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1984 Ritzville Journal photo

RITZVILLE RODEO ROYALTY for 1984-85 will be Queen Michele Caldwell, right, and Princess Rhonda Sanger, center. Dorothy Brown relinquished her crown to Caldwell during a ceremony held Sunday afternoon.

REMEMBERING FROM THE FILES

One hundred years ago

The Ritzville Times

Sept. 2, 1909

The new depot will stand across the track from the present structure, blockading the street as at present. There will be some benefit, in that the depot will be on the side of the track it should be.

The new 70,000 bushel elevator built for the Ritzville Warehouse Co., has been finished, and is now in operation. The plant was turned over to the company this week by S. S. Schuler, the contractor.

After having been held up on account of not receiving lumber, the work on the new big warehouse of the Ralston Mill will be rushed to completion as fast as possible.

We expect shortly to get the word that a post-office has been established at Bengé. Mrs. Zornes will have charge of the office.

J.H. Zornes lost a fine mare the other day. The animal got on the track and was killed by the train.

Seventy-five years ago

Ritzville Journal-Times

Sept. 6, 1934

The Ritzville schools opened Tuesday with one of the largest enrollments in the history of the high school, the senior and junior being especially large this fall. Enrollment in the grade school dropped to some extent over last term. In the high school building 330 have registered, with 220 at the Central building.

At high noon on Thursday, August 30th, Miss Margaret Snyder of Ephrata became the bride of Jacob Weber jr. at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Snyder. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Metha Weber and the late Jacob Weber, Adams county pioneers.

On Friday and Saturday, September 7th and 8th, the MacMarr stores will distribute the second anniversary number of their weekly magazine, The Family Circle, which these stores give away to their customers without charge.

Fifty years ago

The Ritzville Journal Times

Sept. 3, 1959

Miss Carla Cassell will reign as queen over Adams county fair activities after her coronation by Alva Lightbody at the fair queen's banquet. Miss Cassell, with her four princesses, have a busy schedule of activity during the two days of the fair.

W. G. Danekas was appointed a member of the board of commissioners of the Adams county hospital district No. 1. He replaces C. H. Sumpter, who resigned.

Crowning of Miss Ritzville, Diane Cross, will highlight the first fall meeting of the Ritzville chamber of commerce at the Circle T inn next Wednesday, September 9.

Monday's rainfall broke an all-time record for the Ritzville area for the month of August unofficially. Weather observer Jack Kittel said the .29 inches of rain Monday made the total amount of precipitation for August 1.74 inches.

Twenty-five years ago

Ritzville Adams County Journal

Sept. 6, 1984

The 1984 Wheat Land Communities' Fair proved to be a smooth operating event which was highlighted by a \$51,457.55 Junior Livestock Sale plus a goat auction and donations which raised \$5,000 toward completion of the new livestock barn.

A new record number of people crossed the finish line at the Fair Feat Ash Dash held Sept. 1 in Ritzville, with 257 people finishing out of the 278 registered. This total swamps last year's mark of 173 entrants and the 85 people who competed in the event two years ago.

Donn Terry will be the new administrator at the Ritzville Life Care Center by early next month.

Area residents raised \$1,716 in a recent Bike-A-Thon held at two locations in Adams County to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Becky Rodgers of Ritzville led local participants by raising \$163 to win a T-shirt and windbreaker.