THE OBERLIN HERALD Events of Yesteryear

125 YEARS AGO – March 1885

Farmers are plowing.

The Sappa was on a bender last week. The various fords on the Sappa were impassable and travel from the south part of the county was suspended.

The last vestige of snow has disappeared and the south winds are aden with a breath of spring.

Several substantial improvements have been made in the appearance of the city during the past week, notable among them being the sidewalks put in on various parts of the city.

A tri-weekly stage has been established between McCook and Oberlin.

Marriages: March 4, 1885, Mr. Charles C. Andrews and Miss Esther F. Shick, both of Lyle, Decatur County. Also, at the Oberlin M.E. parsonage on March 1st, Mr. L.E. Preston and Miss Mary Selby.

Charley Reynolds returned from Thomas County Sunday and informs us that people are pouring into that county daily and a town has been established two and a half miles north of the geographical center of the county in the valley of the Prairie Dog and the name agreed on for the town is Colby.

100 YEARS AGO — March 1910

Miss Millie Marvin and Arch Connell came down from Achilles Saturday where they are teaching school.

Craig Cathcart of Roosevelt was in the city Saturday the first time in six months. He thot the wheat all right yet.

Will Landau and his colleagues of Washburn College were defeated in their intercollegiate debate at Denver last week.

George Bigelow and Laura Stienbrock of Goodland were married at Goodland last Tuesday.

Norcatur Items: The new brick store building is fast nearing completion.

75 YEARS AGO — March 1935

After a couple of weeks of the finest kind of weather, clouds of South Dakota and western Nebraska dust borne along on a brisk northwest wind so completely obscured the sun as to make it necessary to use lights by motorists. This writer has lived here over 43 years and has seen a lot of dust storms, but none as bad as that of Thursday afternoon. On Saturday evening another round of the district tournament windstorm started and on Sunday it when they lost to the state ranked was a genuine blizzard but with the

first places for Decatur Community High School were VanVleet in the 145 pound division while second places were taken by Townsend in the 85; Cody in the 105; Redman, in the 135 and Montgomery in the heavyweight. Hackney, Oberlin's heavyweight was unable to make the weight limitation and Montgomery substituted for him.

Hospital News: A seven and three-fourth pound son, James Brion, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Guy Sawyer of Dresden on Feb. 22.

Leoville: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jacobs have given the name Alvin Bernard to the boy who arrived at their home last week.

Among the boys to be presented with football letters and sweaters at Fort Hays State were Alex Francis of Oberlin and Rudolph Skubal and Harold Randall of Jennings.

At past meetings of DCHS alumni it was decided to begin a scholarship fund from which worthy students can borrow money to finish their high school education. This fund of Iowa State University. will be a memorial to former superintendent Smick.

Jennings: The B.H. Brooks family has returned from a four-month sojourn in Arizona.

50 YEARS AGO – March 1960 No relief was in sight from the 960 pattern which has seen one snow fall upon another before the first could disappear. Normal activity has been slowed to a snail's pace

with another 7 inches piled up. Concern about the survival of pheasants with a countryside continually covered by snow has caused P.W. "Bus" Page to organize a fund for contributions to keep the pheas-

ants alive Two new teachers have been hired at DCHS for the next school year according to Principal Francis Stanley. Arris Johnson, a native of Oberlin, who has taught at Downs the past three years, will join the faculty as guidance counselor. Mrs. Phil Nemeth, who has been doing substitute teaching this year, has been hired on a full-time basis as commerce teacher. She taught commerce prior to this school year. Another teacher will be added according to Stanley as curriculum changes will require a larger faculty. The changes include a fourth year of English and an increased mathematics offering.

The basketball season ended for the Oberlin Red Devils in the first Goodland team 67-36. Seniors on

with 27 and Colby with 26. Winning is employed by the Topeka public school systems. Gaumer graduated from the University of Kansas in 1956 and is presently a law student at Washburn University where he is a member of Phi Alpha Delta legal fraternity. A June wedding is planned.

