

THE OBERLIN HERALD

Events of Yesteryear

By Jody Betts

125 YEARS AGO — Aug. 1886

E.E. VanEpps' photograph gallery is now located opposite the Oberlin House.

J.C. Emahizer completed the moving of his furniture stock into the Neill building last Monday.

The name of Leonard, Sherman County, has been changed to Itasca, and under this name a post office has been granted.

B&M surveyors are surveying a line from Oxford to Pueblo.

The artesian well as now reached the depth of 1100 feet with some addition to the volume of flow and the water rises with sufficient force to throw a stream 20 feet above the surface. As the tubing extends only to the depth of 100 feet it is probable that a good deal of water goes to waste that will reach the surface when additional tubing is put on.

100 YEARS AGO — Aug. 1911

A great run: On June 10, ten automobiles were backed into the surf at Atlantic City and on Aug. 12 the same automobiles ran their front wheels into the surf of the Pacific at Venice, a suburb of Los Angeles. They traveled 4,509 miles in 20 running days.

Judge. W.S. Langmade returned from his trip to Texas the first of the week; he thinks that country a good place to live.

Mr. Hoagland, a B. & M. civil engineer was in Oberlin inspecting the ditch being constructed east of the ball ground. He gave it as his opinion that Oberlin will not be free from being flooded occasionally until a ditch adequate to carry flood water of Connell Draw is made west of the ball ground.

The school board received a telegram from Prof. Clow asking to be allowed to resign the position as principal of the high school at this place. A special meeting of the board was held and his resignation accepted.

Shelley Keiser, Homer Murlin and Harry LeBaron left Monday evening to join the motorcycle club at Rexford and make a trip to the mountains for a summer outing.

75 YEARS AGO — Aug. 1936

Fine looking livestock, attractive cakes, breads and cookies, pretty dresses and handwork were all a part of the exhibits of the first Decatur County 4-H and Vocational Agriculture Fair in Oberlin last Tuesday. Judges were Miss Margaret Glass and Mr. Earl Coulter of Kansas State College and cham-

pio exhibitors were as follows: Elden Cody, livestock, Mount Pleasant 4-H; Harry Brown, crops, Sappa Valley; Dorothy Counter, home economics, Busy Bee.

Fire completely destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Banta southwest of Oberlin while the Bantas were in Denver with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Campbell for a few days vacation. It is thought that the Bantas and daughter Mary Eleanor will make their home temporarily in one of the apartments in the H.Q. Banta home.

The place for the first annual Sacred Heart Carnival Picnic will be Peters Park and it will last until midnight or later.

New teachers assigned for Oberlin Elementary School are: Miss Marshall, 7th and 8th grade math and history Miss Frickey, 5th grade and Miss Louise Anderson, 3rd grade.

A contract for graveling the 12 miles of the new Highway 183 south of Oberlin will soon be let and the highway will be opened, one of the last counties to complete this federal highway.

Jennings: Professor Zeigler and wife of Gem are moving here this week where he will teach in the Jennings schools. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bainter are visiting Yellowstone Park this week. A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Carper last week.

Traer: Work will be started on the new school building this week.

John Willcoxon, who is employed in Abilene this summer, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S.R. Willcoxon over the weekend. He plans to return to Fort Hays Kansas State College this fall.

Dresden: The R.N.A. members and their families had a picnic supper at the IOOF Hall in honor of Mr. and Mr. Clair McKay who are moving to Colorado in the hope of benefiting Mr. McKay's health. Following the meal Mrs. Rosena Karls was the program leader.

A crowd numbering 600 attended the 50th anniversary of St. John's Lutheran Church in spite of the fact that it was such a hot day. The women of the church served 575 plates according to Rev. F.A. Wegener, pastor of the church. Three services were presented during the day: a mission service in German, a jubilee service and a reunion service.

Birth Announcements: Mr. and Mrs. Lyle McGee, son, James Arthur, Aug. 17; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Vernon, Hill City, daughter Aug.

15; Mr. and Mrs. Farley Mac Anderson, Cambridge, Nebraska, a daughter.

50 YEARS AGO — Aug. 1961

The Oberlin schools will start Sept. 1 and a full teaching staff has been hired at OCS but one vacancy remains at DCHS, that of a vocal instructor. Three new teachers at DCHS are Loy Mason, vocational homemaking; Gailord Bellamy, industrial arts, physical education, coach football and track and assist with basketball and Harold Raburn, history, drivers education, coach basketball and assist with football and track.

John Bearley is the new principal at Oberlin Elementary School replacing Ira Laidig who resigned after 31 years. Bearley has been a faculty member for the past 12 years and has served as assistant principal in recent years. New teachers include Phil Nemeth who has taught at Larned and Herndon and will be a departmental teacher and coach; Mrs. Tom Herring and Mrs. Gary Gunn, Mrs. Dwayne Jones and Mrs. Howard Votapka, all three of whom have taught previously at OCS.

