



McPherson County News

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TEN YEARS AGO
JANUARY 3, 2008

Leo and Judy Dailey of Tryon joined Chubby and Sharon Dailey of Stapleton and Twyla Shadonix of Arnold for Christmas dinner with Dorothy Dailey and LeVerna Schlientz at Premier Estates.

"Some days you tame the tiger. And some days the tiger has you for lunch." Tug McGraw

Mullen came to Tryon on December 18 to make up a previous game that was postponed. The Broncos won the game 62-47. Tui Borowicz led MCHS with 22 points, followed by Jake Sowders with 12.

Wilma Nicholson hosted the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 189 for a Christmas potluck supper and gift exchange. Gifts were purchased for adopted Veterans.

A Chadron State College student heading back on Christmas Day survived a vehicle crash east of Tryon. Chase Dickson of Cambridge, and his canine companion, found themselves upside down in their vehicle along Highway 92 near mile marker 207.5.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
JANUARY 1, 1998

Jim and Judy Gragg organized a caravan of Christmas carolers who made a tour of Tryon Saturday evening, December 20.

Laura Avery would be honored on her 98th birthday at the Brady Community building.

Deb Hall reported in North Country News that Dan and Geneva Connell hosted Christmas Eve supper for their children - Brenda Connell, Randy, Heidi and Philip Connell, and Tony, Deb, Leron and Taylor Hall.

Darla Arensdorf, daughter of Dan and Berva Arensdorf of Tryon, has been accepted for admission to Dakota Wesleyan University.

Brandi Helmer, teacher of District 28 School, her helper, Angie Storer, and their pupils, presented a Christmas program on December 22.

Come Double Club met with 34 members and two guests for their Christmas supper and cards. Leo Dailey and LaVada Rodevald won high. Gaylene McCall would be making up tally cards and members voted to no longer have host couples. All members would bring finger foods each time.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
JANUARY 7, 1988

Senator Howard Lamb of Anselmo, had officially announced that he would run for re-election to the State Legislature from the 43rd District.

Game and Parks was reminding everyone that snowmobiles must be registered and licensed annually in the owner's county of residence.

The Willing Workers Extension Club met at the lodge hall in Tryon with 14 members present.

Death: Violet Marie Gardner, 82, who grew up on her family's ranch and attended school at Tryon and Ringgold, died January 1 at Bassett.

FORTY YEARS AGO
JANUARY 5, 1978

Jane Pinkerton was among the 211 seniors graduating mid-term at Kearney State Teachers college.

A New Year's Day celebration and family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L.G. Schlientz at Stapleton. Twenty-three attended and five generations were represented.

After winning their first three games of the year, Tryon lost their last four games and their record tumbled to 3-4. With 23 seconds remaining in a three-minute overtime period, Tryon's Tom Arensdorf was pictured preparing for a second free throw on a technical foul called against the Brady bench. He made the first shot, but he missed the second which would have tied the score.

Wayne Miller would be selling several registered horned Hereford bulls at West L. Auction Co., North Platte.

Death: Frank A. Carver, a prominent rancher and quarter horse breeder of Crookston, died New Year's Day while visiting his daughter in Mesa, Arizona. Services would be held at the United Methodist Church in Valentine with Truman E. Bauer of Ringgold officiating.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
JANUARY 4, 1968

Postmaster Maxine Neal reminded that increased postage rates would go into effect January 7. Letters rose 20 percent, and newspapers and magazines jumped 24 percent.

Mrs. Bud Danker, Ringgold news reporter, shared Mr. and Mrs. Larry Trumbull attended the 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Mick Fowler.

Tryon was defeated twice last week in the tournament at Brule. Tryon was led by Gary Correll who scored 18 points on both nights in games against Brule and Arthur.

T/Sgt. Neil Anthony and Robin and Otis Anthony called in the A.E. Miller, Leo Miller and Fred Smith homes. Neil and family left for North Carolina where he would be stationed after having spent the last two and a half years in England.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
JANUARY 2, 1958

The weather took a turn for the worse as six inches of snow fell with some drifting. Several cars slid into the ditch on the highway between North Platte and Tryon.

