

# REMEMBERING FROM THE FILES

## *One hundred years ago* The Ritzville Times December 23, 1909

Mullin & Ludwig have rented the Elite restaurant building of Mose Holland and have opened up a first class restaurant.

Wheat prices in Ritzville are the highest ever known at this time of year. At present the buyers are paying \$1.07 for bluestem. A year ago to day the price for the same grade of wheat was 86 cents and two years ago it was 68 cents.

After being closed for several weeks the shooting gallery has been reopened with Ed. Jovin as proprietor.

A much needed improvement to the town of Benge will soon be here. It is a new hotel. The building is 26x60 feet and two stories high. It will be completed in about three weeks and Mrs. Helen Zornes will be in charge.

## *Seventy-five years ago* Ritzville Journal-Times December 27, 1934

Exceeding the 1933 receipts by \$1,308.33, the Ritzville postoffice in 1934 took in \$10,761.96 up to and including Dec. 26, according to Postmaster R. E. Edwards. December receipts for this year were \$1,173.20, as compared with \$989.37 for 1933.

The following elective officers of Lind Lodge No. 145, F. & A.M., will be installed January 3 for the 1935 lodge year: E. C. Phillips, worshipful master; W. H. Ropte, senior warden; W. C. Ashcraft, junior warden; E. T. Copp, treasurer; H. M. Wanser, secretary.

Rimrock Grange has announced an old-time



dance to be given at the Woodmen hall, December 28. The dancers are to bring cakes and sandwiches in the real old fashioned way and dance until daylight if they are so inclined.

Baart went up to seventy-six cents on Monday and has remained at that price since.

## *A PHOTO* *FROM 1984*

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**DOING HIS DUTY** of getting the basketball to teammates with an open shot, Bronco guard Keith Humhrey knows that passing the ball to athletes like Doug Wellsandt, foreground, often produced favorable results on the scoreboard.

## *Fifty years ago* The Ritzville Journal Times December 24, 1959

About 650 children greeted Santa Claus when he arrived

in Ritzville Saturday on the bed of a pickup truck as they filed from the movie at the Ritz theatre which was sponsored by local merchants.

Sgt. A. B. Little, state patrolman in training at Wenatchee and formerly from Chehalis, will be moving to Ritzville soon to replace patrolman Dick Bortvedt.

Bill Rosenoff, vendor at the state Liquor dispensary in Ritzville for the last 21 years, plans to retire January 2. Otto Halwas, now manager of the American Legion club, will take his place January 4.

The Rev. John M. Galagan, pastor of St. Mark's Episcopal church, was elected president of the Ritzville Ministerial association at a recent meeting.

Mrs. Danny (Elsie) Shroll will take over the management of the C. J. Newland Post 51 American Legion club effective January 1. Mrs. Shroll has been employed at the club since it was opened in 1950.

## *Twenty-five years ago* Ritzville Adams County Journal December 27, 1984

The Ritzville Chamber of Commerce's 61st annual banquet will be held at the American Legion Hall on Jan. 12, where John Leenders will be installed to succeed the Rev. Paul Isaak as Chamber president.

Adams County Public Hospital District directors elected Les Snyder chairman of the board at the December meeting held at Ritzville Memorial Hospital Dec. 19.

The pantry of the Burroughs Museum will receive a new coat of paint thanks to the members of the Ritzville Professional Women's Club who volunteered to tackle the project in January.

A total of \$6,750,000 in deficiency payments for wheat and barley has been distributed among 1,088 farmers in Adams County for 1984 crop acreage.