

Looking Back

Written by Wauneta Breeze
Thursday, 07 July 2011 15:02 -

10 years ago this week

July 12, 2001

Wheat harvest was in full swing end of last week and over the weekend amid high temperatures ranging from the 100-degree mark to an unofficial 108-degree reading. Wheat was averaging 50 bu. to the acre north of town to 30-40 bu. per acre south of town.

Third District Congressman Tom Osborne made a short stop in Wauneta last week with rural economic development, education and the new farm bill the focus of his visit.

Recent visitors of Riley and Betty Mintling were John and Hope Fitzgerald and Martha Chartier of Paonia, Colo.

Lois and Marlin Wine returned from a two-week trip to the east, which included attending a three-day Wine reunion at the "3 Hills Bed & Breakfast" in Warm Springs, Va.; attending a three-day Frantz reunion in New Windsor, Md., and attending the Church of the Brethren annual conference in Baltimore, Md., with other stops in Pennsylvania and Ohio.

An open house was held Saturday at the Methodist Church in Palisade for the 90th birthday celebrations for Zella Kerchal and Zora Sailors.

Stacee Wright, Jessica Maddux and Kaylee Hackney left this week for a six-day Girl Scout adventure in Omaha.

Missi Scow and family spent the weekend with Kent and Sharon Buffington. Joining them Sunday were Kendi and Jim Cahoj and Nelden and Linda Hewitt of Seattle, Wash., and grandchildren, Fontelle and Dean.

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No precip. High for the week: 104° on July 6; low: 64° on July 6.

25 years ago this week

July 10, 1986

Vacation Issue

More than 5,000 people attended the various events in Champion observing Champion's centennial. Weekend activities included tank races on the mill pond, canoe races, flea market, parade, pageant, barbecue, recognition of 100-year farm owners and dances.

This year's wheat harvest averaged about 30 to 35 bushels per acre in the Wauneta and Enders area. The Palisade area was somewhat higher at 38 to 42 bushels per acre.

Shari and Doug Barnard, owners of Reata Poodle Parlor, have added boarding kennels to their business, which includes 10 four by 12-foot pens each with their own dog house and feeders.

Courtney Barger was among 38 participants in the 1986 Home Economics Judging Day, winning a purple in the junior division.

50 years ago this week

July 6, 1961

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There were 363 Waunetans enrolled in the Red Cross swimming lessons at the newly completed pool. Of this number 60 were men which is very unusual. There were 63 in the 5-6 age group, 208 beginners, 10 advanced beginners, 14 intermediate and eight in the swimmers class. There will be a class for women in which 30 are already enrolled.

Marcia Rueter was installed as Honored Queen Monday night at the Job's Daughter's open installation.

Lynn McBride and Janie Peck of Kearney came Friday to spend the July 4th holiday in the Vearl McBride home. They went to Trenton Lake Monday evening to fish and cook their supper.

Mrs. C. Rob't. Carlson spent Saturday and Sunday, a week ago, in Omaha and Iowa. She attended a high school alumni banquet at Pacific Junction, Ia.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Harrison and Shana of San Marino, Calif., are houseguests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Harrison.

Guests for coffee and a social afternoon of LaRue Gunderson were Mrs. Jack Terry of Denver, Mrs. Dean Kitt, Mrs. Paul Applegarth and Mrs. Dick Cowles.

Mrs. Albert Scriven and Mrs. Leonard Dudek were hostesses at a coffee Saturday morning at the Dudek home in honor of Mrs. Gordon Briggs of Omaha and Mrs. George Innes of La Mirada, Calif.

75 years ago this week

July 1, 1936

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The old familiar name of Krotter & Walker at the south of Main Street will be changed to Krotter-Fitzgerald, according to manager Gene Stewart.

On Sunday, the 108° mark was reached in the shady spots. This vicinity has been without rain the past two weeks. The wheat is damaged to some extent but a bumper crop is still in sight.

John Fortkamp of the South Divide hauled the first load of 1936 wheat to Krotter-Fitzgerald, testing at 56 1/2 lbs; Fred Kenny also hauled a load the same day. His weighed 51 pounds.

New bridge in Wauneta is nearing completion. Work should be completed by Friday (July 3) but traffic will not be allowed over the bridge until July 10 to insure satisfaction, according to Inspector Earl Fricke.

Miss Helen Von Stade returned the first of the week from Washington D.C. where she is employed in stenographic work for Congressman Binderup. After her vacation she will go to Minden where the congressman is at present.

Misses Olga Rueter and Nina Tenney were Sunday guests of Miss Tenney's mother in Haxtun.

Mrs. Eliza Fanning entertained the Grandmother's Circle Friday. Mrs. M. M. Johnson, Mrs. Jay Benge, Mrs. Bert Maxfield, Mrs. P. E. Peterson and Mrs. Othel Fortune were guests.

100 years ago this week

July 13, 1911

It was only 112 in the shade Tuesday noon. Whew!

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The water main was extended on the street west of Anderson's blacksmith shop this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd A. Green of Stamford, Mont., are here on a visit with his brother, John W. Green.

Johnie Kitt and his uncle have gone to Steamboat Springs, Colo., on pleasure and business trip.

J.M. Nesmith and wife took dinner and visited with Ralph Gardner and wife Sunday after attending church at Mt. Zion in the a.m.