

THE OBERLIN HERALD

Events of Yesteryear

By Jody Betts

125 YEARS AGO — Oct. 1880

Nate Addleman, Arthur Allen, M.E. Mix, Wm. Love and others leave today for the West on a buffalo hunt.

School commenced with 34 scholars in attendance. An addition has been erected on the west end of the schoolhouse.

Dr. Mead is erecting a dwelling on Griffith Avenue. Dame Rumor has it that the doctor will soon become a benedict.

After Nov. 1st daily mail will be put on the new route between this place and Indianola on the B. & M. which will add greatly to our mail facilities.

100 YEARS AGO — Oct. 1905

Born Oct. 11, 1905, to Mr. and Mrs. E.R. Milleston, a son, weight 11 pounds.

Ira Kellogg has the foundation for this new house just west of the Presbyterian parsonage completed.

R.W. Spires of Smith County, who recently bought the farm of J.D. Barrett in Center, arrived at Kanona Thursday with his stock and goods.

Marriages: Oct. 1, Mr. Lavin Schad and Miss Lucile Harold, both of Dresden;

Oct. 8, Clarence Baughter and Cora Still

Oct. 9, by Rev. Crain, Mr. George H. Shaw and Mrs. N.G. Stever

Oct. 11, John H. Bisnett and Matilda A. Rankin, both of Traer

The cost of sand to be delivered on the road for sanding purposes is \$2 to \$2.50 per yard.

75 YEARS AGO — Oct. 1930

Earl Bobbitt of Atwood has gone to St. Louis where he will again be employed by the American Bell Telephone Co. Ray Bobbitt, who assisted Earl with the clothing store since the death of Earl's wife last July, has assumed the management of the business.

Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Morrison, Mrs. Annette Morrison and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Brantley drove to Hoxie Monday evening to attend a dinner in honor of Mrs. Morrison's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Beers, on their 50th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Carter are the parents of a baby son born Sept. 25 and named Robert Edwin.

Funeral services were held for Mrs. James J. Jackson, 73, who moved to Decatur County in March of 1879 where she and her husband took up a claim about 10 miles southwest of Oberlin. They were pioneers and endured many hardships, including the threat of the Indian raid, while living in a sod house with an infant while her husband was gone freighting ox teams to Buffalo Park, Lenora and Indianola. Later they sold their claim and made their home just south of Oberlin.

School News: The faculty received an announcement of the birth of a daughter, Lora Linn, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Riley of Hays.

We are glad to report that E.R. Woodward, junior editor of the Herald, who has been confined to his home for the past four weeks with an attack of typhoid fever, expects to be at work again in a few days.

Dresden: Nearly everyone in Dresden and Decatur County has been down to the train wreck near

Jennings at least twice.

50 YEARS AGO — Oct. 1955

Sandy's shop, the new ready-to-wear for infants, sub-teens and teens, will open this weekend. The shop is located in the north part of the Pollnow building adjacent to the Green Lantern Cafe. Owners are Marcella Ward and Sandra Russell. Mr. and Mrs. John Ward, John, Sandra and Marcia moved to Oberlin from Norcatur in 1950, where he had been in business for 20 years. John is pharmacist at Stevenson's Drug Store and Mrs. Ward has been employed there several years.

Fresh from their best showing of the year in a win over Colby, the Red Devils take on St. Francis this Friday. The 19-6 win over Colby ended a 6-year drought.

Hospital News: Mr. and Loyd Moore, son, Monte Thomas, Oct. 5; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shaw, son, Joel Wayne, Oct. 8; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Winder, son, Bruce Allen, Oct. 10; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Zodrow, son, Leonard Leo, Oct. 11.

Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Sage and Mrs. Arlie Barratt attended the Central Kansas Conference of the Methodist Church held at Hutchinson last week. Rev. S.B. Clayton, who has served the Oberlin church the past two years, was again assigned to the Oberlin Methodist Church.

Dresden: A Royal Neighbors Lodge party was held Saturday night as a farewell for Mr. and Mrs. John Ingrum and Jess, who have moved to Larned, and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Fortin, who moved to Oberlin in the spring.

