

THE OBERLIN HERALD

Events of Yesteryear

By Joan Betts

125 YEARS AGO — Feb. 1888

J.E. Kulp has accepted a position in W.A. Lloyd's grocery store. Corn sold as high as 47cents a bushel on the streets last Saturday. The engineers strike on the B.& M. prevented the arrival of trains at this point the fore part of the week. No mail, no packages, no nothing. The Rock Island has platted a town on the county line one mile south of the town of Clayton and has disposed of quite a number of lots. Some time since, while Ott Johnson and Gene Bariteau were cutting wood down on the Sappa, the ax of the latter accidentally glanced, and striking Ott on the knee, made a ghastly wound, splitting the knee-cap entirely. He has suffered intensely. E.H. Rathbone, for some time past connected with "The Opinion" of this place, left this week for Herndon, Rawlins County, where he will in the near future issue the first number of the Herndon Courant. The real estate transfers for the week ending Saturday, Feb. 25, totaled \$14,690.00.

100 YEARS AGO — Feb. 1913

We are having some very wintery weather this week. Snowing and blowing in regular western Kansas style; but it has not been very cold. H.A. Griffith and son Val, ex-sheriff Roe Griffin, H.O. Caster and S.S.J. Morrish drove to Hoxie Tuesday afternoon in the Griffith car. It was a bad day for such a trip. Ben Bryan and Birdie Harshman, both of Traer, were married on Wednesday by Probate Judge Weir. O'Toole Brothers shipped out \$10,000.00 worth of cattle last week. Steve thinks his new silo paid him big. He is getting 180 tons of silage from 23 acres of corn and his cattle ate it ravenously.

Lyle News

By Veda Wood

What do we do when we get a foot of snow? We rejoice — when it has been as dry as it has been the last year. Of course some have to be out in it, and it can be disagreeable, but most people in this part of the country welcome the moisture. This second storm nearly missed us, but I think we have an inch of moisture. Church was canceled Sunday at Lyle. Several in the community went to Juanita Eckhart's 100th birthday party at Cedar Living Center in Oberlin. There is something I have meant to tell Juanita, but never remember it when I see her. Her brother, Fay "Zeke" Shirley taught Necessity School when I was a student there. He told us that "Juanita" was his favorite song. Kathy Van Meter and Lloyd Frandsen went to the Furness Colo.,

Norcatur Items: J.C. Frewen is preparing to build a brick wall to his store building in place of the front which is being torn away. Lyle Items: Edgar Wickham of St. Joe came Saturday and stayed until Monday with relatives. Kanona Items: Frank Harmon and family arrived on the passenger Thursday. He still owns his farm here. They have been in California the past year and a half but decided to come back to sunny Kansas.

75 YEARS AGO — Feb. 1938

Given a better than an even chance to win the state tournament, the DCHS wrestling team with Coach Jack Cronk will leave at noon today to enter the state meet at Manhattan. The squad won the district championship at St. Francis with 38 points followed by St. Francis with 35, Colby, 25, Hoxie 17 and Goodland, Atwood and Norton, 14 each. Emerson and Everist won first places, Townsend and Vavroch were first in consolation and R. Lohoefer, V. Olson and F. Helmkamp won seconds. Fraker and Johnson lost their matches to men who placed first in the tournament. A fire of unknown origin damaged the Ed Hall residence. It was particularly unfortunate as the house was nearly new and they had so recently moved in. Yesterday was an anniversary day for Mr. C.F. Maddox who came to Oberlin exactly 59 years ago with his father with a stock of drugs in their wagon to set up a business. The nearest railroad was the main line of the Union Pacific and the nearest point it reached was Buffalo Park and all the lumber for their building was hauled by wagon from there. Their building was located near the present-day Safeway store. Lund: The Simonsson Brothers

shipped a carload of cattle to Omaha Monday and another to Kansas City last week.