Carol Schissler has been hired as secretary at OCS replacing Mrs. Verle Walker. Miss Scheisler graduated from DCHS with the Class of 1961.

Oberlin's modern new bowling lanes, the Centennial Bowl, is now operating at full capacity.

Selden: Funeral services were held at Sacred Heart Church for Fred Mumm, 73, a successful farmer near Selden. He is survived by his wife, Sadie, and 13 children.

Construction is expected to begin next month to widen US-36 through Oberlin to four lanes. Traffic will be routed south along the cemetery to Commercial Street past the high school to Highway US-83 and north again to Highway 36.

Black Angus cattle breeders will hold a tour in Decatur County during which the first stop will be at the Howard McKay farm to view commercial feeding practices, then to the Fred Counter farm to learn about the purebred phase of breeding and a final stop at the Carl Frickey place.

Hospital News: Mr. and Mrs. Francis Farr, Oberlin, daughter, 8/21/61.

25 YEARS AGO — Aug. 1986

School will begin Monday, Aug. 25, at USD 294 Oberlin/Norca-

tur according to Superintendent of Schools Keith Adams with a projected enrollment of 580 for grades K-12.

At USD 295 Jennings/Clayton school will begin Aug. 21 with a projected enrollment of 110 according to Supt. Lauren Y. Gaddis. All-day kindergarten classes will be held Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week at the Clayton school.

Herndon Superintendent of Schools Henry Potts is predicting an enrollment of 80 with classes to begin Aug. 25.

At Golden Plains Schools, Rexford and Selden, the projected enrollment is 300, according to Mike Wilson, superintendent of schools.

County taxpayers will be staring at a 29.738 mill levy, an increase of nearly nine mills, which reflects the high cost of the mandated reappraisal.

Summer storms continue to leave their mark on Decatur County farms as the southwest corner of the county was drenched and flood waters damaged crops along the south fork of Sappa Creek and both forks of the Prairie Dog. At the Gerald Dellere farmstead in Cook township 4.15 inches fell with hail. In Bassettville Township amounts ranging from 3-4 inches were reported at the home of Earl Brown, Chuck Young and Don Wasson with damage to hay and crops. Decatur County engineer Jim Baxendale said it would be a week before the crews can get in the area to repair damage to roads and bridges.

Adolf Lohefener was honored on his 101st birthday on Aug. 15 with a party at Good Samaritan Center where he now resides.

A local private game preserve with 1,200 acres of hunting preserve land will open for business Sept. 1. Owners and operators are Dr. J.A. Anderson, Oberlin, and Amy and Steve Anderson, Edmond, Okla.

Funeral services were held Aug. 20 for Delbert Shields, 62, who worked as a printer for 37 years having worked for the Selden Advocate, Hoxie Sentinel, The Oberlin Herald and Northwest Clarion. He served in the U.S. Navy in World War II and is survived by his wife, Catherine, five sons, Larry, Lloyd, Leslie, Lee and Alan and three daughters, Kathleen, Teresa and Charlene and his mother, Tillie Shields.

Herndon News

By Julie Hafner

Gary Nemeth of Baltimore, Md., spent 10 days visiting his parents, Bob and Geraldine Nemeth and family in the area. He attended the wedding of his niece, Emily Timm, and Cedric Geen on Aug. 6 in Atwood.

Family participating in the Marintzer annual pickle-fest this year, held at the Chris and Joe Halling home in Thornton, Colo., were Bud and Vicky Mumm, Gem; Bud's sister, Judy and husband Gordon Smith, Greeley, Colo.; Anita Mumm and friend, Marco, and Joe Marintzer, Denver; Greg Mumm and friend, Lina, Cheyenne, Wyo.; Lydia Bryan, Arvada, Colo.; and Damian and Linda Marintzer, Westminster, Colo. The secret to making good pickles, according to a

family member, is to hold off on the singing and dancing and listen for the pop of the seals. Mother Doris would be happy to know this tradition is being kept alive.

Surprise visitors Saturday afternoon at the home of Bob and Julie Hafner were Lucille Barenberg, and Glen and Cindy Stadig, Aurora, Colo.; Patricia Tongish, Newton, and Barbara Leitner, Albuquerque, N.M. Lucille has fond memories of visiting her Grandpa and Grandma Huttles many years ago when the home was built.

St. Mary's Catholic Youth Organization will be serving a Back-To-School Breakfast on Sunday from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Hall. Donations will be accepted to help with expenses to attend the National

Catholic Youth Conference in November in Indianapolis, Ind. They will be serving pancakes, sausage, eggs, fruit, coffee and juice. Everyone is welcome.