At the Decatur Community High School homecoming assembly,

Karen Pollnow was crowned queen. She was escorted by Allen Jeffus. Attendants and their escorts were: Arlene Jennings, Jack Carver; Beverly Morris, Larry Guinn; Shanna Bles, Don Richardson; and the 10-year queen, Henrietta Bremer, Rusty Addleman.

25 YEARS AGO — Oct. 1980

The Oberlin Red Devils football team claimed their first win Friday with a 25-0 victory over the St. Francis Indians.

Western Plains Arts Assoc. members will have the opportunity to hear the nationally acclaimed Norman Luboff Choir in an Oct. 16 concert at Colby.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Moore, Canoga Park, Calif., have moved to Oberlin and will be making their home here in the future.

Former Oberlin residents Alva and Edna Artery of Green Valley, Ariz., observed her 50th wedding anniversary by traveling to Hawaii with their daughter and son-in-law, Lee and Patty Kiesner.

Homecoming candidates at Decatur Community High School are Tammy Jennings, Shawna Wurm, Tammy Wendland, Lori Helmkamp and Lizann Davidson. The 10-year queen is Edith (Bastin) Adamson.

Local runners entered in the Heart of the Nation Marathon and 5-K run at Lake Scott near Scott City were Annette Sulzman, Lil Francisco, Sheila DeKnight, Scott and Stewart Braden and Randall Braden. Sulzman, 28, was first in the women's division and Randall Braden, 40, placed in the 40-49 men's division.

Cedar Living News

Sympathy is extended to the families of Myrtle Hazuka and Axie Sass, both residents of Cedar Living Center, who died last week.

Nettie Britton has returned to Cedar Living Center after spending a week visiting her family in Russell.

Residents who enjoyed a game of penny cards on Monday included Mildred Cochran, Alice Fiala, Fred Gamblin, June Harold, Tressie Samson, Paul Sass, Don Shaw, and Bea Wolfgram.

Mary Ann Amack and Myrna Jones led the sing-along time on Monday afternoon.

Bea Wolfgram won the first bingo on Tuesday afternoon and Paul Sass and Bea Wolfgram tied to win the blackout game.

Helen Juenemann hosted coffee hour on Wednesday afternoon. She served fresh-baked bread and homemade pumpkin butter.

Stuart Euhus gave the Bible study lesson on Wednesday.

Father George was here for Catholic mass on Thursday afternoon.

Marie Jean Vavroch hosted social hour on Thursday afternoon.

Catherine Neal gave the exercise program on Friday morning.

Opal Huntley was in charge of the baking group on Friday afternoon.

Recent visitors: Merlin and Lola Diederich, Cape Coral, Fla.; Rose Domsch, Atwood; Ann Martin, Frank Cox, Herndon; Jerry Temple, Norcatur; Susan McKain, McDonald; Richard Samson, Ludell; Jamie Samson, Sara Bishop, Lindsborg; Carol Shaw, Earl Brown, Steve and Barb Brown, Selden; Leanna and Bill Robert Abilene;

Pastor Royce Leitner, Alice Shirley, Ila Ray, Barb Solko, Rosella Meitl, Dolores Koeperich, Juanita Williby, Lyle Gamblin, Elaine Bryan, Joy Votapka, Bernice and Othelia Vacura, Dana Winstead, Oberlin.

Selden News

By Jacque Boultinghouse

The Selden Public Library is taking bids on painting the front of the library including the trim and lettering. Bids are due to the library no later than Friday, Nov. 4, and painting should be completed by Jan. 1, 2006, or a mutually agreed upon date dependent on weather. The Selden Public Library reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Please contact Marsha Rogers, board president, for more information.

Birthdays and anniversaries: Oct. 2 - Sherrie Rogers, Joni Shaw; Oct. 3 - Ashley Albers; Oct. 4 - Brianna Russell, Greg McKenna, Clara Schieferecke, Casey Boultinghouse; Oct. 5 - Bonny Boultinghouse; Oct. 6 - John Geisinger; Oct. 7 - Lad Truetken, Darren Juenemann; Oct. 8 - Elda Campbell; Oct. 9 - May Ann Juenemann, Jesse Juenemann; Oct. 10 - Jerrie Robinson; Oct. 12 - Everett and Dorene Shuler; Oct. 17 - Anita Mumm; Oct. 18 - Katelyn

Spreser; Oct. 19 - Chris Murphy, Michael Shaw, Casey Shaw, Joe and Cathy Brockelman.

