

THE OBERLIN HERALD

Events of Yesteryear

By Jody Betts

100 YEARS AGO — Feb. 1904
Postmaster Marks has a new desk for each of the rural routes.
A.M. Frost sold his barber shop to John Carper of Jennings last week.

W.F. Steiner and family left Monday morning for Goldendale, Wash., where they will make their future home.

Returns from the civil service examinations for postal clerks held in Kansas during the year 1903 show that Roy Marks stood seventh with a grade of 87. About 200 took the exam.

Miss Tillie Enes, who is teaching in Dist. 37, was somewhat injured in a runaway last week, but when we interviewed her about it she declined to relate her experience, but said she was not killed, so we had to be satisfied.

Prairie schooners are beginning to pass through town, many of the wagons having women and small children in them and most of the little fellows look fat and saucy and appear to be enjoying life. It must be rather unpleasant to move in the winter.

Norcat: The telephone man was around last week to find out who wanted phones and found out that almost every farmer would take one.

75 YEARS AGO — Feb. 1929
Seven successive mornings have had below-zero temperatures with lows on two days recorded as -20 degrees.

Funeral services were held at Allison for Irma Glade Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byron C. Scott of Allison Township, who died of spinal meningitis last week at Lincoln, Neb., where she was attending college. Besides her parents she is survived by two brothers, Robert and Rodney, and one sister, Clarice. After graduating from Decatur Community High School, she taught two terms of school before entering Cotner College to study music.

A round-up will take place on Feb. 20th near Hooker schoolhouse for the first big wolf hunt of the year for the townships of Oberlin, Sappa,

Bassettsville and Summitt. On Feb. 25th another wolf hunt will be east of the Joe Graves place for the townships of Olive, Sherman, Beaver and Liberty.

Marriages: Feb. 7, Frank C. Lake and Miss Bessie Elizabeth Montgomery, both of Norcat. Married by Judge Kulp.

Rex, one of the 7-year-old twins of Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Lohofener of Liberty Township, was operated on for appendicitis at the McCook Hospital and at last reports is getting along as well as can be expected.

The Rotary Club of Oberlin entertained the four surviving G.A.R. members at their regular noon luncheon Tuesday. They are: H. A. Stowell, Eli Wonderly, Gustave Cyrus and J.W. Bogenrief. Mr. Cyrus gave an interesting account of some of his Civil War experiences and Mr. Stowell spoke briefly of America and world peace.

50 YEARS AGO — Feb. 1954
The Temple Cafe, owned by Lloyd Corcoran, was robbed Friday night and a sack of money was stolen. The thief had somehow obtained a key to the building and unlocked the front door then left the key on the inside keyhole as he left. The key was discovered by Mrs. Inez Emerson when she reported for work early Saturday morning.

A sell-out crowd is expected to watch the basketball game to be played Friday evening, Feb. 26 at the Decatur Community High School gym when the Denver Bankers will meet Storz of Omaha. Both teams are members of the National Industrial Basketball League.

Ruth Laidig, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Laidig, has successfully passed the examination and has been accepted into the National Association of Rudimental Drummers. She is a student of V R. May and has received highly superior ratings on the snare drum in both regional and state music contests the past three years.

New Arrivals: Mr. and Mrs. John Benda, son, Feb. 16; Mr. and Mrs. Orris C. Aumiller, daughter, Myrna Marie, Feb. 15; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hatch, Herndon, daughter,

La Trina Louise, Feb. 10.
Lt. Murel Harmon, accompanied by his fiancée, Jean Funk of Chicago, arrived Saturday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Harmon. They left yesterday for Sun Valley, Idaho, where they plan to be married today. Murel is stationed at Chicago with the anti-aircraft division and is a special service officer.

Gary Lee Olson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Olson, was honored with a party at his home recently, the occasion being his third birthday.

