Manhattan Town Center and what will that mean to the City of Manhattan who still owns the land that the Mall is built on.

## Sears Considers Selling Its Canadian Stores, Manhattan Store To Close

NEW YORK (AP) — Sears is considering selling its Canadian operations as the retailer looks for ways to prop up its sagging business.

The retailer, which operates its namesake stores and Kmart locations, said that it's looking at strategic options for its 51 percent interest in Sears Canada. The Hoffman Estates, Illinois-based company said this includes the possible sale of its stake or possibly the entire Sears Canada operation.

Sears Canada's board and management plan to cooperate with Sears Holdings as it explores strategic alternatives.

The news comes as Sears Holdings Corp.'s chairman, the billionaire hedge fund manager Eddie Lampert, has been under intense pressure to turn around its business. He took over as CEO in February 2013.

Sears has had trouble adapting as bigger, nimbler rivals such as Wal-Mart and Home Depot have attracted its customers over the years.

Sears is trying to transform itself into a member-focused business rather than a company that simply runs a store net-

work. Loyal shoppers now receive incentives to buy. But its results have been hurt as it continues traditional promotions while investing in its membership program dubbed Shop Your Way.

Sears previously sold some store leases in Canada. It recently spun off clothing business Lands' End as a separate public company after not having much success with it.

The possible sale of its business north of the border also comes as several U.S. retailers, particularly Target Corp., are having difficulties cracking the Canadian market, about one-tenth the size of the U.S. market.

The two countries are neighbors and they are culturally similar. But Canadian stores are grappling with a web of costly regulations and a slower Canadian economy and increasing competition are making the retail landscape look a lot like the U.S. economy.

Sears expanded into Canada through a joint venture in the early 1950s, but it has seen heightened competition from

rivals Home Depot and Wal-Mart that entered Canada in the 1990s. The momentum picked up during the Great Recession. Target, based in Minneapolis, expanded into the Canadian market last year with more than 100 stores, marking its first foray for a market outside the U.S. But Target's merchandising mistakes and poor locations have resulted in a \$724 million loss on lower-than-expected sales for the year ended Feb. 1.

The botched up expansion was one of the key factors behind last week's abrupt departure of Target's CEO Gregg Steinhafel who also faced intense scrutiny in the wake of its massive data breach.

In an interview with The Associated Press last week, John Mulligan, Target's chief financial officer, who is serving as Target's interim CEO until a permanent replacement is named, vowed that it would not scale back on its expansion plans in Canada. Target's longer-term plans call for reaching \$6 billion in revenue in that country. But Mulligan

noted it was making several leadership changes to help fix the problems.

Analysts say that Sears is a much different story.

"(Sears) resembles the atrocity of the U.S. business," said Brian Sozzi, CEO and chief equities strategist at Belus Capital Advisors. "It's almost a shell outfit."

In 2012, Sears announced plans to restore profitability by cutting costs, reducing inventory, selling off some assets and spinning off others. Those moves helped the company reduce net debt by \$400 million and generated \$1.8 billion in cash from the asset sales.

Sears has spun off other businesses over the past three years, including its Hometown and Sears Outlet stores and its Orchard Supply Hardware Stores, to raise cash.

The company's shares fell 95 cents, or 2.2 percent, to \$42.28 in afternoon trading after rising as high as \$45 earlier in the session. Its shares have fallen more than 6 percent over the past year.

## Climate Change Alarmists Fall Silent

By M.D. Kittle | Watchdog.org

As Watchdog.org reporter Bruce Parker vividly reported Sunday from inside the environmentalist carnival that was the People's Climate March through midtown Manhattan, this pre-game show to Tuesday's going-green confab in New York City showcased an array of left-loving characters.

His greenness himself, former Vice President Al Gore was in attendance. So was Hollywood heartthrob Leonardo DiCaprio. The vegans, the shamans, the commies, big labor, the socialists, and probably more than a few sociopaths all were on hand at what was billed as the largest climate-related protest in history.

Along the parade route, from Central Park West to West 34th Street, the Big Apple was filled with an estimated 400,000 (by organizers' estimates) trumpet blasting, drum-circle gathering, holistic medicine-ingesting participants.

Welcome here was the Party for Socialism and Liberation and their sign that declared:

**Climate change is the symptom  
 Capitalism is the disease  
 Socialism is the cure**

The People's Climate March was not a U.S. Chamber of Commerce kind of crowd.

But besides promises of inclusiveness by United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, who invited world leaders from the public and private sectors to Tuesday's Climate Summit 2014, you probably won't find much sympathy or support here for the chamber's point of view. Or the manufacturing sector. And certainly not the fossil-fuels industry.

That's because President Barack Obama and the climate-change crowd seem only interested in dire predictions when it comes to their environmental agenda. They're not all that into the disastrous consequences extreme environmental regulations on business could have on the U.S. and global economy.

"It's one way to ramp up the messaging and frankly ramp up the sort of extreme positioning around this issue from that standpoint that they're not going to recognize the economic impacts," Betsy Monseu, chief executive officer of the

American Coal Council said of the People's March.

The event was the directed by 350.org, the same climate activist group that has dogged the Keystone XL pipeline.

While critics have labeled the Obama administration's proposed stiff regulations on coal-fired power plants part of a "War on Coal," Monseu said the issue is much bigger, and potentially much more economically damaging to the U.S. economy.

"It's a movement against the use of fossil fuels," she said. "And I think there is some lack of recognition of the benefits of coal and coal-fired generation and what that means to economic development in the United States and what that could mean in other countries, especially emerging economies that will continue to develop coal because it is abundant, affordable and readily available."

Leonardo and Al may have turned out, but China President Xi Jinping and India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi are each taking a pass on the Climate Summit.

Those nations count for one-third of the world's population and China ranks No. 1 and India No. 3 on the list of carbon dioxide emitters.

"We look at this from the lens of how competitive is this going to make us," said Ross Eisenberg, vice president of energy and resources policy for the National Association of Manufacturers. "If this is going to make us less competitive and we can't get the international piece right (on emission standards) than why are we doing it?"

Eisenberg said the manufacturers association will be watching closely what is going on in New York City this week, noting that the EPA's proposed regulations on power plants in particular are causing U.S. manufacturers "a lot of heartburn right now."

