

THE OBERLIN HERALD

Events of Yesteryear

By Jody Betts

125 YEARS AGO — July 1881

Independence Day at Oberlin: 1,000 settlers, old and new, of the "Great American Sahara" meet and greet and renew their allegiance to the Old Flag. The largest crowd ever in Oberlin. But the reported assassination of President Garfield cast a gloom over the occasion.

Hon. A.G. McBride, editor of the *Kirwin Chief*, was orator of the day and three baseball clubs contested for the ball and bat, put up as prize by the *Herald*: The Country Boys of Prairie Dog; the Stars of Vallonia and the Beaver Club. A game between the Stars and Beavers was abruptly closed at the fifth inning in consequence of a misunderstanding between the umpire and the players. The Beavers were considerably ahead and were considered entitled to, and received, the ball and bat.

George H. Hand of Seward, Neb., 4th at Oberlin. Mr. Hand is an old newspaper man on a trip for health and recreation.

James Witham sold his store-room on the east side of Penn Avenue to Fitch Colby.

The county seat election in Rawlins County came off on Wednesday last and resulted in a victory for Atwood.

Del Bliss has erected a temporary picture gallery on the west side of the avenue adjoining Colby's store where he is doing good work very cheap.

100 YEARS AGO — July 1906

Editor Sims of the *Danbury Sentinel* came over as manager of the ball team on Friday.

Doctor Eber Reeves was married at Phillipsburg on Sunday, July 1, 1906, to Miss Mary Veeh.

Allison Items: Guy Wilcox and Mrs. Della Greenlee were married in Norton on Thursday, June 28. Tom Costello and Miss Rosa Lunny were married at New Almelo Catholic Church June 27.

Six thousand people attended the Fourth of July celebration in Oberlin. Three bands furnished the music, Oberlin and Norcat and the Colored Minstrel Band. Oberlin defeated Norcat in the ball game 13-1, Barnes pitching a no-hit game for Oberlin.

Danbury walloped Oberlin Friday of last week 11-10 in 10 innings.

75 YEARS AGO — July 1931

Electric fans have become the popular appliances in both homes and offices the past week with the thermometer playing around the

century mark day after day.

Word has been received here that Lewis Wonderly, who formerly assisted in the operation of the Waldo elevator at Traer, has accepted a position with the Shannon Grain Co., of Kansas City and will manage an elevator at Danbury.

Dresden: Both hardware stores were robbed Saturday night. Dresden has a new miniature golf course which is located between Miller's Cafe and the Norris Barber Shop.

The Post Office force and their families carried out a surprise party for Mrs. R.A. Marks, retiring postmistress, Tuesday evening at the H.J. Morrison home where numerous freezers of homemade ice cream and cakes were served. Mrs. Marks was presented a chifferobe as a token of appreciation from her fellow workers. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Myron Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. P.L. Worcester and children, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Barnhart, Mr. and Mrs. Cloyce Vernon and children, Mr. and Mrs. W.W. McGee and family, Mr. and Mrs. A.E. Dodd and children, and Chas. P. Stevenson, who took over the postmaster duties on July 1.

Courthouse News: Judge Kulp issued a license to Floyd Alexander of Norcat and Miss Marie Johnson of Wilsonville, Neb.

Kanona: Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Rohan are the proud parents of a handsome boy born to them Sunday, June 21.

50 YEARS AGO — July 1956

The period from Jan. 1 to June 30 of this year is the driest on record according to weather records, with only a total moisture fall of 4 inches during that time. While rain has been scarce in June, hail has been excessively abundant with several thousand acres of wheat damaged the past few weeks, the grower's only consolation being that his crop wasn't too good anyway.

George Nellans, probate judge, issued a marriage license last week to Carl K. Neff of Dresden and Charolette Urling and they were married June 30 at Sacred Heart Church by the Rev. Emil Sinner.

