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TEN YEARS AGO MAY 10, 2007

Taylor Lovitt was the Valedictorian of the Class of 2007 and Talia Miller was the Salutatorian.

Those honored May 2 at the McPherson County Eighth Grade Graduation were: Mara Seifer, Angie Thompson, Dillon Daiger, Ashley Bessmer, Molly Hinkle, Gage Ryland and Samantha Kramer.

The United States Achievement Academy has announced that Logan Krull from Tryon has been named a United States National Award Winner in English.

Engagements: Nichole Neal, North Platte and Eric Mumm of Chadron, June 30, 2007; Jana Jameson & Todd Gragg, North Platte, August 18, 2007.

TWENTY YEARS AGO MAY 15, 1997

Justin Moore was Valedictorian and Lana Streiff Salutatorian at the MCHS graduation held May 11.

McPherson County Eighth Graders graduating on May 12 were: Megan McNutt, Kari Beth Daly, Katrina Fisher, Cameron Powers, Chad McNutt, Chaunci Beck, Travis Powell, Corey Neal, Dru Melvin, Jarod Arensdorf and Joseph Cochran.

The McPherson County boys track team won the last OTC meet. Those placing for the Longhorns were: Tyler Neal, Jeremy Neal, Ty Melvin, Travis Beck, Justin Moore, Dell Schultheiss, Jay Powers, Luke Connell, Wayne McNutt, Arlis Blake, Darrin Munson, Matt Burch, Dan Schmidt, Kyle Correll, Dan Schmidt, Aaron Schroder, Ross Brouwer, Tyler Neal, Kyle Correll, and Darrin Munson.

THIRTY YEARS AGO MAY 14, 1987

Gary and Judy Connell traveled to Kearney Monday where Gary was to enter the Good Samaritan Hospital for surgery for a ruptured disc in his back. Gary spent several days in the hospital at North Platte last week.

Kerry Kramer of Tryon, will graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing from Kearney State College May 15, 1987, at Foster Field.

The high-point winners in the track and field events at Rural Field Day in Tryon, April 30 were Megan Wilkie, Terri Rodewald, Kelly Long, Dawn Streiff, Justin Moore and Kevin Starr.

FORTY YEARS AGO MAY 12, 1977

The 1977 Senior Class was pictured in this issue. Class members were Cindy Miller, Dallas Neal, Bill Kramer, Randy Houghtaling, Nancy Gragg, Polly Kemp, Scott Correll, Lanny Brouwer, Kenneth Rundback, Sandy Schmidt and Scott Brouwer.

Among those graduating with the Dental Assisting Class at Mid Plains Community College May 15, was Miss Dee Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith of Tryon.

Eileen Kugler, County Chairman, welcomed approximately 60 people to the Extension Clubs' Spring Tea held May 2 at MCHS.

FIFTY YEARS AGO MAY 11, 1967

Darwin Munson presented the salutatory and Jacque Trumbull gave the valedictory address at commencement May 11.

Mrs. Nellie Yost of North Platte will be the speaker at the eighth grade promotion exercises May 17.

Birth: Mr. and Mrs. Dale Pettit, Crystal Delight, May 2, 1967.

Death: Arthur M. Dalgarn, May 8, 1967.

Susan Kinsman, a junior at MCHS was injured Tuesday evening near Tryon, when she accidentally fell out of the back of a pickup driven by Doug Neal. She was treated for cuts and bruises at the hospital.

SIXTY YEARS AGO MAY 16, 1957

Lightning struck in the southwest part of Tryon Monday, burning out the telephone lines in that section. The homes of Billy Neal, Frank Cotton and Paul French were left without telephone service. A parakeet sitting on top of his cage which was hanging from the ceiling in the Paul French home, was knocked to the floor when the bolt of lightning hit.

During the storm on May 8th which crossed this part of the country, lightning set fire to the prairie on the Tom Neal ranch. Several ranchers arrived in time to put it out and only a small amount of ground was burned.

Four inches of rain has fallen in six days, so this has aided in keeping down prairie fires started by lightning.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Neal and family are moving this week to the house which was recently occupied by the Harry Davis family.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO MAY 15, 1947

Manley Mahaffey did not carry the Flats mail Saturday on account of car trouble.

Harvey Neal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Neal, accompanied Miles Snyder and son, Jimmie, home Thursday evening in Mr. Snyder's airplane. Mr. Snyder brought the boys back Monday morning in

time for school. It was quite a treat for Harvey to ride in the plane. Jimmie has been coming to school almost all winter in the plane with his father.

After averaging grades at the Tryon Grade school, it was found that the all A students for the year were Bobby Cotton, Esther Winters, Arlene Bedker and Ramona Neal, and for the last quarter, Bobby Cotton, Esther Winters, Janis Black, Audrey Priest, Arlene Bedker, Burrell French and Ramon Neal received all A's.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO MAY 13, 1937

Tryon's first auto accident in many months occurred at the intersection of main street and the highway Sunday morning when the Ira Cumpston Dodge sedan was struck by a Chevrolet truck loaded with cattle. Fenders, bumpers and body of the autos were damaged.

