

# REMEMBERING FROM THE FILES

*One hundred years ago*

**February 3, 1910**

The Ritzville Times

Spokane's new newspaper, The Inland Herald, daily and Sunday, will publish its first issue on February 8.

H. Heinemann has had the Newport bowling alleys repaired, billiard tables recovered, the room rewired for electric lights and has put in a fresh stock of cigars and candies.

Receipts at the county clerk's office for January amounted to \$1003.50. Adams county is a busy one compared with the other counties of eastern Washington.

**Washington State Journal**

Last Sunday afternoon about 4:30 o'clock our people were aroused from their Sabbath quiet by the rude clanging of the fire-alarm. The blaze was at once located in the English M.E. church, on the corner of "E" and Fifth streets. Most of the damage came from smoke and water.

Married. Gust-Kuhn – On Thursday, Jan. 27, 1910, at the Salem Congregational church, 10 miles south of Ritzville, Rev. Strohecker officiating, Jacob Gust to Miss Otilia Kuhn.

*Seventy-five years ago*

Ritzville Journal-Times

**February 7, 1935**

The Oasis service station, formerly operated by Johnnie Evans, has been leased by Francis Thompson, former Sprague farmer. Mr. Thompson recently sold out his farming equipment with which he had been operating with his father, W.

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**COMPUTER PROGRAMMERS** for Adams County are Central Services Director Art Tingley and assistant Colleen Geschke, who have the task of operating and maintaining the county's current log of 180 programs – shown in a stack of print-outs on the desk. Once a software system for the Public Works Department is obtained, Tingley and Geschke will have another 70 programs to maintain.

B. Thompson.

Installation of a 75-box individual cold storage plant will be made in the next few weeks by the Farmers' meat market, under direction of Henry Thom, proprietor. The present refrigerating machinery will be used.

*Fifty years ago*

The Ritzville Journal Times

**February 4, 1960**

Marcine Gering, Ritzville high school junior, was

announced Future Farmer of America sweetheart at a school assembly. Mike Howell, a chapter member, presented Miss Gering the sweetheart jacket.

Ritzville city schools were slated to open again this morning after closing Tuesday for a two-day "mud vacation" because of the thaw during the weekend.

At the Wednesday evening meeting of the Hannah Circle of the Zion Congregational church, officers installed by out-going president Mrs. Elaine Kutschkau were Mrs. Betty Telecky, president; Mrs. Norma Schoessler, vice president; Mrs. Eloise Nauditt, secretary; Mrs. Frieda Thaut, treasurer; Mrs. Lorraine Miller, historian; and Mrs. Allaine Walenta, musician.

*Twenty-five years ago*

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**February 7, 1985**

After three months of intense research, review and discussion, the Adams County Computer Committee has made a decision to expand the county's computer system by using existing "hardware" in combination with updated and new "software" programs to help bring the Public Works Department onto the same recordkeeping system used by the offices of the treasurer, assessor and auditor.

Stevie Coon has been elected to serve as president of the East Adams County Health Care Foundation board, which also includes Mikki Kison, vice president; Juanita Lyle, secretary, and Helen Heinemann, treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Undeberg announce the engagement of their daughter, Heidi Kay, to John W. Hunt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hunt of Spokane.