

THE OBERLIN HERALD

Events of Yesteryear

By Jody Betts

125 YEARS AGO — Nov. 1880
Pretty good sleighing.
The frame of Frasier's new building is about up.
The state tax is 55 cents on the hundred dollars instead of 45 as published.
The oldest settlers say they never saw such cold weather in November as we have been having this past week.
The county aid committee distributed 4,000 pounds of flour on Monday besides a quantity of clothing.
Mr. McDermott, who lives northwest of town about 2 miles, was badly frozen during the storm Tuesday night last. He will be laid up for some time, but will probably recover without any serious results.
One of his horses froze to death.
The county seat fight in Graham County is yet unsettled. At the election Gettysburg received 214 votes; Milbrook, 209; Hill City, 183; Roscoe, 132 and a town in the center of the county, 32.

100 YEARS AGO — Nov. 1905
Sherman-Olive Items: The Congregational Church in Sherman Township is enclosed and will soon be completed.
W.A. Dale has W.S. Langmade's new residence near the standpipe well under way.
The high school got out in force after the election Tuesday evening and celebrated the carrying of the bonds by a bonfire and speeches on the school campus.
Married: Nov. 22, 1905, Mr. Ludwig F. Wentz of Norcatour and Miss Rosa Pavlicek of Jennings.
Judge Bertram and family left for San Jose, Calif., Monday evening. He was one of the first settlers of the city of Oberlin.
Decatur Items: Willie Arehart gave a party to about 35 invited guests Thursday evening of last week.

75 YEARS AGO — Nov. 1930
Another fine rain has soaked northwest Kansas, which will be fine for the wheat but will delay the corn harvest. It is probable that at least 50% of the corn crop is still in the field.

There was a record attendance at the National Corn Husking contest held at a farm 4 miles east and 4 miles north of Norton last week. The crowd was estimated at 40,000 and the contest was won by Fred Stanek of Iowa, who averaged right at 45 ears a minute throughout the 80 minutes of the contest.
The field, estimated to make about 60 bushels an acre, had been partly cut, 8 rows cut, 8 left standing, and the loud speaker announced that people would be allowed to follow their favorite husker if they kept to the space where the corn had been cut, but though a large number of officials tried to make the crowd abide by this ruling, they might have as well tried to manage a herd of unruly Texas steers.
The Oberlin high school band marched second in the parade in downtown Norton prior to the contest and most neighboring counties had floats. The Lenora Opera House float was planned by John Schieferecke, formerly of Leoville, who is manager of the Lenora Opera House.
Jennings: Raymond Cilek is the new man at the Standard Filling Station, Lawrence Carter is transferred to the delivery truck and Pat Melon has bought the K.T. station at Clayton.
Norcatour: Almost everyone and their relation attended the National Corn Husking contest at Norton Friday.
The house of Miss Theresa McKague in Cedar Bluffs has been moved to a lot in Oberlin near the Baptist Church. Miss McKague has been staying with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Beardsley for a week while her house was moving.
Lund: Little Maxine Anderson, the six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Anderson, was operated on for appendicitis at Benton Memorial Hospital.

50 YEARS AGO — Nov. 1955
The proposed new public library building will be located on the vacant lot south of the old Wilbur house at the northeast corner of the intersection of Penn Avenue and Oak Street. At the present time the

library board has \$17,000 available for the building and an additional \$25,000 will be needed.
A long and useful life came to an end Friday when John Brunk, Decatur County's oldest resident, passed away at the home of his son Frank near Norcatour. Mr. Brunk had celebrated his 104th birthday on July 13 of this year. Born in Ohio in 1851, he had come to Decatur County in 1885 and settled on a farm west of Norcatour. His wife died in 1895 leaving him with two small sons, Ed and Frank, to raise. He had spent nearly 70 years on that same farm and had said that he knew every foot of the land.
The DCHS junior class play, "The Man Who Came To Dinner," will be presented next Monday and Tuesday with Roger Perkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Eiler, and Wauneta Wurm, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wurm, playing the lead roles.
Court House News: Rex Morton and Velma McClure were issued a marriage license on Nov. 16 and they were married Nov. 20 at the Federated Church by Rev. Alvin Daetwiler.
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Logan of Oberlin announce the engagement of their daughter, Shirley Maxine, to Richard Glenn Smalberger, son of Mrs. Arvilla Smalberger.
New Arrivals: TE2 and Mrs. Jay K. Locy, Kodiak, Alaska, son, Scott Douglas, Nov. 18; Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Neff, son, Charles Anthony, Nov. 15; Mr. and Mrs. Alan Daffer,

