

REMEMBERING FROM THE FILES

One hundred years ago

May 19, 1910

The Ritzville Times

The census enumerator has finished his work and Ritzville has a population of between 2000 and 2100.

Sam Hogart has finished the work of taking the school census. There are 590 people of school age, that is between the ages of 5 and 21, residing in school district No. 1, which embraces the city of Ritzville.

Washington State Journal

Ritzville has a new tailoring establishment, the proprietor being Carl I. Berglund. He is located next door to Hotel Adams in the building formerly occupied by J. J. Joyce, the plumber.

Hotel Ritzville has closed its dining-room and Mr. Schmidt, the proprietor, informs The Journal that himself and family will soon return to their former home in Montana.

Seventy-five years ago

Ritzville Journal-Times

May 23, 1935

Sixty-seven seniors will receive their diplomas, the largest graduating class in the history of the school. Opal Steffen is valedictorian and Wayne Rosenoff, salutatorian.

Ritzville experienced its first real summertime heat for 1935 on Monday as the maximum mounted to 85 in midafternoon, the highest reading recorded to date this year, according to J. C. Kittel, in charge of the government thermometer here.

Sponsoring what the members believe will

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1985 Ritzville Journal photo

BENGE YOUTHS toured Ritzville Memorial Hospital last week as part of a program the hospital offered to all local schools. Peggy Klettke, right, showed the visitors the emergency room. Youths participating in the May 14 trip were Jason and Melissa Kent, Alison, Alicia and Mike Jones, Natalie and Shannon Honn, Jeff Whitman, Jennifer and Ryan Kuster and Cecil Norris with teacher Mary Ault and bus driver Hugh Glover.

be the largest Memorial day program ever presented in this city, several committees of the C. J. Newland Post, American Legion, are busy arranging for the different features.

A.H. Varnes, who purchased the Farrier building, says he expects to be open for business in his new location Monday morning.

Fifty years ago

The Ritzville Journal Times

May 19, 1960

Mrs. Walter Gering was elected president of the Adams County Memorial hospital auxiliary. Other of-

ficers include Mrs. Eugene Weber, vice president; Mrs. Henry Vostral, secretary; and Mrs. Elmer Schoesler, treasurer.

Received into communicant membership at Emanuel Lutheran church were Melvin Doss, Vada Koch, Stacey Selcho, Rodney Dehnel, Howard Manke, William Maier and James Ketelsen.

Washtucna Mother's club installed Mrs. John Kuster, president; Mrs. Ted Beckner, vice president; Mrs. Dick Sitko, secretary; and Mrs. Paul McKenzie, treasurer, at its May 11 meeting held at the home of Mrs. Syd Sullivan.

Twenty-five years ago

Ritzville Adams County Journal

May 23, 1985

Janis Minford of Ritzville was honored with the "Unsung Hero" award at the Sunrise for Education breakfast ceremony in Seattle. She was instrumental in the organization of the Ritzville school district's first parent-support group, Supporters of Schools, since the local PTA was disbanded more than 20 years ago. She was one of five people honored statewide.

The Assembly of God Church in Ritzville will celebrate its 50th anniversary next weekend.

New Honor Society members of the "Torch" chapter at Lind include Lauri Marr, Jill Damon, Jana Thompson, Sandi Williams, Mari Braden and Sam Chavez.

Ritzville's "Teddy Bears' Picnic" float received the Community Sweepstakes trophy at the 46th annual Spokane Lilac Festival/Armed Forces Torchlight Parade and Lind's "Butterflies are Free" float won first place in Community Division E before a record crowd of 178, 000 people.