THE OBERLIN HERALD Events of Yesteryear

125 YEARS AGO - Oct. 1886

Ben Weir's flour and feed store is indergoing extensive repairs. An average of three cars of coal

and lumber arrive daily for our nerchants. Hudgens & Donovan have added

to their office fixtures a Remington standard typewriter. George Vawter, clerk for Emil

Weil, was thrown from a horse last Sunday and badly hurt.

The best half-bushel of potatoes we have yet seen were raised by J.E. Plotts. They were of the White Star variety.

The Fifth Annual Fair of the Decatur County Agricultural Society was a grand success and well attended throughout. Galloway cattle dominated in the cattle division of the livestock exhibit.

The Citizen's State Bank as been reorganized as a state bank with a capital of \$60,000 and the following corps of officers: Owen Phillips, president; S.R. Culp, vice president; R.O. Kindig, cashier; J.H. Krider, assistant cashier and I.C. Guy, Guy R. Brown, A.J. King, J.E. Mason and E.S. Kulp as additional directors.

100 YEARS AGO - Oct. 1911

Oct. 19th and the flowers are still blooming and leaves on the trees are as green as they were in June.

A cold rain all day Sunday gave us 88 of an inch of moisture – great for the wheat.

The high school football game between Oberlin and Norton ended in a 6-6 tie.

William D. Street died Sunday afternoon following a stroke of apoplexy on the preceding Thursday. R.W. Scott, engineer at the mill, had an arm broken recently by allowing his coat sleeve to get caught

in a belt. The morning run of the city light plant for the winter season was started Monday morning with Jim Burchett having both the night and morning runs for the present. Late to bed and early to rise.

Jennings: Frank Machart and Miss Anna Ledvinka have been granted a license to wed by Judge Macfee.

75 YEARS AGO — Oct. 1936

If there ever was any doubt of Sam Francis being the hub of the Nebraska Cornhusker football team, that doubt was dispelled Saturday when he led his team back onto the field in the second half of the game with Indiana to switch a 9-0 loss into a 13-9 victory for the Cornhuskers. Among those who were in

several seasons the football team of Jennings Community High School is whipping about everybody. Last Friday they trimmed Logan 38-0 and two weeks ago they turned back the Atwood Buffaloes to the tune of 12 to 6.

Danbury: William R. Burbridge observed his 100th birthdy at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W.J. Stigebouer. Born in Kentucky he settled in Decatur county just south of the state line in 1884 and opeened a blacksmith shop. He says he cast his first vote for Abraham Lincoln whom he personally knew and admired. He has been married three times and is the father of 10 children, five boys and five girls.

Mrs. Charlie Harmon was guest of honor at a big birthday surprise in her honor at the Nathan Watson home Sunday with almost 70 people bringing food. The afternoon was spent singing and socially and Mrs. Harmon was given a handkerchief shower in honor of the day.

Dresden: Caroline Dempewolf, who has been attending school in Leoville, has enrolled at Dresden High School.

50 YEARS AGO - Oct. 1961

The City of Oberlin is to have a new post office which will be located on the southwest corner of Hall and Griffith streets. Mrs. Gladys Meisner, postmaster, said that bids for construction of the facility are to be submitted by Nov. 20.

Mrs. Dale Brunk has leased the Frontier Cafe from Mr. and Mrs. Bill Warren. The cafe has been newly redecorated and will reopen Oct. 30.

Funeral services were held at St. John's Lutheran Church for Matt Demmer, 84, who came to this country as a small boy and resided all his life in Decatur County.

V.J. Morton was appointed as Decatur County probate judge by Gov. John Anderson. He succeeds the late George Nellans.

The unbeaten Colby High School football team has an easy contest with the Red Devils downing them 68-0

The 52 members of the Jennings High School band will march in the homecoming parade at Fort Hays State on Saturday morning.

New Arrivals: Mr. and Mrs. RussellRaulston, son, RussellReed, 10-21-61; Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Richards, McCook, daughter, Tamela Ann, 10-17-61.

Miss Margaret Eiler of Los Ange-

Jennings: As in most of the past Plains area is in a period of economic adjustment: agriculture, aircraft and farm machinery manufacturing. Kansas faces extended economic troubles and the future is rather bleak," Oberlin City Administrator Bob Finkbiner said in an interview with the Oberlin Herald. He added that the course Oberlin takes in the coming years will determine whether the community survives in this time of change.