Wilsonville, Nebr., son, Wayne Alan, Nov. 17; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Leibbrandt, daughter, Kathy Ann, Nov. 16.
25 YEARS AGO — Nov. 1980
Norcatour's City Council has given top priority in its 1981 schedule to solving the water needs of the town. Three wells currently supply the needs of the town but all three are plagued by problems with fine sand according to Rodney New, mayor.
Funeral services were held from Faith Lutheran Church for a prominent Oberlin businessman for many years, John C. Nitsch, 85. He opened an automobile and implement dealership in 1919, retiring in 1961. He had served as president of the Highway 83 Assoc., the Area-TV Assoc., Western Retail Implement and Hardware Assoc., Oberlin Chamber of Commerce and Oberlin Rotary and in 1964 was a delegate to the Republican National Convention in San Francisco.
Hospital News: Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Vrbas, Ludell, son, Nov. 19.
Herndon: Leslie and Margaret Phillips have sold their garage business to Larry Stoney of Herndon.
A crew from the field survey department in Topeka has been surveying an 8-mile stretch south of Oberlin on U. S. 83. This is an indication that road work will soon occur.
Mr. and Mrs. Leland Smith have returned from a vacation trip to Hawaii with their daughter, Marie, of Mesa, Ariz.

Let's go to the Museum
By Sharleen Wurm, director

The museum board and staff wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving. Sunday was the opening of the annual Christmas Tree Tour. Those who trimmed a tree for us include: Mini-Sappa Thresher and Engine Association, Flowers by Lee, PEO, Domino Divas, Calico Gals, Preschool, Kim's Photography, Monday Evening Club, Eastern Star, Shelli's Hair Design, 4-H Council, Day Care, American Legion Auxiliary, Rug Hooking Gals, Aquarius

Club, Good Sam, Times Past, and the Museum Cleaning Ladies.
We appreciate these people taking time to make this museum activity a "must see."
On Friday after the Parade of Lights, the museum will be open for the Christmas Tree Tour along with entertainment provided by Ron Temple's Gospel Group and refreshments provided by the board and staff. We invite all of you to come down and enjoy the fun with us.

Good Samaritan News

Everybody loves a party, and every day it seems like we have something to celebrate!
Monday, we celebrated the birthdays of Leo Mooty, Walt Mosier, Bernice Brown and Muriel Ready. All were November babies, many moons ago! The Aquarius Club hosted the party. Members included: Kari Ketterl, Judy Wenger, Kem Bryan, Sandy Rush, Loretta McFee, Montine Alstrom and Deb Portschi. Entertainment was provided by Pooch's great-nephews, Marcus Portschi, playing the trombone, and Neil Portschi, the piano.
Tuesday, we celebrated nursery rhymes in honor of Fern Anderson. First, we played a rhyme riddle game to help us remember those silly nonsensical poems, then followed it with an even sillier game of Mother Goose charades. We pondered how we can recall those rhythmic phrases of long past, while forgetting what we had for breakfast. Curiouser and curiouser!
Wednesday, we celebrated our faith. Oh, to sing praises to our awesome God! What a privilege to be free to worship as we wish, to fellowship together every day in Christian love. As we are focusing on Thanksgiving and the faith that brought the pilgrims to America, we are thankful for the Godly heritage they left us.
Thursday, we celebrated children. Beth Miller has re-opened Little Sam's Daycare. In keeping with our nursery rhyme theme, she and the kids helped the residents make their very own "curds and whey." Marilynn St. Clair, Nadine Anderson, Jeanette Conway, Fern Anderson, Elsie Macy, Ruth Laidig and Hazel Flaska all sampled Miss Muffet's favorite treat...no spiders were invited.
Friday, we celebrated music. Rhythm Band was in full swing. The dining room was alive with rhythm. Maracas, tambourines,

