THE OBERLIN HERALD

Events of Yesteryear

By Jody Betts

100 YEARS AGO — Jan. 1903

A good crowd considering the weather was out to see the Norton and Oberlin contest Christmas Day for football honors. The mercury was coldly indifferent at about 10 below freezing and the gridiron was generously covered with patches of snow which kept the game from being at all fast. The game was started at 4:42 and halves of 20 and 15 minutes were played with no score made in the first half. In the second half Oberlin recovered a fumble and Ray Coldren wiggled across the line for the touchdown and Fred Johnston kicked goal. Score Oberlin 6, Norton 0. (The touchdown only counted 5 points at that time; the goal kick 1 point.) On the Oberlin team were Mark McDowell, Steve Bivans, Henry Wood, Arthur Leist, Joe Meier, Frank Broderick, Jess Litton, Fred Johnson, Clayton Diehl, Ray Coldren and Bert Briggs with Norton, Posson and Painter as substitutes.

The lumber for the new M. E. Church in Olive Township arrived last week and has been hauled out ready for use.

Mr. Ireland, the ice man, has his ice house full of the thickest ice he has put up for years; the most of it averaging 12 inches thick.

O. J. Taylor, who has been assistant cashier of the Oberlin National Bank for the past two years, has resigned his position and will leave in a few days for St. Louis where he will take a course of instruction as

Ed Branstool will leave in a few days for Salina where he will take a course in the business college there.

75 YEARS AGO — Jan. 1928 The temperature of 17 degrees

below zero Monday night was not

a record-breaker as it was minus 32 on Jan. 11, 1918; and minus 21 on Feb. 1, 1918, Dec. 10, 1919 and Jan. Kinser died and was buried at New 5, 1924.

Some time ago the United Telephone Co. purchased from Mr. Lohoefener the south part of the old court house building. Work was commenced last week in the altering of the building to fit it for the phone company. With all these improvements being made by the phone company, it would seem like the time to ask them to install a central energy battery switchboard, such as is found in McCook, Norton

Personally we would like to get away from "twisting the crank" every time we want to call a number and we believe the Oberlin patrons of the phone company will support such a system.

The recital given at the grade school auditorium by Miss Kathryn Langmade was pronounced the best ever by the music critics of Oberlin. The recital was sponsored by the women's clubs of the city and the proceeds will go to help Miss Langmade to continue her studies. Dresden: Funeral services were

held for Mrs. Sarah Ann Chapman, 84. who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Alice Taylor in Buhl, Idaho after an illness of eight years. She spent many years of her life at her home near Dresden. Sarah Ann Closse was born in Holmes County, Ohio, and was married to M. J. Chapman in Ohio in 1860 when the country was in the turmoil of the Civil War. He joined the colors, lived through the vicissitudes of war and later the family settled at Dresden. He died in 1896.

Custer: It was too cold on New Year's Day to start the cars to go to Sunday School.

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest

50 YEARS AGO — Jan. 1953

The Oberlin Dairy and Snack Bar is being advertised this week for sale by the owners and operators, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Peters, due to

Hospital News: Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Shipley of Jennings, a son, Ronnie Ray, Dec. 24; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Stoney, daughter, Dec. 24, Patricia Margaret.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert "Bob" Phillips and their year-old-son, Tommy, arrived in Oberlin last week from Fergus Falls, Minn., where he has been practicing. He is a 1951 graduate of the veterinary medicine school at Kansas State College. He will open his office at 121 W. Hall Street on Jan. 2, 1953.

Funeral services were conducted from the Assembly of God Church Sunday afternoon for Carl Fredrickson, 51, who died of a heart at-

Mrs. Hazel Benda announces the engagement of her daughter, Ida Marie, to Mr. David D. Erikson of Comstock, Neb. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Erikson.

Jennings: Among the young folks home from school for the holidays are Keith Carter, Gene and Jack Carter, Gene, Gloria Simpson, Carl Kaspar and Ethlyn Sejkora from Lawrence; Ethel Johnson, Roger Shimek, Hugh Warren, Kenneth Krizek, Howard Petracek and Loren Harris, Manhattan, Joyce and Carolee Stramel, Denver, and Vayle Rohan, Salina.

2nd Lt. Sam Willcoxon of Scott Field, Ill., is a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Willcoxon and

Jennings: The five-month-old other relatives until after New Year's.