Matt and Angela Haller of Atascadero, Calif., are the parents of a daughter, Emily Ann. She was born Friday, Aug. 19, weighing 8 pounds, 13 ounces and measuring 20 inches long. She has a sister Hannah and brother Thomas to welcome her home. Grandparents are Dave and Linda Haller, Hurricane, Utah, and Tom and Myra Sattler, Herndon.

Bob and Julie Hafner visited the Orphan Train Museum and the Brown-Grand Theater in Concordia recently. From Concordia, they traveled to Hays where they visited Nick and Martha Korbe in the afternoon and attended an annual fish fry in the evening.

Visitors of Carol Kompus, Oberlin, last week were Pat Marintzer, Idalia, Colo., and Jim and Sharon Vogel, Herndon. Pat spent enjoyable time with her mother, Wilma Bobinmyer, at Cedar Living Center in Oberlin.

Dean, Deb, Marcus and Neil Portschy spent the weekend in Stockton and attended the Rooks County Free Fair. They went especially to watch their nephew and cousin, Adam Murchie, in the Demolition Derby on Saturday night. After a brunch with family and friends on Sunday morning at the home of Scot and Denise Murchie, the Portschys returned home.

Cedar Living News

By Teresa Shaughnessy

The Oberlin Lions Club will be hosting a benefit supper on Friday evening at the Golden Age Center to raise money for medical expenses for Dennis Brown. Dennis has been a volunteer at Cedar Living Center and around the community for many years, providing a variety of services and donations through the Forget-Me-Not organization.

Dennis hosted special dinners and parties, helped with a variety of activities, and donated supplies for special events, including the annual Family Christmas Party.

Any resident living at Cedar Living Center in the past 15 years has probably benefited in one way or another from his generosity. I would encourage family members and friends of current and former residents to participate in this fund raising event. For those unable to attend, donations could be sent to the Lions Club, in care of Pastor

Charlotte Strecker-Baseler, 306 W. Oak, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

The staff of Decatur Health Systems will be donating the paper supplies used at the benefit as well as providing some volunteer assistance.

Plans are under way for a free hot dog lunch to be served at Cedar Living Center on Friday, Sept. 9, in honor of the birthday of the hot dog. Mark your calendar now and watch for more information.

There were several winners at the dice game played on Monday afternoon. Snacks were served following the game. Myrna Jones and Mary Ann Amack hosted the sing-along time before supper on Monday.

Joan Noble won the first bingo on Tuesday afternoon and Wilma May won the blackout game.

Tara Votapka entertained residents on Wednesday afternoon

with stories from her recent trip to Brazil. Tara and several family members traveled to Brazil to attend the wedding of a former exchange student who lived with the Votapka family.

Cheryl Metcalf provided a concert of piano favorites before supper on Wednesday afternoon. She played a variety of music, which often had residents and staff singing or humming along.

Teresa Shaughnessy hosted a social hour on Thursday afternoon followed by a Bible study lesson. We hope to find a permanent leader for our Bible study in the near future. Anyone interested could give us a call at 475-2276.

The baking group made chocolate chip cookies on Friday afternoon. We never seem to keep a chocolate chip cookie around for long.

The activity department teamed

up with the dietary staff to host an ice cream sundae party following supper on Sunday evening. Each resident selected the toppings of their choice including strawberry, caramel, butterscotch, bananas, chocolate, whipped cream, nuts, and cherries. Those helping make the sundaes included Roberta Blake, Erin Jeffrey, Pam Anderson, and Teresa Shaughnessy.

Recent visitors: Susie Youngblood, Linda Files, Atwood; Norma Ward, Clayton; Cheri Kastens, Herndon; Gary and Debbie Luedders, Greta, Neb.; Sevier and Mary Luedders, Renee Luedders, Aurora, Colo.; Ryan Luedders, Kansas City.

Marian Dempewolf, Ila Ray, Mirium Fisher, Marilyn Gambelin, Connie Miller, Jim Gambelin, Carol Kompus, Robert and Penny Fringer, Lyle Gambelin, Oberlin.

Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

The Jennings community extends sympathy to the family of Galen Carper. Galen was a long-time resident and graduated from Jennings High School in 1945. He died Friday, Aug. 19.

Graveside services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 27, at the Jennings Cemetery. Family will then go to the United Methodist Church to visit.

Anyone who would like to help bake kolaches for Firemen's Fun Day should come to the former Masonic Hall at 9 a.m. on Friday. We need lots of workers.

Kolaches may be pre-ordered by calling Marge Hartzog at (785) 678-3010 or Dorothy Vacura at 678-8133. We will be baking cherry, cottage cheese, poppy seed, prune, peach, apricot and apple.

