THE OBERLIN HERALD Events of Yesteryear

125 YEARS AGO — May 1880

Quite a number of our farmers are breaking prairie since the rain. Saturday, our citizens were all

out of their stores looking at a most magnificent rainbow that circled the sun. It remained there from about 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Corn, 50 cents a bushel; oats, 60; potatoes, \$1.50; eggs, 10 cents; butter, 25 cents; flour, \$3.40 cwt.; corn meal. \$1.50 cwt.

The Jackson Guardian has changed hands. Mr. Bogart selling to Solomon Rees.

Service on the mail route between this place and Atwood has been increased to 3 times a week. Mr. Cochrane has the contract.

James M. Carroll has retired from the firm of Carroll & Crowe, general merchants.

100 YEARS AGO - May 1905

Dr. E. Reeves, a young physician from Almena, has located in the city and will occupy the Colvin building on Hall Street.

On Tuesday afternoon, a storm gathered in the southwest and came up in a threatening manner. At Oberlin, it was only a straight blow, but through Custer, Center, Olive and Harlan townships the storm took the form of a cyclone and did considerable damage. N.W. Swisher, trustee of Allison township, was killed, the roof of his house blowing upon him. Jerry Cook, mail carrier on route one, was struck by the full force of the wind and his mule team, himself and mail wagon was lifted bodily, turned over several times, carried over a wire fence and dumped in a field.

Oberlin high school defeated the

Jennings school team Saturday afternoon 9-6. Batteries: Oberlin, Ashcraft and Woolley; Jennings, Piner and Dochow. Caleb Smick distinguished himself by getting his base on balls every time. He played center field for the Oberlin team.

75 YEARS AGO — May 1930

Miss Martha Stastney and Mr. Elmer Brown were married Saturday evening at the German Lutheran manse. Rev. Wegener performed the ceremony. They were accompanied by the bride's sister, Mrs. Stewart Francis.

Miss Elna Carlson and Mr. Scott W. Brown were married Saturday afternoon at the Presbyterian manse. Rev. J.E. Bartholomew read the ceremony. They were attended by Miss Viola Carlson, a sister of the bride, and Mrs. George Shaw, a sister of the bridegroom.

The census shows that Oberlin has gained nearly 400 residents in the past 10 years, 1,629 compared to 1,247 in 1920.

Seventy old friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. James Parks of Olive Township dropped in on them May 1 shortly after noon to remind them of their golden anniversary. The party planned by Mrs. Arthur Miller and Mrs. Homer Nicodemus was a complete surprise.

School News: Vergil Odell received a superior rating in trombone solo in the musical contest held at Emporia.

Last Friday as they were returning from Hays, the Chevrolet sedan which Mrs. J. G. Roberts was drivjust east of Norton. Passengers were affiliated with Delta Sigma Epsilon

her son, Ralph, as well as Donald Dyer, Robert Redman, and Gordon Rathbun. Donald's hand was cut badly and he was taken to the hospital at Norton, where 16 stitches were taken.

50 YEARS AGO - May 1955

Graduation exercises for 26 eighth grade students of rural schools will be held May 13.

There are two graduates from Dresden Consolidated Grade School, according to Mr. Leo J. Rogers, principal. They are Geraldine Fleckenstein and Charlotte Harold.

Cody Furniture Store, owned and operated by Elden Cody, will hold a formal opening this weekend. It is located in the former location of the V.H. Griffith store.

The basement of the Lyle Church was the scene of a steak dinner provided for the Decatur Community High School wrestlers by the Claude Kelley family. All the wrestlers were in attendance along with Coaches Lyons, Lawson, Hague and their families. Other guests were Supt. and Mrs. Harry Mahon, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Votapka and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson. Dick Kellev was captain of this year's wrestling squad.

Funeral services were held for Eugene Guinn, a 1940 graduate of Decatur Community High School, who died at Reno, Nev.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Kraus of Albert announce the engagement of their daughter Lorna, to Don Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Shaw of Oberlin. Both attend Fort Hays ing turned over in the loose gravel State College where Miss Kraus is **By Jody Betts**

sorority and Don is a member of Phi Sigma Epsilon fraternity. A summer wedding is planned.

Cpl. John Ward, who has been serving in Korea with the Marines, left Sunday for Camp Lejuene, North Carolina, after spending the past 30 days with his parents and other relatives and friends.

Rexford: Over 170 persons signed the registration book at the annual Pioneer Day celebration.

