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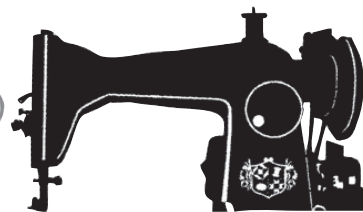
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Garden Humor

DAKOTA GARDENER

By Carrie Knutson, NDSU Extension Agent, Grand Forks County

Gardening can be a tough hobby.

Gardening is not like playing golf or basketball. Gardeners play only one game a year. It's a game where the opponents - Mother Nature, insects and animals - try their best to stop us from winning a beautiful landscape and pantry full of vegetables to eat during the winter.

This has been a difficult year for many of us in the plant world: worsening drought conditions throughout the state, early warmth followed by frost and now heat that just won't stop.

So, in light of all the struggles we face as gardeners, I thought it was time for some humor to help us through the rest of the growing season.

I present a "You might be a gardener if ..." list.

You have amended soil, built raised beds or hauled different

soil in to grow plants that need a low soil pH, specifically blueberries.

You ever have rescued plants from yard waste disposal sites.

You have killed a favorite plant at least three times but still will try again next year just in case the plant decides to grow this time.

You have two pairs of gardening shoes. One of them is a good pair that you save for going out in public. The other pair doesn't leave the yard.

You have a favorite pair of work gloves that has holes patched with several layers of duct tape.

You consistently try to grow plants out of their hardiness zone.

Your family complains about your composting habit.

You have no room for vehicles in your garage on frost warning mornings because of all your plants.

Rabbits and squirrels are your arch nemeses.

You have fences within

fences within fences to keep your pets and arch nemeses out of your garden.

You paint your nails a dark color during the growing season to help hide the dirt.

While visiting a local greenhouse or garden store, you get asked if work you there. You say no but help the customer anyway.

Many of your sentences begin with "Next year I/we should try ..."

I hope you enjoyed reading the list and laughed at least a little. I must admit I have done quite a few of these items, but I still have some left to do. Maybe next year I can add them to my garden to-do list. Happy gardening!

For more information about gardening, contact your local NDSU Extension agent. Find the Extension office for your county at <https://www.ag.ndsu.edu/extension/directory/counties>.

Maharaja's Divorce

DAKOTA DATEBOOK

Dakota Datebook written by Merry Helm

July 5, 2021 — Maharaja Yeshwant Rao Holkar, 33 year-old prince of Indore, India, had a busy day 62 years ago today; on that day, he divorced his second wife and married another 10 hours later.

The Maharaja's first wife was accidentally killed in Paris in 1937, and overcome with depression, his health deteriorated. He withdrew from society and traveled abroad with his 5 year-old daughter, Usha. While in California, he had an acute asthma attack and was hospitalized in Los Angeles, where he met Marguerite Lawler, a native of Fargo who had worked as a nurse for the Union Pacific Railroad. Usha became very fond of Marguerite, and after he recovered, the maharaja hired Marguerite to be his daughter's governess.

In September 1938, Marguerite married the prince, who proceeded to build his 18th house. The Santa Ana Register stated, "A man's home is his castle, and the castle being built for the world's richest man, the Maharajah of Indore, in Santa Ana is not only a castle; it is literally a fortress. It will guard that which is more dear to him than all of his income - it will guard the safety and continued well-being of his daughter, Princess Usha."

The 12-room house cost roughly \$50,000, a virtual

fortune during the Depression. They spent another \$150,000 to furnish it, including expensive modern art, tiger-skin rugs and leopard-skin draperies. A massive living room featured huge contemporary divans, an 11-piece dining room set, and 8' copper pillar lamps. The fireplace was covered with polished glass, and a beautifully tiled swimming pool lay beneath an 80 foot-long terrace attached to the rear of the second floor.

A servant slept outside Usha's door each night, and during the day, the little girl went to the local elementary school.

