

REMEMBERING FROM THE FILES

One hundred years ago

July 21, 1910

Washington State Journal

We would hardly have accused Frank Peffley of the Creston News of writing an item like the following, but it appears in the columns of his spicy paper without credit, so 'tis his'n: "The hot spell of the past few days has been of the kind that sets the oldest inhabitant to talking of summers he saw before the rest of us were born – when shingle nails melted and roofs slid off, or they dug their potatoes baked ready for the table. It has been dangerous to scratch a match on a cake of ice, as it was liable to catch afire."

Jacob Harder, wife and son were in from their big ranch Saturday. Their new house is completed. It is two stories, with a full basement, and constructed of cement blocks. 'Tis one of the finest farm homes in Adams county.

John Wellsandt and wife returned Saturday from their seven weeks trip through the Dakotas, Minnesota, Iowa and Nebraska.

Seventy-five years ago

Ritzville Journal-Times

July 25, 1935

Although the news came not as a complete surprise, the report that Dr. Wm. F. Armann has disposed of his practice caused many to express regret. For almost 30 years Dr. Armann has been a practicing physician in this city, administering to the rich and the poor with professional impartiality.

While hunting magpies on Crab creek Elmer, the 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gettman, was bitten by a rattlesnake just above the left

A PHOTO FROM 1985



1985 Ritzville Journal photo

SUMMER READING PROGRAM at the Ritzville Public Library has been attracting a good audience of youth every Thursday morning. Sponsored by the American Association of University Women, volunteer readers like Toni Benzel try to entertain and enlighten youths along with encouraging the checkout of books from the library.

ankle. The boy ran about a quarter of a mile to where a number of men were working in the field. First aid was given by killing a chicken and binding the warm flesh over the wound. Elmer was then hurried to town and taken to the office of Dr. Aker, who administered antivenom. The only effects of the poison noticed by the boy was a numbness in his fingers and lips.

Fifty years ago

The Ritzville Journal Times

July 21, 1960

Joanne Wagner of Ritzville was one of 93 students at Washington State university on a special honor roll

announced this week along with other honor roll students. Miss Wagner to be included on this list, has a minimum of 12 hours "A" grades and a total of 64 or more grade points made up from "A" and "B" grades only. Other students on the roll were Marilyn Rogel, Delroy Schwisow and Karen Schwisow, all of Ritzville.

Enrollment in Adams county schools increased 97 this year. Total enrollment on the last day of school in May showed 2,561 students enrolled compared to 2,404 at the same time last year.

Twenty-five years ago

Ritzville Adams County Journal

July 25, 1985

Youth Corps little crew working the first month of the litter-collecting season along highways near Ritzville includes Cliff Johns, Tim Ottmar, Shane Arlt, Daryl Iltz and Marvin Lickfold with Supervisor Clint Baker. Another five-member crew begins work next week.

Kelley Gross of Ritzville and Christine Haase of Lind are two area high school graduates who have been offered a Washington State University Distinguished Scholars Award.

Marc A. Pence, son of Eleanor Pence of Lind, received a master of arts degree in history museum study from the State University of New York.

The prestigious "Fair Feat Ash Dash" will be held again this year on Saturday, Aug. 31, with runners, walkers, joggers, huffers, puffers, pushers and strollers welcomed to enter either the 3.1 or 6.2 mile runs.

Gary and Tone Kubik won the team competition in the Supporters of Schools sponsored Biathlon with a time of 62.27 minutes.