On Sept. 22 at Senior Citizens, Lola Cook won high, Alfred Albers took second, Leona Porsch got low and Cecelia Ottley had the most nines.

On Sept. 29, Alfred Albers won high, Shirley Emigh took second, Leone Porsch got low and Cecelia Ottley had the most aces. On Oct. 6, Betty James won high, Edna Schiltz took second, Shirley Emigh got low and Irene Kruse had the most tens. Other members present were Carol Shaw, Julie Pope, Jeanie Spreser, Ann Hazlitt and Anna Albers.

NEW ARRIVAL

Troy and Nicole Moore of Platte City, Mo., are the parents of a son, Jacob Dalton, born Oct. 7, 2005. He has an older brother, Ty. Nicole is the daughter of Barbara Wenger of McPherson and the granddaughter of John and Helen Karls of Selden.

Rexford News

By Sondra Barnett

Brrr! It's been cold here lately! Marla Rogers and Doris Jean Oliver went to Norton to see the new grandbaby. Jordyn Lynn was born Oct. 3 to Mindy and Eric Fleckenstein of Dresden. Jordyn has a sister, Taryn, 3. Grandparents are Marla and Dennis Rogers, Selden; and Leonard and Doris Fleckenstein, Jennings. Great-grandmothers are Eleanor Rogers, Selden, and Doris Jean Oliver, Rexford. Congratulations!

Cheryl Colson, Brady and Marcus of Colby took Edna Colson to the children's (grades 3 and 4) football games in Oberlin on Saturday, where Colby was playing. The third grade lost to Oberlin, but the fourth grade won their game. When the group returned to Mrs. Colson's home her daughter, Roberta Colson of Goodland, had arrived and brought a meal for them.

Social Hour Club was held at the home of Sondra Barnett, hostess. Other members present were Grace Cheney, Deb Stepper, Deborah Gamboa, Vesta Roth, Jean Hawkins, Marjorie Leh, Hulda Wark, Ruth Luna, Eileen Dible, and Clea Moeder with guests Patty Purcell, Berneda Zoberst and Velma Barnett. Sondra gave a demonstration on ways to wear a "tube"

scarf. Bingo winners were Clea, Hulda, Deborah, and Grace. The hostess prize went to Eileen.

Koffee Klatch attendees at the Barn were Velma Barnett, Hulda Wark, Deborah Gamboa, Jean Hawkins, Vesta Roth, Delores Dible, Doris Jean Oliver, Margaret AraSmith, Berneda Zoberst, Eunice Sanford, Clea Moeder and Sondra Barnett.

Several Rexford residents attended the funeral of Ted Rall in Hoxie on Saturday. Our sincere condolences to the family.

Tony Bice is out of the Army Reserve and is home with the family. Lisa reported that the twins are just about ready to walk, being almost a year old. Jadeyn had her tonsils out, but is doing fine now.

Mike and Evelyn Johnson went to Lindsborg, and his parents, LeeVern and Joyce Johnson, accompanied them home to spend the week with them in Rexford. Andy Johnson took his grandparents back home.

Bradley Moos, son of Connie and David Moos of Byers, Colo., and Lisa Collins-Shoop were married in a beautiful outdoor ceremony at Eaton, Colo., recently. Family members attending from this area were Liz Rall, Donald and Colleen

Rall and Amanda, Jerry and Chris Rall, and Maxine Ross; also Alisha Rall of Manhattan.

Lane Purcell made a trip to Nebraska because his dad had some surgery, but he is doing well.

Roger Wark of Topeka was an overnight visitor of his mother, Hulda Wark, and sister, Sondra Barnett.

Bob Leach returned to Rexford for a couple of days get a vehicle he owned and to work on the electronic bell at the church. We are enjoying the beautiful sound of chimes floating through the crisp fall air!

Darell Leh is back in the hospital in Colby. Please keep him in your prayers. Dennis and Vicki Allison visited him on Sunday.