drums, sticks, bells, sandpaper blocks and triangles all came together in a cacophony of joyful noise (and faces)!
Saturday, we celebrated marriage. A special dinner was prepared by Steve Stacy and served in the candlelit "Quiet Room Cafe." The menu included an appetizer, cream of mushroom soup; the entrée, ribeye steak served over a port wine/blue cheese sauce, vegetable medley, twice-baked potato and an English trifle for dessert.
The six couples who enjoyed the night on the town were Mr. and Mrs. Ken Shobe, Mr. and Mrs. Don Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. David McGee, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Mosier, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Demmer, and Mr. and Mrs. John Ready.
We had two other celebrations this week. We celebrated the lives of two very dear ladies, Marguerite Fullerton and Hildegard Euhus. Although we are sad to say goodbye and will miss them terribly, we rejoice in the knowledge that Jesus said, "I am the Resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me shall live even if he dies, and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die." (John 11:25-26) They believed!
Our volunteers this past week included Nathan Smith, Bethany Smith, Tika Hall, Fern Moore and Pat Wright.
Recent guests: Lucy Schissler - Margret Fikan, Sally Olson, Ralph Crim and Bonnie, Atwood; Pooch Portschi - Deb Portschi, Marcus and Neil, Kari Ketterl, Herndon; Ken Rydquist - Boyd Berryman, Aurora, Colo.; Hazel Flaska - Charles Morgan, Brighton, Colo.; Dena Gillespie - June Vavroch, Pastor Carrie Buhler, Jennings; Doris Miller - Pat Cozad; Garrah Gaumer - Pastor Carrie Buhler, Jennings; June Saum - Sue Baird, Denver.

Rexford News

By Vicki Allison

This third week of November a beautiful night sky was displayed for our viewing. The other evening I gazed into the universe and a star appeared to have been ever so delicately hung from the tip of the crescent moon. It was an awesome picture that reminded me of the nursery rhyme, "Winkin', Blinkin' and Nod."
Also, did you notice the moon on the eastern horizon Wednesday evening? The appearance and color was breathtaking. It brought to mind, "The heavens declare the glory of God; the sky proclaims the work of His hands" (Psalm 19:1, NIV).
There were some names not mentioned with the active and overseas military in last week's publication and I want to recognize Justin Spresser, Damon Carmen, Chris Basgall and Chris Miller for their service in the military.
Our condolences to Margie and Darrel Leh following the death of their son, Gerald Hiatt, of Wann, Okla. Darrel's daughter, Sandra Olson, of Amarillo, Texas, was Darrel's guest while Margie was in Oklahoma.
Deb Stepper spent several days at the Citizens Medical Center, but she has returned home.
Jack and Mary Minnick, Wichita, were guests of Cleda Moeder and Buck Harper for several days. On Monday they visited Delores and Elmer Zodrow in Oberlin and ate the evening meal with Darrel and Carlene Bruggeman in Selden. On Tuesday they watched Cleda's grandson, Taylor Moeder, play basketball in Colby. They returned to Wichita Wednesday morning.
Jami Wark went to Oakley with Joan Todd on Tuesday evening. Jami babysat for three little girls while their mothers and Joan went to the High Plains After 5 Club meeting. The featured speaker was Cynthia Leibrock, who spoke on "Finding Your Purpose." Her mission is to improve the lives of older and disabled people through interior design. Some of her prominent projects include the Betty Ford Center, Automotive Interior Design for Toyota and the UCLA Medical Center.