Coal is vital to these mammoth economies, yet the Obama administration in particular is much more interested in subsidizing solar and wind energy than engaging clean-coal technology, Monseu said.

"We are building some first-generation carbon capture and storage facilities, but we will need to get to second- and third-generation technology for them to be cost-effective and to be widely deployed," she said.

## Roberts Heads To Swing-Voting East Kansas

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — Sen. Pat Roberts of Kansas took his conservative re-election message into the state's swing-voting east Saturday in his latest effort chip away any advantage from independent candidate Greg Orman in a U.S. Senate race that has unexpectedly become one of the most hotly contested in the nation.

Roberts strolled the grassy hill to the south of Memorial Stadium before the University of Kansas football game, popping in and out of pregame party tents and chatting with

voters in the Democratic-leaning city.

His message was distinctly partisan. With less than six weeks to go and facing a political newcomer who has tried to cast himself as non-partisan, Roberts stuck to his argument that the election is a referendum on President Barack Obama and the Democratic-controlled Senate.

"That really is the issue: whether (Senate Majority Leader) Harry Reid continues to be a one-man rules committee in the Senate," Roberts told The Associated Press. "They also know Orman is a liberal

Democrat and a vote for Harry Reid. That really is the issue."

Republicans need a net gain of six seats to take the Senate majority from Democrats, and Kansas is one of about a dozen races nationally that could determine the outcome.

Until just this month, Roberts, a 78-year-old conservative from GOP-heavy western Kansas, was not viewed as vulnerable. Republicans have held every Senate seat in Kansas since 1938. But Democratic nominee Chad Taylor, under pressure from national Democrats, announced

Sept. 3 that he would drop out of the race. The move was viewed as an effort to improve the odds of Orman, a 45-year-old wealthy businessman from the populous Kansas City suburbs, beating Roberts.

Secretary of State Kris Kobach, a Republican and strong Roberts supporter, had refused to remove Taylor's name from the ballot, saying the Democrat's didn't comply with a law limiting withdrawals. But the state Supreme Court ruled Thursday that he did.

Kobach said Friday that he would begin sending out over-

seas ballots without a Democrat listed, effectively making the contest a two-person race, though Kobach said he's not abandoning efforts to get Democrats to name a replacement. Another candidate, libertarian Randall Batson, is also running.

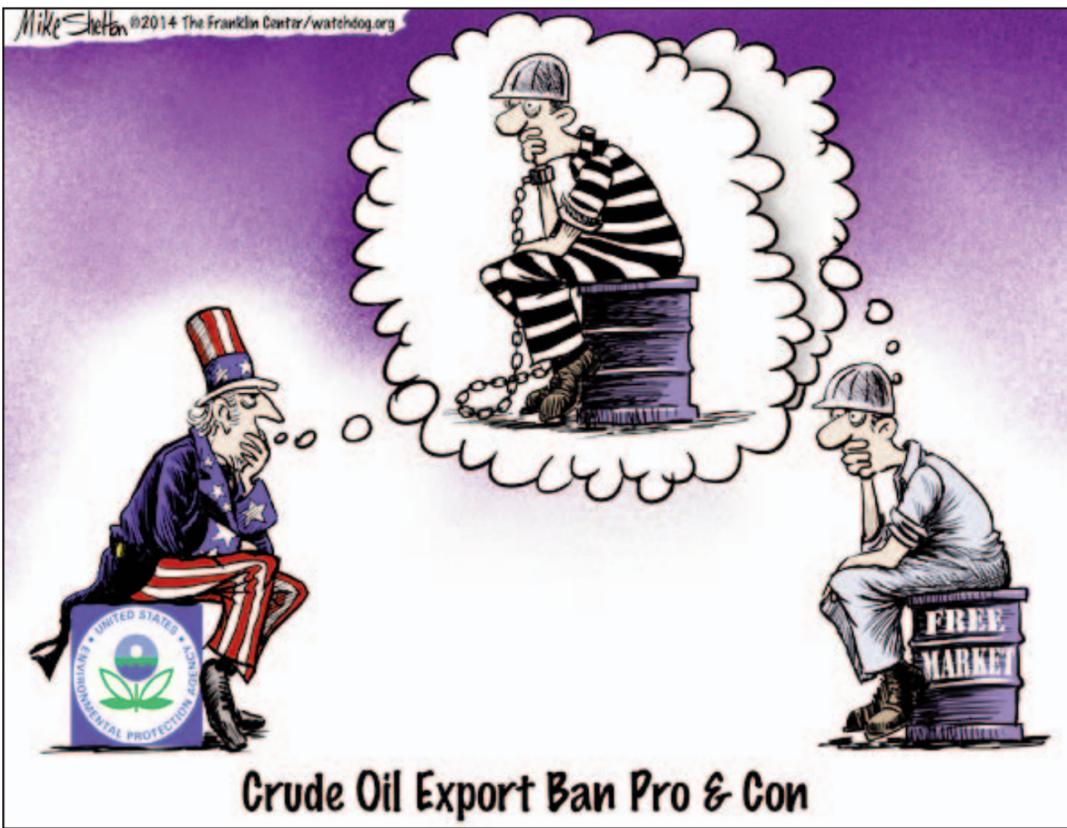
Recent opinion polls have suggested Roberts may be vulnerable in a head-to-head race with Orman.

Roberts, wearing a U.S. Marines cap and striped oxford shirt, found some supporters among the Jayhawks fans Saturday.

Paul Bahmaier, a longtime supporter, recalled how Roberts keep open the Post Office in Leecompton, just west of Lawrence.

Nearby, Jim Setter of Overland Park, described himself as a Republican more than a Roberts supporter. "I don't care who it is. Whether it's him or someone else, it's about the majority," Setter said.

Orman ran for Senate in 2008 as a Democrat but dropped out of the primary. He has also made financial contributions to President Obama and others.



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## Consolidation Study Received

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — A new Kansas school efficiency commission on Friday recommended conducting a study of ways that districts can combine administrative operations as consolidation has become an issue in the governor's race.