Norcat: Funeral services were held for Mrs. Ralph New, 43, who had been in poor health for about 11 years. Mrs. New, the former Ruth Cleland, is survived by her husband and three sons, Ralph, Roger and Mark, all of Norcat.

Bob Brown was nine under for the 27 holes in the open golf tournament at Norton but lost to Wilcie

Robbins of Atwood by one stroke. Other Oberlin golfers in the field were Phil Nemeth, George Nellans, Marvin Everist and Martin McKisson.

The crash of two huge airliners in the Grand Canyon of Arizona claimed the life of Miss Alice Meyer of Los Angeles, a sister of Marvin Meyer of Oberlin, who is associated with Wolfe, Bremer and Meyer law firm. It is believed that the planes may have collided during a thunderstorm.

Mayor Ned Coldren, who observed his 76th birthday recently, has resigned as mayor of Oberlin saying the position requires a younger man. He would have completed his third term as mayor.

With harvest 90 percent complete, yields will be about half of last year's crop with less than a million bushels produced in the county for the first time in the past 15 years.

Mildred Butler, a teacher at Oberlin City School, and Elma Lee Bearley of Atwood are attending summer school at San Diego State College.

Vows were solemnized at Memorial Methodist Church in McCook on June 24 for Miss Jane Lee Rasmussen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.P. Rasmussen of Oberlin and James Edward Daume of McCook.

25 YEARS AGO — July 1981

The county wheat harvest was stalled by thunderstorms, but in most areas a disappointing harvest was winding down with many elevators reporting about 10 percent of normal yields due to the frost damage. Darrel Bruggeman of Selden Garvey Elevator reported that there were acres and acres that were not even touched in his area.

Let's Go to the Museum

By Sharleen Wurm, director

Saturday was a great day at the museum. The McGee reunion was held in the Bohemian Hall and most of the family toured the museum. They shared pictures and stories with us and donated a scrapbook of World War II newspaper articles and other items from the family.

Many of the family members here for the Grafton reunion also spent time touring. It is exciting to meet family members after doing research for them.

Several boxes of items were donated to the museum which in-

cluded pictures, Oberlin memorabilia, and some personal items of the John Peters family. We were excited about getting them and they will make a wonderful addition to our collection.

Summer is about half over and if you haven't visited the museum yet we are open Tuesday to Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4:30 p.m. With fair time just a month away, mark your calendars to bring family and friends for a tour and see all that has been added to our collection.

Funeral services were held for a well-known Oberlin businessman, Dwight Wenger, 55, who died of an apparent heart attack. Wenger had owned and operated Wenger Electric in Oberlin since his graduation from Kansas State University in 1948 with a degree in engineering. In addition he was plant manager of the Oberlin City Power plant. He is survived by his wife, the former Fern Erikson; a daughter, Jodie, and two sons, Evan and wife Cathy, and Ron and wife Linda.

Mary Lynn Christensen, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Gordon Christensen who are missionaries to Zaire, Africa, has completed work for a degree in occupational therapy at the University of Kansas. She will leave this week to go to Zaire and join her parents for a three-month stay where she will assist with the translation of a simplified Bible commentary in Lingala, the language of the natives of that area.

Randall Braden will head the Oberlin Rotary Club for the 1981-82 year effective July 1. He succeeds the Rev. Ken Kaufmann.

Hospital News: Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Matchett, girl, Martina Lou Ann, June 24; Mr. and Mrs. Randy Hrabec, daughter, Trina Lynn, June 21; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wilson, Danbury, daughter, Ashley Ellen, June 18; Mr. and Mrs. Rich Epp, Colby, son, Kody Danlee, June 22. Jean Ann Hess is attending a Suzuki piano teacher training institute at Denver University.

Sherri Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson, has been accepted to the dental hygiene school at Central Technical Community College in Hastings Neb., and will begin her training in August.

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Herndon News

By Carrol Ginther

Les and Myrna Pettera of Loveland, Colo., spent a week with Edie Pettera.

Theresa Anderson of Denver spent a few days with her mother, Mildred Kleidosty.

