

THE OBERLIN HERALD

Events of Yesteryear

By Jody Betts

100 YEARS AGO — Feb. 1904

The telephone to Traer is now in running order.

There is talk of a passenger train being put on the Oberlin branch.

D.G. Addleman sold his groceries to Lloyd & Johnson, his furnishing goods and shoes to the Co-ops and has accepted the position as bookkeeper at the Co-ops.

The Baptist Church extended a call to Rev. Mr. Teall of Larned, who has accepted and will take charge April 1.

Ray Children has been elected editor of the Washburn Review, the college paper of that school.

We noticed a number of pretty girls in town Saturday night with dirty faces. The dust was horrible and no mistake.

75 YEARS AGO — Feb. 1929

We wish there were more of such concerts as that given by the Beginners and Advanced Orchestra and Band at the City School Auditorium Sunday afternoon, under the direction of Prof. Piller.

Friends and neighbors of Tony Nielsen numbering 23 gathered at the Nielsen farm Tuesday afternoon to husk about 500 bushels of corn which he had been unable to get done because of illness.

Henry Taylor of Atwood celebrated his 105th birthday Feb. 18 and was honored in the State Legislature of Kansas on that day.

Ernest Danielson and family of Russell were Oberlin visitors last week at the home of Mrs. Danielson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F.F. Bliss. Ernest is manager of the Russell United Telephone exchange.

Jess Robertson of Route 2 was in to renew his subscription and he said that he believes the deep freezing of the soil this winter is of benefit to next summer's crops.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ater are the parents of a baby boy born Friday, Feb. 15th.

Jennings News: Wheat market reached the dollar mark last week; corn 73 cents. A good deal of wheat and corn is going on the market. Stanley Shimek is the owner of a new Fordor Ford bought of Boulls Motor Company.

Prairie Dog News: Ed Shields

hauled some grain to Selden this week.

50 YEARS AGO — Feb. 1954

Friday's storm was bad enough at Oberlin, but south and east of Decatur County, the storm was much worse, with serious blowing of fields. The winds reached 50 to 60 miles an hour and a genuine blizzard developed here, though total snowfall amounted to only an inch.

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

Five Decatur Community High School matmen qualified at the regional tournament held at Atwood last weekend for the state tournament, which begins Friday at Norton. Favored teams are St. Francis, Salina, Douglas, Wichita North, Colby, Oberlin, Goodland and Atwood. Oberlin wrestlers qualified are heavyweight Emery Kathka; Dick Kelley, 127-pounds; Dean Roedel, 120-pounds; Neil Votapka, 112-pounds, and Bob Wurm, 95-pounds.

Funeral services were held Monday at Oberlin Methodist Church for Mrs. Gerald Cathcart, 22, the former Beth Vernon, who was killed in a car accident in Wichita when the car in which she and her husband were riding was struck by a car driven at high rate of speed by a driver who had been drinking heavily. Mr. Cathcart remains a patient at St. Francis Hospital in Wichita, where he is suffering from serious injuries. Mrs. Cathcart is also survived by two daughters, Jeanne, 2, and Joyce, 8 months.

Time turned back for Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fringer the evening of Feb. 18 when they celebrated the 40th anniversary of their marriage with a dinner at the Methodist Church basement. The guest list was limited to those who had attended the marriage of Mary Diehl and Frank Fringer in 1914 and their spouses.

Several Leoville school pupils were injured Friday afternoon in a head-on crash during the storm near Leoville. John Schieferecke, Leoville, was driving the car in which 10 other boys and 3 girls were riding

when it collided with a car driven by Ed Miller Jr. of Dresden. The unusual number of passengers in the car came about when Leoville school authorities would not permit the school bus to leave in the storm, which had reduced visibility to zero.

25 YEARS AGO — Feb. 1979

Presentation of the Pacemaker II PRIDE award to the city of Oberlin by Gov. John Carlin is scheduled to be held April 27 in Oberlin in conjunction with the annual PRIDE tour.

Oberlin City Superintendent Phyll Cramer reported that some 50 to 60 residents have reported some water line problems due to freezing conditions.

New Arrival: Mr. and Mrs. Rob-

ert Woolsey, Oberlin, son, Tucker Brant, Feb. 17.

Mirla Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Moore, will leave Thursday from Denver for Australia to spend a year as a Rotary International student.

She holds a degree in accounting from Kansas State University and will begin her studies at the University of New South Wales on March 5.

