



McPherson County News

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TEN YEARS AGO
OCTOBER 27, 2011
The SMC youth volleyball teams pictured were: Alexa Starr, Britney Brosius, Shaylee Jones, Madison Kleewein, Zoie Brown, Kristina Miller, Kaylee Burnside, Codi Guerrieri, Katie Brown, Gracie Correll, Makenzie Dahlgren, Tammie Gaites, Sofia Weitzel, Faith Correll, Kenna Rogers, Holliana Watson, Jency Starr, Ainslee Morrison, Theresa Ascherl, Alyson Nicholson, Addison Starr, Saige Johnson, Trinity Hansen, Tabitha Viter, Michelle Brown, Hope Brosius, Lyndee Rogers Alyssa Magana, Kaylee Hemingway, Hannah Burnside and Katie Powers.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
NOVEMBER 4, 2001
Winners of the Homecoming parade were announced with the Sophomore class winning the high school; School District No. 28 was the winner of the grade school entries and the Improvement Club was the winner of the business and organization category.

District 59 students took a trip to Kermit Paxton's on the South Loup River. MCHS girls junior varsity lost to Maxwell 15-15, 15-18 and 5-15. The varsity girls lost in two sets 4-15 and 4-15. Tryon Conference volleyball tournament MCHS girls played Arthur and lost in two sets 5-15 and 14-16. Emily Krull was 13/13 hitting and had three aces; Leah Christopher was 12/15 hitting with one ace and 10/10 serving with five points. McPherson County Firemen and EMT's held a fire prevention program for all the grade schools in McPherson County and one in Thomas County.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
OCTOBER 24, 1991
MCHS boys lost their first game to No. 1 ranked Bartley 36-54. Scoring were Jeff Moore, Dusty Paxton, Billy Munson, Rusty Moore, Doug Newport and Travis Kemp. The girls lost to Bartley in three sets 12-15, 17-15 and 15-4 with LaDonna Connell leading the scoring with 10 points. They then traveled to Hyannis

for the OTC tournament. They won against Arthur 15-1 and 15-5. Mitzi Pettit led with four points. Tryon defeated Hyannis in the consolation game in three sets 15-1, 10-15 and 15-6, with Gina Streiff leading with 19 points.

Two Tryon women, Elizabeth Jameson and Clara Daly, recently returned from a 10-day tour named "Tennessee Waltz".

A well-attended potluck dinner was held at the Ringgold Church, followed by a shower for Deanne Correll and Brad Jenkins. Those in charge of the shower were Donna Daly, Deb Mumm and Bonnie Quick.

James E. Pratt, Aerospace Education Specialist and a representative of NASA was in Tryon giving a demonstration to elementary and some high school students.

FORTY YEARS AGO
OCTOBER 22, 1981
Mr. and Mrs. Art Gragg were honored for their birthdays and their 25th wedding anniversary at the American Legion Club in North Platte.

The Farm Bureau was sponsoring a talent contest at the high school auditorium in Tryon.

Jason Arensdorf, three-year-old son of Jeff and Shelly Arensdorf will undergo open heart surgery.

Rod and Sharon Watson were the parents of a new baby boy, Mathew Grant. Bob and Beth Dykes celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary. Nearly 150 friends and family helped them celebrate.

Don and Bonnie Bullington will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on October 31.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
OCTOBER 21, 1971

Honor roll for the first six weeks were: Gary Connell, Edith Haney, Connie Lutes, Monte Nicholson, Kathy Arensdorf, Douglas Correll, Von Hunn, Kay Stoddard, Kent Correll, Rodney Daly, Deborah Thompson, Merry Bullington, Sharlene Connell, Karen Lutes, Kelvin Sharp, Marjorie Shirley.

McPherson County showed a total of 154 farms in the 1969 Census of Agriculture.

Mrs. Ora Winters called in Stapleton Tuesday and

visited at the Enterprise office.

Mrs. Lloyd Farmer missed Club Wednesday due to moving cattle.

McPherson County Achievement Night is set for October 23.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
OCTOBER 26, 1961

Mrs. Lydia Neal celebrated her 92nd birthday with family and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Connell Jr. are the proud parents of a new baby girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Foster are the proud parents of a boy, named Rex Ernest.

Mrs. Popham and Ivan Popham were honored for their birthdays.

Tryon and St. Pats played a scoreless game. This is the last time the two teams will play each other. St. Pats will be playing 11 man football. Tryon's record is now 3 wins 2 defeats and 1 tie.

Colored movies were enjoyed Friday evening in the Louelva Priest home when Mrs. Taft Haddy showed pictures of the Connell and Priest families.

A dance was held at the Graphic building to celebrate the anniversaries of Mr. and Mrs. Hermel Priest, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Priest and Mr. and Mrs. Art Gragg, and also for some October birthdays.

Tryon lost against Wallace 51-26. It was an important game for both teams as it determined the winner of the Class B division of the Lincoln County Conference.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO
OCTOBER 25, 1951

Mr. and Mrs. Orville L. Marshall announced the birth of their son, Steven Kent.