Doyle Beamgard, chairman of the board of The State Bank of Atwood, has announced the bank's purchase of the State Bank of Herndon building. He said that the purchase of the building from the FDIC is in anticipation of opening a branch bank at the Herndon location. The bank was closed by the FDIC in August 1985.

The harvest of the fall crop has again been delayed by showers but yields of milo have been better than expected in some areas and about half of he fall crop is out of the field.

Steve Viney, a salesman for KSNK-TV for the past two years, was named manager of the local television station. Besides Viney, the station employs Delmer Coss,

By Jody Betts

chief engineer; Jack Benton, assistant chief engineer: Rhonda Salem, Monica Lincoln and John Shrewsbury, engineer department; Evan Wilson and Mary Bethell, part-time and camera; Charlene Reynolds and David Baker, production; Choral Unger, traffic; Royce Wilson and Bill Wilcox, news, and Robert Salem and Leighman Covington, sales.

Both the first and second-string quarterbacks for the Oberlin Red Devils were unable to play Friday night leaving Coach Earl Barber to start running back John Adams as signal caller in the home game with Goodland. Brad Burmaster was the leading rusher for the Red Devils in a losing cause with the Cowboys winning 28-10.

Flag Team members who performed with the DCHS marching band at a contest in Hays last Saturday earned a I rating in competition with 10 other entries. Team members are Dena Lauderback, Rachael Morgan, Stephanie Unger, Shannon Addleman, Laurie O'Toole, Jeni Peter, Andrea Arnold and Catherine Braden. Director is Ken Honas.

Chamber News By Carolyn Hackney

Is November almost here?

Thanksgiving time again, and the planning has started. Thanksgiving in one of the holidays that I never know for sure who is coming and who is not, so I just cook a bunch. Then guess what, my freezer is full of leftovers for a week or two of meals.

Thanksgiving is one of my favorite holidays. It helps me get things back in line for the coming year.

A community garden project is being researched with two garden spots being donated if there is enough interest. This project is for anyone who wishes to grow vegetables or flowers. There are no income requirements, just an interest in growing something and maybe help others to learn. I do have four names so far, so call the Chamber office if you are interested.

The Prairie Chapel Church is having a Harvest Supper this Sunday beginning at 5:30 p.m. They have planned a campfire hot dog roast with baked beans, s'mores, and hot drinks. If you plan to attend, items you can choose from to bring are les, Calif., recently celebrated her hot dogs with buns, Hershey bars, 90th birthday and in response to an marshmallows, graham crackers, Lincoln to see the game were Mr. article about her teaching career in instant hot drink mix of any kind. A small impromptu service will 150 cards and letters from persons be held and maybe a couple songs. she had taught more than 50 years Bring your favorite outdoor chair

planned for Halloween afternoon. The parade will start at grade school, on to Good Samaritan Center, then down Main Street. Any business is welcome to have treats for the children in front of their stores.

Oberlin Business Alliance is again sponsoring the Business-To-Business Tour on Sunday, Nov. 13 to help kick off the Christmas season. Businesses that participate do not need to be a Chamber or Alliance member. The tour will start at 4 p.m., with soup and desserts served by Chamber members following the tour at about 6 p.m. in the Bee Building. There is no charge for the tour, but a donation jar will be available for the refreshments. I still find it amazing what our town has to offer. Please come and help promote our town by seeing what is available so you can spread the work to others.

"Wrap Up A Merry Christmas" is the theme chosen for the Friday, Nov. 25, Light Parade. That should bring out lots of ideas. I have registrations here in the Chamber office or contact Gary Walter or Judy Scott to have an entry in the parade.

The Holiday Craft Show is again planned for Saturday, Nov. 26 at the

Cedar Living News By Teresa Shaughnessy

Residents and staff are excited about the upcoming Halloween festivities. The third-grade students from Oberlin Elementary will be making their annual visit to Cedar Living Center on Halloween afternoon

The students have been coming every year for more than 20 years to sing songs and recite poems, while dressed in their spookiest costumes. We will also be looking forward to having lots of ghosts and goblins visiting.

The residents will have plenty of candy and will be hoping for a big crowd of children. We will be ready after the Spook Parade ends downtown and we will take visitors until 8 p.m. on Halloween night.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Darlene Baughman who passed away at Cedar Living Center on Thursday.

