

THE OBERLIN HERALD

# Events of Yesteryear

By Jody Betts

**125 YEARS AGO — April 1881**

Bob Hallowell is now chief clerk at the Oberlin House. Messrs. Stilson and O'Toole of the South Sappa brought several loads of corn into town this week, which they sold to our dealers. This corn was raised by them two years ago and is as good as that shipped in from the East.

The following are the officers selected for the union Sabbath school of this place for the ensuing year. Supt., Wm. F. Colton; asst. supt., Mrs. Humphrey; secretary, Mrs. Ella Stever; treasurer and chorister, R.O. Kindig.

C.S. Winslow of Atwood was in town the first of the week. He has disposed of "The Review" and that paper will be moved to Ludell. Mr. Winslow will engage in the law business in Oberlin.

**100 YEARS AGO — April 1906**

Joseph H. Young underwent an operation for appendicitis Sunday. His appendix was in bad shape, gangrene having set in, and he was in a precarious condition for several days.

A meeting of the Oberlin baseball association was held April 14 and C.H. Brewer was elected manager; L.H. Barnes, captain and Ned Coldren, secretary and treasurer.

A trainload of 33 cars of fat stock was shipped from the Oberlin station Sunday. Gilbert White had 11 cars in the shipment.

Died: Dr. Joseph Moore, aged 92 years, 5 months and 9 days, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Miller on April 16.

Marriages: April 11, 1906, John Mavity and Maud Thrasher of Norcatour.

April 11, 1906, Homer Nicodemus and Vida Parks, by Rev. D.O. Banta; also Fred Wheeland and Josie Wood.

**75 YEARS AGO — April 1931**

The annual rural and grade school contest in scholarship, fine arts and track, held last Friday after a postponement of one week, hit upon an ideal day for the event and a more than usually successful contest was held under the direction of the county teacher's association.

Prof. H.E. Malloy, dean of music at Fort Hays State Teachers College, has announced the Messiah

quartet which will sing at the music festival in Hays on May 1. Of particular interest to the people of Decatur County is the selection of Mr. Erle Danley of New York City as bass. He is the son of Mrs. C.H. Danley and the brother of Mrs. Ura Feely of Jennings.

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Jacob (Hannah) Brooks, mother of Elwood M. Brooks of Oberlin, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. N.B. Nelson in Norcatour. Mr. and Mrs. Brooks came to western Kansas in the fall of 1878 and helped to organize the United Brethren Church at Clayton.

Funeral services were held at the Presbyterian Church for Aunt Sarah Ewing, 90, the oldest resident of Oberlin. Burial was in the Vallonia Cemetery. The family came to Decatur County in 1879 and settled in Olive Township before moving to Oberlin after her husband's death in 1909. The latter years of her life had been made more pleasant by the increased pension the Federal Government pays to soldier's widows. Her husband served in the Civil War in the 15th Indiana Infantry.

Dresden: Mr. and Mrs. Marion Bremer, Gene and Joan, and Sarah Ann Chapman took Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Byron Everist and family of Lebanon, Nebraska.

Cedar Bluffs: The community was shocked at the sudden death of Dr. Ryan of Danbury.

**50 YEARS AGO — April 1956**

Marvin Meyer has been appointed to complete the unexpired term of Norton Frickey as county attorney, who has resigned and plans to move to Denver. Meyer moved to Oberlin in 1952 and is the junior member of the law firm of Wolfe, Bremer & Meyer.

Don Leuzler, 30, a graduate of Fort Hays State who has coached at Lenora the past two years, has been hired by the DCHS board of education to succeed Jack Hague. Leuzler is a native of Almena and is married and has a girl, 11, and a boy, 8.

Another new oil field in Decatur county seems practically assured with reports from the wildcat Warner No. 1 in Harlan Township.

According to information received from Mrs. Karthouser, publisher of the Jennings Journal, pump

will be set this week on another Clarence Feely producing oil well.

Selden: Funeral services were held at the Selden Methodist Church for George B. Shields, 92. The Shields family moved to Selden in 1908 where they lived until 10 years ago when they moved to Oberlin. In addition to his wife, Laura, he is survived by three sons, Ed and Francis Shields of Oberlin, Charles of Denver and a daughter, Edna Zodrow of Selden.

New Arrivals: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Robertson, Jennings, daughter, Cynthia Louise, April 12; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Shaw, Selden, son, Steven Mark, April 15; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Berhmlander, Ludell, son, April 16.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ready, who recently moved here from Larned, have purchased the house on East North Street owned by Bertha Griffin. Mr. Ready is associated with Miller-Corcoran Funeral Home.