Henrietta Olson, daughter of Mr. Henry Olson was honored on her 10th birthday Feb. 22 with a surprise dinner party followed by bingo and a line party to the theatre. Guests were Velma Hagadorn, Jan Slagle, Gladys and Eva Corcoran, Mary Garver, Alice Beardsley, Faye Votapka, Dorothy Everist, Donna Shaw, Dixie Riley and Marjorie Noel.

Mrs. Emily Beardsley and her family moved Monday from the Carr residence at 107 S. Cass to the home owned by Mrs. Morgan of Rexford at 105 Maple Street.

50 YEARS AGO — Feb. 1963

An influenza epidemic has sprung up in Oberlin. More than a 100 cases of upper respiratory diseases have been checked at Oberlin Clinic within the last 10 days, and about a third of them were flu according to Dr. James H. Coffman. After being flogged for 15 consecutive games, the Oberlin Red Devils came to life Tuesday evening and rose to the occasion of their last home stand as they slaughtered Atwood's surprised Buffaloes, 63-48. Three employees of Hamilton Oil Co. Inc. here have invented a new time-saving piece of agricultural machinery — a self-propelled custom liquid fertilizer spreader. Designers and builders of the machine are Everett Koehler, George Richards and Bob Skubal. For the project they used a chassis and motor from a self-propelled IHC combine. Mrs. Loy Mason, high school home economics instructor has resigned from her position at DCHS effective at the end of the school

Mount Pleasant News

By Dianne Bremer

Elizabeth Nedland, French horn; Darbi Rouse, oboe; and Matthew Helm, trombone, participated in the Kansas Music Educators Association State Honor Band In-Service Workshop Thursday through Saturday in the Century II Conference Hall in Wichita. They played in the All State Honor Band concert Saturday afternoon. To be chosen for state Honor Band, the students

year.

25 YEARS AGO — Feb. 1988

Meeting twice in the past week Decatur County commissioners appointed Greg Lohoefer, owner of Financial Consulting and Investigation, Inc., to fill the unexpired term of R.J. Metcalf, hospital board trustee who resigned that post last November. Commissioners also took the opportunity to thank Metcalf for 25 years of service on the hospital board. Commissioners also approved a leave of absence for Mildred Waldo, longtime county treasurer. Deputy treasurer Pat Fringer, who has worked in that office the past seven years, will be in charge of that department for an indefinite time and has been appointed investment officer. Mary Jo Kruse and Dennis Rhodes were united in marriage Jan. 30, 1988, in Sacred Heart Church, Plainville. The bride is currently attending Fort Hays State and the bridegroom has a degree in accounting from Fort Hays and is employed at H&R Block in Hays. If the Kansas Cooperative Extension Service goes ahead with its plan to cut back on the staffing of county agents due to declining farm population, Decatur County may find itself with only one resident agent and possibly one shared with another county. Currently, the county is staffed by Home Economist Tammy Edwards and agricultural agent Mick Glaze. Vince Carswell, manager of the Oberlin-Decatur County Farm Bureau Insurance office, won the top sales award over 42 other counties the past year. Ralph Shaw and Robert Spesser are also agents working out of the Oberlin office.

Cedar Living News

By Teresa Shaughnessy

Most of us would not think of ironing as a spectator event, but last Monday, several of the ladies at Cedar Living Center showed up to watch residents and staff pressing slacks and blouses. Several brought along something from their closet that needed a touch-up and some even did the work themselves. It was such a fun event that organizer Connie Miller plans to do it again soon. We also spent some time on Monday observing Presidents' Day. We had some trivia questions as well as a few interesting facts about past presidents. Myrna Jones and Mary Ann Amack led the sing-along time before supper on Monday afternoon. Beth Sebaugh won the first bingo on Tuesday afternoon and Helen Helm won the blackout game. Marguerite Bailey tied with Beth to win the first bingo of the second game. Everyone ate well at noon on Wednesday when the dietary department served up the Resident's Choice meal for the month. The Council had selected chicken from Raye's Grocery and a salad bar. Residents and staff members spent much time on Wednesday and Thursday watching the snow fall. It brought back lots of memories of snow days through the years. Everyone was grateful to our maintenance staff for working so hard in keeping the sidewalks and parking areas cleared. We were also appreciative of the efforts that some staff members had to go through to get to and from their homes in the snow. Fr. Mark Berland brought Communion for the Catholic residents on Thursday morning. Several residents met on Thursday afternoon for a game of penny

