THE OBERLIN HERALD

Events of Yesteryear

100 YEARS AGO — April 1904

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Young, Thursday, March 24, 1904, a bright-eyed little daughter.

John Millen, who has been working on an ostrich farm at Nice. France, for the past three years, has hired to the same parties for three years longer.

A.C. Furman of the Danbury News, who has been sick for several months, is now told by his physician that he must make a change and offers his newspaper for sale.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Arch Hamilton, a bouncing baby boy, Thursday, March 24, 1904.

Steve O'Toole returned from Wisconsin Tuesday morning. Married, Mr. Boin Fortin and Miss Cora Black, both of Dresden,

March 28, 1904. Marriages: April 3, 1904: Miss Rosa A Woolley and Mr.

Chas. C. Brown, Rev. Banta, offi-

Miss Viola Long and Mr. R. G. Holgerson, Rev. Banta officiating;

Miss Viollette Scott and Mr. Dora L. Gardner, both of Allison

75 YEARS AGO — April 1929

Fire in the Fiala general store building in Kanona, nine miles southeast of Oberlin, was discovered shortly after midnight last Tuesday and before the flames could be checked that building, the Vernon car garage just to the north of it and the Orbin general merchandise store, a two-story frame structure, were burned to the ground. Mr. Orbin is the pioneer merchant of Kanona, having been in the general merchandise business there since the town was founded after the B. &. M. was built through in 1885.

Mr. Vernon will probably rent another building, as they are doing well with their Nash car garage

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. G. Webb Bertram, 84, in California. She was laid to rest in the Arbuckle Cemetery by the side of her first husband, Julian C. Ufford. She was married to G. Webb Bertram, a Civil War veteran, in 1918, three years after the death of her husband, and made her home in the Oberlin community many years.

Last Saturday evening, the

switchover from the telephone switchboard upstairs in the Oberlin National Bank building to the new board in the United Company's new building (the old court house building) was made. All of Oberlin's business men and citizens will appreciate the services the new central energy type system will make available. The wires to the telephone to the great majority of residences in town are now encased in underground cables to do away with possible storm damage.

Harlan Items: The men folks will paint the Sherman Chapel Church and the women will feed them.

Custer: Mr. and Mrs. Everett Fortin have a baby boy born March 31. Mother and baby doing fine.

50 YEARS AGO — April 1954

Music instructors Lewis Williams and Jack Fields accompanied the Decatur Community High School musicians to Colby for the annual music festival, where the band received a II rating. Students receiving a I rating on instrumental solos were Phil Law, Ruth Laidig, Roger Cody and Marcia Petracek. In vocal numbers, the mixed chorus and girls glee received a I rating, as did solos by Colleen Paddock, Charolette Urling and Marcille Holmberg.

New Arrivals: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nobles, Selden, son, Charles Duane, April 2; Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Berry, Norcatur, son, Gerald Steven, March 31; Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Kump, Jennings, daughter, March 31, Pamela Joy; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Smith, Dresden, daughter, April 3, Nancy Marie; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Stephenson, Jennings, daughter, April 4, Esther

Mrs. Cloyd Railsback attended funeral services in Chanute last week for her father, John Stoelzing.

The Koshare Indians of Explorer Post 2230 of La Junta, Colo., will present a program of authentic Indian dances and ceremonials at the high school gymnasium Saturday under the sponsorship of the Cub Scouts of Oberlin, Pack 125.

Mr. Otto Johnson of Jennings announces the engagement of his daughter, Ethel Marie, to Mr. Robert Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Taylor of Atwood. Miss Johnson attended Fort Hays State and is a senior at Kansas State College in Manhattan. Mr. Taylor attended Fort Hays State and is now stationed with the army at Fort Riley

Gene Rogers, Jack Rogers and Jim Sawyer of Dresden arrived Saturday from Kansas University for spring vacation. Gene receives his degree in electrical engineering in June and will begin work for the Atomic Energy Commission in Washington, D.C.; Jack, a sophomore in geological engineering, will spend six weeks this summer in officer's training for the Navy at Corpus Christi, Texas; and Jim is a freshman in a pre-med course.

Others home on spring break from there include Lynne Gaumer, Melvalyn Pollnow, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Jaderborg, Roy Gridley, Rex Rasmussen and Wallace Jorn.

Cpl. and Mrs. Duane Witt and Luan Rae of Fort Smith, Ark., are visiting family members.

25 YEARS AGO — April 1979

The county's eligible voters turned out more than 1,000 strong Tuesday in less than desirable weather to support the county commissioners' plan to move ahead on a courthouse remodeling project if federal funding is approved this month for a fourth floor jail renovation project.