The new home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hamilton on North Beaver Avenue is under construction with Francis Shields as contractor.

**25 YEARS AGO — April 1981**

Cedar seedlings have arrived at the soil conservation office. The 3,391 trees have been purchased at a nominal cost for use in farmstead and feedlot windbreaks.

Announcement was made this week of the Ernest R. Woodward Memorial Journalism Fund at Kansas State University. The scholarship honors the late Oberlin pub-

lisher who edited the Herald from 1929 to 1966 and later served as a member of the Kansas Legislature. Woodward headed the Kansas Press Assoc., in 1964. The scholarship has been funded by two former employees, Howard Kessinger and Dean Coughenour.

Members of the Community Fund voted last week to endorse a plan to have a daylong telethon fund drive instead of a door-to-door campaign.

The Rev. and Mrs. Robert M. Fleenor, Larned, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Babcock, Kansas City, announce the engagement of Debra Fleenor and the Rev. Paul Babcock. Miss Fleenor is a graduate of KSU and is director of Christian education at Countryside United Methodist Church in Topeka.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Baker University and St. Paul School of Theology and is pastor of the Buffalo and High Prairie United Methodist churches. The wedding will take place June 20 in Larned.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Ritter, Dresden, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Paula Katherine, to Douglas James Gooder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gooder, Omaha. The bride-to-be is a graduate of Jennings High School and KSU and is employed as nutritionist by the State Department of Health and Environment in Topeka. Her fiancé is a graduate of Wayne State College and previously worked with KFNH at Oberlin.

## Let's Go to the Museum

By Sharleen Wurm, director

It is not too late to get those "gently used" items to the museum for the rummage sale. We will be taking things until Friday afternoon.

Some of the items which have already been brought in are: jeans in all sizes, men's, women's, and children's clothing, lamps, chairs, TV trays, Christmas decorations, kitchen utensils, craft and sewing materials, vacuum cleaners, purses, shelves, books, toys, computer equipment, pictures, furniture, and many other items. I am sure there is

something for everyone!

The Rummage and Bake sale will start Saturday, April 22, at 9 a.m. and run until 5 p.m. On Sunday, April 23, the rummage sale will open at noon and continue until 4 p.m. The rummage sale will be held in the Bohemian Hall and the bake sale will be located in the Land Office next door to the Hall.

This is a fund raiser for the Museum and all donations either in items or purchases are greatly appreciated.

## Cedar Living News

Cedar Living Center will be hosting a Volunteer Tea at 9:30 a.m. on Friday. National Volunteer Week is April 23-29. Volunteers at Cedar Living Center or Meals-on-Wheels have received invitations to the Tea, but anyone wishing information about volunteering is welcome.

Kenneth Sattler has returned home after a short stay.

Freida Matheny was guest of honor at a birthday party held on April 7. Jan Matheny provided cake and ice cream for all the residents and staff during dinner. Fern Mosier and Sandy Diederich assisted.

Residents who met for a game of penny cards on Monday included Nettie Britton, Alice Fiala, Elsie Goodnight, Betty Harden, Tressie Samson, Paul Sass, Lowell Sebaugh, Don Shaw, Don Sulzmann, Charley Vavroch, Velda and Frank Ward, Lora Linn Leichter and Hank and Bea Wolfram.

Myrna Jones and Mary Ann Amack led the sing-along Monday. Fern Moore hosted the reading group on Tuesday morning.

Lora Linn Leichter won the first Bingo on Tuesday and Betty Harden won the blackout game.

We had an Easter Egg Hunt on Tuesday with a nice turnout of children for the event.

Lloyd Beneda celebrated his birthday on Wednesday. Elvin Beneda was his guest for lunch.

Eastern Star hosted the April birthday party Wednesday. They served cake and coffee. Beth Sebaugh played the piano while Eastern Star ladies led a sing-along. Those honored were Freida Matheny, Lloyd Beneda, and Bea Wolfram.

Stuart Euhus gave the Bible study lesson on Wednesday afternoon. Father George was here for Mass on Thursday morning.

The dietary and activity departments hosted a special lunch on Thursday. They served sandwiches from A&W and root beer floats.

Teresa Shaughnessy led residents in a Good Friday devotion.

Residents met on Friday afternoon for an Easter Egg party. Dyed Easter eggs, crackers, and Easter candy were served.

Frank and Velda Ward were guests of honor at an open house

hosted by their family on Saturday celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary. Friends, family members, residents and staff turned out.

The dietary department served an Easter dinner Sunday including ham, sweet potatoes, and pie.

The ZCJB Lodge held its April meeting on Sunday. The lodge gave a generous donation toward the expense of the Easter Egg Hunt.

