

## Looking Back

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10 years ago this week

Aug. 2, 2001

Leland DeHart revisited war experiences during a WWII reunion in Italy in May. He joined Paul Versch of Omaha and flew to New York City where they joined former airmen of the 450 Bomb Group, 15 Army Air Force and flew to Manduria, Italy. They attended the opening of an Italian-American museum dedicated to the airmen of WWII. They spent 10 days touring Italy and were amazed at the changes in the last 57 years.

Wauneta centurians Henry Wicke and Maryan Rider were recognized for their 100th birthdays. Wicke receiving birthday greetings from President George W. Bush and Maryan Rider who celebrated her 100th birthday last winter was honored by Xi Gamma Chi Sorority as First Lady of the Year at the Harvest Fest parade.

Lois and Raymond Bley were honored on their 50th anniversary at an open house held at the Church of the Brethren Fellowship Hall with approximately 90 in attendance.

Jessie "Maggie" Crampton celebrated her 100th birthday the week of July 21. Monday Harry and Elsie Petsch took cake and ice cream to El Dorado Manor to celebrate with the residents and staff there. On Tuesday her sons and wives hosted an open house at the TCDC Building in Trenton.

Richard and Lois Greeley and Brian and Rhona O'Neil, Brittany and Brandon spent the weekend with Gary and Rochelle Weiman in Lincoln and attended the baptism of Morgan Ann Weiman on Sunday. Also attending were Lavern, Elinor and Lynn Denker.

Beverly Dinnel and Jane returned home Friday after spending a month in South Africa with a team of 14 from the Hamlet Union Church ministering to the disabled and orphans, the poorest of the poor and the homeless. They also splashed in the Indian Ocean, went on a night-time

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safari, took a river boat ride and other sight seeing trips.

Precip for the week: 1.28 inches; for 2001: 10.14 inches.

High for the week: 99° on July 29; low: 63° on July 24, 26, and 27.

25 years ago this week

July 31, 1986

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Ough returned following a two and a half weeks trip where they attended the expo in Vancouver, then travelled down the Washington-Oregon coasts.

The family of Effie Kennedy had a family reunion in Sterling, Colo., Sunday to celebrate her 85th birthday.

Jan DeWester drove to Scott City, Kan., to pick up Chad DeWester, David Kincaid, Jenny Allen and Tara Vires who had spent four days in a Christian ranching experience at Camp Omega Ranch.

Jay Bartels and Maressa Smith turned in top performances at the state 4-H Horse Show at Grand Island July 14-17. Bartels placed third in the state in calf roping and Smith finished 10th in barrel racing as well as earning ribbons in other events.

Erma Kitt visited Nora Fox and Bob Burk at Heritage Friday helping Bob celebrate his 87th birthday.

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Justin Nordhausen spent the past four weeks visiting area relatives. He returned home to Austin, Texas, with his father, Loren, Saturday.

.50 of an inch of moisture recorded for the week; 13.18 inches for the year to date.

Grain Markets: wheat-2.02/bu.; corn-1.97/bu.; milo-3.00/cwt.; soybeans-4.72/bu.

50 years ago this week

Aug. 3, 1961

Warren and Hazel Buffington observed their 48th anniversary July 29. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Buffington called on them Saturday evening. Sunday evening guests for cake and ice cream were the Mr. and Mrs. Bill Buffington, Kent and Keith, Sharon Hewitt, Royce Bernard, the Warren Buffington Jr. family, and the Rod Heldenbrand and Emerson Schwenk families.

Miss Marilyn Geweke of Tecumseh was a Wednesday overnight guests of Miss Shirley Knepper. Thursday morning the girls went to Seward and visited Doneta Knepper and then went on to Monett, Mo., where Shirley played for the wedding of a friend.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wheeler had a busy week with nine of their 11 grown children with their families from various places in the United States gathered for a family reunion. The main gathering was held at Oltman's grove at Enders Friday with a picnic. The Wheelers had celebrated their 55th anniversary in June.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Kanost and family returned home from Hot Springs, Ark., Saturday where they had visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Olmsted.

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Sunday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Steckman entertained Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Sandman and family at a back yard picnic.

75 years ago this week

July 22, 1936

The annual camp meeting of the Immanuel Missionary Church will be Aug. 20-30. The tent will be in the old park east of the river.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stock of Pittsburgh, Pa., came ten days ago to visit his brother, Tom Stock, and family. The two couples left for Estes Park and other mountain resorts to spend several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gauger, Ruth and Buddy, left for the mountains Thursday. They intend to be gone a month to six weeks.

Melvin and Gerald Wade returned from Detroit the last of the week, driving home a new Plymouth car for the family.

100 years ago this week

August 3, 1911

A hard time party was held at Ashby Morrison's last Fri. eve. Cake, pickles, oranges and corn bread were served. Judging by the late hour some arrived home they must have had a splendid time.

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Miss Eva Hanna is staying with Mrs. Clarence Fanning while Clarence is away.

O. E. McCallum is in the north part of the county fixing his political fences.