25 YEARS AGO — Feb. 1979
Mary Wilson and Jeremy Dunn, accompanied by their parents, and Gifted Coordinator Connie Buller, were in Topeka last week to appear before the Senate Federal and State Affairs committee to request that the legislators name limestone as the Kansas state rock. They are students in Leota Kopp's fifth grade class.

The Oberlin Unified Board of Education voted to name Wes Buller as dual principal of Oberlin Elementary School and Decatur Community Junior High School for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Nelson, Oberlin, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Philbrick, Norton, announce the

engagement of their children, Nanette and Kevin. Vows will be exchanged March 25, 1979, at the United Methodist Church in Oberlin.

New Arrivals: Mr. and Mrs. Greg Purvis, son, Gabriel Adam, Feb. 10; Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Ruzicka, boy, Derek Joseph, Jan. 2.

A ceremony at 2 p.m. Jan. 20, 1979, at St. John's Lutheran Church, Oberlin, united in marriage Connie Olson of Topeka and Gerald Olson of Herndon.

Fred Wentz of Norcat, who has been in the house moving business for over 30 years, is retiring and has transferred his permits to Richard Latimer.

Five Decatur Community High School matmen survived the regional competition at St. Francis to qualify for the sub-state tournament to be held Friday and Saturday in Oberlin: Curtis Carter at 132 pounds; Todd Wilson, 126; Rex Olson, 138, Dan Denner, 185 and Terry Urban, heavyweight.

The Red Devil girls' basketball team coasted to a 44-32 win over the Goodland Cowgirls while the Red Devil boys downed the Cowboys 59-39. High point scorers for the boys were David Stapp, Roger LaSalle and Kevin Unger.

Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

Congratulations to Joel and Sarah Uerling of McCook, who are the parents of a daughter, Addyson Christine. She was born Feb. 9, 2004, at Community Hospital in McCook and weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces. Grandparents are Jack and Mary Gutchewsky, Herndon; and Mark and Sheri Uerling, McCook. Great-grandparents are Robert and Claire Uerling, Indianola, Neb.

Mac and Jeri Ann McPheeters, Colby; Quentin and Olive Bergling, Atwood, and Dave and Sherry Bergling had dinner on Sunday at the Snack Shack in Atwood to honor Mrs. McPheeters on her birthday, which was Thursday.

Frances Starbuck of Great Bend, sister of Mary Lou Olson, died on Feb. 9. Among relatives who attended funeral services in Great Bend on Friday were Ian and Pam Patrick, Nederland, Colo.; Mike and Rhonda Starbuck, Hebron,

Neb.; Andy and Trish Starbuck and Drew, Colby; Audrey Starbuck, Lincoln, Neb.; Cecil Hess, Marianna Bendon, Karla Jones, Mark Olson, Oberlin; Rex Olson, Boulder, Colo.; Keith and Mary Lou Olson, Herndon; Steve and Jean Ann Confer, St. Francis; Dan Hess, Salina; Nancy Jom and Peggy Williams, Lawrence; Jerry and Helen Riepl, Cimarron; John Riepl, Overland Park; and Gary and Susie Riepl, St. Joseph, Mo.

Don and Em Threlkel, and Elma Lee Erickson visited last Tuesday afternoon with Erik and Jean Erickson in Colby.

Mary Lou Olson met Gara Lee Sprague of Arapahoe, Neb., for lunch on Wednesday in McCook. Mrs. Olson was honored with a belated birthday dinner by Detta Anderson and Joy Votapka on Saturday at the LandMark Inn.

Rexford News

By Zula Horinek

Those from Rexford who attended who attended the regional Royal Neighbors meeting at The Gateway in Oberlin on Monday, Feb. 9, were Betty Cars well, Darlene Robben, Grace Cheney, and Margie Leh. Bobby G. Davis, regional fraternal coordinator, San Angelo, Texas, and John W. Wiseman, senior field manager, Cleburn, Texas, gave some informative information about changes that are being made.

