

Down Memory Lane

August 24, 1932
Last Monday 20 neighbors with 36 horses and a tractor gathered at the home of Nelson Wonderlich, who had an accident two weeks ago, to help with farm work. Sixty acres of wheat ground was prepared for planting and corn cut and put in the silo.

A new, permanent football field for Osborne High is being prepared on the extreme south side of Liberty Court, across the road south from the old field.

September 2, 1937
The beautiful residence of Mr. & Mrs. M.O. Koesling just north of Bloomington, caught fire about 11 p.m. Monday night, and was burned to the ground with all its contents. The origin of the fire is believed to have been from a short circuit in the electrical wiring, but his is merely conjecture and the real cause may never be known.

Max Wells, who for several years has operated a tire and battery shop on South First in the Raney building, this week sold his shop and business to Howard Smith, Luray, who took charge of the shop September 1.

August 27, 1942
The big rally finishing up the scrap iron and rubber drive will be held in Osborne in conjunction with the County 4-H fair September 5.

The following Osborne county young men will leave Friday this week for induction station at Ft. Leavenworth: Max E. Wells, Vernon R. Ritchie, Edwin A. Macha, Lawrence C. Boedaker, Raymond F. Kaser, James E. Garver, Albert L. Jacob, Glen P. Hartman, Arvis W. Elliot, Kenneth E. Bartholomew, Floyd A. Thornburg, Peters J. Muths, Aloysius F. Brummer, Oscar E. Herrick, John G. Glave, Arthur L. Garrison and Marvin L. Beyers. On Saturday morning, six more will take the morning bus. They are John L. Byrd, Emory A. Wirth, Paul J. Cone, Charles A. Greig, Warren S. Kendig and Lyle Gregory.

August 28, 1947

Osborne and its surrounding marketing area has been chosen by Lever Brothers Co., one of the country's biggest soap manufacturers, in which to introduce Breeze, its new suds discovery, prior to national distribution. Latests addition to the long established line of Lever Brothers, the new product is now on sale in most Osborne grocery stores and supermarkets.

Mr. & Mrs. Albert Fenton, Luray, announce the marriage of their daughter, Margaret, to Roy Chatham, Jr., son of Mr. & Mrs. Roy Chatham, Sr., Luray.

September 11, 1952
Osborne has its first two polio cases for this season.

Mr. & Mrs. Billy Jemison, Osborne, have purchased the Fashion Shoppe.

Hugh Davidson, whose home is at Grant, Neb., is the new Osborne High football coach.

August 29, 1957
This year at Osborne schools, Stanley Abel will be in his 3rd year, 2nd year as superintendent. Jon Smith will be in his 2nd year as principal. Roy McCracken in his 3rd year as elementary principal and sixth grade instructor.

Mr. & Mrs. Max Slothower are the parents of a son, David Max, born August 21.

Employees of the Soil Conservation and P.M.A. office enjoyed a barbecue picnic Saturday at the Oliver Nuzum home. Couples attending were Ray Brown, Ernest Gilmore, Robert Hyde, Eldon Yarnell, Don Campbell, Richard Pinick, E.E. Martin family, Ivan Smith family and Miss Peggy Parker.

August 30, 1962
Osborne High coach Gary Fisher is "getting the boys tired" during their first week of grid workouts. Thirteen lettermen head the pack of 30 who have practiced this week. Five candidates have checked out equipment, but have not yet attended any bulldog drills. A new piece of equipment added for the first time this year is a mouthpiece.

Ground breaking cere-

monies for the new St. Aloysius rectory were held August 19. Construction work on the \$35,979 parish house will begin shortly according to Rev. John Vandenbergh, pastor, Completion date is December 1.

August 24, 1967
The ranch owned by Roy Clemence, Abilene, and located 16 miles south of Osborne on US 281, was sold at public auction for \$100 per acre to Jim Weilert, Hays. The 1120 acre ranch consists of 808 acres of pasture land and 312 acres of cultivated land.