Delaine Barton, who is stationed at Honolulu, Hawaii, called home Sunday evening to talk to his par-

25 YEARS AGO — Jan. 1978

The 10 top news stories of 1997 as chosen by the staff of The Oberlin

- 1. Health to Underserved Rural Area program staggers
 - 2. Area businesses change hands
 - 3. Sports scene shines brightly 4. Record milo crop harvested
 - 5. Farm strike marshals support 6. Police chief Manning relieved
- 7. Judge Marvin Meyer appointed to state bench
- 8. New movie theater completed 9. Radio station goes on air
- 10. Surprising vote totals tallied A time and temperature elec-

tronic message board has been installed at the Reserve Building and Loan facility in downtown Oberlin. The third satellite clinic under the

HURA program will open in Herndon in January according to Shirley Ulrich, new project coordinator. Outreach clinics are now held in Jennings on Wednesday and in Norcatur on Thursdays.

Funeral services were held in Caldwell, Idaho for Herman Schmahl who was born near Rexford in 1900. He was married to the former Esther Ratzlaff and they made their home in Oberlin from 1937 to 1954 when they moved to Idaho. While living in Oberlin they were members of the Decatur Saddle Club which participated in the inaugural parade for President Dwight Eisenhower in January

Kanorado Friday for a Christmas Daniel and Erin (Bailey) Westport at the Senior Center.

Relatives who attended were Dan and Charlene Mangus and family; Cecil and Annette Bailey, Katie and Amber; John and Carol Topliff and Josilin; Jason and Alison Topliff; Les and Teresa Hopson and family; Tim and Ann Bailey and family; Elmoin and Marguerite Bailey; Mike Bailey; Dorothy Mangus; Eleanor Basgall; and Greg and Stacy Basgall and Alec. A family Christmas at the Law-

rence Jennings home was observed on Dec. 23. Guests were Brian Jennings and Westley, Solomon; Mr. and Mrs. Dale Musgrave, Eric, Erin and Ryan, Ong, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. Brent Jennings, Jordyn and Jennings, Oberlin.

ney, Kaitlyn and Cassidy spent the Meme and Galen Carper, Dona and Christmas holiday at the home of Eugene Mrstik, Neva Jean Taylor, Sonya's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frances Bader, Delores and James Wallace Cox Jr. and Lyndsey in Jennings, and Brent and Brendan Raymore, Mo. On Christmas Jennings. Eve family members and friends at

Galen and Meme Carper went to the Cox home were Christi Galeassi and Jacob and Dustin, Robert gathering at the Dan Mangus home Mossey, and Kirk Kirkpatrick, all and also attended a reception for of Belton, Mo.; and Shawn Hawk of Raymore, Mo.

By Sonya Gillespie

Jennings News

While there they visited with an aunt, Reita Cox, of Excelsion Springs, Mo.; John and Cindy Cox of Kearney, Mo.; and Ralph and Pat Alewel of Raymore, Mo.

Mrs. Lila Jennings spent Christmas Eve and Christmas Day in Fort Morgan, Colo., at the home of Steve and Vicki Cook.

Others present were Marcia Casey, Milt Sherwin, Marlene Hounshell, Alissa Hounshell, Dan Zulko, Andy Hounshell and friend, Tami, Damon Cook and friend Heather, Denver; Derek Cook and Melissa Helms of Greeley, Colo.; and Jeremy Hounshell and friend, Miranda, Boulder, Colo.

Guests for a soup supper on Sun-Brendan, Chapman, and Brett day hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jennings were Mildred Elly and Sonya Gillespie, Court- Tacha, Kay and Doyle Brown,

Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

Christmas Eve guests for a soup ters, Marsha and Bob Espenson, at supper at the home of Gerald and Patti Benda were Kary and Jennifer Smith and Nolan, Menomonie, Wis.; Losson and Leanne Pike and Wes, Ashland; Daryl and Shirley Maresch and family, Nekoma; Mitch and Bev Messerly and family, Sublette; and Wesley and Eulaine Benda, and Mark and Barbara Olson and family, Oberlin. Joining the same group for Christmas Day dinner at the Wesley Benda home were Fern Wenger and Jodie Wenger.

Francis and Florine Hurst and Ted and Gertie Kastens joined the Sylvester and Lynda Hurst family for Christmas Eve supper. The Hursts enjoyed Christmas Day dinner with the Gary and Dianna

Dinner guests of Eddie Hanson on Sunday, Dec. 22, were Brian and Jacque Hanson and Eddie, Atwood, and Mike and Debbie Woods, Alex and Kori, Colorado Springs.

Christmas Eve dinner guests of Jack and Mary Gutchewsky were Tammy Gutchewsky, Oberlin; Brian Gutchewsky and Krista Simonsson, Lawrence; and Sarah Gutchewsky and Joel Uerling, McCook. Jack and Mary Gutchewsky, Sarah Gutchewsky and Joel Uerling attended a family Christmas dinner on Sunday at the Eric and Dana, and Chase Dick and Phyllis Zeller home at Ravenna, Neb.

