

Events of Yesteryear

By Jody Betts

125 YEARS AGO — July 1881

Jake Smith, who lives about two miles north of Oberlin on the Johnson draw, shot an antelope on this place last Sunday evening. This is the only one killed near town this summer. It was a large one, weighing about 200 pounds.

The latest from President Garfield is that his wounds are assuming a serious aspect and his condition by many is considered critical.

The bold position of *The Herald* in opposing the St. John-Anderson-Topeka-Nellis combination who are working against the interests of Oberlin and Decatur County, was handsomely endorsed by the people of the township last Saturday, by the election of its pious editor, D.P. Havens, as delegate to the county convention by the largest vote given to any candidate. Truth is mighty and will prevail.

Jim Barnes and Billy O'Toole have gone to Colorado for a short season.

Charley Ayer has returned from Cheyenne County and reports buffalo plentiful on the Hackberry in that County.

100 YEARS AGO — July 1906

Doctor Reeves bought the quarter block west of the Christian Church last week and will build a residence at once.

Included in the list of teacher's certificates granted at the last examination we notice the following: Second grade, Mamie Heitmann, Susie Hoppas, Stanley Shook. Third grade, Ovanda Bobbitt, Josie Heitmann, Belle Lantis, Anna Fiala and Mattie Logan.

The businessmen have organized a ball team and a game will be played with the court house team soon. The personnel of the team will be Tony Griffin, c; Will McCalla, p; Dan Campbell, 1b; Frank Fleming, 2b; Pearle Stowell, 3b; Jim Jackson, Fred Patton and Chas. Clark, outfielders; J.H. Young, reporter and photographer; Will Ater, waterboy; Drs. Tilden, Reeves and Smith, physicians.

75 YEARS AGO — July 1931

A grocery store, hardware store

and cafe and the elevators are all that remains of the business section of Kanona. Early Saturday morning fire destroyed the Vernon garage and Ed Hunt's blacksmith shop together with all his equipment. The fire started during the storm and it is presumed that lightning struck the building. Ed Hunt was the biggest loser as he had moved to Kanona only a few months ago and his shop equipment was the best in this section. Two years ago the town's business was severely crippled when a fire wiped out two grocery stores and a garage and the Vernons have been losers on both occasions.

Harlan: A baby girl, Donna Lee, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Rush in the McCook hospital on July 16.

Saturday will be the opening of C.C. Walton's new tire shop. A dandy new sign urges motorists to "Fill Up With Phillips" and he carries a complete line of Firestone tires, tubes and batteries and also handles the agency for Dodge cars.

The outcome of the proposal of the Central Kansas Power Co., Abilene, to purchase the municipal light and power plant here, still hangs in the balance as the *Herald* goes to press. The city council is making an effort to determine all the facts before making a decision.

A temperature record of 106 was set at the government thermometer Wednesday, the hottest day of the summer.

Funeral services were held at Wassau, Wis., for Joseph Carl Rodehaver, who died at Rochester, Minn., after surgery at Mayo's. He spent his boyhood in Oberlin and in addition to his wife and four children is survived by his mother, Mrs. S.J. Harvie of Oberlin, and a sister, Mrs. Robert Morgan of Rexford.

50 YEARS AGO — July 1956

The people of Jennings and the county were shocked and grieved when it was learned that Corral Bainter, former sheriff, had died at Stormont-Vail Hospital in Topeka of a heart attack. He and his wife were en route to Kansas City to attend a baseball game. He is also survived by two sons, Norman and

Jack.

Don Gaumer leaves tomorrow for Ames, Iowa, to begin orientation for his trip to Nepal as part of the International Farm Youth Exchange program.

Gov. Fred Hall stopped a state highway survey crew from charting a proposed new course for US-36 in Phillips County which would have by-passed Phillipsburg. "Not as long as I am governor," he was quoted as saying.

Bob Vernon, a very promising athlete in three sports and regular on the American Legion baseball team, broke an ankle sliding into base at the district tournament in Colby. A coming junior, Bob was a reserve in football, a regular in basketball and the top discus thrower in the state in class A. He is likely to miss part of the football season.

Marvin Walker began work at the *Herald* after an eight-month apprenticeship at the *Jennings Journal*. He replaces Richard Brown, who will work for the Aurora, Neb., newspaper.

Henry Beardsley, jr., has accepted an engineering position with the California Company, a large engineering firm. He will have an office in Denver and work in eight states. Beardsley graduated in 1946 and from the School of Mines with a degree in geology and has a master's degree from the University of Nebraska. He served three years in the army.

A third producing oil well in Harlan Township in northeastern Decatur County came in last week on the land of John Sater.