Anyone who would like to help out at the Czech Museum on Fireman's Fun Day, Saturday, should call Neoma Tacha at 678-2470 or Lila Jennings at 678-2299 to set up a time.

Imogene Keenan has a new granddaughter, Blake Anthony, born to Michelle and Tony Dorencamp of Hoxie. Grandma Janeil Dillings of Goodland is helping in the home with care of the newborn and the three older siblings.

Keith and Helen Muirhead, Dresden, flew to Chicago to join their daughter, Teffani and grandchildren, Natalia and Dylan for a 12-day cruise on the Carnival ship, Magic. They flew to London first to sight

see before going on to Barcelona, Spain, to board the ship for a cruise on the Mediterranean. Teffani's husband, Joe, joined them there and also their daughter, Michelle and husband Tom Zodrow and their son, Austin. The ports of call were Barcelona; Monaco; and Civitavecchia, Livorno, Naples, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, Venice and Messina, Italy; and Dubrovnik, Croatia.

Keith and Helen Muirhead went to Denver for the Annual Mercy Hospital Alumni Banquet at the Lakewood Country Club. It was the 60th year celebration of Helen's class.

Guests of Mike and Joan McKenna for the Decatur County Fair were Amy and Doug Osborn, Overland Park; Brett and Tracey McKenna, Claffin, and Becca Peterson, Will and Henry of DeMotte, Ind. They helped operate the Twist Over on Saturday. The Petersons spent the week with the McKennas.

The former Rock Island 4-H members and friends installed the playground equipment from the Jennings School at its new home on Kansas Avenue in Jennings. Those helping included: Brett and Tracey McKenna, Claffin; Amy and Doug Osborn, Overland Park; Becca Peterson, Will and Henry, DeMotte, Ind.; Sarah McKenna, Topeka; Marcus McKenna, Wichita; Mike McKenna, Chris McKenna, Becky Carter, Josh Davis, Dave Krizek, Paula Bolt, Tom Votapka and Terri Hanke, Jennings.

Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

The annual trail ride at Ginther Stables near Achilles will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday as a benefit for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital with J.R. and Carrol in charge.

Dan Fields of Atwood will have a wagon available for anyone who wants to ride with him. Call (785) 626-9597 for reservations. There will be a barbecue at 5 p.m. and Indian dancers will perform at 7 p.m. Donations are needed to help pay the expenses of the dancers. For details, call the Ginthers at (785) 322-5343.

Janet Vermillion of El Dorado

visited several days last week with her mother, Mildred Holmdahl, and Mike and Janeil Jensen.

Jerry and Connie Olson have returned home from Omaha, where he had been hospitalized.

The congregations of the Lund, Herndon and Oberlin Covenant churches will meet at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the Oberlin City Park for worship services, followed by a potluck dinner.

Steve and Arian Arnold were Saturday supper guests of Galen and Lynn Olson in honor of the Arnolds' 47th wedding anniversary.

Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Gerald Olson is now home recuperating after being hospitalized in Omaha.

Tami Shaw and Dante returned home Sunday after spending a few days visiting her sister, Becky Rohr, in Colorado Springs.

Nolan May and Tori Basore, Lawrence, were Tuesday overnight guests of the Dan Nedland family.

Rhonda May and Elizabeth Nedland returned home Wednesday after spending a few days vacationing in Breckenridge, Colo.

Kenzie Fisher, Alyssa Rippe and Nikki Wessel attended a bachelorette party for Becky Helm Thursday evening, hosted by Jessica Bremer and Kayla Zodrow, and enjoyed an evening of visiting, food, and movies. Becky will be a September bride of Jaron Cox, and they are both students at Kansas State University.

Hannah, Zach and Ryan May, Elizabeth Nedland and Cassidy Shields were among the DCHS Singers attending the annual singers retreat Friday and Saturday at the

high school. The youth worked on music, routines and choreography for the upcoming year as well as enjoying a potluck supper at the high school, a bonfire in the country, games, and bowling.

Rhonda May and Cameron Nedland helped move Hunter and Rhiannon Nedland to Kansas State University in Manhattan on Saturday. Hunter is a sophomore, Rhiannon is a freshman, and Cameron is a senior there this fall. Rhonda returned home Saturday evening.

John and Dianne Bremer and Jessica left Friday for Topeka where they moved Jessica into an apartment complex on the Washburn University campus. En route, they stopped in Downs where Jessica visited with a college friend, Darin Simmons, who was leaving in a couple days for Spain, where he will be studying abroad this semester. Jessica is a senior this year, majoring in accounting and finance. John and Dianne returned home Sunday.

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