After only a year, the Maharaja announced they were "returning to India to be of service to his emperor and his country." Princess Usha, however, stayed in Santa Ana with her new governess, who was also named her legal guardian.

In India, Maharanee Marguerite became mistress of 17 mansions. She presided over 200 servants in a \$3 million air-conditioned palace, could use any of her husband's 15 cars, and could wear anything she liked from the family's 20 million-dollar jewelry collection.

The couple usually began their days by bathing at noon. Then they would read the Bombay Chronicle and eat lunch in bed. The Maharajah was passionate about bridge and usually indulged in card playing until afternoon tea.

Later they would swim, go visiting, or play tennis or golf with their friends. At night they hosted films in their own movie theater or went out for the evening to the nearest town. Because they had so much company, they rarely went to bed before 2 a.m.

After several years of the high life, Marguerite got homesick and flew back to the states. A year later, the Maharaja moved to Reno, and after the required 6-week residency, he filed for a divorce. Ten hours later, he married Euphemia Watt Crane, who soon produced for him a male heir.

Marguerite was given the Santa Ana home, another house and, surprisingly, custody of Princess Usha. Marguerite legally adopted her step-daughter but later sent her to India to live with Yeshwant and his new family.

Marguerite then joined the war effort as a WAVE and, after being discharged in 1945, she married a Santa Ana postman who served in the Coast Guard. She died in California in 1963.

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Yoga, First Congregational Church, Garrison, 8 a.m.
Bone Builders, Garrison Senior Center, 10 a.m.
American Legion Hugh P. Minehan Post 49, American Legion Building, City Park, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, July 20

McLean County Commission meeting at 8:30 a.m. at the courthouse.

Wednesday, July 21

Washburn School Board meeting.
Turtle Lake-Mercer School Board meeting at 8 p.m.
Wilton School Board meeting at 6 pm.
Wilton City Commission meeting at 7 p.m.
Yoga, First Congregational Church, Garrison, 8 a.m.
E-Youth, Evangel Church, Garrison, 6-8 p.m.

Thursday, July

The community clothing share exchange will be open each Thursday from noon to 6 p.m. at 221 Main St. Turtle Lake.

Saturday, July 24

The Lord's Pantry is open from 10 to noon at Trinity Lutheran Church, 515 Kundert St., Turtle Lake.

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July 20: Beer battered cod, tartar sauce, rice, stewed tomato, banana.

July 21: Steak in smothered onions and mushrooms, twice baked potato, pickled beets, peach yogurt fruit salad.

July 22: Beef tips in gravy over egg noodles, broccoli, cherries.

July 23: BLT wrap, marinated vegetable salad, fruit, cook's choice dessert.

Big hats



BY DEAN MEYER

Hello,
They call the wind "Maria".
Remember that song?
"Oh the wayward wind, is a restless wind".

Now that I have you humming that tune... Dang it, I can't get it out of my head now. We try to ranch a little in Harding County. "Try" being the key word. But you have to admire people who try. Now, Harding County is in the northwest corner of South Dakota. It borders Montana on the west and North Dakota on the north side. Maybe it touches Wyoming too, I'll leave that for you to look up.

If you watch the weather, oftentimes you will see that Harding County and Buffalo, South Dakota are under a "high wind warning." I think they just post it and leave it up. If you live there, you don't really think about it that much. It's just life. It's like breathing. You just do it. Without really thinking.

What brought this about is what one of our neighbors recently said. They have a new hired man. And this cowboy came from California. If you've seen cowboys from California, Idaho, and pretty much all of the southwest United States,

you notice something. They wear big brim hats. I mean really big brim hats. And when roping, many pride themselves on throwing a big loop.

This California cowboy said that he left home with a big hat, but as he worked his way to Harding County, he kept buying hats with a smaller brim!

I'm guessing he'll be wearing a baseball cap on the days the high wind warnings are out! Because we haven't had a good blow in a while.

