

THE OBERLIN HERALD

Events of Yesteryear

By Jody Betts

100 YEARS AGO — Jan. 1904

W.A. Lloyd sold out his Metropolitan Hotel last week to A.B. Watson, originally from Kentucky.

Born, Jan. 3, 1904, to Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Edmonds, a daughter, large and fine.

C.N. Page and wife returned on the flyer Tuesday evening. He is greatly taken with Texas and thinks it would be a good place for a white man to live.

College students returning to their school work are as follows: to Washburn, Irwin Cook, Ray Coldren; to Nebraska University, Ethel Randall, Fern Marvin, Carrie Hubbard.

Married, Dec. 29, 1903, at the residence of the bride's parents in Harlan Township, Mr. Harvey S. Sorrick and Miss Anna Daum, Rev. Johnson officiating. On Jan 4, 1904, Allen C. Brown and Miss Mary E. Calahan, both of Kanona, Judge Norris officiating.

Norcat: The train has changed time again and now goes east at 2:20 a.m. instead of 3:20 as heretofore.

This edition contains a listing by the Editor of all the businessmen of Oberlin in regard to their business during the year 1903. Many of them reported the best year they had up to that time.

Norcat: Married on Dec. 29 at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. Norman Strayer and Miss Laura Ward.

75 YEARS AGO — Jan. 1929

Down to 5 degrees above on New Year's morning was a cool way to greet the early risers. But 5 degrees isn't so bad, on New Year's morning in 1901, the thermometer at the depot showed 32 degrees below.

"Wings," the war aviation movie showing at the Oberlin Opera House has been running in New York more than a year.

N.A. Conklin, who served as treasurer of Decatur County from 1894 to 1898 has died at the home of his daughter in Norton at the age of 78.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Friedemann and several of the children left Friday on an overland trip to the sunny clime of southern California in an endeavor to benefit Mr. Friedemann's health. They plan to stay six months or even a year.

Ted Addleman has returned to his work in the school of pharmacy in Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morgan, Senior and Junior, of Rexford, were dinner guests of Mrs. S.J. Harvie at the Hotel Stapleton Tuesday evening.

John Bremer has spent part of his Christmas vacation from Wasbhorn College at his old position with the Benton & Hopkins Investment Co.

Kanona: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kolsky are the proud parents of a handsome baby born Dec. 16 who has been given the name of Betty Lee.

50 YEARS AGO — Jan. 1954

The Oberlin Lions Club sponsored a New Year's Eve party for high school students and alumni which was held at the Masonic Temple with Mr. and Mrs. Everett McGee, Mr. and Mrs. Elden Cody and Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Shaw as sponsors.

Brian Wayne Roe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roe of Culbertson, Neb., made his appearance at the Decatur County Hospital on Saturday, Jan. 2 at 12:42 p.m. to become

the first baby born in the local hospital in 1954.

The 1954 March of Dimes campaign has begun in Decatur County with Harold Robison as campaign director.

Liberty Star: All the friends of Harold and Barbara Castor are rejoicing over the birth of their new daughter.

New Arrivals:

Cpl. and Mrs. Duane Witt, Fort Smith, Ark., girl, Luann Rae, Jan. 1, 1954; Dr. and Mrs. Donald McCoy, girl, Jan., Jan. 3, 1954; Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Rydquist, boy, Evan James, Jan. 3, 1954; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Anderson, boy, Jan. 5, 1954; Mr. and Mrs. Daughn Avery, Colby, girl, Cindy Jo, Dec. 29, 1953.

Kanona: Mr. and Mrs. Allen Brown celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Jan. 3 at their home with an open house attended by 72 persons.

Lowell Relph arrived home last week for a 30-day leave. He has just completed his second overseas duty in and around Japan and Korea. He is visiting his wife, the former Juanita Tally, in McCook, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Relph.

Miss Opal Marie Cross, daughter of Mrs. Pearl Cross of McCook, became the bride of Eldon W. Huntley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Huntley, at the Pilgrim Holiness Church in McCook on Dec. 20.

