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TEN YEARS AGO
MARCH 6, 2008
Construction was progressing on the Alltel Tower at Tryon.
Audrey Bellew, daughter of C.L. and Amy Bellew of North Platte, recently attended the National Young Leaders State Conference (NYLSC) in Wichita, Kansas.

Audrey French attended a bridal shower in North Platte for her granddaughter, Laura (Kramer) Kasper, at the Berean Church Fellowship Hall.

Meka Melvin was featured in this week's MCHS Senior Spotlight.

The 2008 Sandhills Conference All-Conference basketball players have been chosen and were Meka Melvin and Tasha Miller on the girl's side and on the boy's side it was Tui Bogo Borowicz.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
MARCH 12, 1998

Sue Morgan and Clint Pettit collided head-on at the top of a hill on the one-lane Tin Camp Road. Both vehicles were totaled, but there were no serious injuries.

A pickup connected to a trailer which was being loaded with hogs caught fire at the Moore Ranch. The pickup and contents, along with about 10-15 acres of grass, burned. The trailer was disconnected and there was no loss of hogs or damage to the trailer.

Fifteen boys and eight girls were going out for the track season at MCHS. They were Tyler Neal, Arlis Blake, Luke Connell, Wayne McNutt, Ty Melvin, Jeremy Neal, Ross Brouwer, Kyle Correll, Dan Schmidt, Dell Schultheiss, Chad McNutt, Joe Cochran, Jared Arensdorf, Corey Neal, Dru Melvin, Darla Arensdorf, Toni Kemp, Tara Connell, Micki McNutt, Lynn Streiff, Renee Munson, Lacy Abel, and Megan McNutt.

Born Again Tractors at Ringgold had a two page ad in this issue of *The Graphic* announcing the new business venture in the big white barn near the Ringgold Church.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
MARCH 3, 1988

The Tryon boys basketball team would be making a trip to the state basketball tournament with a 14-4 record. Members of the team were Ira Masters, Rusty Kemp, Shawn Bellew, Brad Whited, Will Coffman, Clint Pettit, Craig Neal,

Casey Connell, Craig Connell, Mike Daly, Zane Connell, and Bill Finney. Student managers were Zane Connell and Scott Starr. Alan Miller was the coach.

Clint Pettit was featured in this week's MCHS Senior Spotlight.

The 20th annual Heart Fund Country Music Jam-boree would be held March 11. Candidates were Brenda Connell, Angie Jameson, Marty Moore, Melissa Power, Craig Connell, Rusty Kemp, and Ira Masters.

Elnora Neal was pictured with her students at District No. 59 School at Ringgold. Students were looking at the *McPherson County History Book* donated to the school by Leo Cash of North Platte. Students in the picture were Tanya Fisher, Melissa Fisher, Joe Schmidt, Chad Fisher, Danny Schmidt, Gina Fisher and Tim Schmidt.

FORTY YEARS AGO
MARCH 9, 1978

Deb Correll had the high ladies series and Larry Lechtenberg had the high mens series in the Sandhills Bowling league standings that week.

Mrs. Eva Connell reported in her Flats News that people were beginning to get out to visit their neighbors and get groceries since the last big snow storm. This had been one winter we have had to stay home whether we liked it or not.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Sharp and Eva Haddy drove to Lincoln and joined many other Gooch salesmen and dealers by chartered plane to Las Vegas.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
MARCH 7, 1968

The engagement of Vicki Marie Kinsman to Francis (Corky) Lee Kemp was being announced.

Three contestants from McPherson County participated in the 1968 KNOP-TV spelling bee. They were Kathy Arensdorf, Rodney Daly, and Doug Correll.

James Allen and Bessie Olin were married February 24 at the First Methodist Church in Golden.

Bill Gillette of Tryon had purchased the equipment and rented the building of the former Gilister Shop in North Platte and it would now be known as the Gillette Auto Body Shop.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
MARCH 6, 1958

Mr. and Mrs. Dennie

Barner are the parents of a new baby daughter, born March 4, 1958.

A very bad blizzard lasted four days bringing travel to a stand still and closing schools.

Supt. O.P. Hurdle planned to retire after this year at McPherson County High School.

The old Black Store building was the scene of a party honoring Lynelle Ellis on her 8th birthday.

A miscellaneous shower would take place at Hall Church in honor of Elaine Allen and Russell Miller. The couple would be married March 16, 1958, at the First Methodist Church in Tryon.

Max Rothwell flew into Tryon to pick up some groceries and mail for ranchers living on the Lena Route.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO
MARCH 4, 1948

Wanda Allen, Lois Daly, and Phyllis Pettit did the best work on the quiz over last week's issue of the Junior Review.

McPherson County High School's basketball team won fourth place in the District Class D basketball tournament in North Platte.

Harold German was grading a new line of highway through his place with the help of Richard Bryant.

The Hall community was well represented at the Henry Brothers sale east of Ringgold.

Those on the attendance honor roll for the six weeks period were Pauline French, Lila Pyzer, Alma Winters, Eunice Miller, Mary Lou Rundback, Gaylord Wright, Lila Avery, LeRoy Daly, Lois Daly, Ralph Gross, Wilda McNutt, Alfred Miller, Donald Daly, Burrell French, Joan Haney, Ruth Hunn and Ramona Neal.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO
MARCH 10, 1938

Robert Graham, president of the Nebraska Stockgrowers' Association died at his home in Alliance on February 25.

This week's baby por-

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Quote: Study what's around you at all times then you can correct your needs to your circumstances." - Anon.

Ooops! I see that I didn't proofread well enough on the 2/22/18 column and referred to "Z" in one place and X in another. Yes, I do read my own column in the paper from time to time. I have also been accused of being a "Grammar Nazi" on one social media site. I'm the one who picks out discrepancies in stories when I'm reading a book and so on. Sorry about that, but I won't promise that it won't happen again.

We are fast approaching the "Spring Forward" time of year. I, along with many others, detest the time changes involved with Daylight Savings Time regardless whether it is "Spring Forward" or "Fall Back". It messes with our inner clock and plays havoc with those who have to take medication on a certain schedule. Any of us who deal with critters know that they don't pay any atten-

Card of Thanks

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Over The Hills

By J.R. Trumbull

tion to the clock anyway. Yonder heifer sure isn't going to hurry up or hold off on calving because you have an event scheduled for 5 P.M. Daylight Savings Time which is basically the middle of the afternoon. What a difference an hour makes!

I'm not sure if it would make any difference but one suggestion is bombarding our Nebraska

State Senator (Tom Brewer for most of us) with pleas to just leave the time one way or the other year round. While they are at it, they could move the time change line to the state border too. That would make it a bit easier to remember whether you are in Central or Mountain Time no matter if it is Standard or Daylight Savings Time!

SAVING TIME?

I haven't saved a minute
With Daylight Savings Time.
If you want my opinion,
The idea isn't worth a dime!

Twice a year I get confused
In my internal clock.
As we spring forward or fall back,
My system goes into shock!

I bet if they considered
All the havoc that has caused,
They would decide it better
If they had just stopped and paused-

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J.R. Trumbull 15 October 2010

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