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TEN YEARS AGO
NOVEMBER 25, 2010
Deaths: Douglas "Doug" Allen Shimmin, age 62, of North Platte, died November 17, 2010, at his home; Michael Frank Shimmin passed away November 20, 2010, after a courageous battle with colon cancer.

Jake Sowders, was pictured after completing a Stick Welding contest in Manhattan, Kansas on November 18. Jake placed fifth at the competition.

The Art Gray 189 American Legion and Auxiliary held their annual card party November 13. Kathy Fisher received low for women and Dick Schroeder was low for men. Betty Schroeder received high for women and Bill Haney was high for men.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
NOVEMBER 30, 2000
Willing Workers Club met November 25 with Chris Schultis in her home near Ringgold. The meeting was opened by Carol Moore, president. Christmas plans were finalized. The Christmas party will be held at Valentino's restaurant in North Platte on December 17. Linda Paxton gave the lesson on coping with molds and mildew.

The Helping Hands Club met November 1 with Helen Pettit Mitchell who has a nice apartment in Aspen Park. Dorothy Pueppka called the meeting to order, and Dolores Huffman read the minutes of the previous meeting. Emma Melvin will be historian for the coming year.

Fifty-one descendants of the Daly family gathered at the Vet's Club in Stapleton for their annual Thanksgiving dinner which has been held annually since 1935.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
NOVEMBER 29, 1990
Following a very successful football season by the MCHS Longhorns, Mike Daly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Art Daly of Tryon, has been named to the offensive six-man all state football team by the *Omaha World Herald*. Honorable mention honors went to quarterback Rusty Moore.

Rev. and Mrs. John I. Neal returned home Friday evening from Omaha, after spending the week there to be near Rev. Neal's daughter, Ramona Kugler, who later passed away Saturday morning. They spent Thanksgiving day with Lydia and Martin Smolik at Lincoln, then returned to Omaha before coming home Friday evening.

The Tryon ambulance

was called to the Art Gragg place. He was taken to Great Plains Regional Medical Center at North Platte.

FORTY YEARS AGO
NOVEMBER 27, 1980
Officers elected at the November 5, 1980 meeting of the Helping Hands Club were Henrietta O'Mara, president; Wendy Kostman, vice president, and Lorine Rothwell, secretary-treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lutes were honored on their 60th wedding anniversary at Hall Church north of Ringgold Sunday, November 23, following the morning services. A basket dinner was followed by an interesting program and a time of fellowship. There were 113 names signed in the guest book.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Connell, Carolee Connell, Mrs. Wanda Wilkins and son visited Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Roth and children in Illinois for a few days last week.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
DECEMBER 2, 1970
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Melvin just returned home from California, where they visited their daughters and families. While there, they observed their 60th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. John Verzi and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Clifford co-hosted an open-house luncheon in their honor at the Clifford home in San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haskell of Burwell are the parents of a baby boy named Charles, born November 30, 1970.

Mr. and Mrs. Alma T. Stoddard were extending a wedding invitation for the marriage of their daughter, Donna Jean, to Dennis Harold Bitterman on Sunday, the sixth day of December.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
DECEMBER 1, 1960
The first big snow of the season hit Tryon Sunday night and Monday with four or five inches of snow and with wind gusts up to 60 miles an hour. The new fair building in Tryon was blown down with extensive damage to rafters and lumber, let alone the time and hard labor spent in building it. It was also reported that the Millard Smoliks lost several hundred turkeys.

The Fisher land sale drew a large crowd in Tryon on Wednesday. Milton Starr, McPherson County rancher who lives north of Ringgold, was the high bidder. Grayston Philpot was the next highest bidder. This is the land formerly belonging to the late Walter Worden and is

now being sold to settle the estate of his widow, the deceased Mrs. Cynthia Fisher.

Bob and Jack Cotton had the misfortune to have their jeep quit on them while on their mail route Monday. They walked about a mile then were picked up by Hank Halstead who took them to Bernard Connells. Hartward Connell brought them to town.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO
NOVEMBER 30, 1950
Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Miller and family were Thanksgiving guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Lutes, Pete and Barbara at Stapleton. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Miller and sons of Indianola, and Bill Lutes who is attending the Wesleyan University at Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Thompson and Barbara visited several days last week at the home of Dean's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shimmin and children at Fort Morgan, Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Winder and children spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Winder's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L.H. Babb.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO
NOVEMBER 28, 1940
Students preparing the MCHS Hi-Lights included Pearl LaVonne Doyle, Editor; Don Hatch, Typist; and Kathryn Kahoe, Mary Ruth Cotton, Jo Clifford, Twyla McNutt and Eldon Daly, Reporting Staff.