The Rev. Carrie Buhler of the Jennings United Methodist Church gave the Easter worship service.

Recent visitors: Mary Huffaker, Eureka; Theresa and Richard Rippe, Richard and Bernadine Samson, Ludell; Doyle and Kay Brown, Jennings; Bob Strevey, Jerry and Ron Temple, Gary Anthony, Keith Anthony, Marguerite Clark, Bea Nelson, Oran Milner, Dorothy Ward, Linda Hunt, Janice O'Hare, Leslie and Lynn Ward, Wava Reames, Norcatour; Ann Martin, Hemdon; Lillian Sulzmann, Dresden; Richard and Venetta Miller, Mission, Texas; Jamie Samson and Sara Bishop, Lindsborg; Rick, Tammy and Corey Shaw, Earl

Brown, Selden; Gary Matheny, McCook; Tom and Glenva Burrell, Max, Neb.; Mike and Marie McVay, Colby; Lloyd Harden, Goodland;

Cecil Hess, Jeanette Diederich, Karen Bennett, Karen Bruning, Doris Gilbert, Merle Shirley, Lyle Gamblin, Nadean Stoney, Barb Solko, Dolores Koerperich, Wayne and Lois Larson, Don and Goldie Stapp, Ila Ray, Alice Shirley, Opal Huntley, Juanita Williby, Marie Jean Vavroch, Elvin Beneda, Orlin Beneda, Sandra Young, Roxie

## Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Bobby and Pat Mooty and Robert Mooty, Dallas, attended the wedding of Ryan Unger and Darci Zweygardt April 8 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Oberlin. Bobby is the brother of Norma Unger.

Karolyn Muirhead and her granddaughter, Amber Saliba, Hays, drove to Newton on Thursday and attended the funeral of Olive Beamgard, an aunt of Atley Muirhead.

Greta Wendelin, Seward, Neb., arrived Thursday and Ladd Wendelin, Lincoln, Neb., arrived Saturday at the Norman Wendelin home to spend Easter with their family. They left on Monday.

John and Ruth Peters, Walton, and Amber Saliba, Hays, were Easter weekend guests of Karolyn Muirhead, returning home Sunday afternoon.

Weekend guests of Craig and Karen Larson were her children and families, Ryan and Stacy Duysen, Madison, Taylor, and Ashley, Gillette, Wyo.; Jeff and Kimberly Wilkerson, Council Bluffs, Iowa, and her nephew, Jared and Christina Geis and Rachael, Denver. Additional guests on Saturday for Easter dinner were Zane and Gladys Geis and Wayne and Lois Larson.

Mike and Nancy Shields, Brett and Corinne, Omaha, were Easter weekend guests of Gaylord and Shirley Shields, arriving Thursday and returning home Sunday.

Ron and Nancy Baumfalk, Aurora, Colo., arrived Sunday afternoon at the home of Elwood and

Elaine Mines and attended funeral services for Odene Koehler on Monday. Our sympathies to Elaine and Elwood and their family.

Easter dinner guests of David and Karen Eskew were Melvin Waterman, Scott Waterman, Colby, and Christi Kietch, Winona, Bev Reiter and Brianna, Wayne and Jo Larson, Bruce Eskew, Donna Eskew, and Mr. and Mrs. Robbie Eskew and Hailey, McCook.

Quintin Cundiff, Seward, Neb., and Lindsay Thomas, Lincoln, Neb., arrived Thursday to spend the Easter weekend with Greg and Janice Cundiff.

Easter dinner guests at the home of Martin and Evelyn May were Janice Cundiff, Marvin May, Chris and Casey May, Kaylee, Kelsey, and Hunter, Andy May, Kelley and Kalen Black, Dorothy Moore, and Wilbur May. Greg and Quintin Cundiff and Lindsay Thomas were unable to attend since they were en route to Miami, Okla., to attend the funeral of Greg's sister-in-law, Judy Cundiff.

Wilma May, Evelyn Olson, Justin and Wendy Scott, Garrett and Gage, Stean Olson and friend Paige, Hays; Kelly Olson, Manhattan, and David May, McCook, were Easter Sunday dinner guests of Jerry and Connie Olson.

Easter dinner guests at the home of Ralph and Norma Unger were Butch and Colleen Rittmann, Christian and Rielly, Ryan and Darci Unger, Leo Mooty, Duane and Lois Unger, Colby, and Pastor

Rick and Kim Langness, Chenaniah, Sarah, Nehemiah, RuthAnn, and Esther.

Lois Carlson, and Jay and Becky Tate, Dakota, Mollie, and Grace were Easter Sunday dinner guests of John and Edith Tate.