25 YEARS AGO — Jan. 1979

Temperatures dipped to a minus 10 degrees, bringing in the New Year with the roar of a lion. Poor wheat crop top growth allowed strong winds to move topsoil. Jack Noone reported about 1-2 inches of

snow in the Jennings area but our area missed the heavy snowfall that dumped from 4 to 10 inches in other parts of the state.

Dr. Andy Thomsen retired last week from a dental practice in Oberlin that has spanned the past 54 years

Melissa Dawn Carlton arrived Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1979, at Decatur County Hospital to become Decatur County's first baby of the new year. Her parents are Steve and Joyce Carlton.

Two other babies delivered Saturday evening at the local hospital narrowly missed the "first baby title." A daughter, Valisha Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Castle of Oberlin and a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Zimmerman of Marion, Neb.

Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Phifer, Goodland, announce the engagement of their daughter, Debra Kay, to Kent Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Brown, Oberlin. Miss Phifer is a graduate of Goodland High School and Northwest Kansas Vo-Tech School in Goodland. Brown is a graduate of Decatur Community High School and Northwest Kansas Vo-Tech School. A March 31 wedding is planned at Pleasant Home Church in Edson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Wasson were honored Dec. 23 on their 60th wedding anniversary with an open house hosted by their children and grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hoppas were honored on their 40th wedding anniversary with a dinner party on New Year's Eve at the Red Fox Lounge at the Camelot Inn in York, Neb.

Lyle News

By Helen Helm

Holiday guests at the home of Greg and Yvonne Sumner were Mark and Amy Archer, Andrew and Gracie Mae, McPherson; Michelle Sumner, Ellsworth, and Todd and Deanna Sumner, Brooke and Brady. Santa Claus was a Christmas Eve caller. The girls and children stayed for a longer visit and Yvonne returned every-one home on Saturday.

Kathy Van Meter left Christmas morning for Cimarron to visit her sister, Gladys and Sam Williams. Mrs. Williams' daughters, Shawna and Kenny Dillon, Alijah and Shantana, Plattsmouth, Neb., and Connie and Jennie Faulkner, and Mr. Williams' daughters, Angela; a friend, and daughter, Tristian, of Cimarron, and Rachel, a friend, and daughter, Abby, of Hays, were there. A special guest was a friend, Leona Breeden, of Hill City.

Mrs. Van Meter returned home Saturday evening after making a stop at Castle Rock to view the site and take some pictures. She also stopped at Quinter to visit her son, Tim Nejd.

Margaret Magers drove to Quinter on Friday and she and Mrs. Judy Easton drove to Abilene, to the

home of J.T. and Denise Guy and girls where Joani and Kent Killen, Madison and Cody, Tampa, Fla., were guests. They had arrived by plane on Christmas Eve. Cody had received V.I.P. treatment by the stewardesses and pilot because he had on a cap resembling those worn by the pilot.

Charlie Easton joined them on Saturday. All returned home on Monday.

Donna Huff has been having some breathing problems and spent Sunday night in Decatur County Hospital.

David Huff, Perryton, Texas, spent a few days with his parents, Donna and Earnest Huff.

Lynn Scrivner, a former Lyle resident, has decided to work for Bill and Pat Schwab and will make his home here in the neighborhood. His Lyle friends are happy to have him back home.

June Jolly and Karen Leach, Lebanon, were in McCook Monday evening for cards at the Eagles Club.

Steve Van Meter, Gibbon, Neb., called on Mrs. Van Meter Tuesday and they had dinner together at the Cardinal Cafe in Norcat.

Jacob Helm spent Wednesday with his grandparents, John and Helen Helm. Since it was "fried chicken day" at the Fencepost Cafe, Jacob and his grandparents joined Bob and Marie Daffer there.

Veda Wood took her son, Dwight, to McCook on Friday for his dialysis treatment. Callers at the Wood home were John and Carol Moye and their granddaughter,

Brooke Glosser.

Helena Helm and Brian Perks, both students at Chadron State College, took her grandparents, John and Helen Helm, to Colby to visit Carolyn and Ethan Cook of Durango, Colo., who were houseguests of their grandparents, Ceanne and Martin Rinehart. They also got to see the new garage being finished at the Rinehart home.

Rexford News

By Zula Horinek

Happy New Year to everyone.