Which reminds me of an old cowboy saying, "Never hire a man who wears a straw hat or rolls his own cigarettes. Because when he is needed, he is either chasing his hat or rolling a cigarette!"

I'm guessing that there aren't a lot of people out there who still roll their own smokes. Unless of course, you live in Colorado. But that's a different story. It used to be that you could sell a good horse if you could guarantee that "he's so smooth you can roll a cigarette while traveling at a trot"! But the west changed as most people started using "tailor mades."

I don't smoke. Haven't in a number of years. But I can still recall how I could admire a guy who could sit on a horse, roll a smoke with one hand, and strike a match on his leg.

"Oh the wayward wind is a restless wind.

A restless wind that yearns to wander..."

Later, Dean

OUR OUTDOORS

Turning Twenty



BY NICK SIMONSON
DAKOTA EDGE OUTDOORS

It was 20 years ago this summer I took a job in between college and law school as a part time reporter for my hometown newspaper, the Valley City Times-Record. In fact, it's a publication for which I still proudly write today, and I am happy and sometimes amazed that they've kept me on this long and through many moves.

Between reporting on developing technology in the community, looking over the police blotter and covering the occasional Legion baseball game that summer, I was also given an opportunity to share my growing passion for the outdoors, which at that time was solely focused on angling.

Each week in the remaining two months of my stay at the shared desk where the reporters gathered, I'd assemble a profile on one of the prominent species in the area and share tips and locations where they could be caught locally and statewide. The Fish Files, as I called it, ran alongside Doug Leier's column and the NDG&F Department's press releases, eventually giving way to this weekly column, Our Outdoors, which started a two-decade streak of sharing my take each week on all that was happening in hunting, fishing and conservation from season to season.

In some ways 20 years seems short. It's not a lifespan to me, but for many who read my work, it encompasses all of theirs thus far in the outdoors — from their first bluegills, to learning walleye patterns, to pheasant hunts and sits for deer — with hopes for at least three or four more of those 20-year sets to come.

There are many of those moments in the outdoors so filled with success or big memories that they seem like yesterday: a dog's first point, the incredible experience of sturgeon angling, or watching my son catch his first fish through the ice.

While they're 17, 10, or seven years ago in reality,

the moments remain so close I feel as if I could reach out and touch the feathers and fins in the cool autumn air or the chilly water. Having written them down, shared them through this medium and archived them on a few different lost-and-found hard drives over the years makes remembering and reliving each moment that much easier.

The time has flown by, but as I look back, I'm amazed that one major goal — catching a smallmouth bass the same length as the age of this column — has remained a continuing challenge. In all those days on the water which have whizzed by in a blur, I've not topped the 20-inch mark for a smallie. While I've landed more than my share of fish between 19 and that oh-so-close 19.9 inches in the fast-moving springs and summers since I began writing about them, my 20-inch bronzeback still maddeningly eludes me. I'm hopeful it will come eventually, but as I do spend a lot of time angling for them, I'm surprised it hasn't already.

In a way too, 20 years can seem frustratingly long. Having had my first hunting dog and taken to the field at the most recent height of CRP in 2004, watching grass disappear from the landscape in the years since and doing the research on the ups and downs of the habitat program throughout the seasons establishes a pattern of troughs and peaks where bird, deer and other wildlife populations follow suit with conservation efforts.

In those moments, where it seems society must experience the consequences of its actions, re-learn everything it once knew and then re-implement it through the red tape and rigmarole of government, that 20-year cycle of ups and downs can certainly feel like a drag on the outdoor psyche.

Regardless of the conditions throughout that time, however, the aspects of the outdoors which I have tried and taken to have mounted, and the number of other styles of fishing and hunting I've not attempted has shrunk, with but a few I wish to pursue remaining.

Since that first column, I've learned to hunt pheasant and fly fish, and become passionate about that pairing which makes up a good percentage of my writings in fall and spring respectively. I've become an ardent supporter of shooting

sports, as I did not grow up a hunter or a target shooter.

