

# REMEMBERING FROM THE FILES

## One hundred years ago

The Ritzville Times  
December 2, 1909

The moving of the stock of the Washtucna Drug company to C. T. Booth's building was completed Tuesday evening. The new quarters of the drug company are attractive, the building having been remodeled and renovated.

Wheat touched the highest point of the year this week in Washtucna, when bluestem reached \$1.01. Red wheat reached 91 cents.

Andrew Morgan and Walter Parish are building houses on their ranches at Bengé.

William Callaway is building a house, we are wondering why, for he surely would not want to live there all alone.

Gus Thomas, the blacksmith at Lind, has been granted a patent on a weeder which he intends to put on the market. The weed destroyer consists of a set of teeth or knives on a cylinder which can be made either stationary or to revolve.

## Seventy-five years ago

Ritzville Journal-Times  
December 6, 1934

The Lind telephone exchange was put out of commission and two other places of business, the First National bank and the Lind Leader, were threatened, by a stubborn fire that broke out in the furnace room of the building.

New officers of the B.V.D. club at Washtucna elected at their regular meeting are Mrs. John Gray, president; Mrs. Frank West, vice president; Mrs. Chester Sitton, treasurer; and Mrs. B. H. Snyder,

secretary.

A pretty Thanksgiving day wedding was performed at Lind Thursday when Amelia Stelzer became the bride of George Hilzer, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Snider.

## A PHOTO FROM 1984



1984 Ritzville Journal photo

**A CLASS** of certified nursing assistants officially was graduated at the Life Care Center of Ritzville, with the ladies all set to become full-time employees at the facility. The class was trained by Leslie Spencer, RN, far left in back row, and Pam Knapp, far right in back row, director of nursing at LCC. Class members are, back row, after Spencer: Judy Ybarra, Jocelynn Soares, Brenda Jones and Patricia Blayne. Front row, left to right: Lylia Rafdal, Courtney Soares and Linda Ferderer.

## Fifty years ago The Ritzville Journal Times December 3, 1959

The Ephrata air base has been selected as headquarters by contractors who will build three Titan missile sites in this area, one of which will be located about 20 miles west of Ritzville.

Roy Koch was elected master of Marcellus Grange at the last regular meeting. Other officers include Arthur Teske, overseer; Minnie Scheel, lecturer; Howard Telecky, steward; Matt Kubik, gatekeeper; Emil Wellsandt, treasurer; Caroline Moeller, secretary; Mollie Schmidt, chaplain; Anna Weber, ceres; Emily Kubik, pomona; and Nettie Telecky, flora.

Baart wheat was quoted at \$1.84 per bushel, turkey red at \$1.87 per bushel, soft white wheat at \$1.78 per bushel and barley at \$37.30 per ton.

## Twenty-five years ago Ritzville Adams County Journal December 6, 1984

Officers of the City of Ritzville Police Department can no longer be referred to as the "Boys in Blue." For the first time in the city's history, a woman has become an active member of the police force. Marisa Hucki, 26, is completing her ninth month of duty as a reserve officer.

Ritzville Eagles Auxiliary initiated Pearl Thaut and Jean King into membership.

Gayle Gering of Ritzville was elected president of the Washington Association of Wheat Growers in the closing session of the organization's 30th annual convention.

The Adams County Mosquito Control Board awarded the bid for a 1985 4 x 4 Chevrolet pick up to Hille Chevrolet of Ritzville.

The Ralston Grange Christmas potluck and party will be held at the hall Tuesday, Dec. 11.