Hospital News: Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chambers, Oberlin, son, Bruce Lee, Feb. 24, 1960; Mr. and Mrs. Lemoin Landau, Oberlin, son, Gregory Lynn, Feb. 26, 1960; Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Landau, Garden Grove, Calif., son, David, Feb. 29, 1960.

25 YEARS AGO - March 1985

Farmers continue to draw attention to the plight of agriculture this week as a group marched on Washington demanding higher prices and strict controls on production. Six local persons were among the 27 persons who made a bus trip to Ames, Iowa, last week to a meeting planned by several farm organizations which was held on the campus

The Decatur County Historical Society is spearheading the effort to move the depot building belonging to the Burlington Railroad to the museum grounds. The railroad began service in Oberlin in 1885 and moving the depot would require a new foundation as well as tearing down the brick chimneys and reassembling them.

By Jody Betts

Deb Thiele, a native of Nebraska who has worked for the Columbus Daily Telegram and the Cambridge *Clarion*, has joined the staff of *The* Oberlin Herald. A graduate of Kearney State College, she will assist the Herald in all areas including editor for news and sports, advertising salesperson and photographer.

The Red Devil Lady cagers team defeated Plainville 46-35 in the sub-state tournament to advance to State. Team members are Kim Unger, Terri Leitner, Stacy Fortin, Shana Powers, Robyn Russell, Kristin Richards, Barb Juenemann, Stephanie Unger, Bridgette Ostmeyer, Laurie O'Toole, Jodi Votapka and Tracie Fortin. Head coach is Duane Dorshorst who is assisted by Robi Alstrom.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Gawith, Dresden, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jeanette Sue, to Daniel William Bosch, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bosch of Manhattan. A May 26, 1985, wedding at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Manhattan is planned.

Mary Wilson and Jill Whitaker were chosen to attend Girls State at Lawrence in June by the members of the Oberlin American Legion Auxiliary. Alternates are Terri Harmon and Jodi Votapka.

Mount Pleasant News By Dianne Bremer

Andy and Kelley May are the proud parents of a daughter, Lauren Candace, who was born Wednesday, Feb. 24! Lauren weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces, was 20 inches long, and has a brother, Kaylen, to welcome her home. She was born on the 15th birthday of her cousin, Kaylee May. Maternal grandparents are Bill and Penny Smith, Oberlin, and Danny and Cindy Black, Carlsbad, N. M. Paternal grandparents are Marvin May and the late Candace May, and paternal great-grandparents are Martin and Evelyn May, Oberlin, and Fred and Theda McKee, Hoxie.

Greta Wendelin, Lawrence, and Norman and Joanne Wendelin were Friday and Saturday visitors of Ladd Wendelin, Lincoln, Neb., and Rory Wendelin, Seward, Neb. Friday evening, they attended a production of Flannery O'Connor's "A Good Man is Hard to Find" at Concordia University in which Rory, a student at the University, had a part. Wilbur May, Walter and Betty May, Robert May, Roger May and

Ryan, and Pam May and Hannah were Sunday afternoon guests at the Dan Nedland and Rhonda May home to celebrate Wilbur's 88th birthday with cake and ice cream.

Kelly Olson, Manhattan, was a weekend guest at the Gerald Olson home. Also spending the weekend at the Olson home were their grandchildren, Garret and Gage Scott.

Ralph and Norma Unger visited Ryan and Darci Unger, St. Francis, on Saturday evening where they enjoyed dinner and celebrated Darci's birthday.

John and Dianne Bremer returned home Sunday afternoon after spending the weekend visiting their daughter, Jessica, a student at Washburn University in Topeka.

Elizabeth and Hunter Nedland were among those from Decatur Community HIgh School participating in the Hays speech tournament on Saturday. Elizabeth rated fifth in poetry and sixth in extempo

Cedar Living News By Teresa Shaughnessy

poker game in the Cedar Living

Center dining room on Saturday

evening. They are always looking

for people to join the group. They

start about 6:30 and extra players

ternoon for a social hour and some

trivia about the Olympics. Myrna

Jones and Mary Ann Amack led

the sing-along time before supper

bingo on Tuesday afternoon and

Edna Mott won the blackout game.

