

REMEMBERING FROM THE FILES

One hundred years ago

March 24, 1910

The Ritzville Times

"The Adams House" will be open for business early in April. C. H. Adams, one of the proprietors of the new hotel came over from Seattle the first of the week to supervise the finishing touches. About April 10th his brother, E. B. Adams, will arrive to take active management.

Division Superintendent J. L. Deforce passed through Ritzville Monday and confirmed that work on the new passenger depot is to begin at once, as the contractor stated when he was here last Thursday.

Washington State Journal

The annual election of officers for the Ritzville fire department was held at the hose house last Friday night. The results are as follows: President – A. F. Rosenoff. First Vice President – Ed. Troyer. Second Vice President – S.S. Frantz. Secretary – Fred Thiel. Treasurer – Wm. Snyder. Chief – Earl Colwell. First Assistant – A. J. Coss. Second Assistant – H. K. Rosenoff. Trustee, for Three Years – A. L. Wiffin.

Seventy-five years ago

Ritzville Journal-Times

March 28, 1935

Due to the duststorms in the middlewest, curtailing crop prospects in that section, the wheat market has shown marked strength this week, but with little buying activity locally. Today Baart was quoted here at 76 cents and Red 81 1/2, both bulk f.o.b. cars.

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1985 Ritzville Journal photo

BASKETBALL STARS for the Broncos this past season were presented with plaques at the sports banquet with Amy Jo Galbreath selected for the most inspirational and a captain, Mary Beth Babbitt as most valuable and Michelle Miller as most improved.

Born, on Friday, March 22, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Becker, an 8 1/4 pound son, to be called Lowell. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

Numerous radiators, including several on tractors, were ruined the past week by the freezing temperatures at night.

Fifty years ago

The Ritzville Journal Times

March 24, 1960

Ritzville will apparently have a rest home after all. Dr. Charles G. Smick, Ritzville physician, announced

this week that final plans are being made for a new \$150,000 rest home for the aged and construction probably will begin in mid-April.

Joanne Wagner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Wagner of Ritzville, was one of 50 freshmen women at Washington State university who were honored for high scholarship last week.

Robert M. Keenan, Ralston, history major at Pomona college at Claremont, Calif., has been awarded a Marshall scholarship to study modern history at Keble college, Oxford, England.

Twenty-five years ago

Ritzville Adams County Journal

March 28, 1985

A generous total of \$7,080 was generated by the 92 items auctioned at the fifth annual Wheat Land Communities' Fair Wampum, topping the previous high bid mark of \$5,862 set last year.

More than a million pieces of mail have passed through the hands of Bob Maier since he began working for the United States Postal Service in 1953, but after 5 p.m. tomorrow, Friday, March 29, the only mail he'll touch will be his own.

Ritzville citizens will see a dramatic increase in city water rates when Ordinance No. 748 becomes effective on April 15. The city council adopted the ordinance on March 19, raising the water rates to help pay for the city's water improvement project.

Bronco boys honored at the Ritzville sports banquet for their achievements during the 1984-85 basketball season include Miles Curtis, most improved; Doug Wellsandt, inspirational; John Powers, best defensive player; and Keith Humphrey, most valuable. Wellsandt and Humphrey also received team captain awards.