

Down Memory Lane

July 28, 1932
Mr. & Mrs. Alph Copple purchased the former Mrs. H. Scott restaurant here this week. The deal was completed Monday.

Mrs. Mabel Cram came up from Leavenworth last Wednesday for a brief visit with her prents, Mr. & Mrs. J.E. Mason, and he son, Wendell Cram, who makes his home with his grandparents.

Agnes Hibbs, who has been specializing in library science will receive her B.S. degree tomorrow, at the close of the summer term at Emporia Teachers college.

July 22, 1937
Perhaps the largest single unit in wheat farming in this vicinity is the three Hazeltine brothers, Clifford, Don and William and their mother, Mrs. Mary Hazeltine, who farm 1,700 acres of wheat south of Cawker City. The finished threshing with a yield of 47,600 bushels of first quality wheat, which would have brought on the local market approximately \$54,000. The Hazeltines use four 20 foot combines, puled by three Caterpillar tractors. Their wheat averaged about 28 bushels an acre.


A very affable old beggar has been greeting local persons this week with a request for three pennies. He announces that he already has two pennies and one token, but lacks the three cents necessary for a cup of coffee.

Wayne Green of this city has been appointed to a position as inspector in the gasoline exemption division of the department of inspection and registration.

July 23, 1942
Just three weeks ago today the First State Bank, Portis, wa s boldly held up in board daylight by three men, who later were seen with two women, who helped them escape. They got away with over \$2,800, but also had their car riddled with bullets by the unerring aim of Carl Thomas, cashier, with his trusty high powered rifle. Well, in just three weeks to the day, the three men and two women were picked in Denver by police on a tip from the FBI and KBI.

Fire of unknow origin burned the west elevator of the Farmers Union, Alton, Wednesday of last week. The elevator contained about 4,000 bushels of oats and barley, and this to-

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OSBORNE COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ALBERT W. ROBINSON, DECEASED.

NO. OB-2025-PR-000021

NOTICE OF HEARING

The State of Kansas to All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said Court and cause by Jesse Janssen, interested party of the estate of Albert W. Robinson, deceased, praying for the determination of the descent of all property, and interests in property, both real, personal and mixed, owned by the said Albert W. Robinson at his death; and you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 25th day of August, 2025, at 10:30 A.M. of said day, in said Court, in the City of Osborne, Osborne County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

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gether with the building and grinder, were destroyed.

Mrs. Paul McEwen was the victim of a rattler last Friday when she went to a shed in the rear of the Stanely Marr residence to store some unused articles. The reptile struck its victim on the right leg just above the ankle making quite a wound. First aid treatment was administered by Dr. Parker and the patient rushed to Hays. The injured member was badly poisoned and it was several days before the swelling was reduced.

July 24, 1947
At the past Chamber of Commerce meeting a recommendation was voted by those present after considerable discussion that Osborne stores would close by 6:30 each evening except Saturday. In as much as all Osborne stores except the groceries and two drug stores close by 6 or earlier, the only effect of the recommendation if followed, will be that grocery stores will be closed at the new time instead of staying open longer. the two drug stores will continue staying open until 7 p.m.


Two Osborne firms have blossomed out in the past couple of weeks with new heavy duty Chevrolet rucks. Quenzer Appliance added one to its fleets of trucks and Weldon went to Dallas, Tex., for the specially designed tank to haul the butane gas in. The Bestitt Botling Co., owned and operated by Lawrence & Jack Green, put the other Chevy into service as a soft drink delivery truck over the widespread territory.

July 31, 1952
Benny Brent, Alton, son of Mr. & Mrs. Bill Brent, is one of the seven boys selected from Kansas to play in the National FFA band. Benny played the trumpet and have received a superior ratings at Norton and Hays in their music festivals.

Mr. & Mrs. Theo Alflen are expecting their son, Duane, home this week. He has finished his course at the Marine Mechanics School of the Air Corps at Memphis, Tenn.

July 25, 1957
Mr. & Mrs. Dale French are the proud parens of a son born July 20. He has been named Douglas Terrell.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OSBORNE COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LINDA K. SHARITS, DECEASED, and KRISTINE SHARITS, DECEASED.

NO. OB-2025-PR-000020

NOTICE OF HEARING

The State of Kansas to All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said Court and cause by Kimberly Graham, interested party of the estates of Linda K. Sharits and Kristine Sharits, deceased, praying for the determination of the descent of all property, and interests in property, both real, personal and mixed, owned by the said Linda K. Sharits and Kristine Sharits at their deaths; and you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 25th day of August, 2025, at 10:00 A.M. of said day, in said Court, in the City of Osborne, Osborne County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

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The Department of the Army awarded a Purple Heart posthumously to the late Eddie C. Smith for meritorious service and being wounded in action in World War I. The decoration was received July 20 by his widow, Mrs. Alice Smith.

Mr. & Mrs. William F. Ketter announce the engagement of their daughter, Donna Leona, to Ronald Royce russ, son of Mr. & Mrs. H.I. Russ, Logan.