ment was held at the American Legion Saturday evening with 30 players registered. Congratulations to the cash prize winners: John and Marcia Kruse, Selden, first; Dale Dible and J.R. Albers, second; and Rex and Betty Carswell, third.
The Rexford Community Church had their Thanksgiving dinner and annual meeting on Sunday. Darrel Dible and Steve Allen were elected as new board members for three years. They will help Ronnie Dible, Rex Carswell, Gary Hibbs and Jay Dahl conduct church business. Patty Purcell, Jeanette Dible and Shawn Spresser were elected for three years to the board of stewards.
Sunday night Pastor Lane and Patty Purcell, and Vicki Allison, took nine of the Youth Growing in Christianity group to see the movie, "Dreamer," at the Palace Community Theater in Oakley. This is a must-see movie.
Barn Swallows, Come on Down and Koffee Klatch were the activities at the Red Barn during the week.
Happenings at Golden Plains: In recognition of National Children's Book Week, the National Honor Society read stories about Thanksgiving, played a game, did a craft and had snacks with the elementary students Tuesday morning. Valerie Broeckelman, secretary of the National Honor Society, wore the costume of "Boom Boom," the school's mascot, to add to the entertainment.
The elementary gifted and talented students went to a seminar Wednesday at the Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center in Oakley with Linda Garrett. The topic of study was "Africa."
On Thursday, Darrel Dible, industrial arts and welding instructor, and Elaine Ptacek, counselor, took 21 students to the Tech Expo at the Northwest Kansas Vocational Technical College in Goodland.
Janell Anholz, music director, took 34 students to the Western Kansas Liberty League vocal clinic and concert in Weskan.
The middle school pre-season basketball tournament was Friday and Saturday at Brewster. Golden Plains B-girls, A-boys and A-girls

beat Wheatland on Friday. On Saturday the B-girls was the only team

to beat Sharon Springs.

Selden News
By Jacque Boultinhouse

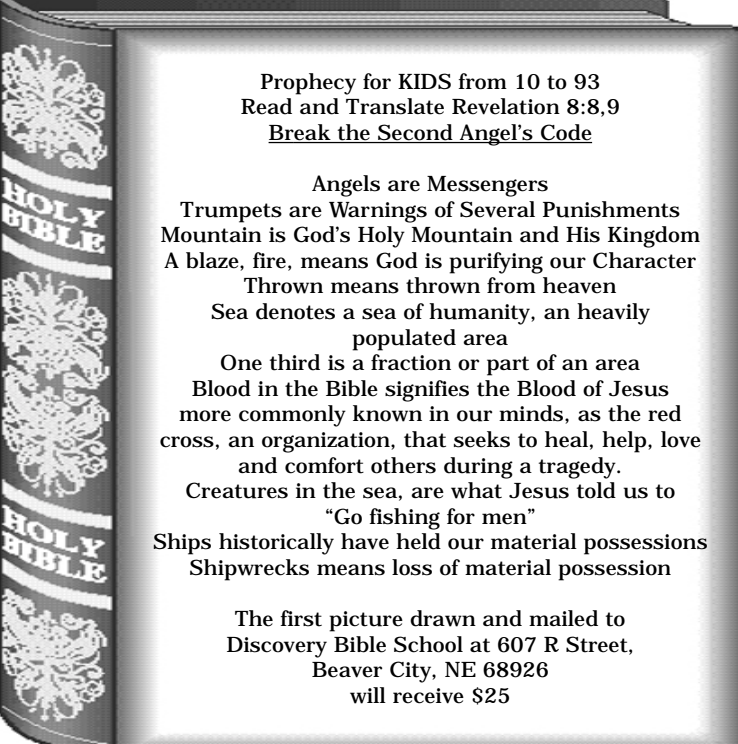
Congratulations to Greg and Traci Bruggeman. They have been blessed with a son, Will Anoton, who was born Nov. 7. Grandparents include Darrel and Carlene Bruggeman of Selden, Trudy Wildeman of Colby and Don Barnett of Rexford.
On Nov. 10 at Senior Citizens, Cecelia Ottley won high, Ann Hazlitt took second, Clara Schieferecke got low and Jeanie Spresser had the most nines. On Nov. 17 Ann Hazlitt won high, Betty James took second, Anna Albers got low and Clara Schieferecke had the most aces. Other members present included Carol Shaw, Edna Schiltz, Julie Pope, Alfred Albers, Leone Porsch, Shirley Emigh, Roy Rogers, Irene Kruse, Paulie Neff and Lola Cook.
New books at the library this week include: "My Dad's Job" by Peter Glassman, "There's Something About Christmas" by Debbie Macomber, "Endless Chain" by Emilie Richards, "Gabriel's Angel" by Nora Roberts, "Payback" by