The Barnswallows had four players, then the ladies stopped in after going to Oberlin, and then there were eight players.

The Royal Neighbors of Rexford had a meeting on Feb. 12 with Darlene Robin was hostess. Members present were Betty Carswell, Darlene Robin, Zula Horinek, Grace Cheney, Jean Hawkins, Deb Stepper, and Margie Leh. They are planning a coffee for one of their activities.

Zula Horinek had a very nice

birthday and received 14 cards and several phone calls.

The Rexford Bridge Club met with Joy Davis in Colby. Guests were Cookie Koenig, Helen Donegan, and Helen Karls. Prizes were won by Helen Donegan, Marguerite Edmundson, and Deb Stepper. Val Wark will be hostess next month in Colby.

On Thursday there were nine players for the "Come on Down" club. They had coffee and treats and sang Happy Birthday to Zula Horinek.

Jean Hawkins is recovering very nicely after her bout in the hospital. We are glad to have her back with us.

There were 11 at the Friday coffee: Margaret Arasmith, Eunice Sanford, Sondra Barnett, Hulda Wark, Liz Rall, Grace Cheney, Deb Stepper, Darlene Robben, Freda Ketchum, Margie Leh, and Cleda Moeder.

Herndon News

By Carrol Ginther

Congratulations to Elijah Kastens, who won the Herndon spelling bee by correctly spelling the word "station." He is a seventh grader. Logan Hoyt, also a seventh grader, was runner-up.

The Herndon High School varsity team placed first at the Cheyenne Conference scholar bowl at Agra. Members of the team are Kati Niemeth, Curtis Brown, Anikka Martin, Rodney Rippe and Jeff Riener. The coach is Jacque Leitner.

Andrew Martin of Fort Bragg, N.C., spent last Sunday with his

grandmother, Ann Martin. On his return, he will be transferring to Fort Binning, Ga.

Dinner guests last Saturday of Monica Solko were Ron and Rodney Solko of Oberlin. Tom Solko visited during the week.

Kati Lyn Niemeth, daughter of Kim and Jerry Niemeth of Herndon, has been selected as a finalist for the 24th Annual Kansas Homecoming Queen Selection, which will be held March 20 and 21 at the Kansas City Airport Marriott in Kansas City, Mo. She is the Herndon High School Homecoming queen.

Cedar Living News

Sacred Heart Catholic Church was in charge of the Sunday services on Feb. 8. Jeanette Diederich and Kim Solko assisted Father George.

Dennis Brown of the Forget-Me-Nots hosted a party on Monday afternoon. He served cherry cheese-cake to residents, staff, and guests. Myrna Jones provided music later.

Berenece McKay was the guest of honor at a birthday lunch held on the patio at noon on Tuesday. Phyllis McKay, Bonnie Anderson, and Mildred Holmdahl attended the lunch. They provided cake and ice cream for all of the residents and staff.

Harold Frickey won the first bingo on Tuesday afternoon and Hank Wolfram won the blackout game. Bingo volunteers, Jerry Temple, Ann Martin, and Alice Shirley assisted with preparing for the music program following the game. The Swinging Seniors gave a concert of old-time favorites.

Residents worked on preparing Valentine cards on Wednesday afternoon during craft time. Stuart Euhus gave the Bible study lesson on Wednesday afternoon. Stan Chapin led the Catholic communion service on Thursday morning.

A Sweetheart Dinner was served at noon on Friday. Spouses of Cedar Living Center residents were invited guests, and there was a 100 percent turnout. Those attending were Earl Brown, Don Ashley, Frank Cox, Carl Mumm, Elaine Bryan, Marie Jean Vavroch, Lyle Gamblin, and Fern Jording. Beth

Sebaugh entertained with a piano medley of love songs.

Mary Lou Plotts assisted with penny cards on Friday afternoon.