In other election action, Pam Harmon was elected to the at-large board position for the Oberlin Unified School District being vacated by Chuck Votapka; Monty Newton was elected to the position being held by Raymond Ritter; Bob

Berkheimer was elected to the position being vacated by Boyd Bainter; and Stan Morgan was elected to the position held by Mary Anderson for the past 12

By Jody Betts

Local residents have been treated to some unusual weather this past month, as the official weather observer has recorded a total of 2.40 inches of moisture for

Helen Riepl will be the speaker at the annual meeting of the Decatur County Historical Society April 17 at Oberlin American Legion. Mrs. Riepl, the former Helen Bendon, resides in Cimarron, and is the coordinator for The Oberlin Herald Centennial Issue to be published in June.

Jennings: Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Harris announce the birth of a son, Justin Clyde, on March 27 at Norton County Hospital.

Selden: Garvey Elevator Inc., Hutchinson, has announced the purchase of Lincoln Grain in Selden. Darrel Bruggemann, current manager of Garvey Elevator in Selden, will manage both facilities. Offices have been moved to the Lincoln Grain site due to larger office facilities, convenience to the feed mill operation and a larger scale for custom weighing.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Cozad observed their golden wedding anniversary March 22 at the Lyle United Methodist Church with more than 180 persons in atten-

Let's Go to the Museum

By Sharleen Wurm, co-director

Last year we had guests from 40 different states and several foreign countries. We have only been open for three days this season and have already had visitors from New Jersey, Minnesota and Colorado.

Our annual meeting was well attended and we want to thank Ron Temple and his gospel group for a wonderful performance.

Don't forget that April 17 and 18 is our third annual Rummage and Food Sale. We started taking good, clean items on Tuesday and will continue doing so through Friday, April 16, during our regular hours from 10 a.m. to noon and 1-5 p.m.

We are asking that each member donate an item or two for the food sale, which will be held at 9 a.m. on Saturday, April 17, in the Land Office.

If you have questions or need someone to pick up your items for the sale, call the museum at 475-

We are looking forward to a wonderful year in 2004 and we hope that you say — "Let's Go to the Museum."

Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

Congratulations to Kendal and Tammy Neal, who were married on Saturday at the United Methodist Church. The bride is the former Tammy Gutchewsky, daughter of Jack and Mary Gutchewsky of this community, and the bridegroom's parents are Varlan and Catherine Neal, Oberlin, and the late Irma Joy Neal. They will make their home in

Weekend guests of Jack and Mary Gutchewsky, who came for the wedding, were Ron and Betty Pollreis, Gravett, Ark.; Frank and Dee Gutchewsky, Joliet, Ill.; Joe and Jan Gutchewsky, Omaha; Joel and Sarah Uerling and Addyson, McCook; and Brian and Krista Gutchewsky, Lawrence. Chauncey Hafner was an additional Sunday dinner guest.

Maundy Thursday services will begin at 7 p.m. at the Herndon Covenant Church. An Easter sunrise service is scheduled at 6:30 a.m. at the Herndon Covenant Cemetery, followed by breakfast at the church. Morning worship will be held at 10 a.m. and there will be no Sunday School this week.

Myrtle Schiessler, formerly of this community, will be honored by her family with an open house from 2-5 p.m. on Easter Sunday at Golden Age Center in Oberlin in observance of her 100th birthday.

Pastor Noel Cisneros, who has been serving in Iraq the past year, expects to return to Fort Hood, Texas, this week. He is a former pastor of the Herndon Covenant

Mike and Nione Rhodin, Loveland, Colo., and Galen and Lynne Olson, McKinney, Texas, visited during the past week with Edla Olson, and Steve and Arian Arnold. Sunday overnight guests of the Arnolds were Marcella Wilkinson, Lafayette, Colo., and Janice Pagel, Frederick, Colo.,

Rexford News

By Zula Horinek

Juanita Dawes received word that her brother, Beauford "Dunie" Messer, of Cheyenne, Wyo., died on March 26 after a long illness. Funeral services were held on

Tuesday. He grew up at Rexford. Cleda Moeder left Friday with her son, Tim Moeder and family, of Colby, to attend the state wrestling tournament in Topeka. Her grandson, Taylor, won his third state wrestling championship. They returned on Saturday night. We wish

Taylor the very best. Pat Vanice, of Phoenix, Ore., sister of Zula Horinek, underwent a lumpectomy for cancer and is receiving radiation. She is doing

The Barnswallows pinochle group had three tables and the Thursday group, "Come on Down," had 13 players. Both

groups play cards at the Barn in

Rexford.

I made a mistake about the winners at the pinochle tournament last Saturday. Dick Sanford and his son Kenny, tied with Grace Cheney and Deb Stepper for second and third and they split the pot. Sorry guys. I left out Dick and Kenny before.