Fern Michaels, and "Arthur's Tractor" by Pippa Goodhart.
Birthdays and anniversaries: Nov. 17 - Lawrence Juenemann, Jaren Adelman, Melvin Moss; Nov. 18 - Ellis Walker; Nov. 19 - Janice Kruse, Whitnee Ashley; Nov. 20 - Elma Ashley; Nov. 21 - Jim Zodrow, Brandon Offutt; Nov. 22 - Wilma Ritter, Roy Rogers, Annette Spresser, Leone Porsch, Jackie Schulte, Quinn Aumiller; Nov. 23 - Nathan Spresser, Alfred and Anna Albers, Janelle Lobato; Nov. 24 - Jordan Rogers; Nov. 25 - Dustin Juenemann, Dick and Betty Pauls; Nov. 26 - Robert Koerperich, Rick and Dori Pauls; Nov. 27 - Carol Shaw, Dan Juenemann; Nov. 28 - Katrene Murphy, Bud Rogers, Lola Wessel.
Mason Mumm, a kindergartner at Golden Plains Schools, received two bronze medals. Even though he fell at school and broke his arm, Mason received one medal for perfect attendance and the other for reading. Congratulations, Mason!

Midway News
By Mary Lou Olson

There will be a Thanksgiving Eve service at 7 p.m. tonight (Wednesday) at the Herndon Covenant Church. There will be no Sunday School on Sunday, but the "Hanging of the Greens" will begin at 10 a.m. by the congregation. An open house will follow at noon at the parsonage.
Linda Rocco of Oxford, Mass., came Wednesday to visit her mother, Bernadine Fred.
Eulaine Benda was transferred to Community Hospital in McCook on Thursday after suffering a broken hip and wrist in a fall at Decatur County Hospital. She underwent surgery on Friday. Her daughters, Leanne Pike of Ashland and Bev

Messerly of Sublette, spent the weekend with her and their father, Wesley Benda.
Weekend guests of Dave and Sherry Bergling for pheasant hunting were Roy Dilsaver, Dave O'Neill, Roger Poppie and Mitchell Dilsaver, Brighton, Colo.; Brad Poppie, Highlands Ranch, Colo.; Ben Dilsaver, Erie, Colo.; Robert Klocker, Black Forest, Colo., and Derrin Murphy, Littleton, Colo.
Gerald and Patti Benda celebrated Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hadacek, and family in Belleville over the weekend. They also attended the K-State-Missouri football game in Manhattan.



Prophecy for KIDS from 10 to 93
Read and Translate Revelation 8:8,9
Break the Second Angel's Code

Angels are Messengers
Trumpets are Warnings of Several Punishments
Mountain is God's Holy Mountain and His Kingdom
A blaze, fire, means God is purifying our Character
Thrown means thrown from heaven
Sea denotes a sea of humanity, an heavily populated area
One third is a fraction or part of an area
Blood in the Bible signifies the Blood of Jesus more commonly known in our minds, as the red cross, an organization, that seeks to heal, help, love and comfort others during a tragedy.
Creatures in the sea, are what Jesus told us to "Go fishing for men"
Ships historically have held our material possessions
Shipwrecks means loss of material possession

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