Saturday and Sunday dinner guests of Monica Solko were Ron and Rodney Solko of Oberlin and Tom Solko.

Supper guests last Saturday of Don and Joan Grafel were Ben and Lee Spiers of Winterset, Iowa; and Thelma Spiers, and Steve and Todd Nelson of Oberlin. Susan and Makenzie Nelson were visiting her father, Bill Davenport, in Wyoming.

Around 30 friends attended a farewell open house for Denis Tongish, who is moving to Newton. His address is Newton Presbyterian

Manor, 1200 E. 7th Street, No. AL502, Newton, Kan., 67114. His phone number is (316) 284-5948.

Nathaniel Martin graduated from North Central Kansas Technical College in Beloit with a two-year certificate in auto collision technology. He is employed at Quality Collision Repair in Manhattan. He is the son of Henry and Lorri Martin of rural Herndon.

Herndon Senior Citizens met at the Senior Center on June 21 for a potluck. Debbie Rummel took blood pressures. Judy Solko was a guest. Frank Hraha won the blackout in bingo and John Eby won the door prize.

Congratulations to Robert Leitner, who celebrated his 80th birthday. His address is Box 97, Herndon, Kan., 67739.

Good Samaritan Center

John 4:35: "Do you not say, 'Four months more and then the harvest?'" I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest."

I'm a transplanted city girl. I was born in a small farming community in Michigan, but was raised in Denver. My only experience with farming was a couple of family vacations back to my birthplace.

When I became a Christian, and read scriptures that used farming to teach Bible truth, I was thankful for my limited knowledge to understand what was being taught. However, it wasn't until I moved to Oberlin and began working at the Good Sam, did those scriptures actually come alive.

Lisa Stacey

All month we have focused our activities more toward the men in honor of Father's Day. This past week our emphasis was farming; how fitting that it coincided with the wheat harvest. On Monday, we began the week with a Talking Books

Bi-folkal Kit entitled "Farm Days." This is a slide presentation put to poetry.

We actually watched it twice. After the first run-through, the residents asked to see it again without the sound so we could discuss the pictures. It is during discussions like this that the scriptures have new meaning. The principles of sowing and reaping, harvesting, glean- ing the fields, and most of all, trusting in the Lord, flow so naturally through the conversation. These residents are living history books filled with knowledge, humor, faith and wisdom. Please don't miss the opportunity to be blessed. Come spend some time with us.

On Tuesday, the Garden Club gathered on the front patio to do our weekly weeding. We enjoyed the sunshine and refreshments while listening to a tape with various bird songs and calls. It was fun trying to identify the bird before the tape gave us the answer. Then, later in the afternoon the Art Class made

farming mosaic pictures using beans and seeds as our medium.

On Wednesday, Stuart Euhus filled in for Bible Study. Dorothy Alstrom and Pat Whetzel fancied up the ladies' nails. Bingo was our finale, hosted by Marilyn Horn and Colleen Geihlsler.

On Thursday, Fern Moore read the newspaper during Current Events. Anita Hirsch and residents made patriotic centerpieces and then spent some time listening to "Musical Memories." Never a dull moment!

We celebrated Fern Anderson's 90th birthday on Friday. Lots of residents came bringing cards and best wishes. She even received a zucchini tied up in a pink bow, the first harvested from our garden.

On Saturday Angel Lane residents celebrated Eva Cuthbertson's 97th birthday with cake and ice cream. Her daughter, Anita and Bob Montgomery; granddaughter, Renee Harman, Norcat; grandson, Ron and Gina Montgomery, Jennings; granddaughter, Roberta Shuler, McCook; and great-granddaughter, Blaine, came to help her celebrate.

Thank you to all who so generously donate items for our residents. Most recently, Myrna Jones donated an organ for Town Square. How wonderful!

Larry and Marilyn Mack (welcome to these new city transplants) brought lots and lots of videos. The residents will really enjoy them.