Members of the K-12 Student Performance and Efficiency Commission said combining resources could potentially save money in non-academic areas such as purchasing. Commissioners decid-

ed that a proposal offering districts incentives to combine or cooperate would be part of the study. They also took off the table a proposal to realign district geographical boundaries.

The action comes after Gov. Sam Brownback raised questions about Democratic gubernatorial candidate Paul Davis' appointment of John Vratil to the commission. Vratil, a Republican who is a former vice president of the Kansas Senate, predicted in a 2011 arti-

cle in The Topeka Capital-Journal about population declines that "rural school districts will be starved out of existence."

Brownback sent mailers warning Kansas residents of the "Davis-Vratil Education Agenda: CONSOLIDATION." Although Vratil and Davis have insisted they are opposed to forced consolidation, some Republican lawmakers urged Vratil to step down from the commission.

"I'm in a unique position," Vratil warned before the school consolidation discussion began. "In my adult life, I've consistently opposed forced consolidation. This is a very dangerous topic for this commission to even be discussing. I can tell you from personal experience that when you even discuss that people are inclined to misinterpret for their own political advantage."

## Distillery Will Sit Atop Boot Hill

DODGE CITY — Atop a hill where outlaws once were laid to rest, an aging beauty will soon get a facelift.

Several western Kansas farmers are turning Dodge City's former city hall into Boot Hill Distillery. If all goes according to plan the business could open as early as the middle of July 2015.

Back in the 1870s the land was Boot Hill Cemetery. Then from 1878 through 1927 the property housed a public school. But, by 1929 a Spanish revival colonial-style building was built on the spot and it became the Dodge City's Municipal Building. The structure at 501 W. Spruce St., however it has been standing empty and in disrepair for a number of years.

Chris Holovach, Scott City, along with Roger and Hayes Kelman, Sublette, have invested in the Boot Hill Distillery.

Kelman, 23, a fifth year K-State senior majoring in agriculture and business, plans to be the distiller of the whiskey made from the corn grown on his family's farm in Haskell County.

"We will provide everything, as much as we can, from farm to bottle," Kelman said. While any grain will work, Kelman said the primary ingredient at Boot Hill Distillery will be corn.

What moved the project forward was a Community Development Block Grant awarded in late August for \$190,649 to stabilize and repair the building which is now listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The work will include tuck pointing the brick walls, roof repair and the removal of asbestos. The funds will be matched with \$63,560 in private funds. The grant was awarded under the commercial rehabilitation category of CDBG funding.

To receive funds, a project

must benefit low- and moderate-income individuals, remove or prevent slum or blight condition, or eliminate an urgent need created by a disaster when local funds are unavailable, McCoy said.

CDBG commercial rehabilitation funding helps cities improve the quality of their downtown commercial districts by assisting private property owners with the rehabilitation of blighted buildings. The intent is to reverse the blight and encourage adjacent property owners to improve their buildings.

"Boot Hill Distillery will be a great asset for tourism and downtown revitalization," said Melissa a McCoy, project development coordinator for Dodge City.

In the coming weeks they plan to gather bids for refurbishing the tile roof, tuck-pointing the bricks and removing the asbestos.

"As soon as the asbestos is taken out we'll move in equipment," Hayes Kelman said.

Kelman explained they chose Dodge City to locate the distillery because of its rich history. The town was built from whiskey. An early businessman, G. M. Hoover constructed a sod bar to sell his whiskey.

Centrally located with a commanding view of the city, the municipal building was designed by Mann and Company, Hutchinson architects and engineers back in 1929. It was built to house not just municipal offices, but served as a police station, and a fire station.

Local firemen used to live upstairs in the now empty building while on duty. Downstairs, where firetrucks once parked, the vats for distilling will be housed. Other rooms in the former city hall will be used for a tasting room and gift shop.

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# Snyder Holds Press Meeting

## Head Coach Bill Snyder

On the play of the defense against Auburn...

"I thought it was awfully good. We probably would not have gotten all of that if we did not turn the ball over down there. I thought that all of our youngsters played really well and played within the system. Our coaches did a marvelous job preparing them. We had some good fortune, some dropped passes that were substantial gains if they would have been caught. We had some miscues in that regard. Collectively, if you tried to look at the play-by-play, and snap-by-snap, it would be pretty good."

## On the key for the defense against Auburn...

"I think we had some good fortune with having some extra preparation time. Auburn had the same amount of time, but nevertheless, it is responsibility football, it is option football, for the most part. You have to be truly disciplined to focus on your assignments, to not jump at things that you should not jump at. It takes some patience with some of the young guys that like to fly around and make tackles. The added time I think helped. Coach (Blake) Seiler did a really nice job with our defensive ends because there was a lot of pressure on them to play well in that ballgame with so many responsibilities that they had. Part of it is being able to slow up the read plays or the options and being able to react either way, being able to contain the spread out passes and the boot leg passes. Just an awful lot of assignment responsibility football that they had on their plate, and I thought they did quite well."

## On starting Dakorey Johnson...

"He has gotten substantially more repetition in practice

because he has worked his way in to that role. He runs well and that is a benefit for our defense. I thought it was a matter of him being able to adapt to the system and understand the responsibilities and having the discipline to carry out the responsibilities like we like, and he has gotten better at it and it has paid off for him."

## On offensive struggles in the red zone vs. Auburn...

"It is a combination of a few things. I think part of it is that we need to get the right things. I think we need to have a stronger mindset in regards to the area of the field. We need more work down there. My belief is that if you are able to move it down the field, you should be able to move it when you get down there. The field condenses a little bit in terms of the passing game; it is not as expanded as it would be on the rest of the field. Normally we are pretty decent at that. We have been ranked high in the nation in terms of scoring in the red zone offense. I go back to the Iowa State game and having to settle for those two field goals in the second and third drives of the ballgame. We had four opportunities (vs. Auburn) inside the 30-yard line and came away with zero points. I cannot give you a solid answer as to why, but all I know is that we are going to need more work down there - to select things and put them on the field like we need to."

## On play of Jake Waters this season...

"I think he has a ways to go. If he keeps improving, then I will be pleased. He has done some really fine things, but yet he still has those moments, which is true of almost any player. I think he is dedicated to that improvement. If he continues to do that and engages in that honest self-assessment trying to enhance his performance level, then I think he will do fine."