Through my involvement in organizing several high school clay target teams - a sport which has also grown wildly over the last twenty years — it is my hope that those kids, when they choose to take to the field, will do so with a greater level of success and at an earlier age than I did. In that process and through more time in the field each fall, I've become a better shooter, a more experienced hunter and, perhaps most importantly, a stronger student of nature.

Through my obsessing about wind and weather and trying to tie the presence of plants and animals on the landscape into the bigger hunting picture and to life in general, I have done my best to encapsulate that week's musings, many missteps and occasional major accomplishments.

I was lucky to be granted the opportunity to share my thoughts which began this 20-year run and was always happy to talk fishing or hunting with those folks who caught me on a morning walk or while making an evening cast and asked me about my last article. While now everyone has a medium on which they can share their fishing success, hunting outings or thoughts on conservation — be it Facebook, Twitter or Tik Tok — I'll always fondly recall those early days in the back room pasting the pages together and admiring my early efforts at sharing just a snapshot of what the region had available in its waters.

Likewise, I am grateful now for the four-dozen print, radio and online outlets that carry this column, and for the "dozen and dozen" of readers I have out there on social media and the web who read it.

As with the shift from gray LCD screens to multi-color live displays on sonar, and the near obsolescence of GPS units in favor of maps on today's smartphones, it may be tough to predict the changes that will come in the next two decades in hunting, fishing and conservation. Here's hoping, however, that I'll be granted the privilege of continuing to share it all with you, through both the figurative and literal hills and valleys and whatever they may bring from season to season and week to week ... in our outdoors.

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DAKOTA EDGE

Second hatch hopes



BY NICK SIMONSON
DAKOTA EDGE OUTDOORS

While drought conditions persist across much of North Dakota, with severe levels in the west-central portion of the state around Lake Sakakawea, much of the state has received some badly needed rain which is not only good for foliage and farming, but hopefully this year's crop of pheasant chicks as well.

While some downpours — like a mid-June storm near Steele, N.D. that dropped more than 5 inches of rain in a localized area — may have hampered nesting efforts, gentler rains have helped hedge a severe drought and will likely spur insect populations to help feed new upland birds on the landscape. And while early reports of broods are lacking, Upland Game Biologist RJ Gross with the North Dakota Game and

Fish Department (NDG&F) is hopeful for late nesting efforts carrying upland populations into fall.

"I've only heard a few [broods being seen] in the far southwest corner of the state, other than that I haven't heard of a single one and I've been asking our district staff and people aren't seeing any," Gross said of early anecdotal reports. "It's concerning so far, but I am still going to remain hopeful, and hopefully we can have a strong second half of the summer, and see what our brood surveys tell us."

Recent rainfall in many areas was what was required to spur insects like beetles, and other edibles such as spiders and slugs which provide the protein and other nutrients pheasant chicks require to develop feathers, grow and regulate their body temperatures. In other places, where the rainfall was heavy, the precipitation may have been too much, and those areas may require a second nesting attempt by pheasant hens to pull off a hatch, when initial spots were inundated with water, or the eggs were lost due to other environmental factors.

Gross explains that there are no second broods in North

Dakota, and once chicks hatch, a hen's nesting mission is effectively completed, even if those chicks die. Only in the situation where the eggs are destroyed before hatching — be it from untimely rains, predators or other reasons — will the hen consider re-nesting, and sometimes they will not due to extreme environmental conditions or a weakened state.

"A pheasant hen will not have a second hatch or a second brood. If a hen lays a clutch of eggs and those eggs at any time get destroyed, she will try to re-nest. Now every time she does that and depending on how late it gets, the number of eggs will be reduced," Gross explains. "In drought conditions, sometimes in research it has been shown that they will not re-nest, just because their body condition isn't as good as it should be."