Correction: The spring tea for the Royal Neighbors is here on April 7 instead of April 13.

The Friday Coffee Klatch had 12 present: Berneda Zoberst, Grace Cheney, Freda Ketchum, Eunice Sanford, Liz Rall, Delores Dible, Darla Dible. Vesta Roth, Marg Leh, Hulda Wark, Deb Stepper and Sandra Barnett.

Nadine Mossen broke her hip

and is hospitalized in Topeka. Everyone please call me news or leave it at the Barn. I need more

who performed with the Planina concert group at The Gateway in Oberlin on Sunday afternoon.

Rennie and Jeaneen Olson of Irving, Texas, visited over the weekend with their parents, Bob and Sally Olson, Ludell, and Orville and Evelyn Roy, Palco. They also visited Hattie Olson at Decatur County Good Samaritan Center in Oberlin, and Rennie

Olson was a Saturday morning caller at the Keith Olson home.

Covenant Women Ministries will host a spring luncheon on Saturday, April 17, at the Herndon Covenant Church.

Ethan Beckman of Grinnell visited from Wednesday to Sunday with his grandparents, Frank and Margaret McEvoy.

Herndon News

By Carrol Ginther

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt and bake sale at 10 a.m. on Saturday at the Herndon City Park for children from pre-school through fourth grade, sponsored by the Herndon PRIDE Committee. In case of inclement weather, it will be held at the Herndon School gym. Interested persons may have their picture taken with the Easter bunny for \$1. Paper goods, including paper towels, toilet paper, dish or hand soap and cleaning supplies are needed for the new restrooms at the park and those willing to help provide these items are asked to bring them to the Easter Egg Hunt.

Guests last weekend of Mildred Kleidosty were John Kleidosty, North Platte, Neb.; Tony Kleidosty, Kearney, Neb., and Nicholas Kleidosty, Elm Creek,

Jan Sattler of Atwood was a last Sunday visitor of Edie Pettera.

Ron, Kimberly and Rodney Solko of Oberlin were last Sunday visitors of Monica Solko. Other callers during the week were Tom

and Patrick Solko. Todd Ketterl, a senior at Fort Hays State University, is among students who recently participated in a simulated farmland appraisal activity. The trip is an essential part of the agriculture course. Students who went on the trip participated in simulated farmland appraisal activities at the university farm and other locations in the surrounding area. He is the son of Vernon and Kari Ketterl of rural Herndon.

McGraw News

By Karl Launchbaugh

Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Bainter had dinner with Warren Bainter last Monday. They were Sunday dinner guests of Wes Bainter.

Garth and Valerie Gaddy, Jessica and Marcus, of Reedley, Calif., were last Sunday afternoon and Monday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Launchbaugh.

Wes and Gayle Bainter went to Kansas City to make a delivery and stopped in Salina on the way home to visit Carolyn Launchbaugh in the hospital.

Steve Launchbaugh returned on Saturday from Salina, where he visited Carolyn Launchbaugh in the hospital.

Cedar Living News

Sympathy is extended to the family of Alvin Jording who died last week at Cedar Living Center.

We have been experiencing difficulties on our phone line. If you are unable to reach us at (785)475-2276, please call the hospital line, (785) 475-2208. Pastor Charlotte Strecker-

Baseler of the Faith Lutheran Church gave the worship service on March 28. Charley Vavroch was the big

winner at rolling dice on Monday afternoon. Bea Wolfram won the first bingo

on Tuesday afternoon, and Hank Wolfram won the blackout game. The craft group worked on decorations for Easter when they met on

Thursday afternoon. Barbara

Solko played Scrabble with

Wynemah Cox. The baking group fried doughnuts on Friday afternoon.

Mildred Cochran was out for Sunday dinner with her family. The Oberlin Community Fellowship

Church was in charge of the Sun-

Recent visitors: Richard and Bernadine Samson, Ludell: Don Ashley, Carl Mumm, Selden; Jerry Temple, Norcatur; Marj Law, Lakewood, Colo.; Melvin Beneda, Holton; Frank Cox, Herndon; Larry Screen, Salina; Paul and Kathy Nauer, Jennings; Susan McKain, McDonald; George Wurm, McCook; Terry Kruse, Russellville, Mo.; John Grissinger, Kansas City; Ward Brown, Leawood: Orlin and Elvin Beneda, Wayne

and Lois Larson, Butch Stanley, Alice Shirley, Fern Jording, Barb Solko, Elsie Wolters, Earl Brown, Ella Betts, Eula Juenemann, Elaine Bryan, Gary and Sarah Fredrickson, Mary Ann Amack, Vayle Rohan, Marie Jean Vavroch, Jerald and Elaine Leitner, Dolores Koerperich and Jacob, Holly Young, Phyllis Screen, Sandy Counter, Oberlin.