Christmas holiday guests of Chris and Sherri Schmidt were Curtis and Dawnelle Heim, Karli and Kelsi, Tucson, Ariz.; Eric Heim, Denver; Danace O'Malley and family, Colby; and Erin Schmidt, Denver. They were all Christmas Day

dinner guests of LeRoy and Daisy Schmidt. Afternoon visitors were Tobina Schmidt, Kansas City; Mandi and Barry Schmidt, Manhattan; and Joe and Vicki Schmidt and

Kurt and Kathy Frisbie, Monument, Colo., and Kent Frisbie, Jaryd and Emma, Colorado Springs, were weekend guests at the LeRoy Schmidt home.

Christmas Day dinner guests of Erik and Jean Erickson at Colby were the Alan Erickson family, Colby, the Bill Lohoefener family, Lohoefener and Cole of Arizona, and Elma Lee Erickson.

Genevieve Henningsen and Dolores Benda accompanied the Rev. Dale and Maryanne Bishop of Foley, Minn., and Tracy Bishop of New York, here on Thursday after the women had visited their daugh-

Bingham Lake, Minn., and Maryanne and Dale Bishop, at Foley, Minn., during the holidays. The Richard Anderson family and Gary Anderson were Christmas

Eve supper guests of Elden and

Detta Anderson. The same group and Eva Bryan were Christmas Day dinner guests at the Richard Anderson home. Christmas supper guests of Keith and Mary Lou Olson on Thursday were Rex Olson, Seth, Sam and Abbie, and Dr. Beth Kinneavy,

Boulder, Colo.; Hattie Olson, the

Mark Olson and James Witt families, and Abe Marintzer. Christmas Day dinner guests of Steve and Arian Arnold were Mr. and Mrs. Junior Chase, Smith Center; Mr. and Mrs. Galen Olson, McKinney, Texas, and Edla Olson. Mike and Nione Rhodin, Loveland, Colo., were also holiday visitors, en route to Lee's Summit, Mo., where they spent Christmas with Lee and

Terri Munsell and Amanda. Holiday guests of John and Ardythe Cederberg were Dr. Jim and Renee Wolf, Christa and Jamie, Pierre, S.D.; Larry and Denise Pettera, Tanner and Dalton, North Platte, Neb.; Donnie and Diane Ruppert, Adam, Derek and Megan, McCook; Ron and Cindy Sattler,

Andy Hanson was a Christmas Eve and Christmas Day guest of Dennis and Elizabeth Horney in

Holiday dinner guests on Sunday of Andy Hanson were Elizabeth Horney, Christina and Michael Thompson, and April and John Mull, Colby; Brian and Jacque Hanson and Eddie, Atwood; and Roger Holmdahl.

Christmas supper guests on Saturday of Francis and Florine Hurst were Gary and Dianna Kastens and Zach, Herndon; Sylvester and Lynda Hurst and Daniel, Brooks and Susan Brenn, Caleb and Sarah Howland, Jonathon, Emily and Kaitlyn, Oberlin; A.J. and Jodi Hurst, David Ellis, Nick and Tammy Foster, Jared and Tiffany Hurst, Lidia and Samuel, and friends, Shelby and Morgan, Colby; Nathan and Stacy Hurst, North North Platte, Neb.; Ryan and Terri Platte, Neb.; Justin Hurst and his fiancee, Erin, and Amie Hurst, Manhattan; and Roger and Tracy Doty, Dana and Matthew, Ludell.

> Christmas Day dinner guests of Dave and Sherry Bergling were Alicia Bergling, and Quentin and Olive Bergling.

Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Paula and Troy Gnad, Hays, spent the holiday weekend with the Ken Badsky family. John and Eunice Andrews and

Jennifer, Perry, Ga., left Sunday after spending a week of the Christmas holidays with her mother, Wilma May, and other relatives and

Elwood and Jeanie May, Brandon and Stephanie hosted an open house Monday evening to honor Elwood's sister and family, Eunice May, the Jerry Olson family, Stean Olson, Gaylord and Shirley Shields, Shanna Long and Miranda, Eugene Wurm, Arthur and Alice May, Martin and Evelyn May, Marvin May and Gayle Anderson, Jack and Mildred Fortin and Charles, the Roger May family, and the John Bremer family were among those attending.