There were a number of teens from the entire northwest Kansas area in Rexford for the Punkin Chunkin' contest. It was a windy evening, but the pumpkins "sailed" out of the catapults. If the young people would have been able to get the right angle at the right time, they would have gone a nice distance. It's always fun to watch the event and to eat a delicious cheeseburger with friends.

Scoop on the School

The middle school teams played Sharon Springs last week. The jun-

ior varsity volleyball team won, but the varsity lost. The football team also lost.

The high school won their football game against Winona. The volleyball teams played in a triangle meet at Grainfield. The varsity team won over Northern Valley, but lost to Grainfield. The junior varsity lost to Grainfield and didn't play Northern Valley because they don't have a junior varsity team.

On Saturday the volleyball team was in a tournament at Hill City. They won over La Crosse, Hill City and Ness City and lost to Brewster and WaKeeney.

Elaine Ptachek, the school counselor, took 14 seniors and 25 juniors to the Colby Community College Career Day on Thursday, where several colleges were represented.

Makin' it Happen: Hats off to Lane and Patty Purcell for being a stabilizing influence in the community.

Good Samaritan News

Wow! Or should I say "bow-wow?" This week was for the dogs! After the Decatur County Fair pet parade in August, resident Ruth Laidig suggested we host a dog show. So that is exactly what we did.

On Tuesday, 13 different breeds were shown. Angel, a Chihuahua belonging to Jerry and Montine Alstrom, was the smallest dog to compete. She took home a blue ribbon for being "Best Dressed." (Montine wore a matching outfit...and bow.)

Zeus, a full-size Doberman belonging to Torre Conway, was the largest dog. He won the blue ribbon for "Most Obedient."

Megan Douthit, Jeanette Conway's granddaughter, brought Hamilton, an Italian Greyhound; Daisy, a Western Terrier; and Zoie, a black Scottie. Sue and Terry Black, daughter and son-in-law of Bonnie Weskamp, brought Brutus, a Shih Tzu, and Rody, a Border Collie.

Heidi Wiebe joined us with her two dogs, Curry, a Golden Retriever pup, and Shadow, a black Lab. Angie Fortin brought Stella, a "puggle" (Pug/Beagle mix). Lisa Davies brought her family's Boxer,

named Gracie. Carla Britton's Pomeranian pooch, Shadow, was quite the dancer and took home the blue ribbon for "Most Talented."

Last but not least was Casey, a Cocker Spaniel. Casey lives at Good Sam with his owner, Jeanette Conway.

After the show we served "people puppy chow" made earlier by Garrah Gaumer, Marilyn St. Clair, Elsie Macy, Jeanette Conway and Ruth Laidig.

Thank you to all who made the day such a success!

The dog fun didn't stop on Tuesday. The rest of the week was filled with other activities such as "doggie dice," "bouncin' bow-wows," "canine concentration" and "puppy puzzles."

If you haven't been here recently, you may not recognize Angel Lane. It's starting to feel downright homey.

The halls have been painted and carpeted, there is a sitting area centered around a cozy fireplace, and a beautiful roll-top desk replaces the old nurses' station.

We still have a few more touches we'd like to add before we're through.

We would like to furnish the Angel Lane kitchen with an antique Hoosier (hopefully donated) and some accessories to remind our residents of their own kitchens that were the very heart of their homes and families.

Our ultimate goal is to have them feel at home in the kitchen, enough to help with meal preparation if they would like to.

It is important that their daily activity is fun, but more important that it is purposeful. There is a lot of life left to be lived; let's live it abundantly!

Stop by any time. Friends are always welcome.

Recent guests: Iris Wurm - Jeanette Diederich; Eva Bryan - Donna Kelley; Garrah Gaumer - Clayton, Amy and Isabelle Erickson; Muriel Ready - Esther Ready, New York City; Marie McChesney - Julie, Jessup, and Adric Ray; Dena Gillespie - June Vavroch, Earl and Pat Hartzog; Mary Lemman - Glenn, Lisa, Kale and Kadey Dreiling, Colwich. Also visiting were Charles and Cleta Morgan of Brighton, Colo., and Alice Shirley.



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