Our visitors this week included: **Eva Bryan** - Detta Anderson; **Irel Lohofener** - Merlou Robinson, Libby Fossum of WaKeeney, Marcia Lohofener; **Pooch Portschy** - Cheri Kastens of Herndon; **Jeanette Conway** - Jean and David Glaser of Porter, Okla.; **June Saum, Edla Olson, Ruth Laidig** - Mary Landau of Garden Grove, Calif.; **Lucy Schissler** - Margaret Fikan of Atwood; **Mert McEvoy, Joyce Dean; Marie McChesney** - Julia Ray; **Hazel Flaska** - Charlene Karnes of Salina; **Doris Marintzer** - Vicky Mumm of Gem; **Elsie Macy** - Marisn Fraker; **Edla Olson, Ruth Laidig, John and Muriel Ready** - Jessica and Corbin Luck of Wichita; **Doris Miller** - Richard and Wendy Miller, Cassandra and Syndey of Loveland, Colo.

Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

June Vavroch visited her daughter, Connie and Darrell Dreher and family, in Hays the weekend of July 4.

Teresa Reyher and sons, Lubbock, Texas, came to visit several weeks with her mother, Eleanor Morel, and other relatives in and around the Jennings area.

Dinner guests of Mary Votapka and Tom on Saturday were Linda DeMichel, Farmington, Mich.; Larry and Mary Sapp, Aurora, Colo.; Ethel Taylor, Hays; Terri Hankie, Colby; and Sue Long and Jason Rowh.

Mary and Linda are the daughters of Bert Huff. Frank Votapka, Libby, Mont., spent from Friday to

Wednesday at the farm visiting and helping in the harvest field. Dave Haury, Wichita, also came to help with harvest at the Votapka farm.

July 11 Sunflower Seniors potluck supper will be held at 6 p.m. on July 11 at the Senior Center. "Swingin Seniors" will entertain at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Decatur County Road Department began work on the school yard, pulling posts, taking down the bull pen, hauling off the iron, etc. Dirt work will then be done so the yard can be paved.

The bus company has also bought some property north of the school property.

Selden News

By Jacque Boultinghouse

Congratulations to Dan and Angela Scott of Selden. They are the proud parents of a baby girl, Aubrey Kathleen Scott, born April 6, 2006. Maternal grandparents are John and Rebecca Davis of Blackfoot, Idaho, and Richard Everett of Placerville, Calif.

Paternal grandparents are Roger and Delaine Raleigh of Selden and the late Larry Scott.

On June 29 at Senior Citizens, Shirley Emigh won high, Cecelia Ottley took second, Leone Porsch got low and Jeanie Spresser had the

most jacks. Others present included Carol Shaw, Betty James, Lola Cook, Anna Albers, Alfred Albers, Edna Schiltz, Ann Hazlitt and Julie Pope.

Birthdays and anniversaries: July 6 - Carol Hill, Jason Rogers; July 7 - Joey Lobato; July 8 - Danielle Spresser Brown, Gabrielle Schiltz; July 10 - Landee McKenna, Jeremy and Nicole Schiltz; July 11 - Delores Juenemann, Chris Koerperich, Kayla Wurm; July 12 - Darrel Bruggeman, Lakyn Rogers.

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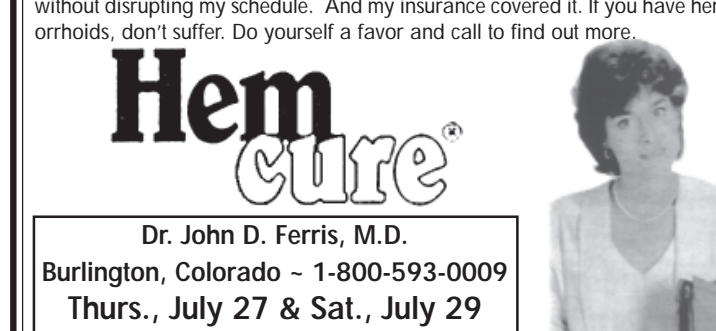
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