The fun continued in the evening

when Charlotte Kurtz hosted a

Residents met on Wedneday

afternoon to watch some of the

highlights from the Olympics. Ev-

eryone enjoyed the variety of events

Stuart Euhus gave the Bible study

Fr. Mark Berland had Mass for

There were several winners at

the penny card game played on

Thursday afternoon. Residents

who joined in on the fun included

Dale Butler, Darlene Fisher, Irene

Fringer, Elsie Goodnight, Ruth

Havel, Donna Kent, Ira and Mary

the Catholic residents on the patio

lesson on Wednesday afternoon.

televised during the games.

on Thursday morning.

Delores Wheeler won the first

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are welcome.

on Monday.

game night.

We have a small group of resi-Kolsky, Wilma Lasalle, Edna Mott, Joan Noble, Agnes Pruitt, Blanche dents and visitors who meet for a Skubal, Marie Thomas, Aleen Van-Vleet, Mary Votapka, and Delores Wheeler.

The baking group had a great time frying up a big batch of doughnuts on Friday afternoon. It did not take long for them to get rid of five dozen doughnuts.

We finished off our two week long celebration of the winter Olympics by making some olympic sized ice cream sundaes for supper on Sunday night. The dietary department and the activity department joined forces to make and serve these treats.

Recent visitors: Alysha Tadlock, Goodland: Jan Sattler, Atwood: Lillian Sulzman. Sylvester Ritter, Dresden; Gregg Sayer, Cambridge, Neb.; Marj Law, Lakewood, Colo.; Michelle Tackett, Warrensburg, Mo.; Lori Lowrance, Westminster, Colo.; Cindy Wood, Littleton, Colo.; Mike and Rich Noble, Colorado Springs; Peg Smith, McCook; Pastor Judi Stricker, Hill City; Steve and Barb Brown, Selden; Tom Votapka and Terry Hanke, Jennings.

Marguerite Bailey, Opal Huntley, Gerald Olson, Catherine Neal, Max and Veanna Carman, Don and Gerald Ritter, Melanie Anderson, Jan Matheny, Earl Brown, Ella Betts, Oberlin.

Good Samaritan News By Lisa Paulson

time for every purpose under heaven church services. Larry Mack deals Ecclesiastes 3:1

Spring is just around the corner, and with it comes anticipation of warmer weather, flowers, the return of song birds and rebirth and renewal. Even though the Residents are in a controlled environment, the weather and changing seasons still play an important roll in their lives here at the Good Sam.

Many activities are planned around the seasons and the holidays associated with each one. This serves several purposes; for those who have lost some cognitive awareness it helps to reorient them to the time of year and jog memories especially when using sensory items such as snow for them to touch or taste. listening to the birds in the spring, smelling fresh flowers in the summer or crunching the dry leaves of fall. It also keeps them connected to the community. This is especially true for us in this agricultural area. They keep abreast of things like lambing or calving season, planting and harvest times and also the work that went with it. Holidays bring back special memories, usu-

ally the most meaningful ones. A lot of our time is spent looking raneous speaking and Hunter rated back on life. You know the old cliché, "Hind sight is 20/20"? Working at the Good Sam is really a gift, when you look back on the lives of those you work with and hear their stories of their joys and sorrows. You begin to discern what is truly important in life versus the trivial things that just clutter up your life. The only thing that endures the test of time, disease and disaster is love, the love of God and the love of others. Those of us who are younger would do well to learn from the older, wiser ones we serve to invest more time and energy in loving one another and savoring each season of our life. If you would like to share in this wonderful gift, just come and spend some time here like our many volunteers and visitors. Both are such important contributors to our daily life here at the center. We are in need of some gentlemen volunteers to spend time with the men who live here (being surrounded by women all the time doesn't hold the same appeal as it did when the guys were much younger). Presently we have Larry Smith who comes weekly to promote technology and help with personal e-mails. Marilyn Horn, Pat Fringer and Colleen Geihsler also are faithful to come every week for Bingo. Dorothy Alstrom, Rosella Meitl, Penny Fringer, and Rachelle Lytle come to do manicures on Wednesdays. Dennis Brown and Barbara Dehlinger bring Devotions. Carol Duncan reads The Oberlin Herald for our Current Events. Mert McEvoy leads Bible Study on Wednesdays.