For the first time since 1948, there was no rain during the fair, but two inches fell after the fair closed.

Some old timers thought the weather got mixed up because the fair was a week earlier than usual.

25 YEARS AGO — July 1981

Decatur County road and bridge department crews are working full force on dirt work for the 1,000-ft. runway extension at Oberlin Municipal Airport. Finish work will be done by asphalt contractor Seibert Sand & Gravel starting Sept. 1.

A horse show on Aug. 1, followed by the annual fair parade in downtown Oberlin on Saturday morning, will open the 1981 edition of the Decatur County Fair.

Hospital News: Mr. and Mrs. Francis Wahrman, Herndon, son, Travis John, July 15; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Withington, Atwood, son, Myron Allen, July 17; Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hildebrand, Danbury, son, Reese Vincent, July 19; Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Counter, Oberlin, daughter, Lemilla Ann, July 21.

Area runners entered in the Lake Atwood 10-mile road race Saturday include Clay Pratt, Brad DeKnight, John Sauvage, Randall Braden, Pat Luedders, Dewayne Jackson and Debbie Jackson.

The Oberlin swim club paddled their way to a second-place finish in the eight-team invitational swim meet held here Saturday.

Herndon: The children and grandchildren of Ed and Katherine Barenberg honored them with a celebration on July 18 of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Ruth Crawford was hostess to a bridal shower at the shelter house at Sappa State Park the evening of July 16 for Maureen Orth of Hays. Miss Orth and Bob McDaniel will be united in marriage Aug. 8 in Hays.



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Cedar Living News

Dennis Brown of the Forget-Me-Nots hosted a party in the dining room on Monday afternoon.

He served cantaloupe and ice cream to residents, staff, and guests.

Myrna Jones and Teresa Shaughnessy led the sing-along time on Monday afternoon.

Mildred Tacha won the first bingo on Tuesday afternoon and Elsie Goodnight won the blackout game.

Juanita Williby hosted the pinocle group on Wednesday afternoon. Elsie Goodnight, Frank and Velda Ward, and Mildred Tacha joined the game.

The craft group started working on a project to display at the Decatur County Fair. Our crafts will be displayed in the Open Craft Building.

Stuart Euhus gave the Bible study lesson on Wednesday afternoon.

The Dresden Guild ladies delivered cloth napkins that they made for Cedar Living Center on Wednesday afternoon.

The Dresden Guild has been especially generous with their donations of handmade items.

Father Henry brought communion for the Catholic residents on Thursday morning.

Frank and Velda Ward went to Norcat on Thursday to have lunch with their daughter, Wava Reames.

A group of card players met on Thursday afternoon for penny cards.

Staff member Pam Anderson joined the game and was one of the big winners of the afternoon. The baking group met on Friday afternoon to make chocolate chip cookies.

Paul Sass went to McCook on Saturday with a niece and nephew visiting from Colorado.

Clarence Sattler had extra visitors all weekend who were in town for the wedding of Clarence's grandson, David Sattler, to April

Portschy.

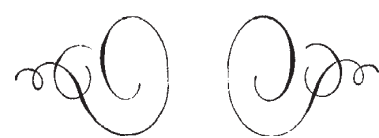
Wynemah Cox was the guest of honor at a birthday party hosted by family members at Cedar Living Center on Sunday afternoon.

A large group of family, friends, residents, and staff enjoyed cake and ice cream.

Recent visitors: Don and Aggie Roberts, Rosa and Scott Boehm, Jeff and Kim Pinkerton, Kelli and Scott Carlson, Ciera and Kalee, George and Rhonda Wurm, Gary Matheny, McCook; Lillian Sulzman, Helen Derby, Margaret Rhodes, Selden; Richard and Bernadine Samson, Ludell; Gary Anthony, Dorothy Ward, Ron and Jerry Temple, Linda Hunt, Janice O'Hare, Norcat; Larry Wolfram, Liberal; Frank Cox, Jerry Wolfram, Herndon; Brandon Ward, Hugo, Colo.; Earl Brown, Rick and Tammy Shaw, Al Schuhart, Selden; Lloyd Harden, Goodland; Ray and Betty Robbins, Aurora, Colo.; Jeanette Adams, Cheyenne, Wyo.;

Mike, Evie, Skyler, and Tyler Hudson, Fletcher, Okla.; Harold Sulzman, Colby; Dale and Lillian Wurm, West Covina, Calif.; Curt and Connie Meixner, Arkansas City; Mike, Rose, Shakia, and Sohn Domsch, Atwood; Dave Cox, Hays; Doyle and Kay Brown, Jennings; Denise, Kevin Sweeney and A.J., Lincoln, Neb.; Susan and Luke McKain, McDonald; Terry Cross, Olathe;

Edwin Black, Pastor Royce Leitner, Barb Solko, Elvin Beneda, Orlin Beneda, Lyle Gamblin, Delores Kramerperich, Phyll and Connie Cramer, Eula Juenemann, Sandra Young, Oberlin.



