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**TEN YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 23, 2012**
Garrett Neal was the champion speller at the McPherson County Spelling Bee. Brooklin Sailors was the runner-up. The top spellers from each class were: Kristina Miller, Gentry Barner, Garrett Neal, Brooklin Sailors, Ashleen Flory, Julia Hines, Cassy Easley, Gracie Correll, Jency Starr, Faith Correll, Kaylee Hemingway and Lane Darrah.

The McPherson County High School will present their dinner theater play, "Rapunzel - A Fairy Tale Farce," for the public on February 21. The cast includes: Seniors - Rigglin Harper, Tyler Heerten, Katy Daly, Alecia Paxton and Sam Ascherl; Juniors - Remington Cutler, Austin Starr and Frankie Lewis; Sophomores - Ty Waits. Freshmen - Haley Munson and Ashley Starr. Crew - Levi Eberle, Wylie Munson and Levi Brott.

Micca Michelle Pettit was born Saturday, February 11, 2012. She is the daughter of Clint and Steph Pettit.

**TWENTY YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 21, 2002**
McPherson County has received a \$765.00 dividend from NIRMA, the county's property, liability and worker's compensation coverage provider.

Liz Licking, an eighth grader from District #4, proved to be the champion speller of the County by winning the 2002 County Spelling Bee.

McPherson County Firemen were called out Sunday afternoon, February 17, to a hay fire at the Jim Doyle's north of Ringgold. An estimated 150 ton of hay was destroyed.

McPherson County Clerk, Judy Dailey, reports that incumbent County Sheriff James M. Scott (Republican), has filed for his position on the May 14 Primary Election ballot.

**THIRTY YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 20, 1992**
Jeff Moore, son of Don and Carol Moore, and Kevin Starr, son of Eldon and Kathy Starr, have

been selected to represent McPherson County at the Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation Citizenship and Safety Seminar in Aurora, March 23-24.

Robert E. Roeder recently retired as McPherson County Attorney, effective January 31.

Theresa Farmer, daughter of Tuck and Joan Farmer of Tryon made the Dean's list for the first semester at Southeast Community College in Lincoln.

Marj Lancaster of North Platte passed away February 16.

Funeral services were held for Blendena Ida (Becky) Giest who passed away February 9 at the age of 83.

Services were held February 15 in Ogallala for Iva Mae Reichenberg, 84.

**FORTY YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 25, 1982**
Funeral services were held February 22 for Vern E. Dobbins.

Kerri Moore and Marty Dailey were the winners of the junior high free throw contest held at MCHS.

Final rites were held February 15 for Teedie K. Wright, 90, who passed away February 10.

**FIFTY YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 24, 1972**

Climax of the fifth annual McPherson County Heart Fund Jamboree and Coronation Friday evening came when Shirla Hatch and Butch Rode-wald were crowned King and Queen of Hearts.

Eli David, 56, died Saturday, February 12, after a short illness.

Bridget Lea Paxton infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Paxton of Stapleton, died at birth, Thursday in a hospital at North Platte.

**SIXTY YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 22, 1962**

Tryon was upset in the District Tournament at Stapleton by Maxwell. The Longhorns were led by Mike Haskell.

The annual banquet of the Logan-McPherson Soil and Water Conservation District was served February 16 at the high school

auditorium in Tryon, to about 120 people.

Some of the Tryon grade school pupils went to the David Store Tuesday morning to watch the successful launching of the rocket with John Glenn aboard.

Susie Bond and Dessie Bellew gave a Valentine party at District 29. They played games, had a treasure hunt and served lunch.

S.W. Warren went to North Platte last Tuesday with Rev. Jim Mote, then caught a bus for Sutherland to visit his son, Doctor Warren. He returned to North Platte Thursday afternoon and caught a ride back to Tryon with Mrs. Tom Ellis.

**SEVENTY YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 21, 1952**

Mrs. T.W. Haddy left for Los Angeles, California Monday morning for a short visit. She will accompany her husband home. Mrs. John Dahlin is helping Tom Ellis at the David Store while the Haddy's are gone.

Paul French has taken over the road maintenance job. Dick Schmidt, former operator, and his family will move onto a farm.

Karl M. Hunn radioman, seaman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. B.D. Hunn of Tryon, recently reported aboard the huge cruiser USS St. Paul for duty.

Buford Schmidt submitted to surgery at Memorial Hospital in North Platte last week.

**EIGHTY YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 19, 1942**

A quiet wedding ceremony took place February 14, in the George VanMeter home, when Rev. Mrs. Nellie VanMeter read the marriage service which united Miss Helen Moore and Mr. Melvin Waits.