Cyndi Stepper came to visit Deb Stepper for the holidays. They went to Salina to spend Christmas with a nephew's family, Don and Carol Harrison. Cyndi returned to her home in Overland Park on Friday. Deb and Carol visited Irma Hibbs and her daughter, Jon Holmes. Don and Carol drove Deb back to Rexford on Saturday.

Christmas Day guests of Grace Cheney were Gary and Kay Cheney, Rexford; Carin and Aaron Derbonne, Greeley, Colo.; Mat, Lyn and Amanda Cheney, Rexford; Jo Frahm, Lindsay, Nicole and Keden, Colby; and Duane Cheney, Rexford. They had a gift exchange and enjoyed visiting.

Christmas guests of Cleda Moeder were Robert, Marsha and Chris, Hutchinson; and Tim and Shelly, Taylor and Peyton Moeder, Colby.

Rex and Betty Carswell were Christmas Eve guests of Eula Juenemann and family in Oberlin.

The pinochle tournament held on Dec. 20 at the American Legion hall had four tables. Winners were, first, Darlene Robben and Bill Dible; second, Tammy Shaw and Jacque Boultinghouse; third, Rex and Betty Carswell. The next tournament will be held on Jan. 17.

Rex and Betty Carswell had their family Christmas on Dec. 29. Those present included were Steve and Terry Salter, McPherson; Vic and Peggy Carswell, Brooklyn and McKenna O'Hare, Oberlin; Robert, Peggy, and Brady Dible, Menlo; Tracy and Amy Dible, Littleton, Colo.; and Daryl and Kelli Carswell, Hays.

Monday there were three who played with the Barnswallows. "Come on Down" Thursday there were nine players for pinochle.

We had our Christmas on Christmas Eve. Those present were Patty Ann Casey, Gary Delzeit, Larry and Summer and little Clyde, of Colby.

Those attending the coffee on Jan. 2 were Berneda Zoberst, Margaret Arasmith, Deloras Dible, Cleda Moeder, Sondra Barnett, Grace Cheney, Hulda Wark, Freda Ketchum, Eunice Sanford, and Deb Stepper.

Hulda Wark's family met at the Rexford Community Hall on Christmas Day. Those in attendance were Ken, Tami, Brandon and Angela Searls, Quinter; Justin, Amber and Justice Barnett, Topeka; Roger Wark, Wichita; Kelly Wark, Lawrence; Chad, Rebecca, Kristin and Jami Wark, Rexford; Dave, Gloria, Shawn, and Brad Dible, Rogers, Ark.; Sondra Barnett,

Jennings News

By Sonya Gillespie

Guests at the Lawrence Jennings home during Christmas were Dale, Tammy, Eric, Erin and Ryan Musgrave, Ong, Neb.; Megan Mus-

grave, McCook; Brian Jennings and Westley, Solomon; Marcia, Casey and Milt Sherwin, Denver; and Brent Jennings, Oberlin.

Cedar Living News

The Oberlin Covenant Church was in charge of the Sunday worship service on Dec. 28.

Katie Glading assisted with bowling on Monday afternoon. Myrna Jones and Carol Witt gave the music program.

Mildred Cochran won the first bingo on Tuesday afternoon and Hank Wolfram won the blackout game.

Betty Jenik served doughnuts at social hour on Wednesday afternoon. Stuart Euhus gave the Bible study lesson.

A New Year's Eve party was held before supper on Wednesday. The menu included fruit punch, crackers, meat and cheese. Everyone also received a New Year's Eve chocolate kiss.

The holiday decorations have come down at Cedar Living Center.

We would like to thank everyone who helped us in having a wonderful holiday season.

Recent visitors: Maurice Yepsen, Kewanee, Ill.; Wendell Yepsen, Neponset, Ill.; Ann Martin, Herndon; Sue Renk, Plainville; Don Ashley, Carl Mumm, Wyatt Ashley, Selden; Richard Samsom, Ludell; Tom and Glenva Burrell, Max, Neb.; Paul Nauer, Merle and Ruth Chance, Jennings; Beth Johnson, Norcat; Mary Miller, Dresden; Ron and Patti Uehlin, Danbury, Neb.