Some new cement steps were installed at the Post Office over the weekend.

S.W. Warren is having some fencing done on his properties in the south part of town and rerouting a road which has not followed street lines too closely.

NINETY YEARS AGO MAY 12, 1927

The oyster supper at Mrs. Nicholson's was attended by fifty people and a fine time was reported.

District No. 10 recently put up a new flag pole. Miss June Stoddard and Miss Freda Wayman were the first to raise the flag.

Esther Austin burned both of her hands quite badly Wednesday morning while starting the fire with gasoline, which had by some unknown way been put into the kerosene can. Her sister and neighbors managed to put out the fire before it could get any headway to further destruction.

Aunt Bea's Senior Meals Lunch Menu

Monday, May 15 - Hamburger gravy with rice and peas.

Tuesday, May 16 - Chicken drummies, mashed potatoes and corn.

Wednesday, May 17 - Hot beef sandwich, mashed potatoes and green beans.

Thursday, May 18 - Barbecue riblet sandwich,

baked beans and French fries.

Friday, May 19 - Tater crust cod, Au Gratin potatoes and beets.

Monday, May 22 - Hamburger patty with gravy, mashed potatoes and carrots.

Tuesday, May 23 - Sloppy Joe, baked beans and French fries.



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First public transit bus leaves Tryon



COURTESY PHOTO

Pictured are l-r: Dave Sullivan, Hooker County Clerk; Darlene Osborn, bus driver; Bryan Crisp, Hooker County Commissioner, and John Bryant, McPherson County Commissioner, prior to taking off from Tryon to North Platte. In addition to the pleasant ride to North Platte, the group toured the North Platte Public Transit facility.

Hooker County Public Transportation, in partnership with McPherson County and the Nebraska Department of Roads, began their pilot project to offer public transportation service to North Platte on Tuesdays.

Transportation began Tuesday, May 2. Along with the trip to North Platte, the group toured the North Platte Public Transit facility.

This service is now available to all residents of McPherson County. The general public transit service is provided through an agreement between the Hooker County Board of Supervisors and the McPherson County Commissioners. The pilot project will leverage existing public transportation in Hooker County for residents traveling to North

Platte. The new transit service will stop in Tryon to pick up and drop off McPherson County residents at the McPherson County Courthouse. All transit trips must be reserved a minimum of 24-hours in advance.

To book a ride on the new transit service, contact Hooker County Public Transportation at 308-546-9347.



Over The Hills

By J.R. Trumbull

Quote: "Sit on the tack of success and rise rapidly." Class Motto MCHS Class of '67

Fifty years ago as we sat on the stage of McPherson County High School, I'm sure we never thought about living into the next century much less the second decade of the next century. Computers, cell phones, lasers, Tasers, and a multitude of other things that we take for granted today were either unheard of or just part of science fiction. During my first year of college, one of the guys had gotten a calculator which was 'WOW', big stuff.

That thing cost \$250 at that time and only had a couple of functions more than the dollar store version does today. Most of us had to use a slide rule to calculate things. Don't ask me how to use one now because I have used the slide rule about as much as I have used algebra in my life.

Geometry was practical and could be applied but some of the rest just didn't make the transfer into real life. Typing was a struggle but I use the keyboarding skills daily. It is so nice to be able to delete and rewrite although the computer word processing program and I don't always agree on the spelling of certain words. It turns out that I'm right most of the time. At least I do know how to look up a word in the dictionary although I am probably more apt to see if I can Google the correct spelling. Ha!

Time flies or so they say. I'm not sure who 'they' were who said it but time does seem to pass much more rapidly than it used to, yet there are some things that seem to have happened only yesterday.

SIXTY YEARS

Sixty years, what has it wrought?
Poodle skirts & bobbie socks
Elvis, Marilyn Monroe, John Wayne too
Time flew so fast - where were you?

Sputnik, Apollo, now the space station
Test tube procreation
Kennedy's assassination
Time stood still on 9/11.

How did we live without computers?
Calculators or Nerf shooters?
Video games we had none,
We could pretend and have fun.

TV was a big event,
Channel 2 was heaven sent!
Radio still holds it place
And KRVN sets the pace.

Mini skirts and go-go boots,
Country fun and Hee Haw hoots!
Saturday night at the show
Ma & Pa Kettle, don't you know?

Minnie Pearl and Grandpa Jones
Memories of more than them alone.
My, how the time does fly,
So many friends have said 'Good-bye'.

Who is here from 60 years ago?
Please, at this time do let us know.
What are your memories of that time?
I know candy bars were two for a dime.

As we gather once again
And say hello to old friends,
We wonder who will be here next year
Celebrating 61 years with friends and cheer.

J.R. Trumbull
29 September 2010
Logan Co. 60th Oldsters Party

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