

Girl died of scarlet fever; Dewey case was in progress

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Feb. 17, 1904: Lulu Canfield, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Canfield, died at the home of her parents in Grant township Monday, Feb. 8, of scarlet fever. She was 13 years of age.
 The critical stage of scarlet fever has just been passed when pneumonia appeared of which she died. The funeral was held from the home Wednesday forenoon and interment made in the Goodland cemetery.
 This is the second death in the Canfield home within the last month, both fatalities being due indirectly to scarlet fever. Mr. and Mrs. Canfield have lived in this county many years and enjoyed a large acquaintance, all of whom will again regret to hear of the second calamity in their home.
Feb. 18, 1904: Dewey Case In Progress — Beginning of Testimony After Nine Days in Getting Jury — All the Jury are Farmers — Beach, Roy and Mrs. Alpheus Berry were put on the stand, and their stories are essentially the same, differing only in minutiae.
 Mrs. Berry's testimony was extremely interesting and was told in such a way as to banish all doubt as to her sincerity and the correctness of her story.
 She said in part: "After dinner, June 3, two men came to the door

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and knocked. I was at the dinner table. I went to the door. Will McBride and another man were there. The other man I did not recognize.
 "I can't recall how McBride was dressed, but I think he had on a corduroy coat. He had a rifle in his hand, and I think he had a revolver strapped to him. The other man was also armed in the same way.
 "McBride asked if I knew where the other boys were, and I said, 'No, unless they are at the other place.' He said, 'We have come after the water tank, and we intend to take it.' "I told him to go and take the tank. He said to the others out there, 'All right, boys.' McBride went down through the yard. I saw several other men down there. They seemed to be shuffling their arms and taking aim at imaginary objects.
 "Uncle Daniel finished his dinner and went out into the yard. I stood in the door. He went to the water tank on its west side. They were talking, and I heard Mr. Berry tell them to take the tank. I kept watching them, thinking that they would load the tank, but they kept looking up the road to the south. They did not move the tank.
 "I went back into the house to the

dining room. Pretty soon Alpheus, my husband, and Lemuel Capron drove up to the gate. Alpheus came into the house, laid his coat down and went out in the yard.
 "Capron was in the spring wagon at the gate. I saw my husband go to where his father was. The three boys, Roy, Burch and Beach, came pretty soon and tied their horses to the wagon.
 "I was standing in the east door looking down the yard. Roy, Burch and Beach were walking down toward the tank, when I saw Burch and Roy fall. I heard the report of the rifles.
 "Beach ran north toward the barn. I ran into the house to protect my children. I told them to lie down, as I was afraid they would fire into the house.
 "Beach came running in. He passed through the room where I was. His revolver was in his right hand. He went to the east window. One shot came through the window glass.
 "After a while, I went out to get Beach's horse. Someone told me to go into the house. It was such a gruff voice that at first I could not understand. The command was repeated. I saw Burch on the ground. I heard

groans and supposed they came from Burch. I went back into the house. I kept watch out of the window to see if they were leaving."
 "When you went out into the yard were you alone?"
 "I carried the baby in my arms because I thought they would not shoot me if I had the child in my arms. It must have been an hour before they left.
 "I then went and looked over the mud wall. I saw my husband and his father laying dead and a dead horse. I also saw Burch lying there, dead. He was on the west side of the wall.
 "Roy Berry was still alive. He had crawled south of the house. I then went and got Beach's horse and led it around the house. I went to Roy and called to him and asked if he needed any help to get into the house.
 "He got up unassisted and came in. I got him some water, and he washed the blood from his face. His face was covered in blood."
 The next morning, Mrs. Berry was again called to the witness stand and was cross examined by Captain Joe Waters.
 The drift of the cross examination was as to Mrs. Berry's marriage relation; her separation from her husband, Alpheus Berry; her divorce; marriage with another man; and after his death, her remarriage with Alpheus Berry.