Osborne Auto Service is adding a wholesale and retail shop. Owner Stewart "Pickles" Lightle said that work should be completed in a month. Lightle said two new employees have been hired, Delbert Yarnell, in the parts department, and Gary Conn, in the service department.

August 24, 1972
The Gaylord National Bank was robbed by two unmasked men of an undetermined amount of cash Tuesday morning at approximately 7:50 a.m. Norman Elliott, president of the bank, and Mrs. Eliott were both working

when the two men entered and told the couple to get behind the counter, while one of the men proceeded to empty the cash drawer and money from the vault into a home-made muslin sack. One of the men had a gun. The Eliotts were locked in the vault until a customer, Rev. B.J. Slothower, came in the bank and heard the pounding on the inside of the vault door. Rev. Slothower finally opened the door after they had been imprisoned for about 40 minutes. KBI Agent Muldin was on his way to Gaylord when he spotted a car with two men in it. The suspects were apprehended at 9:15 a.m. and taken to the Phillips County jail shortly after their arrest. Officers said no positive identification was immediately available on either man. No money had been recovered. The two men were released Tuesday evening from lack of evidence.

September 15, 1977
The state fire marshal requested the Alton kindergarten be moved from the second floor to the first floor in the Alton school building of USD 392.

Thirty-four entries turned out over the weekend for the Hole in the Wall Gang's third annual Rod Run held at the fairgrounds.

September 2, 1982
USD 392 starts the 1982-83 school year with a total of 508 students enrolled for classes in the district.

A retirement party and dinner Thursday honored Betty Howe, a 20 year employee of the First State Bank and Trust Company. She first went to work when the facility was located at the corner of First and Main and Charles Glenn was the bank's president. The current president is David Haskins.

Vic & Marcia Reif purchased the Tipton Locker Plant from Bill McCracken and will reopen the facility Friday, it being closed the past six months. The Reifs will continue to run their Town and Country Market in Osborne.

August 27, 1987
Osborne High enrollment took place Friday in the new library located in the former business room on the first floor of the high school.

Richard Murphy, Sumner 4-H Club, displayed the certificate and flag he obtained from Sen. Nancy Landon Kasebaum. The flag which flew over the nation's capital will be dedicated during the Alton Summer Jubilee Agust 29. The flag, pole and concrete marker will grace the Alton City Park.

September 10, 1992
Bruce, Deb, Jonna & Adrian Webb would like to announce the new addition to the their family, Benjamin Charles.

Almost 50 booths will be featured a long the 100 block of West Main for the Osborne Area Chamber of Commerce Fall Festival.

August 28, 1997
Pictured are representatives from the City, Sarver Trust and the Osborne Chamber of Commerce, all set to dig the foundation for the Circle of Fun playground equipment, following a successful fund drive launched by Jim & Carmen Collins.

Kelli Hake, Tipton, recently returned from Nashville to promote her new album, "Only in My Dreams," and her first single release.

Insight

It's a small world in agriculture
Jackie Mundt, Pratt County farmer and rancher

The agriculture industry is a small world. It doesn't always feel that way when you're in the middle of wheat harvest or out checking calves on a quiet evening, but time and again, I am reminded of how tightly connected this industry really is.

One of those reminders came this summer. There was a week in July when it seemed like everyone in agriculture was in Washington, D.C. I was supposed to be there, too, but storms on the East Coast canceled my original flight. While enjoying the airline's customer service hold music, I started scrolling through Facebook and noticed how many people in my network were posting about being in D.C. for the

week. It seemed like lots of organizations in agriculture had meetings or fly-ins that week.

All those people also meant that flights were full, and it was not a little delay but a full 24 hours before the airline could get me there. By the time I finally arrived, I was frustrated and a little disappointed because I missed all of our meetings with Kansas' federal delegation. I caught a few good speakers at the tail end of our meetings, but it felt a little wasteful to go all the way there and not visit with anyone.