## On eliminating penalties against Auburn...

"Well, it was a step forward. Along with no penalties comes no turnovers, and we turned the ball over, so I was not too pleased about that. I do like the discipline. It's easier, in all reality, playing at home than it is on the road. That could be an excuse as well. We need - all the time, whether it be home or away - we need to do exactly that. It gives you a better chance."

## On UTEP running back Aaron Jones...

"As it relates to him as a player, I like the fact that he has

some speed and can move around pretty well. He runs well, and aggressively, straight ahead. He's a good downhill runner and he carries piles. You cannot arm tackle him - he won't allow that to happen. He does not have great size, but he runs like a 215- to 220-pound running back. I admire that. Obviously, he's been effective."

## On Ben Leber, a former K-State linebacker and color commentator for this weekend's game on FSN...

"Ben knew how to get himself into the right spot. He was very reliable, dependable and disciplined. He was not necessarily flashy, he was just a guy that got to where he needed to be. He was reasonably decent-sized - he had good height to him. I just think he was reliable as much as anything, plus he is an excellent young man. I admired how he handled himself both on and off the field."

## Senior Quarterback Jake Waters

On frustration with red zone plays...

"It is frustrating since we are usually pretty good at that and to not be able to finish in big games just like Thursday is always very frustrating. We make those plays all the time. Maybe sometimes it is my fault making passes down there when coach called a run, but I am still learning, and we all are still learning and getting better every single day."

## On bouncing back after the loss last Thursday...

"It is always nice for a team to come back after a game like that. Yesterday's practice went well. It is a new week, and we have a new challenge with UTEP. We are all excited for it."

## Sophomore Running Back Charles Jones

On putting Auburn in the past and moving on...

"We just have to move on. Now we are just focused on UTEP. We corrected the mistakes that we made last Thursday. We are on to the next game."

## On being anxious to get back on the field...

"We really are anxious. Even though we fell short, we feel like we gave great effort last Thursday, so I am foaming at the mouth to play again."

On the offense wanting to show that they can score more than 14 points...

"That is all we have been emphasizing is scoring. Every time someone gets the ball, we

run it into the end zone just to get used to getting it in the end zone and get back to the team that we were."

## Junior Offensive Lineman Boston Stiversson

On the frustrations of not finishing drives...

"We just did not go out and execute the drives like would have liked to. Right now we just have to move on. We have a big game this weekend. We will focus on UTEP now."

On the team's mindset after Auburn...

"Obviously we are upset. I think we are all past that. I am feeling now a big opportunity for us this weekend against UTEP. I think we are past the frustration."

## Senior Linebacker Jonathan Truman

On going up against Auburn's offense...

"It was a good challenge for us. We took our preparation very seriously. We knew that they were going to have a great offense, so we took that challenge to heart, and I thought we played well."

## On learning about his defense...

"I think having trust in our teammates is huge. As a defense, we are a tight-knit group, and we came together. I think we can play well when we need to, and we need to always."

## On approaching UTEP's offense...

"They are a tough football team, hard-nosed and tough up front. They run the ball well. They have proved that with all of their statistics. They are up at the top in the country in rushing right now so it is going to be a big challenge for us, but we are up for it."

## Freshman Linebacker Elijah Lee

On re-watching the Auburn game tape...

"I was surprised how everything fell into place. A week of preparation, granted not everything fell into place, but I think overall we played good as a team. We figured out where we could play better."

## On the defensive success against Auburn's ground game...

"They talk about how first you are supposed to stop the run. Make them pick up the ball and throw it through the air. That gives us more chances for pass rush, interceptions and turnovers."



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# Winfield Chosen As Next Sampler Host

The Kansas Sampler Foundation announced that Winfield will be the host for the 2016-2017 Kansas Sampler Festival. The event is designed to provide the public a sample of what there is to see, do, hear, taste, buy, and learn in Kansas.

El Dorado was the other finalist.

The host selection committee interviewed both potential hosts on September 22 and visited their proposed festival sites. Foundation director Marci Penner said, "We were so impressed with both festival committees and sites. The Winfield team has had more experience with the festival and showed exceptional support from the city and area partners. It's exciting to see the enthusiasm for hosting this event and we are pleased that El Dorado intends to reapply in the next round."

Both cities went through a grueling 9-month process including an orientation meeting, a preliminary application, and a final application concluding with the site visit and interview.

With support from the City of Winfield, the host organization will be the Winfield Area Chamber of Commerce. Chamber CEO and Director of Winfield Convention and Tourism Sarah Werner will be the local festival director. The event will be held in Island Park, the site of chautauquas from 1887 to 1913. Werner said, "We are thrilled to be chosen as the 2016-2017 host of the Kansas Sampler Festival. We look forward to the opportunity to showcase the state of Kansas and welcome visitors to Winfield!"

The festival started as an open house for Mil and Marci Penner's first Kansas guidebook in 1990. Several places in the guidebook were invited to set up booths at the Penner Farm near Inman. The public response was so positive that the event was given a name, the Kansas Sampler Festival, and became an annual Kansas gathering. Eight thousand people attended in 1997, the final year the Kansas showcase was held on the farm.

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**Tract 1:** Tract 1. House and approximately 17.5 acres. This ranch style home built in 2000 has two bedrooms and two baths. The full walkout basement has a single bedroom and bath along with a living room, utility room, storm shelter, and wood burning stove. The main floor has a single bedroom, bath, living room, and tasteful kitchen. The main floor has maple floors, hickory cabinets in the kitchen, a skylight, and many other amenities. This home has central heat and air and is extremely well built and efficient. There is an oversized two car attached garage. On the acreage is an older barn in great shape, and a 36x30 insulated Morton building with a concrete floor. The approximately 17.5 acres will consist of about 4 acres of cropland, 3.5 acres of CRP, 3 acres of broom meadow, with the balance being yard and a small pasture. **Open House Sept 28th 2-4 p.m. or by appointment.**

**Tract 2:** This property is all the land in the NW 1/4 and the N 1/2 SW 1/4 except for Tract 1 and an approximate 25 acre tract along the south edge located in Section 22-4-2. This tract consists of approximately 203.5 acres of which 90.4 acres is cropland, 47 acres is CRP, and 53 acres is pasture. This property wraps around the house place and the majority of the cropland is on this piece.