July 19, 1962
Thomas Leland Mick, son of Mr. & Mrs. Leland Mick, Tipton, surely established some kind of record upon birth July 6 at the Osborne Memorial hospital. He is the 105th great grandchild for Mrs. Johanna Mick, Boise, Idaho.

Three God and Country awards were give to Explorer Scouts Ronnie Quenzer, Roger McDaneld and Dennis Rice Sunday.

The Lions Club sponsored 24 League Pee Wee team is made up of Randy Phalen, Pat, Jim & Greg Colip, John Shellito, Jim Wilson, Dusty Nelson, Kim Rothenberger, Larry Kendig, Randy Corwin, Larry Noyes, Dennis Corbett, Duane Muck, Dean & Danny Thibault, Mark VanScyoc, Dick Roberts, Larry Aldrich, Jim Martin, Lynn Cooper, Richard Burch, Gary Krier, Tom Aiken and Terry McDaneld. The team clubbed Downs 13-0 in the local team's league final July 11. Pitcher Dick Roberts threw only 65 pitches in the five inning dual. The young hurler faced 15 men, striking out 11 Osborne collected 10 hits, led by Lynn Cooper's three for three. Back to back home runs were smashed by Larry

Aldrich and Cooper.

July 20, 1967
Hamel's Body Shop has purchased Doc's Garage on South First Street. The building was formerly an automobile repair shop owned by Lewis "Doc" Snyder.

Long time Osborne car dealer, Roger Woolley, is closing his business to accept a position as manager of Osborne PraGres Inc.

The only major building addition at the Osborne County fairgrounds this year is an approximately 40 foot addition to the south end of the swinery barn. The barn will now accommodate approximately 50 more head of hogs.

June 20, 1972
A public meeting was held last Friday evening for the purpose of deciding the next steps to take towards the nine hold grass greens golf course. It was voted to have a delegation present a program to the city council as soon as it was convenient for the council to met.

Recently, the City of Osborne purchased 30 acres of land to use as an industrial site for future development. The land is being slowly developed and now they are pouring cement for the street named Industrial Ave.

July 21, 1977
County Republican Committee chairman, Don Kiper, Downs, released the official recommendation for Osborne County sheriff last week as being Daryl Thornburg. The recommendation has been sent to Kansas Governor Robert Bennett for consideration before making an appointment to the position.

The first Linotype ever

to cast a line of type in Osborne County has escaped the junk yard fate now coming to most of its kind because of the advent of new newspaper production methods. Cleaned and polished, dressed in its Sunday best, the little Model 10 has found a home for all time to come in the Ryther Antique Printing Equipment museum in the Printing Service building on the University of Kansas campus, Lawrence.

The Blue and Gold Pee Wee teams met for the second time this season at Agra in the finals of the league tournament. The Gold, who beat the Blue earlier, took their first loss of the season as the Blues came out on top 12 to 3.

July 29, 1982
The proposed Osborne County budget for 1983 calls for total expenditures of \$1,946,725 and a levy rate of 20.66 mills.

Rita Mick, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Mick, Tipton, was judged the winner of the swimsuit competition and first runner up overall in the Miss Solomon Valley pageant.

The Rev. Charles L. Peters arrived in Osborne Monday to assume his duties as pastor of the Free Methodist Church.

About 200 person gathered on the J. Harold Carswell farm northeast of Alton Friday afternoon during the two day Kansas Hereford Association annual tour. The tour covered 16 stops at Hereford operations across north central Kansas.

July 23, 1987
Family and friends gathered Sunday at St. Aloysius Parish Center to honor Maudie Mayers.

Festivities were held in honor of her 100th birthday.

Bob Bloomer of North Central Kansas Auction and Realty received two advertising awards won in a nationwide contest sponsored by the National Auctioneers Association.

July 30, 1992
Al & Anne Reif announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Allison Rae, Topeka, to Jack William Figgs, Topeka, son of Tim & Avis Figgs, Hoyt.

For the second year in succession the Osborne No. 2 Little Girls' softball team won the regular season league championship and postseason tournament championship.

July 24, 1997
Amy A. Reif, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Al Feif, and Gregory J. Simmons, Joplin, Mo., son of Mr. & Mrs. Joe Simmons, were united in marriage May 31 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Webb City.

Janice Streit walked off with all three of the top prizes at the St. Aloysius Altar Society raffle at the Fun(d) Fest. Streit's name was pulled to win a Julie Inman reproduction, a bicycle and \$100. The \$25 prize was won by Melissa Conway.

Rachel Gilmore was named Parkview Care Center's Resident of the Month for July. She was born in the Osborne County Courthouse where her father was the janitor and her mother fed the prisoners. The mother of three girls, Ardie Rothenberger, Ann Reif and Dayla Nichols, she worked at the Farmers Union store and did wall-papering.

