

REMEMBERING FROM THE FILES

One hundred years ago

The Ritzville Times

November 25, 1909

“For what are you most thankful?” was asked by the *Times* man when he made his rounds this week.

Wm. Snyder – “For the good health of my family and the community; for the substantial improvements in our little city, and that we live in Adams County.”

H. E. Gritman – “While it is possible for everything to be so much worse I am thankful that things are no worse than they are.”

C. R. Scholz – “That we succeeded in fixing the big ‘Fair’ sign over the sidewalk before it fell on some one’s head while the wind was blowing so hard the first of the week.”

Dr. D. A. Hewitt – “That I am alive and that the population is increasing.”

Seventy-five years ago

Ritzville Journal-Times

November 29, 1934

Plans for the erection of a five-room parsonage adjacent to St. Agnes Catholic church have been started by a special committee under the chairmanship of J. H. Finck.

Mary Schoessler of Ritzville has been pledged to Rho Chi, national pharmaceutical fraternity. Miss Schoessler is a junior in the school of pharmacy at Washington State College.

Out of 23 letters awarded at Cheney Normal recently for football activity, Charles Kittle won his first year letter in football, while sophomore

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ENJOYING THE SNOW that arrived in Ritzville on Tuesday are grade school students John Gardner, Jim Hargraves, Jeff Hindman and Dan Townsend. The snowfall varied from three to five inches in the Ritzville area, but school buses operated on schedule and the Adams County Road Department did not report any major problems in rural portions of the county. At least a lot of kids got their first opportunity to frolic in the snow.

lettermen were: Lloyd Bauman, Ray Danekas, Harold Heineman. Sam Wolsborn, Ritzville, received a manager’s letter.

Henry J. Danekas was chosen president of the Ritzville Glee club at an organization meeting held Friday, with Arthur Browiak vice president; Jake Hoefel, secretary-treasurer; C. C. Clodius, director, and Mrs. J. C. Kittel, accompanist.

Fifty years ago The Ritzville Journal Times

November 26, 1959

Officers were elected at the regular meeting of the Ralston Grange Friday evening. Elected were Lester Snyder, master; Elsie Wellsandt, lecturer; Alice Vostrat, secretary; Vernon Wellsandt, overseer; Bill Nis-

sen, steward; Marie Olson, chaplain; Alex Smith, treasurer; Ed Vostrat, gate keeper; Marie Snyder, ceres; Viola Buch, pomona; and Vince Edwards, assistant steward.

“When it comes right down to it, you do what’s best for the time.” Guided by this philosophy, Johnny Schlomer, who raises cross-bred angus and white face cattle on nearly 7,000 acres of rangeland near Bengo, won the “State Rangeman of the Year” award at the Washington Cattlemen’s association fall meeting in Ellensburg November 12.

The Seventh Day Adventist church opened a parochial school last week at the west end of Fifth avenue just outside the city limits. The building has one classroom and a recitation and teacher’s office.

Twenty-five years ago

Ritzville Adams County Journal

November 29, 1984

Citizens of Adams County are invited to attend an open house event at the remodeled county courthouse and jail in Ritzville this Friday, Nov. 30. The remodeling project began nearly one year ago. Total cost of the combined courthouse-jail work to date is \$1,027,434, with the state paying for 72 percent of that total.

Student body leaders at Ritzville High School for 1984-85 are John Powers, president; Keith Humphrey, vice president; Kelley Gross, secretary; Amy Jo Galbreath, treasurer; and Wendy Undeberg, assistant treasurer.

The Ritzville Livestock 4-H Club met Nov. 20 at the Lincoln Mutual Savings Bank community room. New members introduced to the group were Lucas McRae, Heidi and Chet Clinesmith and Kim Caldwell.