**Tract 3:** This is the W 1/2 SE 1/4 22-4-2. This tract is approximately 80 acres with about 13.6 acres of cropland, 31 acres of CRP, with the balance of this farm being excellent hunting, filled with old growth trees and shrubs.

**Tract 4:** Tract 4 will be the combination of Tracts 1, 2, & 3

**Land Location:** From Linn Ks. Go 6 miles west on 8th Road then 1/2 mile North on Indian Road. This is the west side of the property.



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**Brokers Notes:** **Tract 1-** This tract will have the house and buildings. The home is in great shape, has an exceptionally large yard, and well maintained outbuildings. This tract would make an excellent home for a retired couple, farm family, or hunting retreat. **Come to the open house Sept 28th 2-4 p.m.**  
**Tract 2 -** This tract is predominately cropland. There is a small creek that splits this tract from west to east, with the pasture lying along this creek. This tract is in compliance with conservation requirements. Pride of ownership is evident.  
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**Tract 4 -** This tract will be a combination of tracts 1, 2 & 3. **If tracts are sold separately, survey costs will be split 50/50 buyer / seller**

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## Amendment Opponents Say Government Waste Is Hard To Prove

**By Chris Butler  
Tennessee Watchdog**  
NASHVILLE — Members of a Tennessee-based nonprofit say government has no need to streamline itself, and they direly predict drastic cuts in government services if voters in November support Amendment 3, which bans state income taxes.

Tennessee currently doesn't have a state income tax, but State Sen. Brian Kelsey, R-Collierville, who spent three years navigating the proposed amendment through the Tennessee General Assembly, said the amendment is still needed.

"Our last six attorneys general have all written opinions that we could have an income tax in Tennessee and voting yes on 3 will forever prohibit an income tax. This will put the final nail in the coffin," Kelsey said.

"This will ultimately bring more jobs to Tennessee by allowing us to tell prospective employers that not only do we not have an income tax, but we will never have an income tax. This will improve the economy."

But John Stewart, an at-large member of Tennesseans For Fair Taxation, which, according to its website, educates residents about funding public services, calls the amendment "a politically-motivated gimmick."

"There's no evidence that it will bring more jobs to Tennessee," Stewart said.

"I was in charge of economic development for the Tennessee Valley Authority, and we were actively involved in recruiting companies to Tennessee. I never had one company raise the issue of income tax as to whether they were going to come or not. The one issue they always cared about was a skilled and trained workforce through our colleges."

Amendment 3, Stewart said, will lead to double-digit increases in the state sales tax, as well as increases in property, food and business taxes, while also leading to further cuts in government services.

"The future of Tennessee hangs in the balance," Stewart said, adding that teachers need cost-of-living increases.

TFT Board Chair Dick Williams, meanwhile, said members of the very state agency that collects taxes — the Tennessee Department of Revenue — needs more taxpayer money to have up-to-date computers.

Tennessee Department of Revenue spokeswoman Kelly Nolan Cortesi said Tuesday, however, that all employees already use equipment less than four years old.

Photo courtesy of Brian Kelsey's Facebook page.

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Brian Kelsey

Couldn't one make the argument government could operate more efficiently with less money?

After all, this year's Tennessee Pork Report, citing government audits and previous Tennessee Watchdog articles, for instance, reported \$609 million in taxpayer waste last year.

Stewart doesn't buy into the argument government is often bad about waste, fraud and abuse of taxpayer money.

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"This is an argument that you hear forever all over the place, but it's very hard to prove," Stewart said.

"Sure, you can find individual instances where someone did something dumb. But you

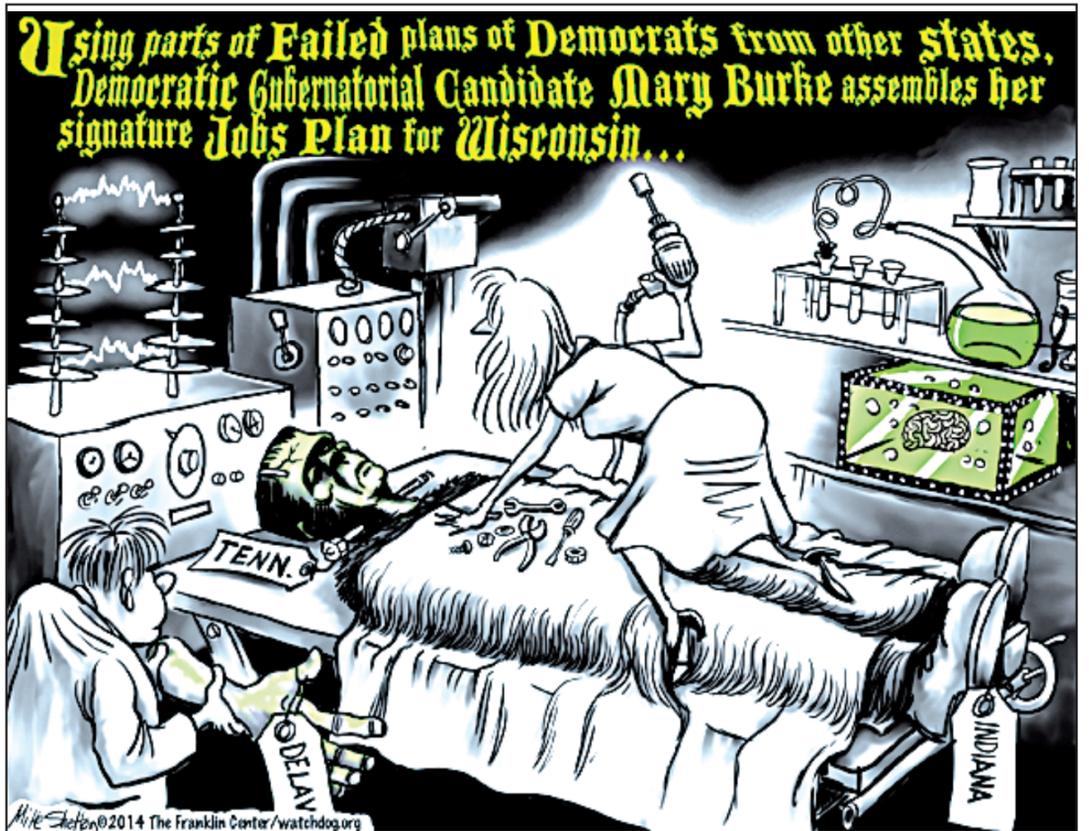
can do that anywhere. It happens all the time in private business, for goodness sake. Government is not that much different from private business in terms of how it handles its money."