Fern Jording, Elaine Bryan, Lyle Gamblin, Marie Jean Vavroch, Eula Juenemann, Danny Uehlin, Dolores Koerperich, Alice Shirley, Ila Ray, Shelby and Erin Wolters, Earl Brown, Ella Betts, Vayle Rohan, Elvin Beneda, Orlin Beneda, Oberlin.

Good Samaritan News

On Monday, Dec. 29, Little Sam's Daycare children shared craft projects with the residents, making Christmas trees from Fun Foam and decorating with colored beads. Those attending were Elfie Brown, Lorna Bishop, Agnes Chambers, Ella Peterson, Eryline Nichols, and Mamie Unger.

Hangman fun was shared by Ella Peterson, Lorna Bishop, Elsie Macy, and Ruth Laidig. Volunteer Mildred Holmdahl served Social Hour. Music was provided by Myrna Jones, volunteer. The Card Sharks gathered with Elva Shaughnessy.

During Reminisce Corner on Tuesday, paternal heritage was shared by Fern Anderson, Lorna Bishop, Elfie Brown, Jan Carman, Garrah Gaumer, Clarice Leake, LuVerne May, Eryline Nichols, Helen Styles and Hattie Olson. Reading was shared by volunteer Barbara Dehlinger with Ruth Laidig, Eleanore Demmer, Dena Gillespie, Helen Styles, and Eryline Nichols. A movie was shown featuring Hawaii's beauty in a historical content.

Stuart Euhus led Bible study on

Wednesday, attended by Dena Gillespie, Lorna Bishop, Garrah Gaumer, Hattie Olson, LuVerne May, Hazel Flaska, and Agnes Chambers. Janice Winters helped provide nail care. Ellen Horn served Social Hour.

Friday's Reminisce Corner gathered Fern Anderson, Hattie Olson, Ella Peterson, Garrah Gaumer, Dena Gillespie, and Eryline Nichols to look at family pictures and share stories. Volunteer Carol Duncan led Current Events. Bethany Smith served Social Hour. The Friday movie feature was "Miracles of Marcelino", enjoyed by Elsie Macy, Agnes Chambers and Eryline Nichols.

Dennis Brown led Saturday's devotions.

The Oberlin Covenant Church led church services on Sunday. Shirley Nichols served Social Hour.

Recent guests: **Ruby McKenna** - Ed and Gloria McKenna, Earl and Pat Hartzog; **Harold and Eleanore Demmer** - Pat and Cindy Trappagan and family; **Dena Gillespie** - Earl and Pat Hartzog, June Vavroch; **Hattie Olson** - Maxine Peebles and Sheri Steinemann, Denver.

Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Stuart Euhus left Dec. 22 to spend Christmas with his son and family, Brad and Melody Euhus, Addison, Rhiannon, and Ariel, at Carol Stream, Ill. He returned home Tuesday. Don and Ann Mines left Dec. 26 to visit their son and family, Joe and Chris Mines, Cori and Jared, in McPherson and celebrate their family Christmas. They were met there by their daughter and family, Sheri and Pat Coon, Nathan and Todd, Georgetown, Texas. The Mineses returned home Monday.

Martin and Evelyn May were New Year's Eve guests of Jack and Mildred Fortin and Charles following church services and they saw the New Year in together.

New Year's Day mid-afternoon guests at the John Bremer home for

coffee and Pond Butter Pudding, a Reznor family holiday tradition for at least five generations, were Arthur and Alice May, Lois Carlson, John and Edith Tate, Jay and Becky Tate, Dakota and Mollie Marie, Warren and Jan Bainter, and Michael and Tracy French.

Bob and Pat Mooty, Dallas, Texas, were weekend visitors of his father, Leo Mooty, Ralph and Norma Unger, Ryan Unger, and the Butch Rittmann family.

Stean Olson, Salina, was a weekend guest of the Jerry Olson family.

Joanne Wendelin, Greta and Rory visited Jay and Suzanne Cooper and Ian Crane in Wichita and Bill and Bonnie Condit and Eowyn Crane in Winfield over the New Year's holiday.

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