

Looking Back

Written by Wauneta Breeze
Thursday, 28 June 2012 15:02 -

10 years ago this week

July 4, 2002

Frank Stute was busy cutting wheat on his 20-acre field the old fashioned way with a 60-year-old IH Farmall "M" tractor and a 50-year-old Allis Chalmers pull-type combine with wooden reel bars and slats. He expects to take two to three days harvesting.

Ann and Ray Miller were honored on their 60th wedding anniversary when family and friends gathered at the Legion Hall for an evening meal, cake and punch. Family present were son Tom and Sharon Miller, their children, Kerry, Travis and Bobby and their families and son Daryl Miller and Judy Aldersen of Anchorage, Al.

Flo and Lance Hofman, Joshua and Malachi of Fort Walton Beach, Fla., were houseguests of Pastor Greg and Janet Stuckwisch. Flo is Greg's twin sister.

Bill Dicke of Lincoln and Connie Linscott and Will of Gainesville, Fla., visited Bob and Dorothy Baumfalk Sunday afternoon.

Wayne and Joan Daniel joined other family at Enders Lake for a picnic and swimming to celebrate the birthdays of John and Kristina Rogers and Johnnie and Daniel Bornman.

The Michael Maris family were Sunday dinner guests of Sharon and Leland Maris. Also arriving for dinner were Julie and Dan Ashline, Ethan and Eliese from North Carolina who will be here for two weeks.

Precip for the week: .48 of an inch; for 2002: 3.56 inches. High for the week: 102° on June 24, 29 and 30; low: 64° on June 27.

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25 years ago this week

July 2, 1987

Vacation Issue

Lori Buffington and Teresa DeWester recently attended a three-week-long session at the Co-op Youth Leadership Conference at William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo. They were sponsored by the Farmers Co-op Exchange.

Issue contained several old pictures:

Wauneta Scout Troop—Troop dates back to 1912. They had no place to meet so dug a cave-like structure in the side of a hill, using logs for the roof covered by dirt. Early scouts were: Dean Barnes, D.C. Harvey, Luther Barnes, Ken Harvey, Virgil Johnson, Fred Dudek, Willy Metcalf, a Jones boy, a McCartney boy, Ralph Grosbach, and George Metcalf.

The Burlington Railroad finally reached Wauneta in 1892.—A large crowd gathered downtown on Jan. 28, 1892, to greet the first Burlington Northern passenger train. It was a gala day in Wauneta. Many children had never seen a train before so school was dismissed so the children could attend. For years the track ended here before extending it to Imperial.

Wauneta Falls Bank—The bank was founded in 1890 by F. T. Dimick and sold to V. Franklin of McCook in 1907. John Green of McCook and Roy Cocklin of Holdrege came to work at the bank and in 1914 became stockholders. Cocklin sold his interest to Green in 1945 and remains in the Green family at present (1987).

50 years ago this week

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June 28, 1962

Several families gathered at the Wayne Smith home to rope and ride calves Sunday evening. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Bobnick and children, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Kline and children, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fye and sons and Don Buffington. Afterwards the group had homemade ice cream and cake.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Cocklin attended an outdoor picnic at the A. E. Carrigan home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Thomas of Lincoln visited Mr. and Mrs. Louis Grimm Sunday. They were en route home from a two month vacation in Hawaii.

Mrs. Leroy Jussel was hostess to a coffee in her home Saturday afternoon honoring her aunt, Mrs Allen Carse of Palisade on her birthday. There were ten ladies present.

Friday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Bartels and family in honor of Mr. Bartel's birthday were Mr. and Mrs. Otto Becker and Evelyn, Mrs. Doris Bartels, Alfred, Reinhold and Walter.

75 years ago this week

June 30, 1937

Chateau Theatre to open Thursday! Theatre goers are anticipating the opening of the new theatre since fire destroyed the old Crystal Theatre in early January.

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July 4 celebration on Monday, July 5! Program includes band concerts, speech by Senator Hugh B. Ashmore, ball games, races, dance at Legion Hall. Stores will close at noon; reopen from 5 to 6 in evening.

Mrs. Eleanor Frasier was a guest at a fish dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Dimick. Mrs. Dimick is given credit of being the fisherman of the family and the table was graced with a big platter of fish caught by herself at Rock Creek the day before.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Bunker of Kansas City returned to their home last Wednesday after spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kerns. They were accompanied by Jack who will spend a week there.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stinnette and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Skelton.

Walter Oliver was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Oliver.

Local Markets: wheat-1.00; corn-1.00; barley-.65; cream,- .30; eggs-.14; hens-.11-.12; springs-.14-.15

100 years ago this week

June 27, 1912

All our stores will close on July 4 except from 10 a.m. until noon.

Chas. Barnes and a number of the boy scouts have gone to Champion on a fishing trip.

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Frank Wiley and wife and J. W. Greens left in Wiley's auto Sunday for an outing in Colorado.

Mrs. L. Rueter and children and Grandma Rueter, John Kaiser, Henry Bischoff and Mr. Fortkamp and family and Mr. Blobaum and family spent Sunday at Bischoff's.

Grandma Fortkamp is staying with her daughter, Mrs. Bartels, this week.