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TEN YEARS AGO
AUGUST 13, 2009

Audrey French accompanied by her daughter Judy Kramer, attended the lovely wedding of Amy Jo Neal and Sean Marshal Dawson at the Bethel Evangelical Free Church in North Platte, Saturday evening. Amy is the daughter of Steve and Sharon Neal of North Platte, and the granddaughter of Doris Neal of Tryon, and Gary and Irma Baker of North Platte.

The Stapleton Booster Club and the McPherson County Improvement Club are selling SMC Cyclone apparel. Black shorts and long sleeved T-shirts, sweat-shirts, and hoodies.

Pat and Carmen Keslar hosted a barn warming at their residence west of Hyannis, Saturday evening, July 17. A large crowd enjoyed music, a meal, and visiting.

A one vehicle accident north of Thedford, has claimed the life of 17-year-old Gage A. Reiser. Reiser who would have been a senior at Thedford High School this fall, died on Wednesday, August 5, 2009, from injuries sustained in the accident. The Nebraska State Patrol investigated the accident, and said the north bound vehicle's front tire left the highway, the driver overcorrected, lost control, and the vehicle rolled.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 12, 1999

Jess Cochran, of Tryon, graduated from Mid-Plains College and received a certificate in machine shop and welding.

Logan County and McPherson County 4-H'ers participated in the home economics judging contest held July 19 in Ringgold. Alison Sowders represented McPherson County and was the top purple and voucher winner in the junior division.

Deb Hall and her two children Leron and Taylor of Grand Island, planned to visit her parents, Dannie and Geneva Connell and their Missouri guests over the weekend, but had the misfortune to hit a car which ran a stop sign just outside of Grand Island. According to Mrs. Connell, the car pulled out in front of the Hall vehicle, and Deb was unable to avoid the collision in the 55 mile per hour speed zone. All three were taken to the emergency room where Taylor had eight stitches taken on the outside of his mouth and several more inside his mouth. Leron was also bruised and had some minor cuts and Deb suffered a little seat belt injury. The Hall car was totaled. Apparently, no

one in the van was injured.

Ernest and June Lutes from Hartford, Wisconsin, visited in the Vernon Lutes home Tuesday.

Audrey French, accompanied by Wayne and Marcia Hora, enjoyed attending the annual family picnic at the Ringgold First Methodist Church Sunday evening. A large crowd attended.

Geneva Neal was in North Platte Friday and went to see Maxine and Harold Neal. She ate dinner with Donna and Larry Campbell, and in the late afternoon, she and Donna went shopping together. Geneva also stopped at Gary Neal's shop and saw Jerry Neal while there.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 17, 1989

Max E. Rothwell of Tryon, was to receive the Ak-Sar-Ben "Good Neighbor" award at the McPherson County Fair in Tryon. The award was to be presented just before the 4-H Livestock Sale at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 19.

American Baptist Men of Nebraska met at Camp Merrill near Linwood, Nebraska, and selected Orville Dean Thompson as their "Layman of the Year." Dean was chosen from a list of 69 American Baptist churches in Nebraska. Dean and his wife Doris, have three children, Barbra of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who is a medical doctor; Sandra of Silver Springs, Maryland, who is a Baptist minister; and Brian of Sutherland, works with his father on the family ranch.

LeRoy and Donna Daly attended the estate sale of their aunt Alice Hanna, in Stapleton Saturday.

Three of the Masters brothers, Hollis, Wm. and Bob, installed a memorial stone in the Miller Cemetery this past Saturday, in memory of their brother, George, who lost his life in World War II in 1944. The stone was placed in the lot belonging to Bob Masters.

Kelli Jo Raymer stopped in Tryon, and then went on to Lincoln to attend the wedding of Dianne Smolik and Mike Johnson.

FORTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 16, 1979

On Tuesday, July 17, 1979, the Board of Education of School District No. 4, submitted a bond issue to the voters of the district for a new \$13,000.00 grade school building and necessary furniture. The results showed that persons living in the district favored the issue two to one. The present building was constructed in 1914.

Hannah Doyle was chosen to represent McPherson County at the State Fair with her blue-ribbon demonstration "Novicular." Cindy Dobbins, a junior was selected to do her demonstration, "Yarn Flowers," on the Youth in Action State at the State Fair.

The 29th annual Neal reunion was held August 5th at the Youth Cabin in Cody Park with 84 in attendance. Violet Zenor was the oldest person present, and Mike David Neal, 10-week-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Neal, was the youngest.

The annual Arensdorf picnic was well attended with 144 people present. The oldest person present was Joe Arensdorf, 76, and the youngest was Koral Nicholson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rocky Nicholson.

A beautiful hot, sunny day brought a record crowd to the Miller-Harvey reunion at Cody Park on August 5th, with 125 attending.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 14, 1969

The Tryon Graphic machinery has been moved to its new home across the street from the David Store. The Graphic was moved not so long ago, in about 1959, to the old Black's Store building. That time, it had to be taken out of the basement of the Louelva Priest home.