Feb. 19, 1904: Large Ice House Burns — Rock Island Structure With Capacity for 750 Tons in Ashes — Origin of Fire is Unknown and Before Discovered Was Beyond Control — Railroad Water Service Protects Other Property — The largest Ice House in Goodland, with a capacity for 750 tons, belonging to the Rock Island Railroad, burned to the ground Sunday afternoon.
 From all appearances, the fire started in the second story of the building, and before it was discovered, the flames were beyond all control.
 A strong wind was blowing from the southeast, and for this reason the flying firebrands were carried in a direction where no other buildings were in immediate danger, and the only loss was the ice house building and several piles of ties near by. The loss is estimated at about \$2,000.
 Mrs. Sanford Adams, whose home is in the railroad row, was the first to see the smoke and fire in the ice house, and the news was immediately telephoned to the central office.
 The uptown people received the alarm and were making their way to the depot almost before the shop and round house force knew of the fire. Five hundred people were not long in assembling at the scene.

The fire fighting brigade, composed of almost every workman on duty at the shops, tugged the long lengths of big hose and, under the direction of Master Mechanic Leeman, battled with the flames.
 The fire was so hot that approach to the burning building for the purpose of using the fire hose was impossible, and all that could be done was to save the piles of ties, wood and lumber surrounding the ice house.
 Many freight cars were pulled from their place of danger, and one of the cars on the track south of the building was extinguished before damage was done.
 The ice house was about two-thirds full, and after the fire had done its work, nothing stood but the walls of ice.
 Work commenced Monday morning upon the reconstruction of the building, which will be put up as fast as the force of available carpenters can build it. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it is supposed that some bums had a camp fire on the south of the building, and from this, sparks were blown upon the building by the wind.
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Write about people's habits, and you'll find out if they read column

If you write a column and ever wonder if anyone reads it, just put something in it about people's habits, and you'll find out in a hurry.
 I know there are a few "guys" that read the Brewster news, and I thank them for letting me know about it.
 There's a fellow in Colby who let me know he read it, and we had a good laugh about it at McDonald's the other day. And yesterday another reader let me know that he even read it clear back in Kansas City.
 I hope no one thinks I was singling them out, but "guys" does seem like it gets overused. Anything that helps a person have a good



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laugh is surely worth the newsprint that it is on, right?! So thanks to Dwight and Duane for making my day.
 There are many Valentine dinners and luncheons being planned in the area churches and groups. The Rebekahs are eating lunch at Bubba's today, and we hope that Ruth Jones is feeling well enough

to attend today, as she has spent several days in the Colby hospital this past week.
 She is home now and doing much better, but she says she is going to take her time in getting back into full swing. She does want to thank her sister Marie Edwards from Goodland and also her daughter Linda Hofner of Greeley for the good care that was given both Ruth and Duane. Linda came down on Friday and stayed until Wednesday I believe.
 Another hospital patient who we

thought was on the mend is Willard Moore.
 He was transported to Hays last week for further treatment, and we hope he will be back to his regular routine very soon. We have heard that his son Chuck Moore will be living in the area for now, and we know that will help Willard to recover.
 We want the family of Zeta (Bowen) Pounds to know that they are in our thoughts after losing her. She grew up in Brewster and was the daughter of the late Carl and Bertha Bowen. She has lived in Fort Morgan, Colo., for the past several years. She was 75 years old.
 The closer it gets to springtime,

the more it feels like winter. Today is very chilly with temperatures in the teens, even with the sun shining full force. At least there is no wind, and that is a big plus.
 I keep hearing we are in the fourth year of a seven-year drought, and I don't think we need another three years of this dry weather. Sometimes maybe four years has been long enough, and I think we will all agree it surely has been for this area.
 The Thomas County health nurse is scheduled at the senior center from 10-11:30 a.m. today, so be sure to come in and have your blood pressure checked. If there are any vaccinations or preventative shots

that you would like to get, you can check with the health department, and they will bring the medication to Brewster if they have it.
 On Wednesday, Feb. 12, LaVelle Michael enjoyed lunch with some of his neighbors and a former neighbor at Montana Mike's in Colby. He had lunch with Colleen Rall, Toni Ackerman and Christine Ickes.
 There are no new phobias or dislikes to report on today unless you could count all the caucus and primary reporting and other political agendas that are making the news until it seems like November will never get here. And it is only just beginning!
 See you all next week.