Typically, hens begin laying eggs and nesting in mid-May and the peak of the hatch in North Dakota usually occurs between June 10 and June 15. In the ten-day to two-week period following that peak, chicks will forage in dense grass and forbs for insects with the hen often nearby. After that time, Gross expects that more

people will begin seeing young birds out and about along roadsides in the morning, and the upcoming Fourth of July holiday weekend is when many anecdotal reports of first broods begin making their way to NDG&F (North Dakota Game and Fish) agents.

On a first nesting attempt, a hen will lay around a dozen eggs. On a second attempt that number drops to eight or so. In subsequent efforts, the egg count can decline to four or less, and those smaller nests may occur as late as August. Oftentimes in late summer, individuals will observe pheasant broods that are larger in number and in size, with smaller broods of tinier birds alongside them, or just down the road. The subsequent set of birds is not a second hatch from the same hen, but rather a successful, later nesting attempt by another hen that did not lay as many eggs and did so later in the nesting period. It's these smaller broods that can save a hunting season, when conditions are not good during a first nesting attempt by hens in a given area.

"Last year, going through our hunter-harvested wings, there was a strong end-of-July

hatch that came through, which is always good to see," Gross stated, referencing 2015 as another notable nesting season where a strong second attempt bumped up bird numbers for the summer roadside brood count and helped provide hunters with more pheasants to pursue that fall.

This year's summer roadside brood count will be conducted by Gross and other NDG&F agents from July 20 until Aug. 31. Employees will drive along assigned 20-mile routes, counting the number of adult upland birds including pheasants, sharptailed grouse and partridge, that they see along the roadside. In addition to the tallies of birds seen per 100 miles and numbers of birds in each brood, they'll record GPS location for more in-depth information in the program which has run for more than six decades in the Roughrider State, providing a strong data set for comparison, year-over-year.

The results are typically released in early September and compared against historical and most recent 10-year averages to provide hunters with an idea of what to expect in the field this fall.

Pick Some Potatoes for Potassium

PRAIRIE FARE

By Julie Garden-Robinson, Food and Nutrition Specialist
NDSU Extension

When I was young, my midsummer task was to "sneak" potatoes from the sides of the potato hills in our garden.

We all liked cooked baby red potatoes served with butter, salt and pepper. We usually had fresh green beans and a lettuce salad along with some type of meat to complete our meal from the garden.

As I was looking at my towering potato plants in my backyard garden the other day, I felt a little nostalgic. I didn't steal any potatoes from the hills, though.

I will let them grow to be large potatoes. I bought some baby red potatoes at the store to make this week's recipe.

Potatoes sometimes get a bad rap related to their role in a healthful diet. Some people avoid them. However, avoiding potatoes could shortchange you on several important nutrients, including potassium, complex carbohydrates, vitamin C, fiber (especially if you eat the skin) and other nutrients.

If you slather a lot of extra ingredients on your cooked or baked potato, you may please your taste

buds. However, you are not doing your overall health a huge favor by adding a lot of calories and, most likely, saturated fat.

Potassium is found in abundance in potatoes. You might be aware that bananas are a potassium source. A medium banana has 425 milligrams of potassium. One medium baked potato with the skin has 925 milligrams of potassium, which is more than twice as much potassium as a similar amount of banana.

Potassium is so important to our overall health that the latest Nutrition Facts labels now feature potassium as one of the listed nutrients. You also will see vitamin D and added sugar on the new labels.

The changes to the label crowded out vitamins A and C. We still need these nutrients, of course.

The nutrition labels were adjusted to focus on nutrients of concern and also keep the nutrition label the same size. You will notice that serving size is in a larger font so it catches our attention.

On average, an adult healthy male age 19 and older needs 3,400 milligrams of potassium and an adult healthy female needs 2,600 milligrams. Aim to get your nutrients from food, and be sure to eat a variety of fruits

and vegetables. Milk, yogurt and salmon also contribute significant amounts of potassium to our diet.

Why is potassium so important, anyway?