Good Samaritan News

Jan Badsky shared Monday morning devotions. Little Sam's Daycare joined the following residents to create foam art, Eryline NIchols, Hazel Flaska, Ella Peterson, Mamie Unger, Eva Cuthbertson, and Ruby McKenna. Don Farr led exercises.

Rug weaving was shared in the Town Square. Those participating were Garrah Gaumer, Fern Anderson, and Ruby McKenna. Myrna Jones shared music in the Town Square. Accompanying her for the rhythm band were Eva Bryan, Neva Campbell, and Dena Gillespie. Mildred Holmdahl served social hour. Card sharks who joined Elva Shaughnessy were Ivah Alexander, Garrah Gaumer, Hildegard Euhus, and Mildred Holmdahl

Devotions were shared in the Town Square by Janice Shobe. Men gathered in the quiet room and old tobacco tins and pipes, loaned by Times Past, were discussed by Kenneth Rydquist, Harold Demmer, Everett Fisher, and Leo Mooty. Residents enjoyed fresh vegetables, cheese and salami provided by the Forget-Me-Nots.

On Wednesday Jan Badsky led songs of worship. The Jennings music department featured the musical skit entitled, "Old McDonald Had a Farm," under the direction of vocal instructor Joanna Zayac and teacher, Mrs. Pam David. Children participating were Melissa Ritter, David Cressler, Diedre Kramer, Dakota Soderlund, Josh Ritter, Marissa Baker, and lowship Church presented Sunday Amanda Adams. Volunteers church services Delores Roxie Erickson and Dorothy Alstrom provided nail care. Bingo

concluded the day's events.

Happy April Fool's Day was Thursday. Devotions were by Lisa Stacy. "Don't Let Your Eyes Fool Ya," a hidden picture activity, was enjoyed by Ivah Alexander, Bonnie Weskamp, Eva Bryan, Mamie Unger, Elsie Macy, Leo Mooty, Marilyn St. Clair, Agnes Chambers, and Lorna Bishop. Little Sam's Daycare came and

made bunny visors with residents Marilyn St. Clair, Helen Styles, Agnes Chambers, Leo Mooty, and Mamie Unger. "Let's Eat Dirt" brought Florence Jones, Elva Shaughnessy Ruby McKenna, Leo Mooty, Ruby Shuler, Kenny Rydquist, Fern Anderson and Kathryn Post out to eat some "dirt with worms," served by Ellen Horn The day ended with a Bible study. On Friday, Jan Badsky shared

devotions in the Town Square. Merry Mum's gathered in the dining room for block building and color sorting. Those attending were Eva Cuthbertson, Mamie Unger, Bernice Brown, Eryline Nichols, and Ruby Shuler. Current events were shared by Carol Duncan with Ivah Alexander, Elfie Brown, Eva Bryan, and Bonnie Weskamp. Jeanette Diederich and Erma Holt created homemade peanut butter cookies for everyone for social hour. The movie feature was "Jazz Singer" and popcorn from The Bank was served.

Dennis Brown shared Saturday

The Oberlin Community Fel-Koerperich served social hour.

Selden News

By Jacque Boultinghouse

clude: April 8 - Devinn Ritter, Clarence and Dagmar Becker; April 9 - Scotty Hunziker; April 10 - Bob Rogers, Joe and Carol Lobato (34 years); April 11 - Gary Emigh; April 12 - Wayne Brantley, Mike and Tammy Miller. No Senior Citizen News this

Birthdays and anniversaries in-

week. (Someone forgot to bring it to me).

School Calendar: Thursday, 3 p.m., Junior High track meet at Cheylin; Friday and Monday, No school; Tuesday, 10:30 am, High School track meet in Oakley.

The City burn and yard waste site is open again, every Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 8:30 and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Anyone who has not passed by the school lately is asked to please do so. The addition to the building is coming along great. A reminder to all dog owners:

deadline for updating dog tags is coming up. New tags should be obtained by June 1. On March 30, a local men's

bowling team, Fredrickson Insurance, was involved in a League Championship rolloff. Members of the team include: Chris Bainter, Kyle Emigh, Pat Koerperich, John Sauvage and Greg Bruggeman. Fredrickson Insurance won the first half and NAPA won the second, causing the rolloff. NAPA ended up with the League Championship

George N. Greenberg, formerly of Selden, celebrated his 98th birthday on April 6. Mail will reach him at 323 N. Center, Mankato, Kan., 66956.

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