

REMEMBERING FROM THE FILES

One hundred years ago
May 5, 1910

The Ritzville Times

Bids for the construction of the new High school were opened by the school board. The contract was awarded to the Pettifer Construction company of Spokane for \$21,800.

D. D. Skinner has opened his real estate and life insurance office in the building on Second street formerly occupied by the office of the Big Bend Light and Power company.

No. 1 Bluestem wheat is worth \$.70.

Washington State Journal

The Big Bend Light & Power Co. has this week moved from their Main street office to The Journal block, where they have more commodious quarters and a better opportunity for displaying their goods and illuminating at night.

Licenses to wed have been issued to John Quast, 24, and Lizzie Janke, 18, both of Ritzville.

Seventy-five years ago
Ritzville Journal-Times
May 9, 1935

The C.W Meyers building, occupied by A.L. Wiffin, for 28 years has been sold to Lan Evans as an investment and will continue to be occupied by the Wiffin jewelry store.

J.I. Farrier, Ritzville pioneer, disposed of the brick building adjacent to the Modern Hardware to A. H. Varnes, who came to Ritzville from Sprague five years ago and opened a jewelry store and has also developed a prosperous business as

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an optometrist.

Starting out with a membership of 48, a Townsend Old Age Pension club was organized in Ritzville.

Thanks to the artistic touch of Jake Hilzer, assistant manager of the Ritz, the theatre front is blossoming out this week in an attractive modernistic color scheme of black and white.

1985 Ritzville Journal photo

BLUE AND GOLD award from the Ritzville FFA chapter was presented to Jim Webb and his wife, Mary, who were honored as special guests at the banquet.

Fifty years ago
The Ritzville Journal Times
May 5, 1960

Construction of a modern 12-lane bowling alley will begin in Ritzville on First avenue about May 15,

according to plans announced yesterday by Jack Richmond, former owner of the R & H Supermarket and now United Mutual Fund representative.

George Kubik was elected chairman of the Ritzville soil conservation board of supervisors at a recent meeting of the group. Other officers include Oscar Olson, vice chairman; Maynard Galbreath, secretary; and Bob Langenheder, treasurer. Art Hoefel also is a board member. Galbreath retired as chairman.

Baart and soft white wheat were both quoted this week at \$1.88 per bushel.

Twenty-five years ago
Ritzville Adams County Journal
May 9, 1985

Jim and Mary Webb were the guests of honor at the Ritzville FFA banquet held Monday at the elementary school gym, with Jim being presented with a special "blue and gold" award for his 36 years of service to the local organization.

Attorney Jerry Kagele has opened Kagele Law Office with office space in Ritzville and Spokane after 12 years with the law firm of Miller, Sackmann and Kagele in Ritzville.

Shirley Kallinen will assume the office of president of the Eagles Auxiliary following their May 6 election of officers. Other officers elected were Lorentina Hirning, vice president; Louise Zundel, chaplain; Ida Miller, secretary; Martha Thaut, treasurer; Bonnie Yoho, conductor; Jean King, inside guard; Pearl Thatu, outside guard and trustees Karen Akkerman, Naomi McCrea and Wanda Stengle.

New crop market for soft white wheat was quoted at \$3.29 per bushel.