cards. There were lots of winners and many laughs before the game came to an end. Sally May served muffins at the coffee hour on Friday morning. The baking group made sugar cookies on Friday afternoon. Juanita Eckhart was the guest of honor at a birthday celebration hosted by her family on Sunday afternoon in the Cedar Living Center dining room. The room was decorated with multiple bouquets of flowers, including three large arrangements of red roses. Family members served cake, punch, mints, and nuts to a large crowd of friends. The DCHS Singers gave a musical program during the party. Juanita has been delighted by the many cards, calls, gifts, and visitors she has received. Recent visitors: Sharon Gambelin, Columbus, Neb.; Mary and Jack Morse, Beaver City, Neb.; Lloyd Frandson and Kathryn Van Meter, Cambridge, Neb.; Jim and Yanis Helm, Kathy Shaffer, McCook; John and Joan Shirley, Scott City; Rodney and Janice OHare, Jenny, Robbie and Ganon Henningson, Bob and Kay Strevey, Shelbi McKenna, Cindy and P.T. Shirley, Mike Mapes, Stan and Carol Miller, Dickie Beachel, Glen and Carolyn Strevey, Ron and Jerry Temple, Lisa Rhodes, Gary and Cathy Anthony, Keith Anthony, Deb, Mike, Matthew and Timothy Helm, Norcatur; Oberlin visitors: Merle Shirley, Doris Sloan, Cindi Sauder, Donna Warren, Rosella Meitl, Fr. Roger Meitl, Bob and Anita Montgomery, Bill and Dorothy Woods, Pastor Charlotte Strecker-Baseler, Herb and Carol Shirley.

Jennings News

By Louise Cressler

Our area was blanketed with a snowstorm last Wednesday and Thursday. There were reports of 8 to 12 inches. The moisture was most welcome. Sunday evening another 1 1/2 inches of wet snow fell. The weather kept some from attending Mary Votapka's funeral Saturday but there was a large crowd at the church. The dinner was served to all who wanted to stay and eat with the family. Janeil Dilling, Goodland, and Jana Slansky, Stockton, daughters of Imogene Keenan, came to attend Mary's funeral with her. Jim Keenan, Oakley came later in the day and helped the girls remove snow at Imogene's home.

Outside water meters were not read Thursday because of the snow storm. Those enjoying cards Wednesday at the Sunflower Senior Center were: Eleanor Morel, Diane Carter, Bob Jones, Carla Latimer, Stan and Ramona Shaw, Wayne and Louise Cressler. After listening to the weather forecast, the congregation decided not to have church services Sunday at the United Methodist Church in Jennings. A Bible study class was started last Tuesday at our church. Weather permitting, it will be held again this Tuesday morning. Everyone is welcome to come.

Selden News

By Jacque Boultinghouse

On Feb. 14 during Senior Citizens at the Community Center, Ralph Weis won high with a score of 711; Jeanie Spesser took second with a score of 669; Pat Wessel got low with a score of 508; and Bob Wessel had the most Kings. Other members present include: Ann Hazlitt, Lola Cook, Royce Cook, Betty James, Edna Schiltz, Lillian Sulzman, Paul Neff, Bernita Aumiller and Helen Karls.

Birthdays and anniversaries: Feb. 22, Shane Ryburn, Ian Koerperich, Thersia Weber, Jan Heck; Feb. 24, Clayton Hill, Ryan Brantley; Feb. 26, Betty Schieferecke, Klint Wessel; Feb. 27, Judy Rogers, Theda McKee. Brittany Ritter; Feb. 28, Pat Stevenson, Jaclyn and Daniel Schreiner; March 2, Caleb Koerperich, Melvin Spesser; March 3, Sherri Jacobs; March 4, Rodney Johnson; March 5, Charlie Ochs, Bernadine Spesser, Nina Soriano; March 6, Sheila Ritter, Jennifer Eatherly.