A Valentine's Day party was held on Saturday afternoon. Residents and their guests played a game of Sweetheart Bingo, then enjoyed cake and ice cream. Marie Jean Vavroch, Bernadine Samson, Katie Glaching, and Brianna Klima assisted. Following the party, the Valentine bag was sorted and each resident received an assortment of valentines from staff, friends, and family.

Recent visitors: Dana Young, Florida; Marie Miller, Dresden; Susan McKain, McDonald; Rosa Boehm, George Wurm, McCook; Becky Boehm, Kearney, Neb.; Marj Law, Lakewood, Colo.; Wilma Ritter, Bernard Ritter, Carl Mumm, Tressie Rogers, Shirley Emigh, Don Ashley, Steve and Barbara Brown, Art and Pat Richmond, Selden; Rose, Sohn, and Shaki Domsch, Atwood; Ann Martin, Herndon; Jerry Temple, Norcat; Bonnie Jean Anderson, Dresden; Phyllis McKay, Jenks, Okla.; Allan Vavroch, Manhattan; Richard and Bernadine Samson, Ludell; Geraldine Packer, Norton; Paul Nauer, Jennings;

Bobby Young, Ella Betts, Duane Jording, Mildred Holmdahl, Irene Fringer, Vayle Rohan, Barb Solko, Lyle Gamblin, Eula Juenemann, Ron Uehlin, Karen Bennett, Elsie Wolters, Esther Noren, Elvin Beneda, Orlin Beneda, Danny Uehlin, Oberlin.

Good Samaritan News

Leo Mooty, Ann Leitner, Garrah Gaumer, Eva Bryan, Ivah Alexander, Ella Peterson and Marilyn St. Clair met for Resident's Council in the Quiet Room with Coleen Rippe presiding on Monday. Volunteer Myrna Jones played for singing by residents of old tunes.

Joyce Ploussard shared morning devotions, after which First Hand Friends shared with their special partner. "Just Desserts" was the afternoon highlight with a buffet of chocolate desserts and entertainment provided by the Swinging Seniors. Cheryl Miller helped the Country Reflections group plan the event.

Marian Dempewolf led songs of worship on Wednesday, then residents enjoyed a duet by Mrs. Dempewolf and Jan Badsky, which honored Elsie Macy on her 80th birthday. Peggy Carswell shared devotions.

Loretta McFee had morning devotions on Thursday and volunteer Fern Wenger played piano accompaniment. Little Sam's and residents created ladybugs from fun foam. A "Share You Heart" luncheon was held in the Town Square. Soup was provided by Country Reflection staff; the dietary department fixed ham salad sandwiches, and Angel Lane staff members provided desserts. A program of poems and the history of Valentine's Day

followed.

The Revs. Barbara and Nolan Pierce had devotions and communion on Friday. Mary Henzel, a new volunteer, shred music. Those who enjoyed an episode of Crash Course, featuring modified racing, were Fred Helmkamp, Leo Mooty, Eryline Nichols and Everett Fisher. A movie was shared in the afternoon with popcorn provided by The Bank.

Dennis Brown led devotions on Saturday. A Valentine Day Tea was held in the Town Square, sponsored by the Star committee. Hosts were Angela Musgrave and Joan Evans. The activity department decorated the tables with the assistance of residents, staff and family members.

The United Church of Oberlin led Sunday services.

Guests have included: **Dena Gillespie**, Pastor Glenn and Betty Krebs, June Vavroch, Earl and Pat Hartzog; **Erma Holt**, John Metcalf; **Iris Wurm**, Beverly Witt, Jeff, Annette, Shawn and Steph Troyer; **Eva Bryan**, Detta Anderson, Samantha Anderson, Donna Kelley; **Garrah Gaumer**, Joan McKenna, Pastor Glen Krebs; **Ruby McKenna**, Earl and Pat Hartzog; **Joan McKenna**; **Ivah Alexander**, Maryllin Locy, Doris Auken, Fern Mapes, Rhianon, Meghan and Cerys Davies.

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