Potassium is an essential mineral and electrolyte. Our body needs potassium to help our heart and kidneys function. Maintaining the right level of potassium is important for your muscles and organs to function at their best. Having an adequate amount of potassium may help with blood pressure management.

Many Americans do not get the recommended amount of potassium from their diet as a result of shortchanging themselves on fruits and vegetables. About 90% of adults do not meet the daily recommendations for fruits and vegetables, which stands at about 4 1/2 cups in total per day. Our needs vary based on our age and activity level.

Here are a few more examples of potassium-rich foods. One cup of Swiss chard has 961 milligrams of potassium, which is even higher than the amount in potatoes. Three-fourths cup of cooked beans, such as kidney, navy or black beans, provides 541 milligrams. One medium sweet potato with skin has 450 milligrams and 1/4 cup of cooked spinach has

420 milligrams.

Certain groups of people are more likely to have trouble getting enough potassium in their diet. People with inflammatory bowel disease (IBS) such as Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis or those who use medications such as laxatives or diuretics are among those who may have issues getting enough potassium.

Older adults who might have health conditions such as high blood pressure, kidney stones or osteoporosis are another group at risk.

Before making major changes in your diet, discuss them with a health-care provider. Some medical conditions require close monitoring of potassium intake.

This recipe was a big hit in my house. We enjoyed it with sauteed green beans, lettuce salad and grilled pork. It reminded me of the meals from my childhood.

Garlic Smashed Potatoes
1 lb. baby red, Yukon Gold or fingerling potatoes

Pinch of salt (kosher or table salt), if desired

4 Tbsp. butter, melted
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 tsp. fresh thyme leaves
Freshly ground black pepper to taste

1/2 c. freshly grated Parmesan

Preheat oven to 425 F. In a large pot, cover potatoes with water and add a pinch of salt. Bring water to a boil and simmer until potatoes are tender, about 15 minutes. Drain and let sit until cool enough to handle. On a large-rimmed baking sheet, toss potatoes with melted butter, garlic and thyme. Using the bottom of a small glass or Mason jar, press down on potatoes to smash them into flat patties. Season with salt and pepper, then sprinkle with Parmesan. Bake until bottoms of potatoes are beginning to crisp and Parmesan is golden, about 25 minutes.

Makes six servings. Without added salt, each serving has 160 calories, 10 grams (g) fat, 4 g protein, 15 g carbohydrate, 2 g fiber and 220 milligrams sodium.

(Julie Garden-Robinson, Ph.D., R.D., L.R.D., is a North Dakota State University Extension food and nutrition specialist and professor in the Department of Health, Nutrition and Exercise Sciences. Follow her on Twitter @jgardenrobinson)

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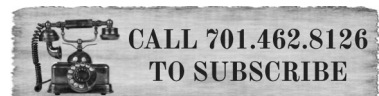
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Minot Explosion

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Dakota Datebook written by Merry Helm

July 21, 2021 — A violent explosion rocked Minot on this day in 1947. People were thrown to the ground as far as two blocks away, and windows were shattered throughout a four-block radius.

The explosion occurred shortly before noon at the Westland Oil Company service station and bulk plant. It started with an undetermined detonation of gasoline holding tanks, which set off several more blasts nearby. Burning gasoline was hurled into the air, setting fire to nearby buildings. Ultimately, fire consumed four city blocks.

The Minot Daily News reported, "Gasoline from the exploding tanks poured in a fiery stream into the streets and down the bank into the Mouse River... People living along the Mouse River east of the 3rd St NE viaduct were evacuating household belongings as the debris-filled river boiled under the heat of the burning oil. Huge black columns of smoke rose from the river."