Nevada and Texas already have similar amendments, Kelsey said.

While Tennessee has no general state income tax it does have what is known as the Hall Income Tax, a 6 percent income

tax on dividends from stocks and interest on certain bonds.

State officials enacted the Hall Income Tax in 1929, according to the state's official website.



Using parts of Failed plans of Democrats from other states, Democratic gubernatorial candidate Mary Burke assembles her signature Jobs Plan for Wisconsin...

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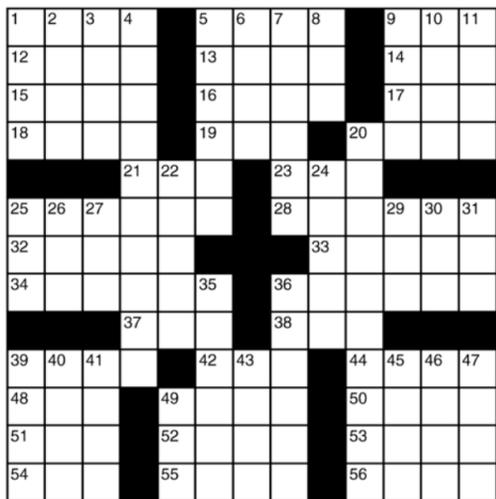
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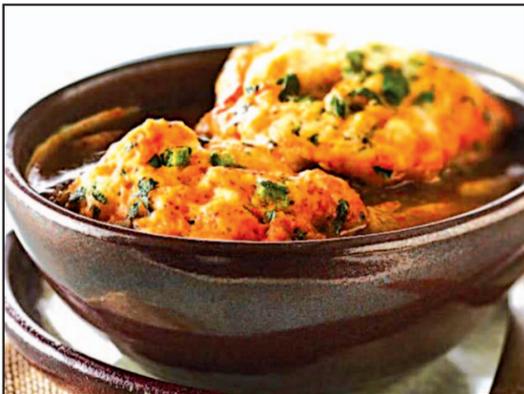
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  - 25 Esprit de corps
  - 28 Automaker's nightmare
  - 32 Accustom
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  - 34 GI ID
  - 36 Set off
  - 37 Baseball stat.
  - 38 Homer's neighbor
  - 39 Source of Samson's strength
  - 42 Scepter
  - 44 Thin streak of smoke
  - 48 Vacationing
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  - 50 Between jobs
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  - 53 Spruced up
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- DOWN**
- 1 Weight
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  - 26 Yoko of music
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  - 30 Allow
  - 31 Sheltered side
  - 35 Parking space?
  - 36 "Absolutely!"
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  - 46 Venetian blind part
  - 47 Animal-rights org.
  - 49 High-arc shot



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### Chili Chicken Soup with Cilantro Dumplings

#### Soup

- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 1/4 lb boneless skinless chicken breasts, cut into 1-inch cubes
- 1 medium onion, chopped (1/2 cup)
- 3 teaspoons chili powder
- 1/2 to 1 teaspoon salt
- 5 cups Progresso™ chicken broth (from two 32-oz cartons)

#### Dumplings

- 2 cups Original Bisquick™ mix
- 2/3 cup milk
- 1/2 cup chopped fresh cilantro
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1 jalapeño chile, seeded, chopped, if desired

#### Directions

1 In 3-quart saucepan, heat oil over medium heat. Cook chicken, onion, chili powder and salt in oil, stirring frequently, until chicken is browned. Stir in broth. Heat to boiling; reduce heat to medium. Simmer uncovered 5 minutes.

2 Meanwhile, in medium bowl, mix Bisquick mix and milk until soft dough forms. Fold in cilantro, cumin and chile. Drop dough by 10 spoonfuls onto simmering soup. Cook uncovered 10 minutes. Cover; cook 10 minutes longer.

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Date	Overall 2-0	Conf. 1-0	Home 1-0	Away 1-0	Record
Date	Opponent / Event	Location	Time	Record	
08/30/14	vs. Stephen F. Austin		55-16	1-0	
09/06/14	at Iowa State * TV	Ames, Iowa	32-28	2-0	
09/18/14	vs. Auburn TV	Manhattan, Kan.	6:30 PM		
09/27/14	vs. UTEP	Manhattan, Kan.	TBA		
10/04/14	vs. Texas Tech *	Manhattan, Kan.	TBA		
10/18/14	at Oklahoma	Norman, Okla.	TBA		
10/25/14	vs. Texas *	Manhattan, Kan.	TBA		
11/01/14	vs. Oklahoma State *	Manhattan, Kan.	TBA		
11/08/14	at TCU *	Fort Worth, Texas	TBA		
11/20/14	at West Virginia * TV	Morgantown	6:00 PM		
11/29/14	vs. Kansas *	Manhattan, Kan.	TBA		
12/06/14	at Baylor *	Waco, Texas	TBA		

## Big 12 Standings

Team	Big 12 Record	Over All Record
Kansas State	1-0	2-0
Baylor	0-0	3-0
Oklahoma	0-0	3-0
TCU	0-0	2-0
Oklahoma State	0-0	2-1
Texas Tech	0-0	2-1
West Virginia	0-0	2-1
Kansas	0-0	1-1
Texas	0-0	1-2
Iowa State	0-0	1-2