25 YEARS AGO - May 1980

Decatur County commissioners voted to sign a resolution calling for formation of a port authority to provide rail service extending from Denver to Council Bluffs, Iowa, cutting across the southern portion of this county. The county will be part of a 14-county entity known as the Mid-States Port Authority.

Hospital News: Mr. and Mrs. Larry Ganje, boy, Nickalus John, April 30.

A long-awaited trip from the Pacific Northwest back to Kansas gets underway this week for Oberlin Attorney Terry Rogers and his cousin, Kim Brown, McCook, who have chosen imported Japanese 10speed bicycles for their mode of transportation.

Lyle: A farewell was held for the Rev. and Mrs. Jack Callaway at the Lyle United Methodist Church Saturday evening. The Callaways were presented with a quilt which had been made for them by the United Methodist Women.

Senate pages for Sen. Richard Gannon recently in the Kansas Legislature were Todd Richards, junior, and Paul Shields, freshman.

Living Center will be celebrating National Nursing Home Week, May 8-14. Several activities are planned during this time, which is also National Hospital Week. All employees of Decatur Health Systems will be joining in for the resident and staff potluck dinner on Thursday.

Mary Eiler celebrated her birthday on Monday. Mary Ann Amack was her guest for dinner on Wednesday in honor of her birthday

Zola Brown hosted a party to celebrate her birthday on Tuesday. She served cake and ice cream to residents and staff at noon Earl Brown was her guest for dinner.

Harold Frickey won the first bingo on Tuesday afternoon and Eva Marie Vacura won the blackout game.

Beth Sebaugh and Mary Ann Amack assisted with the sing-along program on Wednesday morning.

Those who met for bowling on Hank and Bea Wolfram.

Barb Solko played pinochle with Don Shaw on Wednesday afternoon and Scrabble with Wynemah Cox on Thursday.

afternoon to sample nachos in honor of Cinco de Mayo. The group learned about the military victory in Mexico on May 5, 1862.

Shaughnessy attended a brunch held at Wheat Ridge Terrace on Friday morning.

The baking group met on Friday Bernie Vacura, Oberlin.

Cedar Living News

The residents and staff at Cedar afternoon to make pineapple cook-

Elaine Bryan hosted a birthday party for Floyd Bryan at noon on Saturday. She served cake and ice cream to all of the residents and staff. Mrs. Bryan and Dale and Bayley Bryan ate dinner with Floyd on the patio.

The Lund Covenant Church was in charge of Sunday worship service on May Sunday. They brought carnations for the mothers attending the service.

Frances Nothdurft and V.W. Sauvage hosted a root beer float party on Sunday in honor of Mother's Day.

Dennis Brown of the Forget-Me-Nots sent a yellow rose bush to the residents in honor of Mother's Day.

Phyllis Wingfield of McDonald visited Myrtle Hazuka on Sunday. She brought party favors for all of the residents.

Recent visitors: Richard Samson, Ludell; Sohn, Shakia and Rose Domsch, Atwood; Ann Martin, Herndon; Jerry Temple, Norcatur; Frank Cox, Herndon; Patt Tuller, Rosa Boehm, George Wurm, Dean Geihsler, McCook; Leanna Davis, Amanda Winstead, Ian Hays, Salina; Dale and Stacey Hazuka and family, Bird City; Mike and Marie McVay, Colby; Dale, Avis, and Diana Hazuka, McDonald; Steve and Barbara Brown, Rick Shaw, Selden; Betty Maske, Russell; Gilbert Bollig, Clayton; Glenn Bollig, Norton; Kay Leazar, Houston;

Juanita Williby, Rita Garver, Butch Stanley, Lyle Gamblin, Catherine Neal, Paul Sass, Dana Winstead, Phyll Cramer, Elvin and Orlin Beneda, Earl Brown, Marie Jean Vavroch, Alvina Gamblin,

Rexford News

By Sondra Barnett

Rex and Betty Carswell went to the Museum of the Rolling Hills Refuge west of Salina recently, then drove to McPherson and spent the night with their daughter, Terry and Steve Salter. They spent a couple of days at Branson, Mo., and enjoyed some great shows. En route home, they stopped at the Precious Moments Chapel in Carthage, Mo., and attended the Fountain of Angels show. In Topeka they visited Dale and Virginia Mustoe.