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Decatur County Community Calendar

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
THE OBERLIN HERALD NOW IN OUR 128th YEAR OF SERVICE		Dr. Doolittle, Decatur 1 Health Systems; Dr. McGowan, cardiology, Decatur Health Systems, Rotary, Gateway, Noon ; OES Enrollment, N-Z; DCHS Enrollment 7,8,9	Dr. Eskildsen, Decatur 2 Health Systems; Oberlin Business Alliance, noon, LandMark Inn ; Blood Pressure Clinic, Golden Age, 11-11:30 a.m.; Jaycees, 8:30 p.m. ; Compassionate Butterflies, Medical Arts Bldg, 7 p.m.; AA, Ambulance Barn, 8 p.m	3	4	Decatur County 5 4-H and Open Class Horse Show, Fairgrounds, Arena ; Bargain Box Plus 1/2 Price Day
6 Attend the Church of Your Choice	Norcatour Rebekahs; 7 Lions, Medical Arts Bldg.; Decorated Bale Contest entries in place by 8 p.m.	Dr. Doolittle, Decatur 8 Health Systems; Rotary, The Gateway, noon Fair opens today Carnival on Midway each evening starting at 7 p.m.	Dr. Eskildsen, Decatur 9 Health Systems; DPW, The Gateway, noon ; Legion Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m.; Norcatour Royal Neighbors; AA, Ambulance Barn, 8 p.m.	Chamber Board, Chamber office, Noon; SOS, Oberlin Elementary Library, 6 p.m.	11 Coffee Hour, Addleman Drug, 9-11 a.m. ; Addleman Drug 100th Anniversary; Oberlin Royal Neighbors, Golden Age Center, 4 p.m.	12
13 Attend the Church of Your Choice Antique Engine Club Potluck, Sappa Manor, 6:30 p.m.	Board of Education, 14 7:30 p.m. ; Teacher In Service; Fall Practices Start	Dr. Doolittle, Decatur 15 Health Systems; Dr. Denny, cardiology, Decatur Health Systems; Rotary, The Gateway, noon ; Teacher In-Service	Dr. Eskildsen, Decatur 16 Health Systems; AA, Ambulance Barn, 8 p.m.; Back-to-School Picnic, community invited, City Park, 6:30 p.m. (Sponsored by the Chamber/OBA/USD 294) Don't miss <i>The Oberlin Herald</i> drawing for \$1,000 Shopping Spree; Teacher workday	CVB, LandMark Inn, Noon; Teacher Workday	18	19 DCHS Singers Overnight Retreat
20 Attend the Church of Your Choice DCHS Singers retreat Arts & Humanities Turpen Tyme Ragsters, city park, 7 p.m.	Dr. McDonald, cataracts, Decatur Health Systems; Lions, Medical Arts Bldg.; Jaycees, 8:30 p.m.; Hospital Board Mtg, 7 p.m.; CCC Enrollment, 7-8:30 p.m.	Dr. Doolittle, Decatur 22 Health Systems; Rotary, noon, Gateway; American Legion members mtg.	Dr. Eskildsen, 23 Decatur Health Systems; AA, Ambulance Barn; CCC Enrollment, 7-8:30 p.m.	OES Parent Night, 24 7-8 p.m. ; Soap Scrimmage, 7:30 p.m.	DCHS Volleyball, 25 Hoxie/Grainfield, Home, 4:30 p.m.	TACT Retreat at Scott City 26
27 Attend the Church of Your Choice TACT Retreat at Scott City	Dr. Curry, urology, 28 Decatur Health Systems; Dr. Rubinowitz, Decatur Health Systems	Dr. Doolittle, 29 Decatur Health Systems; Rotary, Gateway, noon ; DCHS Volleyball at Oakley (Oakley/Pburg/Oberlin) 3:30 p.m.	Dr. Eskildsen, 30 Decatur Health Systems; AA, Ambulance Barn, 8 p.m.; \$3 Bag Day, Bargain Box Plus	DCJHS Football 31 at Home (St. Francis), 5:30 p.m.; DCJHS Volleyball at Home (St. Francis), 4:30 p.m. ; DCHS Cross Country at Norton, 4:30 p.m. ; spirit Spreader at Oakley, 9 a.m.	Please Drive Safely 