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TEN YEARS AGO
AUGUST 1, 2013

The 2013 McPherson County Fair Days will be held on August 7-10 with the fair getting kicked off with a clean-up day and tent set-up for all the 4-H members that are excited to attend.

The 63rd annual Neal family reunion will be held on Sunday, August 4, 2013, at the fair building in Tryon.

Dorothy Jean Sigman Haskell, 85, of Boise Idaho, passed away peacefully on July 5, 2013. Dorothy was born and raised in the Stapleton/Tryon area.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
JULY 31, 2003

Tryon driver, Tyler Abel, 19, has entered the third annual running of the Sandhills Open Roads Challenge. Abel, the son of Mike and Linda Abel, enjoys working on his car when he is not attending to school work.

Two grass fires at the Ron Dobbins ranch were set by lightning late Friday night, July 25. About six acres of grassland was burned in one of the fires southwest of the home, and about an acre in another one southeast of the home.

Russell A. Fisher, 22, of North Platte died from electrocution. Fisher was attempting to connect electrical services to a travel trailer parked on his parent's property Saturday, July 26, for some people who were to stay in the trailer. Services were held at Adams & Swanson Funeral Home with burial at Miller Cemetery.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 5, 1993

The McPherson County Volunteer Fire Department will hold an open house at the new fire station in Tryon on Saturday, August 14, during the McPherson County Fair. Construction of the 86 foot building was completed last winter across the street west from the grade school building.

Participants pictured in the Home Economics Judging contest were: Toni Kemp, Tara Connell, Gina Fisher, Darla Arensdorf, Todd Schroder, Dana Arensdorf, Dawna Arensdorf and LaDonna Connell.

Funeral services were held Thursday, August 5, 1993, in North Platte, for Hazel M. Stoddard, 79, a retired McPherson County ranch wife.

FORTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 4, 1983

A surprise picnic supper was held Sunday evening, July 31, in the Richard Kemp home in honor of Richard's birthday.

New arrivals included a baby daughter, Allison Kay, born July 30, 1983, to

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Barrett (Pam Croghan) of Lincoln; and a new son, Levi Daune, born July 30, 1983, to Dale Dee and Peggy Arensdorf of Tryon.

Funeral services for Helen E. Hill, age 80, of North Platte were to be held Thursday, August 4, 1983, at the First United Methodist Church in North Platte. Mrs. Hill moved to North Platte from McPherson County in 1941.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 2, 1973

Rev. John Riley will return to the Ringgold Church to serve his sixth year. The appointment was made Monday at a meeting held at Ansley.

Becky Long attended the Hershey Rain Makers Horse Show at Lake Maloney south of North Platte Sunday. She placed second in horsemanship, fourth in pleasure and also brought home the award for good sportsmanship, being bucked off her horse during the goat tying event.

The Jack Dalys and Dwayne Melvin attended the dance in Ashby Saturday night where Art Daly and the Buckaroos were playing the music.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 1, 1963

Mr. and Mrs. T.W. Haddy and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ellis and family held a social gathering at the Tryon Lodge Hall Tuesday evening honoring Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ellis, Virginia and Susan. One hundred and twenty-five people attended. Lunch was served and a program was enjoyed.

Unit 189-ALA, the Tryon Unit of American Legion Auxiliary, was invited to a covered dish picnic at noon on August 6, 1963, at the home of Ruby Huffman, when officers of District 5 were to be honored.

The newest in mowing machines was demonstrated at the Macomber ranch Tuesday. It was a Hesston 400 windrower, conditioner.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 6, 1953

Johnny Neal was rushed to a hospital in North Platte last Thursday after cutting a vein in his arm. He lost a lot of blood, but otherwise he is getting along fine. George Winters drove him to North Platte.

Elaine, Dorene and Jim Allen returned to Tryon after staying with their folks in Golden, Colorado the past few weeks. Jerry Black returned home with them after spending a vacation with the Alens.

Annabel Warren took Gloria Avery and Shirila Power to their schools to get their work lined out

last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Nicholson and boys and Miss Loa Moore left Friday morning for Kansas City and returned Sunday evening. They attended the "Brush Creek Follies" on Saturday night. Don entered a talent contest there.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 5, 1943

Carl Stocker is advertising a farm sale to be held August 9, at his place seven miles north of Ringgold. Being sold at the auction are 70 acres of corn in the field and six acres of beans, 16 head of horses, 27 head of cattle, farm machinery, household goods, etc.

A severe electrical storm struck this county early Saturday morning causing damage at several farms. Lightning killed four head of cattle including a Hereford bull at the Lester Anway farm three miles east of Tryon, and knocked off the chimney. It damaged a range stove and set fire to bedding at the Seeb Smith Farm ten miles north of Tryon, and destroyed a stack of new hay at the Claude Grassley ranch six miles west of Tryon. It also destroyed the motor on the water system at the county courthouse.