Several Rexford people attended the "After Five" Mother-Daughter brunch at Oakley's Colonial Steak House. They were Terri Allen, Jolene Hanson, Joan Todd, Deb worship seminar. About 80 at-Stepper and weekend guest from Colorado and former Rexford resident, Peg Greenwood, Cleda Moder, Hulda Wark and Sondra Barnett. The next meeting will be June 14 with the theme being "Extreme Makeover." Birthdays include: May 1, Jay Gilbert; May 18, Berneda Zoberst; May 22, Jay Dahl and Sharon Ketchum; May 23, Cleda Moeder and Eunice Sanford; May 26, Gary Hibbs; and June 2, Loretta Trevino. The Barnswallows had three tables for pinochle last Monday. Cleda brought a birthday cake to help celebrate Lawrence Horinek's special day. Those who joined the Come on Down group on Thursday were Lawrence Horinek, Dick Sanford, Buck Harper, Cleda Moeder, and Rex Carswell. After a meeting of the Royal Neighbors at the home of Jean Hawkins, five more ladies also joined them: Jean, Grace Cheney, Deb Stepper, Betty Carswell, and Darlene Robben. Marge Leh was also at Royal Neighbors. Hulda Wark spent a couple of days in the hospital in Hoxie, but is doing fine now. Marge Leh has been in Oklahoma with her son, Gerald and Dianne Hiatt, for several weeks. Gerald is suffering from cancer. Marge is home for a few weeks. Those attending Koffee Klatch this week were Berneda Zoberst, Doris Jean Oliver, Eunice Sanford, Deb Stepper, Jean Hawkins, Deborah Gamboa, Hulda Wark, Grace Cheney, and Sondra Barnett. We learned that Deborah would be open to helping people in their homes in the area of health care, as a certified nurse aide and med aide, or to clean, on a part-time basis.

Guests of Lawrence Horinek for the weekend were his sisters, Sally and Bob Seitz, Rose Ryan, and Martha Houston, all from Colorado. On Sunday Gary Delziet and Tina Walters, Aisha and Ethan Fairview Estates with Eileen Dible hosted a cook-out for Lawrence's birthday. Those attending were Bob and Sally Seitz, Rose Ryan, Martha Houston, Larry and Summer Horinek, Andrew and Alyssa, and Patty Ann Casey. The group played cards and dominos, and then brunch at Lantern Park Manor in enjoyed ice cream and cake.

Ruth Hickman and the Abundant here for a weekend teaching and

Ron and Jeanette Dible visited Eileen Dible at Fairview Estates and then attended the Signature Sound concert in Colby on Sunday.

Social Hour Club was held at as hostess. Janette Dible was a guest. Bingo winners were Ruth, Cleda, Grace and Vesta and the hostess prize was won by Deb.

Berneda Zoberst and Tina Johnston went to the Mother's Day Colby and received corsages.

Vesta Roth's son and grandson, Word Ministries from Denver were Rick and Jason Roth of Stockton, visited her on Mother's Day.

Betty and Rex Carswell spent

women visited at the home of Kirk Young. Grace Cheney accompanied

Duane and Jo Cheney, Lindsay and Ryan to Hays last week to watch Shanna Cheney sing with the choir in the St. Matthew Passion performance at Fort Hays State University

Scoop on the School

A vocal and band spring concert was held for the middle school. The middle school had their awards recognition on Tuesday and the eighth graders had graduation that evening for 18 students.

state Speech Festival in Salina. Sean McCurdy received second popcorn served all around. Lisa Stacy changed the bulletin place at the Speech Festival with his board later Monday with the help of prose, and Kristin Wark presented

with devotions and Cheryl Miller and Edla Olson played some fun music for everyone to enjoy. Lisa Stacy and Eva Bryan even waltzed! Folding Fellowship ladies included Garrah Gaumer, Fern Anderson, Jeanette Conway and Irene Wagoner. Everett Fisher helped Lisa hang the new May calendars.

Ruth Laidig passed the mail Monday afternoon with Coleen Rippe. Mildred Holmdahl headed up the canasta players, with Hildegard Euhus, Jeanette Conway and Edla Olson. Spectators included Fern Anderson, Ruth Laidig and Alan Addleman. Toots Magers and Kathy Van Meter came up from Lyle to play pinochle with Garrah Two students participated in the Gaumer and Eva Bryan. Marguer-

River Brain Teaser.

wife Betty.

event

ing exercises.

Conway, and Lucy Schissler.

