

## Looking Back

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10 years ago this week

July 6, 2000

This year's May-June period has been the driest period in 52 years according to High Plains Regional Climate Center records dating back to 1948. Moisture for May-June of this year totaled 1.52 inches. The next driest May-June period was in 1953 with 2.5 inches.

Vaughn McBride spent Friday night with Lucille McBride on his return to Richland, Wash., where he is employed at the Hanford Nuclear Complex.

Connie Maxfield, Margie Shackelford and Ila Widger spent Thursday afternoon with Pat Kitt, helping put a quilt in the frames.

Betty and Jane Johnson spent Saturday to Tuesday in Hayes, Kan., attending a reunion of brothers and sisters of Charlie Johnson and their families. Dave and Lori Johnson and boys and George Johnson, Rebecca and Erica also attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Weston of Morrill came Friday to visit Alvina and Dallis Breese, Pearl Myers and other family until July 5.

Precip for the week: .07 of an inch; for 2000: 5.47 inches.

High for the week: 104° on July; low: 46° on June 29.

25 years ago this week

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July 11, 1985

Wheat harvest is nearly wrapped up. Yields were surprisingly high with 40-50 bushels per acre and as high as 60 bushels or better reported. Test weights ran from 58 to 64 pounds.

Loyd and Karen Christner were honored on their 25th wedding anniversary with a dinner preceding an open house, followed by a dance. Approximately 125 friends and relatives attended the open house.

Theresa Haarberg took her first air trip by flying to San Diego, Calif., being meant by her aunt, Rae Biskup. She spent four and a half weeks with her aunt and uncle and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Kent Haarberg took Renea and Renelle Christner to Lutheran Valley Retreat, a camp near Colorado Springs. Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Christner will bring the girls home Friday at the close of the five-day camp for 11-12 year olds.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Barger and family in honor of Abby's baptism were Mrs. Robert Barger, Mrs. J. W. Stevens and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barger and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Vearl McBride and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Busking attended the Centennial parade and quilt show at Hayes Center Wednesday.

Colleen Nordhausen, Joni and Seth of Fort Collins, Colo., spent the July 4th weekend with Lola McBride. Mr. and Mrs. Nick Schultz and girls of Imperial were Saturday evening visitors.

No precip for the week: for July: 3.26 inches; for 1985: 7.17 inches.

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Grain Markets: wheat-2.75/bu.; corn-2.65/bu.; milo-4.20/cwt; soybeans-5.27/bu.

50 years ago this week

July 7, 1960

Wheat harvest should start the first of the week, weather permitting.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Morgan celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Sunday with all their children, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Morgan and family, Jim, Sandra and Judy present, also houseguests Miss Sandra Mason of Aurora and Jack Fiala of Seward.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nordhausen and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Nordhausen and family spent the weekend in Estes Park attending the Arabian Horse Show.

Sunday picnickers at Enders were Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crowell, Wayne McGuire, Mike, Jerry, Lynn and Tommy of McCook, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Widger and boys and Mrs. Carl Widger. The afternoon was spent boating.

The Andy Andersons honored Fay Fanning Thursday evening on his birthday by bringing ice cream and cake to his home to help him celebrate.

Medames Dale Carse, Jess Egle, Walter Endres, Ellen Follett, Genia Ridnour and Miss Elsie Schipman were July 4 sightseers in the Estes Park area.

Precip for the week: 1.56 inches; for the year: 17.31 inches.

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High for the week: 92° on July 3; low: 55° on July 1.

75 years ago this week

July 3, 1935

Most of the business houses will close on the Fourth of July. Groceries, meat markets and general stores will stay open till noon.

A fast and furious tornado struck the George McBride farm, occupied by son James, last Thursday afternoon, demolishing four buildings and uprooting the orchard. Mrs. McBride and little daughter were visiting her parents in Haigler.

The library is now in the new city building. The Library Board held a reception Saturday afternoon to about one hundred callers. Eighty visitors patronized the lunch served, a birthday cake was sold and souvenirs were bookmarks commemorating the 12th year of the library.

Harold Vest was among 42 granted liquor licenses by the Nebraska liquor commission. Vest and Tom Smith opened a store in the old hotel building, south of the Chevrolet garage.

Otto Peters and Stella Hyde of Oakland, Calif., arrived Monday for a visit with Mr. Peter's sister, Mrs. H. L. Hansen.

June Rowley and LaVonne Eastbrook went to Denver Monday by the bus route.

Local Markets: cream-.18; hens-.10-8; springs-.10; eggs-.20; wheat-.70; corn-.90-.92.

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100 years ago this week

July 7, 1910

Incline thy ear in any direction and you can hear the hum of the harvester.

Choir practice has been postponed until after harvest.

A crowd of sixteen young folks spent the fourth in the Woods grove. An excellent dinner was prepared by the ladies and all reported a good time. Lemonade and firecrackers reminded them of what day they were celebrating.

The divide pumpkin-rollers defeated the Enders invincibles in a lively game of ball at Enders Saturday. R. A. Munson, divide pitcher, that's why.

Chas. F. Sturtevant of Holdrege is in town. He will try to straighten out the water supply situation.