

USDA: Nebraska Corn **Crop Is Mostly Planted**

The soybean crop isn't as far along as the corn crop. Roughly 41 percent of the soybeans have been planted. That's down from the average of 51 percent at this point.

Much of the state received an inch or more of rain last week, and lowland flooding was a problem in parts of southeast Nebraska. That slowed field work.

Department and the Nebraska State Patrol assisted in the search, according to Cedar County Sheriff Larry Koranda.

Because of Holloway's presence Monday in the Crofton area, the Crofton Public Schools and St. Rose School in Crofton both went into lockdown. No students were at the schools, which had dismissed for the summer. However, staff members were completing year-end work at the schools.

The Crofton Public Schools went into lockdown as a precaution after talking with the Knox County sheriff's office and local law enforcement, according to Superintendent Randy Anderson.

"We were notified that there was the potential of a convict in the area. (We were told) he walked away from a work release program, and there was a vehicle that had been stolen in the vicinity of Crofton," Anderson said.

Therefore, we felt it was imperative that we go into lockdown. (We didn't go) in full mode like when we have students in school, but we did lock down all the outside doors and classroom doors.

The Crofton Public Schools operate separate elementary and secondary school sites. However, the entire school staff was at the secondary school for a workshop at the time of the lockdown.

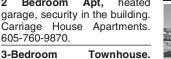
"We had a noon luncheon for the staff and we received the notice about that time, so we went into lockdown at that time," Anderson said, adding both school buildings went into lockdown.

St. Rose School didn't have students in attendance, but the Catholic school had employees in the building who were completing yearend work, said Principal Marlene Zurovski.

Upon learning of the prison escapee, St. Rose School went into lockdown as a precaution, Zurovski said.

The Crofton Public School employees exited a secure area of the school at 3 p.m., Anderson said. St. Rose School employees left around 3:15 p.m., Zurovski said.

Crofton Public School staff members plan to complete their work Tuesday as scheduled, Anderson said Monday night. We will start on time with staff in a secure setting," he



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Sheriff's Office was notified that Holloway entered a machine shed in the rural Crofton, Nebraska, area. Holloway allegedly stole a white 2013 Ford F150 Crew Cab with Nebraska farm plates 13-1212.

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Following his escape,

DOC officials were advising

loway or knew information

about him should immediate-

contact law enforcement.

Holloway surfaced Mon-

day in northeast Nebraska,

where authorities pursued

eluded law enforcement. He

the Devil's Nest area in Knox

was last seen Monday near

County, Nebraska, authori-

The Cedar County

(Nebraska) Sheriff's Office

issued a news release late

Monday afternoon about

Holloway's appearance in

At around 10:15 a.m.

ties said.

him for a time before he

anyone who had seen Hol-

Holloway was located in Cedar County, where he was pursued from Cedar County into Knox County. He was last seen in the Devil's Nest area, where he eluded capture.

The Cedar County sheriff's office, Knox County sheriff's office, the Crofton Police

Drugs

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or anything like that."

Paulsen said their best defense against the rise in cases is to educate the department and the public.

"A lot of what we're doing is just educating our folks on what to be looking for," he said. "Our drug recognition experts (DREs) have gone out to the national level and asked what everybody else

is doing." While the department is trying to curb the latest round of synthetic drug use, Paulsen added they're already preparing for the next wave.

"There are a couple of other drugs coming that

Safety

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educate people about water safety. "Life jackets save lives,"

Hintgen said. A boater safety class will be held June 6 at All Season's Sports and is open to everyone 14 and older.

This year's third annual Water Safety Day will include vendor and educational booths involving the National Park Service, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Coast Guard Auxiliary

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we're seeing in the state as well, and it's just a matter of time before they get here," he said. "Flakka is out there and 25i.'

According to the DEA, 25i is a drug marketed on the Internet with effects similar to LSD, while Flakka is another synthetic that comes in a crystalline form that can have effects that linger for days.

Paulsen said the department is always willing to check out any concerns the public any have if they come across something they suspect to be a synthetic drug.

"If folks come across something and they're curious, we'd be happy to look at it," he said. "If we don't have the answer, we'll go out and find it."

with hands-on activities to teach children what to do in water-related emergencies.

"Our first year, we gave away 61 life jackets and last year we gave away 177," Prendable noted.

There's fun and games for the kids, but there's an educational component," he said. "There's also the component of kids becoming more familiar with public safety relations and how they can help in an emergency."

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