New Arrivals: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brooks of Brady were the parents of a baby boy, born December 21 and named Gary Eugene; Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Heldenbrand of Colorado were the parents of a baby boy, David Clayton, born December 23.

A public auction would be held January 8. The property of the estate of Jay Leadabrand would be sold with L.E. Sage, auctioneer.

Students of MCHS started back to school after Christmas vacation. Just before Christmas vacation, seniors learned the results of the aptitude tests they took earlier in the year. Most of them had aptitudes for most any field of work - anything from egg breakers to mechanics.

Carl Schick was injured when a horse fell with him during the snow storm.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO
JANUARY 1, 1948

Pictured in this issue of "Contest pictures of McPherson County," were

Ruthie Connell, Richard Kemp, Tommy Kemp, Karl Kemp, Audrey Priest, Roger and Jim Correll, and Ramona Neal.

Western Sales Co. of North Platte had sold their sale ring equipment and business to Bob Williamson and Walt Smith. The sale ring would now be known as Western Livestock Auction Co.

Prizes would be given out at the David Store. All you had to do was guess the number of square mesh there is in a piece of silk cloth. First place prize was a dutch oven.

Hugh Priest, owner and publisher of *The Tryon Graphic*, was offering Fyr-Fyter machines at a very low cost. Also on hand at the *Graphic* office were refills for fire extinguishers.

Omaha's world record fat cattle price of \$40.00 set last week continued to be the quotable top there.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO
JANUARY 6, 1938

The Tryon State Bank would be liquidated, and depositors paid off in full, about April 1, 1938. The action came about due to insufficient business to make the bank a paying investment to the several stockholders.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Power would celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on January 10.

The resignation of W.F. Crozier, the past four years Agricultural Agent for the District comprising Arthur, McPherson and Logan counties, leaves the district without an agent.

This week the newspaper began its 50th year of service to the territory. The original paper was known as the *McPherson County News*, and began publication before the post office of Tryon was established. *The Tryon Graphic* was given to the paper soon after it was moved to the county seat after the town of Tryon was founded.

Members of the Commercial Club of the neighboring town of Sutherland would like to change the name of their town to Santa Claus and action on the proposed change would be taken at the next regular meeting of the village board.

NINETY YEARS AGO
JANUARY 5, 1928

Cap Haskell had been spending the holidays in Arnold and had returned to the ranch.

F.S. Snyder was the editor of *The Graphic* and subscriptions would be \$1.50 per year (paid in advance).

"The Buffalo," the publication produced for the interests of the McPherson County High school by the ninth grade English class had Hazel Holloway as editor; Dorothy Miller, joke editor; and Billie Clifford, exchange editor. Two new scholars joining the school were Fred Holloway and Wilbur Klump.

The janitor oiled the high school steps and varnished the floors, tables and shelves of the library and also the tables in the basement.

The Flats Store was putting up ice that week. The thermometer dropped to 22 below zero in and around Flats.

Over The Hills

By J.R. Trumbull



Quote: "Generosity is giving more than you can, and pride is taking less than you need."

Anon.

Some Really Good Questions for the New Year:

1. Does a clean house indicate that there is a broken computer in it?
 2. Why is it that no matter what color of bubble bath you use the bubbles are always white?
 3. Is there ever a day that mattresses are not on sale?
 4. Why do people constantly return to the refrigerator with hopes that something new to eat will have materialized?
 5. Why do people keep running over a string a dozen times with their vacuum cleaner, then reach down, pick it up, examine it, then put it down to give the vacuum one more chance?
 6. Why is it that no plastic garbage bag will open from the end you first try?
 7. How do those dead bugs get into those closed light fixtures?
 8. Considering all the lint you get in your dryer, if you kept drying your clothes would they eventually just disappear?
 9. Why is it that whenever you attempt to catch something that's falling off the table you always manage to knock something else over?
 10. How come you never hear father-in-law jokes?
- Now that you are busy contemplating these questions, I will challenge you to be morally and spiritually correct rather than politically correct as

some would have us be. We need to strive to please God, not people, so keep your eyes on Jesus, seek guidance from the Holly Spirit, and take your concerns to God in

prayer. "The same boiling water that softens the potato hardens the egg. It's about what you're made of, not your circumstances."