## Big 12 Conference Schedule

Date	Home Team	Location	Time (CT)
Thu, Sep 18	Kansas State	Auburn	
Manhattan, Kan.		6:30 p.m.	ESPN Live
* Sat, Sep 20	West Virginia	Oklahoma	
Morgantown, W.Va.		TBA	Live
Sat, Sep 20	Kansas	Central Michigan	
Lawrence, Kan.		TBA	Live
* Thu, Sep 25	Oklahoma State	Texas Tech	
Stillwater, Okla.		6:30 p.m.	ESPN
* Sat, Sep 27	Iowa State	Baylor	
Ames, Iowa		TBA	Live Stats
Sat, Sep 27	Kansas State	UTEP	
Manhattan, Kan.		TBA	Live Stats
Sat, Sep 27	SMU	TCU	
Dallas, Texas		TBA	
* Sat, Sep 27	Kansas	Texas	
Lawrence, Kan.		TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 04	Texas	Baylor	
Austin, Texas		TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 04	West Virginia	Kansas	
Morgantown, W.Va.		TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 04	Oklahoma State	Iowa State	
Stillwater, Okla.		TBA	
* Sat, Oct 04	Kansas State	Texas Tech	
Manhattan, Kan.		TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 04	TCU	Oklahoma	
Fort Worth, Texas		TBA	
* Sat, Oct 11	Texas Tech	West Virginia	
Lubbock, Texas		TBA	Live Stats

## Kansas 2013-2014 SCHEDULE

Sat. Sept 6th	Overall 1-0	Conf. 0-0	Home 1-0	Away 0-0	Record
	Southeast Missouri	Lawrence, Kan.	34-28	1-0	
Sat. Sept 13th	Duke	Durham, N.C.	3-41	1-1	
Sat. Sept 20th	Central Michigan	Lawrence, Kan.		TBA	
Sat. Sept 27th	Texas	Lawrence, Kan.		TBA	
Sat. Oct 4th	West Virginia	Morgantown, W.Va.		TBA	
Sat. Oct 11th	Oklahoma State	Lawrence, Kan.		TBA	
Sat. Oct 18th	Texas Tech	Lubbock, Texas		TBA	
Sat. Nov. 1	Baylor	Waco, Texas		TBA	
Sat. Nov. 7th	Iowa State	Lawrence, Kan.		TBA	
Sat. Nov. 15th	TCU	Lawrence, Kan.		TBA	
Sat. Nov. 22nd	Oklahoma	Norman, Okla.		TBA	
Sat. Nov. 29th	Kansas State	Manhattan, Kan.		TBA	

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# No. 20 K-State Falls Short to No. 5 Auburn, 20-14

**KSU Sports Information**  
**MANHATTAN, Kan.** - In a back-and-forth defensive game that saw both teams average less than five yards a play on offense, No. 20 K-State came up just short against No. 5 Auburn, falling to the Tigers 20-14. Taking in the primetime affair were 53,046 at Bill Snyder Family Stadium - the fifth-largest attendance in program history.

For the Wildcats, they kept the contest close thanks to a stellar performance by their defense unit. The collective effort saw the Tigers get held to a season-low output in rushing yards, as Auburn managed 128 yards on 45 attempts - good for only 2.8 yards per carry, as well as ending the program's FBS-leading streak of 13-straight games of at least 200 yards rushing. The Tigers would finish the game with 359 total yards and one turnover.

On offense, K-State struggled to find any room on the ground, relying mostly on the arm of Jake Waters, who finished the contest with 245 yards passing on 24-of-40 attempts. Curry Sexton and Tyler Lockett finished the evening with 121 yards and 45 yards receiving, respectively, with the former hauling in a game- and career-high 11 receptions.

It was only the Wildcats' fifth non-conference loss under head coach Bill Snyder since 1990, as Auburn pushed its head-to-head record against K-State to 4-0.

#### HOW IT HAPPENED | First Half

• K-State's defense came out rolling on all cylinders, holding the Auburn attack to 38 total yards in its first three drives. Despite the strong start, K-State trailed 3-0 after the first quarter.

• Auburn's first points of the evening came as result of a Waters fumble that ended with the Tigers recovering the ball on the Wildcats' 21-yard line. From there, Auburn failed to move the ball past the K-State 17 with its drive ending in a Daniel Carlson 34-yard field goal.

• The Wildcats would bounce back with a strong drive after the field goal, moving the ball 74 yards down the field in 10 plays only to have the drive end with yet another turnover. On 2nd-and-goal from the 1-yard line, Waters looked to hit Lockett on a slant for seven, but the senior wide out was unable to corral the pass, tipping the ball into the air for a Tigers' interception by cornerback Jonathan Jones.

• Holding the Tigers to 16 yards on four plays in the ensuing drive, Lockett quickly put the Wildcats back in scoring position with a 30-yard punt return to the Auburn 43-yard line. The Wildcats were unable to capitalize despite moving the ball into field goal territory though, as Jack Cantele missed the first of three tries - this attempt from 41 yards out.

• From there, action hit a short lull as K-State went three-and-out twice, including not being able to capitalize on a Dakorey Johnson pick off a deflected Nick Marshall pass. The Wildcats' defense would not relent, forcing a punt from Auburn on the ensuing drive that saw Lockett work his way 26 yards to the K-State 43-yard line.

• The return would kick start the Wildcats' first scoring drive of the evening - a 6-play, 57-yard drive that ended with a 3-yard plunge by DeMarcus Robinson. The 7-3 Wildcat advantage came thanks to two 20-plus yard gains through the air - 22 yards to Zach Trujillo on 2nd-and-1 and then 23 yards to Sexton to give the 'Cats first down at the Auburn 3-yard line.

• Auburn responded quickly with a touchdown of their own, driving the ball 75 yards down the field in 3:22 to make it 10-7. Evading a blitz from cornerback Randall Evans, Marshall connected with Ricardo Louis from 40 yards out for the score. The half concluded with the Wildcats missing out on another

three points, as an untimely Waters fumble moved the ball back to the K-State 25-yard line. From there, Cantele pushed the kick wide right on a 42-yard try.

#### HOW IT HAPPENED | Second Half

• Trading punts to open the half, K-State would be the first team with an opportunity to score, but were unable to convert yet again. Buoyed by another strong punt return from Lockett, this time 15-yards to the Auburn 49-yard line, the Wildcats drove the ball deep into Auburn territory only to see Cantele miss from 22 yards.

• Auburn extended its lead to 17-7, driving the ball 85 yards in 15 plays. The drive ended with a Marshall fade to D'haquille Williams in the corner of the end zone, scoring from 9 yards out.

