

THE PAST AT A GLANCE

140 Years Ago
The Republican Citizen
December 5, 1884

–A kitchenary department has been built to Muller & Co.'s restaurant. The boys have all the appliances and the material to run a first class house.

–Jos. A. Green has been in town all week carpentering on Warren Bros. livery stable.

–I. N. George the merchant of Herndon was in to see us last week.

–Atwood is building now, not on wind or with wind. S. L. Wilson has erected a stable, granary and office in the north part of town. Steele & Co. are putting up a thirty foot extension to their livery stable. The Warrens are rebuilding their stable 30x48. Fields has added a kitchen to his property now occupied as a restaurant, and a square addition is being made to the Valley House. Other buildings are contemplated, some of them large and commodious for business purposes and others for residences. We guess Atwood will get along better and faster as the boom comes more and more.

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130 Years Ago
The Republican Citizen
December 7, 1894

UNCLAIMED LETTERS.
Following is a list of the letters remaining unclaimed in the Atwood, Kan. postoffice Dec. 1, 1894:
Armstrong, J. J.; Brown,

Mr. Levi; Edgar, Mr. W. S.; Hays, Mr. Allen; Sullivan, Mrs. Kate.

Parties calling for the above will please say "advertised."
M. W. MIKESELL,
Postmaster.

120 Years Ago
The Citizen-Patriot
December 9, 1904

Officers Not Alarmed
Do Not Place Much Faith in Alleged Cattle Thefts.

There is little possibility that a deputy United States marshal and commissioner will be appointed to prevent cattle stealing in Cheyenne, Rawlins, Sherman and Thomas counties, as, according to report, the ranchmen had petitioned for. Assistant United States District Attorney E. D. McKeever says the federal authorities would have no power whatever to stop cattle stealing, except on government reservations, and that, under ordinary circumstances, the federal officers have no authority to act against larceny, even if the state authorities are lax in performing their duty.

A United States commissioner could be appointed by Judge Pollock without authority from Washington, but there is scarcely any probability that the judge will make an appointment. A Deputy U.S. marshal could be appointed by Marshal Mackey, by the consent of the department at Washington, but there is no probability of this being done.

As a matter of fact, it is stated, by some citizens of the counties where the trouble is, that there is no cattle stealing going on. There seems to be a feud of some kind among the cattle men, and apparently one side is trying to get the others arrested for cattle stealing.—Topeka Herald.

It is evident by the foregoing that someone has been petitioning for the appointment of a deputy U.S. marshal and commissioner for this county.

110 Years Ago
The Citizen-Patriot
December 3, 1914

–One of the sad events of this life occurred last week when Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Chilson of Herndon came to Oberlin to lay to rest a little child that had been called from this earthly home. Rev. Johnson of Atwood accompanied them to this city and conducted the service. The sympathy of the entire community is extended to the bereaved family.—Oberlin Times.

–Miss Anna Stitt who has been in the employ of the Paden pharmacy for the past several months resigned her position last week to take charge of a school near McDonald.

–Gene Walts, well known old time carpenter and contractor of the city is completing the wood work for the new safety vault for the Farmers' National Bank which will soon be ready for business.

–We have a regular shoemaker now who will sew on half soles if you want them sewed.

–The Citizen-Patriot was exceedingly fortunate in securing the services of Joe

Robertson this week who is not only a mighty agreeable fellow but a very handy man in anything that pertains to the printers art.

–O. F. Day, of Wray, Colorado, who has been riding broncos with the Idaho Bill Wild West show, was in the city the first of the week.

–Frank Miner the young son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Miner of this city met with a serious and painful accident Wednesday of last week. While running from some playmates with a sharp stick in his hand he unfortunately fell upon the stick which pierced his cheek and barely missed severing his jugular vein. Dr. Graves rendered the necessary surgical attention and the little fellow is reported as doing nicely.

–Miss Laura Shirley, valued employee of the Citizen-Patriot force, resigned her position last week to take charge of the Abstract department of the Ratcliff real estate agency which will be vacated by J. C. Bone the first of the year to take charge of the Register of Deeds office. While we regret the loss we are much pleased at her promotion for she is a splendid rapid, accurate and tireless worker that will make good in any position she may undertake. Before entering upon her duties with Mr. Ratcliff she will visit over the holidays with her parents at Mansfield, Missouri.