POLITICALLY CORRECT NEW YEAR

A new year lies ahead-
Are you going to stand for Christ?
Or are you going to be politically correct
And lose Jesus from your sight?

Not being able to glorify my Lord
Just goes against the grain
Maybe I am offended,
Maybe to me this is a strain!

What about my feelings?
Doesn't my creed matter?
Why is it that what I believe
Is considered naught but patter?

As Christians we are commanded
To give homage to our King.
We are to spread His message
And to Him our praises sing.

Another new year,
A chance of new beginning.
Tell the story of salvation
And repentance from all sinning.

Popularity will not come to you
As you walk this chosen path.
Your stance will irritate some
And others will greet you with wrath.

To go against the flow
Is not an easy task.
No one said it would be simple
To do as our Savior asked.

God has granted us this New Year.
He would that we use it best
To honor and to do His work
And by that we are blessed.

So have a blessed New Year
Serving our Great Lord.
Don't follow in the world's way,
Work to achieve Christ's accord!

J.R. Trumbull
18 December 2005

Nebraska Farm Bureau: What Farmers and Ranchers Need to Know About the New Tax Bill

The new Tax Reform package offers a number of important changes for those in agriculture and Nebraska Farm Bureau has been very involved in making sure farmers and ranchers benefit from Congress's first major tax reform package in more than 30 years. It is truly a "win" for Nebraska farm and ranch families, Steve Nelson, president of Nebraska Farm Bureau said, when President Trump signed the bill Dec. 22.

Nebraska Farm Bureau staff, Jay Rempe, senior economist and Jordan Dux, director of national affairs, conducted an analysis of the Tax Reform package and provides 10 important things farmers and ranchers need to know about the new tax package. It's important to keep in mind that Nebraska Farm Bureau has made every effort to ensure the accuracy of the information provided. As with anything, farmers and ranchers should consult a tax professional in order to fully examine how these new changes affect their individual operations.

Lower Rates for Pass-Through Businesses, Individuals, and Corporations

The new law continues seven tax brackets for individuals and all pass-through business income (sole proprietorships, partnerships, and S-corporations) but expands them and lowers tax rates which are indexed for inflation. The law also doubles the standard deduction. Unfortunately, the new pass-through rates and brackets do expire on December 31, 2025. Pass-throughs will be able to deduct 20 percent of their business income, which includes payments from cooperatives, commodity wages, and farmland rental income.

The following limitations will apply:
The deduction is limited for partnerships and S-corporations to 50 percent of W-2 wages paid to employees OR the sum of 25 percent of W-2 wages paid plus 2.5 percent of depreciable business property.

The W-2 limitation does not apply to taxpayers when taxable income does not exceed \$315,000 / \$157,000 joint/individual and would be completely phased out when income reaches \$415,000 / \$207,000 joint/individual.

The deduction is not available to some service businesses, for example, veterinarians with taxable income over \$150,000. The deduction for service businesses starts to phase out at \$50,000 of income.

C-Corporation Businesses: The law sets the corporate tax rate at a flat 21 percent instead of the current 15 percent, 25 percent, 34 percent, and 35 percent brackets.

Implications for 2017: Depending on your individual circumstances, farmers and ranchers may want to consider deferring income to next year as the lower rates take effect for the 2018 tax year.

The Ability to Make Capital Investments Has Improved - The new law permanently increases the amount of expenditures than can be deducted using Sect. 179 small business expensing from \$500,000 to \$1 million and increases the expenditure level at which the deduction begins to phase out from \$2 million to \$2.5 million indexed for inflation.

Immediate Expensing (bonus depreciation): Farmers and ranchers (Continued On Page 10)

McPherson County Blood Drive Friday, January 12

8 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Tryon Fair Building
Call Elaine Miller @ 308-587-2446
to make an appointment!