for our monthly Pizza and Poker get-together. Connie Simonsson and Penny Fringer have adopted our plants and fish giving them lots of tender loving care. Myrna Jones and Cheryl Miller get our toes tappin' and our lips a'singing with their piano playing. Keith Reuther and Frank McEvoy come every Friday for Men's Coffee.

If you would like to be blessed, we could match your time and talent to a particular resident or need. Give Lisa Paulson a call at 475-2245.

Cindi Sauder and other staff have begun coaching the ladies (no men yet) in bowling. Leone Porsch, Alice Bobbitt and Doris Marintzer are quite the competitors.

Time music. No one can sit still when she starts playing! Betty May took Leo Mooty for a spin on the dance floor while Lisa and Anita danced with Dorothy Hunt, Eva Bryan, Faye Miller and some others.

The two Bible studies are piggy backing the "Experiencing God" study. The Quiet Room is bursting with 14-18 Residents who come to watch the series on both days. Poker was dealt by Larry Mack on Friday. Lucy Schissler, Myrtle Waldo, Alan Addleman and Pooch Portschy play a serious game! The March calendar has some dates we want you to know about: Friday March 5, will be our Family Potluck at 6 p.m. Before that, at 2:30 p.m., the Wichita Children's Theater will perform Little Red Riding Hood in Town Square. On March 20, the First Annual Good Sam Hoe-Down and Auction will be at the Legion. Dinner, dancing, auction and pictures are on the agenda for a great time in Oberlin. Tickets are \$25 for dinner and dance, or \$5 for just the dance and auction. You won't want to miss this. Call Montine or Cindi for tickets! Visitors were: Ron and Dixie Snyder (Colby) Penny Fringer and Reva Marshall for Dorothy Hunt. Gail and Kay Marcuson for Walter and Betty May and Lois Carlson. Gerald Olson, Janice and Bob Baer (Topeka) for Evelyn Olson. Shirley Williams (Atwood) for Hattie Toth. Ralph and Norma Unger for Leo Mooty and Walter and Betty May. Donovan and Lora Randolph (Hutchinson) for Amy Rehm. Max Carman for Myrtle Waldo. Marvin And Sharon Slabaugh for Opal Bryan. Mert McEvoy for Lucy Schissler. Bud and Vicky Mumm (Gem) for Doris Marintzer and Hubert Mumm.

To everything there is a season, A The Ministerial Alliance provides

We are getting the hang of Wii!

Myrna Jones joined us for Ol'

wind it was impossible to measure the team are Larry Nelson, Roger the moisture of the snow.

Most of the housewives agreed that the dust that blew Saturday combined with the snow storm on Sunday made a terrible combination to clean up after.

Mr. G.H. Lippelmann and two sons, Gustave Jr., and Raymond, were taking Miss Ilonka to Herndon where she teaches on Sunday evening when their car went into the ditch on Highway 36 13 miles west of Oberlin during the blinding blizzard breaking the axle. The four sought shelter in the gasoline service station and remained there as guests of the station owner until noon on Monday.

Norton took first place in wrestling in the Northwest Kansas League with 29 points followed by Oberlin

Krizek, Jim Wesch, Harold Cochran and Dale Miller.

The Selden High School basketball team blasted Gem 51-43 to bring their season record to 21-2 and earn a berth in the regional tournament.

--You can make a jubilee dress for less than \$2.98. We just received a shipment of 39 cent cottons, also Fruit of the Loom's crease-resistant cotton at 59 cents a yard. Get them at Sandy's Shop .--- adv.