A Gambles store located at the north end of Penn Avenue in Oberlin has opened under the ownership of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fossum and son Bob.

Three Decatur Community High School wrestlers are qualified for the state tournament at Hays this coming weekend, Danny Denner, Todd Wilson and Terry Urban.

Chamber News

By Glena Nichols

Greetings on a warm, windy day. The sun is finally shining, but we have missed the moisture this time around.

Congratulations to Nadean Stoney, winner of the Oberlin Business Alliance Valentine's drawing. She has won a night's stay at the Landmark Inn with dinner for two.

There are a number of things happening this week. First will be the Southwestern Bell Corporation ribbon cutting on Thursday with coffee and rolls. This is to mark the goal they have been striving to reach with the broadband internet service.

On Saturday, the "Seeds of Hope" Telethon will be held at The Gateway starting at 1 p.m. There will be many different things taking place. Watch Channel 7 on cable for the live broadcast.

Many people with talents will be performing music, comedy, acting, dancing — you name it and it will probably be there. There will be both live auctions and also telephone call-in auctions.

The chili cook-off contest will be taking place at 5 p.m. Bring your crock-pot full and have it judged, and then the remaining chili will be sold to help raise money. The chili

cook-off winner's name will go on the traveling trophy. This is a lot of fun and the judges get to try them all.

Let's try to help reach the goal telethon organizers would like to raise. It goes to good projects in the county.

Oberlin Business Alliance is sponsoring a "Pot of Gold" contest starting March 9. The winning name will be drawn on March 18. There is nothing to buy, just be alert for instructions on how to participate in the newspaper and on the radio. The "Pot of Gold" will be on display in the Munson building window.

On March 11 the Eastern Star organization will be doing their good home-made chicken and noodle benefit for the Forget-Me-Not. The potatoes are real (not the box type) to make it taste even better. This is a freewill donation.

The Chamber is receiving reservations for the Home and Garden Show that they are sponsoring with 101.1 KFNFRadio on March 20 and 21. Remember, mark your calendar to attend; admission is free. It promises to be great.

Herndon News

By Carol Ginther

Herndon School Alumni officers will meet on Saturday at the home of Julie Hafner to discuss the banquet which will be held Friday, June 11, at St. Mary's school auditorium. Included on the agenda will be the opening of the Memory Haus for the Herndon Ox Roast, which will be held the following day, where crafters will be demonstrating their skills, along with several vendors.

The opening of the Movie Haus, south of the post office, will also be discussed. It will include a presentation of the history of Herndon. For details, contact Mrs. Hafner at (785) 322-5219.

St. Mary's Christian Altar Society hosted the SDCCW meeting on Jan. 29 with Father Damian and 28 women from Herndon and surrounding towns present. The social began with coffee, juice and rolls.

President Ada Ringer opened the business meeting which included informative topics and a new calendar of events was presented. The women then went to St. Mary's Church for rosary and Mass, followed by lunch. Father Damian spoke on vocations and personal experiences. The meeting adjourned followed by the benediction at St. Mary's Church.

June Tongish, Salt Lake City, Utah, arrived Feb. 11 to visit her parents, Denis and Wilma Tongish. On Friday morning they all traveled to Topeka where they were houseguests of Joe and Becky Tongish, Morgan and Lauren. Pat Tongish, Ashley and Jarrett, and Britt Houser, Newton, were also guests.

On Friday evening they all attended the Washburn Royal High

School drama and musical presentation of "Greece." Morgan Tongish played the leading role of Sandy, for which 200 girls had competed for the leading role. On Saturday afternoon June, Denis and Wilma went to Shawnee to visit Dee and Wayne Davis, Brett and Derek. They returned home Monday and June left by train Tuesday morning.

Dan and Jo Marintzer of Hastings, Neb., were last weekend guests of Helen Marintzer.

Esther Pennington, Helen Marintzer, Beth Hraha and Ann Solko were guests of Chris Wood at her home last Friday afternoon.

Julie and Bob Hafner, Edie Pettera, Marlene and Tom Cook of Parker, Colo.; Ron and Cindy Sattler, Mary and Brian Clark, Katelyn and Collin, and Jamie Sattler were dinner guests last Sun-

day of Janice Sattler to honor Bob Hafner on his birthday. Mrs. Sattler and Mr. and Mrs. Cook were visitors at the Bob Hafner home Monday afternoon.

Tom Solko visited his mother, Monica Solko, during the week.