Several residents tried their luck at the penny card game played on Monday afternoon. Those joining in on the fun included Darlene Fisher, Irene Fringer, Alvina Gamblin, Lyle Gamblin, Donna Kent, Ira Kolsky, Joan Noble, and Mary Votapka.

Myrna Jones and Mary Ann Amack led the sing-along time before supper on Monday.

Wilma LaSalle won the first bingo on Tuesday afternoon. The blackout game ended in a tie between Wilma May and Donna Kent.

The craft group met on Wednesday afternoon to make ghost decorations to hang in the dining room, which is now looking quite festive for the upcoming holiday.

In honor of October being National Residents' Rights Month, we held a special party on Thursday afternoon. Those attending the party played a game of Residents' Rights bingo. Following the game everyone was treated to a root beer float.

The baking group made pumpkin chocolate chunk cookies on Friday afternoon. Believe it or not, chocolate and pumpkin do make a mighty fine cookie.

Teresa Shaughnessy attended the luncheon given by The Oberlin Herald at noon on Friday at the LandMark Inn. We are pleased to share the news from Cedar Living Center each week with the paper.

The dietary department and the activity department teamed up on Sunday evening to make ice cream sundaes for dessert. Each resident picked the toppings to go on their special sundae.

With help from transportation bus driver, Bernie Goetz, several residents were able to enjoy a fall foliage tour around town after supper on Sunday evening. Riders included Floyd Lotker, Lee Ploussard, Mary Votapka, Wilma May, and Joan Noble. The group especially enjoyed riding around SappaPark.

Recent Visitors: Ellen and Iris Osborne, Wichita; Tara Sue Larson, Sarah and Bailey Wolf, Colby; Susie Youngblood, Atwood; Linda Bosler, Ester and Ann Pennington, Herndon; Norma Ward, Clayton; Robert and Penny Fringer, Carol Kompus, Marian Dempewolf, Judith LaBash, Catherine Neal, Eula Juenemann, Fern Moore, Oberlin.

Selden News By Jacque Boultinghouse

The following Large Print Books were recently shelved at the Selden Public Library: "The Mercy," by Beverly Lewis; "Justice," by Karen Robards; "Saint's Gate," by Carla Neggers; "The Silent Girl," by Tess Gerritsen; "Love Finds You in Groom, Texas," by Janice Hanna; "Heartwishes," by Jude Deveraux; "Lethal," by Sandra Brown; "The Survivor," by Shelley Shepard Gray; "1105 Yakima Street," by Debbie Macomber; "Prey," by Linda Howard; "Wildflower Hill," by Kimberly Freeman; "Ghost on Black Mountain," by Ann Hite; "Flash and Bones," by Kathy Reichs; and "Kill Me If You Can," by James Patterson. Also shelved was the children's

book: "If you Give a Pig A Party," by Laura Numeroff.

Birthdays and Anniversaries: Oct. 28, Dawson Spresser, Zane Pauls; Oct. 29, Chris Springer, Jack McKee, Mea Affolter; Oct.

31, Paula McKenna; Nov. 1, Jason Geisinger, Jim Schieferecke Jr.; Nov. 2, Gail McKee Smith, Pat Koerperich, Gloria Goscha, Allison Benoit; Nov. 3, David Becker, Mike Neff, Daris DeGood, Kyle Carmon, Helen Carman.

School Calendar: Oct. 28, No School; Oct. 31, 4 p.m. Scholars Bowl at Rexford; Nov. 3, Junior high and high school fall music program.

On Oct. 20, during Senior Citizens at the Community Center, Carl Mumm won high, Marilyn Meyer took second, Carlene Bruggeman got low and Betty James had the most nines. Other members present included: Pat Wessel, Bernita Aumiller, Royce Cook, Jeanie Spresser, Matt Finnesy, Lola Cook, Edna Schiltz, Ralph Weis, Gail Mumm, Lillian Sulzman, Helen Karls and Ann Hazlitt.

Don't forget on the evening of food banks. If you want to donate,

and Mrs. Jay Paddock, Geraldine and Doreen, Mrs. E. S. Dean; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thomsen and Noel, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Addleman, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kester and Mr. and Mrs Mike Roach.

