

Looking Back

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10 years ago this week

February 15, 2001

Bob Carey and Marcella Herbert were crowned king and queen at the Valentine's Day festivities at Heritage.

Wauneta-Palisade speech team took first place at the W-P speech invitational, capturing four first place finishes in nine categories with 36 medals overall. Other teams included Imperial, Benkelman, Sutherland, Wallace, Grant, South Platte, McCook, Twin Valley, Brady, Hayes Center and Lakeside Central.

Wauneta native John Oliver was unanimously elected into the Babe Ruth Hall of Fame at the Babe Ruth International Board of Directors annual meeting in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Oliver has served as Nebraska's Babe Ruth League Commissioner since 1974.

Annie and Adrienne Pursley hosted a tea party at their home Saturday with the theme, "Anne of Green Gables." Guests Betty Erdman, Leta Brunkhorst, Charlene Pursley, Diana Ham, LaNeta Anderson, Gwen Bauer and Beth Kollmorgen came dressed for the occasion, complete with hats and gloves. They viewed excerpts of the musical production, "Anne of Green Gables," starring Annie's niece Katie Collier and tea and refreshments were served.

Les and Jan Houser took a bus trip over the weekend to see the Tri-City Storm and Omaha Lancers hockey game in Omaha, staying overnight at the Ameristar Casino Motel.

Nancy Mather had an uncommon traveler this week when a hot air balloon and its pilot landed south of Nancy's farm. Upon greeting him she learned he was from Fort Collins, Colo., and was in a hot air balloon competition.

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Precip for the week: .07 of an inch. High was 62° on Feb. 5 and 6; low: 3° on Feb.10.

25 years ago this week

February 13, 1986

Clarence Benge and Reva Wicke were crowned king and queen of the Home with Heart Jamboree at Heritage.

Judges for the Chase County Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge selected Matt Green of Wauneta and David German, Jonneen Keil and Nancy Kelly, all of Imperial as the 80 percent winners with Joni Travis, first alternate and Trent Minneman as second alternate. Six other Imperial students were selected on a 25 percent scholarship.

Lavern, Elinor and Lynn Denker were guests of Rich and Lois Greeley at the Steak Out for supper last Monday for Lavern and Elinor's Feb. 2 anniversary.

Myrtle Maris was honored Sunday at a reception for her 85th birthday held at the Grandview Retirement Center in Stratton.

Tracy Jones and Kirk Gates left Friday night by plane from North Platte with the National Guard for training at Las Vegas, Nev., returning home Monday evening.

Precip for week and year: .46 of an inch.

Grain Markets: wheat-2.79/bu.; corn-2.27/bu.; milo-3.34/cwt; soybeans-4.72/bu.

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50 years ago this week

February 9, 1961

Ninety-year-old Mary Housman of Palisade recently sent a request to an Omaha newspaper columnist asking for "enough scrapes to finish her 50th quilt." The mail during the following days brought enough material for another 50 quilts. She has received packages from nine states and over 300 of the packages also contained personal messages. She has shared her "deluge" of material with 15 other ladies. Mrs. Housman is the mother of Ilo Gage of Wauneta.

Jussel's Champlin Service opened in Wauneta for business Wednesday morning. The new station was one of the major construction projects during 1960. Owner is LeRoy Jussel and Loren Egle will help with the operation.

Marc Rueter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Rueter, has been named winner of the Regent's Scholarship to the University of Nebraska.

Sunday afternoon Patty Weber, Dorothy Smith, Kenny Smith, Beverly Hunt, Sharon Hewitt and Dennis Gockley were guests of Keith and Kent Buffington. They all went horseback riding.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Harrison returned Monday from an extended visit in San Marino, Calif., at the home of their son Mr. and Mrs. Will Harrison and family.

75 years ago this week

February 5, 1936

The town board will give people again a chance to vote for or against Sunday movies. A petition

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was presented to the board relative to this question. The date for a special election has not been decided.

On Friday evening Jan. 24 June McCallum accompanied Marvel Wheeler home and spent the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Vern McCallum and Joy and Clinton and Mrs. Hugh McCallum took Sunday dinner at the Wheeler home.

Mrs. Bert Maxfield entertained the Happy Hour Club Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. T.J. McKnight and Mrs. Norella Fox were guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Obed Walker moved to the Fred R. Grimm farm east of town.

Local Markets: eggs-.17; cream-.31; wheat-.89; corn-.53.

100 years ago this week

February 9, 1911

Walter Pennington has put up a windmill on his place. He says the old gas engine gets tired by spells and that he thought best to use a little wind.

Mr. and Mrs. Cox went to Alma on Monday's train.

Della and Ernest Morrison, Carrie Brown, Clara Kitt, and Fred Krausnick visited at E. G. Sowards after church Sunday, until League time.

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Don't miss the picture show Saturday night. Admission 10-20 cents.