Jennifer Andrews was a Monday overnight guest of Jessica Bremer. Ben Jorns, Preston; Kim Jorns, Medicine Lodge, and Tim and Teresa Jorns, Tabor and Gavin, Overland Park, spent the holidays with the Roland May family. Additional Christmas Eve guests were

John and Ruth Peters, Hays, spent Christmas with her mother and uncle, Karolyn Muirhead and Reinhard May.

Walter and Betty May.

Elwood and Elaine Mines returned home Thursday from Aurora, Colo., where they spent the Christmas holidays with their daughter, Nancy and Ron Baumfalk. They all joined Craig and Vicky Baumfalk, and Jennifer Mickelson for Christmas Eve dinner and a gift exchange at the home of Chuck and Carol VanErt.

Ken and Jan Badsky, Lacey,

Kenyon, Regan, and Tim Hrnchir were Christmas Eve guests of Jan's mother, Sylvia Wachendorfer, Jay and Becky Tate, Dakota and

Mollie Marie enjoyed an early Christmas Tuesday and Wednesday in Tescott where they visited her mother, Linda Ryan; grandmother, Lois Kettle, and other rela-Guests at the Craig Larson home

before church services Christmas and John Andrews and Jennifer. Eve were Zane and Gladys Geis, Ralph and Violet Shaw, Wilma Kim Duysen and Ryan and Stacey Duysen, Ashley and Taylor, Lincoln, Neb.; Gary and Connie Green and Jennia, Williamsburg, Va.; Wayne and Lois Larson, Norman and Joanne Wendelin, Ladd, Greta and Rory, Monica Larson, Colby Larson, and Carl Larson.

> Wayne and Lois Larson, Bruce Wendelin, Brad Larson, Kathy Almquist, and Ladd Wendelin, Seward, Neb., were Christmas Eve guests at the Norman Wendelin home following church services. Wayne and Lois Larson were also Christmas Day dinner guests at the Jerry and Connie Olson and Kelly Norman and Joanne Wendelin

Patrick Ryan, Ponchatoula, La., arrived Wednesday evening to spend Christmas with his daughter and family, Jay and Becky Tate, Dakota and Mollie Marie. He left on Saturday.

Chris and Kasey May, Kaylee, Kelsey and Hunter, Andy May, Marvin May, and Sarah May and Brian Shaw, Wichita, were Christmas morning breakfast guests of Martin and Evelyn May.

Christmas Day dinner guests of Martin and Evelyn May were Marvin May, Janice and Greg Cundiff, Andy May, Sarah May, and Brian

and Pam May, Zach and Hannah, drove to Manhattan on Christmas Day to attend the Baresel family Christmas dinner at the home of Pam's aunt and uncle, John and Erma Sjo, where they visited relatives of Pam's mother's family.

Alvina Unger, Ralph and Norma Unger, Dr. Ryan Unger, Butch and Colleen Rittmann, Christian and Rielly, and Scott Unger, Las Vegas, Nev., were Christmas Day dinner guests of Duane and Lois Unger,

Christmas Day dinner guests of Craig and Karen Larson were her parents, Zane and Gladys Geis; her children, Kim Duysen, and Ryan and Stacey Duysen, Ashley and Taylor, Lincoln, Neb.; and her sister and family, Connie and Gary Green and Jennia, Williamsburg,

Kim Duysen and the Ryan Duysen family were guests at the Larson home Tuesday through Fri-

Christmas Day dinner guests of were John and Eunice Andrews and Jennifer; Stean Olson, Salina; David May, McCook; Evelyn Olson, Wilma May, Elwood and Jeanie May, Brandon and Stephanie, and Justin and Wendy Scott and Garrett.

Christmas Day dinner guests of Ralph and Violet Shaw were Richard and Anna Shaw, Isaac and Jennifer, Joel and Tami Shaw and Dante, Thelma Spiers, and Steve

and Susan Nelson and Mackenzie. Enjoying Christmas Day dinner at the home of Herschel and Jody Betts were Helen Derby, Arthur and Alice May, and John and Dianne Bremer, Kristen and Jes-

Ben and Kim Jorns and Roland

Friday noon guests of John and Edith Tate for their family Christmas dinner were Lois Carlson, the Jay Tate family, Jaron and Tarah Tate, Hot Springs, Ark., and Patrick Ryan. Jaron and Tarah were houseguests at the John Tate home Thursday and Friday. Christopher, Karyn, Sean and

Daniel Jordan were guests of Wilma May on Friday to visit the John Andrews family. Gail Harvey and Zeb, Lamar,

