Events of Yesteryear

125 YEARS AGO — May 1883

School commenced Tuesday morning, Mrs. J.E. Cochran, teach-

We could advise our farmers to plant their corn in one field and their weeds in another to assure a crop of both.

Rev. C.P. Stayton, the new Methodist minister arrived last week from Los Angeles, California. His family, now visiting in Baltimore, Md., will arrive soon.

R. Heaton of Fremont County, Iowa, is the guest of Wm. Martin on Johnson Draw. Mr. Heaton is in delicate health and will probably remain during the summer. Should the climate agree with him, he will locate here.

100 YEARS AGO — May 1908

Among the list of 110 common school graduates, 38 were listed from Oberlin, 28 from Norcatur, 14 from Jennings, 12 from Dresden, 5 from Clayton and 13 from other

Angie McMullen of Oberlin held the highest grade given in the examination, Sina Bradley, also of Oberlin, second. Among some of the well-known names in the group of graduates we note the following: Faye Dean, Helen Parker, Gertrude Grindle, Horace Reasoner, Ross Riley, George Nellans, Glenn Rogers, Roy Harris, Fritz Bremer, Corral Bainter, Tina Hoppas and Wayne

Last snow of the season occurred on Tuesday.

75 YEARS AGO — May 1933

Mrs. Nettie Leake and Russell drove to Sublette Saturday and spent the weekend with Mrs. Pansy Stapleton and family. They found that as far as dust is concerned this community "ain't seen nothin' yet." Dust was blowing so badly that it was necessary to drive with the lights on.

The port of entry office located in Oberlin in the Kinsley service station was officially opened at midnight Sunday by Guy Allen, one of the three men appointed in charge of the new state office; others are Ora Edwards, Goodland and Ralph Bennett, Norton. It is the duty of all

entertained angels unaware. He-

Angels were the focus of both

Bible Studies this week. We have

learned a lot about what the Bible

teaches, and have sifted out truth

from fiction, discarding some pre-

conceived notions we have had

concerning them. Anita sang the

beautiful song "Angels Among

Us" on Friday during devotions.

This study will continue for several

Residents who attend Bible study

are: Nadine Anderson, Eva Bryan,

Opal Bryan, Alice Bobbitt, R.D.

Thornton, Edla Olson, Dorothy

Pryor, Evelyn Olson, Faye Miller,

Kathryn Post, Fern Anderson, Lucy

Schissler, Amy Rehm, Shirley

Hayward, Jeanette Conway, Elaine

Thomas, Ruth Laidig and Eulaine

Benda. We have just about out-

grown the Quiet Room, but will

be more than happy to find a larger

May Day brought the Head Start

Kids to "Join Hands" with the

Residents to plant flowers on the

front porch! The weather cooper-

ated nicely and brightly colored

Vinca plants now adorn our planter!

Thank you, kids, Penny Arnoldy,

Othelia Vacura and all the moms

The "Lunch Bunch" Ethel Nem-

eth, Opal Bryan, Faye Miller, Doro-

thy Pryor, Emma Sanford, Alice

Bobbitt, Shirley Hayward and Ev-

elyn Olson made their way to the

Frontier to enjoy lunch out on the

Kick Ball was led by some new

Junior Volunteers; Alex Hayward

(great -grandson of Shirley Hay-

ward) Carman Winder and Jenna

Long. It is a delight to hear the

laughter and squeals of the kids

while playing. This activity is

unique in the fact that it is suitable

for all the Residents, no matter their

physical or cognitive limitations,

we have not found anyone who

could not participate.

meeting area if need be!

who helped!

town Tuesday!

brews 13:1-3

more weeks.

stop for inspection.

About 75 girls took part in the play day held by the 7th and 8th grade girls Saturday afternoon for students of all rural schools.

April 27 being the last day of school in District 47 taught by Miss Kirkendall and District 60 taught by Dan Wilson, the students had a joint program at District 60 and when it started at 10 o'clock the house would hold only part of the crowd that had assembled. Guests included Professor and Mrs. E. S. Dean of Oberlin. Mr. Dean taught the school in District 60 some 44 years ago. The noon hour was drawing near when Mr. Dean concluded his speech and after the dinner a game of old-fashioned baseball was enjoyed.

Allison: The ashes of Mrs. Eleanor Pine, a pioneer of Allison Township, were placed beside her husband, Mr. Samuel Pine in the Jennings Cemetery Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Pine passed away in California.