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NOTICE OF HEARING TO EXCEED REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE AND BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Osborne County

will meet on August 25, 2025 at 1:30 PM at Osborne County Courthouse Commissioner's Room for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax.

REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE HEARING WILL BE HELD AT 1:30 PM PRIOR TO THE BUDGET HEARING

Detailed budget information is available at Osborne County Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2026 Expenditures and Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2026 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

FUND	Prior Year Actual for 2024		Current Year Estimate for 2025		Proposed Budget Year for 2026			
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate**
General	3,330,376	38.252	3,829,930	31.702	4,126,295	2,400,520	36.981	
Road & Bridge	2,263,751	13.663	1,375,525	16.050	1,620,525	1,323,639	20.391	
EMS-Ambulance Service	577,294	6.181	548,522	10.348	639,200	441,478	6.801	
Health Nurse	205,253	0.630	178,450	0.618	138,900	42,740	0.658	
Appraisers Cost	149,823	1.687	168,416	1.791	179,450	143,218	2.206	
Direct Election	72,333	0.819	68,298	0.793	113,500	114,958	1.771	
Noxious Weed	181,474	1.500	200,375	1.500	231,520	97,369	1.500	
Hospital	412,945	6.000	429,572	6.000	415,204	389,475	6.000	
Hospital Debt Service	1,240	9.750	1,254,918	9.750	2,986,976	632,897	9.750	
Conservation District	21,210	0.287	25,000	0.361	25,000	24,716	0.381	
Fair Premium	18,000	0.147	5,000		5,000	1,731	0.027	
Fair Building		0.205	14,037	0.199	15,110			
Mental Health	38,772	0.561	37,913	0.553	39,943	39,575	0.610	
Mental Retardation	13,344	0.194	13,000	0.191	13,000	12,841	0.198	
Historical Society	2,469	0.042	3,000	0.045	5,000	4,673	0.072	
County 911	348,287		91,735		91,736			
Employee Benefits	0		71,562		71,675			
Special Alcohol Program			7,508		7,508			
E-Waste	25,257		35,000		35,000			
Waste Disposal	247,548		255,000		255,000			
Tourism Promotion			5,821		5,822			
Health Capital Outlay	45,198							
Noxious Weed Cap Outlay	21,500		14,803		14,804			
Non-Budgeted Funds-A	881,349							
Non-Budgeted Funds-B	55,962							
Non-Budgeted Funds-C	635,217							
Non-Budgeted Funds-D	161,146							
Non-Budgeted Funds-E	18,339							
Non-Budgeted Funds-F	0							
Totals	9,728,087	79.918	8,633,385	79.901	11,036,168	5,669,830	87.346	82.329
Less: Transfers	610,001		232,910		230,910			
Net Expenditure	9,118,086		8,400,475		10,805,258			
Total Tax Levied	5,229,228		5,343,295		XXXXXXX			
Assessed Valuation	65,436,851		66,883,025		64,912,554			

Outstanding Indebtedness,

	2023	2024	2025
January 1,	16,460,534	16,015,529	16,015,529
G.O. Bonds	0	0	0
Revenue Bonds	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Lease Pur. Princ.	0	0	0
Total	16,460,534	16,015,529	16,015,529

Other District Funds	Prior Year Actual for 2024		Current Year Estimate for 2025		Proposed Budget Year for 2026			
	Expenditures	Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	Revenue Neutral Rate*
Fire District No. 1	37,183	2.606	44,233	2.860	54,621	39,349	2.993	2.993
Fire District No. 2	28,371	4.852	34,987	5.023	36,496	31,391	5.023	5.023
Fire District No. 3	52,992	4.973	57,790	3.895	57,790	49,454	4.206	4.206
Hawkeye Township	32,530	18.547	31,103	20.749	35,000	32,264	24.769	22.812
Hancock Township	41,990	23.556	40,760	29.954	40,760	42,252	34.204	33.224
Sumner Township	65,701	19.239	62,665	14.709	65,000	63,527	16.043	15.458
Covert Township	36,136	37.280	33,588	40.088	35,000	34,783	42.649	40.948
Winfield Township	15,850	13.690	15,050	13.046	16,000	15,560	14.766	13.803
Independence Townshi	25,093	16.099	24,735	17.333	26,000	23,345	18.142	17.607
Grant Township	31,536	16.226	32,099	10.399	33,000	32,396	12.469	11.530
Lawrence Township	30,819	17.395	32,794	19.384	35,000	29,800	23.376	21.449
Victor Township	40,299	23.231	41,286	24.081	42,000	42,072	27.243	25.131
Kill Creek Township	33,268	13.141	34,000	13.595	34,000	31,408	18.298	17.933
Bethany Township	25,987	7.270	38,341	12.060	38,341	36,417	12.780	12.172
Mt Ayr Township	25,285	11.211	27,368	9.588	30,000	27,930	11.785	10.557
Natoma Township	4,796	13.259	18,729	7.408	25,000	22,244	9.334	7.332

*Tax rates are expressed in mills
**Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

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