Pvt. Frank Dancer, U.S. Marine Corp., has been given a medical discharge and arrived this week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dancer. Private Dancer served with the Marines on Guadalcanal, and while there, received injuries which rendered him unfit for further military service.

NINETY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 3, 1933

Herschel Moore had the bad luck to upset his Ford car one evening last week. He was able to crawl from under the overturned machine and walk back to the Worden home from which place he had just left. He was injured slightly about the chest.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Fowler of Ringgold on Saturday, July 29.

Mrs. Jim Scollin held a birthday surprise on her husband Sunday, it being his 50th birthday. The neighbors all came, giving Jim a big surprise.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO
AUGUST 9, 1923

Warren G. Harding, President of the United States, died instantaneously and without warning at 9:30 Thursday, August 2, 1923, the victim of a stroke of apoplexy which struck him down in his weakened condition after a illness of a week. President Coolidge designated August 10 a day of mourning for Warren G. Harding.

A daughter, Odeth Iola was born to Mr. and Mrs. B.C. Huffman on July 31. Mother and baby are getting along fine at the home of Mrs. Dikeman.



Quote: Procrastination is the art of keeping up with yesterday.

Don Marquis
FENDER SKIRTS AND SUPPER Continued:

When was the last time you heard the quaint phrase 'in a family way'?

It's hard to imagine that the word 'pregnant' was once considered a little too graphic, a little too clinical for use in polite company, so we had all that talk about stork visits and 'being in a family way' or simply 'expecting.'

Apparently 'brassiere' is a word no longer in usage. I said it the other day and everyone cracked up. I guess it's just 'bra' now.

'Unmentionables' probably wouldn't be understood at all.

I always loved going to the 'picture show,' but I considered 'movie' an affectation.

Most of these words go back to the '50s, but here's a pure '60s word I came across the other day 'rat fink.' Ooh, what a nasty put-down!

Here's a word I miss - 'percolator.' That was just a fun word to say. And what was it replaced with 'coffee maker.' How dull... Mr. Coffee, I blame you for this.

I miss those made-up

Nebraska Grazing Conference

The 2023 Nebraska Grazing Conference will be held August 8 and 9 at the Younes Conference Center in Kearney, NE.

This year's conference features speakers highlighting Grazing Lands Conservation, Emerging Issues in Grazing Lands, and Precision Livestock Management. The featured banquet speaker for the Conference is Curt Pate.

The conference will begin with a field tour from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. Discussion topics will focus on Stress-free Livestock Management. The scheduled speakers are Curt Pate and Ruth Woiwode. There is no fee to attend the field tour.

Another highlight is the recognition of the 2022 Leopold Conservation Award recipient. This year's recipient is the Logan Pribbeno Family from the Wine Glass Ranch located in Imperial, NE. This will begin a panel discussion from the current and several former Leopold Conservation Award winners who will provide an assessment of their past, present, and future grazing land conservation efforts. Tentative panelists are Nancy Peterson,

marketing words that were meant to sound so modern and now sound so retro.

Words like 'Dyna Flow' and 'Electrolux' and 'Frigidaire'.

We were introduced to the 1963 Admiral TV, now it's 'Flat Screen Video'

Food for thought.

Was there a telethon that wiped out lumbago? Nobody complains of that anymore.

Maybe that's what Castor oil cured, because I never hear mothers

threatening kids with Castor Oil anymore.

Some words aren't gone but are definitely on the endangered list.

The one that grieves me most is 'supper.' Now everybody says 'dinner.' Save a great word. Invite someone to supper. Discuss fender skirts.

Someone forwarded this to me.

I thought some of us of a 'certain age' would remember most of these.

If you aren't of a certain age, you must know someone who is.

J.R. Trumbull

THE OLD PARTY LINE

The old party line
Kept folks quite stirred
When people repeated
What they thought they heard.

We miss the days
Of the line ring
Telling of fires
Or what to bring.

A last minute party,
Maybe even a dance.
With the old party line,
We all had a chance.

No, t'wasn't private.
No guarantee on that
But news sure got around
Whether false or true fact.

The old party line
Is now part of the past.
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Twitter, and the rest.

Jacque Trumbull
3 May

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Thursday, July 27 -
Runza casserole, carrots, pineapple

Friday, July 28 -
Chicken drummies, mashed potatoes and

gravy, peas, wheat grain dinner roll, mandarin oranges

Monday, July 31 -
French dip, French fries, cheesy broccoli casserole, mandarin oranges

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**Senior Lunch At Prairie
Hills Cafe, Tryon**