100 Years Ago
The Citizen-Patriot
December 4, 1924

Help Locate These Optometry Law Violators

Please help to locate and cause arrests wherever found in Kansas, the following: M. I. Strauss, who is driving in a Ford touring car and has recently visited Gove, Thomas, Rawlins, Sherman and Decatur counties. Mrs. Emma Youngblood, T. M. Wright and Mrs. Abba Y. Johnson, the latter two had claimed their home in Pittsburg. A reward will be paid to have these people arrested, held and this office notified by telephone collect.

Please make an effort to notify in person or write every constable in your county and tell him of these rewards. The sheriff, their deputies and the city marshals do not have the opportunity of seeing these auto travelers (as they avoid the towns) while the country constables if properly informed can easily spot these people and cause their arrest.

The latest advice is that Strauss was at Bird City, Cheyenne county, and near Ludell in Rawlins county. If an officer takes his car and follows one of these clues the same day, he can be well repaid for his time, and should his chase lead him into another county, both officials will receive a reward, as he would probably require the aid of a local officer.

The main thing is to get these people and make Kansas too hot for their depredations. Why not send a personal letter to your friends and patients where these violators operate and get them to help you arrest this man, Strauss.—The Kansas Optometrist, Newton.

80 Years Ago
The Citizen-Patriot
December 7, 1944

Sgt. Lyle Scoby Killed in Action

This community was saddened Monday, when it was learned that Sgt. Lyle Scoby, son of Mr. Harry Scoby, state highway supervisor here, had been killed in action on November 18, in Germany.

Lyle was in a field artillery battalion, in the range section, and had been overseas about five months. Just recently relatives here received a letter from him, telling that he had spent the previous night on German soil.

He attended school in Cheyenne county, and graduated from the St. Francis high school. Previous to his entrance into the army, he was associated with his father and uncle in the stock raising and ranching business interests.

His wife passed away about five years ago, and he is survived by a son, Robert, about 12 years of age, who has been making his home with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Scoby, and also by two younger daughters.

A few years ago, Lyle was located in Atwood, where he was employed by the state highway department. His many friends here join in offering sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

Atwood in List of Cities Proposed for Airport

According to a story in the Topeka Capital Monday, Atwood is on the list of cities in Kansas, proposed for airport facilities by the Civil Aeronautics Administration. According to the story, a class 5 airport is recommended for here, which is a field designed primarily for private flying. \$17,000 is the amount proposed to be spent here. It is pointed out that this is merely a proposed list, and further developments along this line will have to be worked out and be approved before anything more is done.

Howard Grover Buys Youngblood Station

A business transaction was completed last week end, whereby Howard Grover purchased the Youngblood filling station, on highway 36. This gives Howard needed room for his implement business, and he plans to do considerable building and rearranging of his property as soon as his conditions permit.



–Sgt. Ernie Epps who has been on the front in Germany was sent to a rest camp in Holland according to word received by Mrs. Epps.

–Great Lakes, Ill.—Among those graduating from an intensive course of Signalman training at recent service schools exercises here was Lyle Winston Bowles, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Bowles of Atwood. This Blue-jacket was selected for his specialized training aptitude test scores. Graduates from the 20 specialized courses taught here at the Service Schools are sent to sea, shore stations or advanced schools for further duty.

–A-C Van Mellick returned Wed. morning to San Anto-

nio after spending an eight day furlough with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mellick.

–Recently commended for pre-invasion production efforts, T-Sgt. Quentin Bergling of Atwood and his fellow technicians at an air service command depot in England are now basking in praise from the British press. The widely read "Sunday Express" in a featured article pointed out that the base's output figures are among world records, and lauded soldiers for their parts in keeping America's planes in control of the skies over western Europe. He is the husband of Mrs. Olive Bergling of Atwood.

–Word has been received from the war department by Harry Scoby that his son, Sgt. Lyle J. Scoby was killed in Germany November 18. Another son, LeRoy is a prisoner of war in Japan having been captured during the siege of Corregidor in the early days of the war. No additional information was received by Mr. Scoby other than the telegram from the war department.

–Ernest E. Ebeling, who is now stationed in Italy was recently promoted to a corporal. Cpl. Ebeling is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lintner of Atwood.

–Cpl. William E. Vrbas left Friday from Colby via the rocket to return to his camp at Lakeland, Fla. after enjoying a 14 day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Vrbas.