Fairview-Summit: School closed at Victory with a big dinner. A fine time was reported. Miss Gladys Smith was the teacher.

Norcatur: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Green are rejoicing in the arrival of a baby daughter on Saturday,

50 YEARS AGO — May 1958

An erection crew will begin the installation of Oberlin's new 1250kilowatt engine at the local power plant this week.

Among the 1958 graduates of DCHS is Mildred "Mickey" Foster, 30, mother of three children, who returned to school after 15 years to complete her degree by earning enough credits for two full school years in three semesters.

Two county churches, Kanona and Olive Chapel, are considering the possibility of discontinuing church services.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bremer are in Topeka where he is attending the meeting of the State Bar Association. He will also attend a Board of Governors meeting at Washburn College of which he is vice-president.

Phil Law, Fort Hays State sophonorth or south bound oil trucks to more from Oberlin, was featured nity sale."

Nemeth and Evelyn Olson.

On Sunday, Pastor John Paulson

of Ten Cent Evangelism preached

the morning service. Pastor Heidi

Wiebe from Oberlin Covenant

Church brought the afternoon mes-

sage and we are happy to have Faith,

Hope and Charity rehearsing with

Monday, May 26, will be our 3rd

Annual Walkway of Flags. This is a

fund raiser for the Activity Depart-

ment. If you would like to have a

flag flown in honor or in memory of

a loved one, just make a donation in

strangers: for thereby some have Anderson, Emma Sanford. Ethel

Good Samaritan News

in a student recital Tuesday night at Picken Auditorium. Law and his trumpet were featured in three movements of "Concerto in D" and "Concerto for Trumpet."

Three records were broken in the 30th annual Northwest Kansas track meet which was won by Coach Archie Vernon's Plainsmen. Oberlin's Bob Vernon came through as expected in the discus and also won the shot and javelin while Jim Carver won the mile.

Don Gaumer, 23, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Gaumer who farm south of Oberlin, has filed for the Democratic nomination for state representative from Decatur County. He is a second year law student and a graduate of the University of Kansas.

25 YEARS AGO — May 1983

Traditions die hard in Oberlin and the annual DCHS junior-senior prom parade took place Saturday despite the cool temperatures and the threatening skies which portended the deluge which fell later in the evening. The Herald photographer captured Paul Shields and his date

Lisa Schweitzberger swinging up Penn Avenue just as his parents and grandparents before them may have done. Later in the evening Paul and Lisa were crowned king and queen at the prom dance.

By Jody Betts

Oberlin PRIDE members yielded to pressure from residents surrounding the proposed recreation area in southwest Oberlin and struck down plans to include a ball field in the area.

More than 300 reservations have been received for the May 14 DCHS Alumni Banquet according to alumni secretary, Sandy Shobe

Lightning apparently ignited some bales of hay at the Floyd Brown farm in Sappa Township Sunday morning. Brown estimated some 400-500 bales burned.

Funeral services were held at the Norcatur United Methodist Church for a longtime resident of the Norcatur area, Carl Hix, 81, who died Sunday afternoon at Beaver Valley Manor.

Museum News: Our planned tour of the Ufford stone house has been rescheduled for Sunday, May 22.

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

Wanted: White Elephants for Museum Sale!

From The Oberlin Herald May 22, 1958. "A Decatur County Museum committee is looking for white elephants.

Not albino pachyderms. Too rare, even for Decatur's ambitious historical projects.

What the committee is looking for rather is good, sellable goods for a White Elephant Sale to raise funds for the Decatur County Museum. The sale will be held May 27 in conjunction with the sale of surplus buildings from the site on South Penn recently purchased by the Decatur Historical Society.

'We'd like anything that people will be willing to contribute," said chairman Lemoin Landau. If they think we can get a little something out of it at a sale, we can use it. It'll be sort of like an old-time commu-

son with the name of the person you

Recent visitors were: Marvin and

Sharon Slabaugh, Travis Castle and

Pam Simonsson for **Opal Bryan**.

Kara Hazelhorst, Adam, Jamie

and Liam Orr (Manhattan), Ron

Snyder (Colby) Penny Fringer

and Reva Marshall for **Dorothy**

Hunt. Mert McEvoy for Lucy

Schissler. Charolette Neff (Norton)

for **Alice Bobbitt**. Alyce Avery for

Amy Rehm. Steve and Marilyn

Horn for **Myrtle Ross.** Arian Ar-

nold (Herndon), Elheidi Arnold-

Roset and Walter Roset (Germany)

would like to honor.