Jack and Jeri Nedland, Barron, Wis., arrived Friday evening to spend Easter with his mother, Elizabeth McConnell, and brother, Dan Nedland, and family. They returned home Sunday afternoon.

Easter dinner guests of Roland and Pam May, Zach and Hannah, were Walter and Betty May, Richard and Delayne May, Danica, Nolan, and Duygu Kavren, Brianna May and Shane Steckline, Rhonda May and Dan Nedland, Cameron, Hunter, and Elizabeth, Elizabeth McConnell, Jack and Jeri Nedland, Roger and Susan May, Ryan and Erin, and Robert May and Cole.

Easter dinner guests of Norman and Joanne Wendelin, Ladd, Greta, and Rory were Wayne and Lois Larson, Brad Larson, and Kathy Almquist.

Thelma Spiers and the Joel Shaw and Richard Shaw families were Easter dinner guests of Ralph and Violet Shaw.

Arthur and Alice May, Helen Derby, and John and Dianne Bremer and Jessica enjoyed Easter dinner at the home of Herschel and Jody Betts.

Stan and Deanie Moore, Montgomery, Texas, were Sunday and Monday overnight guests of Gaylord and Shirley Shields.

## Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

The United Methodist Women met April 5. Kristi Smith gave an interesting talk about her mission trip to Africa. Everyone enjoyed it.

Those attending were: Violet Foster, Vendla Tacha, Lila Jennings, Ruth Chance, Helen Rhodes, Kathy Nauer and Rachel Carter. Rachel had Quiet Moments. Members voted in favor of serving lunch at the school auction if the Jennings City and Heritage wish them to. Kathy and Helen were hostesses.

Sunflower Senior Citizens potluck supper was held Tuesday evening, April 11. Attending were Pat Hall, Violet Foster, Helen Muirhead, Keith Muirhead, Jay Kump, Bob Tacha, Neoma Tacha, Arch Harman, Vendla Tacha, Emma Sanford, Ramona Shaw, Stan Shaw, Elmoin Bailey, Marguerite Bailey, Rachel Carter, William Carter, Agnes Wahlmeier,

June Vavroch, Kenny Krizek, Mary Votapka, Eleanor Morel, Louise Cressler, Merle Snyder along with her daughter and granddaughter, Yvonne Salvarria and Aisia of California; Norma Richards and Deanna Hanschild of Oberlin; Monica Miller, Gem; Karla Haggard, Karson and Logan, Pam Robinson and Estelle Bugbee, all of Colby. Monica and Karla sang several songs for the program. For our May meeting we will play bingo after the potluck supper.

Dena Gillespie is back in the Oberlin hospital with double pneumonia.

There will be a Mother's Day dinner at the schoolhouse again this year. More details on it later.

Jennings Housing meeting will be held at the Friendship Village Day Room at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 20.

## Chamber News

By Glenva Nichols

## Youngsters gathered candy despite wind

Spring is officially here. The Easter Egg Hunt was done in strong winds, but that didn't defer the little ones on their quest for candy eggs. Easter morning had a beautiful sunrise and a soft breeze, just right to reflect on the scriptures. What a wonderful feeling.

The Fish and Burger fry went off without the cold winds and snow of the last few years. Thanks to all who stopped by. The proceeds will go to help repair the highway Christmas decorations damaged in the blizzard last winter. Hopefully, thanks to the city, LaMoine Wolfram and the school, they will be patched and lighted for this year's display.

Remember to send your employees or your helper to the annual Professional Assistant's Day luncheon on April 26. Reservations are due now and the cost is \$14 per person. That includes lunch, table favors, door prizes and entertainment. Let's show they are appreciated.

This year the Kansas Sampler Festival is being held in Garden City the first weekend in May. This is a display of the many things to see in our state. There are tents from each area in the state showing off

what they have and also the mini day trips you can take to each. Oberlin will be represented in the Northwest Kansas tent.

May is fast approaching, and that means many things will be happening. Prom, speech tournaments, music festivals, graduation and alumni gatherings are all soon. The Oberlin Business Alliance is again sponsoring an Alumni Hospitality Room where you can meet all of the friends of yesteryear and visit awhile. It will be in the old Farmers National Bank building on Friday, May 26, from 1 to 4 p.m., and Saturday morning, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Plan to have lunch with the Oberlin Business Alliance on Friday, May 26. They will be serving burgers and Polish dogs from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. You can sit around eating and visiting, as the building will be open at that time.

Don't forget the Memorial Day services and the Avenue of Flags set for Monday, May 29. At this time we honor those who have given their lives for our country and those who are still fighting for freedom.