Hospital News: On Oct. 19 a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Lytle of Selden.

Traer: Excavation has begun for the schoolhouse as one of the WPA projects in Decatur County.

Friends here of Bess Furman Armstrong were interested to know that she had accompanied President and Mrs. Roosevelt's train on his 10-day tour of the middle west as a writer with the Associated Press. While stopped in North Platte, Neb., early Sunday morning for the change of train crews, she was able to visit with A.C. and Charles Furman of Danbury and Dr. and Mrs. D. A. Furman, Charlot and Donald of McCook. It is thought she will accompany Mrs. Roosevelt to Hyde Park after their return.

the Kansas City Star, received over ago. Her first term of school was in for around the fire. 1897 at Cedar Bluffs, Dist. 30 where she received \$30 a month and two years later she was at Dist. 55 earning \$35 a month. She then taught in Kansas City at the Woodland and Bryant schools where she taught two generations of many families until her retirement about 20 years ago. Area relatives include a niece,

Mrs. Dole (Phyllis Eiler) Metcalf. Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wagoner of Dresden announce the engagement of their daughter, Violet, to George Schieferecke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Schieferecke, also of Dresden. She is presently employed at the Colby Clinic and he is stationed in the Bermuda Islands with the U.S. Navy.

25 YEARS AGO - Oct. 1986 "The whole economic picture in the State of Kansas and the High

A reminder that the Farm Bureau is sponsoring a defensive driving course on Saturday, Nov. 12 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. You may call their office at 475-2238 and ask for Tammy for information.

The Spook Parade, sponsored by the Oberlin Business Alliance, is

Gateway Civic Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you are a vendor with a craft or home business and wish to participate, please call the Chamber office at 785-475-3441 or stop by the Chamber office Monday-Friday 1-5 p.m. to pick up the show information and registration. We have many vendors with a nice variety of merchandise, but there is still room for more.

Have a great week!

Traer News By Maralyn Courange

Maralyn Courange attended the first birthday party for her greatgranddaughter, Madalynn Ware, on Oct. 1 at Barnett Park in McCook. Others attending were Barb Cruz, Justin and Elleza, Jessica Smudde and daughter, Crystal Wagner; Morgan Sines and daughter, Claire Coady, Victoria Lang, Morgan and Eris of McCook; Carolyn Walters and Aiden from Wyoming; Kirk Ware and Lakin Brown, Oberlin; Gabe Ware, Culbertson, Neb.; Kane Ware, Greeley, Colo., and Mada-

lynn's mother, Sare Ware. Gabe Ware, grandson of Maralyn Courange, was crowned Homecoming King at the Hitchcock football game, Oct. 14. Queen was Laramy Lewis of Trenton. Laura Miller and Cale Brown were first attendants and Jacee Kershaw and Alex Pallman were second attendants.

Maralyn Courange was a dinner guest of Jerridee and Dennis Vernon and Patty Brown at the Brown home on Thursday.

30, Cee Ann Wessel Affolter; Oct. leave your porch light on.

Jennings News By Louise Cressler

The ham, bean and combread din- casserole, biscuits and gravy. Doner, sponsored by the Legion, on Oct. 16 was well attended. A bake sale and sack sale was also held.

Starting this week Jennings Blood Pressure Clinic will be held on Tuesday from 9 a.m. to noon. Starting Nov. 8, Dr. Albert, Sean Conroy, and Robin Williamson will alternate seeing patients at the Jennings Clinic every other Tuesday afternoon from 1 to 4 p.m. Appointments may be made by calling the Family Practice Clinic, 785-475-2015. Appointments may also be made by calling the Jennings Clinic Tuesday morning, 678-2350 or 678-2408. Walk-ins are welcome. Dr. Albert will be in the Jennings Clinic on Nov. 8.

The Historic Building Preservation Committee will serve breakfast at 6 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 12, at the former Masonic Hall in Jennings. The menu includes a breakfast

nations will be taken. All pheasant hunters and local citizens are asked to attend. Proceeds will be used to assist in the purchase of central heat and air conditioning in the Hall.

Saturday, Oct. 29 from 8 a.m. to noon the Decatur Tomorrow "Vision Retreat" will be held at the Faith Lutheran Church in Oberlin.