Mr. and Mrs. A.O. Rose of Clay Center announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to David Donelle Gaumer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Gaumer. Miss Rose is a 1959 graduate of Kansas State University and a member of Kappa Delta social sorority. She

Jennings News By Louise Cressler

The Tuesday Study Club traveled to Colby Tuesday and enjoyed lunch at Montana Mikes. After lunch the group went to the home of Jan Mc-Cart. They were showed her beautiful display of quilts. Of special interest were her handkerchief quilts. Helen Rhodes, Lila Jennings, Carla Latimer, Pat Hall, Violet Foster, Patty Foster, Sue Long, Lynn Tacha, Merle Snyder, Joan McKenna, Joan Metz, Pat Foster, Neoma Tacha, Rachel Carter and guest Imogene Keenan enjoyed the day.

The Jennings Book Club met at the home of Kathy Nauer Thursday evening. Reviewing the book "Half Broke Horses" by Jeanette Willis were Kathy Nauer, Mary Arnold and her mother, Terri Hanke, Helen Rhodes, Lila Jennings, Lynn Tacha, Carla Latimer, Pat Hall, Violet Foster, Ruth Chance, Patty Foster, Sue Long and Kay Brown.

Kay and Doyle Brown enjoyed the weekend at the home of their son and family, Kent and Robin Brown, Jordan and McKenzie, Estes Park, Colo. On Saturday they attended McKenzie's basketball

game. Sunday afternoon they visited Doyle's sister, Dorothy and Jim Stealy, Denver.

Leroy Brown is a patient in the Good Samaritan Hospital, Kearney, Nebraska. Becky Carter is delivering the Salina Journal for Leroy during his absence.

Pastor Barbara Patterson led Bible Study Sunday evening at the United Methodist Church in Jennings. The study is from "Secrets of the Vine" by Bruce Wilkinson. Those attending were: Rachel Carter, Ruth Chance, Becky Carter, Ken and Julie Carter, Larry and Alice Mizer, Helen Rhodes, Darlene LaRue, Marge Hartzog, Helen Muirhead, Glenda Johnson and Louise Cressler. The next study will be held Sunday evening, March 7.

Several of Rachel Carter's family were here over the weekend to help with jobs, such as painting that Rachel needed done about the house.

Sunflower Senior potluck dinner will be held at the Center at noon on Tuesday, March 9. Abusiness meeting will be held after the meal.

fifth in oration.

Chamber News

It's snowing again, but we are getting closer to spring. I went visiting at one of my kids in Russell this past weekend and did a little shopping along the way. I purchased some flower bulbs that I hope will be colors to compliment my house color when it is done. I actually had someone tell me yesterday that they liked my choice in house colors, while others have questioned my choice several times. Well, we'll see what the outcome is in a few months.

Last week we had a Ribbon Cutting ceremony at the new business of Creative Collisions, which is located on north Highway 83. The business is operated by Robert Daniels and Kyle Kindall. Coffee Hour was also held at the business during the morning. Chamber board members, city council members, chamber secretary, Economic Development members, and the city administrator were in attendance. The shop is well equipped to take care of all repairs created by colli-



By Carolyn Hackney sions, such as modern paint booth, and a frame-straightening machine. The shop is large enough to hold many projects at one time. We wish them well in their new venture.

I would like to remind everyone that the dress shop in Ellis, "ATimeless Tradition", will donate \$20 per dress purchased to our school prom project. It could be worth your time to check it out, and it is not very far from home.

Also remember the Good Samaritan-Decatur County Hoedown coming up at the American Legion on Saturday, March 20. I don't know what this is all about, but it seems like something fun to do, and will benefit the Good Samaritan Center.

On March 13, KFNF is sponsoring the annual Farm and Home Show at the Gateway Civic Center from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. There are always some interesting and new things available from our area businesses.

Have a great week!!

To everything there is a season, A time for every purpose under heaven. Ecclesiastes 3.





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