Stop in and have a cup and a cookie.

### Public AUCTION

**Friday, April 21, 2006**  
Storm Date: Thursday, April 27, 2006

**10:00 a.m. CST**  
**Auction Location from**  
**Atwood, Kansas:**  
**7 miles east on hwy 36,**  
**then S 1/2 miles south.**  
**Signs will be posted**

Auctioneer's Note: Mr. and Mrs. Havel are offering at public auction a nice selection of equipment for sale. All items selling from the Havel's have been shedded and are in excellent condition so plan to attend.

<p><b>2020 JD, Gas, 1722 act. Hrs., S#062030J (excellent condition)</b> 820 JD, Diesel S#8203014 (excellent condition)</p> <p><b>820 JD, Diesel, S#8206712 (good cond.)</b> IHC Farmall M w/wide front end 1971 Gleaner G diesel, 20' Platform 1953 GMC Truck, 5 windows (restorable) 1995 Dodge 1/2 ton PU, PS., AC, 4x4, new tires</p> <p><b>1975 Ford F250 Flatbed PU, 4 WD, 390 Motor OH/12,000 mi., New Trans., good tires, new paint, A/C, P.S. (Good condition)</b></p> <p><b>1990 Audi 200 Quattro, Loaded, 141,900 act. mi.</b></p> <p>1975 100 Honda Motorcycle 7-30 ft. Telephone poles Aeration pipe Aluminum Pickup toolbox 2-Ford rear ends, (9-bolt)</p> <p><b>6x20 Diamond Gooseneck stock trailer</b> 2-1947 JD A's (restorable)</p> <p><b>1963 Case utility tractor 12 hp., Model 190 w/ dozer</b> JD LT 166 Riding tractor mower Craftsman push mower <b>6' BMB pull type mower</b> 5' BMB 3 pt., Mower JD #35 Manure spreader <b>Flex King 5-5' sweeps w/ pickers</b> IHC 3-8' 150 grain drills IHC 150 drill 14" <b>JD #35 tractor loader</b> Sunflower 14' offset disc. 9"</p>	<p>Orthman 7 Shank Ripper Bix 7 Shank Ripper JD 8-row #71 planter 3 pt. Miller 14' Disc Earth Mover 2.5 yd. Flex King 3x5 sweeps 10' Dozer blade Graham-Hoeme chisel w/ Dageleman harrows Lofits 6-Row 3 pt. Stock chopper <b>Sprayer w/booms, (good tires)</b> Miller Rod Weeder <b>10' x 30' Donahue Trailer</b> Gehl MX 100 Grinder Mixer Hesston stack mover 3 pt. Bale mover 3 pt. Bale unroller 18' JD one way <b>New Holland #56 hay rake</b> 6 section spring tooth Pull type harrows Full type spring tooth <b>JD Post hole digger</b> Lg. Assort Wheel weight 3 Bottom plow <b>5 Bottom plow</b> Whirlwind Terrace machine Auger Hopper <b>6" x 35' Mayrath Auger, 5 hp. Motor</b> 13.6 x 38 tractor rims 3-Sets 18.4 x 34 clamp on duals New sickle, fits JD mower 2-Grease packs Dickey John Grain Loss monitor (new) <b>125 gal Propane tank</b> 15 gal. Propane tank <b>1000 gal. Fuel tank</b> 2-400 gal. Fuel tanks Grain cleaner <b>4-rolls of Barb wire (new)</b> 6-Rolls of wire 2-Rolls of sheep wire <b>MY-D Han-D Portable</b></p>	<p><b>squeeze chute</b> Hay feeder wagon 4x10 Kelly Ryan feed wagon 5' x 12 Kelly Ryan manure spreader 20' Hay feeder trailer 6' 10 Box trailer 70 bu. Creep feeder 35 bu. Creep feeder 3-rolls Snow fence 3-Tire feed bunks JD #35 manure spreader 8' Stock tank Stock tank 2-Mineral feeders Iron fence posts Sheets of corrugated tin Fence insulators 10 Hay basket 8' teeth Windmill parts Cattle oiler Cattle sprayer assort. of gates Assort. of combination panels 2-Super 100 fence chargers Ritchie waterer (new) Washtub on stand Antique tub Trojan tank heater (like new) Calf puller Assort. of cattle equipment Lg. Assort. of hand tools Drill press Knipco heater Assort. of Iron &amp; pipe Assort. grease guns Creepers kerosene heater 2-Antique vises Breaker box, square D Belt driven drill press &amp; grinder JD 820 overhaul manual <b>Model T Truck parts</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>MANY MORE ITEMS</b></p>
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