10 years ago this week

Jan. 11, 2001

Pat Madden resigned as Village Utilities Superintendent due to health complications resulting from the Oct. 14, 1998, cave-in accident. He has been employed by the village the past 17 years, 10 and a half as utilities superintendent.

Guy Rundback tendered his resignation on the WP school board. The board includes Rick Einspahr, president; Beth Padilla, vice president; Kelly Egle, treasurer and Jon Anderjaska, secretary. Stuart Bartels was sworn in as a new member.

Rogan Einspahr was named the first recipient of the Winona Hollembeak Wauneta Volunteer Fire Department Scholarship. The fire department also presented $250 checks to Cub Master Bill Bischoff and Scout Master Brian Harchelroad for scout projects.

Jim and Annette Long and girls met her family in McCook Sunday for dinner to observe their 20th anniversary. Family included Donnie and Viola Castens, Allen and Roxanne Castens and family and Cory Castens and Cole.

Mary and Matt Smith, Gabriel, Virgil, Jacob and Jackson and Sandra and Colin Conklin, Rebecca and Luke were guests of the ladies' parents, Jack and Carol Maddux.

Ruby Anderson attended the David Robinson concert at the CFO Church Sunday with Virgil and Edie Sandman and later was a dinner guest in their home.

No moisture to date: high for the week: 66° on Jan. 3; low: 15° on Jan. 7.

25 years ago this week

January 9, 1986

Opal Kerchal observed her 90th birthday on Jan. 1. She was a guest of honor at a cooperative dinner held at Redeemer church, hosted by her six children: Eva Polly, Leonard Kerchal, Virgil Kerchal, Keith Kerchal, Ramona Nordhausen and Joan Vicary and families.

Florence West was honored on her 90th birthday at a reception held at the Palisade Methodist Church, hosted by her children: Lois May, Melba Richter, Arwyn West, Rawleyce Rife, Mary Ellen Dahnke and Ronnie West. There were over 200 present. A special gift was a quilt with the hand prints of her 40 great grandchildren appliqued on blocks with their names embroidered on them.

The Dave Carpenter family were New Year's guests of the Keith Buffington family. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Buffington were Sunday evening visitors. Matt Buffington returned to O.R.U. on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Roschewski and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Roschewski drove to Beatrice on Dec. 23 and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Roschewski. Wayne and Elaine spent Christmas Eve in Lincoln with Melanie Roschewski, Sherry Nichols and Theron, returning to Beatrice Christmas Day to have dinner with Hazel Sandersfeld and her families.

Mr. and Mrs. David Wheeler and family of Yukon, Okla., spent a few days with parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Wheeler. Joining them on the 30th were the Dennis and Rod Wheeler families.

No precip.

Grain Markets: wheat-2.88/bu.; corn-2.31/bu.; milo-3.40/cwt; soybeans-4.80/bu.

50 years ago this week

January 7, 1960

Winter and 1960 came in together as six to eight inches of wet snow fell during the night. By midmorning more snow, accompanied by high winds, began to fall. Visibility was poor as many travelers began “jamming” into Wauneta with the Plains Cafe as the main “guest placement center,” with everyone stranded given accommodations.

Joe Rietsch has been named as the winner of the Regent’s Scholarship at the University of Nebraska. A total of 306 scholarships were given and Joe ranked among the upper third of winners.

Chester Graves and brother accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Graves to North Platte Sunday night and left by train for their home in Salem, Ore., after spending two weeks with parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Graves and other relatives.

Frank Crapson of White Sands, N.M., Bill, Jane and Jim Crapson were Monday evening visitors in the Alfred Wach home.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Weber and girls, Mr. and Mrs. George Whitman, Frances Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith enjoyed a waffle supper at the Howard Gibbons home Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Walter Wheeler and Mr. and Mrs. Averill Hudnall and family of Imperial returned home after spending the past ten days in the V. E. Crawford home at Corpus Christi, Texas. They enjoyed Christmas dinner in the Crawfordhome, fishing in the gulf and a fish fry in the home of Mrs. Wheeler’s grandson, Mr. and Mrs. Marloe Ripper.

Precip for the week: .51 of an inch. High for the week: 42° on Dec. 29; low: -1° on Jan. 4.

75 years ago this week

January 2, 1935

By a mere 11 votes more than the necessary two-thirds majority, the people of Wauneta voted yes in have the new bridge built in east Wauneta. The turnout was light with only 176 votes cast.

Twenty-five neighbors and friends dropped in at the Frank Lee home last Saturday evening to remind them of their 25th wedding anniversary. Pinochle was the diversion of the evening and concluded with a delicious lunch.

Mrs. Floyd Holland and son returned to their home in Greeley after spending the holidays with grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Allen.

Russell Polly and Urcell McCartney went to McCook Monday to try out for the Kuker California Night Hawks orchestra. The boys were successful and left the same night for Omaha to play an engagement.

Miss Phyllis Green entertained eight girls at a pinochle party Saturday afternoon. After lunch late in the afternoon the affair turned into a theater party at the Crystal.

100 years ago this week

First issues not available.