School Calendar: March 1-2, substitute basketball; March 5, high school forensics in Oakley, junior high instrumental clinic in Healy; March 6 - 9, state basketball.

During Pinochle Night, Feb. 16,

Ann Hazlitt and Shirley Emigh won high with a score of 716; Vicky Ray and Jacque Boultinghouse took second with a score of 691; Warren Ziegelmeier and Cole Ziegelmeier took third with a score of 667; J.R. Albers and Carl Mumm 630; Pete Ziegelmeier and Phyllis Ziegelmeier, 579; Tammy Shaw and Cathy Broeckelman 632; Wilma Ritter and Bernie Ritter 608. The next Pinochle Night will be March 16 at the Community Center in Selden.

The state-wide Tornado Safety Drill will be at 1:30 p.m., next Tuesday. At that time local authorities will sound the tornado sirens. We ask that everyone to take a moment of your time and exercise your plan of action in the event of a tornado. If you do not have a plan of action, now is the time to be making one.

Weather spotter classes will be held at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 12, in Hoxie at the Bowen Scout House. In Oberlin, the class will be held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, at The Gateway. Everyone is welcome to attend these classes. Attending does not mean you have to go out and spot weather — it simply means you are more prepared.

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Herndon News

By Julie Hafner

Kendra Solko of Herndon, a 2007 graduate of Rawlins County High School, has been named to the Dean's List at Creighton University for the fall semester. Kendra is a first year School of Pharmacy and Health Professions student.

Full time students who earn a 3.5 grade average or better on a 4.0 scale are eligible for the Dean's Honor Roll. Creighton University is a Catholic Jesuit institution in Omaha, which enrolls more than 4,200 undergraduate and 3,500 professional school and graduate students. Kendra is the daughter of Pat Solko and the late Joy Solko of Herndon.

The United Church of Christ pancake brunch has been rescheduled, weather permitting, for 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday at the Herndon Senior Center. The event was postponed due to the much needed heavy snowfall received last week. Donations will be accepted.

Memorial services and rosary will be held for Don Pettera, at 6:30 p.m., Thursday at St. Mary's Church. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Friday at the church.

Herndon residents gathered for their monthly potluck dinner last Wednesday at the Herndon Senior Center. Sue Frick and Janet Hackney split the winnings of the black-out game. The next dinner will be held Wednesday, March 20, at noon at the Senior Center. All Herndon seniors are invited to attend.

The Herndon community received word of the death of Nicholas Korbe, Sr. of Hays, on Feb. 18. Nick was born May 6, 1927 in Antonino

to Fidelis and Katherine (Unrein) Korbe and married Martha Portschy of Herndon on May 14, 1951, in Hays. He owned and operated Nick Korbe Cable Tools for many years before retiring in 1982. He and Martha then operated Korbe Wood Crafts. A vigil was held last Thursday at Cline's Mortuary. A funeral Mass was celebrated last Friday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. Hays, with burial in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Hays, with military honors by the Hays Veterans of Foreign Wars.

**Julie's Memory Joggers**  
*Rawlins County Square Deal*  
**Thursday, February 11, 1999**  
**Beavers Pelt Palco**

Herndon boys broke open a close ball game in the fourth quarter to get a decisive 59-40 victory over Palco last Friday night.

Palco took the early lead 11-8 in the first quarter. The Beavers clawed back and led 21-20 at the break. Herndon had a slight lead going into the final quarter. The Beavers dammed up Palco's basket, as they outscored them 24-8 in the last eight minutes to get the win.

Cody Leitner burned the nets for 19 points and Jeff Leitner added 12. The Leitners ignited the huge fourth quarter by both scoring 7 points.

Other scoring came from Jordan Basgall with 9 points; Isaac Marintzer 8; Bart Ecker, 7; Jason Pelkey, 2 and Jason Bergling and Mark Solko both added 1 point.

The Beavers come ashore until Friday, when they will entertain Lenora.



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