• Auburn added another three in the fourth to push its advantage to 20-7. The 25-yard field goal did not come without some close calls though, as K-State nearly had its second turnover of the game on two occasions. Evans missed on recovering a fumble in K-State territory, and was followed soon after by Danzel McDaniel letting a bobbled catch go through his hands.

• The Wildcats would make the game interesting late, cutting the lead to 20-14 with 3:49 remaining on a Charles Jones 1-yard score. Sexton played a major role in the drive, snagging four passes for 47 yards including three for first downs. K-State's offense did not see the field again though, as Auburn converted on a 3rd-and-9 on the following drive to run out the clock for its third victory of the season.

#### GAME-CHANGING STATS

• Both teams had their fair share of missed opportunities in changing the final result. While the Wildcats were unable to cash in on three field goal attempts, they also went 2-for-5 in the red zone after starting the season 12-for-12 and could not take advantage of solid field position, including three drives in Auburn territory. Conversely, Auburn's offense most notably missed on two deep ball opportunities in the first half, including a drop by Williams on 3rd-and-6 for a certain seven for the Tigers.

• Though they lost the turnover battle 3-to-1, the Wildcat defense gave up only six points off turnovers. It was an impressive showing by K-State that included holding Auburn to 55 yards on the ground in the first half - the lowest output ever by a Gus Malzahn-led Tiger offense. K-State's first half dominance on the defensive side of the ball resulted in Auburn not converting a third down until the second quarter with less than three minutes remaining in the half - a stretch of five missed conversions. The Tigers would go onto finish the game 10-of-18 on third down.



Kansas State's Defensive End Jordan Willis (75) puts pressure on the Auburn Quarterback.



Morgan Burns (33 right) stops the punt on the one-yard-line and from going into the endzone.



Quarterback Jake Waters (15) sets to pitch the ball back to runningback DeMarcus Robinson (20) and a first down. (Photos by Jon A. Brake)

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# No. 5 Auburn Holds Off No. 20 K-State, 20-14

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MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — Gus Malzahn squeezed into his postgame news conference, gripping both sides of the podium and exhaling deeply.

Fifth-ranked Auburn had just eked out a 20-14 victory over No. 20 Kansas State, and Malzahn was asked whether it was the kind of nip-and-tuck nonconference game that he likes to play.

"After they're over and you win, yeah," the Tigers' coach said. "You do."

Auburn's vaunted ground game held in check all night, the Tigers finally pulled away when they went to the air. Nick Marshall threw for 231 yards and two touchdowns, and Auburn forced a trio of turnovers while capitalizing on three missed field goals by the Wildcats.

Still, the game wasn't over until Marshall found D'haquille Williams running wide open on third-and-9 at the Auburn 37. The completion with 2:06 remaining went for 39 yards, a first down that effectively ended the game, and gave the Tigers (3-0) their first nonconference road win over a ranked team since knocking off Florida State in 1984.

"Our guys found a way," Malzahn said. "I told them after the game, I think this could be a game that really helps us in the future, because we faced some major adversity tonight."

Not nearly as much as Kansas State.

Jake Waters threw for 245 yards, but he also tossed two picks — one in the Auburn end zone. The Wildcats (2-1) also fumbled the ball away, and Jack Cantele missed those crucial field goals.

Still, the Wildcats tried to rally in the closing minutes, scoring on a run by Charles Jones out of the wildcat formation with 3:49 left. But after holding the Tigers to third down, Marshall took advantage of one more miscue — a bad call on defense — for a first down to seal it.

"There was a ton of mistakes that we made that impacted the outcome," Kansas State coach Bill Snyder said. "Auburn is a tremendous football team and we just made too many

mistakes."

The result was Kansas State's lowest point total in more than three years.

"It hurts a lot," wide receiver Tyler Lockett said. "We left a lot out there on the field. One of the plays I remember, I dropped a touchdown that turned into an interception. Missed field goals, fumbled the ball. We just made a lot of mistakes today."

Auburn was the highest-ranked team to play in Manhattan since second-ranked Penn State in 1969, and an overflow crowd started tailgating Tuesday. The festivities continued until shortly after kickoff, when the Wildcats started to throw away opportunities to spring an upset.

The first serious miscue was a fumbled handoff deep in Kansas State territory. Auburn hopped on the loose ball and, four plays later, kicked a 34-yard field goal to take a 3-0 lead.

The second turnover was even more costly. The Wildcats had second-and-goal from the Auburn 2, and Waters zipped a pass that bounced off Lockett's shoulder pads in the end zone. Rather than an easy touchdown, the ball was picked off by the Tigers' Jonathan Jones.

"Coach always says you get interceptions on tips and overthrows," Jones said.

The Wildcats kept buckling down on defense, though, stuffing Auburn's read-option attack. The Tigers had just 55 yards rushing in the first half, the fewest in the Malzahn era.

The nation's best team in converting third downs also failed on its first five attempts.

"We knew it wasn't going to be easy," Marshall said. "Adversity hit us and we wanted to see how we would respond, and we responded well."

Kansas State finally scored with 4:56 left in the first half when DeMarcus Robinson scampered in from 3 yards out for his first career touchdown. But the Tigers hurried the other way, capping a 75-yard drive with Marshall's 40-yard strike to Ricardo Louis for a 10-7 lead.

Cantele pushed a potential tying field-goal attempt wide on the final play of the



It was that kind of a night, Kansas State's Quarterback Jake Waters (15) takes a big hit. Bot teams played good defense and good offense.

half, his second miss of the night. He hooked one wide left late in the first quarter.

He made it a frustrating hat-trick midway through the third quarter.

The Wildcats had once again marched downfield, and once again pushed the ball inside the Auburn 5. But after the Tigers stiffened, Cantele was summoned to try a 22-yarder — a mere chip-shot, hardly more than an extra point. He missed it wide right.

The Tigers tacked on a touchdown and a field goal, eventually putting the game out of reach.

"It was a collective team loss," Kansas State defensive end Ryan Mueller said. "There were some missed opportunities there and that's all I can really say."

**Photos By Ben Brake**



DeMarcus Robinson (20) scampered in from 3 yards out for his first career touchdown.



Ryan Mueller (44) goes after the running back from behind.



Tyler Lockett (16) points down field to get help from K-State blockers.