Mrs. Billie Neal returned home Monday evening after spending several days in Stapleton with her mother, Mrs. F. Allen. Grace Burmood of Stapleton arrived in Stapleton Monday and will help care for Mrs. Allen who is quite ill.

Funeral services were held at the Eclipse Church February 18 for Dan Coons, former resident of the Eclipse neighborhood.

**NINETY YEARS AGO
FEBRUARY 18, 1932**

Mrs. M.R. Heldenbrand was advertising that her line of washable house dresses had been reduced to \$1.00.

The Operetta, given by the High School Chorus Saturday evening brought many favorable comments. Many who were present pronounced it to be the best entertainment ever put on by the high

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Over The Hills

J.R. Trumbull



Quote: "Seek to be worth knowing rather than being well known."
Unknown

I didn't write this but it's definitely worth sharing. Have a great day! Something to Ponder About.....

Name the five wealthiest people in the world.

Name the last five Heisman trophy winners.

Name the last five winners of the Miss America contest.

Name ten people who have won the Nobel or Pulitzer prize.

Name the last half dozen Academy Award winners for best actor or actress.

Name the last six PBR World Bull Riding champions, or the last decade's worth of World Series winners.

How did you do? The point is, none of us remember the headlines of yesterday.

These are no second-rate achievers. They are the best in their fields. But the applause dies. Awards tarnish. Achievements are forgotten. Accolades and certificates are buried with their owners. Here's another quiz. See how you do on this one:

List a few teachers who aided your journey

through school. Name three friends who have helped you through a difficult time.

Name five people who have taught you something worthwhile.

Think of a few people who have made you feel appreciated and special. Think of five people you enjoy spending time with.

Name half a dozen heroes whose stories have inspired you.

Easier?

The lesson?

The people who make a difference in your life are not the ones with the most credentials, the most money, or the most awards.

They are the ones who care.

Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Philippians 2:4

BEHIND THE SCENES

Behind the scenes
It's a busy place
Hustle and bustle
Just keep up the pace.

There's much to be done
To make things seem
Like everything's normal.
It's part of the scheme.

Artifice and pretense
Are part of the role.
Actions misleading
Make up the show.

Yes, behind the scenes
Life isn't as it looks.
Things are far different
Than you read in the books.

When you don't understand
How things come to be,
Check behind the scenes
For you influences you and me.

For behind the scenes
There is God's love,
Care and forgiveness
Sent from above.

The way comes easier
As we go day by day
If behind the scenes
Christ is the way!

J.R. Trumbull 12 October 1997

Dormant Alfalfa Weed Control

Ben Beckman

Minimal snow cover may have added additional stress to alfalfa stands that may have already been under pressure from a late fall cutting. A slow green-up and possible winterkill opens the door to an early spring invasion of winter annual weeds.

Plants like henbit, pennycress, shepherd's purse, mustard, annual bluegrass, and cheatgrass seem to magically appear in our stands every spring. These winter annuals germinate in the fall, lie dormant during winter, then pick up growth quickly in the spring as warm temperatures return. Greening up before almost any other plants in our fields gives these species a competitive advantage, and they capitalize on it with fast growth.

This speedy life cycle means our window for control is limited, especially in alfalfa. Because we don't want to damage the growing alfalfa plant, the best window of opportunity is in the short time during spring where win-

ter annuals have started to grow again, but alfalfa is still dormant.

To take advantage we need to be ready to act. Scout alfalfa fields and determine where weed issues may arise, then keep an eye on these spots as we get closer to spring so we can pull the trigger when the weeds are green but the alfalfa is not.

It is also important to identify what species need to be addressed. Herbicide efficacy varies by species, so picking the product that best controls your problem weed can prevent future applica-

tions and save money in the long run. Need for broadleaf or grass weed control is especially important to identify as some broadleaf products have no action at all on grasses.

Winter annual weeds are a perennial problem in alfalfa, but may be especially tough this year due to the stress of late cuttings last fall and an open winter. To be successful with control, scout early and have the right herbicide ready to apply after weeds green up but before the alfalfa breaks dormancy.

Senior Lunch Menu At Prairie Hills Cafe, Tryon

**Dinning Room Open
9:00 a.m to 7:00 p.m Monday-Friday
Senior Meals Served Daily.**

Thursday, February 24 - Spaghetti with meat sauce, lettuce salad, green beans, pears

Friday, February 25 - Fried chicken (breast or thigh), mashed potatoes

and gravy, corn, dinner roll, peaches

Monday, February 28 - Grilled ham and cheese, tomato soup, lettuce salad, peaches

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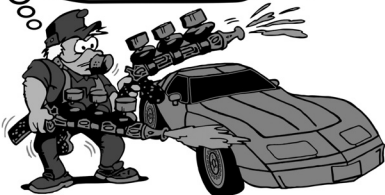
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