–Mrs. Bryan Kuhn has received word from her son, Pvt. LaRoy Kuhn that he is in the hospital, with frozen feet, suffered while on active duty with the army in France. He says: "You will probably get a statement from the war department that I am a casualty, but don't think anything of it, because I haven't even got a scratch, just sore feet." He adds, that it was plenty cold "up there."

–Upon the recommendations of their Battery Commander and in accordance with Executive Order No. 8809 of the President of the United States, Cpl. Wayne V. Kuhn, along with other members of his company have been awarded the Good Conduct medal. Wayne is with an anti aircraft battalion overseas.

–Staff Sgt. Charles L. Adams of Atwood was one of four Kansans awarded the Bronze Star medal recently, according to an announcement in the Topeka Capital.

60 Years Ago
The Citizen-Patriot
December 3, 1964

Series of Burglaries in Area Nov. 24

There were two attempted break-ins here in Atwood last Tuesday night, and a successful burglary at McDonald that same night, according to Robert Bethell, Rawlins county sheriff.

The glass front doors of both the Texaco and Phillips service stations in Atwood were broken, however, at neither place was entry gained.

Fred Jenik's Tractor Service building at McDonald was entered that same night. A window was broken on the north side of the building to gain entry. The safe in the building, which was

never locked, was opened, as well as other filing cabinets, desks, etc., and papers were scattered as the burglars rifled through the contents in an effort to find money. \$39.80 was taken at Fred's, along with miscellaneous tools.

The Burlington depot at Bird City, and the Equity weigh station there, also were victims of the burglars that same night. At the depot, \$30.33 in cash, plus some stamps were stolen, and there was some loss at the Equity, also.

The KBI is assisting with the investigation of the burglaries, however, there are no reports of "leads" in any of the break-ins at this time.

Apprehend Two Young Boys in Auto Theft

Sheriff Robert Bethell and Trooper Bill Kelley picked up two young boys, Jack R. Peterson, 16, and Bruce Duane Hutson, 14, both giving their address as Wyoming, Michigan, as they hitchhiked 2½ miles west of Atwood on U.S. 36, on November 25th. The officers had been alerted by radio to pick up the youths, who were suspected of stealing a 1956 Ford at Schuyler, Nebraska. The car was abandoned east of Oberlin earlier that day. They are presently being held in the county jail at Atwood.

New Employee at the Citizen-Patriot

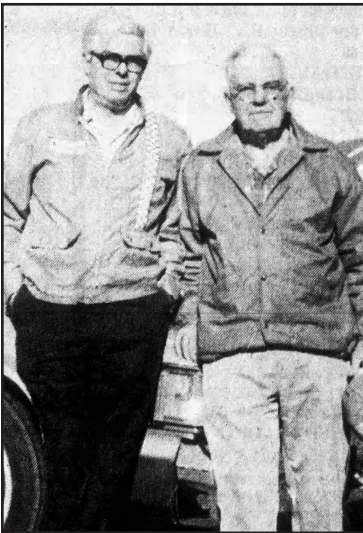
Mr. Bill White is a new employee at the Citizen-Patriot, having taken over the linotype operator's position formerly held by J. B. Beecham. J. B. has accepted a similar job at Burlington, Colo. and started work there Monday.

Another recent change in the local newspaper staff occurred when Bill Connelly resigned to accept a job with the High Plains Journal at Dodge City. Richard Rippe, sophomore at ACHS, is working after school and on Saturdays at the Citizen shop, and is developing into a fine apprentice printer.

50 Years Ago
The Citizen-Patriot
December 5, 1974

50 YEARS IN BUSINESS

The C. W. Beamgard Co., Inc. has reached a lofty position, having been in business in Atwood for the past 50 years. Rod, present manager, is at left, and the founder, C. W. Beamgard is at right. C. W. still "shows up" nearly every day at the firm, and has been active in business affairs of the company. Congratulations, as you "get going" on your second half-century.



–Steel arrived last week for the new building to be erected for the new home for the Prairie Developmental Center, located on 4th Street.

SEALED BIDS WANTED

Rawlins County is accepting bids for the removal and replacement of the covering over the back door entrance of the Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Atwood.

All bids need to be sent to the Rawlins County Clerk, 607 Main Street, Suite C Atwood, KS 67730 by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 13th, 2024.

They will be reviewed at the regular Commissioners meeting on Monday, December 16th, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.

Anyone wanting information please contact Commissioner Alan Solko at 785-322-7299.

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