Macaroni and cheese cookbook includes recipes, plus some comics and cartoons

If you are among those who love macaroni and cheese this cookbook is for you. "Macaroni & Cheese" by Deanna Keahey and Steve Kilner is filled with recipes, comics and cartoons.
 "Macaroni & Cheese" starts off with basic recipes for macaroni and cheese including white sauce, layered, custard, stove top, microwave, crockpot, four cheese, canned soup, low fat, cottage cheese and soufflé. Any of the other recipes can use either boxed or from scratch macaroni and cheese.
Broccoli Cheese Casserole Serves 4 to 8
 1 box macaroni and cheese
 1/4 cup milk
 1/4 cup margarine
 2 cups broccoli florets
 3/4 cup diced onion
 1 tablespoon olive oil
 3/4 cup shredded Cheddar cheese salt and pepper
 1 cup milk
 2 eggs
 2 tablespoons dry bread crumbs
 Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
 Prepare box of macaroni and



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cheese according to direction on the box or use your favorite variation.
 Sauté onion in olive oil until softened while the macaroni is cooking.
 Add broccoli, onion and 1/2 cup Cheddar to macaroni and cheese. Mix thoroughly. Season with salt and pepper if needed.
 Pour mixture into a casserole and smooth the top.
 Beat milk and eggs well in a bowl. Pour over macaroni.
 Sprinkle the remaining 1/4 cup Cheddar and bread crumbs on the top of the casserole.
 Bake 40 to 45 minutes until surface turns golden.
 To speed up cook broccoli in the cooking water 2 minutes after the macaroni has been added. Drain together and follow the package di-

rections.
Mac & Cheese Burger Pie Serves 4 to 6
 3/4 pound hamburger at least 90 percent lean
 1/4 cup bread crumbs
 1/2 tablespoon minced onions
 2 tablespoons ketchup
 1/2 tablespoon prepared yellow mustard
 1/4 teaspoon salt
 1 box macaroni and cheese
 1/4 cup margarine
 1/4 cup milk
 1/2 cup shredded Cheddar cheese
 Preheat your oven to 400 degrees.
 In a bowl mix hamburger, bread crumbs, onion, ketchup, mustard and salt.
 Put mix into a 9 inch pie pan and shape evenly across the bottom and the sides.
 Bake for 15 minutes.
 While pie pan is baking make box of macaroni and cheese according to the directions or use your favorite variation.

Remove pie pan from the oven and drain off excess grease.
 In the burger pie shell, put the macaroni and cheese. Sprinkle shredded cheese over the top.
 Bake for 10 to 15 minutes until hamburger is completely cooked.
Mac & Cheese Stuffed Bell Peppers Serves 4
 1 box macaroni and cheese
 1/4 cup milk
 1/4 cup margarine
 2 tablespoons olive oil
 2 shallots, minced
 2 cloves garlic, minced
 3/4 pound mild Italian sausage with

casings removed
 1/4 cup minced fresh parsley
 1 teaspoon thyme salt and pepper
 4 green or red bell peppers
 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
 Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
 Prepare macaroni and cheese according to box directions or use your favorite variation.
 Sauté shallots and garlic until softened while the macaroni is cooking in a skillet.
 Add sausage and cook breaking into small pieces until browned.
 Drain on paper towels the sausage

mixture.
 When the macaroni and cheese is done stir in sausage mix, parsley and thyme. Mix thoroughly. Season with salt and pepper to taste.
 Take bell peppers and cut off stems and remove ribs and seeds.
 Fill peppers with macaroni and cheese. Press down firmly.
 Sprinkle parmesan cheese over the top of the peppers.
 Arrange the peppers in a baking dish so they stand up straight. Place stems back on top.
 Pour 1 cup of water into the baking dish. Bake 45 minutes. Pepper should be soft.

Legislative Townhall Meeting with
Sen. Stan Clark & Rep. Jim Morrison
Saturday, Feb. 21, 2004
3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Brewster — Hunter Hall
3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Goodland — Hank's Cafe (formerly Ray's)
5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Kanorado — King's Cafe
Pd by Clark for Senate, Jim Robben, Treasurer & Morrison for House, Bill Adams, Treasurer

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