"People who have stuff they would contribute to the White Elephant Sale can take it to the Foster Lumber Company or contact the committee members: Landau, Wynn Horney, Dean Fringer, Lee Ploussard, Joe Corcoran, Dennis Campbell and Art Hamilton."

Back to May of 2008. Ambitious historical projects are still going on at the Museum. Progress is being made in getting the 1886 St. Mark's Church restored. Electricity has been hooked up, new heating and air conditioning units installed, and the plaster is being removed to take the walls back to the original wanes

The 7th Annual Summerfest Car Show is just four weeks away. For more information you can contact the Museum from Tuesday to Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 4:30 p.m.

Eva Bryan. Gerald Olson for Ev-

elyn Olson. John and Carol Barrett

for Dorothy Bryan. Enid Foland

and Lynette Donaldson (Almena)

and Ken Mumm (Selden) for **David**

McGee. Ken Mumm (Selden) for

Hubert Mumm. Gladys Geis for

Kathryn Post. Marie Zimmerman

for Doris Marintzer and June

Saum. Mary Ann Erickson for June

Saum. Linda, Nathan and Sarah

Smith for **Dorothy Pryor**. Shelby

Hackney for Ethel Nemeth. Lois

Lamb visited Alice Bobbitt, Doro-

thy Bryan and Opal Bryan.

Cedar Living News

Lois Eckhart is a new resident at Cedar Living Center.

Monday afternoon residents were busy with exercise group, playing a game of dice, and singing with Myrna Jones and Mary Ann Amack before supper.

Mildred Cochran won the first bingo on Tuesday afternoon and Edie Pettera won the blackout

The poker players met on Tuesday evening.

The craft group met on Wednesday afternoon to make May baskets. Many in the group had not made a May basket since they were children or since they helped their children make them.

The residents received May baskets on Thursday morning from the Royal Neighbors. Becky Ayers brought preschool students to hand out the baskets. The children were a big hit with everyone.

The bowling group met on Thursday afternoon and refreshments were served following the game.

The baking group met on Friday afternoon to make homemade cookies. The cookies were served warm from the oven with coffee or lemonade.

Zola Brown was the guest of honor at a birthday celebration at noon on Saturday. Family members met on the patio for pizza and birthday cake. Those attending included Earl Brown, Steve and Barb Brown, and Ella Betts.

Recent visitors: Rick and Tammy Shaw, Selden; John Geisinger, Selden; Jonathan Counter and Camei, Norton; Doyle and Kay Brown, Jennings; Jan Sattler, Atwood; Wava Reames, Norcatur; Phyllis Coolidge and Flora Lundberg, McCook.

Ruth Miesner, Marguerite Bailey, Lois Lamb, Nadean Stoney, Edna Mott, Phyllis Screen, Audra Duncan, Gerold Kolsky, Orlin Beneda, Elvin Beneda, Opal Huntley, Ila Ray, Ira Kolsky, Ron and Patti Uehlin, Sandy Counter; Dolores and Jacob Koerperich, Oberlin.

Herndon News

By Voni Sattler

Chris Wood hosted a birthday party for Julie Hafner on April 21. Those attending were Chris, Julie, Ann Solko and Voni Sattler.

Emma Lou Sattler and Voni Sattler had supper at Roger's recently.

Steve, Susan and Makenzie Nelson of Oberlin had supper in Herndon at Roger's with Don and Joan Grafel recently.

The weekend of April 26, Mark Pennington of Arvada, Colo., and Mary Rushing of Zihuatanejo, GRD, Mexico, came to help their mother, Esther Pennington, celebrate her birthday. Mark left for home on April 27. Mary is staying with her mother for a few weeks to visit with her family and friends before returning home to Mexico. Mary Rushing and Ann Solko

hosted a belated birthday party for their mother, Esther Pennington, on Tuesday. Those attending were Sharon Ecker, Chris Wood and Beth Hraha. Visitors at the home of Esther

Pennington the past week were Beth Hraha, Chris Wood and Voni

LaVerne and Sharon Frick had lunch at Roger's this past week with Harlan and Naida Ginther

of Atwood and Mark Ginther of Colorado.

LaVerne and Sharon Frick went to Atwood Saturday to help her uncle, Jay Gilbert, celebrate his 90th birthday.

