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TEN YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 12, 2009

Alex Hinkle won the championship plaque in the McPherson County spelling bee. McKenna Bessmer was the runner-up.

Fay Connell celebrated her 98th birthday with a celebration and dinner at her ranch home north-east of Ringgold.

Death: Orley Orval Harvey died January 28 at the age of 89. On the morning of December 7, 1941, Orley was serving on the battleship California, moored in Pearl Harbor, when the Japanese attacked. His ship sinking, Orley swam through thick bunker oil to Ford Island where he was hospitalized for many months to recover from fuel oil poisoning and burns. Orley had worked his way through high school, took all his belongings in a suitcase to his 1937 Stapleton High School graduation and stayed in college for two years, then enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1940.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 11, 1999

Dale Dee Arensdorf and Eugene Hoagland were re-elected to the FSA area committee. They joined Eldon Christensen, Chester Binegar, Jr., and Larry Gibson.

Tryon Rebekah Lodge officers installed were Geneva Neal, Noble Grand; Jean Doyle, Vice Grand; Jack Cotton, Warden; Wilma Nicholson, Conductor; Susie Bond, Chaplain; Mildred Ready, Secretary; Judy Connell, Right Supervisor to the Noble Grand; and Cindy Gregg, Outside Guardian.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 16, 1989

The No. 1 seeded McPherson County High School girls basketball team of Tryon drew a bye in the first round of the D2-8 girls district tournament to be held at Oshkosh.

Larry and Helen Trumbull hosted a turkey supper in honor of the 85th birthday of Marie Trumbull and the 8th birthday of Wendy Trumbull, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Trumbull.

Rural Nebraska counties are at a crossroads. They can either choose their future or have it chosen for them. With the decline in population, rural counties are finding it difficult to support public and private services necessary to county survival. A group of concerned residents decided to confront the problems facing McPherson County.

FORTY YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 15, 1979

Ernie Schmidt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Schmidt of Tryon, was notified of his branch selection by the U.S. Army, receiving three years of active duty in the Infantry.

Janelle Snyder, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Snyder, was accepted into membership of the "Outstanding Young Americans" organization. Janelle was a student at the University of Wyoming and was studying pre-nursing.

Dale Licking was injured while working on a well at the Kahoe ranch. Several stitches were required to treat several facial cuts on his eyelid and below the eye.

Pauline and Karen Lutes attended a pre-nuptial shower for Connie Lutes.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 13, 1969

Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Neal were announcing the engagement of their daughter, Evelyn, to Terry Pettit, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Pettit.

The McPherson County Heart Fund Chairman announced candidates for King and Queen. They were Edith Haney, Santha Taylor, Sandra Bassett, Connie Lutes, Beth Black, Valma Bullington, Evelyn Neal, Vicky Miller, Deena Kemp and Kathy Thompson, and Jim Neal, Allen Kinsman, Rocky Nicholson, Randy Munson, Gary Connell, Mart McNutt, John Kramer, Monte Nicholson, Tom Burch and Monty Kemp.

Birth: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Pullen were the parents of a baby girl, Mary Ann, born February 4.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 12, 1959

Mrs. George Kahoe entertained 25 ladies at a pink and blue shower for Mrs. Katie O'Connor Bolland.

Sunshine Extension Club met with Mrs. Opal Streiff and Donna Daly gave the lesson.

Les Patton of North Platte was carrying mail from North Platte to Tryon while the regular carrier returned to Omaha for medical treatment on his throat.

A new automatic washer and dryer combination had been installed at the George Kahoe home.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 17, 1949

George Machlan sold all of his cattle to neighbors

Bloodmobile just one short of goal in January

The January 25, 2019, McPherson County Blood Drive saw 14 whole blood and three power red donors for a total of 20 units donated for the day. This fell one unit short of the goal.

The efficient Red Cross crew kept the donors moving quickly through the process. It was a good

day. Wanda Waits provided a baked potato bar with cheese, sour cream, bacon bits and chili. Dessert choices were two different kinds of cake. Karen Licking and Elaine Miller brought oat meal bars and another cake to add to the dessert choices. A big thank you to Dan

Arensdorf and Cecil Bullington for helping with clean-up at the end of the day.

A special thank you to each one who took time to come and donate. There is a great need for more blood donors.

Mark your calendars for April 5, which will be the next blood drive.

Over The Hills

J.R. Trumbull



clerk who hopefully knows. Think positive thoughts. When life starts to get you down, take time to pray for others. Take time to pray for others no matter how you feel. Do something that makes you feel good today even if it is just taking time to pet a cat or feed the birds. Read a good book.... The list could go on and on

and on.... "Some people will never like you because your spirit irritates their demons." *Unknown* "The purpose of life is to live it, to taste experience to the utmost, to reach out eagerly and without fear for newer and richer experience."

Eleanor Roosevelt

BLESSINGS RECEIVABLE

There are blessings receivable, I'm sure they are out there. They just need the recipient To release them for my share.

When someone does a favor Or bestows on you a gift, Do you thank God for the blessing Or do you feel guilty and let it set?

You may well be denying a blessing To the person on the other end And they may need the encouragement That their share of blessing sends.

So, thank God for that blessing, Enjoy each and every part, Don't begrudge the other party Of the blessing they did start.

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