Mr. and Mrs. Manley Kramer are the proud parents of a baby boy. Jim Correll received a badly sprained arm as he fell from a hay rack.

Jessie Shimmin entered Memorial Hospital for medical treatment.

The Merle Hicks are having a tip-top Halloween party.

Mrs. Shineman's mother recently underwent major surgery and her condition is improving.

Mrs. Harry Kimball has returned home after being relieved of her duties as postmistress at Ringgold where she has been in charge for over a year.

Vernon Jameson and Kermit Paxton weaned calves Thursday helping each other with the hauling of calves home from pasture.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO
OCTOBER 23, 1941

Riders drove over one hundred head of steers belonging to Ira Huffman to the Geo. Kahoe place, a convoy of seven trucks

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Over The Hills

J.R. Trumbull



Quote: "We are drowning in information while starving for wisdom."

Unknown.

An Old Farmer's Advice: * Your fences need to be horse-high, pig-tight, and bull-strong.

* Keep skunks and bankers and lawyers at a distance.

* Life is simpler when you plow around the stump.

* A bumble bee is considerably faster than a John Deere tractor.

* Words that soak into your ears are whispered...not yelled.

* Meanness don't jes' happen overnight.

* Forgive your enemies. It messes up their heads.

* Do not corner something that you know is meaner than you.

* It don't take a very big person to carry a grudge.

* You cannot unsay a cruel word.

* Every path has a few puddles.

* When you wallow with pigs, expect to get dirty.

* The best sermons are lived, not preached.

* Most of the stuff people worry about ain't never gonna happen, anyway.

* Don't judge folks by their relatives.

* Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.

* Live a good, honorable life. Then when you get older and think back, you'll enjoy it a second time.

* Don't interfere with somethin' that ain't both-

erin' you none.

* Timing has a lot to do with the outcome of a rain dance.

* If you find yourself in a hole, the first thing to do is stop diggin'!

* Sometimes you get, and sometimes you get got.

* The biggest troublemaker you'll probably ever have to deal with, watches you from the mirror every mornin'

* Always drink upstream from the herd.

* Good judgment comes from experience, and a lotta that comes from bad judgment.

* Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier than puttin' it back in.

* If you get to thinkin' you're a person of some influence, try orderin' somebody else's dog around.

* Live simply Love generously. Care deeply. Speak kindly.

* Leave the rest to God.

REAL WISDOM

When I was at the "U" back in '82,
Down Lincoln, Nebraska way,
Some professors asked a question
That really made my day!

"What have you learned while with us?"
These men of letters asked.
They thought that I would praise them
Instead of leaving them aghast---

"Why, Sirs, I've figured out one thing
While in these hallowed halls.
My dad, with eighth grade education
Is much wiser than you all."

"He knows how to use common sense
And how to think things through.
What he does will work and last
Which is more than I can say of you."

"For practical application seems
A stranger to your realm.
Just give me an old rancher any day
To be steering from the helm."

A few of them could understand
The truth that lie in my words
But the others were plumb baffled.
I don't think they even heard!

The wisdom of the ages
Can be found in just one book
And in nature all around you,
Everywhere you look.

It's not a complex issue,
Just a simple one of faith
And studying what's around you
That helps you make that grade.

J.R. Trumbull
22 February 2006

Between the Lines

(Continued From Last Week)
A Short Look Back

Part 2

When the last century started and the German family about which I wrote earlier was digging their existence out of the rich soil in central Iowa, another family was probably doing pretty much the same in the south central part, only a few miles from the Missouri border. One member of the family was a little three-year-old boy with bright red hair that was curled in tight natural ringlets. A few years later Orville, probably called "Red" because his given name was not an easy one to call on the farm or across the school playground; was undoubtedly very interested in the fact that his father had traveled west

to look at some land in the 'sandhills of Nebraska.' He seemed to be the type that would have believed all the stories about huge areas covered with cattle, horses and perhaps even Indians, and was undoubtedly excited as the family went by train to a little town named Whitman, traveled in a wagon some 30 miles to the south, and started a new life in a little square sod house in 1907 sometime before his tenth birthday.

In the new Nebraska community, later to become known as Center Valley, there was still not a school in the fall of 1907 so the Thompson family moved into the little town of Whitman so the chil-

Dean Thompson

dren, "Red", two sisters and one brother, could attend school. Mr. Thompson, Francis E., worked on the section gang of the railroad during this time in Whitman. There are questions, about this winter of 1907 that will probably never be answered since all the ones with the answers are gone. Was rental property available in the little town for families like this to live in during the school year? What happened to the livestock and other property of the family during this winter away from the Kincaid/Homestead? What plans were being made for starting life

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Senior Lunch Menu At Prairie Hills Cafe, Tryon

Thursday, October 28 - Barbecue riblet sandwich, potato chips, potato or lettuce salad, pork and beans, apple sauce or slices

Friday, October 29 - Chicken fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, sliced bread, peaches

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