Sharon Frick's mother, Vesta Gilbert; sisters, Sherrell Adams and Gwen Solko, and niece, Krystal Heiter, all of McCook, came to take Sharon Frick to lunch on May 5 to celebrate her birthday.

Melodie Sattler, Madison and Jamison of Aurora, Colo., were weekend guests of Voni Sattler and Brad, Deanna, Brandi and Kassidi Williams. On Sunday, they all attended Mass at Sacred Heart Church in Atwood. Braden Leitner was among the First Communicants They also attended the delicious dinner at Sacred Heart.

Melodie and Voni Sattler and Brad Willaims visited the home of Zachary Williams and family, Denise, Patience and Jeremy Chase and Chance of Ludfell. Later the Brad Williams family, Melodie and family and Voni Sattler visited Kathy, Sami and Braden Leitner at their home before Melodie and family returned home to Colorado.

Lyle News

By Veda Wood

On Sunday evening, April 20, Dwight Wood Thursday evening. the home of Judy and Charlie Easton in Quinter. On Monday they drove to Topeka and attended the funeral of Bill Fleischer, who was an inlaw of Judy's. Joanie Killen flew to Kansas City and they all came to Abilene and stayed with the J.T. Guy family. On Tuesday, Joanie went back to Kansas City to fly back

On Saturday, Toots and June Jolly helped with the Prairie Land food distribution.

On Saturday, April 26, Kathy Van Meter went with her bank group to the play "Annie", at the Omaha Dinner Theatre, followed by dinner at "Sweets of Eden."

Gary Anthony went for a followup check with his doctor in Hays on Wednesday. He says he is feeling

Sheryl Patterson and Veda Wood saw Aunt Alta at Hastings on Thursday. Veda has received several visits from her great-grandchildren over the weekend. She visited with

Margaret "Toots" Magers drove to Earnest and Donna Huff experi-

enced a power outage on Thursday evening, the night of the storm, when the wind blew down a utility pole nearby. Toots Magers, Joyce Sumner and Veda Wood enjoyed a very nice "Showers of Blessings" brunch at the Good Samaritan Center in honor of the volunteers. There was

> entertainment and each volunteer received a gift. June Jolly's is improving and her hand is doing well.

We were happy to have Jim and Carolyn Plotts at church. Jim brought the message and he and Carolyn sang a special song.

> Internet tonight. 475-2206

Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

Mom's Lil' Market will not be serving meals after May 9. The store will be closed the week of May 12 and open again starting May 19 with new hours.

The Auxiliary ladies will be making poppy arrangements at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 13, the Royal Neighbor building.

Lions Club will be serving a Mother's Day dinner from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday in the Senior Center. Everyone is welcome.-

Sunflower Seniors supper will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday May 13. We plan to have the "Golden Strings" Band from Hoxie entertain. This was postponed from April to May because of illness in

Terri Hanke, Tom Votapka and Mary Votapka went to Colby Saturday afternoon to watch Brecken Rowh, daughter of Jason Rowh of Hoxie, perform in a dance recital.

Alice Mizer spent from Friday to Monday with her son. Mr. and Mrs Don Foster and Jessica at Pratt and also got acquainted with new great-grandson, Jackson Foster McElroy, born March 19 and his mother, Lynn of Dyersburg, Tenn., who were visiting.

Those who played were Nadine Stan and Ramona Shaw attended Anderson, Jeanette Conway, Leo a church program in Phillipsburg Mooty, Doris Marintzer, Dorothy on Wednesday evening in which Pryor, Mary Lemman, Amy Rehm, their grandchildren, Ethan and Erin, R.D. Thornton, Harold Demmer,

children of Mark and Shelley Shaw of rural Logan participated.

City Council will meet Thursday, May 8, in the Sunflower Senior

The Harman Auction, Saturday, drew a large crowd. All items were

removed that day so the Norton Correctional men might put the final coat on the floor today. The floor is beautiful and the men have done such a good job. We appreciate all their hard work.

Midway News By Mary Lou Olson

Congratulations to Samantha Anderson, Blake Bergling and Noah Jones, who were confirmed on Sunday at the Herndon Covenant Church. They were presented with Bibles from the church by Pastor Keith Reuther.

Weekend guests of Mark and

Gail Bergling, Jill and Blake were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dannebaum of Ellinwood, who came for the confirmation of his grandson, Blake Bergling.

Sunday supper guests of Keith and Mary Lou Olson were Tyler Witt and Tiffany Robinson.



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