Last week, the High School was honored by the return of two 1938 graduates, Dale Holmon and Ruby Lamb. Among other visitors were two of Mr. Ehright's sisters and Wilda McNutt.

Mike David installed a new type of coal heater at his store this week. The stove is similar in principle to the old base burner, but is designed to burn soft coal. It is so built as to hold enough fuel to burn a full day and to give off even heat.

NINETY YEARS AGO
NOVEMBER 27, 1930
The telephone lines in and around Tryon suffered dreadfully from the sleet and wind during the last storm and, although much work has been

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J.R. Trumbull

Quote: "It's not what you gather, but what you scatter that tells what kind of life you have lived. Learn to be thankful for all the little things."

Sandhill Sage

AND THEN IT IS WINTER

You know...time has a way of moving quickly and catching you unaware of the passing years.

It seems just yesterday that I was young, just married and embarking on my new life with my mate. Yet in a way, it seems like eons ago, and I wonder where all the years went. I know that I lived them all. I have glimpses of how it was back then and of all my hopes and dreams. But, here it is...the winter of my life and it catches me by surprise...How did I get here so fast? Where did the years go and where did my youth go?

I remember well seeing older people through the years and thinking that those older people were years away from me and that winter was so far off that I could not fathom it or imagine fully what it would be like. But, here it is...my friends are retired and getting grey...they move slower and I see an older person now. Some are in better and some worse shape than me...but, I see the great change....Not like the ones that I remember who were young and vibrant...but, like me, their age is beginning to show and we are now those older folks that we used to see and never thought we'd be.

Each day now, I find that just getting a shower is a real target for the day! And taking a nap is not a treat anymore...it's mandatory! Cause if I don't on my own free will...I just fall asleep where I sit!

And so...now I enter into this new season of my life unprepared for all the

aches and pains and the loss of strength and ability to go and do things that I wish I had done but never did!

But, at least I know, that though the winter has come, and I'm not sure how long it will last...this I know, that when it's over on this earth...it's NOT over. A new adventure will begin!

Yes, I have regrets. There are things I wish I hadn't done...things I should have done, but indeed, there are many things I'm happy to have done. It's all in a lifetime.

So, if you're not in your winter yet...let me remind you, that it will be here faster than you think. So, whatever you would like to accomplish in your life

please do it quickly! Don't put things off too long!

Life goes by quickly. So, do what you can today, as you can never be sure whether this is your winter or not! You have no promise that you will see all the seasons of your life...so, live for today and say all the things that you want your loved ones to remember...and hope that they appreciate and love you for all the things that you have done for them in all the years past!

"Life" is a gift to you. The way you live your life is your gift to those who come after. Make it a fantastic one.

LIVE IT WELL! ENJOY TODAY! DO SOMETHING FUN! BE HAPPY! HAVE A GREAT DAY!

THANKFUL?

Thankful? Are we really thankful
For the bounty all around
Or do we take it for granted
And not consider where it's found?

Are you thankful for the sunrise,
Sunset, winter, spring, summer, fall?
Or do you just pass on by
Disregarding the Creator of it all?

What about the food you eat
Or the clothes and shoes you wear?
Are you thankful that you have them
Or do you even care?

Are you truly thankful
For the days as they fly past?
Are you thankful for Jesus?
Will you go home to Him at last?

So much for which we should be thankful,
Thanksgiving's more than just a feast,
Take time to honor and thank God
For He cares for even the least.

J.R. Trumbull
6 November 2009

Tryon Blood Drive exceeds goal

The warm weather on Friday, November 6, encouraged many to get out and donate blood.

The Tryon community blood drive was very productive and a steady flow of donors kept the staff and volunteers busy all day. Twenty-five presented and 23 units were collected which exceeded the goal of 21 units.

A big "thank you" to each one taking the time to come and donate this life-saving gift.

Each donor received a sack lunch of roast chicken or roast beef sandwich, chips and a fruit pie snack.

These lunches are prepared and donated by Wanda Waits.

"We thank her for faithfully serving our blood drive by providing these lunches," Elaine Miller coordinator said. "It is appreciated."

The next drive will be January 22, 2021.

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Dec. 8: Regular Sale
Dec. 15: Calf & Yearling Spec.
Dec. 19: Bred Cow Special
Dec. 22: Regular Sale

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