I decided if I had already made it that far, I wasn't going to waste the opportunity and headed up to Capitol Hill on my own and without any appointments. Almost immediately, I started to see blue corduroy jackets everywhere because state FFA officers from across

the country were in town for their leadership summit. I even ran into the officers from my home state of Wisconsin that I have never met before so I introduced myself.

Right after a photo with the Wisconsin folks, I ran into two Kansas Farm Bureau friends that also serve on the National Sorghum Producers board. I made a few pop-ins to Kansas congressional offices just to say hello and let them know I made the effort glad to come to D.C. They always appreciate knowing you came to visit. Every time I thought I might be wandering the halls alone, another familiar face appeared. It ended up being a really good day of networking, and I am glad I made the effort and didn't give up on my trip.

That's the thing about agriculture: even in one of the biggest cities in the world, it still feels like a small town. You can't walk very far without bumping into someone you know — or someone who knows someone you know. It's a network built on shared experiences,

trust and a deep love for the land and the people who care for it.

That week in Washington, you could feel the strength of agriculture. Farmers, ranchers, commodity groups, FFA students and other young leaders all showed up. We weren't all there with the same organization or talking about the same issues, but at the heart of every conversation there was the same purpose: to make sure agriculture has a strong voice.

Agriculture really is a small world, but that's exactly what makes it strong. In a place as big and busy as Washington, D.C., it was comforting to know that no matter where I turned, someone from our community was there — working, advocating, and reminding me that none of us ever truly walks alone.

"Insight" is a weekly column published by Kansas Farm Bureau, the state's largest farm organization whose mission is to strengthen agriculture and the lives of Kansans through advocacy, education and service.

MCHHS now offering Vasectomy Services

Mitchell County Hospital Health Systems (MCHHS) is expanding its range of healthcare services with the introduction of vasectomy procedures. This option provides a permanent solution for individuals seeking a reliable and effective method for family planning.

A vasectomy is a simple outpatient procedure that involves closing off the tubes responsible for transporting reproductive cells. Known for its high success rate, low risk of complica-

tions, and convenience, the procedure has become a preferred choice for long-term family planning.

The full process involves multiple steps to ensure both safety and effectiveness:

- Consultation: The first visit includes a discussion of the procedure, a review of the patient's medical history, and an evaluation to determine if a vasectomy is the right choice.
- Procedure: The vasectomy itself is typically

completed in less than 30 minutes and is performed in our outpatient setting under local anesthesia.

- Follow-Up: Two follow-up visits are required after the procedure. These appointments include testing to confirm that the procedure was successful and that no further precautions are needed.

MCHHS is proud to make this service available locally, allowing patients to access care with the providers they know and trust.

To schedule a consultation or for more information, please contact our Outpatient Surgical Clinic at (785) 738-9405. Ready. Reliable. Right here.

Thanks so much for the food brought to the house after Lowell's death. It was gratefully appreciated.

The Donna Cornwell Family

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OSBORNE COUNTY
Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

Osborne County is requesting an expression of interest from engineering consulting firms for preliminary engineering, and project management services (construction engineering) in the equivalent to the KDOT Work Category 212 –Highway Design-Minor Facility for the project listed below. Qualifications for the roadway construction inspection in the equivalent to the KDOT's work Category: 241 will also be considered if the consulting firm is interested.

High Risk Rural Road (HRRR) project 71 C-5374-01, which is a systemic signing improvement project in Osborne County for roads South of US-24 Hwy and West of US-281 Hwy comprising of approximately 160 miles of major collector and minor collector roads. Plans will be developed using State and Federal requirements.

This is a KDOT project using KDOT funding. A standard three (3) phase, three (3) party agreement will be utilized with special attachments for the Kansas "Tax Clearance Certificate", the "Certifications of Final Indirect Costs" and the "Policy Regarding Sexual Harassment".

All qualified engineering firms who wish to be considered for this work must submit a one-page letter of interest to Osborne County at the address below on or before September 1, 2025. Firms that submit a letter of interest will receive a packet of information that provides further details including the project location and a list of services to be performed. Questions about this request shall be directed to Terry Nichols using the contact information shown below.

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