Piñatas and paper flowers were

used to set the scene for this special

of worship started off with a bang

with Edla Olson and Cheryl Miller

playing hymns simultaneously on

On Wednesday, morning songs

their monthly meeting Wednesay afternoon, and Ruth Laidig attended with Coleen Rippe. Dresden Guild shared their talents with beautiful lap robes to present to residents. Margaret and Russell Rhodes delivered them. Canasta players gathered in the quiet room with volunteers Evelyn Olson and Mildred Holmdahl enjoying cards with Jan Conway, Hildegard Euhus, and Lucy Schissler. Dorothy Alstrom, Roxie Erickson, Sally Henningson and Pat Whetzel provided nail care. Ellen Horn served social hour. Bingo concluded the day's events.

Morning devotions on Thursday brought a message from Dennis Brown. Catholic services were held in the quiet room for Lois Buchholz ite Fullerton watched. There was and Bonnie Weskamp. Lisa Stacy led Bible study. National Day of Prayer was celebrated Thursday afternoon, with Fern Anderson, Ruth Laidig, Fern Anderson, Eva Bryan, Edla Eleanore Demmer and Irene Wag-Olson, Garrah Gaumer, Dena oner. Social Hour boasted yummy Gillespie and Ruby Shuler. Leading prayer was Lisa Stacy, and joining cinnamon bread made by Paula Corcoran. Florence Jones, Ruth in on the discussion was Jan Laidig, Ruby Shuler, Fern Ander-Badsky. Social hour was served. Molly and Morgan Jansonius son and many of the staff enjoyed the treat, while we did a Mississippi shared piano music prior to dinner. On Friday, Pastor Heidi Wiebe Phil Erickson led morning devoled morning devotions and Dennis tions on Tuesday. Gladys Geis, vol-Brown helped with communion unteer, spent one to one time with distribution and prayer. Eva Bryan, many residents and helped Kathryn Edla Olson, and Hilda McGee en-Post with correspondence. Garrah joyed a morning brunch with the Gaumer presented a program on ladies at Wheat Ridge and hostess Mexico entitled, "Tres de Mayo." Marcia Lohoefener welcomed the Andrew's search was given to ladies as they arrived. Current Events were shared by Carol Garrah Gaumer in documentary form from Pastor Glenn Krebs and Duncan, volunteer. Friday afternoon hangman Tuesday morning, tissue paper games were enjoyed. Among those flowers were created for the afterparticipating were Eva Bryan, Jan noon party by Garrah Gaumer, Eva Conway, Everett Fisher, Lucy Schissler, and Garrah Gaumer. Ice Bryan, Ruth Laidig, Fern Anderson, Jan Conway, Irene Wagoner, cream and cold ice tea were served Mamie Unger, Lucy Schissler, and for social hour. Eva Bryan, assisted by activity Dennis Brown led Saturday destaff. Social hour brought out votions. Royal Neighbors and the aprons and rolling pins for making Girl Scouts shared social hour treats sopapillas, enjoyed by Garrah with residents for afternoon enter-Gaumer, Eva Bryan, Jeanette tainment.

Wednesday afternoon included Nettie Britton, Harold Frickey, Freda and Lyle Gamblin, Tressie Samson, Eva Marie Vacura, Charley Vavroch, Mathilda Bollig, and

Residents gathered on Thursday

Bea Wolfram and Teresa

United Methodist Women hosted Lisa Stacy began the day Monday

Good Samaritan News

Several grandparents in Rexford have gone to nearby towns to watch the promenade of their grandchildren prior to their proms.

Doris Jean Oliver's daughter, Mary Lambing of McCook, is in the hospital with pneumonia.

Sunday dinner guests of Cleda Moeder and Buck Harper were Tim and Shelly Moeder, Taylor and Payton of Colby.

tended from Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri, Georgia, and California.

Several Rexford girls, students of Kolleen Barrett, participated in the Dance Around the May Pole at the community building in Colby on Sunday. They included Taylor Todd, Rebecca Bange, Jennifer Eatherly and Jami Wark.

Scoop on the School

Golden Plains participated in the state Music Festival in Wichita. Linda Trevino received a II rating on her trombone performance, Andrew Broeckelman a III with his vocal solo, and Brittnay Ritter received a II on her vocal solo. The girls ensemble, comprised of Stephanie Juenemann, Valerie Broeckelman, Brittnay Ritter, Lorraine Morton, Julie Colling, and Jennie Staats, also received a II. The music instructor is Denise Shoff.

Members of the National Honor Society had a teacher/faculty appreciation covered dish breakfast at the school Wednesday morning.

On Thursday evening, the middle and high school music students presented their spring band and vocal concert. At the conclusion, there was an ice cream social and the sophomores hosted a "slave auction.'

Nine seniors returned from their trip to Osage Beach, Mo., on Saturday. Sponsors are Traci Uehlin and Darrel Dible.