Goldie Oldies met at the Down Home Café on Feb. 12. Those present were Wilma Bobinmyer, Ann Martin, Edie Pettera, Anna Mae Ketterl, Lillian Wahrman and Helen Marintzer.

Senior Citizens held a business meeting on Feb. 11 at the Senior Center. A potluck dinner was held on Feb. 18 with Anna Mae Ketterl and Dorothy Engleman on kitchen duty. Frank Hraha won blackout in Bingo and Kayo Sattler won the door prize. The next business meeting will be March 3 with Dorothy Engleman as hostess.

Cedar Living News

The ZCBJ Lodge held their monthly meeting Sunday afternoon at Cedar Living Center.

The Oberlin United Church was in charge of the worship service on Sunday afternoon.

Katie Glading assisted with activities on Monday afternoon. Presidents' Day was observed by playing a game of Presidential Trivia.

Fern Moore gave the reading program on Tuesday morning. Zola Brown won the first bingo in the afternoon and Bea Wolfram won the blackout game.

Pi Alpha Club hosted the February birthday party on Wednesday afternoon. Fern Wenger played the piano while Rosella Meitl led the group in singing.

Following the program, club members served assorted homemade pies. Residents Delores Mumm and Berenece McKay received flowers in honor of their birthdays.

Father George was here for Catholic Mass on Thursday morning. Barb Solko played Scrabble with Wynemah Cox in the afternoon.

Carl Mumm, Selden, ate lunch with Delores Mumm Friday to help her celebrate her birthday. The baking group made sugar cookies that afternoon.

Recent visitors: Joseph Schmaderer, Richard Samson, Ludell; Jerry Temple, Norcatur; Don Ashley, Steve and Barbara Brown, Frank Cox, Selden; Marie Miller, Dresden; Bob Karow, Denver; Paul Nauer, Jennings; Frances Nothdurft, Alice Shirley, Estella Waldo, Eileene Grose, Cecil Hess, Gerry Neff, Fern Wenger, Doris Sloan, Earl Brown, Lyle Gamblin, Elaine Bryan, Marie Jean Vavroch, Ella Betts, Elvin Beneda, Orlin Beneda, Mary Ann Amack, Eula Juene-mann, Elsie Wolters, Esther Noren, Delores Koeperlich, Carrie Morford, Butch Stanley, Walt and Rosella Meitl, Oberlin.

Good Samaritan News

On Monday, Feb. 16, Coleen Rippe gave morning devotions. Ivah Alexander, Garrah Gaumer, Fern Anderson, Helen Styles, Agnes Chambers and Elfie Brown worked on a braided rug. The Welcoming Committee hosted a party to welcome new resident Eva Bryan. Serving on the committee are Garrah Gaumer, Elva Shaughnessy, Neva Campbell, Marguerite Fullerton, and Hildegard Euhus. Mildred Holmdahl served at Social Hour.

The Card Sharks gathered with Elva Shaughnessy, including Garrah Gaumer, Hildegard Euhus, and volunteer Mildred Holmdahl. Later the Pinochle Club was enjoyed by Eva Bryan, Everett Fisher, and volunteers Alvina Unger and Delores Gaines.

Janice Shobe led devotions Tuesday morning. Leo Mooty, Fred Helmkamp, and Harold Demmer viewed the National Geographic film, "Madagascar." Dennis Brown of the Forget-Me-Not's brought cherry cheesecake for everyone. A guessing game was enjoyed, based on "The Price Is Right", by contestants Fern Anderson, Neva Campbell, Dena Gillespie, Hildegard Euhus, Eva Bryan, Ruth Laidig, Kelly Black, and Elfie Brown. Display items were donated by Kurt Brown of Raye's Grocery.

Wednesday morning's devotions were led by Jan Badsy. Bible study was shared with Eva Bryan, Dena Gillespie, Garrah Gaumer, and Fern Anderson. The Coyote Kids came from the Jennings School to share reading time with their special partners. Volunteers Roxie Erickson and Dorothy Alstrom provided nail care. Ellen Horn served Social Hour. Bingo concluded the day's events with volunteers Marilyn Horn and Coleen Geisler assisting.

Lisa Stacy led morning devotions Thursday. Little Sam's Fun shared singing and dancing with residents Agnes Chambers, Leo Mooty, Eva Cuthbertson, Bernice Brown, and Ella Peterson. Hearts Creation craft time continued work on a braided rug, enjoyed by Bonnie Weskamp,

Garrah Gaumer, Fern Anderson, and Elfie Brown. Catholic Mass was held with Lois Buchholz and Bonnie Weskamp by Stan Chapin. Spelling Fun was enjoyed, with Lorna Bishop winning as top speller, and also played by Ruth Laidig and Elsie Macy.