Katie Golemboski, Lexy and Lenzy from Colby visited Saturday with her grandparents, Stan and Ramona Shaw, and Agnes Wahlmeier.

The United Methodist Church held its Charge Conference Sunday with Max Clayton, Hays District Supt. presiding. There were 18 people attending. After approving the budget and the report by the nominating committee, the Vital Congregation program was discussed.

Hope you all get outside and enjoy these beautiful fall days.

Lyle News

By Veda Wood

Toots Magers played pitch with the Senior Citizens, and said there were nine players. Judy Easton stayed with Toots Saturday and attended church with her on Sunday.

Larry Sumner's daughter, Amanda, and children, Spencer and Shelby also visited church. Spencer honored us with a tune on the piano. Our regulars and visitors added up to 14 on Sunday.

Dorothy Ward, Bee Nelson, Carolyn Plotts and myself enjoyed the delicious Oberlin Herald correspondents' luncheon on Friday.

The Norcatur soup and pie supper and bazaar brought a good crowd, followed by a lot of fun at the sale. Duane McEwen, auctioneer, did a good job as usual.

Mount Pleasant News By Dianne Bremer

John and Edith Tate returned home Oct. 10 after spending a few days in Kansas City attending Mrs. Tate's Kansas University School of Nursing 40th class alumni reunion.

John and Edith Tate attended the 40th wedding anniversary celebration held for Larry and Judy (Noren) Thelander on Saturday, Oct. 15, in Salina.

Jay and Suzanne Cooper, Wichita, attended St. John's Lutheran Church's 125th anniversary celebration Oct. 16, in Oberlin as well as visited her parents, Wayne and Lois Larson.

Brian and Sarah (May) Shaw, Caden and Landon, Andover, and Marvin May were Friday noon dinner guests of Martin and Evelyn May.

Elizabeth Nedland, Mollie Tate,

and Erin May participated in the Piano Clinic held Saturday in Phillipsburg. Elizabeth and Mollie played a duet in the student recital at the end of the clinic, and Elizabeth received an Honorable Mention on her piano solo. Congratulations to all those participating for a job well done!

Jaron and Tara Tate and Abigail, Fort Collins, Colo., arrived Friday to spend the weekend with his parents and brother, the John and Jay Tate families, returning home Sunday. Abigail was a Friday overnight guest at the Jay Tate home.

Nolan May, Lawrence, Cole May, Manhattan, and Jessica Bremer, Topeka, attended the funeral of their classmate and friend, Corey Cook, 22, Saturday morning. They also visited family and friends while in Oberlin over the weekend.

Ashley Skinner, who were married on Saturday afternoon at the Presbyterian Church in Wamego. The bride is the daughter of Robert and Carol Fink of Wamego and her maternal grandparents are Norma Anderson of Oberlin and the late Gordon Anderson. The newlyweds will make their home in Bryan, Texas.

Among relatives attending the wedding were Norma Anderson, Vince and Gayle Carlson, Jason Anderson and Sean, Clay and Jennie Anderson, Cowen and Grant, and Joy Votapka from this area, Dustin and Kendra Pelton and Addy, Burdett; Lynn Anderson, Austin, Texas; and Nancy Ellis, Topeka.

Blake Bergling, son of Mark and

Congratulations to Beau and Gail Bergling, is recuperating from knee surgery which he underwent last week in Kearney, Neb., caused from a recent injury in a football game.

> Clint Schmidt of Denver spent the weekend with his parents, Chris and Sherri Schmidt. Chris Schmidt is recuperating from surgery which he underwent last week at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb.

Saturday callers of Keith and Mary Lou Olson were Mark Olson, and Tyler and Tiffany Witt and Trevor.

Arlie Hafer planned to transfer to the Good Samaritan Center in Atwood this week from the nursing home in Oberlin.

My tomatoes, the only garden item that survived the big hail, gave up to freezing temperatures last week. The tomatoes were still green, but I picked a bucketful with hopes of having a few ripen later.

People in and around Norcatur attended the meeting Monday concerning the post office closing. It is up to officials in Washington to listen to our objections and make the decision. Very few Washington people know that we don't have access to trains, planes, grocery stores or eating places, and we really don't want to lose the post office also.

There seems to have been a slowdown in local activities last week. June Jolly went to her "Kan't Talk" Club at the Community Center in McCook.

Midway News By Mary Lou Olson