Colo., came Friday to visit her parents, Stuart and Martha Euhus. Robert and Dana Morton, Garden Plain, came Saturday after attending a reunion of the family of Ivan and Alice Morton, held at the home of his youngest sister, Jana, in Scott City on Friday. Their children, Sheena and Shad Morton, arrived Thursday and stayed at the Kent Euhus home spending time visiting their cousins, Lindsey and Brock. Additional weekend guests at the Stuart Euhus home for their family Christmas celebration were Kent and Diana Euhus, Lindsey and

Saturday evening guests of Martin and Evelyn May for their Christmas dinner were Ernest and Nancy May, Stephen May and Ashley Jordan, Tonganoxie, Greg and Janice Cundiff and Quintin, and Marvin May and Gayle Anderson. The Ernest May family spent the week-

end with his parents. Weekend visitors at the Norman Wendelin home were Bill and Bonnie Condit, Winfield; Jordan Condit, Manhattan; Jay and Suzanne Cooper, Wichita; Robert Stewart, McCook; Wayne and Lois Larson, and Craig and Karen Lar-

Lyle News

By Helen Helm

Ladies from Lyle who helped with the Share program at Norcatur on Dec. 21 were Margaret Magers, Kathyrn Van Meter, June Jolly and Veda Wood. They also delivered packages that others were unable to pick up. When they were at the Marguerite Fullerton home, they found her feeling so poorly that Mrs. Magers returned and took her to the hospital in Oberlin.

Mrs. Fullerton spent the week at the hospital, but was allowed to go to the home of Gene and Laurene Van Otterloo in Oberlin for Christmas dinner. Others present were his sons, Rick and Larry Van Otterloo, and Laurene's grandchildren,

Monty Vacura and friend. Mr. Van Otterloo brought Mrs. Fullerton to her own home Thursday afternoon to finish her recuperation.

Christmas Day guests at the home of Margaret Magers were Judy and Charlie Easton, Quinter; and Richard Engelhardt, Norton; Kevin Engelhardt, Omaha, and Pam Engelhardt, Aurora, Colo.

On Christmas Day Mrs. Jolly had her family, Dean and Rhonda Jolly, Darin Jolly and friend; Kim Jolly catur on Monday. Dwight's twin and friend; Linda and Dennis Mc-daughters, Taryn and Chelsey, were Farland, Megan McFarland and visiting. They enjoyed a gift exfriend; Leslie McFarland and Louis change.

Marie Vacura and friend, and and Leveda McFarland as her

Denny and Veda Wood joined Carol and John Moye, Oberlin; Brooke Glosser; Sandra and Larry McNames, Ryan and Neal, at the home of Tielia and Mike Slater, near Wilsonville, Neb., for Christyoung Charley Easton, Hoxie; Jane mas dinner. All of Mike and Tielia's children were present, Wade, Emily, Mariah, Garrett, and Grant. Mrs. Wood and Denny were sup-

per guests at the home of Dwight Wood and Teresa Reves in Nor-

Mrs. Wood received a phone call from her son, David, informing her of the death of his mother-in-law, Amy Wells Partee. They also received the news that Merwin Wood, Iowa, brother of the late Leon Wood, had a fall and will be at assisted care for recuperation. Mrs. Kathy Van Meter drove to

Kearney, Neb., to attend a pre-Christmas dinner at the home of Roger and Janice Pollat. Other guests were Mrs. Pollat's children, Matt Breinig and fiancee, Theresa and her four children, Haysville; and Michelle Penner, her two chil-

Meter, Gibbon, Neb.; and Nathan Van Meter, Lincoln, Neb. Mrs. Van Meter attended party pitch in Norton before returning home.

Mrs. June Jolly and Mrs. Karen Brown played cards Monday evening at the Eagles Lodge in McCook, Neb. Mrs. Brown was the winner of one of the drawings.

Martin and Ceanne Rinehart, Colby came to the John Helm home Friday and helped them finish their Christmas shopping. That evening Mike and Deb Helm and family joined them for pizza. On Saturday John and Helen Helm and the dren and friend, Mike Luft, Rineharts drove to Hastings and Helmbrought supper to tempt their Kearney, Neb.; Steve and Julia Van Minden, Neb., to see the lights. appetites.

They also called on Jay and Glenn Bertrand, in Minden. They returned home Sunday after Mass at St. Cecelia's Church at Hastings, Neb.

En route to Hastings on Saturday they had lunch with Van Cozad at a cafe in Beaver City, Neb. The old-fashioned flu canceled

plans for Christmas at the Helm home and it was decided that Jan. 29 would be a better date. On Christmas Day, Mike, Aaron, and Becky Helm called to see if they could bring an addition to the computer for a Christmas present. Later Deb, Jacob, Matthew, and Timothy