

## Looking Back

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### 10 years ago this week

**Dec. 27, 2001**

Chase County property valuation increased \$14.4 million over the previous year. The increase, according to County Assessor Dotty Bartels, was adding school lands to the tax rolls. This is a first time occurrence with legislation adopted in 1999.

Chamber drawing winners: Stacy Troutman, computer system; Darlene Haarberg, the 21-inch John Deere lawn mower; Nidia Ramirez and Annette Long, yearlong movie passes; Dave Kagemann, outdoor grill and Kent Kitt, holiday basket. \$20 Chamber bucks winners were Sunni Nordhausen, Violet Long, Kelly McCallum and Josie Lytle.

This issue is the Vacation Issue. Readers were encouraged to take the Wauneta Breeze along on their vacation and snap a picture with it. Readers travelled to many of the states and also vacationed and toured in many far away places such as Alaska, Hawaii, Italy, South Africa, China and England.

No moisture: high for the week: 63° on Dec, 17; low: 13° on Dec. 19.

### 25 years ago this week

**Dec. 25, 1986**

An open house was held Dec. 18 for businesses occupying the newly-remodeled office building which formerly housed Farmer and Rancher Irrigation. Businesses include Rick Einspahr of Northwestern Mutual, Don Norman of Multi-Insurance Services, GPA Gary Bergmeier and Attorneys Savage and Joel Burke. Savage and Burke will establish office hours early in the new

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year.

Arlan Wine opened a new law office in Wauneta with plans to specialize in Chapter 12 bankruptcies. His office is located in the former Immanuel Missionary parsonage.

Wiley Green was honored for his 50 years in the banking business at an open house at the Wauneta Falls Bank last Wednesday.

The family of Dora Denker spent Monday, the 22nd, with her, helping her observe her 84th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Reinhold Gloy and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Littlejohn ate supper in Imperial Tuesday night to celebrate Reinhold's birthday and Willie's upcoming birthday. They returned to the Gloy home to spend the evening.

Trent Minneman, a senior at WHS, was nominated for an appointment to the Merchant Marine Academy by Sen. Ed Zorinsky.

Steven Todd received word he was the top salesman in the Cub Scout Tri-Trails Council, selling 200 buckets of popcorn. He will receive a 13-inch color television with remote control as his prize.

Precip for December: .21 of an inch; for 1986: 18.43 inches.

Grain Markets: wheat-2.20/bu.; corn-1.50/bu.; milo-2.25/cwt; soybeans-4.31/bu.

**50 years ago this week**

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### Dec. 28, 1961

Mrs. Kenneth Sailors baked a cake and Mrs. Ewald Werschke helped her decorate it to use in the "Birthday for Christ" program at the Palisade Methodist Church. The cake was a gift for Jesus and the children placed their gifts on the tree as their gift for the Methodist homes for children. The cake was taken to the rest home in Wauneta.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wicke were honored on their 40th anniversary Nov. 5. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Vern Wicke and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Tepley and Mary Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wicke, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wicke and daughters, Fred Duhm, Mrs. Emma Buonside, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Brunkhorst and twins, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hamilton and boys, Pastor and Mrs Schmidt and Miss Karol Lee

Jody and Kip Engell spent Thursday evening with their Grandmother Gregory making Christmas cookies. Mr. and Mrs. Delman Engell called later in the evening.

Coffee guests in the Lavern Denker home on Christmas Eve following the program at the church were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Denker, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Greeley and Mr. and Mrs. Adolf Engel.

Guests for an oyster supper in the Dwight Hoff home on Christmas Eve were Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hoff and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hoff and Chris, Mr. and Mrs. Amil Hoff, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Acton and Randy, Mrs. Albert Scriven, George McGooden, Mrs. Myrtle Hoff, Mrs. Eddie Wilcox and Rick and Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Hayes of Hawthorne, Calif.

E. N. Berry and J. B. Jussel were Christmas Eve dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Jussel and boys.

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### December 16, 1936

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Fisher have moved into their property in west Wauneta which they recently renovated and modernized.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nordhausen and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Denker were Benkelman visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Schultz and family of Culbertson spent Sunday afternoon at the Frank Lee home.

The Misses Florence Turner, Viola Nordhausen and Marjorie Gregory were Sunday dinner guests at the A. Engel home.

Miss Olga Rueter, Frank Rueter and Mrs. Eleanor Frasier went to Norton, Kan., Sunday and spent the day with Bud Frasier.

Local Markets: cream-.30; eggs-.20-.21; wheat-1.13; corn-1.10; mixed corn-1.06; barley-.65.

### 100 years ago this week

### December 28, 1911

4 below 0 Tuesday morning, 7 below Wednesday morning and 10 below Thursday morning.

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Earl Skelton is home from Lincoln on his vacation.

A.C. Grimm went to Lincoln Tuesday where he will visit relatives.

John Johnston and wife went out to Wayne's Monday to eat their Christmas.

Some of the boys ran down a jack rabbit in town on Monday and caught it.