Marion Dempewolf led songs and Lisa Stacy shared "God's Trees," written by Helen Fraze-Bower, at Friday's devotions. Carol Duncan read *The Oberlin Herald* to Leo Mooty, Agnes Chambers, Erma Holt, Ruth Laidig, Eva Bryan, Eryline Nichols, Hattie Olson, Ella Peterson, Ivah Alexander and Elfie Brown. Bethany Smith served homemade oatmeal cookies, baked by Ruth Laidig and Jeanette Diede-rich, at Social Hour.

"Forrest Gump" was the Friday Movie Feature, enjoyed by Garrah Gaumer, Elsie Macy, Ivah Alexander, Ruth Laidig, Leo Mooty and Ruby McKenna, with fresh popcorn donated by The Bank. Marles Rowley came to lead the "Women for the Bible" group. Dena Gillespie and Ann Leitner participated. Many thanks to the Dresden Guild for supplying the Center with some beautiful new lap quilts.

Dennis Brown led devotions on Saturday morning.

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

Recent guests: **Dena Gillespie** - Pastor Glenn and Betty Krebs; **June Vavroch**, Earl and Pat Hartzog; **Ruby Shuler** - Pastor Glenn and Betty Krebs; **Erma Holt** - John Metcalf; **Garrah Gaumer** - Pastor Glenn Krebs, Joan McKenna; **Eva Bryan** - Donna Kelley, Samantha Anderson, Delta Anderson; **Ruby McKenna** - Earl and Pat Hartzog, Joan McKenna, Donna Chambers; **Iris Wurm** - Beverly and Gene Witt, Jeff, Annette, Sharon and Steph Troyer; **Ivah Alexander**, **Fern Mapes** - Doris Auker, Rhianon, Meghan and Cerys Davies; **Hazel Flaska** - Charlene Karnes; **Veda Pingetzer**, **Elva Shaughnessy** - Eileene Grose.

Sign-up due for Walk Kansas

Can you meet the challenge of walking 423 miles? Walk Kansas is an eight-week program encouraging family members, schoolmates, co-workers, friends, and neighbors to come together as a team. You will recruit five people plus yourself to make a six-member team who will collectively walk 423 miles — the distance across Kansas. It takes each member walking about 30 minutes or 1.75 miles a day for five days a week to meet the Walk Kansas goal.

This is a good opportunity to promote health and fitness for the entire family, from children to grandparents, while building family or even neighborhood unity. It's a great way to enjoy time together as a group, one-on-one with a child or teen-ager, or with someone who could use a supportive friend. Walking together lends itself to stimulating conversation, or it could be a time of quiet to reflect on your day or week.

Other forms of physical activity may be substituted or combined with the walking program. Walk Kansas will accept running, cycling, and other fitness activities for the accumulation of miles to "walk"



Home Time

By Tranda Watts
Multi-county Extension Agent

Kansas. If you have the drive to stick with a physical activity program, Walk Kansas is for you. Studies have shown that a regular walking program reduces potentially debilitating diseases, increases energy, helps elevate mood, and promotes a healthy cardiovascular system.

This program has proven successful in weight management while promoting healthy lifestyles. Walking is effective because anyone can do it, any time of the day, and you do not have to go to a specific location to walk. Teams will choose a name and a team captain, who will turn mileage in to the county extension office each Monday. The friendly competition among teams makes it fun, motivational, and inspirational.

It's time to begin forming teams

for this year's "Walk Kansas" program, which runs from March 14 to May 8 this year.

Registration fees have remained the same for this year at \$5 per person, and will be due on Friday, Feb. 27.

You will need to act quickly and contact the extension office to pick up a captain's packet for your team.

T-shirt orders (also \$5 per person) will be due at this time as well. This will be a one-time only shirt order, so please be prepared to turn this order in at the same time.

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McGraw News

By Karl Launchbaugh

During the upcoming week Ruth Bainter is likely to return home from her stay at Sheridan County Health Complex, where she was recuperating from hip surgery.

Jay Lewis arrived at his new Navy post in Norfolk, Va., on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Mauck and Norbert Weis were Saturday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Weis.

Carolyn Launchbaugh was at Salina Regional Medical Center over the weekend, but she is expected to return during the upcoming week.

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