Coach Vernon Knapp was announcing that physical examinations for the MCHS football team were to be held August 19th, with Dr. Cooper as the examining physician.

The Orval Black family, Gary Neal family, Darwin Nielsen family, and Dale and Joanne Jennings all spent Sunday at Lake Maloney. The day was spent picnicking and swimming.

Several of Mrs. Laura Avery's children called at her home in Brady, Monday evening to visit an aunt and her family, Mr. and Mrs. O.L. Suggs from New Mexico. Mrs. Suggs was the former Nellie Worden.

The Art Daly's were Sunday guests in the Jim Power home where a birthday dinner was given in honor of Kristy and Brenda Power and several other members of the family.

Eva Haddy attended the wedding of Lana Jo Abrams at the Catholic Church in Stapleton last Saturday. Si Doyle and Mrs. Don Daly were also there from Tryon. The groom had to leave on Wednesday to go to the service.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
AUGUST 13, 1959

Football practice will get underway here Monday,

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Quote: "Every person needs two things to live a successful life. First they need a strong moral code of right and wrong; and secondly they must have a backbone to keep them from being swayed by those with no moral code."

John Wayne
(slightly altered)

Be careful who you vent to. A listening ear may also have a running mouth.

If you feel like you are losing everything, remember that some trees lose all of their leaves every fall but still stand tall and wait for better days to come. Forget the things that make you sad. Remember the moments that make you glad. Forget the troubles that have passed your way. Accept the blessings that come your way. Remember to value yourself and know your worth. You are as valuable as anyone else on this earth and probably more valuable than some. Every human being has a purpose. Granted, some are only as a bad example, but they do have a purpose. Live your life to the fullest and reach for the stars. God has you here for a reason. Be teachable, you aren't always right.

Courage is being yourself every day in a world that expects you to be someone else. You may be the only Bible that

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some people will ever see or pay attention to. Make sure you are giving the true account and not some watered down version.

"Success is not final, failure is not fatal. It is the courage to continue that counts."

Winston Churchill.

BARBED WIRE

The Wire had been stretched
For the very last time.
No give was left in the strand.
It had survived wild fires
And huge blizzard drifts,
Hold true to the land stand.

Rusty and pitted by the years,
Trying to keep a barrier in place,
Separating the herds of man
With twisted wires and barbs,
Splices, post and gates
Repaired and built by hand.

"You can judge a man
By the strength of his fence",
I have often been told.
The story of that fence
Is in the wire
And some of it is old.

Fences can hold many kinds,
Some I have yet to identify
For its twists are obscure.
I'd like to know the stories
That it could tell
And all that it has endured.

That old barbed wire
Now lives a different life
As an ornament on the wall.
A reminder of the days gone past
And the rigorous tests
Before I face the Master's call.

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OPEN ROAD CHALLENGE

Arnold, Nebraska 🏁 August 8-9-10

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LOUP 2 LOUP OPEN ROAD RACE THURSDAY, AUGUST 8

6:30 a.m.	Volunteer Breakfast With Assignments <i>Halsey Elementary School</i>
7:30 a.m.	Road Closes
8:30 a.m.	Loup 2 Loup Race <i>Halsey</i>
After Race	Lunch <i>Halsey Community Building</i>

ONE MILE SHOOTOUT FRIDAY, AUGUST 9

6:30 a.m.	Breakfast by Main Course Catering <i>At Shootout Location</i>
7:30 a.m.	Road Closes
8:00 a.m.	One Mile Shootout Race <i>Spectator Seating Provided 12 miles north of Cozad on Road 421, or 1 mile west of Callaway, then 16 miles south on the Cozad-Callaway County Road</i>
12:00 p.m.	Lunch by Callaway Chamber <i>Callaway Community Center</i>

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9 (CONTINUED)

2:30 p.m.	Car Parade and Show <i>Arnold</i>
4:00 p.m.	Burnout Contest <i>Arnold</i>
SANDHILLS OPEN ROAD CHALLENGE SATURDAY, AUGUST 10	
6:00 a.m.	Volunteer Breakfast With Assignments <i>Arnold Community Center</i>
7:00 a.m.	Road Closes
8:30 a.m.	SORC Race <i>Arnold</i>
5:30 p.m.	Free Will Donation Barbeque <i>Proceeds go to Arnold Chamber Sponsored by Great Plains Communications Arnold City Park</i>
6:30 p.m.	Awards Banquet <i>Arnold City Park</i>
9:00 p.m.	Free Street Dance <i>West of Grazer's Beer Garden provided by Jake's Horses & Harleys.</i>

Not responsible for accidents. Volunteers must be registered.

Thanks to our sponsors, contributors and volunteers who make this event possible!



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Join Us To Celebrate The
Birthday Of

Vernon Waits

Open House: 1-4 p.m.

Sat., August 17, 2019

McPherson County Fair Building
Tryon, NE

Let your presence be your gift.