Lester Dahlen, manager of the Bridgeman Creamery next door to the Oil Company, "described the explosion as literally lifting the building into the air." Another witness claimed the explosion "resembled [his] idea of an

atomic bomb." Owners of the Dakota Hide and Fur Company "thought a truck hit the front of [their] building." A Mandan Creamery employee "said she saw the flame bursting like a volcano from the burning tank." A farmer 18 miles south of town said he saw the flames from his farmyard. Smoke from the disaster was visible up to 100 miles away.

Onlookers ran to the scene in hopes of aiding victims, while business owners scrambled to account for their employees. Dozens of vehicles were either driven or pushed away from the area to prevent further detonations. While two large tanks burned out of control, the fire department poured a steady stream of water onto other nearby fuel tanks.

Firemen were working with a low water supply due to a breakdown in one of the city's wells, and "city officials pleaded with residents of the city to be extremely careful in their consumption of water." Luckily, there was very little wind that day, and the defense strategy worked.

Hospitals readied themselves for patients at the first sounds of the explosion. Several people were rushed into the emergency rooms and treated for burns, many very serious. Those who were mortally wounded included

employees of the surrounding businesses and one fireman – all suffering burns over 90-100% of their bodies.

In the following days, newspapers released eyewitness accounts citing a visible fuel leak as the cause of the disaster, but all reports were later retracted. Several hypotheses were set forward to explain the explosion, including crowded storage tanks and pumping negligence. But, R. J. Coughlin, president of Westland Oil Company, claimed the "pumps were 'dead' at the time of the explosion." He provided records of the week's transactions showing the storage tanks could each hold an additional 500 gallons of fuel. After finishing his own investigation, the president cited 'no explanation' for the explosion.

Government officials also launched an investigation, but after interviewing 13 witnesses, Assistant State's Attorney B. A. Dickinson found "no cause established and no grounds for criminal prosecution."

The explosion killed five people, destroyed nine businesses and caused nearly a million dollars in damages. With no cause to point to, Deputy Fire Marshal H. R. Handtmann hoped it would at least increase public awareness concerning the need for caution

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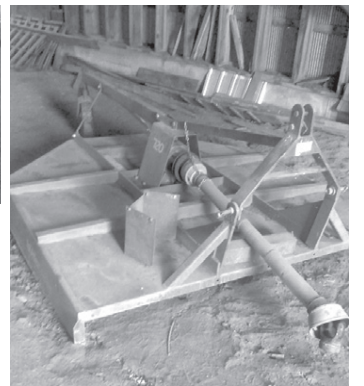
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 Craftsman YS4500 42" riding lawnmower
 Craftsman 6HP 17" rear tine tiller
 Craftsman 16" Chainsaw
 Campbell Hausefield air compressor
 Yard trailer 200# capacity-brand new
 Crosley 4' chest freezer
 10 gal Redwing crock
 Wagon wheels
 Cream cans
 Tonka toys
 Old toy race car track with cars
 Toy spring horse
 Hand sprayers
 Rechargeable weed wackers
 Reddy heater 35000 BTU
 6' aluminum step ladder
 Fiberglass ladder
 Tri step work platform
 1/2" impact wrench
 1/2" drill
 Battery chargers



Small hand tools
 Fishing rods, fishing nets
 Tackle box
 2 old kids' sleds with runners
 BB gun
 Buck saw
 Wooden toboggan
 Old red kid's wagon
 Cow bell, ice tong, brass ball hames
 Old wooden dolly
 Handyman jack
 Electronic dartboard

Safe: no combination
 Pink enamel washbasin
 Portable basketball hoop
 Bug zapper
 Wooden spindles
 Dorm fridge
 Galvanized water tank
 Antique dresser with mirror
 Old doll, kerosene lamps
 Metal folding chairs
 Canning jars

Guest Consignor
Tom Sorensen

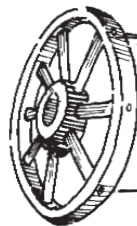
4 Bar Stools
 Fan
 Lawn Spreaders
 Vacuum Cleaners

Metal File Cabinet
 Umbrella
 Double Sink
 2 Horse Trailer



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