Makin' it Happen: Hats off to Lawrence Horinek, who is always a happy face to see! He has shared some of his plants with us, also.

Pastor Lane Purcell is living the dream of a lifetime with a trip to Israel. He and nine others, including his brother and brother-in-law, went on the trip with a gentleman who was formerly a teacher at a Bible school.

Patty Purcell was blessed when her son, David, arrived on Mother's Day from college in Arkansas. He will spend a little time here before getting on with his summer plans.

Sondra Barnett and Hulda Wark spent several days last week in Arkansas with Gloria and Dave Dible and attended the spring craft fair.

Mother's Day in Hays with Daryl and Rita Carswell and Darron. Others present were Terry and Steve Salter, McPherson; Curran Salter, Hoisington; and Jeremy Salter, Schoenchen.

On Mother's Day, Sondra Barnett was surprised by a visit from Bryan and Lori Barnett, Elijah and Joshua, Tyrone, Okla., and Cory and Tessy Barnett, Tabitha, Corban, and Obadiah, Liberal.

Those attending Koffee Klatch this week were Vesta Roth. Jean Hawkins, Margaret Arasmith, Eunice Sanford, Sue Hayes, Berneda Zoberst, Delores Dible, Deb Stepper, and Darla Dible.

Deb Stepper enjoyed Mother's Day dinner in Colby with Ruth Gallaway, Bert Dible, and Kay Denham of Denver, after which the

Herndon News

Congratulations to Monica Solko, who was honored with an open house on Saturday in observance of her 80th birthday at the Herndon Senior Center.

Among seniors from the Herndon area who will graduate at the Rawlins County High School commencement at 3 p.m. on Sunday are: Benjamin Grafel, son of Kyle and Cindi Grafel; Michelle Hartner, daughter of Alan and Charlene Hartner; Zachary Kastens, son of Gary and Dianna Kastens; Anikka Martin, daughter of Bob and Liane Martin; Renae Solko, daughter of Don and Diana Solko; and Jeremy Wahrman, son of Francis and Darlene Wahrman.

Bob, Liane and Ann Martin visited Dick and Betty Martin at Wilsonville, Neb., last Sunday.

Julie Hafner and Edie Pettera attended funeral services for Eleanor Kircher in Oberlin.

Julie Hafner and Edie Pettera were last Friday dinner guests of Gene and Marcella Leitner in Oberlin

Recent visitors of Monica Solko were Ron and Rodney Solko,

There were nine graduates on Sunday at Golden Plains. Valedictorian was Nichole Spresser and salutatorian was Kristin Wark. The speaker was one of their middle school teachers. Special honor and recognition was given to Willis and Joyce Crabtree for their many years of teaching, together totaling nearly 100 years! Parents of several graduates hosted family and friend receptions following the class reception.

a serious solo.

The superintendent, Dr. Baskerville, and administrative assistant and teacher Travis Smith presented all employees with a portfolio in honor of Kansas Education Week.

By Carrol Ginther

Oberlin; and Tom Solko.

Guests last weekend of Dean and Deb Portschy were Freddie and Shirley Reed, David and Karen Reed, Madison, Jonathan, McKayla and Isaac, Scot and Denise Murchie, Heather and Adam, all of Stockton. Joining them for a barbecue on Saturday evening were Pete and Eileen Portschy, and Barb Record, McCook.

On Sunday morning, all attended the First Communion of Neil Portschy at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Herndon. His parents, Dean and Deb Portschy, hosted a dinner to honor him following the services.

Those joining the group for dinner were Gene Kleidosty, Wilma Bobinmyer, Greg and Rita Marintzer and Joe, and Cheri Kastens and Elijah.

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Sunday church services were led by Lund Covenant Church.

Recent guests: Dena Gillespie -Donna Crume, St. Louis, Mo., Carol Forbis, Jefferson City, Mo.; Lynda L. Cox, Bennett, Neb.; Pastor Glenn and Betty Krebs; Virginia Ike - Pat Berry; Iris Wurm -Stephanie and Annette Troyer of Ellinwood, Jeanette Diederich; Garrah Gaumer - Pastor Glenn

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organ and piano. Devotions were presented by Jan Badsky. Bible study was led in the quiet room with volunteer Mert McEvoy for Eva and Betty Krebs. Bryan, Jan Conway, Eva Cuthbertson, Dena Gillespie, Marilyn St. Clair, Fern Anderson, and Elsie Macy. Don Farr led morn-